

Partnership in Gospel Plan In Progress at Three Churches

A partnership program which encourages members and adherents "to participate in their Christian responsibility" is underway at the Presbyterian, United and Anglican churches this month and next.

The three churches have already named committees which attend district meetings and are going about the program in only slightly varying ways.

The Anglican church is participating through the deanery and representatives of eight Anglican parishes are meeting in Brampton. There will be two more meetings in the parish hall later, the first October 30 with a film.

A re-organization of the parish may be a prime result of the partnership program at St. Albans.

Bethelians

United and Presbyterian representatives have been at training meetings together at Oakville and they, too, are bringing back enthusiasm and keen interest to their larger groups.

Dates are set for general committee meetings at Knox and United Church. Both hope to have as many people on the general committee as possible. The Presbyterians will be meeting next Tuesday and are planning a congregational dinner as well.

At the United church, the large committee will meet the next two Monday nights.

Working Committees

From this very large "key committee" at each of the churches, will be chosen four smaller working committees — publicity, special events, visiting and contact.

Letters have been sent to church members and more information will follow.

Dedication Sunday follows this detailed planning and unusually wide participation.

Explaining Purpose

One of the letters recently in the mail explains the purpose of the partnership plan this way:

"The following five points are the basic goals of the partnership program:

THIS SUNDAY'S

Church Calendar

1. To develop a better understanding of Christian stewardship.

2. To create deeper concern for the whole work of the church.

3. To encourage greater service on the part of the members.

4. To study the Scriptural teaching on the meaning of Christian stewardship.

5. To develop an active stewardship committee in every congregation.

Other members' support and willing cooperation to give time, ability and means is necessary to develop a Christian attitude in the congregation.

Committees

At Knox, chairman is Lorne Doherty, Murray Sooyne heads publicity, Vic Patrick heads the visiting committee, Charles Kirkman the contact committee and Mac Sproul the special events committee.

At the United church Bill Morrison is chairman, Derek Milnes publicity chairman; Bob Hart heads the Vision committee, Fred Gordon the contact committee and Orville Brown the special events committee.

At St. Albans

In the next two weeks members of St. Albans' Church will be receiving several more letters concerning the partnership program being conducted in the par-

ish. This program is headed by a committee under the chairmanship of John Guy and consisting of Bill Sproul, Herb Hardy, George Lee and Mrs. Grace Nelson and the rector, the Rev. D. H. West.

This program is not Sector, nor is it a parish visitation, and an effort to raise money at St. Albans' Mr. West says. The first phase of the program is an effort to enlist the support of a large number of families in an attempt to assess and evaluate the potential of the parish in terms of its pastoral outreach and efficiency.

Commitments

At the Presbyterian and United churches, understanding of Christ's fellowship and its resultant deeper concern for the whole work of the church is expected to result in commitments, both material and spiritual. Those participating hope that "the giving of time, skill and money for the spreading of the Gospel will become a privilege rather than, as so often is, an unwilling com-

mitment."

Scriptural teachings on the meaning of stewardship will be reviewed and the area of the church's responsibility will be studied.

Many families are being challenged to greater understanding and sympathy with the worldwide responsibility of the church.

Fred Nurse Places Third In Zone Pasture Contest

Fred Nurse, Georgetown, R.R. 2, placed third in the South Central Ontario Pasture Competition. The competition includes the county winners in Oxford, Wentworth, Haldimand, Norfolk, Halton, Welland and Brant counties.

Mr. Nurse was selected by J. Norman Bird, the judge of Halton's competition, to represent the county in the zone competition. The zone scoring was judged by Howard Henry, Field

Establishment. In July, Lt. J. H. Bertram was Struck Off Strength and Lt. J. R. Wilkinson assumed command. In October 1943, the unit was at Prince George, B.C. The unit was disbanded January 16, 1945.

No. 6 Defence and Employment Platoon for service with the 6th Canadian Division was mobilized under the command of Lt. Col. L. H. Bertram, Lt. Brampton, consisting of one officer and 60 other ranks.

The men were placed on subsistence. 137 O.R.'s were sent to No. 29 Canadian Army Training Centre for training, the remainder moved to Camp Niagara on June 24, 1942, a total strength of two officers and 171 O.R.'s. Basic training personnel were posted to 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18 defence platoons on July 17.

On September 10, one officer and 28 O.R.'s proceeded to divisional headquarters, Wood Point Barracks, Victoria. Lt. John Bertram assumed command on October 17. A total strength of 48 all ranks was reported in January, 1943. In May, the fully trained active personnel were transferred to the depot to proceed overseas.

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On May 25, 1943, a strength of 11 O.R.s embarked on the R.M.P.S. of Scotland bound for Gourock on June 1, 1943. The platoon joined the 13th Canadian Infantry Brigade under Brig. W. H. S. MacLellan at Lebourn, England and commenced training. The unit was disbanded November 1, 1944.

No. 19 Defence Platoon was authorized August 1, 1942 and mobilized at Camp Niagara in January, 1943, the platoon left for Port George and was brought up to strength by National Resources Mobilization Act recruits on February 1, 1943. The platoon was disbanded October 15, 1945.

No. 20 Defence Platoon was authorized August 1, 1942. The 2nd Battalion Lorne Scots were to provide the NCO's. The platoon was moved to Port George.

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No. 21 Defence Platoon was authorized August 1, 1942. On March 1, 1943, CSM Street and Cpl. Hunter, Gravelly and O'Neill proceeded to Val Cartier and found that "21" was already formed from French speaking personnel. Training was started and the unit was busy with guard duties and fatigue. The platoon was disbanded October 15, 1945.

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