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Monthly Tidings

Pre-Lenten Ecumenical Lecture Series Begins February 5 at Trinity United Methodist

Dr. Roger L. Shinn, Reinhold Niebuhr Professor of Social Ethics at Union Theological Seminary in New York City, will deliver the keynote address Sunday, February 5, to begin the second annual Pre-Lenten Ecumenical Lecture Series in Trinity's Fellowship Hall. Lectures will be given each Sunday night in February, sponsored by nine Tallahassee churches.

Speaking on the general theme of the series, "Living the Faith in the Modern World," Dr. Shinn will speak at 7:45 p.m. and answer questions from the audience from 8:30 to 9 p.m.

Administrative Board Adopts 1974 Budget; More Pledges Needed

The \$460,000 operating budget the Administrative Board tentatively adopted last October was formally ratified at the board's meeting on January 23.

Finance Committee Chairman William Mattice told board members the budget contains no needless expenses. "It is as tight a budget as we can put together," he explained.

John Olson, chairman of the stewardship crusade that sought to underwrite budgetary needs with pledges, reported to the Administrative Board that the crusade is just \$25,000 short of reaching its goal.

"I am confident the needed pledges are out there. I am distressed that there are a tremendous number of members who have not been properly challenged to broaden their base of giving," Olson said. He plans to continue to serve until the necessary pledges are obtained, he told the board.

Olson said he will recommend to the Finance Committee that a policy be adopted to automatically continue member pledges so that the Stewardship Committee will not have to start the entire process each year. Members will have the option to decrease, increase or discontinue a pledge at any time.

The 1984 budget is \$27,000 more than 1983's \$433,000 anticipated needs. The year ended with \$423,365.78 of that amount being spent.

Trinity's share of apportionments assigned to it by the Florida Annual Conference was increased to \$75,796 in 1984, up from \$67,562 in 1983. Local missions are also increased from \$4,400 in 1983 to \$10,860 in 1984—\$5,410 of this amount for the radio ministry formerly paid by special gifts. National and world missions total \$6,511 in the new budget.

Staff and ministerial salaries and benefits account for the largest share of the budget—\$204,090. Most salaries remain the same as in 1983.

Administrative costs such as postage, telephone and computer service will be about the same, as will property expenses such as repairs, utilities and building debts.

The detailed 1984 proposed budget was published in the November 1983 *Monthly Tidings*.

A coffee hour precedes the lecture at 7:15.

Dr. Shinn's earlier academic posts were at Heidelberg College, where he was professor of philosophy, and Vanderbilt University, where he was professor of theology. He received his undergraduate training at Heidelberg, his seminary training at Union, and his doctoral training at Columbia University.

He is a noted writer and lecturer on international peace, economic justice, criminal justice reform, en-

vironmental issues, politics, and business ethics. In addition to his frequent articles in such periodicals as *Christianity and Crisis* and *The Christian Century*, he has produced numerous books, the most recent of which is the widely quoted *FORCED OPTIONS: Social Decisions for the 21st Century* (Harper and Row). Dr. Shinn is an ordained minister of the United Church of Christ.

Mary Cosby will deliver the second lecture February 12 on the topic, "The Inner Life of Faith."

Mrs. Cosby is a founding member and the wife of the pastor of The Church of the Savior, Washington, D.C., a unique, small, nondenominational, interracial church which requires a rigorous preliminary course of Christian studies for all potential members. The church owns "Day-spring," a 200-acre retreat center near Washington, D.C., which is available to all, and maintains "The Potter's House," a coffee house ministry in downtown Washington.

Mrs. Cosby received her formal education from Randolph-Macon Woman's College and American University. She is known internationally as a lecturer on spiritual growth and commitment to discipleship.

Frank A. Butler, a registered professional engineer and an Episcopal lay leader from Topsfield, Massachusetts, will deliver the third lecture February 19. His topic will be "Living the Faith on the Job."

Butler is president and general manager of Eastman Gelatine Corporation, a subsidiary of Eastman Kodak Company, and is a member of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers. He is a graduate of the University of Maine, a ventryman of Trinity Episcopal Church, president of the North Shore Economic Council, chairman of Home Prayers, and vice president of the Evangelistic Association of New England. He is a member of the board of directors of a number of business, civic and church agencies, and is a trustee of Gordon College.

The final lecture in the annual Pre-Lenten Ecumenical Lecture Series will be given February 26 by Dr. Yvonne Delk, executive director for the Office of Church and Society, an instrumentality established by the United Church of Christ. Its mandate is to study the gospel in its bearing on people in society, provide and publish information on social issues, cooperate with the United Church of Christ and other ecumenical bodies in making the implications of the gospel effective in society, and formulate and promote a program of social education and action for the United Church of Christ.

Dr. Delk is the first black woman to achieve executive office in the United Church of Christ. Her topic will be "Society's Challenge to the Christian."

A registration fee of \$5 per person for the series may be paid at the door. Registration fee for students and spouses of students is \$2. per person.

Sponsoring churches for the series are: Calvary, Gray Memorial and Trinity United Methodist, First Presbyterian, St. John's Episcopal, St. Stephen Lutheran, St. Thomas More Roman Catholic, United Church of Christ in Tallahassee, and Unitarian Universalist.



RALPH E. DODGE



ELEANOR & JIM HANKINS

Three To Interpret UM Mission Outreach During Mission Awareness Weekend Feb. 11-12

Three mission leaders serving the United Methodist Church will be at Trinity the weekend of February 11-12 to broaden members' understanding of the church's participation in mission outreach on a global scale.

Seventeen other mission interpreters will be in United Methodist Churches elsewhere in the Tallahassee District as part of a Mission Awareness Weekend.

Carrying out the theme, "The World Is My Parish," the mission interpreters are bringing with them pictures, slides, stories, illustrations and first-hand accounts of what it is like to be in mission today. Visiting speakers at Trinity will concentrate on mission work in African countries.

Trinity's Commission on Missions will begin the weekend with a coffee for the general membership of the church in the Fellowship Hall on Saturday, February 11, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Retired United Methodist Bishop Ralph E. Dodge of Dowling Park will speak on the church in Africa where he spent more than 30 years as a missionary.

On Sunday morning, February 11,

Liberia and Christian education in that nation will be discussed by Eleanor Hankins, now a guidance counselor for the Duval School System in Jacksonville. She and her husband served as missionaries in Liberia for several years. While there she specialized in Christian education and trained teams of youths to conduct vacation Bible schools. James H. Hankins is now pastor of Hendricks Memorial UMC in Jacksonville.

Trinity's adult Sunday school classes will meet together at 9:45 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall to hear Mrs. Hankins.

Children and youth of Trinity will have a creative festival of African arts later that day as Jim and Eleanor Hankins interpret mission work in Liberia to them. Grades 3-5 will meet at 5 p.m. for the children's enrichment program. Members of United Methodist Youth Fellowship will hear the Hankins during their regular Sunday session at 6:30 p.m.

The Commission on Missions will complete this churchwide mission study of Africa with a church family night program on March 4. Speaker for that program will be announced.

Church Family Sunday Dinner

following 11:00 a.m. service

Sunday, February 19, Fellowship Hall

\$4.00 per person

\$2.00 children 12 and under

Proceeds will support Trinity Youth Choir participation in the Southeastern Jurisdiction

Youth Music Workshop at Lake Junaluska this summer

Editorial

The Church That Gives Lives

"O Lord, I am afraid of Your demands,
And yet I love Your church and want to be a part of its life.
Help me . . . give me the courage to look honestly at what I am and have,
To give some of the hours that I usually spend on myself,
To deepen my prayer life so that I might know You more fully.
I am one to whom so much has been given;
Strengthen my resolve this day to give back in some measure the love You have given me. Amen"

The slogan that heads this editorial was used during the Trinity Hall Fund/ Florida Conference Fund Crusade in February and March 1983. The above prayer was mailed to all members of the church as the crusade began.

If we study the financial report of Trinity for 1983 that appears on page 3, we know that the congregation responded with a generous commitment to strengthen God's work at Trinity and through Trinity.

- The Trinity Hall Fund was underwritten with pledges of \$542,625. The fund received payments totaling \$211,000 during 1983.

- The Florida Conference Fund received pledges of \$35,603 to help establish a loan fund to build churches and expand Methodism in this state. Payments on these pledges totaled \$14,114 during 1983.

- Trinity members gave \$429,730 to the church's operating and program budget during 1983.

- Trinity members gave \$11,597 in extra offerings for designated uses, such as United Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief, United Methodist Children's Home and other benevolences.

Although the year began and entered its 12th month with a deficit budget, Trinity members, through special Christmas offerings and second mile giving, made it possible for the church to cover all expenditures for the year and pay the Annual Conference 100 percent of its apportionments.

It was a year full of great risks, great faith, and great people. The Trinity Hall Modernization Committee made ambitious plans to bring life back to a decaying building, the Fund Crusade Committee accepted the challenge of raising money to finance the renovation, the Finance and Stewardship Committees worked year-long to balance the operating budget, and countless volunteers visited, telephoned, stuffed envelopes and prepared material in support of the committees' goals.

During a recent worship service Senior Minister Walter N. Kalaf celebrated the victory by thanking the congregation for their generous financial support. The congregation in turn owes a great debt of appreciation to Dr. Kalaf for his inspired and tireless leadership during the crucial year of 1983 when Trinity might have receded further into decline but instead embraced 1984 and the future with the assurance that Trinity will be faithful to its mission.

The church that gives lives!

—Linda Yates, Editor

Trinity Members Are Urged to— Contribute Gift of Life: Blood

One of every 80 members of Trinity will need a blood transfusion this year, the Leon County Blood Bank estimates. Although the church began 1984 with 21 pints of blood in its account, more donors are needed to maintain a ready supply for emergencies within the Trinity family, Miriam McLarty says.

As coordinator of Trinity's blood bank account, Mrs. McLarty expressed appreciation to the eight to ten members who contribute on a regular basis and to numerous others who gave at least one pint in 1983.

"In 1983 Trinity members donated 26 pints of blood and used 25 pints. I

hope many more members will give the gift of life," Mrs. McLarty said.

The Leon County Blood Bank supplies more than 10,000 pints a year to people in the Big Bend Area. A nonprofit organization, it serves both Tallahassee hospitals and six other hospitals in the surrounding ten-county area.

The average transfusion involves 3.4 pints of blood; therefore, it requires 4 blood donations to treat the average patient. Fewer than 5 percent of eligible people actually donate blood.

Any healthy person, aged 17 or older, can donate blood. It is painless and there are no lasting effects. The actual donation process takes about 10 minutes. The Leon County Blood Bank will answer further questions about eligibility if you telephone 877-7181. Its hours are Monday through Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Fridays from 7:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

The blood bank is located at 1240 Hodges Drive.

Charge Conference Votes to Use Trust Income for Operating

Meeting as a Charge Conference immediately after the Administrative Board meeting on January 23, members voted to authorize interest income from the Trinity United Methodist Trust to be deposited as earned in the operating account of the church.

Dr. Walter Kalaf reported the trust has grown significantly in the last several months as money from the Carolyn Hart estate was received and memorial gifts are made to the church in memory of deceased members.

In Memoriam

Gifts were made to Trinity United Methodist Church in memory of the following:

P. H. Midyette, Sr., from Vereen Smith
Nette E. Moore Richerd, Mrs. Bruce Davis, Eleanor McMullen from Mr. & Mrs. Fred Dickinson
Mrs. Ward from Circle 7
P. H. Midyette, Sr., from Carolyn and George Watt
Eleanor McMullen from Mrs. John Humphress
Owen Sellers from Mrs. John Humphress
Sarah Simmons Coons from Mr. & Mrs. Thomas R. Simmons
Kathryn and Joseph A. Davis from Ginny Davis
Owen Sellers from Mr. & Mrs. H. N. Dawirs
Eleanor McMullen from W. P. Shelley, Jr.

Sarah Simmons Coons from Anne Morrison

Eleanor McMullen from Allan & Glenn Rankin

Elizabeth Cureton from Mrs. B. E. Brown

Owen Sellers from Mr. & Mrs. J. F. Weigand

Julian Smith from Industrial National Bank

Julian Smith from First National Bank

P. H. Midyette, Sr., from First National Bank

Sally Weems from Bryan & Martha Willis

Carrie Lou Curry from Nellie Bird Mims

J. V. Smith from Ausley, McMullen, McGehee, Carothers & Proctor

Fannie Graham from Elizabeth Atkinson

Fannie Graham from Beth & Frank Moor

Eugenia Tatum Avant from Beth & Frank Moor

Eugenia Tatum Avant from Nellie Bird Mims

Fannie Graham from Judge & Mrs. Ben Willis

Hester Proctor from Judge & Mrs. Ben Willis

Hester Proctor from Frank & Beth Moor

Fannie Graham from Mrs. Thomas Lux

Hester Proctor from Mrs. Thomas Lux

Mrs. O. Earl Proctor from Mr. & Mrs. Sam Draper

Hester Proctor from P. H. Midyette, Jr.

Fannie Graham from P. H. Midyette, Jr.

Hester Proctor from Dr. & Mrs. Ledley Brown

Hester Proctor from Opal E. Churchill

P. H. Midyette, Sr., from Mr. & Mrs. Charles R. Yates

Sarah Simmons Coons from Mr. & Mrs. Charles R. Yates

Eleanor McMullen from Mr. & Mrs. Howell Wadsworth

Hester Proctor from Mr. & Mrs. Howell Wadsworth

Fannie Graham from Mr. & Mrs. Howell Wadsworth

Hester Proctor from Mr. & Mrs. John Y. Humphress

Eleanor McMullen, Fannie Graham, Hester Proctor from Mildred R. Lees

Mrs. Flossie Wells from Mr. & Mrs. Hal T. Glaze

Mrs. Flossie Wells from Mr. & Mrs. E. Ronald Hock

Anno Domini 1984 A Prayer for All Seasons II

Thanks be to thee, O God:

For our creation
even in thine own image,
an estate most high.

For our redemption
through Christ our Lord,
image restored and life renewed.

For thy presence
through Holy Spirit, gift of heaven
enabling us to walk with thee.

We earnestly beseech thee, Lord:

Cover our needs with loving care
as in years past so in years to come.

Give faith to still our fears
and hope to trust tomorrow.

Give work to do that love may live,
and Kingdom grow from more to more.

This year we dedicate to thee:

That it may truly be Anno Domini
faith, hope and love abiding,
bringing peace to all mankind.

Let each day be a step to heaven
a rung on Jacob's ladder,
our souls ascending thee to see.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
To all of this our glad amen.
(This second annual Prayer for All Seasons is sent by George and Aultie Foster to their friends at Trinity)

Jaws

are not enough.
Don't just talk
about donating
blood—please do it.
Now. We're open
7:30 a.m. till 7:00 p.m.
Mon.-Thurs.;
7:30 a.m. till 4:30 p.m.
Fri.

Leon County
Blood Bank, Inc.
(904) 877-7181
1240 Hodges Drive



Do you have news about
your class or group to share
with the entire church?

Submit information for the
March **Tidings** to the church
office by February 17.

Members Give \$676,157

1983 Ends With Apportionments, Expenses Paid, Attendance on Increase

The Administrative Board celebrated Trinity and its people for completing 1983 with a balanced budget, its Conference apportionments paid in full, its staffing complete and its program and ministry revitalization well on its way.

At the first meeting of 1984 on January 23, Administrative Board Chairperson Peggy Hughes led board members in the singing of the Doxology to thank God for the past year's successes.

She then led the board in a special tribute to Senior Minister Walter N. Kalaf for his leadership and good management in guiding to successful completion a year that began with risks.

"We started 1983 knowing we had to take risks," Dr. Kalaf responded. "We knew we had to expand the staff in order to develop the kind of programs we needed, and this was the year to do it. The outcome was unknown but we began by thinking it was the right thing to do," he said.

"It has been exciting to be part of something that worked so well. I thank all members of Trinity for their efforts, their prayers and support."

Treasurer Bill Smith reported to the Administrative Board that the year ended with a carryover of \$6,365. "I am happy to bring you this good news, since so many times during the past year I have had to report a deficit budget to you," Smith said.

The 1983 budget of \$433,000 was undersubscribed by pledges and other income by \$9,667 and in the fall months weekly expenditures frequently exceeded income.

The Finance Committee, Stewardship Crusade workers, Dr. Kalaf and other church leaders continued efforts to bring in more pledges and special gifts. During December Christmas offerings of \$4,935 and extra mile gifts totaling \$15,613 made it possible to pay 100 percent of conference apportionments and other expenses.

Expenses in the operating budget were also reduced so that the year ended with \$423,365 of the \$433,000 budget being spent.

In all, during 1983 Trinity members contributed \$676,157 toward the work of Methodism. Besides the \$429,730 they gave in support of Trinity's 1983 operating budget, they contributed

\$211,000 to the Trinity Hall Fund, \$14,114 to the Conference Development Fund and \$11,597 to designated ministries of the United Methodist Church.

United Methodist Women gave \$3,028 for local and community work and \$6,688 to the District and Conference treasurers for mission work.

The amount given for Conference apportionments, designated gifts and

other special goals is detailed below.

In a report to the Annual Conference last month statistics gave evidence that Trinity's program and ministry also increased during 1983.

- Average attendance for a church service increased from 451 in 1982 to 485 in 1983.

- Number of persons baptized increased from 16 in 1982 to 33 in 1983.

- Average Sunday school attendance

was 223 in 1982 and 241 in 1983.

- Average attendance in short-term classes increased from 277 to 300.

- Average attendance in other ongoing groups increased from 124 to 232.

- United Methodist Women membership increased from 300 to 308.

The report also showed that expenses for the programs of the church totaled \$61,303 in 1983 and \$46,803 in 1982. Other operating expenses were \$176,611 in 1983 and \$147,163 in 1982.

Trinity's Giving to Florida Annual Conference in 1983

Fund	Apportionment	Year To-Date	Balance	Pct. Paid
—APPORTIONMENT ITEMS—				
Ministers Reserve Pension Fund	\$ 8,260	\$ 8,260.00	\$	100
World Service & Conference Benevolences	21,830	21,830.00		100
Conference Service & Administration	15,635	15,635.00		100
District Work Fund	2,641	2,641.00		100
District Church Extension	6,000	6,000.00		100
Ministerial Education	3,219	3,219.00		100
GJAF-General Jurisdictional Administration	1,034	1,034.00		100
ICF-Interdenominational Cooperation	227	227.00		100
Black Colleges	1,387	1,387.00		100
Missional Priorities	989	989.00		100
TOTAL APPORTIONMENTS	61,222	61,222.00		100
—GOALS AND QUOTAS—				
Church Development Fund (Florida Conference Fund)	35,603	14,114.03	21,488.97	40**
Wesley Foundation	1,000	1,575.00	575.00—	158
Tallahassee Larger Parish	2,500	2,500.00		100
Christian Education Day	400	400.00		100
Junaluska Advance	970	970.00		100
TOTAL GOALS AND QUOTAS	40,473	19,559.03	20,913.97	48
—DESIGNATED GIFTS—				
World Advance Mission		2,000.00		
World District Rally Special		68.00		
District Rally Special		68.00		
U M C O R		624.00		
World Communion		576.91		
Human Relations		22.00		
One Great Hour of Sharing		1,713.85		
Children's Fund		61.30		
Mission Priority-Hunger		1,950.96		
Vashti School		1,021.95		
Scarritt College*		1,000.00		
Refugee Relief Fund		195.00		
Student Day		65.00		
Golden Cross		181.00		
U.M. Children's Home		2,558.46		
SEJ Television Ministry		75.65		
Pension Fund Crusade		415.00		
TOTAL DESIGNATED GIFTS		12,597.08		
GRAND TOTAL PAID		93,378.11		

*This item is in Trinity's operating budget and is not considered "extra" giving.

**The Conference Fund is to be paid over 3 years.

Upcoming Choir Performances

Are Announced

Director of Music Mildred K. (Miki) Harrison has announced plans and performances of the Youth Choir, the Chancel Choir and the Wesleyan Singers between now and April.

The Youth Choir, joined by the Chapel Choir of the Wesley Foundation at FSU, will sing during the 8:45 a.m. worship service on February 12.

On February 26 Trinity's Youth Choir will sing with the choir at the Wesley Foundation in a cantata entitled "A Reason to Rejoice!"

The Youth Choir of Faith Presbyterian Church will host Trinity's Youth Choir for supper and a combined choir rehearsal on March 9. The two choirs of 150 young people will present a celebration of the life of Christ in a youth musical entitled "Celebrate (His) Life!"

A full orchestra made up of young people and directed by Trinity member Jeff Bradford will accompany the musical. The performance will be held at 7 p.m. April 8, at Faith Presbyterian Church.

Singing at both morning worship services on April 1, the Chancel Choir, under the direction of Mrs. Harrison, will present Gabriel Flure's "Requiem" as part of the Lenten season observance.

The Wesleyan Singers are actively undertaking a hymn study on Sunday evenings, focusing on the Wesley hymns in honor of the 200th anniversary of Methodism in America.

Lark Mott-Smith continues to direct a growing Carol Choir and Sandra Greenwood the Handbell Choir.

Methodist Women Announce Meetings

Circle #1 meets Monday, February 13, at 10:00 a.m. with Mrs. Ben Willis, 1504 Hickory Avenue. Ruth McDonald will talk about her trip to Russia.

Circle #2 meets Monday, February 13, at 2:30 p.m. with Mrs. Myrtle Rehwinkel at 508 Talalfo Street. Mrs. Fannie Denmark will be co-hostess.

Circle #3 meets Tuesday, February 14, at 10:00 a.m. with Mrs. A. G. Gallagher, 1342 Terrace St. The program will be on the Gospel of Mark.

Circle #4 meets Tuesday, February 14, at 10:00 a.m. in Room 100 at the church. Jo Burress will give a book review.

Circle #5 meets Tuesday, February 14, at 10:00 a.m. with Anna Scherdin, 402 Fairbanks Drive.

Adult Fellowship Meets Feb. 24

Members of the Adult Fellowship will have an opportunity to volunteer for service through the Retired Senior Volunteer Program at the next meeting of the group. The monthly luncheon of Adult Fellowship will begin at 11 a.m., February 24 in the Fellowship Hall. Lunch will be served for \$2.50 per plate.

Circle #6 meets Tuesday, February 14, at 10:00 a.m. with Virginia Clements at 1545 Lee Avenue. Lillian McManama and Ruth Rockwood are co-hostesses. John Quigley will show slides of the Holy Land.

Circle #7 meets Tuesday, February 14, at 10:00 a.m. with Bert Weisert at 1134 Sarasota Drive. Co-hostesses are Mable Dean and Doris Johnson.

Circle #8 meets Tuesday, February 14, at 9:15 a.m. in the church parlor with Beth Davis and Kathy Guilday. The program will be on the Refuge House. A nursery will be provided.

Circle #9 meets Tuesday, February 14, at 10:00 a.m. with Claire Nash at 2092 Darnell Circle. The program will be a book review.

Circle #10 meets Monday, February 13, at 3:30 p.m. at the Tallahassee Convalescent Home. Gayle Jordan is in charge of the program.

Circle #11 will meet Thursday, February 16, at 7:30 p.m. with Peggy Moon at 2200 Meridian Road.

Circle #12 meets Thursday, February 16, at 2:30 p.m. in the church parlor.

Circle #13 meets Tuesday, February 27, at 7:30 p.m. with Trudi Van Gasbeck, 2027 Chuli Nene.

HEO Reports

The January meeting of the HEO Committee was held on the 11th and Mary Elizabeth Black, the new chairman, presided. Plans for a workshop on financial planning for retirement were discussed, and further developments will be available later.

The HEO office has compiled a directory of resources for personal health care in Tallahassee. This includes the names of retirement homes, nursing homes, agencies which provide home health care by licensed and qualified persons, and other information of this type. We will be glad to mail you a copy of this directory if you will call the office between 9:00 and 1:00.

—Mallie Slater

Funds Transfer Authorized

The Administrative Board authorized funds within each program area of the budget to be transferred to other line items in that program area if the need arises. The action was taken at the board meeting on January 23 after Finance Committee Chairman William Mattice presented the recommendation.



Mission Convo '84 planned for March 23 - 25

Mission Convo '84, which has been heralded by Bishop Earl G. Hunt, Jr., as "one of the most exciting programs of the entire Conference year," will be held under the auspices of the Conference Work Area on Missions, March 23-25 at the Life Enrichment Center, Leesburg.

With a most appropriate Wesleyan mandate, "The world is my parish," as its theme, the Convocation will seek "to inspire in the churches of the Florida Conference a Biblical motivation for missions and involve them in a historical appreciation and enthusiastic support of the mission program of the United Methodist Church."

Some of the best-known names in the field of United Methodist missions will be leading workshops and the worship services. The Rev. Dr. Harry Haines, former associate general secretary of the Board of Global Ministries for the United Methodist Committee on Relief will be the keynote speaker, and the Rev. Joe Walker, executive director of Emerging Ministries for the General Board of Discipleship, will be the worship leader.

In addition, small group workshops will be presented on the following topics:

- 1) Missions in the United Methodist Way,
- 2) Biblical Mandate for Mission,
- 3) Developing Finances for Mission,
- 4) Mission Resources, 5) Short Term Volunteers in Mission, 6) World Hunger,
- 7) Where Does the Money Go?, 8) United

Methodist Committee on Relief, 9) Refugees, 10) World Division at Work, 11) National Division at Work, 12) Women's Division at Work, 13) Developing Missions in the Local Church, and 14) Keeping It Alive!. Each participant will choose five of these workshops.

The Convocation will begin with Registration from 4 to 6 p.m. on Friday, March 23, and will end at 1 p.m. on Sunday, March 25. The cost for the weekend will be \$60.00 with a \$5.00 discount for those who register by February 22.

The deadline for registration is March 6.

"I deeply hope that participation in Mission Convo '84 will be widespread and enthusiastic," says Bishop Hunt. "But I also hope that those of us who attend will return to our places of local responsibility with renewed determination to do everything in our power to lead our churches into a fresh understanding of the churches mission."



J. Harry Haines



Joe Walker

MISSION CONVO '84 REGISTRATION		Do Not Write In This Space		COURSE SELECTION	
Use separate form per person. Duplicate if necessary. PLEASE PRINT!!!		Date Rec'd. _____		Name _____ Phone _____	
Name _____		Fees Paid: _____		Address _____	
Address _____		Per. Check _____		_____	
No. & Street _____ City _____ Zip _____		Ch. Check _____		_____	
Telephone: Home _____ Office _____		Balance _____		_____	
Local Church _____		_____		List 8 courses you wish to take in order of preference - listing number AND name of each. You will be assigned to 5 workshops.	
Position in Local Church _____		_____		1. _____	
_____		_____		2. _____	
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REGISTRATION DEADLINE: MARCH 6, 1984. NO REFUND after the deadline.
NOTE: No confirmation will be sent - you are registered unless otherwise notified.
 Make check payable to: **Florida Conference Treasurer** and mail to: **June Johns, Registrar,**
3816 Adams Street, Hollywood, FL 33021.

UMW News Briefs

The monthly general meeting of United Methodist Women will be different in February. Rather than the usual luncheon meeting, UMW will sponsor a presentation of the musical drama "Sojourners and Seekers," at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, February 7.

All members of Trinity—both men, women and children and members and nonmembers of UMW—are invited to view the drama featuring professional liturgical dancer Sylvia Bryant.

The Executive Committee of UMW will meet at its usual time at 10:30 a.m., February 7. The committee will conclude the meeting with a sandwich lunch.

Immediate past president of UMW, Louise Leathers, is being honored by the organization with a gift of a book to the church library. A copy of "A Light in the Wind, the Story of Methodist Women in the Southeast, 1878-1984" has been selected for this purpose.

UMW Executive Committee also honored long-time Altar Guild Chairman Pat McKenzie with a gift to missions in her name.

Junior, Senior Highs Plan Spring Lock-in

Junior and senior high members of Trinity's Methodist Youth Fellowship should register immediately if they plan to participate in the 1984 Spring Youth Lock-in planned for the night of February 17.

An entire night of fun, including movies, basketball, skating, games, pizza making and entertainment by the Covenant Players is planned. The lock-in will begin at Trinity in the

Gregory Room at 7:30 p.m. and move on to the East Hill Baptist Activity Center at 11 p.m.

The Covenant Players will present a program on "Faith and Works" through humor, drama and music. They will invite participation through discussion and drama workshops.

Cost of the lock-in is \$5. Call Gayle Jordan or John Quigley at 222-1120 immediately to sign up.

Looking toward the 1984 legislative session

Editor's note: The following article was written by Karen Woodall, director of Florida IMPACT (a legislative network), and was printed in the December Florida Council of Churches newsletter. IMPACT is partially funded by the Florida Conference United Methodist Church, Work Area on Church and Society.

The wheels of the 1984 Legislative Session have already begun to turn, and committees have begun to address issues.

On November 7 the Policy Board of Florida IMPACT met in Orlando to set its priorities for 1984. The following state issues will receive primary attention.

—Reform of Florida's Election Code to allow for absentee registration and to provide for uniformity in provisions for supporting deputy registrars and branch sites for voter registration.

—Support for expansion of Medicaid coverage and access to health care for low-income people.

—Support for paying 100% (as opposed

to the current 50%) of the standard of need for recipients of the Aid to Families with Dependent Children Program.

—Support for alternative tax resources, i.e., closing existing exemptions for business special interests, etc.

—Opposition to Proposition I or the "Citizen's Choice Amendment."

—Support for efforts to clean up Florida's use of pesticides like E.D.B. and Temik.

—Abolishment of the Crew Chief System in farm labor and strengthening of existing laws.

—Support for a 72-hour cooling-off period before handguns can be purchased.

—Opposition to efforts to establish casino gambling and/or a state lottery.

—Support for making a jury's recommendations of a life sentence binding (at present a judge can override a jury's recommendation).

—Support for licensing of residential child care families, including religious facilities.

These are issues which Florida IMPACT will be focusing on in the Legislature. Substantive information will be forthcoming.

Your voice is needed in the legislative process. If you are not a member of IMPACT, you can join by sending a check for \$20 to: National IMPACT, 110 Maryland Avenue N.E., Washington, D.C., 20002. (This will automatically make you a member of Florida IMPACT).

You will then receive information on state and national priorities, and you will become a part of the phone network for action alerts in your area.

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