

# Historic Wayne Church Ravaged By Fire



The First Congregational Church of Wayne, founded nearly 122 years ago when the town was a trading post on the Detroit-Chicago road, went up in flames Wednesday.

Ironically, it was burned because it had been designated the center of an urban renewal project. Originally slated for leveling with other downtown Wayne buildings, it was spared because of the work of local residents interested in preserving a bit of history. When other buildings were torn down, the church was to be renovated.

But workmen using a blowtorch to remove paint from the bell tower set off a fire that gutted the old church. Shown here are an artist's print of the church as it was seen for more than a century and our photographer's record of the fire's devastation.



1848-1948—The Congregational Church, Wayne, Mich.



## Religion Update

Rev. Lester Kinsolving's

Muhammed Kenyatta is a 26-year-old black militant who, as the Philadelphia area's director of James Forman's Black Economic Development Conference, has made a name for himself by threatening churches and disrupting their worship.

His real name—at least that which appears on the driver's license he carries—is Donald Jackson. At age 14, his long power and precocity were such that he was ordained a minister by a Baptist church in Chester, Pa. Here he became known for his fiery sermons on Hell and damnation.

He is still giving the churches Hell. Not all churches, however. Instead of attacking any congregations which might retaliate, Kenyatta prefers combat with the Quakers and other gentle church folk.

HE BEGAN a crusade for reparations by occupying a Quaker Community Center. The occupiers soon split into argumentative groups, however, and the invasion came to a dismal end.

In subsequent months, Kenyatta and his followers have occupied Cookman Methodist Church, occupied and smashed in the door of Wellspring Ecumenical Center, and stolen he calls it liberated — an electric typewriter from the Presbyterian Westminster Press.

Kenyatta intruded himself upon a Holy Communion service in Swarthmore Presbyterian Church, and threw the sacred bread and wine on the floor.

LAST NOVEMBER, he accepted an invitation to address the Men's Club of the Main Line Reform Temple Wynwood, where he informed the Jewish audience that part of the \$500 million he is demanding from churches and synagogues will go to Egypt.

At that meeting, one of his female followers answered a question and used the four-letter words that recurrently — and loudly — punctuate Kenyatta's conversation and speeches. One member of the audience rose, suggested that this was hardly appropriate to a house of God, and walked out — followed by the entire audience.

Shortly thereafter, rabbis and synagogue officers throughout the Philadelphia area received a letter from Orthodox Rabbi Harold Novosseller of West Philadelphia's Congregation B'Nai Yehoshua. Wrote the young rabbi who is

also area leader of the Jewish Defense League.

"If Muhammed Kenyatta or any of his followers attempt in any manner to disrupt your services, the Jewish Defense League expects you to show courage in upholding the laws of our state by calling the police immediately and having him and his followers arrested. However, if you permit this extremist to violate the law, it will encourage other anti-Semites to attack Jews and their institutions, thus leaving the Jewish Defense League no alternative but to take the following action: If we know Kenyatta is in your synagogue, we will remove him. If we find out after he leaves your synagogue that you did not call the police, or that you did not throw him out, we will wage a concentrated demonstration against those synagogue officials responsible."

RABBI NOVOSELLER can assemble 500 armed and kar-

**Attend Church This Sunday**  
At The Church Of Your Choice  
With Your Family

### UNITED METHODIST

- FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH** of Garden City  
6442 Merriman Road  
Phone: 421-8628  
Minister: Rev. Glenn Kuebler  
SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 a.m.  
Infants through 6th grade  
Adults, Young Adults, Sr. High and Jr. High  
MORNING WORSHIP 10 a.m. only
- NEWBURG UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
36500 Ann Arbor Trail  
Livonia 422-0149  
Rev. William Eiler, Rev. Ben Schrock  
Minister: 522-1343  
8:30 a.m. Worship Service and Nursery  
10 a.m. Worship Service and Church School
- FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH** of Plymouth  
680 Church Street  
453-5280  
Pastors: Paul M. Cerge and Ronald K. Corl  
9:30 a.m. Summer Worship Service  
Church School  
Nursery thru 6th grade
- NARDIN PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
Farmington 476-8860  
2987 West 11 Mile Road  
William D. Mercer, Senior Minister  
Mareldis T. Muehler, Associate Minister  
Robert L. Boehm, Minister of Music  
John B. Priden, Minister of Music  
Worship Service 10 a.m.  
Nursery through 2nd grade only  
Air Conditioned

**ALDERGATE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
10000 Beech-Dale Road  
Between Plymouth and West 22000  
Minister: Wm. G. Wager and Wm. A. Smith  
Dir. of Education, Mrs. The Wright  
Morning Worship 9:30 and 11  
Baby care provided for all services

**St. Matthew's United Methodist Church**  
30900 Six Mile Road  
422-6018  
Paul T. Mart, Pastor  
Helson Riser, Associate Pastor  
Worship Service 9:30 a.m.  
Church School (thru high school)

**Rice Memorial United Methodist**  
Beech Dale at 8 Mile  
Rev. James E. Boring, Pastor  
Worship Service 10 a.m.  
Kindergarten & Nursery 10 a.m.  
524-5353

**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE**  
You are cordially invited to attend Sunday School as listed below. Sunday Schools are conducted by all churches, and care is provided for children of pre-Sunday School age.

**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE**  
Wednesday Testimonial Meetings at 8 p.m.  
Hours of Service  
**FOURTH CHURCH, Detroit** 11 a.m.  
24400 W. Seven Mile near Telegraph  
**FIRST CHURCH, Garden City** 11 a.m.  
31111 Ford Road  
**FIRST CHURCH, Plymouth** 10:30 a.m.  
1100 West Ann Arbor Trail

### PRESBYTERIAN

- St. Mark's Presbyterian Church**  
26701 Joy Road  
Worship and Church School 10 a.m.  
Church Office: CR 8-9340
- WARD UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF LIVONIA**  
Farmington Road and Six Mile Road  
422-1350  
Worship and Bible School 9, 10:15 and 11:30 a.m.  
"From Here to Eternity"  
Rev. Franklin Williams, Jr.
- St. Timothy Presbyterian Church**  
16700 Newburg Road  
Sunday 10 a.m.  
Worship and Church School  
Rev. Carl A. Gunderson  
261-4844 464-1254

**ROSEDALE GARDENS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
Hubbard at West Chicago  
Worship 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.  
CHURCH SCHOOL 10 a.m.  
Richard C. Dunsenberger, Pastor  
Arthur Beumler, Jr., Associate Pastor  
William T. Lewis, Associate Pastor  
Garfield 2-0494

**CHURCH OF GOD**  
**NORTHWEST CHURCH**  
Christian and Missionary Alliance  
28111 West Ten Mile Road — 476-7673  
Between Middlebelt and Inker Road  
Bible School 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service 11 a.m.  
Evening Service 7 p.m.  
Wednesday — 7:30 p.m. "Hour of Power"  
Paul D. Benke, Pastor 476-5427

**Riverside Park Church of God**  
11771 Newburg Road  
at Plymouth Road  
Livonia 464-0990  
Pastor: Rev. J. Clifford Hunt  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship  
6:30 Evening Service

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
1657 Middlebelt at Book  
Garden City - GA 2-8660  
Minister, Hobart E. Ashby  
Sunday Worship 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.  
Sunday School 10 a.m.  
Mid-Week & Wed. 7:30 p.m.

**CHURCH OF CHRIST (Christian)**  
**MEMORIAL CHURCH OF CHRIST (CHRISTIAN CHURCH)**  
35475 Five Mile Livonia  
BIBLE SCHOOL 9 a.m. An outstanding throughout  
MORNING WORSHIP 10 a.m. Nurseries provided  
7 p.m. Youth meeting and evening worship  
Max Copeland, Minister  
Craig Fox, Youth Minister

**UNITY OF WEST SUBURBIA**  
30025 Curtis Road 421-1760  
"PUBLISHERS OF DAILY WORD"  
Dial-A-Prayer 261-2440 Sunday Service 9:30 and 11 a.m.  
Youth Education 11 a.m.

**THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH WELCOMES YOU**  
Saint John's, Westland  
555 S. Wayne Road  
721-5222  
Sunday Worship: 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.  
Saint Andrew's, Livonia  
16360 Hubbard Road  
421-8451  
Sunday Worship: 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.  
Sunday, Deaf Worship: 10 a.m.

## 'Country Under God' Bible School Theme

"My Country Under God" will be the study theme for the Vacation Bible School Aug. 17 to 21 in the Lutheran Church of the Risen Christ, Ann Arbor Road and McClumpha, Plymouth.

All children may share in the Bible study, crafts, singing, recreation and refreshments.

The hours will be 9 a.m. to 12 noon for children entering kindergarten through the eighth grade. There will be a class for four-year-olds from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

A special program for parents and friends of those attending the bible school is planned at 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 21.


A short singing service will be followed by refreshments, and parents will be able to see and take home the craft work the children have done during the week.

**WE'RE MOVING!**  
Kenwood Church of Christ  
Welcomes You  
to Services at a New Location  
20200 MERRIMAN ROAD, LIVONIA  
South of Eight Mile Road  
BEGINNING SUNDAY, AUGUST 23

Bible School	9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship	11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening	7:30 p.m.
Wednesday Evening	7:30 p.m.
Interim Services with Memorial Church of Christ	

35475 Five Mile Road, Livonia 474-7084

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2055 Merriman Road  
Garden City, Mich.

Nursery Provided Air Conditioned  
Hear the Youth Chorus at Westland Shopping Center, Saturday, Aug. 15 at 2:30 p.m. in the mall.