



APPEAR IN CONCERT — The Templetones, a quartet from Temple Baptist Church, will join two other gospel groups in "An Evening of Sacred Music" at 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 24, in the Ford Auditorium in downtown Detroit. The quartet members, from left, are Joe England of Detroit, Richard Fingley of Redford Township, Jim Vick from Dearborn Heights and Eric Hunt of Garden City. Mrs. Barbara Hunt, in front, is the accompanist. Temple Baptist is located in Redford Township and one of the largest Baptist churches in the world. Also to be featured in the concert are the Calvarymen from Flint and the Goss Brothers from Atlanta, Ga. Tickets are \$2.50 and available at the door.

Panel Views Christians In Government

"The Christian's Role in Government" is the topic of a panel discussion to be held from 8:30 to 8:45 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, in the First Baptist Church of Plymouth, on West Territorial Road west of Sheld.

Others are Mrs. Dunbar Davis, moderator of the church and chairman of its Christian Social Concern Committee, and Charles Schechner, lay member. The panel will consider the need for church members to take a more active part in governmental matters. Candidates will also give their views on such issues as parochialism.

Irian Missionary Is Guest Speaker

A missionary on furlough from West Irian, an African nation, will be the main speaker at the 11 a.m. service in First Baptist Church of Farmington, Sunday Oct. 25. The Rev. Larry Rascher, one of 18 missionary speakers at First Baptist this week represents the Evangelical Alliance Mission.

Six other missionaries will speak to various departments of the Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. They are Mrs. Harry Love, Michigan; Miss Anne Bailey, Tanzania; Nita Fowler, Taiwan; Rev. Weldon Clark, France; and James Misseldine, Christian Witness to Jews, Detroit.

The concluding service of

this eight-day Missionary Conference will begin at 8 p.m. All the missionaries will share in a testimony time, followed by a missionary cantata, "So Send I You," presented by the church choir.

Soloists for this cantata by John Peterson are Mrs. Laurel Reynolds, Mrs. Eileen Gutierrez, Mrs. Ardis Fouts, Lee Taggart, and Linn Smith. The narrator is Jim Clark, who also represents Trans-World Radio Mission.

Dr. Harry Love, general director of Conservative Baptist Association of Michigan will be the main speaker for this service. First Baptist is located on Shilohwase at Farmington Road.

CC Church Plans Event

Booths featuring a wide variety of handicrafts and baked goods will also be displayed.

In addition to hot dogs, beverages and snack items available throughout the day, a spaghetti dinner will be served from 5 to 7 p.m. Prices are \$1.50 for adults, and 75 cents for children 12. Children under 5 are free.

To make reservations for the spaghetti dinner, call 422-9928 or 423-2188.

The First United Methodist

Church at 6443 Merriman Rd. in Garden City will hold a bazaar from 9:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 24.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service, Men's Fellowship, Church School and youth groups will all sponsor a booth or activity. Among the activities planned for children are a spook house, magic room, clowns, children's booth and short films.



BIG GIFT—The check that the Rev. Ralph Rideout, left, is receiving from the Rev. Hugh C. White is for \$4,000, and it's from the United Methodist Church nationwide for the Farmington Area Advisory Committee for its work in drug prevention and counseling troubled teens. (Evert photo)

Rapline Project Granted \$4,000 By Methodists

A gift of \$4,000 to Farmington's Rap Line project for drug prevention, came this week from the United Methodist Church in the United States.

The Rev. Hugh C. White, pastor of the First United Methodist Church of Farmington, presented a check in that amount from the Michigan area distributing committee of the United Methodist Church nationwide.

Receiving the grant was the Rev. Ralph Rideout, founder of the Rap Line project and executive director of the Farmington Area Advisory Committee which grew out of it.

RAP LINE began as a telephone number for youthful drug users in a crisis situation. It has grown into a sort of mission to troubled youth in this area, with Rev. Rideout, former pastor of North Farmington Baptist Church, taking over as a full time leader.

Rev. White described the Fund for Reconciliation of the United Methodist Church as a \$20 million fund raised by Methodists "whose aim is to speak to those alienated in our fragmented society."

"There are several criteria used in making the grants," he explained.

"First, the project must be ecumenical in character. No funds can be granted if only one denomination is involved.

"Second, the project must have community support from business, school systems, city, county and township governments. And third, it must show evidence of being able not only to continue its present work but to branch out into many related fields."

THE CLERGYMAN added that the Farmington Area Advisory Council (FAAC) "meets all of these requirements."

"The United Methodist Church, through its area administrative assistant, Dr. Keith T. Avery, and Bishop Dwight E. Loder, are pleased to make this presentation in conjunction with United Methodists of the local area," he added.

Rev. White said the grant was one of the made by the Reconciliation Fund in the full amount of \$4,000 and to his knowledge the first from the fund in this general area.

THE FAAC was described by Rev. Rideout as a project reaching far beyond its original Rap Line purpose. He explained in a recent interview:

"In terms of the kids we are working with, we've got a culture, a society, that's upset. And it is a very difficult society in view of the pressure that are going around, and the kids are acting it out in a number of different ways."

"The kids I am getting to know who are having drug problems are also having problems in their personal relationships; basically lonely, depressed kids."

"It comes through as belligerence—but it's because they are trying to go through the adolescent years and learn how to establish appropriate relationships. As you deal with THAT problem, then drug abuse is no longer a thing that has to be."

FAAC has its headquarters temporarily located in Antioch Lutheran Church, Farmington Road and 13 Mile, pending city of Farmington approval of a site selected by the Board of Education on the grounds of Ten Mile School.

Study Group

Has Openings

Trinity Baptist Church, 14800 Middle Belt Livonia, has invited all women of the area of any denomination, to attend the second meeting of its Bible Study Group at 9:30 a.m. Monday, Oct. 26, at the church.

Studies are in the Book of James. Anyone need transportation should call Dorothy Risher at 937-1162. A nursery is provided.

His organ recital will mark the opening concert in a new Channel Concert Series the program is Sunday Oct. 25, at 7 p.m. Nancy Heilner, soprano, will be the soloist.

Rev. Lester Kinsolving's

Religion Update

General Convention, the highest governing body of the nation's 5.5 million Episcopalians, has taken action in its meeting in Houston regarding the denomination's hottest issue in half a century. And the result of this action (or non-action) could well mean either denominational suicide or a surge of congregationalism which could finally dismember the National Headquarters Program.

The issue is the explosively controversial General Convention Special Program (GSCP), a multi-million dollar aid-to-ministries program. Since 1967, GSCP has funded enough parishes segregated and violent organizations, that the court and police records of officers and staffers of the recipients of these funds would fill a good sized edition of the old Police Gazette.

Such funding was done despite the fact that General Convention is still on record as being opposed to racial segregation—and despite the strong directive that the Convention issued in 1967, which prohibited such funding of any individual or groups advocating violence. (Asks GSCP Director Leon Modeste: "What is violence?")

CONVENTION DEBATE on the controversial program took what could be estimated as more than \$1 million worth of time considering the cost of housing, meals, travel, neglect of business and without a concerted budget of \$300,000.

On the basis of this reckoning, the debate may have cost more than the entire amount budgeted for this program in 1971—by which time there may well be not enough money

in the Episcopal treasury to fund it.

And the net result of this million dollar debate is a system of "controls" of this controversial funding program—under which Episcopal Church money could have been appropriated to the late Al Capone.

The Convention directed that no money be given to any organization "whose officer or agent shall be finally convicted of a crime of violence perpetrated in carrying out the program of the organization." Capone was "finally convicted" of income tax evasion.

The Convention was able to meet in safety and without violent demonstrations thanks to the heavy security provided by the Houston Police Department.

But a majority of the delegates were impressively mesmerized by GSCP Director

Modeste (National Episcopal HQ in Manhattan is now referred to as "Castle Modeste") and the Union of Black Clergy, a plus a loud claque of white radicals.

So the Convention leaders provided time for a long series of speakers who gleefully flagellated the white race, quoted Mao Tse-Tung in denouncing the Episcopal Church in such terms as to suggest a cross between a broiled and a klavern of the Ku Klux Klan.

YET MAYBE these same speakers demanded that the Convention's hard pressed Committee on Program and Budget meet the growing Episcopal financial crisis (currently a two million dollar deficit) by "Going back to your parishes and telling them to give." ("Them" being for the most part the same detestable white Episcopalians who are expected to fund the activities of their detractors.)

ONE BRIGHT SPOT of the convention—the admission of women delegates to the House of Deputies—was almost immediately demolished when a clergy of this house defeated a measure asking for the ordination of women to the Episcopal priesthood.

This could prove singularly embarrassing to Bishops Ned Cole of Syracuse, John Burgess of Boston and Robert DeWitt of Pennsylvania, formerly of the Detroit area. For in attendance at the convention was a female theological seminary graduate from each of these Bishops' jurisdictions, all three of whom are asking for ordination. And since each of these Bishops has in some degree been identified with civil disobedience to civil laws on racial segregation, it remains to be seen whether these Bishops will be willing to engage in civil disobedience to canon (church) law enforcement sexual segregation, by ordaining any of these young ladies.

Delegates to the triennial meeting of the women of the Episcopal Church voted overwhelmingly in favor of ordaining women.

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