

Church ACTIVITIES



Robert Beaches, Pastor, Visit Nassau To Form Mission In Colored Colony

By Mrs. June Wiese

Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Beach recently returned from a three weeks trip to Nassau, Bahama Islands. Accompanying them was Hubert Prather, minister of the Church of Christ, Drain. Their purpose was to establish a mission among the colored people there. Mr. and Mrs. Beach did work primarily with the young people and Mr. Prather remained in the island for a few weeks to train some native people to carry on the work of the church.

At the Church of Christ recently the Beaches gave an interesting report on their trip and the work they accomplished while there. Mrs. Beach displayed and explained handwork of the native women. Among these were jewelry, baskets and handbags embroidered with colored sea shells. The Beaches flew their plane and reported good weather for flying except in Florida where they were grounded for several hours because of a storm. The trip between Miami and the Bahamas was especially interesting because of the beauty of the water. Because of the pure white sands, the water was so clear that they could see to the bottom in many places and could observe many types of plant and marine life.

Strange Conditions
On arrival at Nassau, the Beaches found many conditions strange to them. Although a British colony, the islands are composed of 75% colored people and the rest are chiefly American tourists who spend vacations in the islands. The contrast of the two classes of people was striking—the wealth displayed by the tourists and the meager existence of the colored people who work for very low wages. However, the native people were reported to be a very clean and fairly well educated. Their speech was true English without the use of slang. Because of their British allegiance and association with the Britons, they speak with a British accent which was amusing to those from here.

Street Stalls
The Beaches found time to visit a few points of interest while there. Of particular interest to them were the stalls along the streets where the native handwork was displayed and the native women who carried many pounds of merchandise in baskets on their heads with comparative ease and great poise. They also visited the beaches where they were amazed at the beautiful colors of blue in the water, the white sand, beautiful sea shells and the clearness of the water. Another spectacular sight to them was the abundance of beautiful wild flowers, the many palms and other tropical plants.

Take Movies
The Beaches took many movies of the things they saw and report that the people were extremely cooperative and delighted to have their pictures taken. They also took many recordings of the colored people singing hymns and these were played at the church Sunday evening. Their natural born musical ability was evidenced by many impromptu quartets. The true harmony and sense of rhythm found in colored people was a wonderful addition to the meetings. After hearing a song only once they could sing the words and harmonize without further help. Also on the recordings were greetings to some of the Oregon churches from a few of the native

people expressing their deep appreciation for the help given to them by these churches sending the Beaches and Mr. Prather to them.

Receive Teaching
The people were very receptive to the teaching of the scriptures, and the Beaches reported that the meetings which were being held nightly were growing rapidly in attendance. The people are very interested in bringing the Bible to their islands. Even the customs officials made them go through less red tape when they saw them carrying their Bibles. The children were particularly interested in slides that they showed them of several of the Bible stories.

In the few days that they were there, the Beaches report that they grew to love the people and hated to leave this beautiful land and the people who had grown to love them and appreciated so deeply all that they had done for them.

The Methodist Church, 334 Washington avenue, Clark S. Ena, minister. Church school, 9:45 a.m., Francis M. Trusty, superintendent. The Sunday school for the whole family; come and bring your friends. Morning worship, 11:00 a.m. Sermon: "A Walking Revival." Anthem by the choir. Children's story by the pastor. Nursery for small children.

Senior Youth fellowship, 6:30 p.m. Ronald Zahler, counselor. Older Youth fellowship, 6:30 p.m. This is a newly formed group which meets in the parlor; it is for all young people, 18 to 23.

United Lenten service, 7:30 p.m. First Presbyterian church, Rev. Graydon Lore, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Reedsport, will be the guest preacher. Special music by the First Presbyterian choir; nursery is provided for small children.

During the week: Choir rehearsal, Thursday at 7:45 p.m. 100% attendance is desired in preparation for the Easter presentation. Spiritual Life Committee, Thursday at 7:45 p.m. Official board, Monday at 7:45 p.m. M. Y. F. Council, Tuesday at 4:00 p.m. Prayer service, Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. Mrs. Lee Cooley, leader. General Advance committee, Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. Boy Scouts, Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. Welcome.

Hear the broadcast of "Healing Waters" Sunday morning from 7:30 to 8 over KUGN, and "Wings of Healing" at 8 a.m., also over KUGN.

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, West Main. Rev. Evan Williams, vicar. The first and third Sunday mornings at 8 o'clock Holy communion is celebrated. The morning service and sermon on these days are at 9:15.

The second and fourth Sundays Holy communion is at 9:15 o'clock. Sunday school is at 9:15 each Sunday morning.

Japanese Hear Christian Gospel By Radio Waves

St. Louis, Missouri. — Radio waves are delivering the Christian Gospel to millions of Japanese for the first time in their lives.

After 11 weeks of broadcasting by the International Lutheran Hour over four radio stations on the islands of Japan, popular response by mail has risen to well over 1000 letters a week. This was reported in a letter from the Rev. Delmar J. Glock, director of the Lutheran Hour activities in Japan. The Lutheran Hour originated in St. Louis 20 years ago under the leadership of the late Dr. Walter A. Maier, and is now broadcast over 1000 stations every week in more than 50 countries of the world.

The Japanese Lutheran Hour broadcast is now prepared by the Tokyo Lutheran Hour office and is produced by professional Japanese actors and readers, according to Dr. Eugene R. Bertermann, International Lutheran Hour Director.

The Chapel choir from the General Headquarters Service Center in Tokyo, under the leadership of the Japanese choral leader Takada, beautifies the program with well-rendered Lutheran hymns translated into Japanese. According to comments by mail from the radio audience, the choir helps to make the Lutheran Hour a program of very high quality.

Personal correspondence with General Douglas MacArthur and a special trip to the Orient late in 1951 were part of the eight year program of negotiations Dr. Bertermann undertook to secure broadcasting by the Lutheran Hour in Japan.

"We expect to add more stations to our Lutheran network in the near future," Missionary Glock wrote. "We would like to reach all of the 83 million Japanese because we understand that only one-third of one percent of them are Christians now."

Bible correspondence courses are also being offered to the Lutheran Hour listeners. These courses have proved to be so popular that, at this writing, the second printing of 10,000 is virtually gone.

The Lutheran Hour broadcast may be heard every Sunday over KUGN at 10:30 a.m.

The Church at Hebron, Bible school at 10 a.m. Communion at 11 a.m. C. A. Sias, minister. Young people meet at 7 p.m. Evening meeting at 8 p.m. Prayer meeting Wednesday 7:30 p.m. at the Carl Small home.

Whoever wishes to hear the word of God is invited and welcome to worship with us.

Christian Science Society, Cottage Grove, Oregon, 242 Second street, hold Sunday morning worship at 11 a.m. Sunday school 9:45 a.m. Wednesday evening meeting at 8 p.m. (the second Wednesday of each month). Reading room in the church building is open Monday and Friday afternoons from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

"Substance" is the subject of the lesson-sermon in all Christian Science churches Sunday, March 16. The Golden Text is, "The foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are his" (II Tim. 2:19).

The Second Reader begins the sermon with the following verses from Psalms: "In thee, O Lord, do I put my trust; let me never be put to confusion. Be thou my strong habitation, whereunto I may continually resort; thou hast given commandment to save me; for thou art my rock and my fortress" (71:1, 3).

The First Reader later will read the following from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "Spirit is the only substance and consciousness recognized by divine Science," and will follow it with a question, "Which ought to be substance to us,—the erring, changing, and dying, the mutable, and mortal, or the unerring, immutable, and immortal?" (p. 278).

Latter Day Saints Church meets at VFW hall, North River road. Sunday school at 10 a.m.

M. I. A. meets Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. Relief Society meets Wednesday at 2 p.m. V. C. Hill, branch president. Phone 42.

The Free Methodist Church, 915 South Sixth Street, "The Church of the Light and Life Hour." C. B. Starkey, pastor. Sunday school 9:45 a.m. A class and teacher for all ages. Morning worship 11 a.m. Singing 6:45 p.m. Evangelistic message 7:45 p.m. Mid-week service Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. District quarterly meeting at Newport this week end. First service is Thursday at 7:45 p.m.

The general public is cordially invited.

The Church of the Latter Rain Message. Hosea 6:3 says "Then shall we know, if we follow on to know the Lord:— He shall come unto us as the rain."

Meetings each Friday night at 7:45 in Ordinance room, main floor of armory, near east entrance. Math. 5:6. "Blessed are they who hunger and thirst after righteousness . . ."

Elder Edward T. Bates in charge.

Hear the old fashioned camp meeting each night at 10 p.m., station KOL, 1300kc.

For further information phone 502.

First Presbyterian Church, D Hugh Peniston, pastor. Morning worship 11 o'clock. The pastor will preach. Sunday church school is at 9:45 in all departments from nursery through the adult department. A nursery for pre-school children is provided during the church service.

The Westminster Fellowship group for young people meets regularly at 5:30 p.m. at the church.

Church of Christ, Monroe near Fifth. W. C. Harrison, evangelist. Lord's day Bible study 10:00 a.m. Preaching service 10:50 a.m. Communion and offering 11:45 a.m. Evening service, 7:30 p.m. Mid-week service Wednesday evening 7:30.

Everyone welcome to attend the Non-Denominational services held in the Seventh-day Adventist building at Silk Creek Sunday school at 10 a.m. Morning worship at 11 o'clock and evening service at 7:30.

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