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FRIDAY, JANUARY 24, 1969

Artist to Lecture At Parents' Meet

Davis T. Miller has agreed to demonstrate the art of painting to Ascension Lutheran Church's Parent-Teachers League (PTL) at its January meeting at the Torrance Church. The artist's presentation will be made more vital as he actually starts and completes a canvas as he lectures.

The program will be held at Ascension's parish hall, 17910 S. Prairie Ave., on Sunday at 7:30 p.m. The evening's program is in keeping with Ascension's Day School "Patterns of Performance" — a five year elementary school evaluation and improvement project, beginning this year with emphasis on the fine arts.

Baptists Reveal Budget

Rev. Levi Price of the Narbonne Avenue Baptist Church, Lomita, reports that a business meeting Sunday evening, members of the church voted to approve a \$143,826 budget for the coming church year.

The new budget will support work of the local church and state and world-wide mission programs of California and the Southern Baptist Convention.

Adoption of the budget marks the beginning of several weeks of a "Tithe To Tell" emphasis in the Narbonne Avenue Baptist Church, during which the members will be informed of the needs met by the budget. These needs were explained at a Fellowship Dinner Wednesday, in the Youth Building of the church.

A Dedication Day service will be held Sunday, Feb. 2, when the membership will pledge their individual tithes and offerings for the coming year. n Ehydol

Witness Minister To Speak

Leonard Olliff, presiding minister of the Torrance Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses, announced today that the Los Angeles area may expect some 15,000 of these witnesses to converge on the Forum in Inglewood to hear a special address by Ulisses V. Glass of the Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society of Pennsylvania.

Glass, an ordained minister since 1936, has had much experience as a public speaker on biblical subjects. He has traveled to London, Rome, Nuremberg, and the Hague to instruct delegates present at international assemblies of Jehovah's Witnesses. For a time, he was an associate instructor for missionaries receiving special training at the Watchtower Bible School of Gilead. Glass, himself, was graduated from this school in August of 1947.

Glass has seen this society of ministers (each one of Jehovah's Witnesses is an ordained minister) grow from 115,240 members in 1942 to the present figure of 1,155,826 regular preachers of God's kingdom, which is over a 1,000 per cent increase in just a little over two and one-half decades.

Archaeology Says Bible Tells Truth

The Methodist Men's Club of the WALTERIA UNITED METHODIST Church held its regular monthly meeting Monday night. After a potluck dinner, the members and guests were treated to a slide presentation by Dr. J. Stuart Hidas on the subject, "Startling Discoveries by Archaeologists Revealing the Amazing Accuracy of the Bible."

Youth Leader Feted

members of the Torrance First Baptist Church held a reception Wednesday evening for their new director of ministries with youth, Barney Kinard, and his wife Sharon.

As director of youth ministries, Kinard coordinates the youth work for all age groups from third grade through college age at the church.

From his hometown of Littleton, Colo., Kinard attended Moody Bible Institute in Chicago, Biola College in La Mirada, and graduated in biblical literature and theology from Azusa Pacific College. He has also attended Talbot Theological Seminary.

Lutherans Schedule Evangelism Festival

Captain Fred Krause, chairman of Ascension Lutheran Church's Board of Evangelism, announced that this Sunday has been designated as an Evangelism Festival at the Torrance church, 17910 S. Prairie Ave. Ascension will be one of more than 4,000 congregations in the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod to participate in this sixth annual Evangelism Festival.

The theme of the day, disclosed Captain Krause, is "You, Too, Can Witness." The program and services will stress

Boys' Choir to Perform Concert of Sacred Music

The Adventist Boys' Choir of Southern California, under the direction of Douglas Neslund, will present a sacred concert Saturday at 4:15 p.m. in the Redondo Beach Seventh-day Adventist Church, 317 S. Broadway. The choir will also sing several selections that morning

Paper Drive Scheduled At Church

The WALTERIA UNITED METHODIST Church will hold a paper drive Saturday and Sunday. Organizers of the drive announced that a special container will be provided at the church on these days for the papers.

Those who desire to bring bundles of newspapers are asked to tie the bundles as neatly as possible. There will be twine provided at the church also.

The WALTERIA UNITED METHODIST Church is located at 3646 Newton St.

SERMON OF THE WEEK

'Up a Tree' Has Double Meaning

By Rev. Hugh R. Percy
Pastor, St. Andrew's
EPISCOPAL Church

"So he ran ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Him." (Luke 19:4)

A man can be "up a tree" in more ways than one. The story from which our text is taken tells of the chief tax-gatherer of Jericho, a man named Zaccheus, who climbed a tree to see Jesus pass by. He was invited down, became the host of Jesus, and was converted.

However, I think Zaccheus was "up a tree" in another sense of the word, long before this incident. Generally the colloquial expression "up a tree" means to be in a difficult situation, where you are relatively safe as long as you stay up there, but as soon as you start coming down, there is a bear waiting for you below. "Up the creek" means something the same, as "out on a limb," but it denotes a little more difficult situation. "Up against it" refers especially to extreme financial difficulties. Let us look at the difficulties and problems of Zaccheus and how he went about resolving them. I think his example will help every one of us.

THE STORY is told in the first 10 verses of Luke 19. There was a man named Zaccheus, living in Jericho. Apparently he had become a kind of under-commissioner of the customs and responsible for the collecting of the hated Roman tax, imposed not only on the balsam,

the Balm of Gilead, for which Jericho was famous, but as well on all the costly imports that came down from Damascus and Arabia.

In the eyes of his countrymen he was not to be rated among decent people. He was an informer, a traitor both to his nation and to its ancient faith in the one invisible God. And he had very little to show for it. Except this. He was rich. These words read tersely, like an epitaph. Something like the words that might have finally been written of Bartimeus; "He was blind."

Life adds itself up like this every now and then, like the sentence: Half the world doesn't know how the other half lives. God changes the punctuation a bit: Half the world doesn't know how. The other half lives.

BEFORE JESUS came, it might have been said of Lazarus: He was a beggar. Or before the prophet Elisha came it might have been said of Naaman; He was a leper.

What made Zaccheus want to see Jesus? Was it conscience? Or was it that he wanted to be treated just once like a human being? People were saying of Jesus everywhere: "This man receiveth sinners and eateth with them." (Luke 15:2)

And at first Zaccheus seemed to meet nothing but obstacles. The crowd, and perhaps it was a self-righteous crowd, jostled him. He was small of stature (or did this refer to Jesus?). Anyway, Zaccheus wanted to see

Jesus, never dreaming what would come of it.

ZACCHEUS received the Lord joyfully and all the people said: He has gone to be the guest of a man who is a sinner. Then ZACCHEUS received the Lord and said to the Lord: "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I restore it fourfold."

And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

In the character of Zaccheus we are truly confronted with the paths and also the grandeur and glory of the seeking soul. But there is one great lesson to be taken from the story. Zaccheus was amazed that Jesus would come to him, into his home and into his heart. But the facts show that he was ready to receive Him.



VICAR THIEL

Beauty of Chapel Enhanced

Vicar Stephen Thiel of Saint Thomas Lutheran Church, 1048 W. Compton Blvd., has announced the completion of a major renovation project at the Gardena Church. During the past two months the seating capacity has been doubled and the beauty of the chapel has been enhanced with the addition of wood paneling, carpeting, and additional lighting.

Vicar Thiel explained, "All of the expenses, as well as the construction work itself, were contributed by the members. Both men and women worked long hours every evening (and some Sunday afternoons) to complete the work."

The congregation is now using the revamped facility. A dedicatory service is planned for the middle of February, with members of the Southern California District Mission Board participating.

Vicar Thiel, a student from Concordia Theological Seminary at Springfield, Ill., holds an unique position in the clergy. He is serving both Saint Thomas and Ascension Lutheran of Torrance during a one-year internship in Southern California.

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FRONTIER 8-3453

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