

2000 CONFERENCE THEME

WE'VE A STORY TO TELL...

We have celebrated our diversity for a number of years. We promise to enrich our diversity, God also seeks unity and diversity. Fortunately, the time is ripe for us to face change and fulfill our calling. We are coming to an end of ourselves for a new one (2001-2004). We are also excited about opportunities to mobilize ourselves for God.

In the Emmaus road offers guidance and encouragement about what had happened (Luke 24:13-24). Second, their companions did not recognize, told them the good news. Amidst God was working out a wonderful story (24:25-27). The disciples said, "did not our heart burn as he talked to us before to some of you, in the original Greek text, "heart-burned." Recent translations in the plural miss a crucial point. We are drawn to each other. The one who

opened the scriptures, "they added, our "heart-burned" more than a "heart warming experience." Perhaps within them began burning away the self-pitying and the self-hatred and made it impossible to hear what God might say. Heart therefore means God will burn away sin and evil desires, as well as thoughts, which will draw us together. Their eyes were opened, and they recognized" Christ "the bread" does not mean breaking his body! While his disciples

shared the bread of feeding the thousands. After receiving and blessing to share with others. By giving to Jesus the little that they had. They even had plenty left over for others. (Mark 6:1-13)

This Session to offer into the hands of Jesus what we feel. When we receive and blesses it, we ask for his guidance on how to share with the physically and spiritually hungry multitude. We have plenty to gather up what is left over and set aside.

The disciples the food (Luke 24:30), but left before eating the bread. Jesus said he would not eat this meal until more people come, that is, where good, not sin and evil, not poverty and suffering, at this Session we will also seek an evangelization in the feast of God's grace we enjoy.

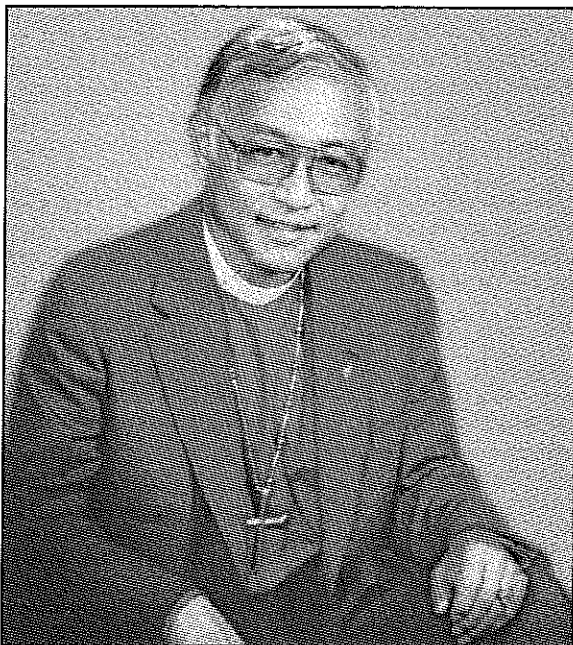
And many more of our stories that Luke 24:13-35 help us to act the mighty acts of God in ways which prepare us for the future and go home and into the world.

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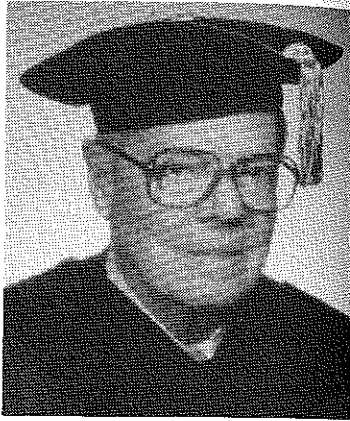
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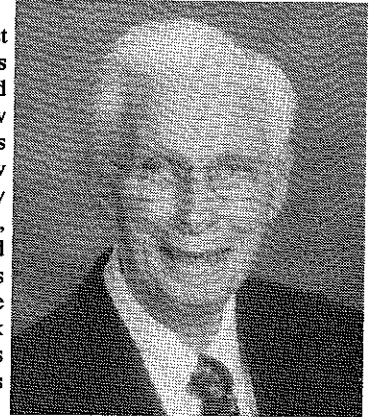
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A. CLARK ROBBINS

December 8, 1910 – January 9, 2000

ROBBINS, A. CLARK (T.39; F.41) NY; SCA 49 Glendale: First, Minister of Education; 51 Glendale, First: Minister of Administration; 53 Los Angeles: Vermont Square; 56 Huntington Park, Associate; 61 Tujunga; 68 Upland; 73 Los Angeles: Westchester; 76 Retired; PSW (77 Rolling Hills, Minister of Education); C-P 85 Retired

Ordained in 1939, Clark Robbins served the United Methodist Church with skill, compassion and enthusiasm until the time of his death on January 9, 2000. Born in Indiana, part of an active and musically gifted family, Clark later graduated from Drew Theological Seminary with both Bachelor's and Master's degrees and did graduate work at Columbia and Union Seminary in New York. He began his pastoral career in New York followed by appointments in this Annual Conference at First Church Glendale, Vermont Square, Huntington Park, Tujunga, Upland and Westchester. He held many district and conference leadership posts and was appointed by former Governor Pat Brown to a White House Conference on Children and Youth. On one occasion, Clark gave the opening prayer in the House of Representatives. Issues relating to children and youth were also a concern of Clark's during his many active years in Rotary International.



He "retired" in 1976 but went on to have a "second career" at Rolling Hills United Methodist Church, first as Associate Minister and later as a volunteer. Clark gave tireless direction to the church's Preschool. Until the week before his death, he still wrote and recorded a daily meditation for those who called the church's Action Line. A man of vision, he gave significant leadership to the church's goal (now realized) of a new sanctuary. His interest in music served him well as he often sang in the choir and chaired the Music Committee. Love of learning prompted him to master the joys of cyber space and to maintain a world wide correspondence through e-mail.

Beyond his measurable accomplishments, Clark was respected and loved for his outgoing friendliness and positive approach to life. Children and adults found in this gentle man, a warm and caring spirit that was magnetic. He truly lived his faith and blessed thousands of lives throughout his ministry. His radiant smile and loving spirit will be missed greatly.

Clark is survived by his wife Louise; son David; stepson, Michael Johnson; brothers William and Stephen, sister Jeannette; and nieces and nephews.

LOUISE T. ROBBINS