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Individual Questionnaire for

Biographical Record of Ministers

of the United Evangelical Lutheran Church (in America) and its parent synods:
The United Danish Ev. Luth. Church, The Danish Ev. Luth. Church Association
in America and The Danish Ev. Luth. Church in North America.

(Compiled for the Synodical Historical Archives)

Personal Data: (Please give all information you can)

Full name: JOHN WOLTER NIELSEN

Born when: JUNE 29, 1925 where: MANKATO, MINNESOTA

Baptized when and where: IMMANUEL LUTHERAN (LWIS. SYN.) MANKATO, MINNESOTA

Confirmed when and where: MARCH 17, 1940, TRINITY LUTH. ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA by whom: H.W. BONDO

If immigrant, date of arrival in America: located where:

Date of ordination: June 21, 1953 where: Atlantic Iowa by whom: H. G. Jensen

If not in above synods, when and where accepted as member pastor of our synod: DANA PROFESSOR

Retired from active ministry when: UNTIL 1990 why: 65

Located where: DANA COLLEGE occupation: DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL PROJECTS DANISH IMMIGRANT ARCHIVE

If dead, what date: where: cause:

Buried where date

Marriage: (1) to whom ELIZABETH SOLEVAD date and place: APRIL 8, 1949, FIRST LUTH. BLAIR, NEBRASKA

Wife's birthdate and place: JULY 10, 1927 WATSONVILLE, CALIFORNIA

Her parents: EINAR & ELSA SOLEVAD location:

If wife is dead, give date

(2) Second wife (if any; give same information about her)

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Children (give names and other information of interest, as occupation, spouse, and present address):

... JOHN MARK (FEB. 1, 1951) (WIFE: DAWN CARPER) DANA PROF. OF ENGLISH
... THOMAS SOLEYARD (JUNE 7, 1952) (WIFE: PATRIKA MEIER) DANA LIBRARY DIRECTOR
... JANE ELIZABETH (AUGUST 21, 1954) (HUSBAND: DOUGLAS WILSON) SPANISH, FRENCH TEACHER
FARRAGUT-SIDNEY, IOWA
... ANNE ELISE (SEPTEMBER 1, 1956) (HUSBAND: JOHN NIBBING) ENGLISH, READING TEACHER
LINCOLN, NEBRASKA
... DAVID WOLTER (SEPTEMBER 3, 1957) CARTOGRAPHER WINFIELD, KANSAS

Other information on family of historical interest, i.e., members in the ministry, missionary work, teaching and medical professions, etc.:

Educational Training: Give name of institution, location, and when attended.

High Schools: DISTRICT # 22 GRADE
..... ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA HIGH SCHOOL

Colleges (Give also degrees attained): DANA B.A.
..... UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA BERKELEY

Theological Schools: TRINITY B.D., PACIFIC SCHOOL OF RELIGION
..... OXFORD, D.Phil

Honorary Degrees received (give name of institution and date):

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Other specific training:

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Additional comment on above:

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Ministerial Service. Please give in chronological order the names of congregations or charges served, and period of each.

..... IMMANUEL LUTHERAN, HAZELWOOD, MINNESOTA (1953-1955)

..... ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN, NORTHFIELD, MINNESOTA (1953-1962)

FIRST CAMPUS PASTOR, DANA COLLEGE (1962-65)

..... PROFESSOR OF RELIGION, DANA (1962-1990)

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NOTE: Our previous biographical records were lost in the tragic fire that destroyed the office building of the Lutheran Publishing House, Minneapolis, Feb. 14, 1953, where the synodical historian also had his office. The accounts for the original publications and the names of the authors are in the files of the synodical historian. If you can refer us to any person, book or paper that can inform us further, we shall be very much obliged to you. If you can refer us to any person, book or paper that can inform us further, we shall be very much obliged to you. Return this report as soon as possible to

Offices held in Synod and Districts, and when:

..... S.E. MINNESOTA DIST. (ALC) - BOARD

..... EPHATA BOARD (1960-1964)

..... YOUTH EDITOR OF ANSGAR LUTHERAN (1955-1960)

..... EDITOR OF CHRISTMAS CHIMES 1957, 1960

Other activities and official services-at-large (teaching, chaplaincy, editorial, etc., and period of each):

Literary production (books and pamphlets): Give titles and when published.

..... SEE LUR. PUBLICATIONS

Additional information of interest:

Date Signed

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