

# Indiana Evening Gazette Religion

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By Baptist Minister

## Appeal Made To Help Dilltown Flood Victims

DILLTOWN — The snow covers the mud, but even the holidays and winter landscape cannot hide the problems faced by many of those who were severely affected by the July 20 flood. Even six months

later the work of resettling and relocating is barely begun. Many people responded immediately to help financially and other ways during the early days of the disaster, however, with the arrival of HUD (Housing and Urban Development) and other government agencies, the responsibility for the flood victims was left to the agencies.

According to the Rev. Jack Long of Dilltown Memorial Baptist Church, with all the problems flood victims encountered, even government help is not sufficient to get families back on their feet. Living in communities outside the city of Johnstown makes it exceptionally difficult to get aid from a variety of sources and benefit from many of the local programs designed to help those in need.

Many flood stricken commu-

nities have started their own flood relief organizations. In Dilltown there is still no organization to help or gather funds for dispersal.

The Memorial Baptist Church has served in this capacity. More than \$4,000 worth of goods and money has been distributed to those in the community. Much of this, according to the Rev. Long, has been in the form of appliances and necessities. Twenty turkeys were given to flood victim families at Thanksgiving and at Christmas these families received turkeys and fruit baskets.

In an effort to begin a flood relief organization for Dilltown flood victims, the Rev. Long suggests that anyone wishing to contribute money, goods or labor time should contact him at (814) 446-5055.

With Composer

## Children's Choir Workshop Set

SHADYSIDE — The Pittsburgh Chapter of the American Guild of Organists is presenting a children's choir workshop with composer-conductor Ronald A. Nelson, at the First United Methodist Church, Shadyside, Monday, Jan. 23.

The afternoon session will begin at 4 o'clock and dinner will be available at 6:30 p.m. The 8 p.m. session will include

a demonstration choir of fourth through eighth graders from the host church, and from East Liberty Presbyterian Church, prepared by George Tutwiler and Charles Heaton, respectively.

Mr. Nelson is a well known American composer of choral music, an experienced public school choral teacher, and is currently director of music in the Westwood Lutheran Church, St. Louis Park, Minneapolis, Minn.

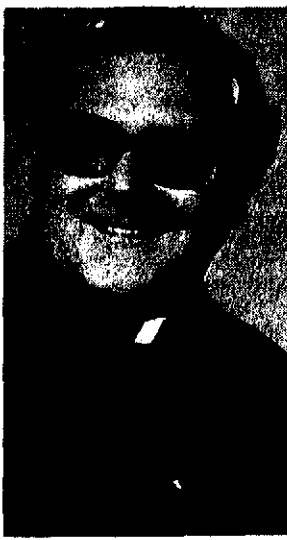
At Westwood he has developed eight choirs, plus a graded choir school program for three-year-olds through the eighth grade. He is a popular clinician at workshops for children and youth choirs, and is a member of the Board of Directors of the Choralists Guild. He is contributing editor to the Journal of Church Music, a publication of the American Lutheran Church.

Any person interested in developing or improving skills with children's choirs, and learning new literature for them, whether in church or school, is invited to attend. Nominal fees will be charged for the sessions and for dinner. Reservations are required, however, and must be made by Jan. 16 by calling the reservation chairman at 561-6541.

### Hymn Sing Scheduled

BLACK LICK — The Indiana County hymn sing will be held at 2 p.m. tomorrow in the Black Lick Free Methodist Church.

The public is invited to participate.



FR. WILLIAM J. HOMOLAK

In Rome

## Priest Attends Theology Course

FORD CITY — Father William J. Homolak, pastor of Holy Trinity Church, Ford City, and former pastor of the Churches among the Pines, Heilwood, recently returned from a three-month theology renewal course in Rome.

The hopes and expectations of the theology institute were to live in community with the graduate students at the North American College in Rome, to experience life in Rome, a delightful city with its art, learning and culture, to see the various elements of the Holy Father; and to hear lecturers from various cultural backgrounds.

The sessions at the continuing theology institute were not only informational as far as the scripture studies and the moral, dogma and liturgy of the church were concerned, but the sessions were formational and a help in their pastoral ministry to the 35 priests from various United States dioceses.

In this time of renewal, the priests came to grips with the changes of the church, their lives, the nation and the world in which they live.

Finally, the course in theology helped to enlarge our mental horizons and loosen the grip on conservative minds as the priests studied the Church's life in the world confronted in the Vatican II Council.

### Nuns Call For Moratorium

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. (AP) — The National Coalition of American Nuns has called for a moratorium on prison construction, saying that 75 percent of inmates do not constitute a threat to society and that the rate of return to crime increases in direct proportion to length of imprisonment.

Instead of expanding prison facilities the group suggests alternatives for many offenders such as probationary programs involving community-based jobs and counseling.

### New Drama Season Begins

Joseph Campanella, Avery Schreiber, and Jeannette Nolan star when "Hollywood Television Theatre" begins a new season of drama with "The Ascent of Mt. Fuji," a contemporary Russian play. Tuesday, Jan. 10 at 8 p.m. on WPSX-TV, Channel 3.

First produced in Moscow in 1973, the play was a controversial success in Russia. The "Hollywood Television Theatre" production marks the play's national television debut. It tells of a group of Russian friends whose reminiscences reveal the tragic story of a poet who has been imprisoned by the Soviet authorities as a subversive.

"The amazing thing about this play is that you could change the names and it would be American. The themes it explores are universal," says author Campanella, adding "It was the most stimulating thing I've done in a long time."

Don't let us become apathetic, Father, about our responsibilities in government.

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"Positive Values"

## Protestants Consider Unifying Quality Of Pope

By The Associated Press  
An ecumenical team says that the changing ways of Roman Catholicism have led other Christians to consider the "positive values" of a reunited Roman papacy for a reunited Christianity.

The pope's office, a main target of past Protestant opposition and charges of repressive authoritarianism, was portrayed now as tending to become a unifying center, foster-

ing home rule of the churches. This was the assessment made of the newly developing pattern of the papacy by the U.S. joint Roman Catholic-Episcopal consultation this week in its second report in the last eight days on 12 years of unity talks.

People need to gain "appreciation for the evolution that has occurred in both our churches since our division," said the new report, dealing with the thorniest, old issue of all — the exercise of authority.

Citing "a general trend to decentralize the governance of the Roman Catholic Church today," the report said:

"The entry of Rome into the ecumenical movement has encouraged Anglicans (Episcopalians) and other Christians in the West to consider the positive values of a universal primacy (papal office) in a reunited church."

A similar evaluation of a reformed-style papacy also has come from the joint Lutheran-Roman Catholic dialogue team in this country, as well as from several individual leaders and scholars of various churches.

As they generally see it, the pope of a reunited Christianity would carry on a primacy as the chief presiding officer, a rallying center but with authority working through the whole church, including its lay people.

"A diversity in unity and unity in diversity," Holland's Cardinal Jan Willebrands, head of the Vatican Secretariat on Christian Unity, has said of a reunited church.

Steps toward such an image were cited in the new Episcopal-Roman Catholic report.

It said there is an "increasing obvious desire and intent in the Roman Catholic Church to resolve matters within a nation or a local church through the bishops' conference or by the particular bishop of a diocese."

The report also points out that all baptized Christians share in church authority and

says participation of lay and clergy members both in Anglican bodies and in Roman Catholic local, regional and national advisory groups makes "possible shared decision-making and orderly dissent."

Voicing "prayerful hope" that a 1978 Venice statement on church authority issued by an international Anglican-Catholic dialogue team will help resolve difficulties on that issue, the U.S. group said:

"It is true that abuses are still possible within existing canon law, yet the model for the Petrine office which prevails throughout the Venice statement looks toward a papacy that strengthens and upholds other bishops in their ministry, not one that overrides or bypasses them."

Indications of Roman Catholicism's moves toward collectively shared church government, more akin to that in Protestantism, include:

Regular synods of Catholic bishops, a greater role by national and regional bishops' conferences, steps to make the Roman Curia more representative of the worldwide church, broadened norms of selecting bishops and new lay-clergy consultative processes.

Concerning "papal infallibility," the report said it is derived from the concept that "Christ will not desert his church and that the Holy Spirit will lead it into all truth" — a Biblical promise upheld by Christians generally. Within that concept, the report says the pope in teaching does "no more but no less than express the mind of the church on issues concerning divine revelation."

Co-chairmen of the 19-member U.S. consultation are Episcopal Bishop Arthur A. Vogel of Kansas City, Mo., and Catholic Bishop Raymond W. Lessard of Savannah, Ga.

### Task Force Established

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — A joint task force has been set up by the local presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S. and the Roman Catholic diocese of Memphis to plan joint ventures and foster unity. The joint covenant pledges the two bodies "to pray and work together."

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## Missions Program Underway

On Jan. 1, the New Testament Baptist Church located at 1055 Philadelphia St., Indiana, embarked on its church missions program. The emphasis on missions will continue through the month of January in the church.

On Sunday evening the film, "To Planet Earth with Love," was shown in an attempt to illustrate the need to the congregation for sending Christians into all the world with the Gospel.

The church is presently considering partial support of three missionaries, one of whom will be speaking at the Jan. 22 evening service.

"The church of the Lord Jesus Christ should be actively involved in proclaiming the gospel message — the death, burial and resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ," declared George Gray, pastor. "We wish to reach as many people as possible by every means possible and because of this we have instituted our missions program with the theme, Go Tell."

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7:30 p.m. "What Our Churches Believe"  
LISTEN TO: "Jesus Is The Answer"  
10:45 a.m. Saturday  
WDBA 107 FM  
Pastor Gray

**A BEAUTIFUL CHAPTER**

After telling Titus to "speak the things that become sound doctrine," Paul then lists some particulars as they relate to our everyday life. He includes some special commands to "aged men" and "aged women." He speaks of "young women" and "young men." He had a few things to say to Titus, a preacher of the gospel, as to how he ought to conduct himself. He even spoke to labor and management, employers and employees, in regard to their relationship with each other, and to God. Instructions in how to conduct ourselves in our daily walks, and in our various relationships with our fellowmen, are all a part of "sound doctrine." Want to improve society? Want to eliminate man's inhumanities to man? Want to make this old world a better place? Then start preaching, teaching and practicing "sound doctrine" as outlined in Titus chapter 2.

Many like to quote verse 11 of this beautiful chapter, "For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men." While we should be most grateful for this fact, can we dare separate the text from its context? Can one enjoy the salvation made possible by God's grace if he ignores what God says about his relationships with his fellowman? Verse 12 informs us that this grace teaches us something. Something is required of us. What is it? On the negative side we are told we must "deny ungodliness and worldly lust." Jesus

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died to save man from his sins, not to license him to continue in them. To deny does not mean to condone! Certain things must be repented of. To try and justify a person or practice by saying, "it's just their lifestyle" doesn't change Titus 2 or any other passage! Evidently the life styles of many in the first century were not in harmony with "sound doctrine" and "the grace of God that brings salvation." Some definite and drastic changes were needed! But please notice they were not to change the doctrine, but rather their life style. They were taught to "deny ungodliness and worldly lust."

On the positive side, that same "sound doctrine", that same "grace", taught that one should "live soberly, righteously, and godly." Give up one way, accept another way. "In this present world." That's the only world in which we can live, the present world. We can't live in the past nor can we live in the future, only the present. Don't overlook verses 14 and 15 as you study Titus 2. Notice the many verbs, action words, in this chapter. Words that require action on our part, and consider what kind of action they require. Count them. Think about them. Truly a beautiful chapter that will go far in making anyone a more beautiful person. Read it thoughtfully. Read it frequently. Practice it regularly.

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