

Church News

Break Ground Sunday For United Church Edifice

Special services will mark the ground breaking for the new Educational and Fellowship unit of the Seaside Community Evangelical and Reformed, United Church of Christ at Ocean Avenue and 230th street, Torrance, on Sunday, February 9th at 2:30 p.m.

The new building, designed by the architectural firm of Killingsworth, Brady and Smith of Long Beach, is to be 120 feet long by 21 feet wide. The cost of the structure will be approximately \$29,000. Sliding panels will divide the building into separate classrooms for the Nursery, Kindergarten, Primary, Junior and Senior groups, and will include two lounges. When these panels are opened, the result will be a room large enough for fellowship meetings. The north wall of each room will be a sliding glass panel opening on to a patio.

The new addition will be adjoining the present chapel. This chapel was completed in April 1955, during the pastorate of Rev. R. A. Miller, by the thirty original members, with the assistance of members of Morningside Evangelical and Reformed Church of Inglewood.

Rev. William K. Schatz of Evansville, Indiana assumed the pastorate of Seaside Community Church in July 1957. He graduated from Elmhurst College and received his theological training at Eden Theological Seminary in St. Louis, Missouri. During this time the membership has grown to seventy-two.

On June 25, 1957, the Evangelical and Reformed Churches merged with the Congregational Christian Churches and the resulting congregation is known as the United Church of Christ.

Special Music

"The Great Question of Life," will be the subject of talk by Rev. W. F. Alexander, pastor of the First Baptist Church at 158th and Brighton, in Gardena. There will be special music at the 11 a.m. service. Junior Church is conducted from 11 to 12. Mrs. Lena Grader is in charge of Junior Church and uses flannelgraph material, to teach the children. She is assisted by Alma Lowenberg, pianist.

Laura Ford To Do Mission Work In South Africa Field

At 7:30 p.m. this Sunday evening the South Bay Baptist church, 4565 Sharynne Lane, southwest Torrance, will hold a commissioning service for one of its members, missionary appointee, Miss Laura Ford. Miss Ford leaves February 20th from New Orleans for her mission station in Durban, South Africa under the International Child Evangelism Fellowship.

Members of this organization participating in the service will be the Rev. Franklin Ellis, International executive director; Rev. V. F. Anderson, Foreign Mission secretary; Rev. Reidar Kalland, West Coast regional director; Dr. J. C. Brumfield, a member of the executive committee and pastor of the local church. Mr. G. W. Stevenson, chairman, Board of Deacons of the local church.

In discussing the service, the pastor declared it a real privilege for the church to commission their first missionary.

Miss Laura Ford is a graduate of Child Evangelism Institute, Pacific Palisades; Torrance Bible College, and holds a B.A. degree from Southeast College, Durant, Oklahoma. For the past five years she has been a director of Child Evangelism in Southern California. Her mother and two sisters reside in the South Bay area, another sister lives in Oklahoma and her brother is presently working in Brazil.

The South Bay Baptist church cordially invites Miss Ford's many personal friends and members and friends of the church to attend this soul stirring and inspirational service. A reception is planned immediately following the service in the social hall.

In the morning worship hour at 11 a.m. Dr. Brumfield will speak about "The Grade School Prayer" or "A Study of the Lord's Prayer."

Junior church service and nursery care is also maintained at the same hour. Sunday school for all age groups meets promptly at 9:45 a.m. Bus transportation is provided in the area. For schedule please call FR. 5-3433.

Baptist Training Fellowship groups for all ages meet promptly at 6:30 p.m. Mrs. Brumfield, adult teacher, continues the study of "Rightly Dividing the Word." Nursery care is provided at all stated church services.

Activities for the week include: Men's Fellowship meeting Tuesday evening 7:30 p.m. in the home of G. W. Stevenson, 1209 South Gertrude, Redondo Beach. Bible Study and prayer meeting, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal Thursday, 7:30 p.m.

All day Saturday scheduled work time on the new Sunday school unit under construction.

BAPTISTS SLATE ANNUAL DINNER

The Narbonne avenue Baptist church of Lomita is in the midst of a Training Union Enlargement Campaign. This is in cooperation with the Southern Baptist convention wide Training Union clinic now being conducted in the Los Angeles area. Mr. R. Maines Rawls is director for the enlargement in the local church. More than 100 specialists in training union work are working in as many churches in the Los Angeles area. Mr. Rawls will complete the week of teaching the Baptist training union methods on Friday night. The Lomita church will cooperate with other churches in a workers' training for each age group February 10-14 in Calvary Baptist Church of Hawthorne.

The annual Sweetheart banquet for the local church will be held at the Lomita church on February 15. The winning candidate for king and queen of the intermediate and young people's unions will be crowned on that night. This honor will go to the union making the best record for the past four weeks.

"ABUNDANCE" TOPIC OF REV. BARNUM'S TALK

Dr. Earl D. Barnum, Minister of the Church of Religious Science in Redondo Beach, will present the second in a series of February lectures concerning the use of the principles of Religious Science in the four great areas of everyone's life, this coming Sunday, February 9, at 11:00 a.m.

This Sunday's topic concerns itself with abundance, and Dr. Barnum will present techniques which anyone can use in the realization of abundant living.

OBITUARIES

PARADISE ELLEN McHUGH, age 64, of 2620 Wayne ave. Passed away February 2, 1958. Born in Fitchburg, Mass. Rosary recited at HALVERSON LEAVELL MORTUARY Chapel Wednesday. Requiem high mass will be sung at St. James Catholic church Thursday 9 a.m. with burial at Holy Cross cemetery. Survived by husband, Charles, son, Charles, four brothers, Thomas, John, Mark, and Austin McHugh. Two sisters, Aline Dolan and Mrs. Katherine McCarthy. Two grandsons, Robert and Ronald Paradise.

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