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"Consecrated for a Mission"



the Lutheran Deaconess

## From the Executive Director ...

The theme of this issue of "The Lutheran Deaconess" is "Mission." "As my Father hath sent me even so send I you" are the words of Christ sending us on a Mission, His Mission. And Christ's Mission is Mission to the whole man.

This annual report of The Lutheran Deaconess Association depicts two phases of LDA activity in carrying out the Mission. The pictures are representative of our deaconesses active invarious aspects of their ministry; the printed reports describe the Board and Staff activities and also offer an examination and evaluation of the Mission.

In the past year, the Lord through death halted the labors of two deaconesses and one board member: Deaconesses Lydia Lutz and Gertrude Simon; board member Pauline Krudop. The picture on the next page shows Deaconess Gertrude Simon(standing right) and Martha Boss(standing center), two of the pioneers in Chinese missions, encouraging Chinese refugees in their handwork project.

Several changes in the staff and board membership took place. Deaconess Janice Orluske of Immanuel Church, Ft. Wayne, succeeded Miss Pauline Krudop.

Two Deaconesses on the staff, Field Secretary Lucille Wiese and Deaconess-in-Residence Edith Hovey left their positions to serve in other areas of Mission. They served well and we wish them God's blessings in their new fields of service.

Mr. Paul Nieter, an advisory member of the Board, has been asked and has consented to serve as Executive Assistant to the Executive Director.

We should take cognizance of the faithful services of Mr. Hugo Boerger as a member of the board. For personal reasons he declined renomination.

At the annual Deaconess Conference the following anniversaries of consecration (active and retired deaconesses) were observed:

Amelia Doctor (40 years); Muriel James (20 years); Elaine Davis (15 years); Louise Fox and Nadine Poppitz (10 years); Joan Cole, Dolores Frederking, Laurie Gruenbeck, Jacqueline Haug, Margaret Heine, Edith Hovey, Barbara Manske, Dolores Seyfert, Maurine Smith, Lucille Wiese (5 years)

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In January, February and March the opportunity presented itself to visit, observe and counsel with our deaconesses in the west and southwest. At the same time opportunities also presented themselves to preach, lecture to groups, meet with pastors and generally inform and solicit support of the program.

We also did some recruiting in view of the fact that requests for deaconesses considerably outnumber the number of deacon-

esses available.

Several weeks ago by God's grace we began our 47th year of training Deaconesses and have more girls enrolled this year than the total number of Deaconesses consecrated the first 35 years of the program (1919-1954).

Seventeen years ago, we had 16 in the training program; eleven years ago we had 40; and this year we have over 200, including those in pre-deaconess training at our various junior colleges. For this, of course, we are thankful.

But we also have more congregations and institutions recognizing the value of a deaconess on the staff and requesting one, so we find ourselves still unable to fill all requests. In short, we need still more girls to train as deaconesses. Please send us names of prospective students.

In this connection we thank God for Ebenezer. We are now in a position to plan doing something which should have been done all along, namely, providing a tuition-free training program for deaconess students, Valparaiso University cooperating in the junior and senior years. That is the least we can do to-



ENCOURAGING CHINESE REFUGEES

day to encourage talented young women to train to provide leadership wherever and whenever it is needed in the church in the Name of Christ, in our behalf, and for the benefit of all concerned.

Because of heavy mortgage payments on Deaconess Hall. this plan was out of reach before. Since Ebenezer promises to take this mortgage load from our shoulders and also make provisions for future capital needs. we can proceed to put this plan of scholarship help into operation. To do this, we need this year \$75,000 for both operating and scholarship funds (only \$20,000 more than the \$55.000 received from congregations this past year). WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT - AND WE ASK FOR IT.

My report would not be complete if I failed to recognize the the unselfish and dedicated work of the members of the Board of Directors, that of the members of my staff, and that of my secretary and office manager, Mrs. Paul (Dorothy) Liebmann.

The Lord has truly been good to us and has set open doors before us. May God grant us the grace to always recognize this and to prove equal to the task, the privilege which at this time is still ours by the grace of God!

Pastor Walter C. Gerken

## From the President ...

A growing cause, a program vital to the church, a cause which is making an ever greater impact in service, must continually deal with challenges, changes and concerns. This is true simply because the times and conditions in which we live, the circumstances under which the work of the Kingdom goes on, and the Lord's requirements for gifts and talents of people, change.

It is with such problems that your Board of Directors has concerned itself during the past year.

Both our Field Secretary and our Deaconess in Residence at Deaconess Hall have accepted calls into other areas of deaconess service. We sorely miss both of them. Neither position has been filled to this time. Meanwhile the Board is restudying the functions of the offices to determine whether some changes should be made in staffing requirements.

Our Executive Director has temporarily taken over many of the duties of the Field Secretary, and the Lord directed a very able and consecrated woman to us to serve as housemother in Deaconess Hall for this school

year.

Mr. Paul Nieter, a retired businessman, who has served the Board in advisory capacity for the past year and a half, has consented to assume the title of Executive Assistant to the Director for one year and has taken over many of the management affairs in the Fort Wayne headquarters. This also has been a very great blessing to the

Association.

In this connection I want to commend all the members of the Board, and our efficient office secretary and manager in our Fort Wayne office. All of them have worked for the cause with deep devotion and ability.

Financially, the picture looks much brighter than it did a year ago. We have good cause to believe that this trend will continue. I want to take this opportunity to thank all who so faithfully remember the cause in their prayers and support it with their gifts.

As you no doubt know, the Deaconess Association is to share in the "Ebenezer" Thank-offering—hopefully to the extent of \$400,000. This was voted at the Detroit convention in the sincere conviction by the church that Deaconess service is a most vital part of the work of building the Kingdom of our Lord.

The money cannot be used for our general operating costs, but is to liquidate the remaining indebtedness on Deaconess Hall and allow for the much needed rehabilitation and refurbishing of Deaconess Hall. We need more office space, a larger library, more suitable living quarters for our deaconesses in residence, separate study rooms, and eventually room for more girls than can presently be housed.

Once this is accomplished the Association can move forward more freely in its program of training and talent development for the Church through Deaconess service.





HOME VISIT IN NIGERIA

The enrollment is the highest it has ever been. Your Board will have to make some changes in the scholarship and tuition arrangement in the next year or two. The scholarship program will have to be enlarged considerably and some new agreements will have to be worked out with the University in the matter of tuition. We do not have enough scholarship funds to answer all the needs, and we cannot afford to lose talented and consecrated girls simply because we are unable to help them financially.

We hope also to increase the number of Association memberships. But above all we hope to improve our communication with the membership so that you may kept more fully informed. We feel that one of the finer ways of doing this is to establish Association Chapters. One such chapter has been organized in the Minneapolis-St. Paul area. Definite plans to establish more such chapters this coming year are now being developed.

In only a little over two years the Deaconess Association will, under God's blessing, observe its 50th Anniversary. The Board of Directors will be asked soon to begin making plans for a Godpleasing observance. Meanwhile may God give us all grace to develop and promote the cause of Deaconess training and service to the greater glory of His name and the building of the Kingdom of His Son Jesus Christ.

Pastor E. H. Albers

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## From the Director of Education...

This Fall, our retention of Sophomores to Juniors was 60.42%, as compared with 44.19% in 1964. Although this is still below the average retention rate of 65.64% for the past five years, the consequence nevertheless is that we have in our Junior class the beginnings of the growth in the number of Deaconess-level students. If, then, the question is asked why the total number of deaconess students (Juniors, Interns, Seniors, and Unclassified) did not rise this year, the answer seems to be another factor weighted in the opposite direction: this year's Senior class is the smallest entering Freshman class in seven years.

Unless unforeseen developments occur, it is reasonable to assume that next September we should have our largest Junior class to date. This means that the enlargement in the numbers of deaconess students will have have been felt by next September in the Junior and Intern classes. The wave of Deaconess students set up by the increase in Junior College enrollments will thus be upon us.

It is providential that our Synod has placed us into the Ebenezer Drive from which we can expect to gain funds for refurbishing and expanding the Hall. As a result of this blessing, we will be ready when the wave of students arrives.

During the past year, a group met at Valparaiso to discuss the structure of the deaconess pro-The special interest of gram. the group was to consider whether our diaconate could make use of a communal form, in addition to the present structure. One concrete recommendation of this group was that the Lutheran Deaconess Association and Valparaiso University jointly arrange for a theological study of such concepts as "vocation," "marriage," and "celibacy."

Our scholarship policy continued as in the past, and the Board has already decided to continue on the same basis for another year. The Board will, I understand, define a new policy on scholarships as soon as our finances permit. Valpariso University continues to grant the LDA for each Junior and Senior student a 50% reduction in tuition. We are most grateful.

The Board established an Admissions Committee during the past year.

As a result of a decision made this year by our Board, consecration services for deaconess graduates are authorized only if the graduate has acdep-





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JUNIOR
CONFIRMANDS

ted a position recognized by the LDA as a deaconess position.

We are happy to report that direct discussions are being held between the Deaconess Association and the Personnel Committee of the Synodical Board for Missions with respect to the increased utilization of Deaconesses on foreign mission fields.

During the past twelve months, Deaconess Edith Hovey left her position as Deaconess-in-Residence to assume duties as a parish deaconess at Resurrection Church in Santa Clara, California. We valued her services at Deaconess Hall very much during her tenure in office.

Pending replacement of Miss Hovey by another deaconess, we have been fortunate in securing the services of Mrs. Ruth Gehrke as House Director at Deaconess Hall for academic year 1966-67.

Pastor Arne Kristo





#### DEACONESS AND PRE-DEACONESS COLLEGE-LEVEL ENROLLMENT BY CLASS AND YEAR — (ALL SCHOOLS)

#### TABLE

Academic Year	Freshman	Sophomore	Junior	Intern	Senior	Unclassified	Nursing School	Total
1960-61	29	15	20	5	17	3		89
1961-62	47	20	15	14	11	4		111
1962-63	28	35	14	12	15	2		106
1963-64	65	17	31	14	12	1		140
1964-65	77	43	13	26	10		5	174
1965-66	71	48	20	11	19	1	9	179
1966-67	88	56	29	15	6	1	7	202

#### PLACEMENT OF DEACONESS INTERNS AND DEACONESSES

#### TABLE II

Year	Interns Placed	Deaconesses Placed	Total
1961	14	17	31
1962	14	10	24
1963	12	9	21
1964	26	11	37
1965	11	8	19
1966	15	13	28

Note: A deaconess intern is a deaconness student spending one year in a work situation, testing and developing her professional skills and attitudes. The internship year is academically parallel to the vicarage year in the ministerial training program. After the internship year, the student returns to Valparaiso University for her final year.

# COLLEGE ENROLLMENT ON PRE-DEACONESS AND DEACONESS LEVELS BY CLASS AND SCHOOL — ACADEMIC YEAR 1966-67

#### TABLE III

School	Freshman	Sophomore	Junior	Intern	Senior	Unclassified	Total
Ann Arbor	11	7					18
Austin	1						1
Bronxville	7	7					14
Concordia	9	6					15
Edmonton							00000
Milwaukee	12	6					18
Oakland	3.						3
Portland	10	3					13
St. Paul	12	7					19

Selma Seward		1					1
Valparaiso	15	13	29	15	6	1	79
Winfield	8	2					10
Other		4					4
Totals:	88	56	29	15	6	1	195
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Valpararso On	iversity	1	2	2.	4		7
TOTAL							202

#### DEACONESS STUDENTS ENROLLED AT VALPARAISO FOR YEAR 1966-1967

Seniors — 6
Edythe Bauer
Janice Hochradel
Diane Jawort
Mary Strohschein
Alice Vossler
Louise Williams

Interns — 15
Marlys Abley
Darlene Kirchhof
Carol Kodweis
Gayle Korman
Carol Krieger
Burnette Kunz
Doreen Nagy
Sarah Nelson
Carol Peterson
Faith Reiner
Sharon Ridella

Anne Marie Sargent Carol Sokofski Janet Thompson Judith Worst

Unclassified - 1
Caroline Munger

Juniors – 30
Jean Albright
Linda Beery
Bonnie Belasic
Elaine Benkelman
Kathryn Bickel
Betty Bloomfield
Lois Braham
Karen Fluegge
Beverly Frankowski
Shirley Geyer
Helen Haase

Norma Henry Ruth Hillmann Roberta Jeske Virginia Kohn Shirley Love Phyllis McIntire Nancy Michalk Corinne Mott Eileen Peterson June Radtke Jane Richter Miriam Rueger Peggy Shea Carol Stockwell Susan Wallich Donna Warren Susan Wendorf Diana Werlinger Kaylyn Zerbst



COMFORTING THE SICK



## From the Conference President ...

The annual Lutheran Deaconess Conference and Seminar was held August 8-12 at Concordia College, Ann Arbor, Michigan. The theme, "Mirror, Mirror, on the Wall," had a rather unusual sound but described well the whole plan of the Conference, that of self-reflection and self-evaluation.

The Chaplain for the Conference, The Rev. John Monson of Troy, Michigan, led the group in Bible study entitled, "The Mirror of I Timothy" and also conducted the devotions for the Conference. The Rev. Hal Schroeder, of State College Pennsylvania, prepared the group for the self-reflection by talking about getting to know the real self. Much of the time of Con-

ference was spent in small discussion groups in which the Deaconesses shared in trying to discover the self-image of a Deaconess.

The process of self-reflection and evaluation was also applied to the total deaconess program as members of the Conference shared suggestions about how the Lutheran Deaconess Association and Lutheran Deaconess Conference can work more closely together to strengthen the total program. The seminar held the last two days, continued the reflection theme and was centered around Bible study, "Reflections on Romans" led by the Rev. Ronald Starenko, of Livonia. Michigan.

One highlight of the business





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A BIBLE
CLASS



GIVING HOPE TO THE HOPELESS



### **Minutes**

Fort Wayne, Indiana

October 23, 1966

The meeting was called to order by the Rev. Hartwig Schwehn, Lutheran Deaconess Association's Vice President, at 4:30 P.M. at Gethsemane Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne, Indiana,

The Rev. Walter Gerken, Executive Director of the Association opened the meeting with prayer.

The minutes of the 1965 Annual Meeting were accepted as printed in the 1965 Winter Issue, Vol. 42, No. 4 of "The Lutheran Deaconess."

The Treasurer's Report was accepted as presented by Paul G. Liebmann. (For detail, see Treasurer's Report).

Paul Nieter, administrative assistant to the Executive Director, presented the budget as adopted by the Plenary Board. Increased scholarship assistance to students was a significant item discussed. Such scholarships are programmed to total over \$30,000. The total Lutheran Deaconess Association budget approaches the quarter million dollar mark, a sizeable amount being represented by the final mortgage payment due on Deaconess Hall. Subject to approval of Synod's Board of Directors, commitments from the Ebenezer Thankoffering (1% of total) are to be first applied to Lutheran Deaconess Association's indebtedness (approximately \$112,000), thereby releasing funds for scholarship purposes.

Pastor Gerken read the President's Report in the absence of the Rev. E.H. Albers, whose duties in Synod's Public Relations Department did not permit him to attend. President Albers called attention to the restudying of Lutheran Deaconess Association's administrative organization necessitated by both the Deaconess-in-Residence and the field secretary accepting calls. He further reported on an improving financial picture and called for the establishment of more local Association chapters, mentioning the pilot effort in the Minneapolis-St. Paul area during the past year (For details see the President's Report).

The Rev. Arne Kristo, Director of Training, presented his report. Student enrollment is at 202, the highest total ever. Gains have been notable on the Synodical Junior college level and also in the juniors at Valparaiso. The gains are offset somewhat by the smallest senior class in a number of years. Pastor Kristo reflected the Training Committee's concern for theological study of some of the critical issues facing the Deaconess program, viz., vocation, celibacy, communal living, engagement and marriage. He noted the policy adopted that consecration shall be authorized only upon acceptance by a candidate of a position of service recognized by Lutheran Deaconess Association. Pastor Kristo reported on conversations with Synodical officials relative to the placement of Deaconesses in foreign fields (For details see the report of the Director of Training).

Deaconess Jan Orluske, representing Deaconess Evelyn Middelstadt President of the Deaconess Conference, reported for the Conference. The annual meeting was at Concordia, Ann Arbor, Michigan in August, centering around the theme of introspection and self-evaluation. The annual seminar continued discussion and study. A significant move was the decision to join the Lutheran Deaconess Conference in America, an inter-synodical group (For details see the Conference President's report).

Pastor Gerken gave his Executive Director's report, noting the following:

- a) The shortage in Deaconesses is most graphically illustrated by the number of calls those in service are receiving. 60% in the field have made a move or have been placed in the past 18 months.
- b) Jan Orluske was elected to the Board to replace Miss Pauline Krudop, who passed away.
- c) Concordia Publishing House has again agreed to provide special Deaconess Association envelopes for inclusion in packets when so requested by congregations. 76,000 were requested last year, but orders this year are nearing 175,000.
- d) After discussion at the Plenary meeting of Synod's Board for Higher Education, the question of more control by Synod was considered creation of a problem where none exists. Lutheran Deaconess Association will continue as a Synodically approved agency operating in affiliation with Valparaiso University and Synod.

(For details see the Executive Director's report.)

The Rev. Peter A. Zadeik, Jr., Lutheran Deaconess Association's secretary, announced results of the annual election. Incumbents Harold Hollman, Pastors Hartwig Schwehn, Helmut Schauland, Herbert Steinbauer, Lester Kuker were re-elected. Paul Nieter is the one new member elected to the Lutheran Deaconess Association board.

Mrs. Krentz, President of the Fort Wayne auxiliary, reported that a check for \$500.00 had been forwarded to the Association.

Resolutions of thanks were passed for Gethsemane Church, the host congregation for the annual meeting, and for the Fort Wayne auxiliary for providing refreshments. Recognition was also accorded the volunteers who give of their time getting out the several Lutheran Deaconess Association mass mailings as well as helping at other times to expedite office work when it becomes heavy. The meeting adjourned at 5:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted The Reverend Peter A. Zadeik, Jr. Secretary



LEADING A LADIES' GROUP



# Financial Report

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ANNUAL REPOR	T - 1965-6	66
Cash Balance Sept. 1, 1965		\$ 78.13
Receipts		
	55,090.70	
Other Income	1,212.75	
Memorial Wreaths	786.00	
House Rent	1,200.00	
Tuition	14,177.62	
Room Rent	21,205.00	
Refunds	594.29	
Scholarships	9,608.65	
Loans	16,296.65	
Deferred Tuition/room	25.00	
	1,883.06	
Station Wagon Donations		
Petty Cash	200.00	
Miscellaneous	43.00	
Furniture (Deaconess Hall)	300.00	
Sale of car	80.00	
		122,702.72
Disbursements		
Dues	35.00	
Insurance	457.03	
Miscellaneous	177.07	
Salaries	24,251.40	
Allowances	300.00	
Social Security Tax	313.58	
Pensions	1,907.84	
Housing	3,900.00	
Health & Acc. Ins.	1,092.78	
Ft. Wayne office expense	3,260.75	
Ft. Wayne repair	144.75	
Ft. Wayne property tax	191.68	
Travel	6,410.39	
Publicity & Printing	6,160.68	
Valpo extra help	1,753.80	
Valpo household	1,025.56	
Valpo office	605.10	
Valpo repairs	567.09	The State of the S
Valpo maintenance contract	5,025.18	
Valpo utilities and heat	7,264.95	
Tuition paid	14,275.00	
Dir. Training off. supplies	542.04	
Dir. Training spec, lect,	942.73	
Valpo library	92.72	
Station-wagon	3,138.20	
	7,270.00	
Scholarships		
Interest on bank loans	1,554.54	
Mortgage paid	15,000.00	
Interest on mortgage	3,856.15	
Special education	100.00	
Outside lights at Deac. Hal	1 121.22	
Chairs & tables at		
Deac, Hall	215.60	
Accounts Payable (1964-65)		
	0,010.55	117 700 02

Paul G. Liebmann, Treasurer

Cash Balance August 31, 1966

117,798.82

\$ 4,982.03

# PROPOSED BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 1966-67

1966-67	
Receipts	
Contributions	\$103,178.65
Other Income	1,200.00
Memorials	750.00
House Rent	1,200.00
Station wagon donations	800.00
Tuition	15,650.00
Room rent	16,575.00
Building Fund	70,000.00
Scholarship	10,000.00
TOTAL BUDGETED	
RECEIPTS	\$219,353.65
Disbursements	
Dues	235.00
	750.00
Insurance on property	
Interest	1,800.00
Miscellaneous	455.00
Allowances	300.00
Salaries	23,200.00
Social Security Tax	525.00
Pension and Welfare	3,100.00
Housing	4,200.00
Ft. Wayne office	3,000.00
Ft. Wayne repairs	250.00
Ft. Wayne property tax	200.00
Travel	7,000.00
Publicity & Printing	7,000.00
Valpo extra help	1,700.00
Valpo household	1,500.00
Valpo office supplies	500.00
Valpo repairs	750.00
Valpo utilities	6,800.00
Tuition to Valpo	15,650.00
Dir. Train, supplies	750.00
Dir. Train. spec. lectures	750.00
Dir. Train, library	100.00
The state of the s	450.00
Dir. Train, station wagon	
Dir. Train. spec. education	800.00
Interest on Mortgage	3,200.00
Scholarships	9,608.65
Furniture, Ft. Wayne	450.00
Furniture, Valpo	700.00
Notes and Accts. Payable	43,630.00
Mortgage Payable	70,000.00
TOTAL BUDGETED	
DISBURSEMENTS	\$209,353.65

The Budget Committee

#### BUILDING FUND STATUS August 31, 1966

#### Original bonded indebtedness

\$ 9,000.00 due July 1, 1958 Paid 9,000.00 due July 1, 1959 Paid 10,000.00 due July 1, 1960 Paid 10,000.00 due July 1, 1961 Paid 11,000.00 due July 1, 1962 Paid 13,000.00 due July 1, 1963 Paid 14,000.00 due July 1, 1964 Paid 14,000.00 due July 1, 1965 Paid 15,000.00 due July 1, 1966 Paid 70,000.00 due July 1, 1966 Paid 70,000.00 due July 1, 1967

Total Balance as of 8-31-66 \$70,000.00

# **EBENEZER**

MEANS MANY THINGS TO MANY PEOPLE

But EBENEZER means only one thing to God: "Lovest thou Me?"

God is concerned about the gift of His lover, but He is even more concerned about the love of His giver.

Each day during 1967, about 8,000 of my fellow-Christians will mail their EBENEZER Thankoffering on their birthday, joyfully recalling with me the Grace of Life and the Mercy of God.

On that day, I am asked to put my heart into the mailbox.

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH - MISSOURI SYNOD

#### ASSETS - August 31, 1966

Deaconess Hall, Valparaiso land and building less depreciation \$392,462.27 Furniture and equipment, Valparaiso less depreciation 16,210,42 Residence and office. Ft. Wayne less depreciation 16.698.25 Furniture and equipment, Ft. Wavne less depreciation 1.377.45 4.769.48 Other assets Checking Acc't 4,982.03 Petty Cash fund 450.00 Loans receivable 2,522.26 Total Assets

#### LIABILITIES - August 31, 1966

\$439,472,16

Balance due on mortgage \$ 70,000.00 Balance due on notes and accounts payable 43,296.65 Taxes withheld 197.22 Tuition and room received for 1966-67

Total Liabilities 115,118.87 Excess of Assets over Liabilities \$324.353.29

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