



By JULIE CANDLER

(EDITOR'S NOTE—While Julie Candler is still on vacation, her column is being written by another member of The Birmingham Eccentric staff, Shirley Adams.)

Thanks to Christian Herald for the following article. I believe it may contain more facts than fiction, but will leave its evaluation to the public.

Do-It-Yourself Religion: I'm going to cut my own hair from now on. I've got a do-it-yourself home barbering kit! I said to my barber when I met him on the street the other morning.

"That's all right with me," he replied. "I'll get myself some do-it-yourself religion and stay home from church."

WE BOTH LAUGHED and went our separate ways. Later that night I got to thinking about all the people who have seriously tried such a system. Some have told me they can worship beside a trout stream. Others have mentioned the merits of worshipping at home or on the golf course. Maybe these people should have a do-it-yourself kit to take the place of the church.

So, I'm going into the business. I'm going to sell these kits. And here is the way I will present them:

"Why support someone else to do something you can do as well by yourself. Send today for our new Do-It-Yourself Worship Kit! Here's what you'll find in each carefully planned package:

ONE PORTABLE, lightweight seat, shaped like a church pew. Can be set up anywhere.

"One small, paper covered hymnal containing one dozen well known hymns (words and music).

"One harmonica—or mouth organ—to take the place of the church organ. (Frankly, you will find it difficult to play and sing at the same time. But you can master it, and after all there must be some challenge.)

"One abbreviated New Testament with familiar selections designed to be read in less than one minute each.

"ONE SMALL offering plate—to be held in the left hand while putting coin in with the right. (Denomination of the coin is unimportant as you will get it back anyway).

"One brief sermon entitled 'What a Good Boy Am I.' You will feel much better after using this sermon. It may be read aloud or silently.

"Those who have used our Do-It-Yourself Worship Kit tell us that they get an extra lift from their own service if at the close, they rush to a mirror and shake hands with themselves. But this is optional.

"And you'll be happy to know that other kits are in the process of preparation and will soon be available. We mention just one of these:

DO-IT-YOURSELF Home Funeral Service. (This latter will, of necessity, come in the form of a three-minute phonograph record. All you do is have the record handy and then simply make arrangements for someone to play it for you.)"



Farewell to Father Moran

The Rev. Aloysius Moran, OFM (5th from left), assistant pastor at St. Michael's church for the last three years, receives a scroll from Vernon B. Bogaau (3rd from left), chancellor of the St. Francis Council, Knights of Columbus. Waiting to present the priest with a 'going away' gift is Wallace Klein (left), president of the St. Michael's Young Adults club. Father Moran, who is scheduled to leave this week for

Batesville, Ind., for his new assignment as pastor of St. Louis church, was a charter member of the St. Francis Council, recently formed to serve the Farmington-Southfield area. Also attending were the Rev. Edward Fleglein, OFM (rear left), assistant pastor, and the Rev. Sylvan Becker, St. Michael's pastor. It was announced that the Rev. Basil Westendick, OFM, will replace Father Moran at St. Michael's.

Church Council Lauds Decision of Board

Recent decision of the Birmingham Real Estate Board to stop business activities on Sunday was lauded this week by the Birmingham Council of Churches.

Pointing out that the real estate business by tradition has of late been heavily of Sunday on public utilities, in hospitals, our facts, the Rev. Robert J. Searls, police and firemen who work Sunday, president of the Council said, "We days when they would prefer to feel these fine community men follow a more normal pattern."

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Swiss Preacher To Speak Sunday To Presbyterians

Occupying the pulpit of the First Presbyterian church this Sunday at 9:45 a.m. will be Dr. Marcel Pradervand, Dr. Pradervand is the General Secretary of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches with headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland.

Dr. Pradervand came to Birmingham directly from the Lutheran World Federation Assembly in Minneapolis. While in this country, he has attended meetings of the World Council of Churches in New Haven and the World Presbyterian Alliance at Stony Point, N. Y.

In the course of carrying out his task of maintaining contact with Reformed churches in different nations, Dr. Pradervand has visited such nations as Indonesia, Roumania, Hungary and Poland.

Holy Name Teens Sponsor Dance

Teen-agers are invited to attend Holy Name Teen Hi club's dance August 30 says David Patra, acting as publicity chairman for the Hi school age young people of Holy Name parish.

A local disc-jockey will be present to provide the music for the "Shoeless Shuffle" from 9-12 in the Holy Name auditorium. There'll be refreshments.

Pilgrim Lawn Party

Senior high Pilgrim Fellowship club at the Congregational church had a lawn party Sunday at the Robert Kerley's farm in Clarkston. Thirty members attended the event. Swimming, badminton and refreshments were on the calendar for the day.

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stated the stand of the churches in these words:

"We feel very strongly that the Old Testament injunctions concerning man and the sabbath are still valid. Further, we understand the Christian philosophy of life to include the observing of Sunday as a time when all commerce ceases and men turn their thoughts to God, to family activity and to creative leisure."

"We want it clearly known," Rev. Searls emphasized, "that Mr. Elliott Kinney, president of the

Birmingham Real Estate Board, and his board took this step on their own initiative and not under any pressure from us.

When we learned that they were considering this move we immediately expressed our interest and support. The Birmingham area can be proud of their stand on this issue."

Notices of church groups' meetings and special services must be submitted in writing by 3 p.m. on Thursday before publication date.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

1152 Benaville Birmingham, Michigan
G. Wheeler Utley, Minister
11 2-0855
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6:00 P.M. Sunday Evening Service
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Sunday School 11:00
Wednesday Evening
Testimony Meeting 8:15

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Phone: MI 6-9119
Rev. E. F. Fuller
Mission Developer

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Westview Road and North Adams Road
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(Church School and Nursery School) 9:30 A.M.
Minister — Rev. Barton Lloyd

Franklin Community Church

On Franklin's Village Green
1 block west of Franklin Rd. at Wellington and Normandy.
MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES AND CHURCH SCHOOL 10 A.M.
Robert J. Searls, Minister
Assistant to the Minister, Constance D. Koch

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Minister—Rev. Barton Lloyd
MI 6-3432

Lutheran CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION

(Synodical Conference)
Corner 14 Mile Road and Pierce Avenue
Rev. Paul Shippert, Pastor
Services—8:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.
Sunday School—9:40 a.m.

SUMMER SCHEDULE

Sunday Services
9:30 A.M.—Morning Worship and Sermon
10:30 A.M.—Church School Classes for All Family
Wednesday Midweek Meeting
8:00 P.M.—Bible Study and Prayer

Northwestern Baptist Church

19121 West Ten Mile (Near Evergreen)
SUNDAY
Worship Service 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Church School 11:15 a.m.
Rev. Hale Thornberry, Minister
EL 6-1717

NORTH CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Northwestern Highway at Labser Road
Sunday, August 25, 1957
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service
Minister: Rev. John W. Metter
Sermon: "Achieving Security"
(Children in the Nursery through Kindergarten, will be cared for during the worship service)
EVERYONE IS WELCOME

GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH

Lincoln at Edgewood (2 Blocks West of Woodward)
Sunday School 10:00 A.M.
Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.
Evening Worship 7:00 P.M.
Thurs. Bible Study 7:30 P.M.
MI 6-2002 Ch. FE 5-0572 Res.
Charles J. Whitfield, Pastor

St. Bede's Catholic Church

12-Mile Road at Southfield Road
ELgin 6-5452
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8:00 — 9:30 — 11:00 — 12:15

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