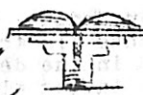




# POSTON Christian Church



"WORKERS TOGETHER"

July 19, 1942

CHRISTIAN CHURCH BOARD

In the assembling department of an automobile factory we find that it takes every part, be it even a washer, to make a complete car. Likewise, every Christian, regardless of his ability, education or financial status, is a member of Christ's body and has a definite ministry to fulfill. "For just as the body is one and yet has many parts, and all its parts, many as they are, constitute but one body so it is with Christ." I Cor. 12:12 (Weymouth Translation.) The body of Christ is typified by the human body in the sense, though composed of various parts, no one part can do without the other. All the parts have their particular function to perform, but working with one purpose. So if the member of the Poston Christian Church would have the attitude that they are workers together with Him the exemplifying harmony, the love and beauty of Christ the Church will be a testimony and a light in this community.

Wm. Kobayashi

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## CONSECRATION SERVICE

"I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world; but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God."

In a very impressive and Spirit filled meeting last Tuesday, the Daily Vacation Bible School and Sunday School teachers drew nearer to the Cross and many found victory thru this consecration service.

Truly, the presence of the Lord was felt by every one as Rev. Jitsuo Morikawa brought a heart searching message from the 12th chapter of Romans.

Endeavoring to show more of the love that Christ radiated when He called upon this earth and to crucify ourselves greater the group found the meeting very profitable and a real blessing.

In order to coordinate the functions and activities of the Christian church, the Board of the Poston Christian Church composed of issei and nisei ministers and laymen, was organized. Members of the Board are as follows:

Rev. S. Kowta, Moderator  
 Rev. J. Morikawa, Vice-moderator  
 Rev. K. Kubota  
 Rev. K. Yamamoto  
 Rev. M. Shigekawa  
 Rev. I. Okamoto  
 Rev. T. Mitani  
 Rev. K. Miisato

Messrs: Wm. Kobayashi, Paul Nagano  
 S. Nitta, H. Sakai, K. Ishii, K. Sowa, S. Amano, M. Toyotome, G. Shibata, H. Minami, N. Tamura, and Miss Doris Fujimoto.

Various Departmental divisions have also been created in the Church, each department being organized under a Chairman, vice-chairman, and one layman member. Rev. K. Yamamoto heads the Worship Committee with Rev. J. Morikawa as vice-chairman, and Mr. H. Sakai the layman member. The other Departments of the Poston Christian Church and their members are:

- Financial Committee  
 Rev. I. Okamoto, chairman  
 N. Tamura, vice-chairman  
 Mr. S. Nitta
- Christian Education  
 Sunday School  
 Paul Nagano, chairman  
 Hideo Aoki, vice-chairman
- Young People  
 Wm. Kobayashi, chairman  
 Harry Minami, vice-chairman
- Young Adults  
 Rev. Morikawa, chairman  
 Maki Ichiyasu, vice-chairman
- Evangelism  
 Rev. M. Shigekawa, chairman  
 M. Toyotome, vice-chairman  
 Mr. S. Amano
- Public Relation  
 Rev. T. Mitani, chairman  
 George Shibata, vice-chairman  
 Mr. K. Sowa
- Publications  
 Rev. K. Kubota, chairman  
 Doris Fujimoto, vice-chairman  
 Mr. K. Ishii

Under the leadership of these faithful workers, the Poston Christian Church hopes to carry on their duties and become an integral part of our life, offering the service to many in need of spiritual and mental refreshment.

In Median we observe Moses grazing his flocks in the solitude of the long watches. And in the deserts of Arabia we see Saint Paul meditating alone. The period that these spiritual geniuses spent in the open arid country were the essential prelude in their divine mission. The message of these episodes is the paramount necessity of preparation before launching out into life's pursuits. Perhaps God purposed that we be transplanted in Poston for that very reason. Perhaps if we become less fastidious and try to fathom the depths of life, we can perceive wonderful inspiration amalgamated with the ordeals of the day. I am sure God is helping us to blossom out into life's regality. Let us be patient, for I am sure the message of the desert is the prelude to life's sublimity.

S. Asai

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EVENING WITH PRAYER

Dark, but not dreary is the night,  
 While high above, the stars shine bright,  
 Only, they are made with God's own power  
 and might.

Every evening as I sit by my window opened  
 wide,  
 Gazing out up toward the stars as they slowly  
 come in sight.  
 Suddenly, I thrill at the unknown feeling at  
 my very side.  
 Thus, I close my eyes in prayer to join a new  
 delight.

My prayers will have an answer,  
 AS SOON AS THEY ARE CARRIED IN FLIGHT.  
 By the angles of our dear Lord,  
 Where my prayer is held on, so very tight.

Now am I satisfied to know my only deed is  
 over,  
 And soon in His own fold I'll be with a  
 pleasant goodnight.  
 M. M. I.

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And ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the world.

Acts 1:8

At an open air meeting in Liverpool, a skeptic gave a strong address to a large audience against Christianity. At the close he said, "If any man here can say a single word in favor of Jesus Christ, let him come out and say it!" Not a man moved. Then, as if moved by the Holy Spirit, two young girls arose, walked hand in hand up to the speaker and said "We can't speak but we will sing for our Jesus." And they sang with great power, "Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus." When the song ceased, every head was uncovered and all were deeply moved. Some were sobbing and the crowd quietly went away apparently with no thoughts of the skeptic's words.

I wonder how many of us have enough love for Jesus, our Lord and Master, to defend Him against the blasphemies, against sneers,

"THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD: I SHALL NOT WANT."

Poston Christian Community Churchgoers are fortunate in having three capable young people's pastors, who preach the gospel. Perhaps you would like to know a little about them, so here goes--

Youngest pastor is active, athletic Paul Nagano, still in his early twenties, and a recent graduate of Chapman College in Los Angeles. Paul Nagano is a native Californian, born and bred in Los Angeles. Valuable experience in organizing young people's church group in Gardena, Torrance, and Wilmington and in successful evangelistic tours in various parts of California should prove profitable here. Entirely iastic and popular Pastor Nagano is single may be considered handsome, is a half-nisei, half-sansei - talks like a veteran preacher, and looks like a college student. His address is 35-1-C.

Next week we will tell you a little about another pastor.

THOUGHTS OF THE DAY  
 (Continued)

against temptation to dishonesty, against flatter, and against all persecutions? We must remember that He shed His precious blood on the Cross of Calvary and died, just to save sinners like you and me. Whenever we fail to witness for Him when we are denying Christ. Since nothing is too great of a sacrifice for our Christ, let us all be faithful witnesses for our Lord and Master.

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