

Pastor's Report to the Quarterly Conference

Duke Memorial Charge Dr. John C. Glenn Pastor Jan. 9, 1945

Discipline ¶ 223 (20) states as one of the duties of the Pastor "To make a written report to each Quarterly Conference" on the General State of the Church in his Charge. This should include names of all whose Membership Relation has changed, Pastoral Instruction and Labors, Plans for Future Work and the Work of the Organizations. Regarding the last item the Pastor should not duplicate in his report data which should be given by other officers or committees. It is his responsibility to see that all matters of importance are reported.

The Pastor's Report should be prepared carefully as an incentive to others making reports and as a permanent record of the progress of the Charge.

This form provides blanks for convenience in reporting changes in Membership. The reverse side of this sheet and other sheets of the same size should be used for other items of the Pastor's Report.

The Pastor of the Duke Memorial Charge herewith submits the following Report to the First

Quarterly Conference (or Annual Church Conference) held at Duke Memorial Church, Jan. 9, 1945

Since the last report Oct. 24, 1944, the following changes have been made in the Membership Record:

MEMBERSHIP IN FULL CONNECTION LAST REPORT	<u>1795</u>
ADDITIONS: By Profession of Faith	<u>7</u>
From Preparatory Membership	_____
From other Denominations	<u>2</u>
By Transfer from other Methodist Churches	<u>12</u>
By renewal from "Removed without Certificate"	_____
Total Additions	<u>21</u>
Gross Total	<u>1816</u>
LOSSES: By Death	<u>5</u>
By Transfer to other Methodist Churches	<u>8</u>
By Withdrawal to join other Denominations	_____
By Withdrawal for other reasons ... <u>To N. C. Conference</u>	<u>1</u>
By Expulsion	_____
By Listing as "Removed without Certificate"	_____
Total Deductions	<u>14</u>
Present Membership in Full Connection	<u>1802</u>

The names of the persons involved in the Changes in Membership as listed above are as given below. (Every name under headings as above should be given. Only the Quarterly Conference may order a person listed as "Removed without Certificate." ¶¶ 155, 156.)

Names:

(See other side)

ADDITIONS BY PROFESSION OF FAITH

Mr. S. B. Robinson
Dr. J. E. Shular
Mr. Robert C. Cox
Miss Adele Poythress
Mr. Jack B. Penny
Mr. Conrad Penny
Mr. Walter H. Hobgood
(Baptized by the Chaplain
at Sheepshead Bay, N.Y.)

ADDITIONS BY TRANSFER FROM
OTHER DENOMINATIONS

Mrs. Bessie Starling Ware
Mrs. John C. Glenn, Jr.

ADDITIONS BY TRANSFER FROM
OTHER METHODIST CHURCHES

Miss Katie Cooke
Miss Nina Myers
Mr. Ernest R. Swain
Miss Helen Reade
Mrs. Ruth Byars
Mrs. H. C. Smith
Miss Dorothy Smith
Mr. A. B. Windham
Mrs. A. B. Windham
Mr. Guy Branson, Jr.
Mrs. Guy Branson, Jr.
Mr. C. B. Johnson

LOST BY LETTER TO OTHER METHODIST

Mr. James Glenn
Mrs. James Glenn
Miss Nora Chaffin
Major F. H. DuBose
Polly DuBose
Frances DuBose
Mrs. F. H. DuBose
Mrs. F. S. Love

LOST TO N. C. CONFERENCE

Dean B. H. Branscomb

LOST BY DEATH

Mrs. Martha Howard
Mrs. W. F. Craven
Mr. L. S. Sigley
Mrs. C. W. Lee
W. C. Whitley, Jr.

OTHER FUNERALS OF
NON-MEMBERS

Miss Ethel Solloway
Mr. W. J. Dennis
Mrs. Lizzie Barnes

MARRIAGES

Sgt. Wayne L. Collings
Ina Mae Swartzell
Cpl. Fred Landwehr
Eileen Fogg
Pvt. Woodrow Allen Wells
Miss Wilma Palmer
Pvt. Wm. Powers
Margaret Barbour
2nd Lt. Jack C. Leutritz
Elizabeth Ann Moore
(Ceremony performed by
Dr. H. E. Myers)
Sgt. Ernest J. Lewis
Dorothy Tharp

Wm. A. Armbruster
Alice Fott

(see other side)

January 9, 1945

TO THE DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE FIRST QUARTERLY CONFERENCE, DUKE MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH, DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA.

Dear Friends and Coworkers:

I open my ministry in this good church for the third year with gratitude to God for his blessings and leadership. I rejoice in the privilege of serving my Master and laboring with a church whose leadership and membership are characterized by loyalty and faithfulness. I have reason to believe that our present year will be fruitful and helpful. There is evidence of deeper devotion and more favorable movements in the spiritual affairs of our Church. The soul life of our membership seems to be growing.

Perhaps one of the secrets of renewed interest in, and greater response to the services of public worship and the total program of the church, is due to the great spiritual wave created by the Crusade for Christ.

I confidently believe that the leadership of our church and a number of its members find in the objectives of the Crusade a challenge. The Crusade for Christ is challenging them to a more complete dedication of their powers of personality, their time, their thought, their prayers, and their money. And as they discover the real meaning of the Crusade, they are responding to its appeal with courage and new faith. For in reality the Crusade simply presents the four major trunk-lines of the Methodist Church: Evangelism, Missions, Christian Education, and Christian Stewardship. To these is added another of special importance at the present moment,--the asking of \$25,000,000 for relief and reconstruction. This also is Kingdom building. Duke Memorial members will respond generously to these great objectives.

Our young people are doing splendid work as their separate report will indicate. We have efficient leadership in the Methodist Youth Fellowship. It is heartening to find such a consecrated group, devoted not only to social and recreational *phases,* but spiritual aims.

Under the leadership of Mr. W. E. Whitford our Church School is making definite progress. The General and Department Officers are faithful in their work. A Mission to Church School teachers, the workers, and members will be held February 11-13. Large emphasis will be put upon evangelism. Our Board of Christian Education is backing the Mission and we hope to have all of our teachers and officers and many members attend.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service is beginning the New Year under the leadership of Mrs. Charles E. Jordan, and much activity has taken place, particularly in the circles.

The Board of Stewards is doing a fine work. ~~since~~ Most of the committees are very active, and the results of their work can be felt and seen. The Chairman of the Board is interested in and is helping support every interest of the Church. The Committee on Membership and Evangelism has been of great help to the pastor in promoting Sunday night attendance and reaching inactive members.

January 2, 1945

TO THE DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE DISTRICT BOARD
COLUMBIANA, INDIANA, NORTH CAROLINA

Dear Friends and Governors:

I open my message in this good hour for the third year with gratitude to God for His blessing and leadership. I rejoice in the privilege of serving as pastor and teaching with a church whose leadership and membership are characterized by joy and faithfulness. I have reason to believe that our present year will be fruitful and helpful. There is evidence of deeper devotion and more favorable movements in the spiritual affairs of our Church. The soul life of our membership seems to be growing.

Perhaps one of the aspects of renewed interest in and greater response to the service of public worship and the total program of the church is due to the great spiritual wave created by the Crusade for Christ.

I enthusiastically believe that the leadership of our church and a number of its members find in the objectives of the Crusade a challenge. The Crusade for Christ is challenging us to a more complete dedication of our powers of personality, time, talent, thought, skill, energy, and health. And as they discover the real meaning of the Crusade, they are responding to its appeal with courage and new faith. For in reality the Crusade simply presents the old but fundamental lines of the Methodist Church: Evangelism, Education, Social Service, and Christian Leadership. To meet the needs of our people, we must have a more complete dedication of our powers of personality, time, talent, thought, skill, energy, and health. And as they discover the real meaning of the Crusade, they are responding to its appeal with courage and new faith. For in reality the Crusade simply presents the old but fundamental lines of the Methodist Church: Evangelism, Education, Social Service, and Christian Leadership.

Our young people are doing splendid work as their response to the Crusade will indicate. We have efficient leadership in the Methodist Youth Fellowship. It is interesting to find such a concerted group devoted not only to social and recreational activities but spiritual also.

Under the leadership of Mr. W. E. Whitford our Church School is making steady progress. The central and department officers are taking on their work. A Mission to Children School is being organized with the help of our evangelists. Our Board of Christian Education is working hard and we are to have all of our teachers and officers at the many meetings.

The Women's Society of Christian Service is beginning the New Year under the leadership of Mrs. W. E. Whitford and their activity has taken a goodly part in the church.

The Board of Stewards is doing a fine work. Most of the committees are very active and the results of their work are being reported. The Chairman of the Board is interested in and is making reports every month. The Board is also in the process of organizing and evangelizing. There has been of late a new interest in the church in the Board of Stewards and in the Board of Christian Education.

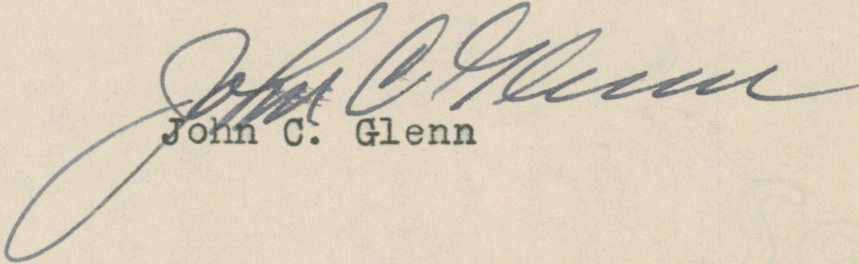
The membership report is attached hereto.

During the current quarter the following named members died:
(See Pastor's statistical report.).

Mr. Charles E. Jordan is Chairman of our local Church Council for the Crusade for Christ, and he will make a report on progress thus far and will announce future plans.

If we know our own hearts, we are ^{walking} ~~working~~ by faith and not by sight. We feel that today of all times we cannot know; we cannot see far into the future, for it is dark; but we may surely believe. Our Master said, "All things are possible to him that believeth." We have not discarded faith for ~~the~~ dark facts of the present. Faith is dynamic. It is the "substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." It is in this spirit that we enter upon our spiritual tasks in 1945.

Respectfully submitted,


John C. Glenn

The message in report is attached hereto.

During the current quarter the following named members died:
(See Pastor's report for details.)

Mr. Charles E. Jordan is Chairman of our local Church Council
for the District for 1952, and he will make a report on progress
this evening will announce future plans.

If we know our own hearts, we are aware of failure and not by
sight. We feel that today of all times we cannot know; we cannot
see far into the future, for it is dark; but we can surely believe.
Our Father said, "All things are possible to him that believeth."
We have not discovered a lot for the future of the present. Faith
is dynamic. It is the substance of things hoped for; the evidence
of things not seen. It is in this spirit that we enter upon our
annual work in 1952.

Respectfully submitted,

W. M. Smith

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