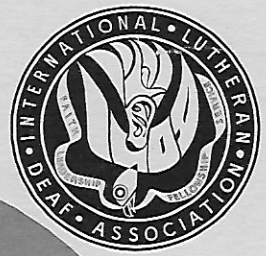


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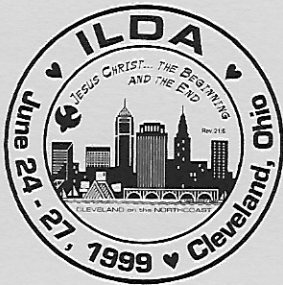
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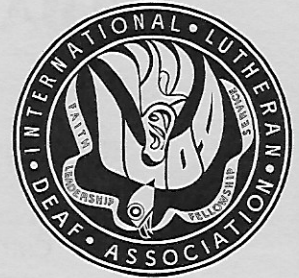
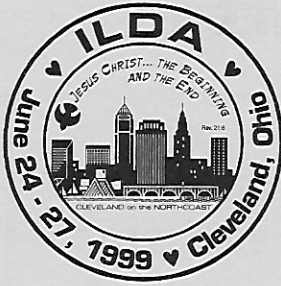
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THURSDAY, June 24

- 1:00 to 8:00 pm ☼ Registration Coat Room
- 6:00 pm ☼ Opening Worship Ballroom 2
- 7:00 pm ☼ Welcome/Orientation Ballroom 2
- 7:30 pm ☼ Skit/Choir/Banner Competitions Ballroom 2
- 9:00 pm ☼ Reception Fellowship Ballroom 1

FRIDAY, June 25

- 7:00 am ☼ Breakfast Ballroom 1 & 2
- 7:30 to 9:30 am ☼ Registration Coat Room
- 8:00 am ☼ Open Devotion Ballroom 3 & 4
- 8:30 am ☼ 1st Business Meeting - one hour Ballroom 3 & 4
- 9:45 am ☼ Trolley pick up in parking lot behind
Chi-Chi's Restaurant, next to
Holiday Inns for tour on the
Nautica Queen with Luncheon and
sight seeing of Cleveland area.
- 5:00 pm ☼ Arrive back at Holiday Inn
- 5:00 pm ☼ Dinner on your own
- 7:00 pm ☼ Cleveland Entertainment Night
with Bill Crume Ballroom 3 & 4
- 9:00 pm ☼ Reception Fellowship Broadview Room



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SATURDAY, June 26

7:00 am	☉	Breakfast	Ballroom 1 & 2
7:30 to 8:30 am	☉	Registration	Coat Room
8:00 am	☉	Open Devotion	Ballroom 3 & 4
8:30 am	☉	2st Business Session - one hour and half	Ballroom 3 & 4
10:30 am	☉	Coffee Break	Ballroom 3 & 4
11:00 am	☉	3rd Business Session - one hour	Ballroom 3 & 4
12:00 pm	☉	Lunch own your own (Special Luncheon for God's 1000 Club members only)	Broadview Room
1:15 pm	☉	Workshop (ILDA Officers Training only) two hours	Seven Hills Room
1:15 pm	☉	Workshop I (one hour)	Ballroom 3 & 4
2:15 pm	☉	Workshop II (one hour)	Ballroom 3 & 4
3:30 pm	☉	4th Business Session - one hour and half	Ballroom 3 & 4
5:00 pm	☉	End of the Session	
7:00 pm	☉	Banquet/Entertainment	Ballroom 1, 2 & 3

SUNDAY, June 27

7:00 am	☉	Breakfast	Ballroom 1 & 2
9:00 am	☉	Bible Study	Ballroom 3 & 4
10:00 am	☉	Worship Service	Ballroom 3 & 4
		Installation of Officers 2001 ILDA Preview ILDA Banner given to 2001 ILDA Host	
12:00 pm	☉	Convention Adjourned	

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JUNE 24-27, 1999

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2. Necrology
3. Invocation or Devotion Service
4. Call to order: President introduce the agenda for adoption
5. Introduction to General Assembly
 - a. Parliamentarian
 - b. Assistant to the Secretary
 - c. Tellers
 - d. Other committees
6. Introduction of interpreters
7. Resolution Committee
 - a. Introduction of Committee Members
 - b. Deadline for Handling Resolutions
8. Nominating Committee's Report
 - a. Introduction of Candidates for Officers
 - b. Election of new officers and pastoral advisor
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 - b. Name of auditors of the report
 - c. Report of Auditors
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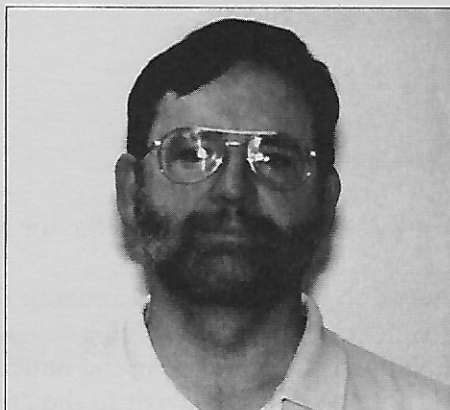
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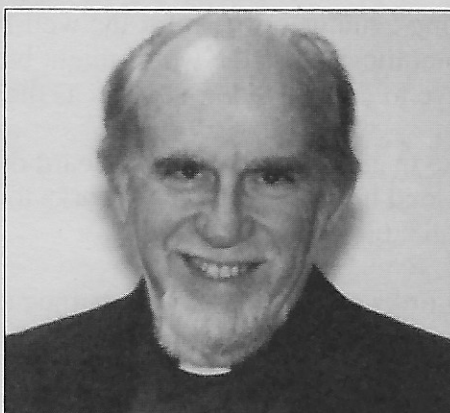
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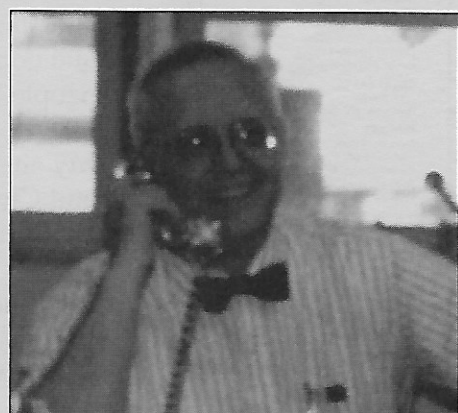
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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Greetings in the name of Jesus, the Savior and Lord of us all!

As President of the International Lutheran Deaf Association, I am pleased to welcome you, all the delegates and participants, to the Cleveland National Conference in the name of Jesus – The Beginning and the End. I hope that your visit to the city and meeting is a pleasant and memorable one.

The ILDA ministry is both unique and important! Sharing God's love and showing genuine concern for the well-being of the deaf families and communities across the world might be the opportunity that these people have to come and know Jesus as their Savior.

My sincere thanks go to the ILDA Board of Directors, committees, and Cleveland hosts for their hard works to make the 15th Biennial Convention a blessed event.

May the Lord's special blessings continue to be with you during these days of the meeting, and may He bless you as you share the Good News with your friends, and deaf people who know nothing about His Love for them.

Warmly and Sincerely,

Dennis R. Konkel

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Greetings to you in the name of our dearest Lord Jesus Christ from your city host, Christ Lutheran Church of the Deaf, Cleveland! The famous Ohio motto is "Ohio, The Heart Of It All"

Big welcome to you all to the 15th Biennial Convention of the International Lutheran Deaf Association in Independence, Ohio, which is about eight miles south of downtown Cleveland. Cleveland is famous for Its great historical and oldest Terminal Tower and it has many new buildings, including the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame, the Science Center, and the newest Cleveland Browns Stadium, which we are proud of!

Most important of all we all are here to learn more about Jesus and how we can spread the joyous news to all over the world about Jesus through our Christian duties and through our Mission Projects that touch every heart throughout the world and bring good fellowship among our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Remember Jesus Christ....The Beginning And The End - Revelation 21:6. As we approach to the end of 1999 and enter into the new year of 2000, let us always look up to Jesus and serve Him until the day He will come again. He will make all things new!

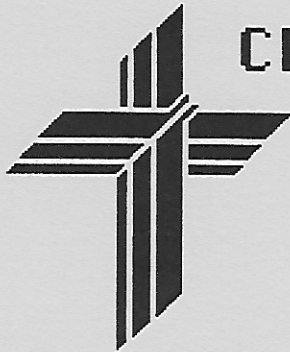
Our host committee has worked very hard to plan your coming here since our bid was approved in 1995 in Chicago, IL. We hope this weekend has been very enjoyable and memorable to you and when you leave from here you will experience new learning tools to better serve our Lord and to be blessed by Him!

We pray the Lord will protect you as you leave from here and we look forward to seeing you again in 2001 in Indianapolis, Indiana.

May grace and peace from our Lord Jesus be with you all until we meet again.

God Bless You All,

Pamela Kane,
1999 ILDA Chairperson



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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On behalf of Christ Lutheran Church of the Deaf and members, we wish to welcome you to Independence, Ohio for our 1999 ILDA Convention. We bring you the enjoyment of the sightseeing tour of the downtown Greater Cleveland "the New American City", North Coast Harbor featuring Rock & Roll Hall of Fame and Museum, the Great Lakes Science Center, and the new Browns football stadium, and many other interesting places.

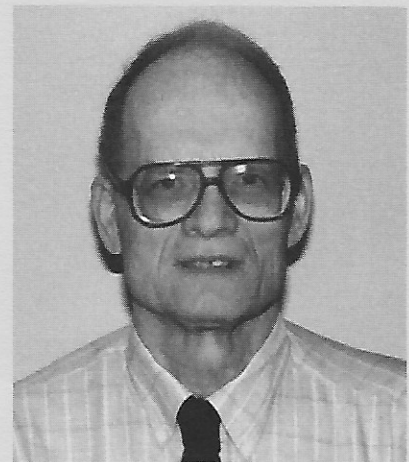
I am very grateful and I want to thank our 1999 ILDA Convention committee who have worked very hard over the past three years making all the preparations for this convention. We have offered our commitment to make this ILDA 15th Biennial Convention the most memorable, enjoyable, and successful one as ever!

May God's Richest Blessings be among the International Lutheran Deaf Association for many more years.

God Bless You All.

In Christ,

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June, 1999

To the Members of the International Lutheran Deaf Association,

Greetings in the Name of our Risen Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

On behalf of the 175 + congregations and mission stations of the Ohio District, Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod allow me to welcome you to your 1999 convention to be held in Cleveland from June 24 to 27, 1999. Ministry with the deaf has always been part of the ministry plan of the Ohio District, so it is with a double measure of joy and pride that we welcome you. The congregations of the Ohio District, some of which have been in service for over 160 years, are situated in Ohio, northern Kentucky, and West Virginia.

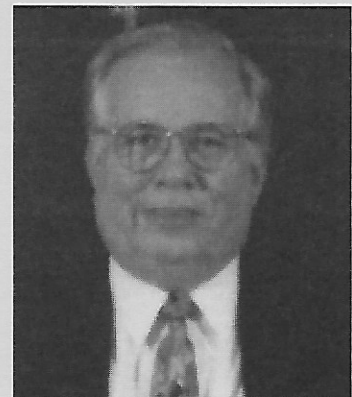
It's The Mission, Folks has been one of my themes in ministry. We exist not for our selves, but for the sake of the lost and hurting to whom God has charged and empowered us to reach out. As you strengthen one another in the unique dimensions of your own ministries, may you grow in your passion for the lost. Seek out His will and His ways, as you reach out to those who do not know the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

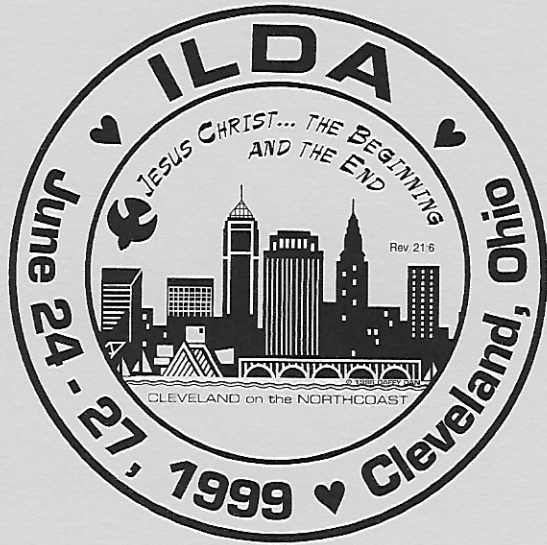
On behalf of the congregations, members, and professional church workers in our Ohio District, Pastor Richard Gahl, our Executive Director who through the Mission Board is directly involved with ministry with the deaf, and our entire staff, welcome and greetings to your assembly.

May God bless you always as you reach out to the hurting and lost with the precious Gospel of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Most sincerely, your servant in Christ,

(The Rev.) Ronald L. Bergen, President
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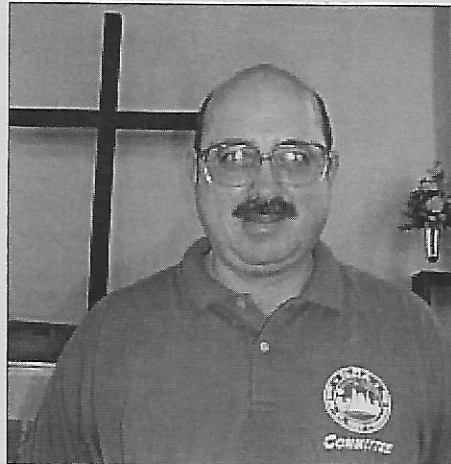




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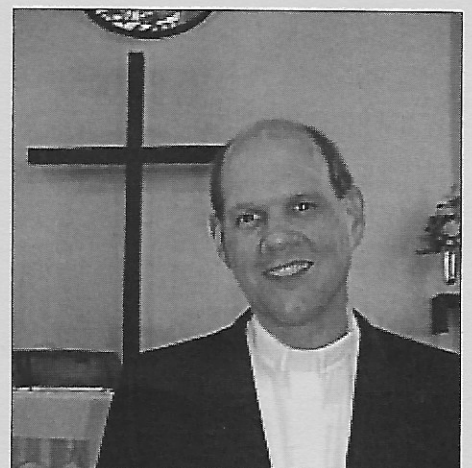
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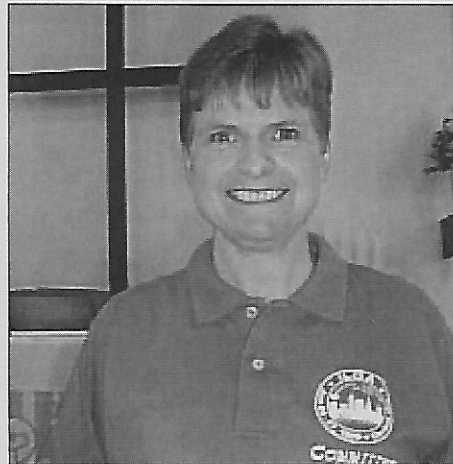
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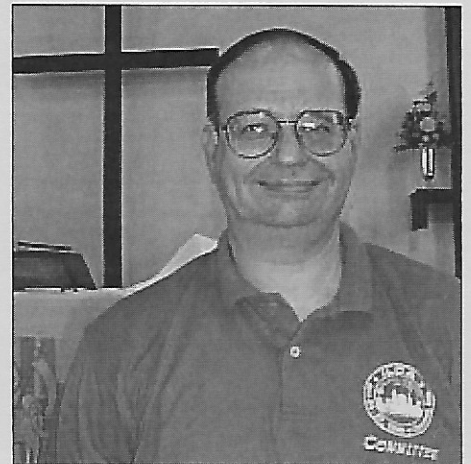
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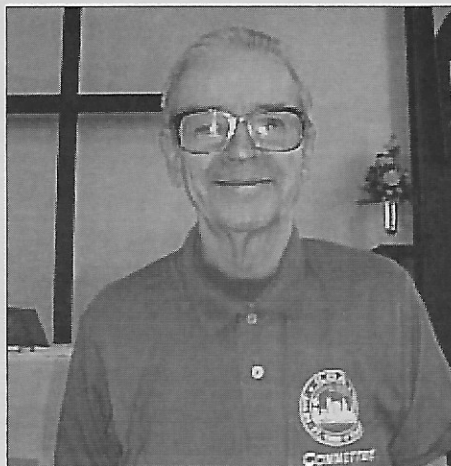
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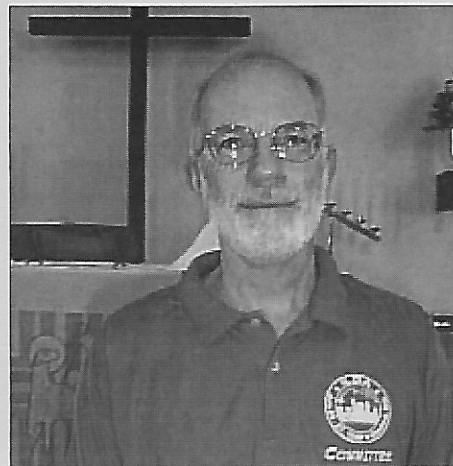
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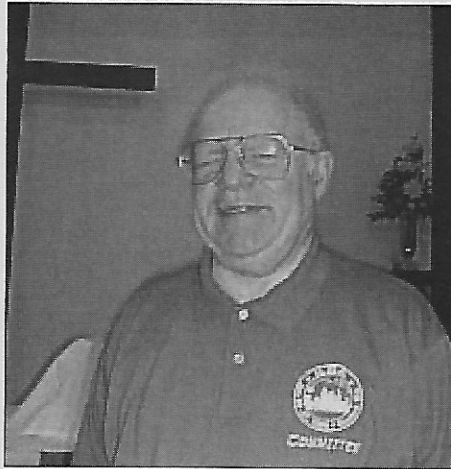


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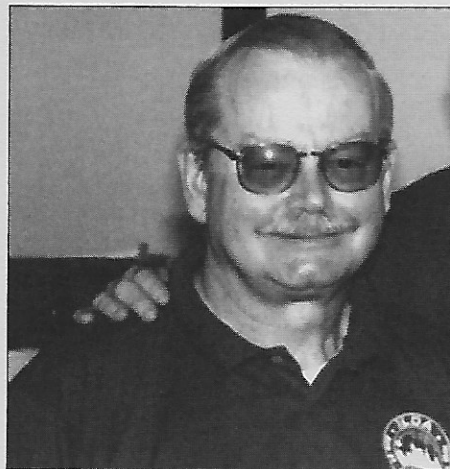


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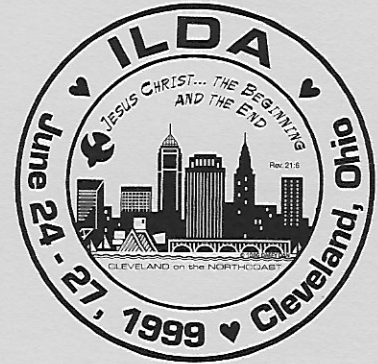
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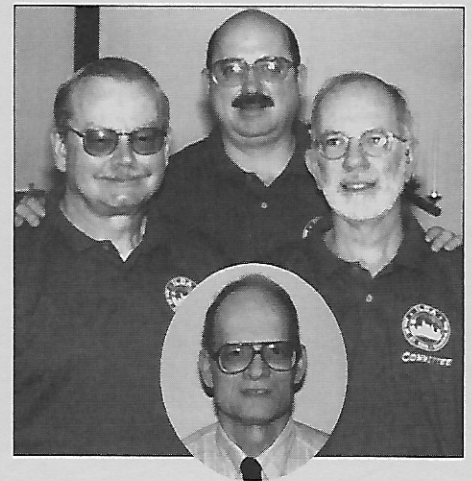
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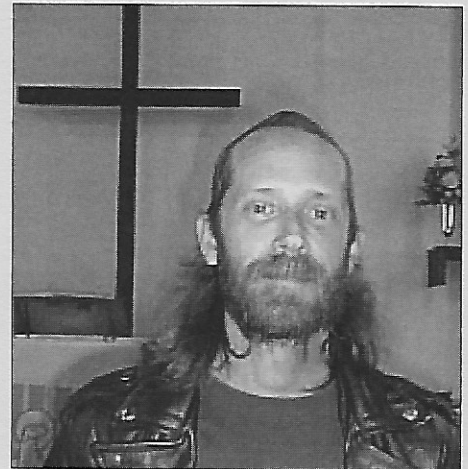
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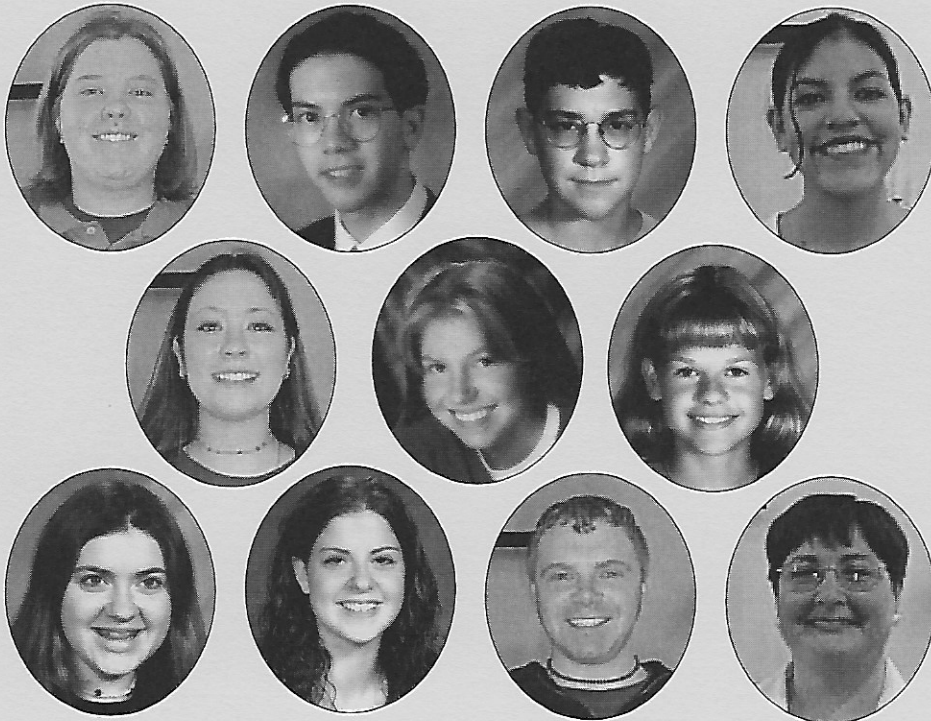
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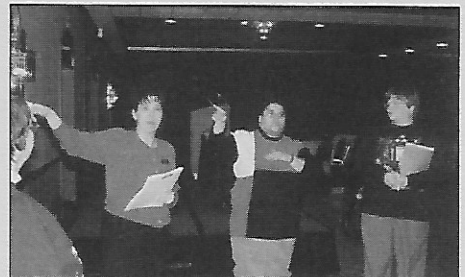
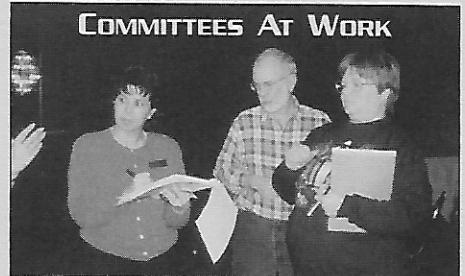
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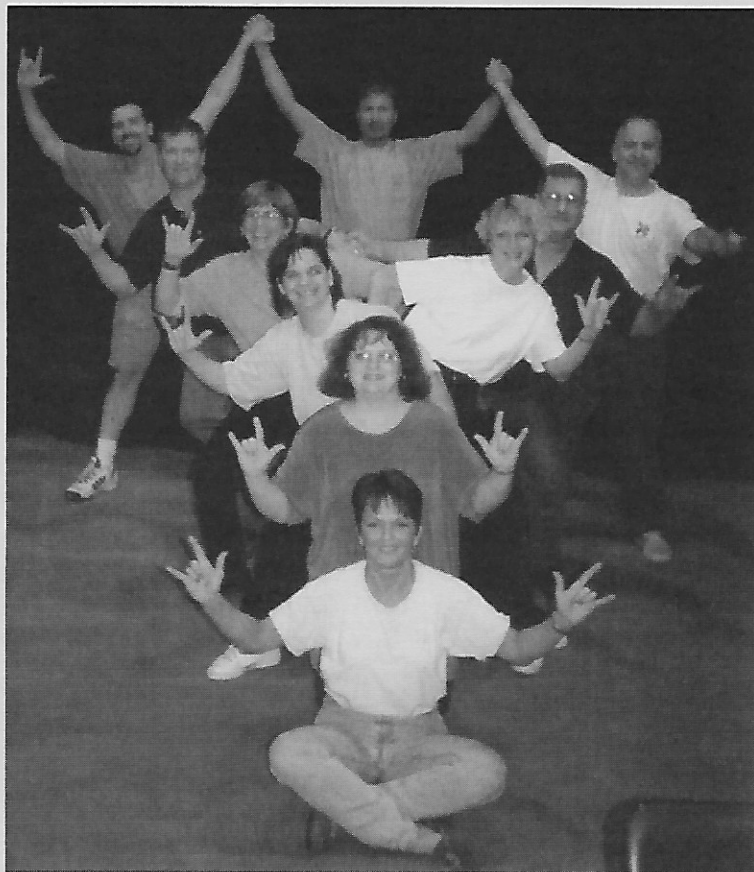


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The Ashland Deaf Bible Class was formed in 1993 when Mike and Cathy Alznauer moved to Ashland, Ohio. Soon after their arrival, they met Jeff Baker. He introduced them to members of the Deaf community in the Ashland area.

Several of these Deaf people began attending a hearing church where they met Kathy Geething and Paula Keener. It was at this church that Mike and Cathy began a Deaf Bible study.

This group, whose core Deaf members included Mike and Cathy Alznauer, Jeff and Treva Baker, and Doug and Cathy Smart, recognized the benefit of ministering to the Deaf community through drama and sign.

In an effort to build unity among the group and to begin reaching out to others, the Deaf Bible Class began to minister in drama and signed songs. They have ministered in Pennsylvania, Chicago and Peoria, Illinois, and in cities throughout Ohio at Deaf Rallies. They have also joined with hearing choirs for special performances.

Like all ministries, we have faced many challenges; but we have learned to depend on God. We love serving Him!

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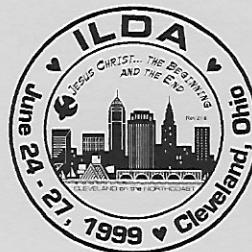
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CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE DEAF'S HISTORY...

Began in 1909- The sainted Rev. Arthur Boll was the first Lutheran pastor to serve the deaf in Cleveland on a regular basis. He rode the train from Toledo, then headquarters of the Ohio-Michigan-Indiana Field. (Actually, Rev. H. Bentrup, who served the deaf from Sept. 1896 to April 1899, first preached in Cleveland—but only a few times. Located in Louisville, Ky., Rev. Bentrup served Cincinnati and Dayton, Ohio, and Indianapolis and Evansville, Ind., often. He also preached in St. Louis, Baltimore, Richmond, Va., Washington, D.C., and Cleveland occasionally).

1911 - Rev Boll received and accepted a call to serve the deaf in New York.

1911 - (May) Rev O.C. Schroeder was installed by Rev. Boll in Detroit, Mich., the new headquarters of the tri-state field.

1918 - Rev. Schroeder accepted a call to the Kansas City, Mo., Field. No pastor could be found for the tri-state field. Rev. Wm. Gielow, headmaster of the Lutheran School for the Deaf in Detroit, served as vacancy pastor. He ministered to the deaf of the Field until early 1920.

1920 - (Jan.) Division of the Field. Rev. William Harms, living in Akron, Ohio, also served Cleveland. In June 1920, however, Rev. Harms resigned. The field was vacant two months.

1920 - (Sept. 4) Rev. E.W. Bohn was installed in Cleveland as the first resident pastor. Pastor Bohn lived in Cleveland until the Summer of 1921. He then moved to Fort Wayne, Ind., where he passed away on Jan. 22, 1922.

1921 - (Fall) Rev. O. C. Schroeder was called and he accepted. Cleveland was now the headquarters of the Ohio Field which extended into New York, Pennsylvania, Kentucky, and Tennessee.

1923 - (Spring) The Lutheran Deafened (the hard of hearing) Club was organized for services, Bible study, and fellowship.

1924 - (May) The deaf were organized as Trinity Lutheran Deaf Congregation. A constitution was adopted. Elected as first officers were: J. Zoeller, President; H. Crittle, Secretary; J. Arndt, Treasurer.

1926 - Trinity Deaf Congregation and the Lutheran Deafened Club showed a genuine interest to secure church property. They looked for a centrally located parish house to serve their needs.

1927 - Combined services for both oral and sign language deaf were conducted for the first time.

1930 - Still looking for a parish house. No indication in the church records to show that property was found.

1930 - (Aug. 31) Rev. N.E. Borchardt was installed as Cleveland's next pastor. It seems that Rev. Schroeder might have stayed in Cleveland and traveled from here to serve Gallaudet College, Washington, D.C.; the state schools in Ky., Tenn., Ga., and Fla.; together with his editing of periodicals for the blind and the deaf-blind. He was living in Chicago by 1931, however.



Rev. Arthur Boll
1909-1911



Rev. O.C. Schroeder
1911-18, 1921-30

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Rev. N.E. Borchardt
1930-1937

1937 - (April 11) Rev. Borchardt accepted a call to serve Our Savior Lutheran Church-Deaf in Detroit and was installed there. He later retired as pastor of Lutheran School for the Deaf in Detroit. He passed away on June 20, 1976.

1937 - (July 18) Rev. Theodore Frederking was called and accepted. He was installed in Zion Lutheran Church where the deaf worshiped.

1938 - (March 20) Services for the black deaf began at St. Phillips Lutheran Church.

1943 - (Fall) The congregation was assigned a student (vicar) for a year's practical experience—Mr. Herbert W. Rohe, who later served the deaf as pastor in Pittsburgh, Pa., Field, Rochester, N.Y. Field, and the Texas-Okla. Field. (He later retired as secretary for deaf missions, Board for Missions of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, St. Louis and now live in Nevada, Missouri)

1943 - (Dec. 6) The congregation met to reorganize and rename the church "Christ Lutheran Church for the Deaf."

1944 - (Fall) Another student, Elmer Luessenhop, came for a year's vicarage. He did not become a missionary to the deaf, but served hearing church.

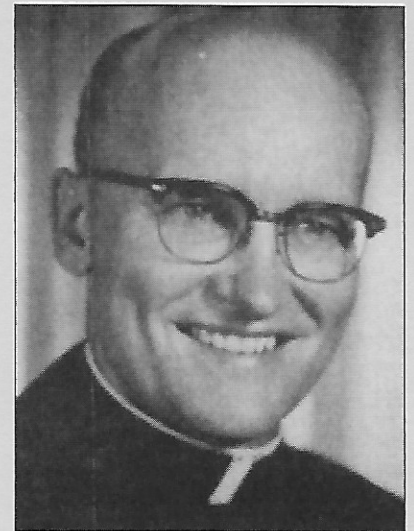
1945 - Christ congregation celebrated the 36th anniversary of regular signed services for area deaf.

1945 - The International Lutheran Women's Missionary League voted to give the congregation \$15,000 for a new chapel.

1946 - (Nov. 26) Congregation was incorporated under Ohio law as "Christ Lutheran Church, East Side."

1948 - (Oct. 10) Groundbreaking service for new chapel.

1948 - (Oct. 19) Cornerstone set.



Rev. H. W. Roke
1943-1944 (Vicar)



*Rev. Frederking Broke
Ground for Our Church
on October 10, 1948.*

1949 - (June 26) New chapel dedicated to the Glory of God. Cost: \$70,000.

1949 - (Nov. 6) 40th anniversary celebration of first regular services to area deaf.



Rev. Theodore Frederking
1937-1962

1958 - Christ congregation welcomes black deaf Lutherans as members (St. Phillips preaching station is transferred).

1959 - 50th anniversary celebration of first regular service.

1962 - (Oct.) Rev. Frederking resigned as pastor and retired from his ministry to the deaf. In 1964 he was called again to serve the deaf in Phoenix and Tucson, Ariz. on a part-time basis. He passed away on June 12, 1981.

1962 - Vacancy in Cleveland served by Rev. Walter Busby of Rochester, N.Y. Field preaching stations were served by other pastors of the deaf.

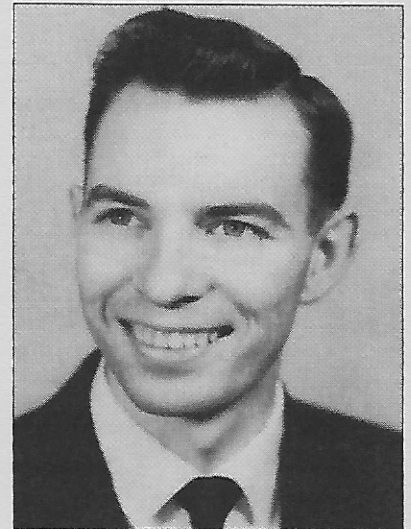
1963 - (July 14) Rev. Martin A. Hewitt, was installed. Rev. N. E. Borchardt was guest speaker.

1963 - (Oct. 6) Ladies' Guild reorganized and voted to join the Lutheran Women's Missionary League. First issue of the *Sower* Newsletter was produced and distributed to keep members and friends informed of activities and worship services.

1965 - (Oct. 24) Chapel was renovated and redecorated. It was rededicated to the glory of God. Rev. H.W. Rohe was guest preacher.



Christ Lutheran Church's Chapel in 1949.



Rev. Martin A. Hewitt
1963-1970

OUR MADE-NEW CHAPEL...

We thank our heavenly Father that He has blessed us with a chapel where we may worship Him together and where we may grow with love toward each other.

We thank Him that He has given us the ability and skill to work with our hands. We praise Him, for He also has given us the desires to serve Him with the best we have.

As the years pass and the beauty of our house of worship fades, we show respect and love for God by keeping His house of worship always a chapel of beauty.

This year we tried a little harder to give our best for God. We have spent about \$1,800.00 of our building fund monies to repair, replace or repaint the worn out or faded parts of our building. We have purchased new materials to make furnishings which will help improve our worship.

Now together we praise God's name in the beauty of His house—we have given the best we have to the Lord.

The congregation is pleased with the group of volunteers who gave of their time and skill to do most of the work of making new our chapel.

With special effort the building committee carried out the plans of the congregation - David Watts, Michael Moore and Richard Brill.

We give special recognition to David Watts, Jr. and Michael Moore for their fine skill of carpentry and their many long hours spent faithfully at the task.

We thank the several other members who, at one time or another over the past several months, have given of their time and ability:

George Perry, Sr.	Richard Brill	Robert Stewart
Richard Ross	Verne Taylor, Sr.	William Burt
Richard Bankston	Fred Waltz	Mrs. Ray Smith
Macio Craft	Raymond Smith	Miss Elinor Ilse
Mrs. C. Long	Mrs. D. Watts	Mrs. Paul Smith
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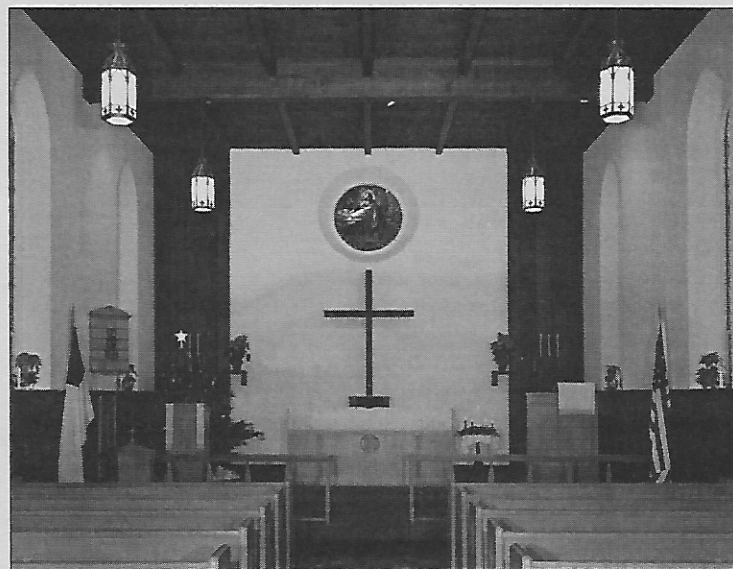
David Watts, Jr
May 29, 1920 - Jan 16, 1999

1967 - (Oct. 21) The congregation adopted constitution changes to establish a parish organization to include the scattered deaf and preaching stations within a 40 mile radius of the church.

1968 - (Dec 8) The congregation voted to take full responsibility for the whole Cleveland Field.

1969 - (June 22) The congregation celebrated the 20th anniversary of its chapel. Rev. T. Frederking was guest preacher.

1969 - (Sept. 27) The congregation held a special anniversary banquet at Lutheran High School East to commemorate the following anniversaries: 75th of Lutheran Deaf Missions, 60th of regular Lutheran services for the deaf in Cleveland, 45th of its organization as a congregation, 20th of its chapel. Mr. Robert O. Lankenau of Akron (N.A.D. President and a deaf Lutheran) was guest speaker.



Christ Lutheran Church's Re-newed Chapel.

many other members of the deaf community in Northeastern Ohio. Worship services are conducted simultaneously in both the language of signs and spoken English and are beneficial to oral deaf, signing deaf, and those who depend on both means of communication.

1969 - (June) The Congregation celebrated the 20th anniversary of its chapel. Rev. Frederking was guest preacher.

1969 - Officers of Christ Lutheran Church:

- Fred Waltz - President
- Michael Moore - Trustee
- Robert Stewart - Trustee
- Joseph Nagy - Trustee
- Earl Froelich - Treasurer
- William Burt - Assistant Treasurer
- Richard Brill - Financial Secretary
- George Perry - Elder, Cleveland
- Ronald Grapatin - Elder, Cleveland
- Roland Emerson - Elder, Elyria
- Robert Leland - Elder, Akron, and Secretary

1969 - Christ Lutheran Church Serves 181 Communicant members and 226 baptized members; provides the service of pastor, counselor, interpreter for the Greater Cleveland area; conducts preaching services in Mansfield, Elyria, and Akron; and serves

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1970 - (May) Rev. Martin A. Hewitt accepted call to the Holy Cross Lutheran Church in St. Louis. He now lives and serve the deafs in Spokane, Washington.

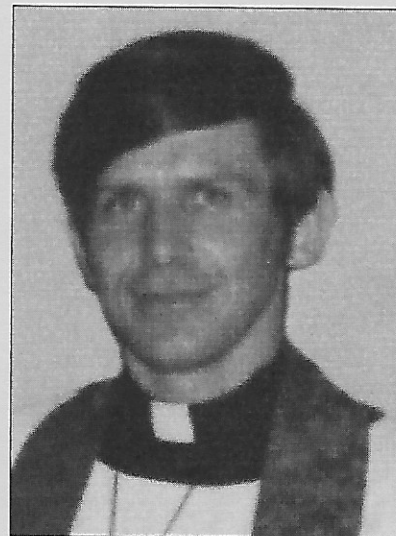
1970 - (September) Rev. Myron Prok was called and accepted. He was installed Christ Lutheran Church's pastor on November 22nd.

1974 - (Summer) The congregation celebrate the 25th anniversary of the church building. Rev. Frederking was guest speaker.

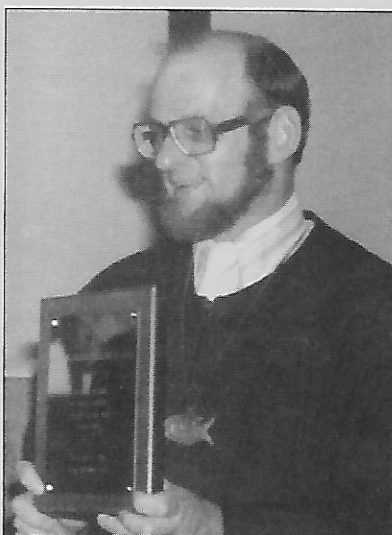
1975 - Bob Oettel of Illinois accepted Christ's call as Lay Worker.

1978 - Rev. Myron Prok resigned to accept a call to serve a hearing church in Cleveland, Ohio. During the vacancy period, Bob Oettel and Rev. Marcis serve as interpreter and vacancy pastor.

1979 - Rev. Marlow Olson was called and accepted. He was installed as pastor in September.



Rev. Myron Prok
1970-1978



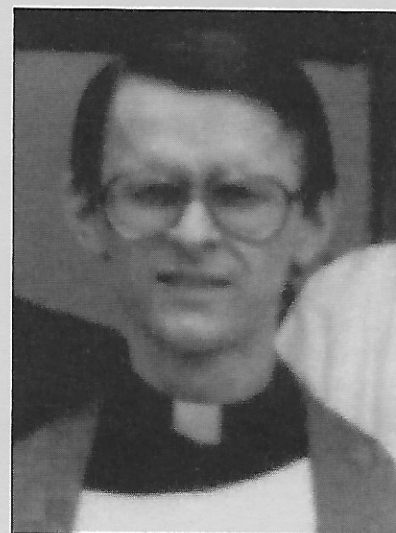
Bob Oettel, Lay Worker
1975-1980

1980 - Bob Oettel left for Omaha, Nebraska. (He presently is in Japan.)

1982 - Rev. Marlow Olson resigned as pastor. Rev. Zipay of Lorain, Ohio and Shirley Prok served as vacancy pastor and interpreter.

1984 - Rev. Gary L. Lawson was called from Michigan and he accepted to serve as our pastor. He was installed on April 15th.

1998 - Christ congregation and friends celebrate the 50th anniversary of the church building on November 1st. Oritha Lanton and committee did a wonderful job. The nice dinner was donated by AAL Branch #7930.



Rev. Marlow Olson
1979-1982



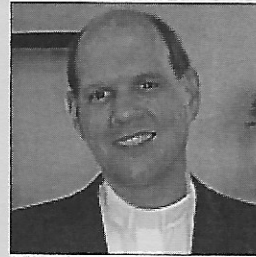
Rev. Zipay, Vacancy Pastor 1982-84
With his wife and Interpreter, Shirley Prok



Rev. W. Marcis
Vacancy Pastor 1978-79



Rev. Gary L. Lawson and Carlene
1984-Present

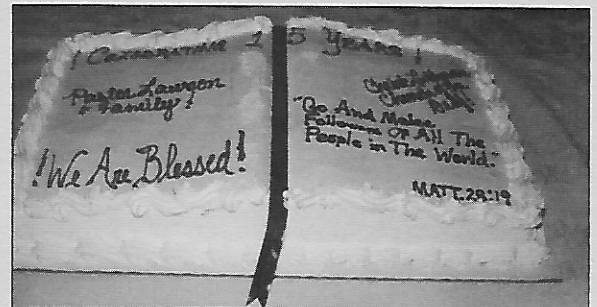
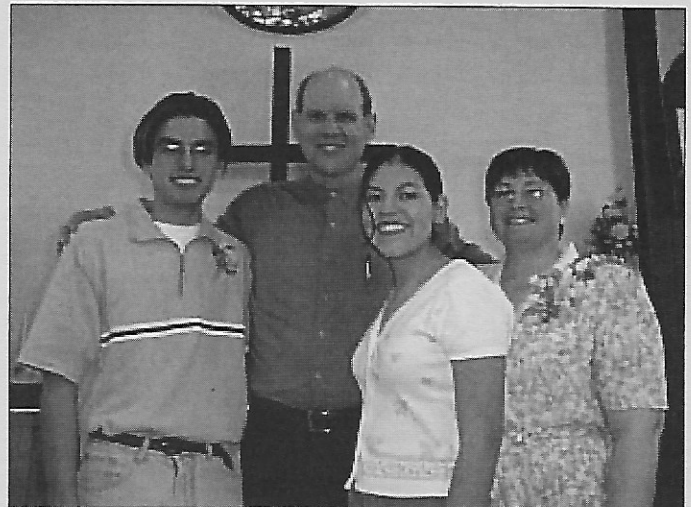


Rev. Gary L.
Lawson, 1999

1999 - Christ Lutheran Church Serves 171 Communicant members and 193 baptized members; provides the service of Pastor for the Greater Cleveland area; conducts Worship services in Kent and Columbiana, Ohio; and serves many other members of the deaf community in Northeastern Ohio. We operate the Starfish Lutheran Learning Center, serving the Cleveland Area, under the Supervision of Mrs. Judith Pyles.

1999 - Officers of Christ Lutheran Church:

- Richard Tingler - President
- Larry D. Ginter - Vice President
- Pam Kane - Secretary
- Craig Majewski - Treasurer
- Fred Waltz - Stewardship
- Verne Taylor, Jr. - Properties
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- Fred Waltz - Elder, Cleveland
- Robert Leland - Elder, Kent
- Richard Tingler - Elder, Elyria



15th Anniversary Celebration as Pastor.

Christ Church members gave Pastor Lawson a surprise party on Sunday, May 2, 1999. Left photo shows Larry Ginter assisting Rev Lawson, Carlene, Angelica and Nelson with flowers.



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The I.L.D.A. shall communicate and convey to the deaf members, the programs, plans and goals of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. It shall support lay-leadership among deaf Lutherans in all areas of faith and life.

In 1975, the members voted ratification of the revised constitution. The historic document will help develop the I.L.D.A. image and facilitate the operation and administration of the association. The members also supported the goal of recruiting as many lay people as possible and getting them actively Involved In the I.L.D.A. affairs.

In 1987, the aim of I.L.D.A. is to carry out the objectives of serving the Lord in His church and to obtain the financial support that would lead to self-sufficiency. It is hoped that many programs and projects for the ministry and mission of the I.L.D.A. will become a reality.

Membership in the I.L.D.A. is open to all deaf, and is divided into three categories: ACTIVE, ASSOCIATE AND SUSTAINING.

The I.L.D.A. relies on its official publication, THE DEAF LUTHERAN, to convey information of its activities and services to deaf Lutherans.

God's 1,000 Club

God's 1,000 Club was established by the I.L.D.A. Board of Directors and it aims to continue to grow.

The name "God's 1,000 Clubs" was chosen because, first of all, the work of I.L.D.A. is to get the Good News of God's Son to the deaf everywhere. 1,000 represented the number of donors or club members, we hope to enlist.

People who become members in God's 1,000 Club are asked to **contribute \$10.00 each year** thereafter. This is not a part of the regular I.L.D.A. dues and it does not pay for a subscription to THE DEAF LUTHERAN. Any donations given to God's 1,000 Club, can only be used to help pay the expenses of I.L.D.A. board meetings.

See the I.L.D.A. Treasurer for details.

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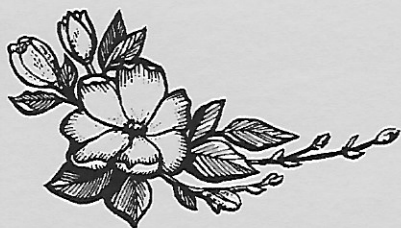
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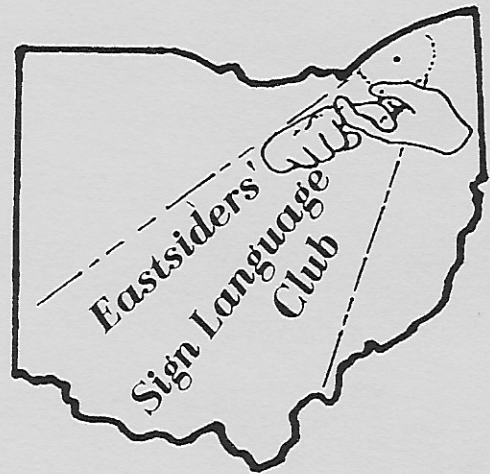


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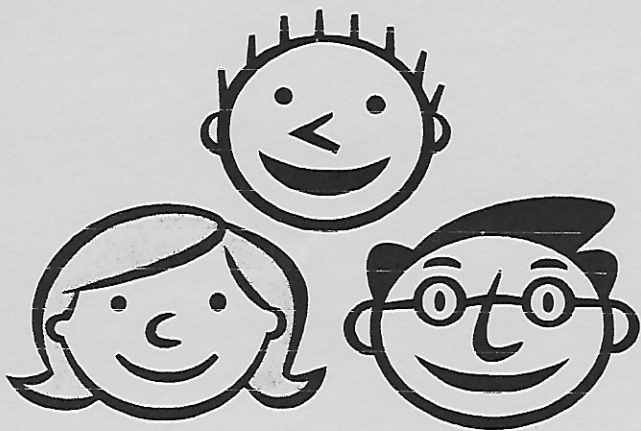
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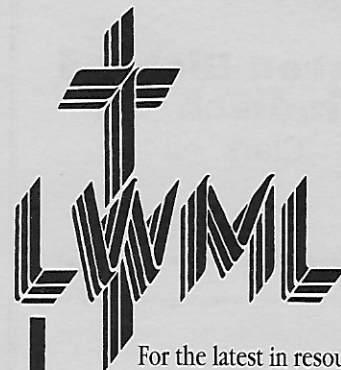
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2. Unity in the body of Christ

4 As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received.² Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love.³ Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.⁴ There is one body, one Spirit—just as you were called to one Father of all—who is over all and through all and in all.⁵ But to each one of us grace has been given as Christ appointed:

“When he ascended on high, he led captives in his train and gave gifts to men.”¹

8 What does “he ascended” mean except that he descended into earthly regions?⁹ He who descended into earthly regions— in order to fill the whole world with the Spirit— is the one who is the head of the church, his body, of which he is the savior. He himself rescues the church through his word, so that he might present to himself the church in all its glory—without stain or wrinkle or anything of the kind—so that he might present it to himself in splendor, without any blot or wrinkle or anything of the kind.¹⁰ Just as the church is his body, of which he is the head, he himself saves the church through his word, so that he might present it to himself in all its glory—without stain or wrinkle or anything of the kind—so that he might present it to himself in splendor, without any blot or wrinkle or anything of the kind.¹¹ The mystery of this plan is revealed to his saints in the church, so that he might bring it to himself in glory, without stain or wrinkle or anything of the kind.¹² We are his members, his flesh and his bones,¹³ united with him in his body—by the word of the gospel, which is the word of his wisdom, by which we have been brought to the Father through the Spirit.¹⁴ We are members of his body, of his flesh and his bones,¹⁵ united with him in his body—by the word of the gospel, which is the word of his wisdom, by which we have been brought to the Father through the Spirit.¹⁶

*“It was He who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, to prepare God’s people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up...”
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