

## MMISSION ON WORLD SERVICE

## EVANGELICAL AND REFORMED CHURCH :: ::

1720 Chouteau Avenue

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REGINALD H. HELFFERICH, D.D., EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

November 21, 1951

Mr. J. Edwin Myers, Baltimore, Maryland

Dear Mr. Myers;

Kindly extend to your people our sincere thanks for their contribution to the work of our Evangelical and Reformed Church through World Service.

Here is a brief survey of activities your gifts are making possible:

- 1. Building of community church centers and chapels for refugees in Western Germany and in the Eastern Zone of Germany.
- Supplying food, clothing, medicines, Bibles, hymn books and religious literature on both sides of the Iron Curtain.
- 3. A new program of help to Protestants in Yugoslavia -- made possible by the mission upon which President Goebel served last summer.
- 4. Resettlement of 500 Volksdeutsche farm families on our E. and R. Church farms here.
- 5. The CROP and Heifer Projects -- The last shipment of animals went to the Andean Mission, Ecuador, where Paul and Betty Streich are doing a glorious work.
- 6. Financial and material relief to Korea, Japan and the Arab Refugees of the Holy Land.
- 7. The support of the work of the National Defense Services Committee:
  - a) Supplying religious literature to chaplains for free distribution.
  - b) Support of publication of The Link.
  - c) Preparation and free distribution of The EaR. a journal for our young people in the Service.
  - d) Cooperation with other Protestant churches in serving defense and camp communities.

May we urge that your people continue their interest in and support of our World Service by their gifts and their prayers.

Sincerely

Reginald Helfferich

Executive Secretary

Make checks payable to F. A. Keck, Treasurer



## New Church Building Fund Campaign Board of National Missions 1720 Chouteau Avenue St. Louis 3, Missouri

August 29th, 1951

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Mr. E. Louis Mueller. 835 So. Conkling Street. Baltimore 24, Maryland.

Dear Mr. Mueller:

The General Synod of our church, meeting at Collegeville, Pa., June 21-28, 1951, took note of the most important task facing our church today...that of establishing new congregations in areas not now served by our church. The General Synod recommended that the Board of National Missions set as its goal the establishment of ten new churches in each of the next three years, and granted the "right of way to solicit funds" for this purpose.

This action at Collegeville was inspired by interested laymen, and it has been laymen who have undertaken the work necessary to organize the denomination-wide campaign for \$1,000,000 that will enable the Board of National Missions to accomplish the objectives set for it. A thirty-member Laymen's Advisory Committee, with members drawn from throughout our denomination, met twice to lay preliminary plans. A smaller Steering Committee was formed to carry out these plans. With the full agreement of the Administrative Committee of the General Council, the firm of Ketchum, Inc., of Pittsburgh, Pa., with more than thirty years successful experience in the fund-raising field, was retained at a fixed fee to lend professional direction in the conduct of the campaign. Campaign headquarters have now been established at 1720 Chouteau Avenue, St. Louis, 3, Mo.

I have accepted the position of general campaign chairman because I believe this project to be the most important now confronting our Church, and because I believe it is the laymen's responsibility to meet this challenge. Mr. Ralph Jordan, of Burlington, Iowa, has agreed to serve as chairman of the Northcentral Region; Mr. Jerrus M. Bryant, of Indianapolis, Ind., will serve as chairman of the Central Region; Mr. William Peltz, of Baltimore, Md., will serve as chairman of the Eastern Region; and Mr. Harold Steinbright, of Cedars, Pa., will serve as chairman of the Northeastern Region. We expect to announce the chairman of the Western Region within the next few days.

