# 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 1929, 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 conditons over last year, said the Rev. W. G. 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 10 years the receipts for all benevolences and causes started to move upward," said the Rev. H. B. Hostetter, executive secretary of 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. P. 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 be speaker 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 Pickerel, primary department and Misses Merle Cassel and Mary Anne Ellis, primary department assistants.

## Topic Is Announced

Adjt. Arthur Jameson is to talk on "The Ministry of the Holy Spirit" at 7:45 tomorrow night at the Volunteers of America Chapel, 320 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 the city 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. Hershell 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.

Registration is to be held from 9 to 12 Friday morning, June 18, and classes are to be held from 8 to 12 daily except Saturday and Sunday.

Instructors are to include the Rev. C. W. Clark, S. J., St. Louis University, religion; the Rev. Theodore Heck, O. S. J., St. Meinrad Seminary, principles of teaching and philosophy of education, and Miss Nettie I. Mills, New York, handwriting.

The Diocesan commission on church music is to arrange for a series of lectures and music symposia to be given during the summer session.

## Class to Dedicate Painting Sunday

A copy of Holman Hunt's painting, "Light of the World," is to be dedicated by the Girls' Federation Class of the Third Christian Church at 9:30 tomorrow morning.

Mrs. Lelia Rothenburger is to talk on "The Light of the World," Miss Minnie Lloyd is to read the scripture and Miss Ruth Lewman is to lead in prayer.

## IN CHURCHES TOMORROW

**BAPTIST**

**River Avenue**—The Rev. George D. Billeisen, pastor. Morning, "An Eternal Promise"; night, "Love Working."

**Memorial**—The Rev. George G. Kimsey, pastor. Morning, "The Meaning of the Death of Christ"; night, children's program.

**Tabernacle**—The Rev. S. W. Hartsock, pastor. Morning, "For Every Child," children's day; night, "A Rise in Temperature."

**First**—The Rev. Carleton W. Atwater, pastor. Morning, Bible school, 9:30; worship, 10:45; Children's Day program, "Living Bible Pictures That Children Love." Night, sermon 7:30, music by men's double quartette.

**Emmanuel**—The Rev. H. C. Lince, pastor. Morning, "A Child in the Midst"; night, "A Living Stone."

**Lyndhurst**—The Rev. C. H. Scheick, pastor. Morning, "The Will of God;" night, "A Good Confession."

**Woodruff Place**—The Rev. L. C. Trent, pastor. Morning, "Our Baptist Responsibility;" night, "God Hath Made a Difference."

**CHRISTIAN**

**Third**—The Rev. William F. Rothenburger, pastor. Morning, "Does Education Pay?" 10:35; night, young people's meetings.

**Seventh**—The Rev. Aubrey H. Moore, pastor. Morning, "Honoring the Church"; night, children's program in recreational hall.

**Centenary**—The Rev. Harry T. Bridwell, pastor. Morning, "What Christianity Demands"; night, children's day program.

**Central**—The Rev. W. A. Shullenberger, pastor. Morning, "Two Kinds of Power"; night, concluding sacred choir concert for season, 7:30.

**Eighth**—The Rev. Glen W. Mell, pastor. Morning, children's day sermon; night, program by four children's departments.

**Englewood**—The Rev. O. A. Trinkle, pastor. Morning, "The Constancy of Christ's Love"; night, children's day program. Miss Lora Johnson, director, 8.

**University Park**—The Rev. S. Grundy Fisher, pastor. Morning, Sunday School, 9:30; "Can Politics Be Christian?" at 11; service at Citizen's Fraternity Building, 40th-st and Capitol-av.

**Downey**—The Rev. B. R. Johnson, pastor. Morning, "What Voices Shall Prevail"; night, Christian Youth Council, William Watkins, leader, 6:30.

**Northwood**—The Rev. R. Melvyn Thompson, pastor. Morning, "How to Count for Nothing."

**CHRISTIAN ALLIANCE**

**Christian and Missionary Alliance**—The Rev. A. C. Marvin, pastor. Morning, "We Would See Jesus"; night, "Neglecting God's Great Salvation."

**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE**

**All Churches**—Lesson sermon: "God, the Preserver of Man."

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**

**East Side**—Hugh McCord, evangelist. Morning, "O King Agrippa."

**CHURCH OF GOD**

**South Side**—The Rev. H. A. Sherwood, pastor. Morning, Sunday School, Ransom Johnson, chairman. No sermon. Church of God Camp Meeting at Anderson. Prayer meeting Thursday.

**CONGREGATIONAL**

**First**—The Rev. Ellis W. Hay, pastor. Morning, "Life's Perspective."

**Union**—The Rev. Clarence W. Balwin, pastor. Morning, "Youth's Holidays," Children's Day.

**EPISCOPAL**

**St. George's**—The Rev. Francis Tetu, vicar. Morning, Holy Communion, 9; church school, 9; morning prayer and sermon, 10.

**Advent**—The Rev. George S. Southworth, rector. Morning, Holy Communion, 7:30; morning prayer and sermon, 11.

**Christ Church**—The Rev. E. Ainger Powell, rector. Morning: Holy Communion, 8; morning prayer and sermon, 9:45, "The Symbol and Sacrament of Loyalty." Flag to be paraded by color guard from church Boy Scout group.

**St. Paul's**—The Rev. William Burrows, rector. Morning, Holy Communion, 8:30; morning prayer and sermon, 10:45.

**All Saints' Cathedral**—The Rev. Robert C. Alexander, vicar. Morning, Holy Communion, 7:30; morning prayer and sermon, 11; evening prayer, 5.

**EVANGELICAL**

**Friedens**—The Rev. Robert C. Kuebler, pastor. Morning, sermon by Dr. Ernest Evans, 10.

**Zions**—The Rev. Frederick R. Darles, pastor. Morning, children's program, 10; address by the Rev. T. Schulz, Long Beach, Cal.

**First**—The Rev. R. H. Mueller, pastor. Morning, children's day; night, "The Yes Man," 7:30.

**Beville Avenue**—The Rev. F. G. Keubler, pastor. Morning, children's program; night, "Ruth Choosing."

**FRIENDS**

**First**—The Rev. O. Herschel Folger, pastor; morning, combined service at 9:30. Children's day program, Mrs. L. R. George, chairman.

**LUTHERAN**

**Church of Our Redeemer**—The Rev. W. H. Eifert, pastor. Morning, "The Church at Laodicea—A Lukewarm Church."

**St. Matthew**—The Rev. L. C. E. Fackler, pastor. Morning, children's service, 10:30, pageant of biblical characters.

**Bethlehem**—The Rev. Allen K. Trout, pastor. Morning, "What Happens to the Soul of an Unbeliever."

**Gethsemane**—The Rev. J. S. Albert, pastor. Morning, "The Master Teacher."

**METHODIST**

**East Park**—The Rev. R. A. Ulrey, pastor. Morning, "Encouragement"; night, "What Is a Christian?"

**Broadway**—The Rev. Richard M. Millard, pastor. Morning, "India's Five Revolutions," Bishop Brenton T. Badley, Bombay, Indian; speaker, 10:45; night, Epworth League; "India's Saffron Robe," Bishop Badley speaker.

**New Jersey Street**—The Rev. Edwin J. Weiss, pastor. Morning, Woman's Foreign Missionary thank offering service, Miss Adis Robbins, speaker; youth conference at 3:30 and 7:30, Dr. Robert Lee Stuart, speaker.

**Blaine Avenue**—The Rev. Lemuel G. Carnes, pastor. Morning, children's program, 10:30; night, "Abiding in Christ."

**Capitol Avenue**—The Rev. E. Arnold Clegg, pastor. Morning, L. E. York, superintendent of Anti-Saloon League, speaker.

**Central Avenue**—The Rev. Charles Drake Skinner, pastor. Morning, children's day service, pageant; night, Epworth League meeting "Which Way America?" Ernest M. Sims, Elkhart, speaker.

**Edgewood**—The Rev. M. O. Robbins, pastor. Morning, "The Peerless Teacher"; night, children's day program.

**Irvington**—The Rev. Guy O. Carpenter, pastor. Morning, the Rev. E. L. King, India, speaker; vesper service 4:30; children's day program.

**North**—The Rev. C. A. McPheeters, pastor. Morning, church school, 9:30, "An Interpretation of Christianity," at 10:45; night, Epworth League, 7.

**St. Paul**—The Rev. Charles H. Lizenby, pastor. Morning, "Faith, Privilege or Problem?" Night, Jack Jones, speaker.

**Broad Ripple**—The Rev. Norbert Talbott, pastor. Morning, "An Inverse Order"; night, children's day.

**West Washington Street**—The Rev. L. H. Kendall, pastor. Morning, "Paul Not Ashamed of the Gospel."

**Barth Place**—The Rev. R. R. Cross, pastor. Morning, "Christ Enthroned Within;" night, "Our Christian Responsibility."

**Bellaire**—The Rev. E. Earl Jones, pastor. Morning, "God's Threefold Reason for Man's Redemption"; Night, Arthur Williams, Y. M. C. A. educational director, speaker.

**Sunshine Gardens**—The Rev. Jesse J. Gettinger, pastor. Morning, Communion; night, guest speaker.

**Madison Avenue**—The Rev. Charles A. McCullough, pastor. Morning, "The Veiled Future"; night, "Is There Another God?"

**Merrit Place**—The Rev. C. C. Bonnell, pastor. Morning, "Fundamental Facts on Christian Education"; night, Children's Day program.

**Roberts Park**—The Rev. C. T. Alexander. Morning, "The Power of Inspiration"; afternoon, vesper concert, 4:40.

**Woodside**—The Rev. M. H. Reynolds. Morning, "A Spiritual Union"; night, Children's Day program.

**Bethany**—The Rev. J. L. Seng, pastor. Morning, "The Riches of God"; Bible school, 9:15; evening, "The Gracious Feast."

**MORAVIAN EPISCOPAL**

**First**—The Rev. Donald Conrad, pastor. Morning, "Behold the Lad."

**NAZARENE**

**First**—The Rev. W. E. Albea, pastor. Morning, "What Are You Standing For?" at 10:30; night, "The Bartered Birthright," 7:30.

**NON-DENOMINATIONAL**

**Missionary Tabernacle**—The Rev. Otto H. Nater, pastor. Morning, "Eagle Christians;" afternoon, "Modern Idolatry," the Rev. Ernest Selters, speaker; night, "Rewards," the Rev. John Higginbotham, speaker.

**Unity Truth Center**—The Rev. Murrell G. Powell, pastor. Morning, "The Great Feast" 10:55.

**West New York Gospel Mission**—The Rev. Maud H. Iliges, pastor. Afternoon and night services.

**Self-Realization Fellowship Temple**—Sir Ranendra Kumar Das, leader. "A Joyous Vacation," M. Edkhardt, speaker; night, musical tea, 6.

**Natural Science of Life Church**—Mrs. Lida Bishop, leader. Night, Lincoln. "Facts, Not Superstitions Should Be Foundations for Religion." Last service of season.

**PILGRIM HOLINESS**

**East Miami Street**—The Rev. L. N. Trotter, pastor. Services, the Rev. and Mrs. Frank Hotle in charge, 2:30; night, Mr. Hotle, speaker 7:45. Midweek prayer meeting 7:45 Wednesday.

**PRESBYTERIAN**

**Irvington**—The Rev. John B. Ferguson, pastor. Morning, children's day, 10; night, "The Relation of Crime to Our Community," Dr. Gunnar Dybwad, speaker.

**Meridian Heights**—The Rev. Sidney Blair, pastor. Morning, Communion and reception of new members, 10:30; night, senior fellowship, 6:30.

**Sutherland**—The Rev. Florizel A. Pfeiderer, pastor. Morning, "General Assembly's Challenge to the Church."

**Prentice**—The Rev. Malcolm D. McNeal, pastor. Morning, children's day program; night, Tuxic society.

**Fairview**—The Rev. Virgil D. Ragan. Morning, communion.

**Woodruff Avenue United**—The Rev. William C. Ball, pastor. Morning, "Hold Fast."

**Memorial**—The Rev. William H. Kendall, pastor. Morning, children's day.

**Tabernacle**—The Rev. J. Ambrose Dunkel, pastor. Morning, "Teh Radicalism of Jesus"; night, "Destroying the Carved Work With Axes and Hammers."

**Westminster**—The Rev. H. T. Graham, pastor. Morning, children's day.

**Mesidian Heights**—The Rev. Sidney Blair Harry. Morning: Church school, 9:30; worship, 10:30, celebration of Lord's Supper, baptism and reception of members.

**First United**—The Rev. Joseph A. Mears, pastor. Morning, "A Sower Went Forth to Sow."

**REFORMED**

**Immanuel**—The Rev. Herbert F. Weckmueller, pastor. Morning, children's day program, 9:30.

**Carrollton Avenue**—The Rev. E. G. Homrighausen, pastor. Morning, children's program, pageant, Mrs. A. B. Mulford, chairman, at 9:25; worship, "The Glory of Small Things," 10:45. Thirty-first anniversary, roll call.

**UNITARIAN**

**All Souls**—The Rev. F. S. C. Wicks, pastor. Morning, "Books."

**UNITED BRETHREN**

**Calvary**—The Rev. L. A. Huddleston. Morning, "A Goalless Life"; night, "Is it Worth the Price?"

**University Heights**—The Rev. Roy H. Turley, pastor. Morning's children's program, 10:30; night, "The Blessedness of Forgiveness."

**UNIVERSALIST**

**Central**—Oscar F. Vogt, moderator. Morning, Forum discussion, "The Bible," Dr. H. P. Clarke, leader.

Weekly Sunday School Lesson

## JESUS CRUCIFIED

Text: Luke 23:33-46

(International Uniform Sunday School Lesson for June 14)

BY W. E. GILROY, D.D.
Editor of Advance

THROUGH the garden of Gethsemane we must follow Jesus to Calvary and the tragedy of the cross. When it became evident that the cup would not pass, but that He would have to drink it to the last drop, the spirit of Jesus seemed to find a new courage and a new calm through communion with the Father and through the consciousness that, even in the acceptance of a cruel death, He was fulfilling the Father's will.

It was indeed true that He could not save Himself, if He were to fulfill His mission.

If it seems hard to go with any reality the full length of this way to the cross, we should remember that a gentle mother who loved her son went all the way, that she might be with Him in His dying hour.

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IN the description of those who stood by the cross in the hour of His death, we are told that the mother of Jesus was there. How much that tells us concerning Mary and the spirit of that woman whose privilege and honor it was to give birth to the Babe of Bethlehem!

She had treasured the token and prophecies of His prophetic mission, and though her heart must have been crushed with woe as she beheld her Son on the cross, there also must have been some ray of hope and some courage of faith that took her there to share His agony.

I have referred to the vividness of the picture of Christ in the garden of Gethsemane, and surely one must say the same for the story of the crucifixion. It also is expressed in a few sentences; but no story of modern times ever has surpassed in reality the record of these few words.

What a striking incident is this, of the two malefactors on crosses on either side of Jesus; and how beautiful the reality of Christ's salvation comes to light in the consciousness of one man that he has found peace and salvation as he expiates his misdeeds!

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THERE is a suggestion, also, of the terror that attended the hour of Christ's death, as darkness came over the land and the veil of the temple was rent in twain. And in what simple, appalling words does the story come to an end, with the Master crying aloud, "Father, into Thy hands I commend My Spirit."

Glory and tragedy move in this record, which we see now in the light of Christ's resurrection and His eternal mission. As the experience reaches into the depths of human experience, so it reaches into the life of humanity age after age.

The story goes on, the struggle of truth against error, of goodness against evil, of love against hate. Men go the way of torture and suffering because they would find for themselves and for their fellows a higher and a better life; yet as the saviors fall and are crucified, the life that they have lived goes on.

The spirit of the Christ can not be crushed. The words of Jesus are vindicated. "I have overcome the world."

## Class Parade to Be Staged

### Baraca Group to Celebrate Seven Years of Progress.

The growth of the 101 Baraca Class of the Broadway Baptist Church from a membership of a half dozen men seven years ago to more than 300 today is to be celebrated at an anniversary program tomorrow.

The Rev. R. M. Dodrill is teacher of the group, the second largest business men's Bible class in Marion County.

Featuring the celebration is to be a booster parade preceding the Sunday School hour. The parade, to form on 11th-st at College-av at 8 is to move north on College to 30th, west to Central-av, south to 22nd-st and east to the church, 611 E. 22nd-st.

## Sermon, Music Scheduled for Founding Date

### Central Christian Church Congregation to Mark 103d Anniversary.

The one hundred third anniversary of Central Christian Church, Delaware and Walnut-sts, is to be observed tomorrow with services and a sacred concert.

Established in 1833 by John O'Kane, the first evangelist sent out by the Christian Church after its organization in Indiana, services were conducted in a log cabin west of the Statehouse. The church later moved to Ohio and Delaware-sts.

In 1892 it moved to the present location, and the education building was added in 1921. The church has had four ministers in the last 50 years. Dr. William A. Shullenberger is starting his eleventh year in the Central Christian pulpit.

**Program Is Outlined**

Services tomorrow morning are to include a Bible school at 9:30 and the sermon, "Two Kinds of Power," by Dr. Shullenberger.

Five hundred are expected to attend the social hour from 5 to 6 in the church chapel and the buffet supper following. At 7:30 the vested church choir of 36 voices is to present a concert of sacred music.

The program:

Preludes—
Organ—"Finlandia" ..... Sibelius
Choir—"The Omnipotence" ..... Schubert
Anthems—
"Darest Thou Now, O Soul" ..... David Mck. Williams
"Our Master Hath a Garden" ..... Crimp
"Spring in the Desert" ..... Arthur Jennings
Duet—"Courage" ..... Gounod
Anthems—
"By the Waters of Babylon" ..... Philip James
"Beneath the Shadow of the Great Protection" ..... Clarence Dickinson
'Inflammatus" (Stabat Mater) ..... Rossini
Offertory Violin—"Adagio" (Concerto in G Major) ..... Mozart
Motet—"Psalm XIII" ..... Mendelssohn
Postlude—"Pomp and Circumstance" ..... Elgar

Fred Jefry is music director and Mrs. Jefry is organist. Soloists are Ruth G. Kreipke and Ruth Sexton, sopranos; Lillie King and Josephine L. Corwin, contraltos; Farrell Scott and Gilbert Mershon, tenors; Forrest Scott, baritone, and Gene Chenoweth, violinist.

## Church Drama

A dramatized review of Henry VanDyke's "The Pearl of Great Price" is to be presented at 7 tomorrow night in North Methodist Church by pupils of Miss Mary Beatrice Whiteman, dramatic art instructor.

The Epworth League Society of the church is sponsoring the review. Kenneth Hill is president of the group. Miss Annamargaret Chapman is to preside.

## Week of Service for Youth Set

### Services to Be Held at New Jersey Street Church.

Indianapolis young people are to observe "Spiritual Emphasis Week" tomorrow through June 21 at the New Jersey Street M. E. Church. The meetings are undenominational.

"The Strength of Our Youth for Christ" is to be the theme of the week's meetings, to open at 3 with an address by the Rev. C. A. McPheeters, North M. E. Church pastor.

A union young people's service at 6:30, an evangelistic hour at 7:30 and a talk by Dr. Robert Lee Stuart Taylor University president, are to conclude the opening day's program. Dr. Stuart is to speak again Friday night.

Additional speakers include Dr. Wesley Pugh, Richmond; Jack Miller, Buffalo, and young people's leaders of the city.

Two meetings are to be conducted each evening, Monday through Friday, followed by a discussion group and evangelistic hour.

The young men's quartet from Taylor University is to sing at each service.

George Dalton, general arrangements chairman, is assisted by Margaret Mitchell, Eileen Small and Morton Hancock. Discussion groups are in charge of Mabelle Bentley, Thelma Taylor, Helen French and Jack Miller, leaders.

## Brightwood Church Services Continue

Evangelistic campaign of the Brightwood Church of Christ is to continue at Gale and 25th-sts until June 21 with talks by E. C. Creacy, evangelist, Horse Cave, Ky. The talks are given nightly and three times on Sundays.

Mr. Creacy is to preach from 8:30 to 9 tomorrow and June 21 over Station WIRE.

## Granted Leave

Mrs. Ora L. Shepherd (above), executive secretary of the department of missionary organization of the United Christian Missionary Society, has beeen granted a leave of absence for study at Columbia University. She is to leave July 1 for the summer school term.

Dr. James A. Crain, executive secretary of the department of social education, and T. T. Swearington, executive secretary of the department of religious education, are to study at the University of Chicago.

## Choir to Sing Vesper Music

### Program at Roberts Park Is at 4:30 Tomorrow.

A vesper concert of oratorio selections is to be presented at 4:30 tomorrow at Roberts Park Methodist Church. The Rev. C. T. Alexander, church pastor, is to give the invocation.

Participants include the Burroughs-Jackson College Choir and voice students of Jane Johnson Burroughs, director, with Marion Laut, pianist. Dale W. Young, organist, of the Arthur Jordan Conservatory of Music, also is to take part.

The program follows follows:

Organ Prelude—
"Holy City"—Adoration ..... Gaul
"Messiah"—Prelude ..... Handel
"Gloria Domini"—Solemn Prelude ..... Noble
Invocation by Mr. Alexander
Choral Response—Dresden Amen
"Creation"—"The Marvelous Work" Haydn
The choir; soprano, Ruth Wagener
Soprano—"With Verdure Clad"
Mrs. C. A. McPheeters
"Messiah" ..... Handel
Soprano—"Rejoice Greatly"
Marjorie Breeden
Bass—"But Who Shall Abide"
John Power
"Joshua"—"O Had I Jubal's Lyre" Handel
Helen Shepherd Sedwick
"The Light of the World" ..... Sullivan
Contralto—"And God Shall Wipe Away All Tears"
Margaret Cornell
"Eli"—"I Will Extol Thee" ..... Costa
Frieda Jones
"Stabat Mater"—"Inflammatus" ..... Rossini
The choir; Ruth Wagener, soprano
"Coming of the King"—Virgin's Lullaby" ..... Buck
Meryle Hansen
"Seven Last Words"—"God, My Father" ..... Dubois
Fred W. Martin
"Elijah" ..... Mendelssohn
Mezzo-soprano—"O Rest in the Lord"
Bhular Flanders
Tenor—"If With All Your Hearts"
Hugh Mason
Ladie' Trio—"Lift Thine Eyes"
Marjorie Breedon, Marjorie Bryum, Harriette Leake
Bariton—"It Is Enough"
William Kendall
Chorus—"Be Not Afraid"
"Isaiah"—"Thou Wilt Keep Him in Perfect Peace" ..... Patten
Beulah Bailey
Organ Offertory—"Messiah" ..... Handel
Mr. Young
"Daughter of Jairus" ..... Stainer
Tenor—"My Hope Is in the Everlasting"
J. B. Gilbreath
Duet—"Love Divine, All Love Excelling"
Mrs. Frank Hunter and Hugh Mason
"St. Paul" ..... Mendelssohn
Contralto—'But the Lord Is Mindful of His Own"
Miss Leake
Baritone—"God Have Mercy"
Robert Leffler
Soprano—"Jeruslem, Thou Killest the Phophets"
Thelma Thompson
Chorus—"O, Great Is the Depth"
Benediction
Chorsl Response—"Peace, I Leave With You"
The Postlude—"Christmas Oratorio"—finale ..... Saint-Saens

## Sidener to Deliver Talk on 'Nominated'

"Nominated" is the subject of an address which Merle Sidener, leader, is to deliver to the Christian Men Builders Bible class of Third Christian Church tomorrow morning.

Mayer Chapel choir, directed by Miss Grace Hutchings, is to sing. Harold Traylor is to lead group singing.

Representatives of the class public speaking group are to speak during Fountain Square Christian Church services in the evening.

## Church to Honor Charter Members

Charter members of the Tuxedo Park Baptist Church and members on June 1, 1908, are to be honor guests at a home-coming service at 9:30 tomorrow morning.

The church was organized in 1902 with 59 charter members. The Rev. L. C. Steening was pastor.

A children's day program is to be presented at 7:30 tomorrow night.

## CHURCH TO MARK TENTH ANNIVERSARY TOMORROW

Tenth anniversary of the Fifty-first Street Methodist Church is to be observed with a special program tomorrow at the church, 51st-st and Central-av. The building was dedicated June 27, 1926.

## Make Church Interesting, Pastor Urges

### 'Strive to Make Goodness Attractive,' Says the Rev. A. H. Moore.

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The church is God's institution on earth to save men. It surpasses all other institutions, and should be given first place in the hearts of those who profess Christianity.

Too often these human institutions with all the good they do, sap the life of the church, and deprive the church of money and service it so sadly needs.

We might well ask ourselves the question, why does not the church appeal to more people? Why does it take so much effort to persuade people to become members? Is not the answer to be found in the fact that we have not made it interesting enough? And then some one asks how can we make the church interesting?

The early church mentioned in the fourth chapter of Acts certainly was not a dull affair. They possessed faith, they were unselfish, they had that element of power that accomplished things, they loved and shared with each other those essentials of life that were common to all.

Their greatness and winning power was not due to their costly and elaborate buildings. It was no God of stone there early Christians worshiped. Marriage was sacred to them, but there were no elaborate chapels where such services were to be performed. Their religion was on the inside, not outside and when others beheld them they called them Christians because they practiced what they preached.

So our task is to make the church more interesting. Jesus Christ Himself is interesting. The Gospel He preached is interesting, and will draw men even now if preached in faith and sincerity.

The human soul in its relation to God in the great moral order and its relation to other lives in the social order, are strangely interesting. There is no other single aspect of life which can compare for one moment with all that for interest.

There is no reason why a preacher should become dull, prosy, unappealing and lifeless.

When Charles A. Dana was editor of the New York Sun he was a man in a thousand in a newspaper office. He was as one of his honored associates has said, "A man of scholarly attainment, of inborn refinement and of supreme ability to transfer his great knowledge to every column of his newspaper. He believed that a newspaper is a great educator, greater as an educator of the masses than the pulpit or lecture room, because it talks to such a wide audience. He believed that its influence, read as it is by old and young, should be thoroughly clean and wholesome."

Then on that secure foundation he was intent upon building the structure of a paper that people would take and read. "Make the Sun interesting," he was forever saying to his staff. "The people will not read dull, pokey, porous stuff; hoot it out of the place."

Let ministers and laymen join hands to make the church interesting, and people will come, and, more than that, they will be profited by their coming.

To make the church interesting it must be made religious. There are churches which did not in any sort of service they offered make men aware of their souls, aware of God, aware of their high privilege in Him. There seemed to be sadly lacking that sense of something which is not of this world. The whole atmosphere is of earth, and the poor attendants in those churches seemed to be buried in it, beyond the hope of a resurrection.

We should strive to make our goodness attractive, remembering you can not force or legislate people into the Kingdom of God. There must be more than doctrine; there must be doctrine, but it needs to be adorned by the people who believe and profess it.

In the New Testament there is a verse which reads: "Adorn the doctrine of God our Savior in all things." Dress your lives in the garments of captivating character. Don't parade your goodness; in other words, don't be too good. Don't be too critical, too inclined to find fault with those who do not do and agree with your way. There are many good people on your street who do not belong to your church or club, or vote your political party. Make the church interesting by being interesting yourself.

## Exercises Outlined for Children's Day

Children's day exercises are to be observed at the Fletcher Place M. E. Church at 10 tomorrow with a program by members of the primary, junior and intermediate departments. The Rev. Howard G. Lytle, pastor, is to talk on "What Will Our Children Inherit?"

The summer schedule is to be inaugurated with church school services at 10. Evening services have been discontinued for the summer.

## Lecture Is Arranged

Mrs. L. P. Hinson of Hinson's Institute, Richmond, is to give a health lecture at 7:30 Monday night at the Woodruff Avenue Presbyterian Church. The talk is sponsored by the church Social Circle.

## Old-Fashioned

An old-fashioned service tomorrow night at the Second Moravian Church, is to conclude a forward movement campaign. The Rev. George C. Westphal, pastor, is to talk on "Our Marching Order."

A reed organ and an old-fashioned choir are to provide music. Lamps, lanterns and candles are to be used to light the building. Mr. Westphal is to "line out" the hymns.