

## Trinity Men's Club to Elect New Officers at January Meeting

Trinity Men's Club members are especially urged to attend the January meeting and cast a vote during the balloting for 1958 officers. The club will resume its regular fourth Thursday meeting date beginning January, 1958.

The nominating committee has been appointed and is expected to offer a list of names which hold the greatest potential leadership for the new year. Another vice presidency post is expected to be created for 1958 at the suggestion of the Club Cabinet for the purpose of establishing more extensive leadership training.

Outgoing President Henry Roland said he is certain that Trinity's infant Men's Club will profit greatly from the first few months of its busy life. The overlapping functions of one or two committees should be eliminated, leaving room for still greater effort, he added.

## Methodist Church Mission Movement to Be Emphasized During January

### Did You Know . . .

Mrs. A. B. Lane, one of Trinity's shut-ins, is helping to dress dolls for the nursery department. A request has been made in the adult department classes for names of any women interested in dressing dolls or making doll blankets and pillows.

The Trinity Boy Scout troop has been winning scouting honors on all sides. The Church can well be proud of the young men who are doing so well in this area.

More and more people are finding the joy that comes through our evening worship service. Make your 1958 plans now to include Sunday night attendance. 1958 will be a bigger and fuller year for you if you do.

There is a Sunday school class for every age group. Plan to join with one during 1958.

THE emphasis at Trinity during the month of January, in every possible way, will be placed on the Mission Movement of the Methodist Church.

There will be particular attention on the four areas that the Methodist Church is calling "Lands of Witness and Decision". These four lands are Bolivia, Belgian Congo, Sarawak (upper Borneo) and Korea.

They were chosen for emphasis during this Quadrennium (1956-60) by the Board of Missions. They feel that we have never had a greater opportunity to win these lands for Christ than now. There "fields are white unto harvest" and only "the laborers are few".

In order to acquaint the Trinity family with these lands, the Commissions on Missions and Education, with the support of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, is sponsoring a church wide "School of Missions". The school will be held on the four Sunday nights in January, the 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th. The School is for *all ages* of our church.

Nurserys will be provided for those up through five years of age and classes for those six years of age through the Adult Department. **PLAN TO ATTEND AS A FAMILY, AS WE WILL ALL MEET IN TRINITY HALL FOR A POTLUCK SUPPER AT 5:30 P.M.** (the MYF will begin at the same time, as the youth will participate in the school in a 100% fashion).

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## Parking Lot Purchase Makes Plan A Reality

Since the December issue of "Tidings" the purchase of the Inman lot has been completed. As soon as possible, the house will be removed and the lot will be included in the parking plan of the Church.

The Gridley lot is now being paved and will be available for use. It is the plan of the Church to reserve the lot next to Trinity Hall for church use only. We encourage all to be cooperative in this matter. If you

have any reason to call at the Church on business or for a meeting or for an appointment, this lot is for your convenience.

We urge you not to use this lot for "all day" parking. Other arrangements will be worked out for the space on the west side of Duval Street. If properly used, these parking lots can be a great help, not alone on Sunday but also during the week.

# Light From The Pastor's Study

## THE JOY OF SOMETHING NEW

We awoke one morning not many weeks ago to find that we had a "brand new" world. All humanity is now standing on tip-toe eagerly reaching up and out seeking to understand that new world. Certainly the year 1957 has brought changes.

As the book of Revelations states, "... former things are passed away."

This world of ours will not be the same again. What shall it be? Must change be fraught with gloom and danger or charged with light and hope? John heard the great voice say, "I make all things new". Also the promise, "He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God and he shall be my son."

As we look toward a New Year, we seem to hear the inspired poet, Oliver Wendell Holmes, say:

"Build thee more stately mansions,  
O my soul.

As the swift seasons roll!

Leave thy low-vaulted past!

Let each new temple, nobler than  
the last,

Shut thee from heaven with a  
dome more vast,

Till thou at length art free,

Leaving thine outgrown shell by  
life's unresting sea!"

As leader of a wonderful congregation, and pastor of a great Church Family, I would express greetings to each heart and each home. I also pray that all of us might respond to the high challenge of the New in the "great voice" that speaks to us.

There is that in the experience of each one that should be allowed to "pass away." We are, of course, what we have tended to become and the scars and wounds of yesterday are upon us. Still, those old worlds must come to an end. We rejoice that God will help us to build "more stately mansions," and know the joy of Change.

Paul said to those he loved, and over whom he was Pastor, "I beseech you, therefore, brethren by the

mercies of God that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God."

As your Pastor, I beseech you to re-think your position and your way of life. Is it, can it be, pleasing to God? Have we conformed too much to this world? Should we not seek His transforming power that can renew our minds? Is there not much in our past that should die with the past? There is Joy and there is Promise and there is Victory in a New Year that God can give to us.

I beseech you to build a firmer and more constant loyalty to your Church and develop an ardent faithfulness to your membership vows. There are many Trinity Homes that are seldom represented in any Service of Worship at the Church. There is danger in low vision, and God cannot be pleased with carelessness.

The New Year is a New World. What will you do with it? Let us be done with the old and build nobly for a greater Life, a greater Church and a greater Future. God bless you every one. Amen.

—Glenn C. James

## THOUGHT FOR THE NEW YEAR

Dr. H. H. Dill, writing in the St. Paul's Outlook, pointed out that "few people ever break down under the load of today. It is when they stack tomorrow's load on top of the burden of today that the weight becomes unbearable." He went on to tell this little fable:

"The fable of the little clock points out the folly of borrowing trouble. When this clock was wound and put on the mantle for the first time it set to meditating on its future. It

knew that it had to tick twice every second, and that meant 120 times every minute, or 7,200 times an hour. When it multiplied that by 24 it found that it would be required to tick 172,800 ticks every day; and that of course meant 63,072,000 times every year—and that is a lot of ticks. Further calculation showed that in ten years the little time piece would be called upon to ring out 630,720,000 ticks. It was at this point that it collapsed from nervous exhaustion.

"Now over in the corner there stood a wise old Grandfather clock who came forth with some good counsel. He said, 'Look at it this way Sonny: you only have to tick one tick at a time. You can do that can't you?' 'Sure I can,' said the little clock. So it began its work and the last I heard of it, it was going strong after many years of faithful time-keeping—ticking on tick at a time."

## "Mission"

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At 6:15 we will retire to separate classrooms. The Adults will meet in the Assembly room under the sanctuary for their class, and the other departments will meet in their respective assembly rooms. The class hour will be over at 7:15 P.M.

The Adult Division will be in for a Visual-Aid treat. They will see at least five films dealing with the land we are studying that are excellent ones. The other groups will also be pleased with the plans made for them. We hope that you and your family will plan to attend as many nights as you can. We have goals of fun, fellowship, study and service. Let's all help to meet them.

Come for the supper and stay for the class and you will be amazed at the "Christian Joy" you will know. You can bring any salad, vegetable, meat or dessert. The Woman's Society of Christian Service will provide all else needed. Come with expectation and you will be filled physically, mentally and (we pray) spiritually.

## Laboratory Class Will Feature Christian Workers School

One of the highlights of the Feb. 3-7 school will be the laboratory class for Junior workers. This course will be taught by Miss Barnett Spratt of Union Hill, South Carolina. Miss Spratt has taught the lab class for the Southeastern Leadership School at Junaluska on many occasions. She also has written many units of work which our Juniors study during their three years in this church school.

For three nights Miss Spratt will take the children and show the teachers of the small, medium-size, and large churches (using all three types of literature) "How to Use the Bible". No Junior teacher can afford to miss this opportunity.

Kindergarten teachers can look forward to help from Mrs. E. H. LeVert, Jr. of Atlanta. Mrs. LeVert takes a group just where they are, and gives some of the finest help in helping parents and teachers to answer four and five-year olds' questions. Her course, "Guiding Kindergarten Children in Christian Growth" is for parents and teachers.

Miss Helen Parish, formerly of Quincy, returns to our area for the course, "Guiding Seniors and Older Youth". So many of the youth workers after her course on "Teaching Youth" of last year asked for her return. Miss Parish is now Director of Christian Education in Winter Park, Florida.

Nursery, Primary, and Intermediate workers with parents are urged to take the course, "The Home and the Church Working Together" with Rev. Bill Blair, minister of St. Paul Methodist Church.

Adult workers have not been forgotten this year. Recently coming to our city is Dr. Lyndon Phifer, who for many years was an editor for our Methodist Adult Publications. Out of his vast editorial experience he will guide adult leaders in the course, "Helping Adults Learn".

No school would be complete without a course of general interest, and this year it's "The Life of Jesus" to be taught by Rev. Lee Davidson, one of the very fine young ministers of our conference who is serving The Madison Methodist Church in our own district.

The Board of Managers of The Tallahassee Area feel this is a good faculty, but it's up to the leadership to take full advantage of the school.

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## CHILDREN'S DIVISION PLANS STUDY OF CHILDREN OF JAPAN

Every Sunday night during the January church-wide mission study, Primary children will hold their regular yearly mission study. Their course for the additional sessions this year will be entitled, "Children of Japan," by Mattie Lula Cooper.

The course is a 1957 publication by the Board of Publication of the Methodist church.

Mrs. Sam Murrow will be in charge of the primary study course and will be assisted by Mrs. D. L. Hood, Mrs. Wesley Vordenberg, Mrs. Raymond Schultz, and other primary teachers.

The juniors will study "Journey to Japan." Junior teachers and Miss Madeline Wilson will lead the juniors in the Sunday night mission study.

Japanese items of interest will be collected for study and display. If any member of the church has such items and is willing to show them to the children, please contact Mrs. Murrow.

There will be film strips, songs, and stories to make the study of Japan interesting and meaningful to the primary boys and girls.

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## CHRISTMAS GIVINGS

During December the kindergarten children shared in Christmas giving by bringing toothpaste to be sent to the Children's home at Enterprise. Christmas trees in the kindergarten were decorated with the tubes of toothpaste.

Primary children shared in giving by bringing socks, T-shirts, and panties to be sent to others. The gifts were brought to a Christmas party Dec. 17 and used as tree decorations. You should have seen that tree!

The 6th grade juniors shared their Christmas with one of the Milk children by bringing money to buy a gift for Martha Milk. Other juniors brought socks for the Children's home.

Intermediates sent gifts to Carol Milk, the oldest of the Milk girls, and the Seniors sent gifts to our children in the home at Enterprise. The Seniors are making this a year-round project, using the slogan, "Bring a gift you would be glad to give to your best friend."

The Seniors have sent the \$150.00, made from their spaghetti supper, to the Milks, and it will go toward the purchase of a Motion picture projector to be used in their work in Cuba—church, school, and summer conferences.

Juniors and youth caroled to some 54 shut-in members of our church on Sunday evening, December 22.

Each other member of the Milk family was remembered at Christmas time by one of the adult classes: Mr. Milk—Men's Brotherhood, Mrs. Milk—Felkel-Steinmeyer Class, Richard—Business Women's Class, Robert—Wesley Fellowship, Margaret Ann—Gleaners' Class.

# WSCS Will Honor New 1957 Members at January Meeting

January 27 will be the date for the first meeting of the new year of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

This will be a luncheon meeting, honoring members who have joined the Society since January 1, 1957. Mrs. M. G. Zeigler, Promotion Secretary, and Mrs. Robert O. Lawton, Membership Chairman, will have charge of the program. The nursery will be open.

New members to be honored include:

Mrs. Frank Jackson, 514 E. Jennings, Mrs. Grover Rivers, Jr., 2087 Forest Dr., Mrs. Julian Smith, Magnolia Dr., Mrs. Wayne Hodges, 827 Ingleside, Mrs. Ryals Lee, 1104 Gardenia, Mrs. Theo Proctor, Jr., Thomasville Highway, Mrs. George Goode, Hagan Drive, Mrs. Coles Bannerman, 1821 Magnolia Drive.

Mrs. Donald Hartwell, 1527 Belleau Wood, Mrs. Chas. R. Yates, 120½ Gardenia Drive, Mrs. T. F. Ousley, 903 Delores Street, Mrs. Walter Smith, 401 Roosevelt Drive, Mrs. Jim L. Dye, 1306 Hancock Street.

Mrs. Robert Drake, Centerville Road, Mrs. James Graham, Jr., 317 Mayo Street, Mrs. William Haynie, 1514 Mitchell Avenue, Mrs. Edwin Hart, 2014 Atapha Nene, Mrs. S. D. Draper, 1025 Myers Park Drive, Mrs. K. E. Gulick, 813 Governor's Drive, Mrs. C. G. Dickerson, Old St. Augustine Road, Mrs. Jerry C. Sanders, 1304 Mitchell Avenue

Mrs. Charles Hinson, Yancey Street, Mrs. Albert Brown, 933 Alachua, Mrs. J. C. Sanders, 1304 Mitchell, Mrs. Franklin Hill, 2002 Chowkeebbin Nene, Mrs. Horton Buchan, 1106 Pine Street, Mrs. A. P. Woodward, 1564 Lee Avenue, Mrs. L. V. McKinnon, 2117 W. Randolph Cir., Mrs. J. E. Houston, 712 E. Park Ave.

## 1958 Table of Evasions

These are evasions for local church programming as seen by Carl R. Brown and published in "The Methodist Story."

**January.** This is a strategic month. But plans should have been made before the year began. Better wait now until people recover from the holidays.

**February.** Many are leaving for warmer climates and should not have their anticipations lessened.

**March.** The weather continues bad. Income tax reports take time. Better not disturb members now.

**April.** The month of Easter is glorious. The crowds come anyhow. Better spare the promotion.

**May.** It is late for pre-summer and early for fall planning. People like to coast along in May.

**June.** Weddings and commencements take the spotlight in June. Children's Day gets all the attention.

**July.** Vacations start taking their toll. If our sanctuary were air-conditioned we might get them in.

**August.** The pastor takes his vacation, so the members go "calling." Wait now until after Labor Day.

**September.** Everyone returns exhausted. Then day school takes up. Church work must await our recovery.

**October.** This is getting close to the end of the year. Better restudy plans but delay action.

**November.** A good time to look back and be grateful. But a difficult time to capture popular attention.

**December.** This is the happiest, most hectic month. No time for committee meetings and planning sessions. Let's just enjoy it.

*But right after the holidays we will turn a new leaf and do everything by schedule.*

### BURLEIGH LAWS FAMILY BUSY AT WORK IN CONGO

The Burleigh Laws are busy with Christian mission work in Congo Belge, Africa, according to recent letters. Mr. Laws is director of the primary school and, in his new position, bears the responsibility of selecting those who enter the school.

Mrs. Laws, daughter of Trinity's Mrs. Clinton Williams, and the three children, David, Paul, and Margaret Ann, are well and happy.

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