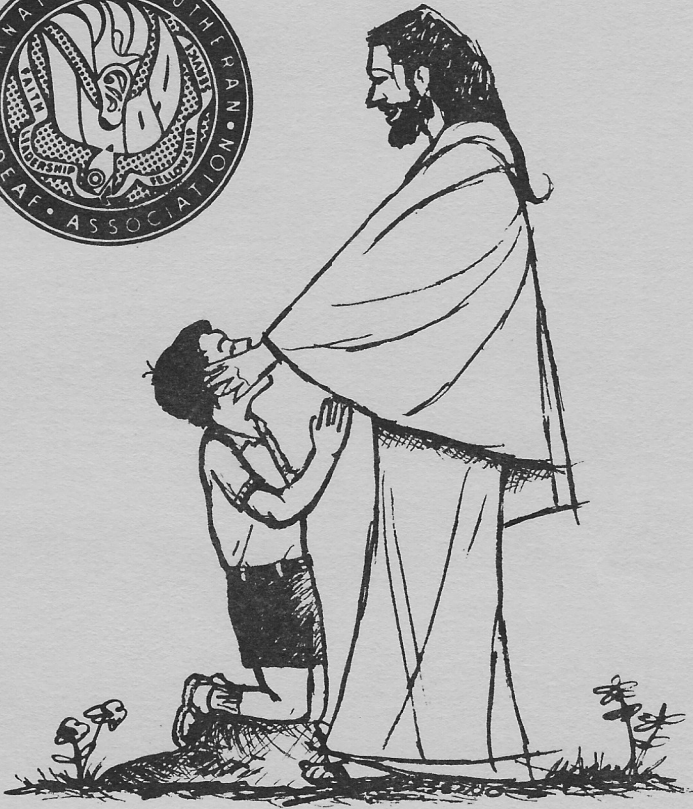


“BE OPENED!”

Mark 7:34



**Sixth Biennial Convention
of the**

International Lutheran Deaf Association

Convention Headquarters

Hilton Hotel

Los Angeles, California

July 9-12, 1981

THEME SCRIPTURE

***“AND LOOKING UP TO HEAVEN,
HE SIGNED, AND SAITH UNTO
HIM, EPHPHATHA, THAT IS,
BE OPENED.”***

Mark 7:34

Dedication

Rev. Arnold Jonas was born January 4, 1912, to Professor Herman Jonas, Professor at Concordia Lutheran College in Oakland, California, and Ethel Jonas, nee Clausen.

He attended Trinity Lutheran Grammar School through 8th grade, receiving daily religious instruction, and was confirmed in Trinity Lutheran Church of Oakland, on Palm Sunday 1927.

For six years he attended Concordia Lutheran College in Oakland, completing four years of High School and two years of College work in preparation for the ministry. Upon graduation in 1931, Rev. Jonas went to Concordia Lutheran Seminary in St. Louis, Missouri, and graduated in June 1935.

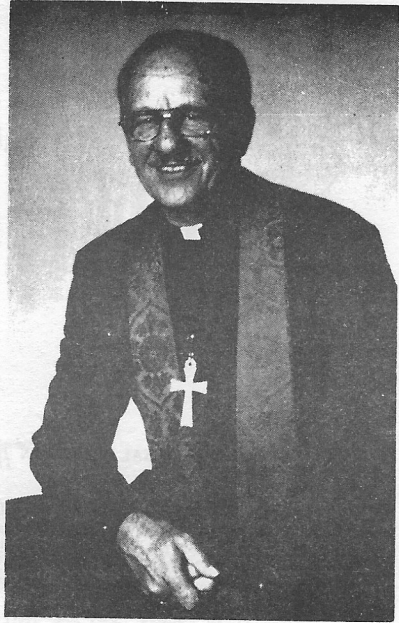
January, 1936, Rev. Jonas served two Mission Congregations of hearing people in Colorado in the towns of Canyon City and Salida.

July 18th, 1936, he married Alberta M. Staton of Napa, California, in St. John's Lutheran Church in Napa.

September 1937, a call was sent to serve the Deaf Congregations in South Dakota. Rev. Jonas spent the last three months of 1937 with Dr. George Gaertner of Oakland, learning sign language and finger spelling.

January 10, 1938, he was ordained and commissioned by Rev. E. Mappes of Omaha, Nebraska, as missionary to the deaf in South Dakota. Rev. Jonas served there four years and in January 1942, he went to serve the Deaf congregations in Seattle, Washington. After six years in Washington, Rev. Jonas was called to Los Angeles, California, where he was installed on October 10, 1948, by Dr. George Gaertner, in Grace Lutheran Church. He has served in Los Angeles, as Missionary to the Deaf, until his retirement on January 4th, 1977.

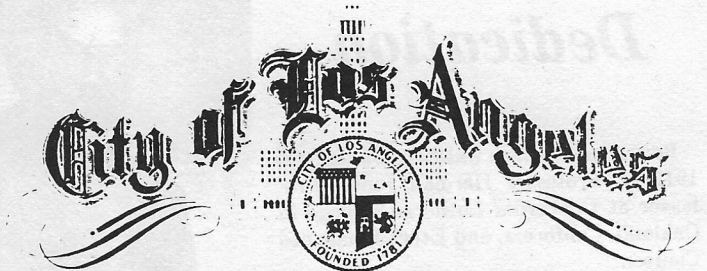
Reverend Jonas and Mrs. Jonas have four children: Julie Ann Dalby, Ted M. Jonas, Christin Ethel Maleske and Tom A. Jonas.



REV. ARNOLD T. JONAS

Rev. Jonas has had many achievements in his 33 years of ministry in Los Angeles. The two of the most important are:

1. He established a new church for the deaf in May 1960.
2. He founded the Pilgrim Towers in June 1968, a housing facility for deaf and hearing persons both young and elderly.



G R E E T I N G S

INTERNATIONAL LUTHERAN DEAF ASSOCIATION

As the Mayor of the City of Los Angeles, on behalf of its citizens, it is a pleasure for me to extend a warm and cordial greeting to the members and guests of the INTERNATIONAL LUTHERAN DEAF ASSOCIATION on the occasion of your 6th Biennial Convention, celebrating your 10th Anniversary, at the Los Angeles Hilton Hotel on July 9-12, 1981, hosted by the Pilgrim Lutheran Church for the Deaf.

We in the "City of the Angels" are honored to be your hosts and welcome delegates from throughout the United States. During your stay, I hope you will take time to visit and enjoy the many beautiful attractions that Los Angeles has to offer.

Best wishes for a most enjoyable Convention, and thank you for giving Los Angeles the opportunity to show her hospitality in 1981. Good luck for continued success in your future endeavors.

Sincerely,

Tom Bradley
TOM BRADLEY
MAYOR

July, 1981

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July 9, 1981

International Lutheran Deaf Association
In Convention, July 9-12, 1981
Los Angeles, California


Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Word has reached me that on July 9-12 you are holding your Sixth Biennial Convention in Los Angeles.

I want to bring you the greetings and best wishes of the entire Missouri Synod on this great and historic occasion in the work of Deaf Ministry. I know I speak for the whole Synod and the whole convention in bringing you these greetings and assuring you of the prayers of all of us that God would continue to bless each and every one of you in your respective ministries and strengthen you in your faith in our dear Lord Jesus Christ.

I pray that your convention will be a great success and that you will all go home richly blessed.

Sincerely,


J. A. O. Preus
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Dear Friends:

I am immensely delighted to be able to extend, by way of this letter a hearty welcome to the International Lutheran Deaf Association on the occasion of its tenth anniversary conclave. I have taken the opportunity to explain to Mr. Kotal the reasons for my absence from your meetings. I am in St. Louis during your sessions in order to fulfill my responsibilities at the National Convention of our Church body.

With this word of welcome comes the earnest hope that you will not only find our area hospitable to your meeting but open to and supportive of your efforts. I know there are exciting stories to be told about Lutheran ministry among the hearing impaired. And those stories in turn spur all of us to wish to do an even more effective job of reaching into that special community with the full impact of the Gospel of Christ.

Please feel welcome among us, and enjoy your stay and accept our best wishes for an effective convention for you all.

Sincerely,


ARNOLD G. KUNTZ

AGK bf



INTERNATIONAL LUTHERAN DEAF ASSOCIATION

*And looking up to heaven He sighed and saith unto him Eph-pho-tha
that is, be opened - Se Mark 7:34*

July 9, 1981

Dear friends:

In behalf of the Board of Directors and Representatives, both past and present, this is extended with much pleasure and privilege to say that your presence here in the city of brotherly love be one to remember. "Be Opened" for the Lord will make you "Hear" today.

Because this marks a decade of existence for International Lutheran Deaf Association, let us celebrate!

We observe the many struggles to bring this organization to reality, let us thank the Lord!

Because those of us who give freely of His time, effort and sincerity, may He continue to transmit us with His Love!

This convention has promised to offer so much, the opportunity to take heed should not go unanswered during your stay here. Have a wonderful convention-time, one and all!

Warmest Greetings,

Joseph S. Kindred
Out-Going President



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HISTORY OF DEAF MISSIONS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

1. **Exploratory Trips May 19, 1912** - Rev. Arthur L. Reinke peached the first sermon and church service in Trinity Lutheran Church July, 1914 - Rev. T. Wangerin, of Milwaukee explores Los Angeles and the West Coast.

Both men report a need for full time.

2. **Rev. N. F. Jensen** - November, 1914 to April 26, 1926 - First full time missionary on the west coast. First lived in Oakland, preached in Los Angeles once month -moved to Los Angeles in October 1915 twice a month services. He was called to St. John's Church, Orange in September, 1917. Continued with two services a month for the deaf until April 26, 1926.
3. **Rev. Gerhard Ferber** - Easter 1927 to July 1948. February 20, 1933 Pilgrim Lutheran Church for the Deaf became organized congregation with its first officers.
4. **Rev. Walter D. Uhlig** - September 20, 1942 to April, 1948. Pilgrim Lutheran Church for the Deaf Incorporated under California Law May 29, 1946. Accepted as a member of the Southern California District of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod, June 24, 1946.

Purchased old Fifth Avenue Lutheran Church (Pastor Coiner), held first church service for the deaf in their own building October 20, 1946. Rev. William Reinking served a summer vicarage in 1948.

5. **Rev. Arnold Jonas** - October 10, 1948 to January, 1977. October 16, 1949 Rededication Service for the remodeled church building.
6. **Rev. William Lange** - September 19, 1954 installed and ordained as assistant Pastor at Pilgrim Lutheran Church for the Deaf.

December, 1957 purchased the property for a new church site (five parcels) on Vermont Avenue at Pico Boulevard in Los Angeles.

July 27, 1958 - Ground breaking ceremonies at the new site.

April 26, 1959 - Cornerstone setting ceremonies.

May 19, 1959 - Dedication of the new church - Pilgrim Lutheran for the Deaf.

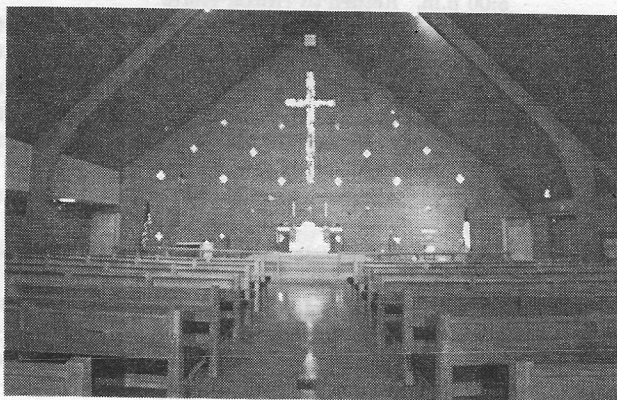
Rev. William Lange called to Denver, Colorado in the fall of 1959.

7. **Rev. Gerhard A. Gehrs**, a St. Louis Seminary graduate was installed as Assistant Pastor at Pilgrim, September, 1960.

August, 1961 Southern California Field is divided, Rev. Arnold Jonas serving Pilgrim Church, the Los Angeles Area to Northern Area (Palmdale, Lancaster, and Santa Barbara).

Rev. G.A. Gehrs serving Anaheim, Riverside, and San Diego, including the State School for the Deaf in Riverside with over 500 children in attendance at the school.

8. **Rev. Stanley Behrends** after passing a colloquy program under Synod's supervision was installed as Assistant Pastor at Pilgrim on January 30, 1966. He resigned October 22, 1966.
9. **Mr. Don Fairman**, graduate of L.L.T.I. Milwaukee, Wisconsin was assigned to Pilgrim as a layworker assistant, July 1968 to November 1969.
- Pilgrim Tower opened June 1968 - a thirteen story high-rise apartment building, primary for elderly deaf people, government financed under section 202 of H.E.W. - adjacent to Pilgrim Church - sponsored by a daughter corporation of Pilgrim Church, Pilgrim Senior Citizen's Housing Development Corporation.
10. **Rev. Leroy Mason** - January 19, 1969 to April 22, 1973 served as Pastor of Pilgrim Lutheran Church of the Deaf, while Rev. Arnold Jonas served full time Pilgrim Tower Chaplain and the elderly Deaf of Los Angeles.
11. **Rev. August Hauptman** serving as pastor of the Pilgrim Lutheran Church of the Deaf since August 19, 1978 until present time.



387 registered as of Satpm.
 (400 - banquet time -)

1981 ILDA CONVENTION
 LOS ANGELES

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Thursday, July 9 -	1:00 p.m.	Registration	Check Room	
	5:00 p.m.	Opening Buffet	Garden Room	
		Convention Orientation		
		Welcome Speakers		
		Keynote Speaker		
	7:00 p.m.	Opening Worship	Golden State Room	
Friday, July 10 -	All Day	Registration	Check Room	
	8:30 a.m.	Opening Devotion	Golden State Room	
	9:30 a.m.	Tours -		
		Universal Studio		
		Pilgrim Lutheran Church		
			Pilgrim Tower	
	5:00 p.m.	Return to Hilton Hotel		
	7:30 p.m.	Introduction of Candidates	Golden State Room	
8:30 p.m.	1st Session Business	Golden State Room		
Saturday, July 11 -	All day	Registration	Check Room	
	8:30 a.m.	Opening Devotion	Golden State Room	
	9:30 a.m.	2nd Session Business	Golden State Room	
	10:45 a.m.	Coffee Break	Lobby	
	11:00 a.m.	3rd Session Business	Golden State Room	
	12:00 p.m.	Lunch		
	1:30 p.m.	4th Session Business	Golden State Room	
	3:00 p.m.	Coffee Break	Lobby	
	3:30 p.m.	5th Session Business	Golden State Room	
	5:00 p.m.	Meeting Adjourned		
	7:00 p.m.	Banquet	Pacific Ballroom	
		Guest Speaker		
		Awards		
		Entertainment		
Sunday, July 12 -	9:00 a.m.	Bible Class	Garden Room	
	10:00 p.m.	Bible Class Adjourned		
	10:30 p.m.	Worship Service	Golden State Room	
		Holy Communion		
		Installation of Officers		
	12:00 p.m.	Convention Adjourned		
	12:30 p.m.	Newly Elected Officer Meeting	Dallas Room	

SPECIAL NOTICE Cultural Competition and special display will be held at the St. Louis & Foy Room (All day Thursday, Friday and Saturday)
 Child care Hartford Room

MENU

OPENING BUFFET

CHIFFORADE SALAD

*Crisp Greens with Shredded Carrot
Black Olive, Cherry Tomato, Chopped Egg
Thousand Island Dressing*

BEEF STROGANOFF

*Green Peas with Mushrooms
Tomato Provencale
Buttered Noodles*

~~**HOMEMADE APPLE STRUDEL**~~

~~*Warm Apricot Sauce.*~~

HOMEMADE FRENCH ROLLS

Butter

COFFEE or TEA

BANQUET

CONSOMME SHERRY

Profiteroles

ROAST CORNISH HEN

*Stuffed with Mixed Rice
White Wine Sauce with Seedless Grapes
Leaf Spinach
Glazed Carrots*

BAKED SOUFFLE ALASKA

Strauberry Sauce

HOMEMADE FRENCH ROLLS

Butter

COFFEE or TEA

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KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Opening Buffet

REV. ROY DAHMANN

Born: September 1, 1947 in Breham, Texas

Education: Concordia College; Austin, Texas
Senior Concordia College; Fort Wayne, Texas
Sam Houston State College; Houston, Texas
Concordia Seminary; Springfield, Illinois

Ministries: Vicar - Christ Lutheran Deaf Church, Jacksonville, Illinois
Minister - Oakland, California

Rev. Dahmann and the former Becky Jinks were united in marriage in 1969

Banquet

REV. WILLIAM LUDWIG

Born: February 29, 1932

Education: Graduated from Concordia Seminary in Springfield, Illinois,
1959

Ministries: 1959 - 1971 Columbus, Ohio
Served 1971 - Present Seattle, Washington

District
Service: Regional Advisor for Deaf

Rev. Ludwick is married and has three children.

Synodical Representative

REV. DONALD ZUHN

Born: August 23, 1940

Education: 1960 - Concordia College, Austin, Texas
1962 - Concordia College, Fort Wayne, Indiana
1966 - Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Missouri

Ministries: 1966 - 1975 Denver, Colorado
Served 1975 - 1978 Brainerd, Minnesota
1978 - Present Secretary for Blind and Deaf

Pastor Zuhn and the former Kathryn nee Beltz were united in marriage in St. Cloud, Minnesota (1966) and they are blessed with two children.

BANQUET ENTERTAINMENT

DANNY ROUZER MAGIC SHOW

Seven time nominee in the Academy Awards of Magic, is a regular performer at the world famous Magic Castle in Hollywood. Sometimes known as a "Magicians Magician" he has entertained at numerous magic conventions throughout the world and won a Forst Prize Trophy in International Magic Competition in Tokyo, Japan. He was the magic technical advisor on "The Waltons" and more recently on "Buck Rogers."

Besides being a charter member of the Magic Castle, Mr. Rouzer is a member of the International Brotherhood of Magicians and the Society of American Magicians. He has appeared in numerous motion pictures, television shows and commercials. His most recent local television appearance was on "Two On The Town" with Connie Chung and Steve Edwards.

Dannys performance consist of a blend of good magic, sprinkled with humor, and mixed with audience participation.

THE MARONETTE THEATRE OF THE WORD

The Marionette Theatre of the Word was established in 1966 to perform religious theatre, using puppets, as was done in the churches during the Middle Ages. Since then, it has performed in hundreds of churches of many denominations throughout the United States. Performances have consistently received enthusiastic response from adult audiences as well as children.

Roland and Verna Sylvester are teachers in Lutheran schools. Their puppet activities have included work in both television and movies. Roland has been involved with puppets since 1950. He is author of "Teaching Bible Stories More Effectively with Puppets." Since 1975, he has been the consultant to the Puppeteers of America on the use of the puppet in the church.

They will perform "The Three Solas": A puppet mime interpretation of Sola-Fide, Sola Gratia, and Sola Scriptura (Faith Alone, Grace Alone, and Scripture Alone) set to the music of Bach.

TYEN THE MIME

Member of the Magic Castle in Hollywood. Tyen The Mime has been delighting audiences with his wild and witty world of whimsical characters at/on:

Television ('77 - '80), Fantasy Island (Toy Soldier) and Man from Atlantis (Sea Creature.)

Celebrities performed include: James Gardner, Tina Louise, Elton John, Tony Bennett, Gene Kelly, Sylvester Stallone, Merideth MacRae, Ted Lange and Phyllis Diller.

Tyen has performed many Solo Mime at the conventions, Magic Mountain, Renaissance Pleasure Faire, trade shows, night clubs, fashion shows, Bar Mitzvahs, and parties.

Tyen makes 50 different ballon animals including Miss Piggy and teddy bear on a tricycle.

OUR SPECIAL THANKS

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 Rev. William Ludwig
 Rev. Donald Zuhn

Guest Preacher Rev. Paul Dorr
 Rev. Arnold Jonas

OUR SPECIAL THANKS

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Rev. Donald Cain

Rev. Paul Dor

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Rev. Arnold Jones

GREAT COMMISSION

*“AND JESUS CAME AND SPAKE UNTO THEM,
SAYING, ALL POWER IS GIVEN UNTO ME
IN HEAVEN AND IN THE EARTH.*

*GO YE THEREFORE, AND TEACH ALL NATIONS,
BAPTIZING THEM IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER,
AND OF THE SON, AND OF THE HOLY GHOST:*

*TEACHING THEM TO OBSERVE ALL THINGS
WHATSOEVER I HAVE COMMANDED YOU: AND, LO,
I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS, EVEN UNTO THE END
OF THE WORLD.”*

Matthew 28: 18-20