

Cuba Mission Special Thanksgiving Sunday for Worthy Cause

The Sunday before Thanksgiving, November 22, the members and friends of Trinity will have an opportunity to make a personalized Cuba Special gift to the Mission field.

A goal of \$3,800 has been set for this year. This amount will pay half the salary of Dr. Richard Milk, our missionary, and provide two \$400 scholarships.

It has been thrilling to note the progress made at Dr. Milk's charge, the Agricultural and Industrial School at Preston, Oriente, Cuba, through the years. Much of what has been accomplished came about because of Trinity's financial support.

There stands, on the campus, a two-story infirmary completely equipped and paid for by the Cuba Mission Special gifts from Trinity. It has been designated as "The Tallahassee Building."

Since the completion of the infirmary project, Trinity has been directing its Cuba Mission Special gifts to be used in two ways: our gifts pay half of the salary of the Missionary Director in charge; our contribution provides two scholarships of \$400 each.

Dr. Richard Milk is director of the Escuela Agricola e Industrial, as the school is officially known in Cuba. Dr. and Mrs. Milk and their five children were week-end guests of Trinity in August of this year. They were en route to Cuba from the University of Iowa where Dr. Milk had received his doctoral degree.

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CHOIR NEWS

The Melody Choir has been invited to sing at the Homecoming Hymn Sing at Pisgah Methodist Church, on Sunday afternoon, November 28th. They are looking forward to this new experience.

The Boys Choir has chosen the following officers: president, Theo Leduc; vice-president, Billy Moore; secretary, Sammy Murrow; social chairman, Jimmy Williams. The boys are planning a full year of work and play, with a visitation recruitment program among eligible members.

The Wesleyan Singers have chosen the following officers: president, Frances Kelly; vice-president, Kay Allsman; social committee, Mary Pat All, Ginger Starnes, and Candy Wright. The group has divided into teams to aid in recruitment and attendance.

The Chapel Choir officers are: president, Clelia Pugh; vice-president, Kathy Blee; social chairmen, Barbara Murrow, Janice James and Terry Davis.

A new Church School class is springing up in the Chancel Choir. It will meet in the Choir Room, and is open to members of the choir and their husbands or wives. The idea is not to encourage people to leave their present classes, if they prefer to remain there, but to encourage and enlarge our spiritual association as a group.

Plans are underway for the Annual Thanksgiving Breakfast at 8:30 AM for Chancel choir members and members emeritus with their families. This will be followed this year by the Thanksgiving service which will be held here at Trinity.

Milk Family Writes of Trials and Joys During Cuban Work

"Dear friends: Under guidance from our loving Heavenly Father and grateful for the constant outpouring of His love over the past two years, the Richard Milk family is back at the school in eastern Cuba with which they have been associated now for 13 years.

"For our church friends who are wondering what we have come back to in Cuba, here is a brief summary: The Church is growing as never before in Cuban history. The Cuban leaders of our Methodist Church have prepared a bold six years plan of Advance into the new rural communities which the new government is creating in the mountain areas and big reclamation project in the central swamp area.

"The spirit of the new government has been definitely rural minded. There has been a great demand for graduates from the Agricultural School for government and church work among rural people. Over half of all the Sunday School teachers in our non-urban Cuban Methodist Churches and missions have had training at our school.

"The horrible months of Civil War in Cuba left deep marks in the lives of all the Cuban people. Not only in terms of lives lost and homes destroyed, but in terms of nervous exhaustion and malnutrition from months of strain, terror, fear, and isolation from markets—the Civil War had far-reaching consequences. The Cuban people have been almost deliriously happy these past few months to have their freedoms restored to them.

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Light From The Pastor's Study

A GREAT CHURCH

The churches of Macedonia must have been great. Paul tells us about them in 2 Corinthians 8.

Their greatness did not consist in the numbers who made up the fellowship, but in the spirit of devotion they revealed. They actually begged Paul to allow them to share in the needs of others, and in the Kingdom of God. Perhaps the most revealing verse is 2 Corinthians 8:5 "They first gave their own selves unto the Lord, and unto us by the will of God." It must be true that "a man is rich or poor according to the width of his sympathies and the depth of his love."

We believe that Trinity is a great Church too. By the time you read this in "Trinity Tidings", many of us will have shown where we stand in the great task we have before us. Do I dare ask myself, "Have you first given yourself?" It is possible for me to give a gift without giving self with it. Lowell put it thus:

*"Not what we give but what we share,
For the gift without the giver is bare,
Who gives himself with his alms
feeds three—
Himself, his hungering neighbor,
and me."*

World Community Day to Be Held Nov. 6; Members Seek Gifts

Members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service will take part in World Community Day Friday, Nov. 6, in Westminster Hall, First Presbyterian church at 10 A.M.

Mrs. T. Aubrey Morse, chairman of the planning committee, reports that gifts for refugees abroad are desired. The gifts should include layettes, clothes for tiny tots and children, materials for sewing, wool yarn, knitting needles, or other items helpful to mothers in refugee camps. An offering will be taken.

True devotion is not merely assumed. It is deep and real, or it does not really exist. There is joy, however, in no other way. When God calls us, it is the surrender of the total self that He desires.

How can I be sure? First, by recognizing that the surrender of self is greater than anything material I might possess. Second, it is the act of trust in God, and my belief in the fellowship I can have with others. Third, it is simple joy in being identified with others in High Adventure.

As Pastor of this Church, I am naturally eager that we should work in the spirit of unity in our great task. When we give our own selves first, God will provide the victory. *The Highest deserves my Best.*—G.C.J.

Trinity Boy Scouts Receive Advancement Awards

At the last Court of Honor held at Woodville, William Solburg and Steve Coleman received their Star Scout awards.

David Betounes and Jimmy Van Gasbeck were granted the Life Scout awards.

Our troop took part in a Camporee at the Bull Run plantation last month. The theme of the camporee was "Wildlife Management and Conservation".—Jimmy Van Gasbeck.

Seventh Grade Organizes MYF Group of Their Own

Janice James was elected president of the newly organized seventh grade MYF group. Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Way are serving as counselors.

Other officers are: Larry Causseaux, vice-president; Ginny Davis, secretary; Ben Tyler, treasurer; Terry Davis, MYF Fund treasurer; Diane Hale, reporter.

All seventh graders are invited to meet with the group each Sunday night after the snack supper.

Gleaners Class Project to Aid Hospital Group

The Gleaners have taken as their year-round project the W. T. Edwards Tuberculosis Hospital. The project is under the direction of Pat and Harold Lannom. They have placed the items needed in order of the urgency of need, with pajamas, housecoats and underwear at the top of the list.

To quote from their letter to the class, "In helping those at the W. T. Edwards Hospital, let us remember the Apostle Peter's words as he spoke to the lame man, 'Silver and gold have I none, but such as I have give I to thee'."

The class is planning a party on November 20, with a Thanksgiving theme, and collection of foodstuffs for distribution on Thanksgiving Day. Those in charge of the party are Norma and Wayne Hodges, and Jean and Bobby Sanders.

Wesleyan Service Guild Plans for Week-End Retreat

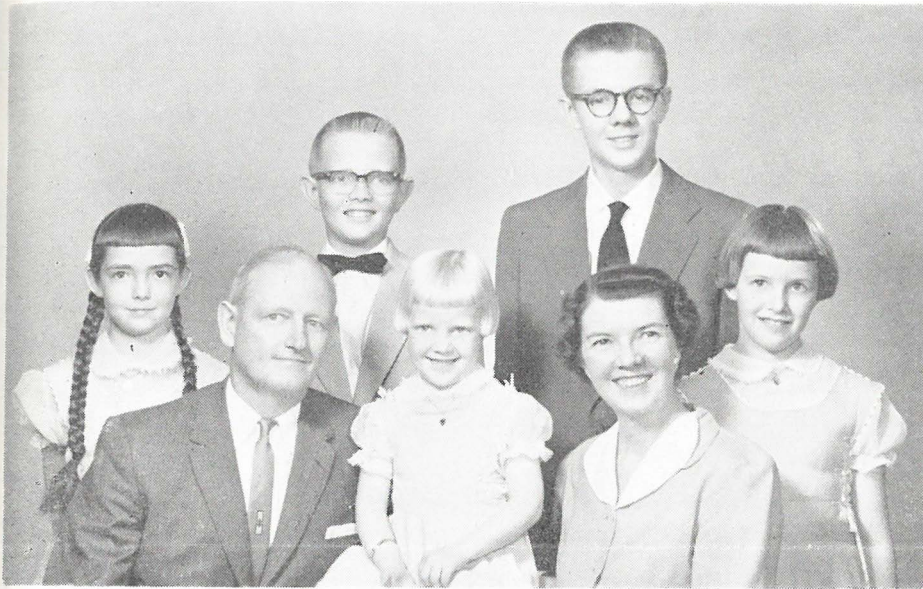
The Wesleyan Service Guild had a very successful study course on Luke's Portrait of Christ, led by the Rev. Danny Morris.

Special program in observation of the Week of Prayer and Self Denial, Oct. 26-30 was held on Thursday night, Oct. 25 at 7:30 in Trinity Chapel. Mrs. Doris McDonald, Spiritual Life Chairman, was in charge.

Spiritual Life Retreat for the Tallahassee District is to be held at Wakulla Springs Lodge beginning at noon, Saturday, Nov. 7, and going through noon, Sunday, Nov. 8. This is a very very inspirational experience and it is hoped that many from here can go. Total expenses, including registration, room and the four meals are \$12.00.

If you can go make your reservation with the Spiritual Life Chairman of your group, or Mrs. McDonald by October 31. Come for part of the time, even if you can't be for the entire time.

Alice Cromartie is District Spiritual Life Chairman.



Left to right: back row, Martha Elizabeth, Robert Dale, Richard Lee; front row, Dr. Milk, Margaret Ann, Mrs. Milk, Carol Jean.

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"Here at the school the shut-downs and uncertainties caused the loss of nearly half the student body during the past year. The school property was actually over-run by the Revolutionary army in late December, and is noted in this area as the site where a truce was arranged between the regular Army and the Revolutionaries which prevented even greater bloodshed and loss of life.

"But as we return to our work, the greatest damage to our facilities has not been by the military maneuvers, but by Father Time! Buildings have deteriorated over the years, particularly so because most of the original buildings were low cost temporary buildings. But time has helped increase our cattle inventory to over 100, and brightened the prospects of the farm contributing more financially to the school.

"We face the year then, with urgent needs for improvement in our buildings and equipment facilities, with brighter prospects for farm receipts. . .

"Several things are certain . . . The rural people of Cuba are receptive to the gospel of Jesus Christ. No one knows just how much the new government is going to do and how

much it is going to be willing to leave to private efforts. **But it is certain that the government is not going to talk much about Christ. This is our task—our challenge and our opportunity.**

"We are happy to be back to this beautiful spot and to have a part in this great new Advance for Christ in Cuba!

With Sincere Affection,
Richard and Juliet Milk."

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The honor was conferred on Dr. Milk after the Board of Missions granted him a two-year leave of absence. The title, Doctor of Philosophy in Agricultural Economics, was made after the prescribed course of study and presentation of his dissertation.

Plan now for your offering. Remember "that it is certain that the government (in Cuba) is not going to talk much about Christ. This is our task—our challenge and our opportunity."

Let all of us at Trinity be ready to step forward on Cuba Mission Sunday and help meet that challenge.

Commission Meetings

Nov. 9—Commission on Missions, 7:30 p.m. Church Office.

Nov. 18—Commission on Education, 7:30 p.m. Church Office.

Visitors From Cuba to Bring Information About Church Work

Trinity will have as guests over the weekend of our Cuba Mission Special Sunday (November 22) Mr. and Mrs. Morrell Robinson, Missionaries to Cuba. They will bring us a first-hand informative and inspirational message about our church's work in Cuba.

The Robinsons are stationed at Iglesia Methodista, Mayari, Oriente, Cuba, where he is Pastor, and his wife is Director of the medical dispensary which is sponsored by the church. Mr. Robinson is on the Board of Trustees of the Agricultural School which Trinity supports with its Cuba Mission Special Offering. Both of our guests are native Floridians; he from Jacksonville, and she from Clearwater.

Trinity will be host to the annual Thanksgiving service at 10:30 Thursday, Nov. 26. Special music will be presented by the choir. Watch for additional details.

Trinity Families Are Urged to "Adopt" FSU Students for Operation Seminole

The highly successful "Operation Seminole" will be continued by Trinity Methodist church this year, according to Dr. W. L. Tait, recreation program chairman.

A check of FSU students who took part last year has been made and "adopted parents" will be told of the new address of the young people. A list of students who are interested in being "adopted" has been prepared and those families who wish to join the project for the first time this year, or those in need of another "child" because the former one has graduated, will be supplied from this list.

A call to Mrs. Myron R. Blee at the church office will put you on the list of "parents" so that you can take part in the next covered dish supper and fun night, Thursday, Nov. 19. Miss Francis Cannon will have charge of program arrangements.

Why the Cuba Mission As A Project?

"Why can't our church have a specific identification with some particular Mission Field? As it is, our mission giving is distributed across the world along with the offering of other Methodist churches. We know that such distribution is necessary and wholesome, but we would like to be able to express a vital, personal interest in a particular area of need and a specific piece of work."

The above paragraph expresses the sentiment across Methodism which gave rise to the idea of the Advance Mission Special—an opportunity for a church to personally identify itself with a specific area of need. Incidentally, this in no way did away with Methodism's World Service Offering which is used around the world in the general program of missions. Each Conference across the country selected areas of specialization; each church within the Conference selected one or more pieces of work within that area with which to personally identify itself.

The area of mission specialization for the Florida Conference is Cuba; the specific piece of work with which Trinity has identified itself is the Agricultural and Industrial School, Preston, Oriente, Cuba.

DID YOU KNOW

- The LOYALTY DINNER will be held Monday, Nov. 2, 6:30 P.M. in the Suwannee Room at F.S.U.

- That the chairman of Trinity's Commission on Education, Myron R. Blee, has been appointed by Governor Collins to serve on the Radio and TV Commission? J. Kenneth Ballinger of Trinity is also a member of this group.

- That Sam Teague, Jr., has been elected one of the vice-presidents of the State Loan Association? His election took place in Miami.

Howard Abel is the new secretary of the Commission on Education.

WSCS Plans to Study Role of UN in World

A study course directed by the Woman's Society of Christian Service entitled, "The Role of the United Nations in World Affairs" will be held on November 16 from 3 to 4:30 P.M., Nov. 17-19, 10:00-11:30 A.M.

While some time will be devoted to the organization of the U.N., greater emphasis will be placed on the potentialities of the U.N. for creating a peaceful world. Texts for the course are available from Mrs. Emerson Tully, secretary of Missionary Education.

Senior MYF Earns \$60

The Senior MYF would like to thank everybody who helped to make the spaghetti supper a big success by coming and giving of their time and money. We made about sixty dollars.

The Clarenbacks, our family, have really settled down now. Sunday before last they joined, on their own accord, the Methodist church in Monticello.—Sandra Schick.

Trinity Methodist Church Sponsors New Scout Unit

Older boys, 14 and over, who have been in the scouting movement, have been invited to join Explorer Post 107, a new scouting unit formed at Trinity Methodist church.

The group meets at the Trinity Scout House each Wednesday night at 7:30. Roy Kennedy is advisor, with Godfrey King and Horrie Culpepper as associate advisors.

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The Wesley Foundation Busy As A Beehive; Plan Play Nov. 8-10

The Wesley Foundation has been busy as a beehive lately. After the FSU-Miami game, an enthusiastic, but a little disheartened, crowd gathered for punch and cookies at an after-the-game Open House. Some danced to let off the excess energy and enthusiasm that had been stored up for a second FSU touchdown which never came.

Things went western at the "Round-Up" on Friday night October 16. The object of the party was to round up all Methodist students on campus so that they could become better acquainted with each other. Besides some "ice breakers" and singing, there was some western square-dancing.

The Wesley Players have started work on their first production for this year, "Phoenix Too Frequent" by Christopher Frye. It will be presented November 8th and 10th at the Wesley Foundation. Keep these dates in mind!

All of the Chords will participate in a special musical service on Sunday evening, November 22, at 7:30 PM. This will be a service of Praise and Thanksgiving.

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