

Homewood Church Home, Inc.
U. S. Route 11
Williamsport, R. 2., Md.

December 6, 1951

Dear Brethren:

No doubt all our supporting congregations are familiar with the fact that the new Homewood was dedicated on Sept. 15th and has been in operation since Sept. 1st. And we are happy to report that the new Homewood is well received by all people and is functioning in a most satisfactory manner.

However, this does not mean that our obligations to the aged and infirm have been fully met. We still need to finish paying for the new Homewood, and we need to operate it on a balanced budget, giving full care to some 50 people 365 days of the year.

Let us give you a few facts and figures ---

Indebtedness at time of dedication	\$ 147,000
Indebtedness at present time	130,000
Anticipated indebtedness at end of this year	100,000

Received for Building Fund from Jan. 1 to Dec. 1, 1951 . .	78,349
Received for Endowment Fund from Jan. 1 to Dec. 1, 1951 . .	30,278
Received for Operating Fund from Jan. 1 to Dec. 1, 1951 . .	18,177
Unpaid Quotas due from Congregations of Synods	173,626

Congregations contributing from Jan. 1 to Dec. 1, 1951 ---

<u>Synod</u>	<u>Building Fund</u>				<u>Operating Fund</u>	
	<u>Paid on quota</u>	<u>Nothing on Quota</u>	<u>Paid in Full</u>	<u>Unpaid Balance</u>	<u>Made Contribution</u>	<u>Gave Nothing</u>
Cent. Penna.	22	19	2	\$27,120	3	40
Mercersbg.	72	21	11	56,852	9	95
Potomac	48	34	20	89,654	10	92
Southern	--	--	--	-----	16	50
	<u>142</u>	<u>74</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>\$ 173,626</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>277</u>

We feel these figures speak for themselves and the tragic fact is they are saying things of which most of us just can't be too proud. For the most part they speak of obligations un-met, neglected and dis-regarded. According to the records in our office your place in the picture is here -

Contribution to Building fund from Jan. 1 to Dec. 1	\$ <u>0</u>
Unpaid quota as of Dec. 1st	\$ <u>0</u>
Contribution to Operating Fund from Jan. 1 to Dec. 1	\$ <u>0</u>

If more churches had assumed their full responsibility in the Homewood Building Project we would be debt free by now and what is more (\$173,626 unpaid quotas) we would have sufficient funds on hand to complete our landscaping job and erect and pay for a much needed garage.

In addition our picture on the operation of the Home is nothing short of appalling. Only 38 congregations out of a total of 315 are lending support to this ministry of mercy, while the other 277 are passing by on some other side. And the mystery of it all to the Committee on Finance is how the management is able to carry on in such a commendable fashion on such meager support.

We appeal to all the congregations in our supporting area for their full support. The cause is worthy and the need is great. if you can channel some support the Homewood-way before the end of the year -- by all means do it. Above all - dont't fail to include Homewood in your 1952 budget.

WE NEED YOUR BUILDING FUND QUOTA IN FULL IN 1952.

WE NEED \$1.00 PER MEMBER FOR OPERATING PURPOSES IN 1952.

Let us not fail Him who gave His all for us, and as we give our support to Homewood may we remember that "inasmuch as we do it unto the least of these we do it unto Him."

Fraternally yours,

The Committee on Finance

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David M. Witmer

Howard K. Stickell

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Chairman

PROGRESS REPORT
(As of Dec. 31, 1951)

	<u>CHAIRMAN</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u> <u>SUBSCRIBED</u>	<u>PERCENT OF</u> <u>OBJECTIVE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF</u> <u>SPECIAL GIFTS</u> <u>REPORTED</u>	<u>"FIRST 100"</u> <u>CHURCHES</u> <u>REPORTED</u>	<u>PERCENT OF</u> <u>CONG. CHMN.</u> <u>REPORTED</u>
I-NORTHEASTERN Steinbright						
1.	New Brunswick Christ	\$ 390.00	2 %	2	0	27 %
2.	Philadelphia Wack	2,000.00	3 %	3	0	31 %
3.	Bethlehem Taylor	00.00	0 %	0	0	30 %
4.	Allentown Reinert	00.00	0 %	0	0	13 %
5.	Reading Brenneman	130.00	.2%	2	0	84 %
6.	Harrisburg Boyer	2,332.00	9 %	2	1	99 %
7.	Lancaster Zimmerman	500.00	2 %	0	0	50 %
8.	Shamokin Lark	00.00	0 %	0	0	1 %
REGION TOTALS.....		\$ 5,352.00	2 %	9	1	42 %
II-EASTERN Pelts						
11.	Altoona Patterson	\$ 1,785.00	6 %	1	2	99 %
12.	Pittsburgh Hughes	1,539.00	2 %	2	2	50 %
13.	York Hullman	810.00	1 %	0	1	68 %
14.	Hagerstown Hoffman	150.62	.6%	1	0	71 %
15.	Baltimore Lang	1,370.00	5 %	1	1	40 %
16.	Lexington Peeler	2,235.00	7 %	1	3	80 %
REGION TOTALS.....		\$ 7,889.62	4 %	6	9	65 %
III-CENTRAL Bryant						
17.	Cleveland Bode	\$ 200.00	.7%	2	0	0 %
18.	Akron Dunning	00.00	0 %	0	0	1 %
19.	Canton Schneider	340.50	.6%	0	1	51 %
20.	Toledo Miller	14,711.00	26 %	0	6	49 %
21.	Dayton Demmler	2,290.00	7 %	0	1	34 %
22.	Cinc'ti Schairbaum	2,250.00	7 %	1	0	43 %
23.	Detroit Schonle	400.00	.8%	0	0	11 %
24.	Ft. Wayne Hamm'idt	1,850.00	7 %	1	1	10 %
25.	Evans'ille Espenlaub	9,950.00	32 %	1	4	100 %
26.	Ind'apolis Raines	4,347.00	19 %	2	3	67 %
27.	Louis'ille Kissler	5,851.51	22 %	0	3	84 %
REGION TOTALS.....		\$42,190.01	11 %	7	19	42 %
IV-NORTHCENTRAL Jordan						
28.	Wausau Duchow	\$ 2,659.00	6 %	4	2	57 %
29.	Milwaukee Wille	860.00	2 %	0	1	22 %
30.	Chicago Obermaier	8,531.29	10 %	8	2	41 %
31.	Pekin Schirding	2,926.50	16 %	1	3	77 %
32.	St. Paul Schulz	217.00	.7%	0	1	78 %
33.	Burlington Meyer	1,510.00	4 %	1	2	51 %
REGION TOTALS.....		\$16,703.79	6 %	14	11	51 %
V-WESTERN Stargel						
34.	St. Louis Mueller	\$22,045.92	30 %	13	6	20 %
35.	Belleville Friedrich	1,625.00	3 %	2	1	13 %
36.	New Orleans Van Meter	27.00	.1%	0	0	0 %

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36. New Orleans	Van Manen	27.00	.3%	0	0	0 %
37. Houston	Beutel	3,775.00	17 %	8	1	99 %
38. Dakotas	Gross	3,238.28	59 %	0	1	0 %
39. Lincoln	Ress	1,386.79	7 %	1	1	40 %
40. Kansas City	Rodenberg	3,974.54	12 %	8	3	80 %
41. Denver	Johannes	688.90	9 %	0	2	52 %
42. Portland	Doern	150.00	3 %	1	0	33 %
43. Los Angeles	Reiff	2,235.00	30 %	2	1	91 %

REGION TOTALS.....\$39,146.43 17 % 35 16 43 %

MISCELLANEOUS..... 137.87

GRAND TOTAL.....\$111,419.72 11.1% 71 56 47 %

* Based on number of charges per district.

All percentages are approximate.