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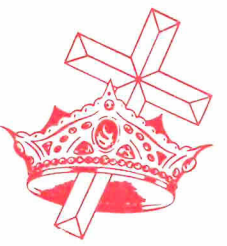
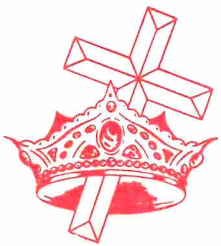
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Wishing You a Very Merry Christmas



Christmas is Jesus' birthday.



The shepherds saw the baby Jesus in the stable.



And a Happy and Prosperous New Year



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THINK OF OUR LORD SPEAKING TO YOU AND SAYING.....

You do not have to be clever to please me; all you have to do is to want to love me. Just speak to me as you would to anyone of whom you are very fond.

* * *

Are there any people you want to pray for? Say their names to me, and ask as much of me as you like. I am generous and know all their needs, but I want you to show your love for them and me by trusting me to do what I know is best.

Tell me about the poor, the sick, and the sinners, and if you have lost the friendship or affection of anyone, tell me about that, too.

* * *

Is there anything you want for your soul? If you like you can write out a long list of all your needs, and come and read it to me.

Just tell me about your pride, your touchiness, self-centeredness, meanness, and laziness. Do not be ashamed; for there are many Saints in Heaven who had the same faults as you; they prayed to me and, little by little, their faults were corrected.

Do not hesitate to ask me for blessings for the body and mind; for health, memory, success. I can give everything, and I always do give everything needed to make souls holier.

What is it that you want today? Tell me, for I long to do you good. What are your plans? Tell me about them. Is there anyone you want to please? What do you want to do for them?

* * *

And don't you want to do anything for me? Don't you want to do a little good to the souls of your friends who perhaps have forgotten me? Tell me about your failures, and I will show you the cause of them. What are your worries? Who has caused you pain? Tell me all about it, and add that you will forgive and forget, and I will bless you.

Are you afraid of anything? Have you any tormenting, unreasonable fears? Trust yourself to me. I am here. I see everything. I will not leave you.

* * *

Have you no joys to tell me about? Why do you not share your happiness with me? Tell me what has happened since yesterday to cheer and comfort you. Whatever it was, however big, however small, I prepared it. Show me your gratitude and thank me.

Are you determined to run into no temptations? Have you made up your mind about bad books and bad friendships? They disturb the peace of your soul. Are you going to be kind to that one who has hurt you?

* * *

Well, go along now. Get on with your work. Try and be quieter, humbler, more submissive, kinder; and come back soon and bring me a more devoted heart. Tomorrow I shall have more blessings for you. "Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation(payment) for our sins."--Good News.

No, I did not think up the above for my editorial. But, I thought I would print it for your good news for Christmas, it sounds so good, really as if Our Lord were sitting with us and talking about our prayers are like talks with Him. I felt good reading it and wanted to share my thoughts with you. Don't you feel that way now? God bless you!

I Love to Tell the Story

I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
Of Jesus and His glory, of Jesus and His love.
I love to tell the story, because I know 'tis true;
It satisfies my longings as nothing else can do.
I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory,
To tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love.

I love to tell the story; 'tis pleasant to repeat
What seems, each time I tell it, More wonderfully sweet.
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard
The message of salvation, from God's own holy Word.
I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory,
To tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love.

I love to tell the story; for those who know it best
Seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song
'Twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long.
I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory,
To tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love.

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Texas Establishes State Commission For the Deaf

The Legislature of the State of Texas recently created a State Commission for the Deaf which puts services for the deaf in that state on a par with services for the blind. It is hoped that other states will follow the lead of Texas in establishing similar commissions so that the problems of deaf people will be given the attention they properly deserve.

The bill establishing the Texas commission is herewith quoted in full.

A Bill to be Entitled an Act.

Creating a State Commission for the Deaf and prescribing its powers and duties; and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. In this Act "commission" means the State Commission for the Deaf.

Section 2. (a) The State Commission for the Deaf is created, consisting of six members to be appointed by the governor with the advice and consent of the Senate.

(b) Two members must be deaf and all members must be outstanding citizens of the State of Texas.

Section 3. (a) Each member holds office for a term of six years and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

(b) Two of the first six members appointed shall serve terms expiring January 31, 1973; two shall serve terms expiring January 31, 1975; and two shall serve terms expiring January 31, 1977.

(c) The governor shall appoint members to the commission immediately after this Act becomes effective.

(d) The governor shall fill vacancies occurring on the commission for the unexpired term.

Section 4. The commission shall elect a chairman from among its members who shall serve for a period of one year,

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or until his successor is elected.

Section 5. (a) The commission shall hold at least six meetings a year and shall make rules providing for the holding of special meetings.

(b) Four members of the commission constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

(c) Members of the commission are entitled to receive reimbursement for their actual expense in attending meetings of the commission and in carrying out their official duties.

Section 6. (a) The commission shall appoint a qualified person to serve as executive director.

(b) To be qualified to serve in the position of executive director, a person must be a deaf or hard-of-hearing person.

Section 7. The commission may employ a secretary and other employees it considers necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act.

Section 8. (a) The commission is the state agency responsible for rendering all services to the deaf except those services which are by law the responsibility of the welfare, educational, or other agencies of the state.

(b) The commission shall conduct a census of deaf persons in Texas and compile a current registry.

(c) The commission shall serve as an agency for the collection of information concerning the deaf and related matters and the dispensing of this information to interested persons.

(d) The commission may accept gifts, grants, and donations of money, personal property and real property for use in expanding and improving services to deaf persons of this state.

Section 9. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three separate days in each house be suspended, and this Rule is hereby suspended, and that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

From: N.A.D. Newsletter

Warning! Be on the Alert for the "Tator" Family!!

You never know when one of the members of this famous (or infamous) family will join your church! Be careful... watch out for them!!

1. EMMY-TATOR: She is the mother. She never has any thoughts of her own. She just imitates, copies other people. She is very active in the church, BUT she always COPIES someone else.
2. CARMEN-TATOR: She is the daughter. She always sits in the back and makes comments about everything and everybody. Most of all she talks during the church service and does not listen.
3. GRANDMA AGI-TATOR: She is the oldest member of the church. She has been in the church for 40 years, and she does not like to see any changes at all. She is against anything new for the church. She only wants the same old way and always agitates the whole church.
4. DICK-TATOR: He is the daddy. He is the self appointed leader of the church. He heads all the committees and feels very important. He always dictates, BUT never works.
5. HEZY-TATOR: He is the oldest son. Whenever he is asked to do something, he always hesitates. He feels that he cannot do any job. He is always too busy doing something else.
6. SPECT-TATOR: He is in high school. When asked to help in the programs or parties, he always says 'NO!' He never does anything. He just spectates--watches.
7. SWEET-TATOR: This is the ideal member of the church. He takes part and supports the whole program. He never says 'NO!' Instead he is very generous with time and talents. He NEVER...IMITATES, COMMENTATES, AGITATES, DICTATES, HESITATES or SPECTATES!!

Are you a TATOR??

NOTE: It is easy for us to look at all the other "TATORS" in our church. But, Friends, let each of us look at himself. The question is: "WHICH TATOR AM I?"

--adapted from Baptist Outlook

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Scenes at the Mong Kok School in Hong Kong



Mr. Ng with youth at PHAB camp. PHAB=Physically Handicapped and Able Bodied.



Mr. Ng and other teachers with deaf students on a picnic outing.



Mr. Ng and Cub Scout troop at school for the deaf.



Mr. Ng and deaf students and three volunteer helpers on rooftop play area of the school for the deaf.



Mr. Maurice Ng Kwok Wah

The above four pictures are of the School for the Deaf at Hong Kong. We can see that the children are clean and dressed nicely. In one picture we can see trees and nice places for picnics and playing soft ball and other outdoor games. The outside and inside of the buildings are nice and in good repair. The children appear happy and well-taken care of.

The following account is a brief biographical sketch of Mr. Maurice Ng Kwok Wah. He was born in Hong Kong on November 18, 1945. He is not married.

Upon completion of high school, he studied for two years in Sir Robert Black College of Education. Upon graduation from the college of education he was employed as a teacher in the Mongkok Lutheran School for the Deaf.

In 1970-1971 he studied in the in-service training course in special education offered by the H.K. Education Department's Special Education Section.

Maurice is the oldest of five children. His family lives in a small village in the New Territories. He is a member of Nathan Road Lutheran Church where he was baptized in 1971 and confirmed in 1972.

He has interests in music, art, sports and youth work, especially Scouting.

He will study in the diploma course in the Education of the Deaf and Partially Hearing at the University of London from October of this year until July, 1974.

Daily Bible Reading Plan

(American Bible Society)

HOPE FOR MODERN MAN



DEVOTIONAL IDEA

READ YOUR BIBLE DAILY

Then Leave It OPEN. Let Someone Else Share The Blessing of Your Daily Portion.

The Good News of the Church on Earth

DECEMBER

Day	Book	Chapter
1	Isaiah	2:1-5
2	Isaiah	63:16-64:7
3	Jeremiah	33:14-16
4	Matthew	24:37-44
5	Romans	13:11-14
6	1 Corinthians	1:3-9
7	1 Thessalonians	3:12 - 4:2
8	Isaiah	11:1-10
9	Isaiah	40:1-11
10	Matthew	3:1-12
11	Luke	3:1-6
12	Romans	15:4-9
13	Philippians	1:3-11
14	2 Peter	3:8-14
15	Zephaniah	3:14-18
16	Isaiah	35:1-10
17	Isaiah	61:1-11
18	Luke	3:10-18
19	1 Thessalonians	5:16-24
20	James	5:7-10
21	Philippians	4:4-7
22	Isaiah	7:10-14
23	Isaiah	9:1-6
24	Micah	5:1-4
25	Luke	2:1-14
26	Matthew	2:13-23
27	Hebrews	1:1-6
28	Titus	3:4-7
29	John	1:1-18
30	Luke	2:22-52
31	Hebrews	1:1-16

Two Important Questions -- What Are Your Answers?

1. Do you know for sure that if you died today you would go to heaven?
2. If you died tonight what reason would you give God for letting you into heaven?

THE BIBLE SAYS:

We are deceived: *Before every man there lies a wide and pleasant road that seems right but ends in death.* -- Proverbs 14:12 The Living Bible

We are saved because of God's grace--God's love we do not deserve. *For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.* Romans 6:23 The Living Bible *Because of His kindness you have been saved through trusting Christ. And even trusting is not of yourselves; it too is a gift from God.* Ephesians 2:8-9 The Living Bible

We are all sinners: *Yes all have sinned; all fall short of God's glorious ideal;* Romans 3:23 The Living Bible *No one is good--no one in all the world is innocent.* Romans 3:10 The Living Bible

We must repent--feel sorry for our sins, and desire to change. *Repent, then, and turn to God, so that He will wipe away your sins.* Acts 3:19 The Living Bible

GOD LOVES US: *For God loved the world so much that He gave His only Son so that anyone who believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.* John 3:16 The Living Bible

--from Silent Lutheran Church For The Deaf Newsletter



What Would You Like To Ask About?

During our Lutheran Open House at St. Paul's Deaf Lutheran Church, Flint, Michigan, on October 22, 23, and 24, some time each evening was given to answering the questions below about Christianity or the Lutheran Church specifically and what it teaches.

1. What is Key '73 all about?
2. Must I love everyone?
3. Isn't it the task of Christianity to change the world?
4. How can you say that anything is good or bad? Aren't morals created by society?
5. Is there a place for psychology in the life of a Christian?
6. Can a Christian influence life in his community and the world?
7. What makes one religion better than another?
8. What is speaking in tongues?
9. What are Jesus freaks?
10. Who wrote the Bible?
11. If the Bible was written by men, how can we say it is God's Word?
12. What does inspiration of the Bible mean?
13. What is meant by justification by grace through faith?
14. Why was it necessary for Christ to become true man in order to redeem us?
15. How can God, Who is just, forgive sin?
16. Did Jesus descend into Hell as we say in the Second Article of our Creed?
17. What are the Means of Grace?
18. Can a person be saved by keeping the Ten Commandments?
19. What is the consequence of sin and what did God promise right after the Fall?
20. Who is Jesus Christ?
21. How can we be saved?
22. Can we be saved by doing good works?
23. How do we know that Jesus was true God?
24. Did Jesus really die on the cross?
25. Why is Easter so important? What does Easter prove?
26. When will Christ come again in judgment?
27. Can we be sure that we will enter eternal life?
28. If God knows our thoughts, why pray?
29. Does God answer every prayer?
30. Why teach God's Law when no one can keep it?
31. What is the work of the Holy Ghost?
32. What must a person do to join the Lutheran Church?
33. How did the Lutheran Church come into being?

Deaconess Jewett Installed



Grace Jewett was installed as Deaconess of Hope Lutheran Church of the Deaf, Portland, Oregon, by Rev. George Natonick on September 16, 1973, with a reception following in her honor. She is a recent graduate of Valparaiso (Ind.) University. Prior to her installation, she became interested in the ministry to the Deaf while attending Concordia College in Portland where she learned the sign language. She worked among the deaf people for Holy Trinity Catholic School in Chicago.

Oh, what a happy day this was for us! It was a beautiful day complete with many friends from Seattle, Longview, Salem and Grace's family. We rejoice that God has sent us a worker who loves Him so much! And she's begun to share that love already. Keep her in your prayers as she works and lives among us.

--from the Message of Hope Newsletter

Standing from left to right (in circle): Earl Hughes, Ron Madding, Arthur Yule, Chester LaFave, Warren Bond, Stanley Miller, Walter Lauer, James A. Drake, Rev. George Natonick, Deaconess Grace Jewett (kneeling).



34. Why do the Lutherans stand so much when worshipping?
35. Why does a Lutheran pastor usually wear a robe in the service?
36. Is there any significance in the different types of vestments?
37. Why do Lutherans have altars, candles, etc., in their churches?
38. What is meant by Confirmation? Is it a Sacrament?
39. If you have been confirmed in another church, must you be confirmed again in the Lutheran Church?
40. Can an ex-convict be a Christian?
41. Why doesn't the Lutheran Church have women preachers?
42. Why don't New Testament Christians have to observe the Sabbath (Saturday)?
43. Is gossip a sin?
44. What is meant by original sin? ...sin of omission? ... actual sin?
45. What happens to the soul at the moment of death?
46. What is the difference between temporal death, spiritual death & eternal death?
47. What is meant by the unpardonable sin?
48. Is conscience a safe guide in doing what is right?
49. What is the position of the Lutheran Church on alcoholic drinks?
50. Will people become angels when they get to heaven?
51. Can one be a Christian and yet not attend church?
52. What is meant by the sin against the Holy Ghost?
53. Is it fair to say that Christianity is the only saving religion?
54. If a man leads a decent life, why should he need a church?

55. If good works don't save us, why do them?
56. Will all people be raised on Judgment Day?
57. What do we mean by the old Adam? ...the new man?
58. Can a person be a Christian and not have a desire to pray?
59. What can we do about the hypocrites in the church?
60. Does the Lutheran Church talk about tithing like in the Old Testament?
61. Is it necessary to go to church every Sunday?
62. What are the angels? What is their purpose?

How Manifold Are Thy Works!

By Meta Luetzow

Soon our highways and waterways will be filled with travelers going on vacation. Some will go to the mountains; some will go to the seashore; some will travel to other states and countries. But no matter where we go we will always be confronted with the beauty and wonder of God's creation.

We can learn a lot about God as we travel throughout this land of ours. In fact, God's very creation shows us the deity of God. Romans 1:20 tells us, *"Ever since the creation of the world His invisible nature, namely, His eternal power and deity, has been clearly perceived in the things that have been made..."*

God's power and might is in everything we see; the mighty oceans with their mystery of the tides; the majestic mountains that rise high in the sky; the galaxy of stars far too numerous to count; the giant trees of the mighty redwoods to the tiniest of flowers that seem to grow out of rocks--all show there is Someone mightier than man. So Paul says in Romans 1:20, *"...they are without excuse."* God's presence is everywhere and all men may know God exists

God's creation also shows us our God loves beauty and color. One warm lazy afternoon in July, I sat on the bank of the blue-gray Cowlitz River near Packwood, Washington. The view across the river was like a giant oil painting. A purple haze covered the Cascade Range; the trees of every shade of green were etched against the mountains. Here and there were splotches of reds, blues and yellows of wild flowers growing along the river bank. The sky was deep blue with fleecy white clouds floating by. The sound of the rushing river was like music to my ears.

Late that fall I came back to the river and the colors had changed in "my painting". Instead of the many shades of green, they were now reds, yellows and oranges--the colors of the falling leaves. I was reminded of David's words in Psalm 19:1; *"The heavens are telling the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims His handiwork."*

How bleak our world would be if there was no color in it. There would be no glorious sunsets to see. There would be no beauty of the many flowers that range in hue from the pure white of an Easter lily to the deep red of a rose. Even the desert and prairie would not have the lovely cacti that bloom in the spring, nor the purple clover on the prairie. God had man in mind when He gave beauty and color in nature for us to admire and use.

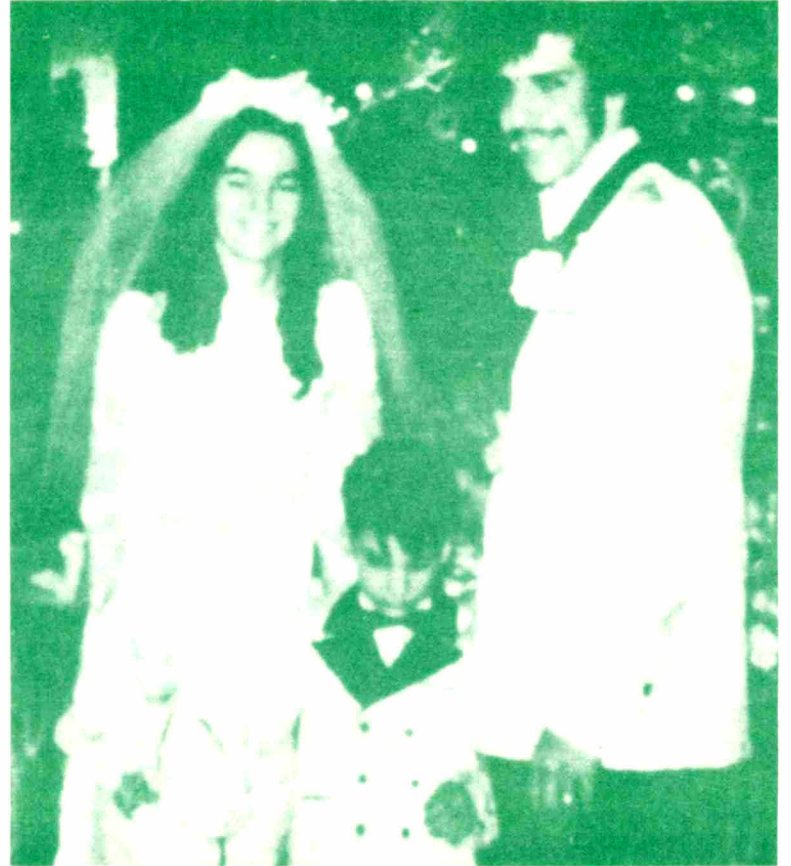
The world we see around us shows God is a God of order and perfection. In the beginning of creation, when the earth was without form and void and darkness covered the face of the deep, God made everything according to a divine plan, a master plan that went according to schedule. Genesis 1 gives the account of creation and we read that God created the world gradually and in excellent order. Everything God did was good, for after each day's work we read, *"and God saw that it was good."*

But we don't need to look at Genesis to know that God's creation was done in order and perfection. We can see it with our own eyes. The sun rises and sets according to plan. The ocean tides flow and ebb each day. There is seed time and harvest, a time for rest and a time for growth for everything a season. (Ecclesiastes 3:1) Everything in God's creation perfect; it is man, the sinner, who spoils it all.

As we travel over God's creation we have to agree with the Psalmist who wrote; *"O Lord, how manifold are Thy works! In wisdom hast Thou made them all; the earth is full of Thy creatures."* (Psalm 104:24)

We are to worship God in nature, but God does not want

Ring Bearer Extraordinary



AFTER THE WEDDING WAS OVER--Mr. and Mrs. Charles Williams pose with their 8-year-old ring bearer, Brian Fuller at the conclusion of the Ceremony. Totally blind--and deaf, Brian performed his duties flawlessly.

Eight-year-old ring bearers participating in wedding ceremonies are not extraordinary. But the story of Brian Fuller is most unusual and his role in a wedding ceremony cannot be termed as anything other than, "Remarkable!"

For you see, Brian Fuller is totally blind--and totally deaf! Even so, Brian carried out the duties of ring bearer with the greatest perfection in the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Williams of Runnemede, N.J.

Mrs. Williams, the former Kathy Miduski, met and worked with Brian at Camp Happy Times in Atco, N.J. During their relationships there, their friendship and love matured. When Kathy was planning for her wedding, she immediately thought of the part that Brian could play in one of the most important occasions of her life. She has a faith in Brian's intelligence that isn't always found. Even though, to most, his participation might have seemed impossible, Kathy found a way in which Brian could share in this happy event. She believed he could do it--and he did it.

Brian is a "Rubella child"--which means his mother contracted German Measles early in her pregnancy. He has had both eyes removed and now wears two artificial ones. Brian had fifteen operations in his early years, and recently his parents were told that there is no hope for his hearing--ever. He also has a congenital heart disease.

Mr. and Mrs. John Fuller reside with their family in the Berlin area of South Jersey. They are formerly of Oaklyn, N.J. The whole family of six belongs to Holy Communion Lutheran Church in Berlin.

According to Mrs. Fuller (Carolyn), "many nice things have happened here, on Brian's behalf." On Brian's last birthday, Pastor and Mrs. Stanley DeCamp arranged a little "get-together" for Brian with the younger members of the Sunday Church School. They sang to him and had cake and punch. Carolyn recalls that during the party something remarkable occurred. One little girl said, "Next to God and Jesus, I love Brian best." Mrs. Fuller, nearly too choked up, managed to remark to a teacher, "And a little child shall lead us."

According to the Fullers, many people are reluctant to get close to Brian and the family. They just "don't know what to say."

John Fuller stated, "God has been so good to all of us."

us to stop there; we are to worship Him in spirit and truth. (John 4:24) We are to hear His words in our regular worship services and come to Him through the Sacraments.

God wants us to enjoy a respite from our work as we look forward to a vacation this summer, but let's not forget who our Creator is and what He has done for us in Christ Jesus.

This little boy is a human being. He needs love and affection, perhaps more than a normal child would. This must come from outsiders as well as from his family. That is the only way he can learn that there are other people in the world."

The Fullers, Carolyn and John, are extremely proud of the way their three older children have accepted their brother and the way in which they express their love for him. According to Carolyn, "Our children have learned so much about human nature and human failings. We have all learned what empathy is. It's not always easy to use, but then, when is anything worth having, easily acquired?"

Brian Fuller now attends the Overbrook School for the Blind in Philadelphia. He is enrolled in the Deaf-Blind Department and is considered a pioneer of this group.

The Fullers are enthusiastic in expressing praise for individual members of Holy Communion Church who have shown an interest in Brian.

The congregation, under the direction of former pastor George Derner, established a Fund for Brian to assist with any special educational needs later in life. Children of the Sunday Church School bring a special offering the first Sunday of each month to sustain the Fund. Teachers have been encouraged to speak about Brian to their classes.

One thing is certain about the Fuller family. They are proud of their "special" son and brother. And they are happy to share their "pride and joy" with others who care.

Here's to Brian Fuller--may his moment in the "Lime-light" be only the first of many.

--from the October, 1973 *Lutheran Times*

Carryover from Editorial Page

Our Memphis friends got after us for leaving out the name of the chairman of the 10th Anniversary Celebration of Pastor Don Leber's stay with them. It is Mr. Leland Maxwell. Mistakes and omissions happen in the offices of the best of periodicals. Sorry.

THE NEW DIRECTORY

We were asked to print a new directory of the places, and churches for religious services for or by the deaf. We got started, hoping to put it in the December issue of The DEAF LUTHERAN. We have not yet received the information from all of the pastors and the other religious workers with the deaf. Better hurry up, or your name and information will not be in it.

DATES

1974	July	14-19	Ephphatha Conference meets at Concordia College, St. Paul, Minn.
1975	August	8-	World Congress of the Deaf meets in Washington, D. C.

No doubt, ILDA (International Lutheran Deaf Association) will hold its 1975 convention in conjunction with the World Congress.-- Clipped.

Ephphatha Conference Resolutions

- 1) That the Board for Missions provide travel costs for a committee of three to dialogue with representatives of the Lutheran Schools for the Deaf on total communication;
- 2) That the Board for Missions provide emphasis to set up recruitment and training at the seminaries via a full-time position;
- 3) That deaf congregations be encouraged to provide cost, excluding travel, for attendance of wives;
- 4) That the Board for Missions consider changes in the guidelines for transfer of Ministry to the Deaf to district administration, in particular, extension of time;
- 5) That the Secretary and another Conference member study

the causes and proposed solutions to the problem of workers leaving the missions;

- 6) That the purposes of Ephphatha Conference include Christian fellowship, professional stimulation and edification, and sharing resources in knowledge and materials for all workers.
- 7) That Ephphatha Conference be open to all Lutheran workers with the deaf, both clergy and non-clergy.
- 8) That the Conference Program Committee be solely responsible for its program;
- 9) That the North American and Special Ministries staff sensitize appropriate districts to involvement in the Nova Scotia ministry of Rev. F. Gyle;
- 10) That budgets in 1974 provide for regional conferences of professional workers.

New Orleans Convention Mission Resolutions

Aside from Resolution 1-01 which resolved to complete the transfer of deaf work to the districts, several other resolutions were passed by the New Orleans convention which have bearing upon our work. Just the essence of the resolutions will be repeated here. These are:

- 1-03 That the Synod's Board for Missions and Board for Stewardship explore methods of further decentralization and personalizing interest in and financial support for the Synod's world mission program;
 - 1-04 That each congregation study the specific needs and circumstances of its community, respond to the needs in the best manner, carry on its Christian mission in its community in cooperation with other Christian congregations and groups but respecting the Synod's stance on fellowship, and that such study and such response be undertaken in consultation with appropriate district boards and agencies.
 - 1-06 That we reaffirm our church's mission. (This resolution 12 resolves and a lengthy preamble). It reaffirms the 1965 Detroit convention Mission Affirmations and calls for the production of a policy statement acceptable to the Board, staff, missionaries, and sister churches. We will bring this to you in its entirety at a later date.
 - 1-25 That the Board for Missions and district boards intensify their mission efforts to minorities, and that our colleges and seminaries be concerned with and take positive action toward ministry to minorities. A task force of five persons representing Missions, Parish Education, Higher Education, Stewardship and Social Ministry are to develop a coordinated and intensified ministry to minorities and enable minority leaders to be in ministry to their own people.
 - 1-26 That fuller use of minority representatives be made in the mission of the church - both on the synodical and district levels.
 - 6-10 That the Board for Higher Education gather information on the various forms of special ministries current in districts and congregations for counsel to the colleges and seminaries.
 - 6-14 That the recruitment and training of students from minority groups be stressed by the Board for Higher Education.
 - 12-01 That the Board of Stewardship study the feasibility and advisability of Supplemental funding of the church's mission.
 - 12-02 That the Division of Stewardship Services develop and promote a comprehensive program for supplemental project giving.
- The convention took no action on Resolutions 1-25, 1-26, and 6-10, but they are now referred to the Synod's Board of Directors for action and implementation.

Who's Who in the Bible

CHILDREN'S PAGE

1. The man named _____ was a great king of Israel.
2. The man named _____ was a tax-collector and a Gospel writer.
3. The man named _____ was saved from the great flood.
4. The man named _____ was blinded on the road to Damascus.
5. The man named _____ betrayed Jesus.
6. The man named _____ was a great Old Testament prophet.
7. The man named _____ was the first man created by God.
8. The man named _____ wrote about faith and good works.
9. The man named _____ denied he knew Jesus.
10. The man named _____ almost(killed) sacrificed his son to show his trust in God.
11. The man named _____ was sometimes called "the Baptizer."

Answers: Noah, James, Adam, Paul, Abraham, Peter, David, Judas, Isaiah, John, Matthew.



My Dear Young Friends:

SUCCESS! AT LAST WE ARE PRINTING THE GREAT STAR DESIGN!

Now, follow the directions very carefully as you draw the design on a large sheet of soft, white paper. Follow the design very carefully. Watch the long dashes and the short dashes. I hope someone can make one and have a picture made and send it to me to put in the paper. What? You said for me to make one, too! OK, I will try.

Don't forget: at the tip of one of the longest points, you must make a hole(slit) so that a 25w light bulb and cord can be slipped inside. Some holes are left for the hot air to escape. The cord is fastened to the star with scotch tape so that you can hang it up by the cord. I hung mine on the inside of the living room window so that people outside as well as the people inside could see the star. Good luck!

Some Ways to Use the Bible

1. When in sorrow----Read John 14.
2. When you have sinned----Read: Psalm 51.
3. When you worry----Read: Matthew 6:19-34.
4. When you are in danger----Read: Psalm 91.
5. When God seems far away----Read: Psalm 139.
6. If you are discouraged----Read! Isaiah 40.
7. If you are lonely or afraid----Read: Psalm 23.

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2. Fold in on long dotted lines
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8. When you want courage for your work----Read: Joshua 1.
9. When the world seems bigger than God----Read: Psalm 90.
10. When you want rest and peace----Read: Matthew 11:25-30.
11. When leaving home for work or travel----Read: Psalm 121.
12. If you become bitter and critical----Read: 1st Corinthians 13.
13. If you have the "blues"----Read: Psalm 34.
14. If you feel "down and out"----Read: Romans 8:39.
15. For a great invitation and opportunity---Read: Isaiah 55.



A Merry Christmas

