

# Monthly Tidings

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Construction of Trinity's second church building was begun in 1840 and completed in 1846. Is was used until 1893.

### Clemons Class Planted "Good Seed"

In the late 1920's four women members of Trinity saw a need to start a church school class for employed women. Mrs. Florence Clemons, Miss Lois Young, Mrs. Claudia Barber and Mrs. Dorothy Sauls met in a small room in the basement of "Old Trinity" and founded the Business Women's Class.

"It was good seed that the founders planted in their organizational garden," present class members report. "The fruits produced from the germination of the good seed were of such quality that others were attracted, and so the class grew and sent forth its influence for good in many directions."

The class now meets each Sunday in a larger room in the "new" Trinity educational building with about 25 active and associate members. Its name is now the Florence Clemons Church School Class, honoring the memory of one of its founders who died in 1967. At that time, the majority of the business women who were members had retired and the name change seemed appropriate.

Only one of the founders is still a member — Mrs. Claudia Barber, sister of Mrs. Clemons, with whom the Christmas meeting is held yearly.

A written history of the class, added to each year, records philanthropies from 1955 to the present of approximately \$2,000 and additional love gifts to members of \$745. An annual contribution of \$200 is given the Methodist Children's Home.

Some 3,000 hours have been contributed by members serving the hospital desk on Sunday nights.

Mrs. C. W. Poag has been class teacher since 1966, with Mrs. George Foster, Mr. Aubrey Morse and Mrs. Blanche Anderson substituting when called upon. The Living Bible Series is currently being studied.

Class president is Mrs. Marie Bower; vice president, Mrs. Bertha James; secretary, Mrs. E. T. Bell; and treasurer, Mrs. H. E. Gallagher.

#### Trinity Attendance Increases in 1973

Attendance at Trinity worship services during 1973 showed an increase of seven percent over 1972, according to a report submitted at the end of the year to the Annual Conference.

Average attendance for the morning and evening worship services during 1972 totaled 575. Average attendance for 1973 was 620. Highest single Sunday attendance was on April 22, when 1219 were present.

During 1973 attendance at church school classes averaged 340 each Sunday. Church school rolls listed a total of 763 members, including 245 adults, 193 junior and senior high students, and 235 younger children. The remainder were teachers and administrators.

At the end of December, Trinity membership totaled 2,665.

#### Rep. Webb To Speak On Social Concerns

Representative Carroll Webb will speak at Trinity Sunday, February 24, at 7:45 p.m., according to Ms. Deborah Burns, of the Social Concerns work area.

"Such timely issues as standards of conduct; conflict of interest in government; day care center legislation; and what Trinity United Methodist Church can do to effect positive and responsive government will be explored by Rep. Webb," Ms. Burns said.

Rep. Webb was voted by the Florida House of Representatives the most promising and most outstanding freshman member during the 1973 session.

Members of Trinity and visitors are invited to hear Rep. Webb speak and participate in the question and answer period that will follow.

# Celebration Events Will Begin With "Our Link with the Past"

## Special Services Set For March

Five local churches established under Trinity's sponsorship will present the evening worship service each Sunday of March.

On March 3, John Wesley Church will celebrate with Trinity. On March 10, Calvary is scheduled; March 17, Tallahassee Heights; March 24, St. Paul's; and March 31, the Wesley Foundation.

Sesquicentennial Committee Cochairman Palmer Williams said the committee believes Trinity's branching out into the community by providing a nucleus of members and support for a total of six new churches is one of its greatest heritages.

The churches include the Wesley Foundation in 1927; Southside United Methodist in 1939; Tallahassee Heights in 1947; St. Paul's in 1952; John Wesley (with St. Paul's) in 1960; Calvary in 1963. In 1973, Trinity members contributed toward the purchase of land for another church to be built in the future.



Organist Michael Corzine will present a concert at Trinity on February 18.

#### Corzine to Present Organ Concert Feb. 18

An organ concert by Michael Corzine, assistant professor of music at the Florida State University and organist for the First Presbyterian Church of Tallahassee, will be presented at Trinity Monday, February 18, at 8:15 p.m.

Trinity members and the public are invited to hear the young organist perform selections by J. S. Bach, Daniel Pinkham, Jehan Alain and Marcel Dupré.

Corzine received the B. Mus. degree in 1968 from the University of Wisconsin, where he was an organ student of Lucile Hammil Webb. In 1970 he received the M.M. degree from the Eastman School of Music, Rochester, N. Y., and was also awarded the Performer's Certificate from Eastman. He has completed course work for Doctor of Musical Arts degree at Eastman. In 1972, he received the Artist's Diploma, Eastman's highest award for performance.

The first event in a series of special programs planned for Trinity's Sesquicentennial Celebration will be held Sunday, February 17.

"To dramatize the beginning of the celebration, and to provide a tangible link with our past, we are planning to display the original pulpit that was used by this church in 1840," said Rev. Norman.

After standing as silent witness to scores of Christian sermons over a period of more than 50 years, the pulpit was given to Bethel United Methodist Church in 1893 when Trinity's third church building was constructed, according to Mr. Frank Moor.

Permission to use the pulpit was given by Rev. Richard Fife, with the gracious consent of the Bethel congregation. Bethel is located on the western edge of Tallahassee, just south of U. S. 90.

Other events now planned for the months ahead:

• March: Sunday evening special services by pastors of churches organized by Trinity.

• April: Visit by Bishop Joel Mc-David.

• May: "This Is Your Life" special pageant produced by Mr. Sayre Harris.

Other plans being developed by the Sesquicentennial Committee include a museum or history room to display mementos of Trinity's past and the writing of the Church's history from its beginning in 1824 to the present.

Historical subcommittee chairman, Mrs. Eleanor Ketchum, and cochairman, Mrs. Myra Anderson. have asked members to contribute all facts known to them that might add to the history. These may be left at the Church office or telephoned to Mrs. Ketchum at 385-2440.

Mrs. Inez Yent and Mrs. Manelle Barfield cochair the museum subcommittee and also enlist the cooperation of the membership in collecting items to be given or loaned for display during 1974. They suggest such items as old pictures of past buildings, church groups, the first Missionary Society, Wesleyan Service Guild, Wesley Foundation and the officers of these groups. Photos of bishops, presiding elders and early ministers and handwritten minutes and reports are requested.

Articles should be brought to Room 326, the Groom's Room.

#### Acolytes Named

Mrs. Charles R. Skipper, coordinator of acolytes for morning worship services, reports that the following will serve during February.

Tom Harris and Steve Alderson will serve during 8:30 services and Dorrie Phifer and Shannon Fenn at 11 o'clock. Jeff James will serve as crossbearer

#### **COMMENT:**

"North Heaven Needs To Know What South Heaven Is Doing"



Last month I shared with you some of my thoughts and feelings about our 150 years as a Church in Tallahassee. This time I'm sharing some ideas and information about several things.

First, a word about our new paper — the *Monthly Tidings*. Someone (must have been a newspaper person) said, "The newspaper man is going to be the greatest in heaven. People won't need preachers — they already will know the Gospel. They won't need bankers — spiritual treasures not money will be important. They won't need doctors — all will be whole. But the people in North Heaven will still want to know what those in South Heaven are doing."

Our newspaper already is becoming a vital asset to all of us and will grow in playing an essential role in our Church life. Increasingly through our next issues you can expect to find more news in the *Monthly Tidings* and less in the weekly Tidings bulletin. This can be done by putting news and program promoting items in the *Monthly Tidings* and restricting the weekly bulletin to calendar and worship information.

BACK WHEN I OWNED some avocado trees I learned by experience that İ should not spend my avocado money until after the hurricane season was over. Many times I estimated how much money a crop would bring only to look out after a storm and see not only all the fruit torn off but also see the trees ripped up by the wild wind.

With that experience in mind, I am still going to share with you a bit of speculation. (Bernard Baruch in his autobiography said that the word "speculate" comes from the Latin "speculari," which means to spy out and observe. He then went on to define speculation as the process of observing the future and acting before it occurs.)

The speculation I share with you is that before June we will have added to the Trinity staff a minister of education. We have waited a long time for this. But it has been a creative waiting. Harold Brown has given of himself without reserve to keep the education program going. And in recent weeks we have investigated several prospects for the position of minister of education.

As I write these comments, we have invited a young minister from another state to come to Tallahassee for a personal interview with the staff, the Pastor-Parish Relations Committee, and the Commission on Education. I have talked with the senior minister of the church he now is serving and with other persons who know him including our own Bishop. At this stage of our negotiations I am not at liberty to say anything more than that everything I have read about him and everything I have heard about him makes him a very apparent answer to our prayers and to our need.

NEXT I WANT TO SHARE with you some money business (not monkey business. Monkey business comes in the category of a budget I saw one time that listed expenditures for the Bishop's Fun. I don't know whether the "d" that had been omitted was intentional or an inspired mistake.) Our budget for 1974 is \$238,000. Toward this amount we have \$202,000 in pledges. Sunday undesignated plate offerings, special gifts, and trust funds will provide for the remainder. We are starting 1974 with a big carry-over (\$26,763). It's a temptation to keep this a secret. I realize that some people may look at that and say, "Trinity has surplus funds." Really, we don't have extra money. What happens is this: In December each year we receive a large sum of money during the last few days of the month. (Our December offering totaled \$24,106.) A good portion of that is to be applied to either current pledges or to 1974 pledges. This carryover money thus is diminished rapidly during the year. For example, in 1973, we carried over \$12,399 from 1972. By May 1973, our bank balance rose to \$16,874. But at the end of the summer our funds had diminished so that by September 1973 we had a balance of only \$2,613. We will continue the practice we started last year of giving to you the money facts.

In fact, I want to use this column, in part at least, to keep you informed, as fully as I can, of information about Trinity about which you might not otherwise be made aware.

Some of what I share with you will be rather nebulous because it's just in the formative stages. For example, what I said above about a minister of education is at a stage where I cannot give many details. But it lets you know a little of what's coming. I can do the same thing in sharing with you some news about a change coming in our secretarial staff. Mrs. Palmer Williams will be leaving us in March. She has been with us for over a year. She has been an efficient secretary. But more than that her ready smile, her infinite patience in a frustrating position have meant that whoever has come to the Trinity office has received warm, personal attention; those who have phoned have been greeted with a friendly response. In other words, when people have had their first experience of Trinity through the church office, they could not help but have a good feeling about themselves and about the church. But Leslie is leaving. She will be having a baby in April and the time she has devoted to the Trinity office will now be directed toward her family. We do have another person set to begin work about two weeks before Leslie leaves. Mrs. George (Susan) Ridge, who with her husband is active in Trinity, is coming to us from the office of The Florida Bar. She has been interviewed by our office manager and financial secretary, Mrs. Harry Miley, and by me, and we have found her qualified to meet the high standards of the Trinity church office.

— Ed W. Norman *Minister* 

## '74 Administrative Board Named

Administrative Board members heard Minister Ed Norman explain their role in the policy-making functions of the church at their first meeting of 1974 on January 8. About 70 were present — many serving for the first time.

Election of officers for the Board was delayed until the next meeting on Tuesday, February 12, at 8 p.m. Outgoing Chairman Walter Funderburk, Jr., welcomed newcomers and those who are completing two or three-year terms.

The following members, elected for one year and eligible to serve for three years if reelected, will be serving for the first time or will be returning to the Board after an absence of

one year or more:

Aho, U. A. Andrews, Mrs. Claud Armstrong, Dr. Earl
Ashmore, Mrs. R. W., Jr.
Ballinger, Kenneth
Beck, Dr. Otis Berry, Mrs. Roy Bevis, W. Bradley Blalock, T. J. Blalock, T. J.
Blee, Mrs. Myron
Blount, H. H.
Brackin, Vann
Carraway, Howard
Cogswell, Wilson
Collins, Marvin, Jr.
Crotty, John
Daniel, Hight
Fairley, Lynn
Flanagan, Mrs. Thelma
Gallagher, Mrs. Harvey
Godby, Amos P. Godby, Amos P. Hall, Lewis Halley, C. E. Harter, Wesley Haskell, Dr. Ed Hood, Mrs. D. L Howe, Mrs. Bobby Howell, Ken Hulet, Dr. Richard Jackson, Mrs. Allan Jackson, David James, Mrs. Bertha James, Mrs. Glenn King, James P. Lawton, Mrs. Robert Leduc, Dr. Albert Leduc, Dr. Albert
McKinnon, Len
Mickler, William
Miley, Harry
Mingledorff, Ken
Moffitt, J. D.
Moody, Dr. Howard
Morse, T. Aubrey
Morse, Gene
Moser, Gertrude
Howell, John
Munson, Miss Frances
Nunn. Reid Nunn, Reid Oakley, Mrs. Karl Pope, Mrs. Melvin Rehwinkel, Mrs. Jennings Rehwinkel, Mrs. Je Roesch, Karl Rhodes, Carlton Sewell, Mrs. John Shipp, John Shuler, Mrs. G. C. Smith, Dr. Orson Tolle, Ed Watts, Larry White, Robert Yancey, Earl Yates, Harold

Members returning to the Board, elected for one year and eligible for one year are:

Bailey, Thomas D.
Bandlow, Richard O.
Blackburn, James O.
Blalock, Felix
Boone, Shelley
Haire, Dr. Wilbur
Kelly, H. Jervey
Larson, Mrs. J. Ed
Moon, Mrs. Robert C.
Parramore, J. Vernon
Peirce, Dr. Robert V.
Rogers, S. Gordon
Rolland, Madeline
Sauls, Mrs. James D.
Scisson, Burke B.
Steinmeyer, Mrs. F. E., Jr.
Thompson, Romulus
Tipton, Ray E.
Tvler, Fred B.
Wright, Lon
Yates, Mrs. C. R.

Others elected for one year and eligible for a two-year period include:

Beall, Louis H., Jr.
Causseaux, Orlis
Coulter, Clinton
Ferguson, Miss Allie
Fisher, E. V.
Funderburk, Walter, Jr.
Green, Ray E., Sr.
Grow, William A., Jr.
Hamilton, Dr. Marshall
Hawkins, Rebecca Bowles
Heisler, J. Garland
Henderson, James
Hodges, Ralph
Hodges, Wayne
Maynard, Zollie, Sr.
Moncrief, William, Jr.
Mullikin, Harry, Jr.
Olson, John
Proctor, Ralph, Sr.
Seals, Dr. Rupert
Sellers, Owen
Smith, Mrs. Julian V.
Smoyer, Howard
Slater, Mallie
Sprouse, Carl
Wadsworth, Murray
Wilfong, Esther
Willis, Ben, Jr.
Williamson, J. D.
Williamson, Paul
Wilkison, Barbara
Wright, Thomas G.

Additional members of the Administrative Board include the Council on Ministries, composed of Chairman Dr. Robert V. Peirce, the ministers, minister of Christian Education, director of music, financial secretary, chairman of the Administrative Board, lay leader, president of United Methodist Women, superintendent of the study program, representative of each United Methodist Men and United Methodist Youth, and all work area chairpersons: Ken Howell, Education; Don Creedman, Missions; Sam Teague, Jr., Membership and Evangelism; Robert C. Parker, Jr., Worship; Mrs. Marshall Hamilton, Social Concerns; David Kerns, Sr., Finance.

Dr. Griffith Pugh will serve as lay leader.

## A February Devotional

"I beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called . . " says

Paul writing to Ephesus (4:1ff).

How about answering with a pencil these questions:

. In my personal life, thanks be to God for

In my work, thanks be to God for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Lord, your help is needed more than ever for \_

When I think of the Christian faith, I'm bothered by

5. Correct me, Lord, for \_\_\_\_\_\_ 6. In our congregation, thanks be to God for .

unto us the new life for the days ahead.

7. In our world, thanks be to God for \_

Whew! What mixed emotions I would have about my discipleship after answering these questions!

Are we worthy of a gospel that frees to the extent that the past is forgiven? February

He would have us be. But let's keep in perspective what God has going for us as we count blessings and weigh where we have been less than that for which we were created.

PRAYER: Worthy or not, Lord, accept our confession of the failings of the past and grant

means an opportunity to re-evaluate one's religious life and one's calling by God to be what

— HAROLD BROWN

#### February 1974 Bible Readings

1 Psalm	15 Psalm 138:1-8
2 Luke 4:14-21	16 1 Corinthians 15:1-11
3 Zechariah	17 I Corinthians 2:6-10
4 Psalm 146:5-10	18
5 1 Corinthians 1:26-31	19 Psalm 119:1-8
6 5:1-12	20 Jeremiah
7 Psalm 71:1-6	21 Psalm 1:1-6
8 I Corinthians 12:31-13:13	22
9 Psalm 95:1-7	23 Luke 6:17-20
10 Isaiah 58:7-10	24 Leviticus 19:1-4
11 Psalm 112:4-9	25 Psalm 103:1-13
12 5:13-16	26   Corinthians 3:16-23
13 9:16-23	27 Matthew 5:38-48
14 Mark 1:20 30	28 Psalm 41:13

## United Methodist Women

#### February Circle Meetings Planned

The 11 circles of the United Methodist Women invite prospective new members and all current members to attend meetings this month as scheduled below:

Circle #1 will meet at 10 a.m., February 11, at the home of Mrs. Frank Moor, 1552 Isabel Court. Cohostesses will be Mrs. O. C. Collins, Mrs. Eugene Borda and Mrs. J. E. Camp. The program will be a continuing study of women in the Bible. Mrs. Louis Hill is circle chairman.

Circle #2 will meet at 2:30 p.m., February 11, in the Church Parlor with Mrs. America Russell and Mrs. John Koch as hostesses. Mrs. J. A. Rehwinkel is chairman.

Circle #3 will meet at 10 a.m., February 12, with Mrs. E. Clyde Johnson, 275 John Knox Rd., Woodcrest Apt. C-204. The program will continue a study of *Healing Fountain* and other writings selected from contemporary Christians. Mrs. J. Lewis Hall is chairman.

Circle #4 will meet at 10:30 a.m., February 12, in Room 210 of the Church. Mrs. Eugene Fisher will discuss Chapter 10, Romans. Mrs. Huxley Coulter is chairman.

Circle #5 will meet at 10 a.m., February 12, with Mrs. W. E. Armstrong, 2100 Ridgetop Drive. Mrs. Paul Coley is chairman.

Circle #6 will meet at 10 a.m., February 12, with Mrs. John Humphress, 1503 Hickory Avenue. Mrs. Robert Jenkins is cohostess and Mrs. Harry Waugh is chairman.

Circle #7 will meet at 10 a.m., February 12, at 519 E. Sixth Avenue, at the home of Mrs. Howell Wadsworth. Guest speaker will be Richard Ezenwukwa, Nigerian completing his master's degree at FSU with a grant from Trinity. He will be introduced by Rev. Ed Norman and will explain the work he hopes to do in visual disabilities when he returns to his country.

Circle #7, with Mrs. Wesley Harter as chairman, monthly takes birthday cakes and does other services for the boys at Criswell House.

Circle #8 will continue its study on the book, Forever Becoming: Search for Maturity by John Gilbert. Mrs. Harold Brown will lead the discussion. The meeting will be at 9:30 a.m., February 12, in the Church Parlor with Mrs. Ronald Braswell as hostess. Mrs. R. A. White is chairman.

Circle #9 will study the Arab-Israli conflict, with emphasis on background and history of the Arabs. It meets at 10 a.m., February 12, with Mrs. Mitchell Ferguson, 1316 Dillard Street. Mrs. Harry Middlebrooks is chairman.

Circle #12 meets at 7:30 p.m., February 18, in the Church Parlor. Miss Edna Causseaux is chairman.

#### New Officers Are Installed

Officers of the United Methodist Women were installed by Rev. Ed Norman during the 11 o'clock service on Sunday, January 13.

Mrs. Griffith T. Pugh was installed as president; Mrs. Robert Peirce and Mrs. Harold Brown as first vice presidens, as chairman and co-chairman of programs, respectively; Mrs. Robert A. White, second vice president; Mrs. Carlton E. Rhodes, secretary; Mrs. Wallis L. Walker and Mrs. Don Hay, treasurer and associate treasurer.

The Committee on Nominations includes Mrs. James D. Sauls, chairman; Mrs. Louis J. Zanelli, Mrs. L. N. Brown, Mrs. C. A. Butterworth, and Mrs. George A. Foster.

Chairpersons of areas of concern are Mrs. Julian V. Smith, Christian Personhood; Mrs. Robert Short, Social Involvement; Mrs. Ed Norman, Global Concerns; Mrs. Ronald Hock, Church Women United "Key Woman."

Committee chairpersons are Mrs. Robert Scherdin and Mrs. G. C. Shuler, Local Church Responsibility; Mrs. John Mowell, Publicity; Mrs. N. E. Fenn, Music; Mrs. Coyle Moore and Mrs. Edward Trembly, Historians; Mrs. I. R. Sutton, Coupons; Mrs. Claud M. Andrews, Cards; Mrs. I. A. Metz, Community Welfare; Mrs. Robert White, reporter, Monthly Tiding.

Mrs. Pugh announced the first major project of UMW for 1974 is to activate a Committee on Membership to work year round in three basic areas: maintaining of contact with members whose interest and attendance are erratic; working to enlist new members from among women of the church and community; and helping persons see membership as an opportunity for personal growth and fellowship, involvement in mission outreach and service, and participation in meaningful study and action projects.

Mrs. James Sauls is chairperson and invites interested women to call her or Mrs. Pugh to become involved with UMW. Any interested woman may attend any of the monthly UMW circle meetings listed in the *Monthly Tidings* or the weekly bulletin.

Circle #13 plans to meet with Mrs. J. P. Love, Jr., 921 Maplewood, at 8 p.m., February 12. Mrs. Eugene Fisher will talk about the Eye Bank and Miss Wanda Causseaux will talk on the "Living Bank."

According to Mrs. Nick Dawirs, chairman, Circle #13's programs for November and December were outstanding. Mrs. Ed Norman invited the group to meet at her home in November when the circle had six foreign women students as guests for a traditional Thanksgiving dinner. In December the circle made gifts for participants of the "Meals on Wheels" program during Christmas week.



Trinity's Youth Choir rehearses one of the scenes from "Lightshine" they will present at the Crawfordville Methodist Church on February 10. This is the choir's third performance of the musical play directed by Mrs. Walter James.



Trinity's Nursery School Director Claire Nash leads singing during circle time. Fourteen three- and four-year-olds are enrolled in the Church's two-day-a-week nursery. "We are teaching the important concepts of sharing and getting along with others," Mrs. Nash says.



During outside play at Trinity's Nursery School, Courtney Brown, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Harold Brown, gets a lesson in shoe tying from Sally Nash, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Nash.

## Trustees Perform Vital Church Role

The individual homeowner who arranges for the repair of a leaky roof, maintains the appearance of his home, makes sure his house payment is made each month, and calls the plumber, electrician or exterminator when they are needed performs a function similar to that performed for the Church by Trinity's Board of Trustees.

The Board meets at least monthly, and sometimes more often, to consider day-to-day as well as long-range administrative matters. In the words of Chairman Ted Steinmeyer, III, the Board is "primarily responsible for the physical properties, upkeep, use of the property, and buying and selling."

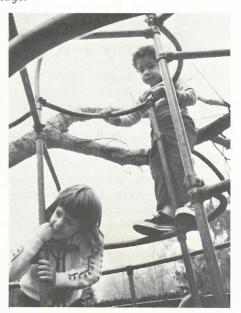
The most significant recent action of the Trustees was to ask the Parsonage Committee to review several prospective homes for purchase to serve as parsonage if the present one is sold to the state as part of the Governor's park. The recommendation of the committee, relative to the purchase of a suitable dwelling, will be reported back to the Trustees.

How does one become a Trustee? Dedication and service to the Church are probably the primary qualifications sought in a prospective Trustee. A nominating committee submits the names of persons meeting those qualifications to the Administrative Board which elects three each year for three-year terms. Some people call Trustees "the old men of the Church," but Chairman Steinmeyer protests that the description is not accurate. He is 41.

Current Trustees are Dr. Ed Walker, Harry Waugh, Judge Ben Willis, Dr. Coyle Moore, Payne Midyette, Jr., Frank D. Moor, Garland Heisler, Godfrey Smith, C. Hux Coulter, and Steinmeyer.

Going beyond the upkeep of the Church, Steinmeyer personally sees a much greater challenge for Trinity.

"The greatest challenge facing the Church today is to develop the capability to relate to the individual in his or her everyday life so we can have seven-day-a-week rather than one-day-a-week Christians," Steinmeyer said.



Outside play is an important aspect of Trinity's Nursey School. Catrina Webb, left, and Michael Dalton are two of the 14 children enrolled.

## Hill to Present African Program

Trinity member Dr. Don M. Hill, former missionary to the Congo, will present slides and articles on Africa and discuss that country's culture on Sunday evening, February 17.

Dr. Hill recently returned from Wembonyama, where he taught mathematics in a United Methodist Secondary School. His wife, Kandy, is a nurse and served in rehabilitation programs for the people of the area.

While in Zaire (new name for the Congo), Dr. and Mrs. Hill immersed themselves in the cultural expressions of the people, learning ivory carving and communicating by the African drum system. He will exhibit these during his talk.

His observations of Africa, yesterday and today, the school, home and church situation, and how these affect the future of the expanding world power in the African "bloc" will be explained.

Dr. Hill holds degrees from Dartmouth and Florida State University and with his wife studied French in Brussels for one year. Last year he was a consultant to the University of Congo Teacher Training Program.

Planner of this Sunday evening worship service, Rev. Harold Brown, expressed hope that a large number of Trinity members and their friends take advantage of this opportunity to learn and be inspired by Dr. Hill's work in the mission field.

#### Religion, Art Seminars

The United Ministries Center, 548 West Park Avenue, will be completing a series of religion and art seminars Sunday evenings of February 10, 17 and 24. Sessions are from 5 to 6:30 p.m. and are followed by a covered dish supper to which all interested persons are invited.



Trinity's Sesquicentennial Committee makes plans to celebrate 150 years of history, mission and worship with a variety of programs and events throughout 1974. Meeting at the home of Cochairman Mrs. Louis Hill are from left Mrs. Robert White, Mrs. Jack Mowell, Cochairman Palmer Williams, Mrs. Hill, Tommy and Mrs. Wright, Rev. Ed Norman, and standing, Gene Morse.

## Trinity's Roll Call of History

1824 Church founded. John Slade and John Twiggs, Methodist preachers, held meetings in the newly established Florida Capital.

Josiah Evans appointed Presiding Elder of the Tallahassee District and pastor of the Tallahassee Mission, by the South Carolina Conference. The first church building was erected on a lot at the southwest corner of what is now known as Park Avenue and Bronough Street. Collin Woodberry was the builder. This was a small wooden building, not ceiled or plastered and with no glass in the windows, which were closed by wooden shutters. The building had a gallery for blacks.

1828 Tallahassee made a station charge, with Josiah Freeman, pastor.

1829 First parsonage was erected.

First attempt at starting a Sunday school under John W. Talley,

1837 Purchased three lots at the corner of Park and Duval.

1840 Erected the second church building, the first on the present site. This was located on the lots purchased in 1837. It was a brick building 40 x 60 ft. with a basement and a gallery. It had four columns in front. (see picture) Richard A. Shine was the builder. This building was occupied in 1841.

The pastor, William Choice, reported 131 whites and 168 blacks united with the church.

The Florida Annual Conference was organized in this church, pursuant to a resolution that had been adopted by the General Conference of 1844. The Florida churches had previously been members, first of the South Carolina Conference and later the Georgia Conference, when it was organized.

1853 Purchased property at the northwest corner of Park Avenue and Bronough St. In 1868 the church deeded this property to the Board of Trustees for the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church and the deed recites that it had been purchased for the use of the colored

Erected the second parsonage. It faced Park Avenue and was located between the Methodist and Presbyterian churches. 1859

The pastor, J. O. Branch, reports financial prosperity, but spiritual depression of the church.

The pastor, L. W. Moore, reports a rising spiritual tide. 1870

1892 Decided to rebuild the church. The old building was torn down and the third church building was occupied in 1893. W. M. Poage was the pastor, the membership was 307, the pastor's salary \$1200, and the total amount raised in 1893 from all sources was \$5173. The cost of the building was about \$12,000.

The north addition to the church was completed. F. C. Gilmore 1910 was the builder and it cost \$12,000. Ira S. Patterson was the pastor and the membership that year was 508.

Raised funds and helped build the first Wesley Foundation building adjoining the University campus. Membership passed 1000.

Built the parsonage at 610 N. Adams Street at a cost of \$9,000. J. H. Daniel was pastor.

Sponsored the Southside Methodist Church. 1939

Regan broadcasting the morning service

Membership passed 2000. 1943

Sponsored the organization of Tallahassee Heights Methodist Church. 1947

Erected Trinity Hall. The cost of the original building with furnishings was \$265,000.

Sponsored St. Paul's Methodist Church and assumed support for a missionary in Cuba.

**1955-56** Church regular budget exceeded \$100,000 for the first time.

1956-57 Purchased property adjoining church for parking lots for a total

1959 Over \$400,000 pledged in campaign to build a new church. Regular church budget increased to \$139,000.

1960 Together with St. Paul's Church, sponsored John Wesley Methodist Church.

In June, let contract to Albritton-Williams, Inc., of Tallahassee for 1962 the new building in the amount of \$752,750. The total cost of the new building, including furnishings and architects' fees is about \$1,015,000. Held services in Opperman Hall at Florida State University while church was being built.

1963 Gave financial aid for the establishment of Calvary Methodist Church.

On March 22 held services for the first time in the Fellowship Hall of the new church. On May 3 services were held in the sanctuary and Bishop Arthur Moore consecrated the building.

Trinity celebrates its 150th year.

#### Where Paul Built Churches

## Tour Greece, Turkey With Writers

Trueblood, Dr. Paul Tournier, Dr. Bernard Harnik, Keith Miller and Dr. Lofton Hudson.

How would you like an opportunity to spend 16 days in challenging sessions with these men in person while traveling in Greece and Turkey where Paul set about to build the early Christian Church - places such as Athens, Salonika, Istambul and Izmir?

Such a tour is being arranged by Bill Scott, representing WORD, Inc., a Christian publishing house in Texas, for April 17 - May 2, 1974. Time aboard ship (once there by air) and in Astir Palace Hotel, Istambul Hilton, Hotel Electra and the Galaxy Hotel will be spent with presentations by these writers.

There will be day trips from the central locations to historic Athens,

#### Methodist Women Sew For Needy Mothers

Disadvantaged mothers in disaster areas overseas and here at home in Leon County will have layettes for their new babies from the sewing machines of the women of Trinity and ten other churches in the city.

Trinity United Methodist Women are cooperating for the second year in a project of Church Women United by providing money for material and cutting and sewing the layettes. The garments are distributed to needy mothers by Leon Associated Charities and overseas by Church World Services.

Mrs. Robert Short, chairman of the Christian Social Involvement Committee of UMW, is coordinating the project and hopes that Trinity members will volunteer to do as much sewing as possible during February. A committee is cutting out the garments and will deliver them to volunteers with easy-to-sew instructions.

Since costs of materials have increased, Mrs. Short said donations of money are also needed and welcomed. Checks may be made out to United Methodist Women, marked "for layettes" and mailed to Mrs. Robert Short, 2407 Miranda Ave., Tallahassee 32304. Volunteer sewers may call her at 576-1537.

You have read books by Dr. Elton Corinth, Mycenae, Salonika (Thessalonika), Kavala (site of Philippian Church, Istambul, and sailing on the Bosperous, Ismir and the Aegean Coast, and Ephesus.

Advance registration has already indicated broad interest. If you are interested, telephone Rev. Harold Brown at 222-1120 immediately.

#### Teachers To Have Training Seminar

A seminar to train Church School teachers and other interested Church members in the learning center approach to education will be conducted at St. Paul's Methodist Church Friday night, February 22, and Saturday morning, February 23. Trinity, Killearn and John Wesley Churches are participating.

Ken Howell, chairman of the Education Work Area at Trinity, said the seminar will concentrate on the elementary child. Specialists from St. Petersburg will conduct by taped cassette a preseminar philosophy session for all who plan to attend.

Emphasis will be on how a child may independently or with a friend or guide push through one of several learning centers in his Church School time, and also on the creative element during which the child uses his own resources to experience what interests his most in a variety of options in the

#### "Hobby Day" Planned By Methodist Church

"Hobby Day at Trinity" is being planned by the United Methodist Men on Sunday afternoon, March 17, beginning at 3 p.m. in the Fellowship

President Hollis O. Pemberton, Jr., encourages all members to put the finishing touches on decoupage, crafts, collections and similar hobbies to ready them for display and demonstration during the afternoon.

## Basketball Teams in Tournaments

Trinity's basketball teams expect to be represented in district tournaments later this month.

Intermediate Boys, coached by John Crotty, Jr., had three wins and five losses as of January 16. Outstanding performers will be selected to represent Trinity at the district tournament in Quincy February 22 and 23.

Junior Boys, coached by Joe Hughes, Bill Fritchman and Stan Marshall, recorded six wins and two losses by January 16. They will send representatives to the district tournament at Raa Gym on February 15, 16, and to the state tournament in DeLand on February 22 and 23.

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