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Royal Rangers announces Outpost Commander's Award

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—A new Outpost Commander's Award is now available to recognize Royal Rangers leaders who excel in directing the Royal Rangers program in the local church.

Points for this award are earned on the following bases: (1) boys won to Christ, (2) completed leadership training course, (3) attendance at a

First Stewardship Seminar scheduled at headquarters June 7 and 8

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—The Stewardship Department will sponsor its first Stewardship Seminar at Assemblies of God headquarters here June 7 and 8, according to Don Shelton, Stewardship secretary.

The theme of the seminar will be "New Dimensions in Giving." Lectures by well-known speakers, workshop sessions, and panel discussions will be featured. Sessions will focus on capital fund raising, memorial gift programs, wills, deferred giving, and stewardship programs for the local church.

"District leaders, pastors,

church treasurers, college development people, officials of nursing and children's homes—all of these stand to benefit from the seminar," says Mr. Shelton.

The seminar is geared to help all arms of the church implement a more effective stewardship program.

A banquet on June 7 will feature a stewardship "film-athon" where films on various aspects of stewardship will be shown.

Information on the seminar is available from the Stewardship Department.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT CLIMBS IN 1972

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—Assemblies of God Sunday school enrollment climbed more than 21,000 in 1972, according to statistics compiled from the latest Check-up by the Sunday School Department. Total enrollment has reached 1,099,677.

The two percent enrollment increase is reflected in equivalent increases in average attendance and the number of teachers and officers. Average attendance increased by 15,000; there were 2,000 more teachers and officers bringing the total

to 118,000 or 11 percent of the total enrollment.

The average Assemblies of God Sunday school has an enrollment of 119, an average attendance of 85, and 13 teachers and officers.

Adults above college age comprise the largest single category of persons enrolled in the Sunday schools—nearly 285,000 or 26 percent. Another 108,000—10 percent—are young adults.

The primaries and juniors combined represent 20 percent—219,000—with the junior and senior highs equaling 15 percent—168,000.

There are 154,000 or 14 percent in the preschool years, and 47,000—4 percent—in the extension category.

The 1972 National Standard report is based on 75 percent of Assemblies of God Sunday schools reporting by Checkup. The projected total is 9,234 schools throughout the U.S., including the foreign-language branches.

George Edgerly assumes headquarters duties

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—George Edgerly, Des Moines, Iowa, assumed duties as National Standard coordinator for the Assemblies of God Sunday School Department Feb. 26. He has been youth and Sunday school director for the Iowa District of the Assemblies of God the past three years. Previously he had held pastorates in four Iowa cities.

In his new position, Mr. Edgerly will compile and analyze statistics and related information from the more than 9,000 Assemblies of God Sunday schools. Every year the Sunday schools are requested to complete diagnostic reports of their operations.

The analysis of the reports, based on the Assemblies of God National Sunday School Standard, shows strengths and weaknesses of the Sunday school program, and alerts the department to areas which need special attention and development.

Sixty-seven new schools were reported in 1972; 64 percent of all schools reporting indicated there had been conversions as a result of the Sunday school efforts. A total of 86,029 conversions were reported on the checkups.



George Edgerly

A message from the General Superintendent

God Trusts You!



Thos. F. Zimmerman

As His child, God trusts you not only to tell of Christ verbally, but to aid in spreading the gospel with your finances.

Even if your income is modest, careful management and God's promised blessing will provide opportunities for you to give—if you are sincerely concerned.

And what about after you are gone? An effective way you can provide for the continuation of God's work is through your will. The Stewardship Department of the Assemblies of God will provide free additional information and assistance in planning your will.

Remember—God is depending on you!

Thos. F. Zimmerman

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