

AMENDT, CHARLES C.

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Please record the following change of address:

FROM:

Mrs. CHARLES C. AMENDT
7815 CHIPPEWA RD. APT. 4
BRECKSVILLE, OHIO 44141

TO:

DECEASED

Harry Greenberg
Associate Treasurer
HG:lc 4/13/70

EFFECTIVE DATE: MAY 1, 1970

Present Address	From	Birth	Appointed	Withdrawn	Death	No.
		Birth-place	Arr. on Field			
Wife or Husband		Education - Degree			Cut Miss Soc.	House
<i>Amendt, Edith Gladys Anderson</i>	<i>Steuersville, Ohio</i>	<i>May 9, 1874</i>	<i>June 1905</i>			
<i>Charles C. Amendt</i>	<i>11/26/18</i>	<i>A.B. Mount Union College '16</i>			<i>Photo</i>	

Conference Relations

FIELDS OF LABOR

Korea
Kongju - Evangelistic work in Chonan District 1919-

BIOGRAPHICAL

Joined Methodist Episcopal Church in 1906 - English in night school at Jefferson, Ohio for 2 years

Absent From Field

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Amenat, Charles C. (no middle name)	East Sparta, Ohio	5 Oct 90	June 1918			
Wife or Husband		Birth-place	Appointed on Field		Cut Miss Soc.	House
Edith Audusou Amenat 1874/5		Philadelph. Ohio			Phets	
Conference Relations		Education - Degree				
Korea '19;		Causton, O. High School 1911				
Korea		A.B. Mt. Union College 1912-1915 (1915)				
Kongju, Dist. missionary 1919-		S.T.B. Boston Unit Sch. of Theol 18				

FIELDS OF LABOR

BIOGRAPHICAL

A Student Volunteer
 Member of Methodist
 Episc. of Ch. since
 1905.
 Sailed Dec. 5, 1918
 from San Francisco.
 Licensed to preach
 June 1911.

Absent From Field

Charles C. Amendt

The death of Rev. Charles C. Amendt on November 12, 1962 was reported to the Division. Mr. Amendt prior to 1949 gave thirty-one years of service to the work of the Church in Korea.

Charles C. Amendt was born on October 5, 1892 in New Philadelphia, Ohio. He received his education at Mount Union College, Alliance, Ohio, and Boston University School of Theology, holding the degrees of B.A. and S.T.B. He was married on November 26, 1918 to Edith Gladwyn Anderson, and together they sailed for the field on December 5th of that year. Mr. Amendt was engaged in evangelistic work in Korea until 1941 when he returned to the States. In 1946 he returned to Seoul, but health necessitated an amergency furlough in 1948. The Amendts did not return to the field but took up work in the pastorate in the North-East Ohio Conference where he served until the time of his death.

Mr. Amendt's work in Korea centered in being district missionary and district superintendent in Konju, Chunan, Hongsung and Seoul.

The Division pays tribute to the Christian life and work of Mr. Amendt which will long continue as a living symbol in the lives of those to whom he ministered. Deepest sympathy is held for Mrs. Amendt and the surviving children in this time of loneliness, and trust they may be comforted in the knowledge of the faith to which Mr. Amendt was a living witness.

years. In Singapore he was on the board of directors of the Singapore American School, and on the board of governors of the Methodist Anglo-Chinese School.

The Division expresses profound gratitude for the life and work of Mr. Berckman devoted to the Cause of Christ and His Church in China and Malaya. A man of undefeated purpose and action during a long and painful illness, he found in his faith the necessary bulwark of courage and spiritual fortitude to carry on until the providence of God released him to enter the Kingdom.

The Division shares with his wife and two sons the sense of loss in this time of parting, but all must rejoice in his dedicated Christian ministry which will unto eternity be present in the lives of those to whom he witnessed in love and sacrifice.

Mrs. Marion Franklin Woods

The Division was saddened by news of the death of Mrs. Marion Franklin Woods on January 16, 1963. Mr. and Mrs. Woods had served in church development work in Costa Rica since 1950. Because of Mrs. Woods health, the family returned to the States in 1961 and were on "leave of absence" status since June 1962, when Mr. Woods accepted a pastorate in the Central Kansas Conference

Marjory Koken Woods was born in Cadams, Nebraska, on July 1, 1917. She received her education at Kansas University and Ft. Hayes State College. Among her many talents she was a gifted teacher of music. It is said during her service in Golfito she started over fifty students in lessons on the piano.

REVEREND CHARLES C. AMENDT.

Reverend Charles C. Amendt is at home after serving as a missionary to Korea under the Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church for five years. Mr. Amendt has been at work on the Konju District of the Korean Mission field and is located in one of the most picturesque sections of the Hermit Nation. In his mission travels in those parts he comes in contact with both the old type of Korean and the new. The men who still wear the high black hats of braided horse-hair over their knotted tresses and wear the turamagi, the long coat that looks for all like a linen duster, are still in predominance in the villages where Mr. Amendt carries the word of God.

The new Korean, eager for independence and education, who seeks education with determination in the belief that Korea requires an intelligent electorate before she can reasonably hope to be free or to renew her attempt at independence assured of the moral support of the occidental world, is growing rapidly in numbers in the centers of population like Konju. The educational mission work with many high grade schools maintained by the Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church and other churches is augmenting the government schools set up by the Japanese, and to these the Koreans are flocking in larger numbers than can be accommodated. Mr. Amendt is thoroughly familiar with the rapid contemporary changes in Korea which are destined to have immense bearing on the international situation in the Far East within the next decade.

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released upon receipt

A missionary recently returned from the "boiling pot of the Far East" to the United States, where he is on a speaking tour for a few months, will be the guest-speaker at _____ on _____.

He is the Rev. Charles C. Amendt, a missionary of the Methodist Church to Seoul, Korea -- the center of the clash between American and Russian interests in East Asia.

Mr. Amendt, after twenty years of missionary service in Korea, was compelled to leave that country with the heightening of Japanese-American hostilities in 1938, and it was not until the summer of 1946 that he was enabled to return to that land. During that period, he was pastor of Methodist churches in his home state of Ohio. Reporting the new conditions in Korea, as affecting the Christian church, Mr. Amendt says: "The Korean church was in an all but impossible position during the war, harder in many ways than in Japan proper. All the tensions over degrees of collaboration found in Europe are heightened here where the Japanese were in control for thirty-five years before the war began. We are thankful for the progress that has been made, for the crowded churches and for the unparalleled opportunity before us today. Recently I did what I never thought I or any one else would ever do in Korea -- I preached in a Shinto shrine now a Christian church. Not long ago I preached in a thriving new church that had formerly been a Japanese Buddhist temple. The great Easter (1947) union service for all denominations, Koreans, and our own G.I.'s was on the site of the most famous Shinto shrine in the land -- a symbol of the complete change and religious freedom that has come to this people. The challenge of such a time of fluidity and change is beyond the power of words to express.

"Korea is getting a 'good press' in America today. We hope that Americans

will understand that our whole democratic way of life and our integrity are on trial here more than any place in the world.

Mr. Amendt was born in New Philadelphia, Ohio, and educated at Mount Union College and Boston University School of Theology. He first went to Korea in 1919, and spent most of his period of missionary service in the ancient city of Kongju and in the development of church and school work in the surrounding villages. He served at various times as pastor, district missionary, and district superintendent.

Photographs from this
file have not been
included but are
available upon request.
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