



Congregational Young People Touring East

To get a first hand view of the cradle of Congregationalism, 29 high school sophomores, juniors, and seniors and members of the Pilgrim Fellowship of the Congregational church of Birmingham, along with seven adult advisers are touring New England this week.

Included in the itinerary are a village in Vermont, Amherst college, Old Deerfield Village, the Jonathan Edwards church in Northampton, Mass., several points of interest in Boston, Plymouth Rock, the oldest Congregational church in existence (West Barstable, Cape Cod, Mass.), Yale and Harvard, and finally New York City for fun and relaxation.

This is the third annual spring trip, a highlight of the year's program for the 50 members of Senior High Pilgrim Fellowship. Two years ago the first trip took eight youngsters to New York City for one week; last year, 20 young people toured a community center in southern Missouri, parts of Illinois and Chicago.

Always there are home missions projects to see, as well as places of historical interest. The large group of teenagers fill up restaurants and inns, and are sometimes entertained by Pilgrim Fellowship groups in other parts of the country. The Senior High young people of West Barnstable on Cape Cod will entertain them today.

One of the purposes of the trip is to raise money for the Home Missions projects the group supports in its two annual Workdays for Christ, from which last year

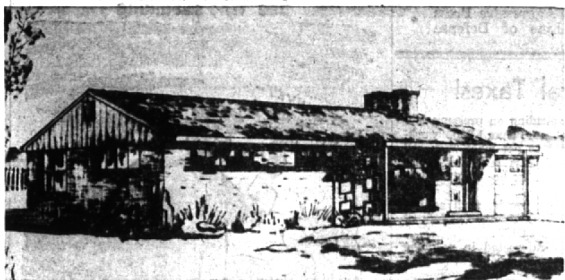
Pilgrim groups of the church (including the junior highs) earned nearly \$700 for missions. None of this money is retained by the group locally; instead it supports medical, educational, agricultural, technical and spiritual ministries to minority groups in this country and in all parts of the world.

Making the trip this year are the following young people: Dave Mortimer, Don Walsh, John Kerley, Bill Davis, Jack Healy, Joyce Nielsen, John Walker, Dave VanBlon, (seniors).

Mike Somner, John Honhart, Linca Bliss, Gordon Strong, Dan Dandrea, John Cooper, Sue Cooper, Gail Norris, Kay Hayner, Barbara Beach, Jim Lewis, Ed Busch, Jack Bottler, Lucy Barnes, Mickey Stoffer, Peg Benninger, Sharon Bell, Judy Easturn, Mike Meininger, Steve Taylor and Nancy Hagen.

While the majority of the young people are from Birmingham high, both Royal Oak and Bloomfield Hills high are represented.

Adults going are Rev. and Mrs. Robert Dewey, A. Stanley Ross, Mrs. William Phillip, Mrs. Harry Houck, Jr., Mrs. William Neef and Elizabeth Olmsted.



PROPOSED CHAPEL of St. Andrews Lutheran church, newly formed congregation of the United Lutheran church, has been designed for later conversion to a parsonage. The structure will be erected soon on Telegraph road near W. Maple.

New Lutheran Chapel Planned For Conversion to Parsonage

Concurrent with its revelation of plans for a novel house-chapel to be erected at its site on Telegraph near Maple road, the new St. Andrews Evangelical Lutheran church announced this week that it will be officially organized at ceremonies Sunday, May 5.

Rev. Frank P. Madsen, D.D., president of the Michigan Synod of United Lutheran church will officiate at the service at 10:30 a.m. at Bloomfield Village school, LaSzer and W. Maple roads.

He will install the first permanent church council of a congregation of over 120 baptized and 70 confirmed members.

Cost of the chapel, including two-car garage, is estimated at \$25,200. Rev. Ronald F. Fuller, mission developer, said bids would be obtained as soon as the denomination's Board of American Missions has worked out a financing schedule.

"We are working with all possible haste to get our chapel started," he said.

"THE SIMULTANEOUS service of organization and drafting of chapel plans mark two great strides forward for the mission," he said.

Mr. Fuller arrived in the Birmingham area last August to begin calling, canvassing and his lengthy search for a suitable church site. Weekly Sunday services at 11 a.m. at Bloomfield Village school began in January.

Following the service May 5 will be a reception at which plans for the new building will be displayed.

4 Young People To Be Delegates To Synod Assembly

The youth session of the First Presbyterian church has named four young people to serve as delegates to the spring assembly of the Westminster Fellowship of the Michigan Synod in Midland this weekend.

Juniors Julie Hoover and Rich Ward and sophomores Sue Little and Bill Bushnell will join 500 high school young people from Michigan Presbyterian churches. Business sessions and worship services will be held in the new Memorial Presbyterian church, Midland. Delegates will be housed in the homes of the congregation.



Rev. Madsen

The ground floor will be used as a chapel to seat up to 150 persons. Also on the first floor will be a choir Mr. a classroom, and a pastor's study, with six classrooms in the basement.

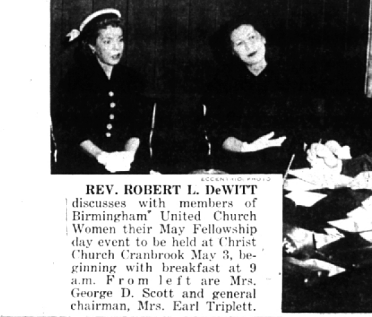
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Choir Mothers' Guild Organizing

A meeting for all mothers of children in First Presbyterian church choirs will be held at the church at 10 a.m., Tuesday, May 7, to organize a guild and elect officers.

Purpose of the new group is to assist choir directors each time the choirs sing in the sanctuary, and on rehearsal days, as well as to keep the robes mended.

Senior chairman of the group is Mrs. C. R. Bangs. Other chairmen for this year are Mrs. J. C. Lorne, Mrs. Herman Bundy, Mrs. Kurth and Mrs. Randle.



REV. ROBERT L. WITT discusses with members of Birmingham United Church Women their May Fellowship day event to be held at Christ Church Cranbrook May 3, beginning with breakfast at 9 a.m. From left are Mrs. George D. Scott and general chairman, Mrs. Earl Triplett.

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