

Resolution of Sympathy

We are grateful to God for the following pastors, missionaries, and pastors' spouses whom God called to himself since we last met. The names of these partners in ministry will be shared in remembrance and gratitude within the Ordination and Commissioning Service.

RESOLVED, that the 133rd Annual Meeting of the Evangelical Covenant Church express its sympathy to the families of the Covenant pastors, missionaries, and pastors' spouses who have gone to be with the Lord, and that those families be presented with a program of the worship service in which a prayer of remembrance and thanksgiving will be given for their lives and ministry.

The following is a listing of Covenant pastors, missionaries, and pastors' spouses whose deaths have been reported since June 25, 2017:

PASTORS

James L. Chester, June 27, 2017, Loveland, Ohio
DuWayne V. Winters, July 8, 2017, Burlington, Iowa
Harold E. Nelson, July 29, 2017, Chatham, Illinois
James K. Dinsmore, August 15, 2017, Tehachapi, California
K. Wesley Olson, August 28, 2017, Grand Rapids, Minnesota
Lars J. Silverness, August 30, 2017, Floral Park, New York
Vernon K. Lund, September 13, 2017, Golden Valley, Minnesota
Howard P. Johnson, September 30, 2017, Coeur D'Alene, Idaho
Bennie Simmons Jr., October 24, 2017, Gary, Indiana
Donald A. Njaa, October 28, 2017, Chicago, Illinois
Rodney M. Johnson, December 24, 2017, Madison, Wisconsin
Ronald L. Magnuson, February 8, 2018, Sawyer, Michigan
Earl R. Johnson, February 26, 2018, Golden Valley, Minnesota
J. Paul Thompson, March 14, 2018, Chandler, Arizona
James A. Swanson, March 18, 2018, New Smyrna Beach, Florida
John E. Sandberg, March 31, 2018, Cromwell, Connecticut
Ronald J. Mancini, April 6, 2018, Brewster, Massachusetts
James H. Gaderlund, April 14, 2018, Mountain View, California
Michael D. Fitzgerald, April 15, 2018, Scotts Valley, California
Paul E. Sparrman, April 18, 2018, Golden Valley, Minnesota
Maynard W. Anderson, May 21, 2018, Golden Valley, Minnesota

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MISSIONARIES

M. Carolyn Kelly, September 15, 2017, Northbrook, Illinois
Charles J. Duey Sr., March 7, 2018, Cromwell, Connecticut
Gordon J. Christensen, April 6, 2018, Grand Rapids, Michigan
Robert C. Peterson, April 22, 2018, Northbrook, Illinois

PASTORS' SPOUSES

Edith Nelson (Harold), May 4, 2017, Chatham, Illinois
Janice Nelson (Elton) July 12, 2017, Turlock, California
Mary Larson (Kevin J.) October 11, 2017, Riley, Kansas
Catherine "Kitty" Salo (William) December 20, 2017, Spring Valley, California
Jerome Maleski (Ann) December 28, 2017, Chicago, Illinois
Marian J. Carlson (David E.) February 5, 2018, Red Oak, Iowa
Mary Frances "Frankie" Henderson (Stanley), February 9, 2018, Grand Rapids, Michigan
Donna Swanberg (Harold) February 25, 2018, Bellevue, Washington
Lois L. Hirsch (Robert) February 27, 2018, Turlock, California
LaVerne E. Madvig (Donald) March 18, 2018, Inver Grove Heights, Minnesota
Kira de Leon Ardon (Melvin) April 29, 2018, Rolling Hills Estates, California
Ernestine Olson (Richard) May 7, 2018, Stromsburg, Kansas
Ann J. (Kullberg) Carlson (Kenneth Swanson) May 9, 2018, Duluth, Minnesota
Janice M. Swanson (Warren) May 11, 2018, Batavia, Illinois
Linnea Johnson (Earl) May 23, 2018, Golden Valley, Minnesota
Elna Jean Foss (Francis) May 22, 2018, Turlock, California