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CHRISTIAN MINISTRY WEEK SCHEDULED JAN. 10-13; INCLUDES WORKSHOP, SYMPOSIUM

Dr. Paul S. Rees Featured Speaker

A Week of Christian Ministry, the third of six special fiftieth anniversary series, will be held on the college campus January 10 through 13, with speakers, workshops, and a symposium geared to give special emphasis to the work of the pastor and his ministry in the church.

Principal speaker will be Dr. Paul S. Rees, pastor of the First Covenant Church of Minneapolis, Minnesota, and one of the foremost preachers and Christian leaders of our time. Dr. Rees was a member of the Billy Graham London Crusade team, and plans to accompany Graham again in his forthcoming crusade in Scotland. He will speak at the evening meetings at 8:00 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. He will also address the Tuesday and Wednesday chapel hours at 9:40 a.m.

An outstanding feature of the week will be the workshop and symposium periods, designed directly to help the pastor in his local church ministry. Six workshops are planned—two each on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday afternoons. They will be conducted by Dr. W. C. Mavis, professor of Pastoral Theology at Asbury Seminary, and Rev. Joseph Kimbel, Church Extension Director of the United Missionary Church.

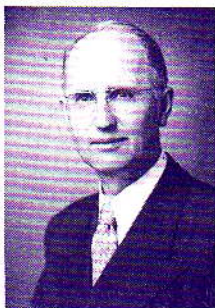
The symposium, to be held on Thursday evening at 8:00 p.m., is on the subject, "The Minister and His Congregation". Four speakers will take part. Together with their topics, they are given on page 3 of this issue, along with other information concerning the week.

Pastors from a wide area are expected to attend the week's sessions. Accommodations are available to all who want them. For additional information and reservations, write to Rev. Cyril H. Eicher, Chairman of Christian Ministry Week, Fort Wayne Bible College, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Anniversary Issue Coming

The February number of the *Vision* will be a special 50th Anniversary issue. It will contain interesting items about the anniversary of the college and the events of Anniversary Week, February 22-25. Watch for it!

Principal Speaker for Christian Ministry Week



Dr. Paul S. Rees

Assistant to President Appointed for Fund Drive

Mr. H. M. Curdy of Van Buren, Indiana, has been appointed by the Board as Assistant to the President to direct the campaign for funds for the anniversary building project. He will succeed Mr. Carl Light, Fort Wayne businessman, who has been giving part time in the college but who plans to move to California in a couple of months.

Mr. Curdy is a devoted and congenial Christian who has been Materials Control Manager of the large RCA plant at Marion, Indiana. He has also been serving as part-time

Missions Construction Course Scheduled For Next Summer

An unusual course of training will be given at the College to men missionary candidates next summer from June 14 to August 5. The eight-week course will be a down-to-earth program of training designed to give the missionary basic know-how and skills in the construction of buildings in underprivileged lands. Besides training in construction, there will be experience in the allied skills of carpentry, masonry, plumbing, and electric wiring. Some attention will also be given to sanitation. Actual experience in building will be provided.

Two eminently qualified instructors will be in charge: Mr. George Guindon, M.S., of Peoria, Ill., who has been teaching manual arts in Peoria schools and at Bradley University, and Rev. H. K. Dancy of Toronto, Canada. Mr. Dancy has just returned from 28 years of service in Africa with the Africa Inland Mission, and is recognized as a veteran and an expert in mission building. He authored a well-known textbook on the subject.

The 1955 program is the first of two units to be offered by the College. The second, centering in the (Continued on Page 4)

pastor of the Farrville Congregational Christian Church. Both Mr. and Mrs. Curdy have Christian and Missionary Alliance backgrounds, Mrs. Curdy being the daughter of the late Rev. and Mrs. R. K. Mills. Mr. Curdy is a graduate of Taylor University and has had experience in business and accounting. He feels that the Lord has been fitting him for a call to Christian service in the field of business management and promotion. We anticipate for him a warm reception among all of our friends and a challenging opportunity of service.

with the president . . .

Dr. S. A. Witmer



Who Is In Control?

Back of the multiplied conferences of prime ministers and diplomats during 1954, back of the billions being poured into the armament race, is a great FEAR. It is the FEAR of what man may do with the terrifying power than he now holds in his hands. He now has the know-how to destroy civilization, even life itself. As one writer commented, "With Hiroshima one era came to a close and the atomic age was ushered in, leaving man's finger on the controls of eternity."

But Christian faith has something to say about this suicidal eventuality. First, it is not true and never will be true that man has control of eternity and destiny. In the second place, Jesus Christ, the Lord of the universe, is the only one whose hand is on the control of eternity. He assumed that control when He unleashed the shackles of death, rose from the dead, and ascended to universal dominion and power. He has never surrendered control and He never will. The hand that is going to write the period to human history is the nail-pierced hand of the Son of God; not the dirty hand of an irresponsible dictator.

Think of the scene on the Isle of Patmos at the end of the first century. The oldest and one of the greatest leaders of the struggling, persecuted church was a prisoner on that lonely rock projecting from the Aegean Sea. The military and political might of the Roman Empire, pitted against the infant church, seemed omnipotent. In the face of such odds, some may have been tempted to doubt the faith that claimed Christ's right to universal dominion. Was the church being used as a pawn on the board of power struggle? Was it not a mere bit of driftwood tossed about on a stormy sea of worldly strife?

To bring assurance to His own, the risen Christ appeared to the Apostle John. With astonished eyes and terrified ears, John was overcome with fear. He reported the awful encounter in these words: "When I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead. And he laid his right hand upon me, saying unto me, 'Fear not; I am the first and the last: I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive forever more, Amen; and have the keys of hell and death.'"

The keys of hell and death were in the hands of the exalted Christ. They were not in the hands of the Roman Caesar nor have they at any time since been in the hands of any human agency. Those keys are held by hands that were crucified but which now hold the sceptre of universal dominion. Death once claimed Him. Hades tried to enchain Him. But Christ rose from the dead. He became the conqueror of every enemy, and is now crowned with glory and honor.

I can fully trust Him. I can put my destiny in His hands. I can trust Him to write the final period to the human record of bloodshed and strife. I can believe that He will cause righteousness to triumph over evil. I am sure that He is the answer to the H-bomb.

Building Fund Drive Pushes Forward

The first report can now be made on the campaign for funds for the anniversary building project consisting of a classroom-office building and a new library. At a dinner meeting of volunteer workers for the Fort Wayne area held in the college gym on December 13, a total of \$40,059.00 in pledges and gifts was reported from over 200 Fort Wayne donors. In addition, \$8,153.31 was contributed by residents of Fort Wayne before the campaign began, and \$11,460.00 was pledged or given by friends outside the city. The complete total, therefore, as of December 13 was \$59,672.31.

Sincere thanks to all givers and campaign workers, and praise to God for this very substantial beginning!

Faculty-Staff Lounge Completed

A new lounge has been furnished for use by the faculty and staff of the college on the first floor of Leightner Hall. The lounge was the living room of the former owner of the home before it was acquired by the college last August. The spacious room faces Rudisill Boulevard, and will be used for faculty and staff functions and meetings. It was initiated with a faculty tea on December 13.

The remainder of the first floor contains an apartment, and the second and third floors make up a girls dormitory.

PLEASE PRAY

1. For Prof. Oliver Steiner's complete recovery.
2. For the physical needs in two missionary families—the Eugene Ponchots of Sierra Leone, West Africa, and the Truman Gottschalks of Ecuador, S. A. Three-and-a-half-year old Steven Ponchot has some paralysis from an attack of polio and Mrs. Ponchot has returned him to Hamilton, Ohio, for treatment. Four-year-old Stephen Gottschalk became ill with tuberculosis and the family has been given leave to move to a more healthful climate.
3. For much blessing on the ministry of Dr. Paul Rees and others during the Christian Ministry Anniversary Week, January 10-13.
4. For God's continued blessing on the building campaign.

Anniversary Calendar

Christian Ministry—

January 11-14

- Dr. Paul Rees
Minneapolis, Minn.
- Rev. Joseph Kimball
South Bend, Ind.
- Dr. W. C. Mavis
Asbury Seminary

Anniversary Week—

February 22-25

- Rev. Jared F. Gerig
Missionary Church Assn.
- Dr. Thomas Moseley
Nyack Missionary Training
Institute
- Civil officials

Missions—

March 22-25

- Dr. David H. Johnson
Evangelical Alliance Mission
- Dr. Eugene Nida
American Bible Society
- Missionary rally

Music and Radio—

April 28-May 1

- Dr. Olaf Christiansen
St. Olaf College
- Mr. Don Hustad
Moody Bible Institute
- Mr. Edward Cording
Wheaton College
- Rev. Wendell Loveless
Wheaton, Illinois

Student Council Reaches Top In \$1,000 Library Book Project

The current-year project of the Student Council reached its top recently when the goal of \$1,000 was met for securing new books for the college library. Student Council president Jack McManus made the announcement and presented Dr. S. A. Witmer, president of the college, with the first book during the chapel program on December 16.

The project was originally launched early in November when students were excused from classes for one day to hire themselves out on work calls to bring in initial funds. Since then, the balance has been donated or worked in to reach the goal.

Facilities already added to the library as a part of the project include a new set of the Encyclopedia Britannica, Readers Guide, Book Digest, and an Educational Index. Other reference works and volumes will complete the project.



Student Council president Jack McManus presents one of the first volumes of the council's new library book project to Dr. S. A. Witmer, while Miss Edith Ehlike, librarian, looks on.

PROGRAM FOR WEEK OF CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

January 10-13, 1955

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Monday, January 10, 1955

- 8:00 P.M.—Public Service—Dr. Paul S. Rees, pastor of First Covenant Church, Minneapolis, Minnesota

Tuesday, January 11, 1955

- 9:40 A.M.—Chapel Service—Dr. Paul S. Rees
- 10:30 A.M.—Workshop—"Principles of Pastoral Counseling"
Dr. W. C. Mavis, Professor of Pastoral Theology, Asbury Theological Seminary, Wilmore, Kentucky
- 2:30 P.M.—Workshop—"Areas of Pastoral Care"
Dr. W. C. Mavis
- 8:00 P.M.—Public Service—Dr. Paul S. Rees

Wednesday, January 12, 1955

- 9:40 A.M.—Chapel Service—Dr. Paul S. Rees
- 10:30 A.M.—Workshop—"Church Architecture" Rev. Joseph H. Kimbel, South Bend, Indiana, Church Extension Director of United Missionary Church
- 2:30 P.M.—Workshop—"Church Architecture"—(cont.)
- 8:00 P.M.—Public Service—Dr. Paul S. Rees

Thursday, January 13, 1955

- 9:40 A.M.—Chapel Service—Rev. Kenneth Geiger, District Superintendent of Indiana Conference, United Missionary Church
- 10:30 A.M.—Workshop—"Church Extension and Promotion"
Rev. Joseph H. Kimbel
- 2:30 P.M.—Workshop—"Church Extension and Promotion"
—(cont.)
- 8:00 P.M.—Public Service—Symposium: "The Minister and His Congregation"
Four 10-minute papers on the following sub-topics:
"The Bible Looks at the Minister"—Dr. S. A. Witmer, President, Fort Wayne Bible College
"The Congregation Looks at the Minister"—Rev. Reuben Short, President, Evangelical Mennonite Church, Bluffton, Ohio
"The Minister Looks at the Congregation"—Rev. Ralph F. Wolford, Pastor, Christian Union Church, Delphos, Ohio
"The Minister and Congregation Look at the World"—Rev. Kenneth Geiger, District Superintendent of Indiana Conference, United Missionary Church

Pastors are invited to spend the week on our campus. Room and meal rates are reasonable. For reservations or further information write to Rev. C. H. Eicher, chairman of Week of Christian Ministry, Fort Wayne Bible College, Fort Wayne 6, Indiana.

Alumni Notes

PERSONNEL . . .

Dorothy Lugibihl Lehman ('39-40) sang the Contralto Solo for the Wheaton College presentation of *The Messiah* on December 5, 1954. While she was in Wheaton she was the guest of Howard and Gabrielle Martig White ('39).

David ('54) and Imogene Palmer ('49) Zimmerman sailed for Sierra Leone, West Africa, on December 14. Dave will be working as Business Manager at the headquarters station of the Missionary Church Association.

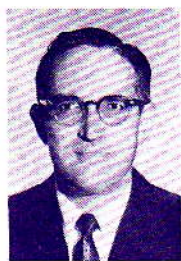


Rev. and Mrs. Stanley Rupp ('43) with "seven of our future students!" The Rups are doing mission work in Lafayette, Indiana.

IN THE CRADLE . . .

A girl, Marcia Layne, to Rev. ('51) and Mrs. ('45) Gerald Gerig (nee Coyla Crow) on November 28, 1954.

A boy, Kurt Douglas, to Mr. ('49-51) and Mrs. ('49-51) Wally Henkel on December 4, 1954.



Christian Ministry Speakers . . .

Dr. W. C. Mavis, left, and Rev. Joseph H. Kimbel, right, are two of the featured speakers for the Week of Christian Ministry, January 10-13. Information is on pages 1 and 3.

"Bridgebuilders" Bookings Should Be Made Early

Pastors and leaders of Christian groups or organizations who desire to book the college film "Bridgebuilders" are reminded to request their bookings at least a month in advance of desired showing dates. Two prints of the film are now in circulation, with bookings being filled for February and after.

Information concerning the film and scheduling procedure is available on request.

Ambassadors Wind Up 4-Game Net Schedule

The Fort Wayne Bible College Ambassadors found their 1954 basketball road a tough one to travel, dropping all four of their recent contests with nearby colleges. Exchange games were played with Grace Seminary and the Taylor University "B" squad.

The local five were previously undefeated in two seasons of play, having won over Moody Bible Institute four times and Purdue University Extension Center twice.

Scores for the schedule completed this season are:

Nov. 22—Grace 82, FWBC 65 (there).

Nov. 27—Taylor 61, FWBC 57 (here).

Dec. 1—Grace 71, FWBC 68 (here).

Dec. 4—Taylor 62, FWBC 59 (there).

CONSTRUCTION COURSE

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mechanical arts, will be offered in 1956. Four semester hours of credit will be given for each unit, and registrations will be limited to 20. Further information can be received from the Registrar.

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If so, please notify us so we can keep our files up to date.

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