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WHAT IS MY PART?

As Loyalty Day comes near, all of us are, I hope, thinking and praying about our giving as we plan for 1981. Next week's Messenger will bring you a complete line by line copy of the proposed budget the Administrative Board presents to the congregation. The proposed budget will become a reality by our response. It comes to us in terms of challenge in view of needs presented. It will merit our careful scrutiny.

There are several ways to consider how much we will plan to give. One, of course, is how much God has granted us which we can use in giving in turn to His work. Another way is in the consideration of what others do as a basis for what we ourselves can do. Look at these figures representative of our pledges for 1980:

The 25 largest givers gave	\$58,000,	29% of our budget.
The largest 43 givers gave	84,321,	38.5% of our budget.
The 64 largest givers gave	100,790,	51% of our budget.

Don't despair! The rest of us provided the rest of it. What is important to remember is that each gift was necessary to insure the total - and you responded well. The second important point to remember is that all of us gave as God enabled us. In view of all this, the question to raise that concerns us individually, without respect to others is: Is it possible for me to increase my giving?

Has the Lord provided more for us? Nearly every one has in one way or another received some increase in income in 1980 over 1979. Have we taken to heart the counsel to simpler living so that, among other things, we can give more? It is not correct to say that every one of us can do more. Neither is it correct to say that none of us can give more. Your reading of letters from the Every Member Commitment Committee will give some idea of the fact that a very modest increase in program activity and equally modest salary increases for the church staff combine to make a need for considerable increases in giving before us.

I happen to believe that what will be asked when the Administrative Board approves a proposed budget for your consideration is well within our possibility. It will come to reality when, one by one, prayerfully and thoughtfully, we consider what God has already prepared us to do. Be praying and thinking - and as more specific data come to you, you will know how to proceed. Blessings on every one of us as we come together, His people, united in His tasks!

-- Ed Smith

LAITY DAY under several titles has long been a part of Methodism's celebration of the laity. Coming annually it represents the fact that the laity are the Church. Recent General Conferences have acted to insure that the laity outnumber voting preachers in Annual Conferences. We rejoice that this day comes and welcome all who will share in it. Eunice Mattox, our Lay Leader, will preside. Lewis Shipp, Betty Brunson, Don Sellers and Bill Coram will share in the leadership for the day. The guest speaker, Dr. Ed LeGates of N. C. State in Raleigh, has long been active in his home church, Fairmont in Raleigh, and also at the district and conference level of lay work. We shall welcome them all!

ALL BAZAAR ITEMS that need to be finished by our committee should be in by October 22. All finished items need to be in by October 29 for pricing.

IN APPRECIATION: I would like to thank the congregation of Duke Memorial for their generosity in allowing the Girl Scouts of Durham County to use our church for training events, advisory board meetings, and any other activity which requires group participation. Your consideration and cooperation is greatly appreciated by all of us dedicated to the ideals of Girl Scouts for the girls of our community. Thanks!

Carol Hyman: Field Director

Sally Tethune: Field Director

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LIBRARY NOTES: In The Presence of Mine Enemies by Howard and Phyllis Rutledge has been presented to the Library by Robert Cox in memory of his father, Robert Calvin Cox. The authors were prisoners of war for seven years in North Vietnam - their heroism and faith sustained them.

Anatomy of An Illness by Norman Cousins is a recent addition to the Library. Mr. Cousins reflects on Healing and Regeneration from his personal experience. Maurice Ritchie recommended this for purchase and heartily recommends it for your reading.

JUNALUSKA SINGERS will be presented in concert at Trinity UMC, Durham, Saturday evening, 25 October at 8:00 p. m. The Methodist churches in the Durham area are presenting this concert both for making folks aware of what Junaluska is and also to provide some first-rate musical entertainment. The program will be a mix of religious and secular music. You are invited.

A SERVICE OF WELCOME to Bishop William R. Cannon is scheduled at Edenton Street Church, Raleigh, Sunday afternoon 19 October at 4:00. A reception will follow the service. Bishop Cannon presided over the Raleigh area, 1968-1972. He returns after eight years in the Atlanta area. All Methodists are invited to this occasion.

HOSPITALIZED: DCGH

Helen Reams	4133
Gaynelle Turner	7214
Marion S. Tew	6110
Mary Ogburn	7320

ATTENDANCE: Sunday, 5 October 1980

Church School.....241
Morning Worship.....335

MEMORIALS RECEIVED WITH APPRECIATION:

In loving memory of Lois Lee Fowler by:
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Marshall Davis
Dr. and Mrs. John Glasson
Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Reade

In loving memory of Nathalie Harris by:
Mr. and Mrs. William H. Hawkins, Jr.
Charlotte, N. C.

Good Samaritan Fund

In loving memory of Lois Lee Fowler by:
Mr. and Mrs. Zack Lyon

In loving memory of Lillian Dameron by:
Mr. and Mrs. Zack Lyon

THE SYMPATHY AND LOVING CONCERN of the congregation and pastors are expressed to:

Maude Dunn and Minnie Delamar because of the death of their brother, W. E. (Earl) Wilkerson in Norfolk, Monday, 29 September 1980

Jim and Pat Henry, Dena and Brett, because of the death of Jim's father, Lon Henry, Thursday, 2 October 1980, at Daytona Beach, Florida

Charles and Florrie Mercer because of the death of Florrie's mother, Mrs. Velma Smythe, Friday, 3 October 1980, in Fort Mill, S. C.

MEMBER CONGREGATIONS OF THE DCIA (Durham Congregation in Action) are urged to consider a need in our community: Durham County has an identified population of 4407 persons who are mentally retarded. They too should be given an opportunity to grow in faith at their own pace. At the moment there are no special classes for children in all of Durham. Three congregations of the DCIA have started Sunday morning classes for adults.

On Thursday evenings adults get together for discussions, for witnessing and for fellowship at St. Paul's Lutheran Church 7:30-9:00. Currently Duke students lead the lessons. Could we at Duke Memorial provide a volunteer for one month to pick up participants at their homes and bring them to the meetings on Thursdays? Call Claire Edwardson (383-4612) if you can help the less fortunate to find comfort in Christ.

CHURCH CALENDAR OCTOBER 12 - 18, 1980

Sunday	9:45 a. m.	Church School
	10:55 a. m.	Morning Worship
	4:00 p. m.	Acolyte Class, sanctuary
	5:00 p. m.	Junior and Carol Choirs
	5:15 p. m.	UMYF
Monday	10:00 a. m.	Circle 10 with Mrs. Marcus Copelan, 3335 Chapel Hill Rd.
	7:30 p. m.	Circle 4 with Betty Brunson, 3084-C Colony Road
Wednesday	7:00 a. m.	Men's Prayer Breakfast, Whitford Hall
	10:00 a. m.	Altar Guild
	10:00 a. m.	Bazaar Fellowship Workshop, Whitford Hall
	7:30 p. m.	Commission on Education, Bradshaw Room
Thursday	7:30 p. m.	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal