

Protestant Missionaries Number 25,058 in World

By LOUIS CASSELS
United Press International
The popular notion that foreign missionaries are on the way out is sharply contradicted by a new report from the famed Missionary Research Library in New York.

It lists 25,058 North American Protestant missionaries now at work around the globe, preaching, teaching and healing in the name of Jesus Christ.

That is an increase of more than 10,000 since 1950. It is nearly four times as many missionaries as U. S. and Canadian Protestants sent abroad half a century ago, when the "missionary era" was supposedly in full flower.

The report shows that several small fundamentalist denominations are putting forth a much greater missionary effort, relative to their size, than some of the old-line Protestant churches.

For example: The Seventh Day Adventists, who rank 23rd in size among U.S. Protestant bodies, rank first in the number of missionaries, with 2,000 men and women now serving in 184 countries.

349 Separate Agencies
The Christian and Missionary Alliance, a denomination with fewer than 90,000 members in this country, supports 822 missionaries abroad—twice as many as the 3,000,000-member Episcopal church.

Other denominations with more than 500 missionaries in the field are Methodist church, 1,473; the United Presbyterian church, 1,293; the Southern Baptist convention, 1,186; the Assemblies of God, 676; and the Southern Presbyterians, 504.

Perhaps the most shocking statistic in the report is the disclosure that there are 349 separate agencies, boards, and societies in North America which are engaged in some form of overseas missionary effort.

This multiplicity of sending agencies obviously leads to costly duplication of administrative overhead. Still more serious is the impression of Christian disunity which it creates among the people of the mission countries.

A strenuous effort has been made in recent years to bring about more coordination of

Protestant missionary enterprises. Seventy-eight major agencies, representing about half of the total missionary force, are now cooperating through the Division of Foreign Missions of the National Council of Churches. Some of the more conservative evangelical bodies have come together in two other associations. But there are still scores of missionary bodies, including such giants as the Southern Baptist convention, which are going it alone.

No Missions in China
Here are some more interesting facts about foreign missions, culled from the library's authoritative study of China, which once attracted half of all missionaries who went abroad, now has none.

The Communists have driven them all out. India which has recently begun to place restrictions on missionaries has taken over China's place as the number one mission field. There are now 1,883 North American missionaries in India.

Next in order are Japan, with 1,549; the Belgian Congo, 1,289; Nigeria, 1,211; Brazil, 948; and The Philippine Islands, 805.

The thinnest representation is found in the Middle East. The report shows only 2.6 per cent of America's total missionary force is working in this turbulent area of the world where Islam is the dominant religion and where anti-Western sentiment is at a high pitch.

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CHURCH NEWS
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Lutherans Report Increased Membership Since World War
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The "mother church of Protestantism" is rapidly overcoming the peculiar handicaps that history imposed on its growth in America.

The number of Lutherans in this country has increased by more than 50 per cent since World War II. Now nearly 8 million strong, the Lutherans rank, after the Baptists and Methodists, as America's third largest Protestant denomination.

But for Lutherans to be in third place is itself evidence that something has been retarding their growth. The church that bears Martin Luther's name is the oldest major Protestant body, and worldwide it is by far the largest, with more than 70 million members.

Six out of seven of the world's Lutherans live in Germany or Scandinavia. And this is a clue to the special problem which the church has faced in America. It has been identified, for more than 300 years, as a church that primarily serves German and Scandinavian immigrants.

Established in 1638
The first Lutheran congregation in the New World was established in 1638 by a group of Swedes who settled along the Delaware river. For the next century there was comparatively little immigration from Northern Europe. It was not until 1748 that Pastor Henry Melchior Muhlenberg, the patriarch of American Lutheranism, was able to find enough scattered churches to organize the first synod.

During the 19th Century, millions of German and Scandinavian immigrants came to America. And with them they brought, not merely the Lutheran faith, but the particular expression of it that had known in the national churches of their homelands.

"Hyphenated" Lutheran churches sprang up throughout the Middle West, where most of the immigrants settled. There were German-Lutheran churches for the Germans, Swedish-Lutheran churches for the Swedes, Danish-Lutheran churches for the Danes, and so on. Most of them conducted services in the congregation's native European language rather than in English. And they tended to have very little to do with Lutherans of a different nationality.

Enriched in Tradition
By the time the great waves of immigration ended early in the present century, U. S. Lutheran churches were deeply entrenched in a tradition that set them apart from each other, and from the main stream of American life.

The way in which Lutheranism has broken out of this mold, particularly in the past decade, is one of the most inspiring chapters in the church's long history.

The Lutherans are overcoming their "separateness" in two ways. First, they are waging an all-out evangelism program.

MISSION STUDY
Gold Hill - Gold Hill Community Methodist church will hold a church wide mission study of the Middle East starting Sunday at 7:30 p.m. Discussion leader for the first of three meetings will be Mrs. Roy Eskew. She will show a film on "South of the Clouds." A discussion will follow in conjunction with the mission study book, "Middle East Pilgrimage."

SERMON SUBJECT
"Sacrament" will be the sermon subject Sunday at the First Church of Christ, Scientist, at 11 a.m. at the church, 100 Windsor ave. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Series Continues At 1st Christian
Continuing his series of sermons on "Frontiers of Faith," the Rev. William C. Piper will preach on "The Frontier is all Around Us" Sunday morning at the First Christian church.

The choir will sing the anthem "Eternal Light, Immortal Love" at the 8:30 service. At the 10:55 service Mrs. Steven Dodge will sing "The Twenty-third Psalm." A coffee hour will follow the second service. Nursery care is provided during both church services.

In preparation for an evangelistic program during the Easter season, the church will observe a week of prayer beginning Monday, Jan. 12. One hundred and sixty-eight people will take part in a continuous chain of prayer from 7 a.m. until 9 p.m. for the entire week.

Monday and Tuesday Mr. Piper will be in Eugene attending a state meeting and a Northwest Christian college director's meeting. He is the chairman of the Oregon State Evangelistic Commission and a member of the state board. Mr. Piper is now serving on his third three-year term as a director of Northwest Christian college in Eugene.

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BETHEL ASSEMBLY OF GOD
623 East McAndrews rd.
L. D. Krause, pastor
Sunday: 8 a.m.—Christian Brotherhood hour. KDOV. 9:45 a.m.—Sunday school. 11 a.m.—Worship service. 6:30 p.m.—Youth fellowship. 7 p.m.—Adult prayer group. 7:30 p.m.—Evening worship. 7:30 p.m.—Midweek service.

FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
520 North Holly st.
Raymond E. Hurn, pastor
Sunday: 8:45 a.m.—Sunday school. 10 a.m.—KDOV Showers of Blessings. 10:55—Morning worship. KDOV. 6 p.m.—Youth groups meetings. 7 p.m.—Evening worship.
Monday: 4 p.m.—Caravan boys and girls club.
Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.—Prayer and praise. 8:30 p.m.—Choir practice.
Thursday: 1 p.m.—Prayer and fasting.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
West Main at Laurel st.
George C. Roseberry, minister
Sunday: 9:30 a.m.—Church school and adult classes. 10:30 a.m.—Worship services. 11 a.m.—Senior and junior high church school, kindergarten, nursery, primary church. 5:30 p.m.—School of missions. 7 p.m.—Junior high MYF. 7:30 p.m.—Boy Scouts.
Wednesday: 4 p.m.—Altar choir rehearsal. 7 p.m.—Boy Scouts. 8 p.m.—Youth choir rehearsal. 8:30 p.m.—Chancel choir rehearsal.
Thursday: 12 noon—Methodist men.

FIRST PENTECOSTAL CHURCH JESUS NAME
1265 Biddle rd.
Sunday: 9:45 a.m.—Sunday school. 10:30 a.m.—7:30 a.m.—Worship services. 7:45 p.m.—Evening service.
Wednesday: 7:30 p.m.—Bible study.
Thursday: 7:45 p.m.—Bible study.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
East and Biddle
D. Kirkland West, pastor
John O. Reynolds, assistant
Sunday: 9:30 & 11 a.m.—Church school. 11 a.m.—Children's church. 10:30 p.m.—Junior high fellowship. 7 p.m.—Westminster Fellowship. 6 p.m.—WF youth night and choir rehearsal. 7:30 p.m.—Midweek prayer fellowship.
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