

## Report to Quarterly Conference

December 6, 1950

During this first quarter of the church school year one well attended Worker's Conference was held with group meetings following the general session. Need of definite objectives for the year has been stressed and some classes and departments have worked out specific goals.

A monthly church school newsletter has been started, which seeks to give information about activities of various groups in the church, and about the church school as a whole.

Many groups gave tangible evidence of their thankfulness to God during Thanksgiving time. All groups are making plans for Christmas observance which evidence the real Spirit of the season. Church wide activities in addition to the regular worship services include a program of music by the choirs, followed by an Open House sponsored by the young people. A Christmas Eve Vesper Service led by church school groups will be held on December 24.

A Leadership Training School for the Durham area is being set up for February 18, 19, 20. The committee plans to offer courses in each of the children's departments, one for intermediates, one especially relating to the family, and a Bible study course, possibly one also in the field of the Women's Work - WSCS. One of the most keenly felt needs is for more and better trained workers and it is hoped that this School will be well attended. Detailed plans will be announced later.

More individual and small group conferences about courses of work have been held, but one objective of the director is for every teacher through the youth division to be part of a planning session each quarter for the quarter to follow. Regular use of "Child Guidance" or "Workers With Youth" by each teacher is another goal which will help in teacher training as it is achieved. Quarterly contact with parents in each department is a third objective. Fourth, better adaptation of the space available to meet the needs of crowded children's departments is a must if good work is to be done. Finally, better planning and coordination of activities toward the key objective, that every individual may grow in a personal knowledge of God through Christ.

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During the first quarter of the church school year the well attended classes were held with great success following the general session. The general session for the year has been attended and some classes and departments have started on specific goals.

A monthly church school newsletter has been started which seeks to give information about activities of various groups in the church and about the church's work.

Many groups have started the development of their ministries to God during the year. The church has been planning for Christmas observance with emphasis on the birth of the Messiah. Christmas activities in addition to the usual church services include a program of music by the church choir, followed by an open house sponsored by the church. The church's New Year service led by church school groups will be held on December 31.

A Leadership Training School for the church area is being set up for February 15, 16, 20. The committee plans to offer courses in each of the church's departments, one for laymen, one especially relating to the family, and a Bible study course. One of the most useful tools needed for men and women trained workers and it is hoped that this school will be well attended. Details will be announced later.

More individual and small group conferences about courses of work have been held. The objective of the director is for every worker through the youth division to be part of a planning session each quarter for the coming year. Regular use of "Child Guidance" or "Creative Living" by each teacher is another goal which will help in teacher training as it is desired. Contact with parents in each department is a fair objective. Funds for better education of the church available to meet the needs of crowded children's departments is a goal. Good work is being done. Youth better planning and coordination of activities toward the objectives, that every individual may grow in a personal knowledge of God through Christ.

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