

Presbyterian Synods Merge Next Tuesday

Presbyterians from three states will converge on the campus of Occidental College in Eagle Rock over the weekend for the 167th annual meeting of the Synod of California, which opens Monday evening at 7:15 in Thorne Hall.

The delegates, both ministers and lay members, will come as representatives of the 502 individual congregations throughout California, Nevada, and Utah. The meetings will continue through Friday.

Meeting concurrently with the Synod will be Women's Synodical Society of California and California Youth Synod.

Highlights of the five-day sessions will be the merger of the United Presbyterian Synod of California and its counterpart of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. in Occidental Hillside Theater, Tuesday at 8 p.m. The two churches united at the denominational level May 18 in Pittsburgh, Pa.

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Churches

Local Congregation Lauded For Missionary Fund Drive

A special message of commendation was received here this week by members of the Torrance Seventh-day Adventist Church for their part in making possible a single mission offering totaling more than one million dollars. The offering was received Saturday, June 21, at the first Sabbath service of the Adventist world convention in progress in Cleveland.

In his message of commendation, R. R. Fughr, of Washington, D. C., president of the General Conference of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, cited as an "outstanding achievement" the raising of \$300,000 by members on the West Coast, making possible in one offering a total sum of \$1,250,832 dedicated to extending the Gospel throughout the world. The sum raised by the members in the various Union Conference comprising California, Arizona, Nevada, Utah and the Hawaiian Islands was the largest contributed by any union conference in the denomination.

Members of the Torrance Adventist church contributed \$495.

The world convention of the church opened June 19 and closed June 28. Hundreds of West Coast leaders and members attended as delegates and visitors.

Pastor Glenn L. Goffar and family represented Torrance.

Ten persons were welcomed into the adult confirmed membership at the Park View Lutheran Church in special services Sunday.

Those becoming members of the church through confirmation were Rex Shelton, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Saunders, Mrs. Lois Boss, Mrs. James Molnar, Mr. and Mrs. Calmer Nord, and Mrs. Russell Crain.

Women to Meet Today The Women's Asst. of the Gardena Presbyterian Church will meet today for a quilting session at 10 a.m., a business meeting at 11, and a buffet luncheon at 11:30. The Doies Circle is sponsoring the affair as a fund raising event. A program with a patriotic theme is scheduled for 1 p.m.



GREET NEWCOMERS... "Welcome to Torrance" is the greeting to Torrance newcomers by one of these Welcome Wagon hostesses. Left to right are Lois Perry, Dorothy Stockle and Lois Sanders. The Welcome Wagon service was made available to newcomers here one year ago with one hostess, and has now grown to three. (Herald Photo)

Presbyterian Church Meets New Minister

The First Presbyterian Church of Gardena, 1842 Gardena Blvd., this week welcomed its new minister, Dr. R. Murray Jones. He takes over his duties Sunday, July 6.

Dr. Jones was born in Elensburg, Wash., and attended Whitman College at Walla Walla, Wash., where he received his Bachelor Degree. He received his B.D. and M.A. Degrees from the San Francisco Theological Seminary and his Doctor of Divinity from Occidental College.

Dr. Jones has been the minister of four churches: Tieton, Wash.; Pendleton, Ore.; Ingewood, Calif. (15 years) and the Ventura Community Church of Ventura, Calif.

During his time in Washington he was Stated Clerk of the Central Washington Presbytery. He served as chairman of National Mission Committee of the Eastern Oregon Presbytery and also moderator. He was the moderator of the Synod of Oregon. He has served as chairman of the Social Education and Action Committee of the Synod of California and on the Los Angeles Church Extension Board and the committee of Ministerial Relations.

Dr. Jones is married and has three married children and three grandchildren. Their son, Ronald and family live in Torrance, daughter, Joyce and family in North Long Beach, and another daughter, Barbara.

New Residents Here Can Expect Early Visit From Welcome Wagon

When a family moves into Torrance, one of their first visitors is likely to be a lady carrying a beautifully decorated basket filled with information about the city and gifts from local businessmen.

The visitors will be one of the city's three "Welcome Wagon" hostesses, who will have directories, letters of welcome, information on schools, churches, city government, clubs, recreation, and services available to the newcomers from the city.

"They will even tell the new family what days the trash man comes by in that area," says Mrs. Dorothy Stockle.

who began operating here a year ago this month as the city's only hostess. Today, two more hostesses, Mrs. Lois Perry and Mrs. Lois Sanders, have been added to the active roster. It is their desire to visit each new family that moves into Torrance. "Unfortunately, we do not hear about all the new people that move into the city," Mrs. Stockle said. "We hope that neighbors and friends will call us when a newcomer arrives. We prefer to call on them the first week as our information is very helpful to them in getting settled in a new home and community," she said.

Rev. Covell To Speak Here Sunday

Rev. Ralph Covell, Conservative Baptist foreign missionary to Formosa, will be guest speaker at the 1 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. services Sunday at the South Bay Baptist Church, 4565 Sharyne Lane.

The guest speaker is scheduled to return to the missionary field in the near future. He is a member of the South Bay church and was graduated from Redondo Union High School.

A fellowship farewell for the Covell family will be held following the evening services. Monday evening the Men's fellowship of the church will meet at 7 p.m. for a burger fry. Rev. Covell will be special speaker at this meeting. No choir rehearsals will be held during July and August, it was announced.

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Vacation Church School to Start Monday at Calvary

Vacation Church School will begin at Calvary Baptist Church, 2818 Manhattan Beach Blvd., on Monday morning, July 7, at 9 o'clock.

Children five years of age through 5th grade will attend from 9 to 11:30 each morning Monday through Friday until July 19. Sixth, seventh, eighth and ninth grades will attend an evening session each day from 6:30 to 8:30. Children of the Calvary Sunday School and of the community are invited. There is no charge but a free will offering will be taken day, one half of which will go to the Baptist Youth Center in Los Angeles.

Teachers and workers in the school have been trained in work-shops, study groups and departmental conferences. Projects and crafts have been planned and there will be a program and exhibit on the evening of Thursday, July 18. Mrs. Francis Kumber and Mrs. Virginia McCurdy are co-supervisors of the school.

On Sunday morning the Rev. H. Earl Knester will give his second sermon on the series from Revelation: "Seven Messages from the Living Christ". The Ordinance of the Lord's Supper will be observed and the Right Hand of Fellowship given to the new members who have joined during the month. At the 7:30 evening service the pastor will speak on "Christianity in Four Words". The ten Junior boys and girls who have been to 1000 Pines Camp this week will be welcomed home.

Mrs. Margaret Kuester, wife of the pastor, will be at the church organ for three Sunday while Mrs. Charlie Rees is on vacation. The official boards of the church will meet on Monday evening at seven o'clock.

Advertisement for BAPTIST CHURCH listing services: 9:00 A.M. - Worship Service, 11:00 A.M. - School Classes, 7:00 P.M. - Fellowship Service, 7:30 P.M. - Evangelistic Hour.

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