

**Moral perspectives**

# Society works against needs

People say that our children are of the highest priority, except that this isn't true when it comes to parents giving children what they really need.

What do children need? More than anything else, children need parents who have a vital, growing and caring relationship with each other. In single parent families, this means that the parent will be finding such relationships with other adults.

Why are many parents finding it hard to provide what their children truly need? It is because our social value system runs contrary to developing healthy families and marriages and, thus, healthy children.

The central values which are especially strong in the suburbs are success, competition and privacy. All of these work against

healthy family life development. The drive for success, material and social, means that time and energy are taken away from the family development.



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Competition means that families don't help or share support with other families. If you have a "winner" of a family it is better to stay away from other families who might be "losers."

THE VALUE of privacy negatively affects the family because we tend to see those who offer support or enrichment as intruders until the day of panic and disaster, such as a divorce or serious behavior problems with the children.

Our church is starting a nursery center with an entirely new approach to the family. It is so obvious an approach that I am amazed that it should be unique. It is only unique because it will confront values which are at the core of our society.

A major goal of the nursery center is to build into the children a sense of their self-worth and uniqueness.

To do this the parents will also be asked to enroll in parent and family enrichment opportunities. Parents may choose to enrich their own awareness and skills in com-

munication, in parenting and in their own marriage relationship.

THEY MAY do this at their own pace and in terms of their own needs. Parents, teachers and children will be moving toward the same goal of healthy family development. Yet this is a hard concept to sell. Why is this so?

It is so because there is no money in this kind of approach and it runs contrary to our values.

I am convinced that the central difficulty is that our social values are contrary to healthy family development.

In our society and especially in our suburbs, we will increasingly face the dismemberment and agony of widespread family problems until we face up to the disastrous way in which our values are affecting our families.

## Church slates speaker

The Reverend Dr. Donald J. Wilson will be guest minister at the First Presbyterian Church of Birmingham Sunday.

Dr. Wilson's sermon, "Living in Pre-Revolutionary Times," will be given at 10 a.m. At the coffee hour following the service, Dr. Wilson will speak informally on "Christian Witness and Repressive Societies."

Dr. Wilson was appointed associate coordinator and associate for international affairs in the unit of church and society of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States in July, 1973.

During the previous three years,

he had served as the secretary for race relations with the Commission on Ecumenical Mission and Relations in New York.

In 1968 he was assigned to coordinate 75 fraternal workers and overseas nationals in an international response to the racial crisis.

IN ADDITION, Dr. Wilson formerly served parishes in Schenectady, New York; Larcher/Dunipace, Scotland; and in the Lower St. Lawrence region of the Province of Quebec, Canada.

Prior to his transfer to the commission in 1967, he served with the Presbyterian Church of Formosa for nine years.

Dr. Wilson graduated from Union College, Schenectady, New York, and from Presbyterian College, Montreal, Canada. His graduate studies were undertaken at

New College, Edinburgh.

Dr. Wilson is third in a series of guest ministers speaking at the First Presbyterian Church this summer.

## Temple sets worship hour

Services will be held by Temple Kol Ami at 8:30 p.m. Friday at the Birmingham Unitarian Congregation, 3 Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills.

Rabbi Ernst J. Conrad will conduct the service and will speak on "The New Anti-Semitism." The remarks will be based on a recent book by B. Epstein and A. Forster,

executives of the Anti Defamation League of B'nai B'rith. An Oneg Shabbat refreshment period will follow the worship hour.

On Saturday at 10:30 a.m. the Bar Mitzvah of Laurende Neal Roer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Roer of Farmington Hills, will take place. Members of the family will participate in the service.

# Religion

**VASU-LYNCH Funeral Home**  
4375 NORTH WOODWARD AVE.  
Phone Liberty 9-0500

Dear Friends:  
When a bereaved family makes its first call at the funeral home for arrangements, usually they are grief stricken, perhaps physically exhausted, frightened, not knowing what to expect or what is expected of them. It is a most difficult time for the family.

We trust that these open letters will provide some advance knowledge of funeral arrangements to ease the burden.

Respectfully  
*Edward J. Lynch*

## Your Invitation to Worship

**Salem United Church of Christ**  
Offical of 64. Ever. Farmington  
Sunday at 9:30 a.m.  
Worship at 9:30 a.m.  
Parsonage CR 4-8487  
Church Office CR 4-8480  
Carl H. Schulte, Minister

**TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
26880 LaMueere North of 11 Mile  
between Orchard Lake & Middlebelt  
Sunday 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion  
10:00 a.m. Family Worship  
Wed. 10:00 a.m. Holy Communion  
Call office for Church School Information  
(716-200)

**ORCHARD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
30450 Farmington Road  
Services 10:00 a.m.  
Worship 9:30 & 11:00 a.m.  
Church School 9:30 & 11:00 a.m.  
Eric S. Hamner 851-4464

**ST. JOHN A.L.C.**  
23225 Gill Road Farmington  
Pastor Charles Fox 474-0584 or 474-4459  
Worship 9:00 a.m.  
Nursery Provided

**Bloomfield Hills Baptist Church**  
3600 Telegraph Road  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
8:30 & 11 a.m. Worship Service  
6:00 p.m. Evening Service  
7:30 p.m. Wednesday Meeting  
7:30 p.m. Sunday Evening Group  
Church Phone: 647-3851  
Elmo Tahran, Pastor 626-6148

**Pine Hill Congregational Church**  
(1/2 Mile South of W. Long Lake Rd.)  
Church and Church School  
9:30 A.M.  
James R. Lyons, Pastor 626-2737 626-8215

**FARMINGTON HILLS BAPTIST**  
On Middlebelt Road Between 12 & 13 Mile Rds.  
Worship 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.  
Bible School 9:45 a.m.  
Family Night—Wed. 7:30 p.m.  
Rev. Fred G. Ferris—Pastor 851-0310  
A CONSERVATIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

**First Baptist Church**  
Bates and Willits Birmingham, Mich.  
Dr. Robert G. Middleton, Minister  
Rev. Wm. W. Sutterlin, Minister of Education  
Dr. Homer J. Armstrong, Emeritus  
9:00 A.M. Church School  
10:00 A.M. Worship Service

**ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
355 W. Maple Birmingham  
SUNDAY SERVICES  
8:00 A.M. Holy Communion  
10:00 A.M. Morning Prayer  
(H.C. 1st Sun. of Month)  
WEDNESDAYS  
7:00 and 10:00 A.M. Holy Communion

**St. David's EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
16200 West 12 Mile Road Southfield  
(between Southfield & Greenfield)  
Phone: 557-5430  
Sunday Worship 8 AM and 10 AM  
Church School and Nursery 10 AM

**St. Andrew Lutheran Church LCA**  
6255 Telegraph Road Birmingham, North of Maple  
WORSHIP SERVICE  
10:30 a.m.  
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.  
Charles William Richter 646-5207

**Central Church of Christ**  
Farmington  
36500 11 Mile Road  
(West of Drake Road)  
Sunday Worship 11:00-6:00  
Wednesday 7:30 p.m.  
Earl Davis, Minister—582-5878

**The Congregational Church of Birmingham, U.C.C.**  
Woodward at Cranbrook  
Bloomfield Hills MI 6-4511  
Worship Service 9:30  
Minister: Rev. Charles O. Erickson  
Minister of Education: Rev. Verne E. Arena, Jr.

**NORTHBROOK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
14 Mile and Lahser Roads  
Summer Schedule  
Morning Worship and Church School 10:00 a.m.  
Pastors: L. J. Peterson, F. W. Doss  
A. G. Archer  
Phone: 642-6200

**ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL**  
(Missouri Synod)  
Middlebelt at 8 Mile Rd.  
474-0675  
Thomas A. Schaefer, Pastor  
W. J. R. Edwards, Emeritus  
Walter Brundage  
Services 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday School 9:45  
Worship Service (Nursery Provided)

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN**  
1669 WEST MAPLE at CHESTERFIELD (MI 4-2040) BIRMINGHAM  
The Reverend F. Morgan Roberts, Pastor  
Associates: D. King Kerr, Charles A. Sommers,  
Edward E. Craxton, Gerald S. Crawford  
SUMMER SERVICE SCHEDULE  
June 9 through September 1  
Worship and Church School 10:00 A.M.

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
1589 West Maple at Pleasant  
Ministers: James W. Wright, G. Bryn Evans  
John H. Bunce, Thomas H. Beaven  
Summer Service Schedule  
Worship 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.  
Church School 9:30 a.m.

**For Church Directory Information Please Call**  
644-1100 Ext. 224

**ST. PAUL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
165 E. Square Lake Road  
Bloomfield Hills  
(2 blks east of Woodward) 336-8233  
Worship 10:00 a.m.  
Church School—Wed. 8:30-11:30 a.m.  
Douglas R. Trebilcock 332-2752

**Community Congregational Church**  
27800 Southfield Road  
(11 1/2 Mile Lathrop Village)  
Jackson E. Turner, Minister  
10:00 Service

**NARDIN PARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
Farmington 476-8860  
29887 West 11 Mile Road  
Air Conditioned  
Senior Minister  
Dr. William D. Mercer  
Associate  
Rev. Meredith Mesnauer  
Rev. James F. Thomas  
Ina Slater & George T. Sulik  
Morning Worship 10:00 A.M.  
"One Foot in Heaven"  
Dr. William Mercer, preaching  
Sunday School  
Nursery thru 2nd grade 10:00 A.M.

**UNIVERSITY HILLS CHURCH**  
Christian Reformed  
Worship with Us at 11:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.  
26711 Farmington Rd. at I-496  
477-1350 Dr. J. H. Ellens 474-0514

**CLARENCEVILLE UNITED METHODIST**  
474-2444  
8:00 First Worship Service  
10:15 Church School  
11:15 Social Service  
4:30 Youth Meeting  
7:00 Service  
7:30 Wed. Mid-week Service  
Rev. Gerald Fisher, Pastor  
Nursery provided every service

**Franklin Community Church**  
United Methodist  
on Franklin's Village Green  
Worship Service 9:30  
Sunday School  
Nursery thru 3rd grade 9:30  
Senior Minister, Frank B. Cowick  
Minister, Roger W. Ireson

**Christian Science Churches**  
**FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST BIRMINGHAM**  
191 Chester at Willits  
SUNDAY SERVICES ..... 10:30 A.M.  
SUNDAY SCHOOL ..... 10:30 A.M.  
WEDNESDAY TESTIMONY MEETING ..... 8:00 P.M.  
CHILD CARE ROOM Sunday 10:15 A.M. - Wed. 7:45 P.M.  
READING ROOM - 355 East Maple - 644-7935  
Open Mon. & Tues., 9:30-5:30 & 7-9; Wed. & Sat. 9:30-5:30;  
Thurs. & Fri. 9:30-9:00  
except Sunday and holidays.

**FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST FRANKLIN-MEADOWLAKE**  
Maple at Inkster:  
SUNDAY SERVICES ..... 10:30 A.M.  
SUNDAY SCHOOL ..... 10:30 A.M.  
WEDNESDAY TESTIMONY MEETING ..... 8:15 A.M.  
CHILD CARE ROOM Sunday 10:15 A.M. - Wed. 8:00 P.M.  
READING ROOM IN PINE LAKE HALL  
Orchard Lake Rd. at Lone Pine Rd.  
HOURS: Mon., Tues., Wed., Sat. 9:30-6:00  
Thurs. & Fri. 9:30-9:00  
851-7740  
Christian Science Radio Series  
EVERY SUNDAY  
8:30 a.m. WLDM-FM 95.5 mc  
9:00 a.m. WJZZ-FM 105.9 mc

**FIRST UNITED Methodist Church**  
of Farmington 3312 Grand River  
Worship, Church School and Nursery  
10:00 a.m.  
CR 4-6573  
Rev. John N. Howell Rev. Howard F. Snell

**Beverly Hills United Methodist Church**  
20000 W. 13 Mile at Evergreen  
646-9777  
Worship 10:00 a.m.  
Church School 10:00 a.m.  
(Nurses - 4th grade)  
Minister: William Verhelst

**Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church A.L.C.**  
5631 North Adams Road  
1/2 Mile North of E. Long Lake Rd.  
Family Worship Service 9:00 A.M.  
Communion 1st Sunday  
Monday 8:00 p.m.  
Weekday Service  
Fred W. MacLean, Pastor  
Duane F. Schaefer, Pastor  
MI 6-5041 MI 6-5124

**Birk in the Hills**  
1340 W. Long Lake Rd.  
Dr. James F. Anderson  
Pastor  
"Death Be Not Proud"  
Dr. Anderson  
Sunday Worship  
9:30 and 11:30 a.m.