

Loyalty Dinner Of Church At Golden Square

"I compliment you on your loyalty to the Church we love, and to the faith we profess. By your presence here tonight you have demonstrated these two basic principles."

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These were the words of Mr. J. Frank Mamouney when speaking at the Golden Square Methodist Church Loyalty Dinner last night.

Mr. Mamouney, who is the General Chairman of the Planned-Giving Programme of the church, was also the chairman of last night's dinner.

"It gives the committee and myself great encouragement to go forward in confidence to the task ahead," Mr. Mamouney said.

He also referred to the work of the committee and the hostesses in the preparation of the dinner.

Second Phase

The occasion marks the opening of the second phase of a planned-giving programme to spread over the next three years.

Mr. Mel Warne, who has been secretary of the Trust for four years, outlined cogently the progress made since the first campaign began in 1957.

It was an impressive story, covering new buildings for the Sunday school, many renovations to the old building, improvements to the church, and a new church office fully equipped with typewriter, duplicator, furniture and cupboards.

It was stated at the dinner that the church income, both for the Trust and the circuit, had become soundly based.

The present campaign was to ensure that givings did not fall back to the pre-canvass level, and also to develop and strengthen the church spiritually.

Future Needs

Mr. Stewart Williams, the senior circuit steward, gave an outline of future needs and of the plans in hand to meet them.

He emphasised that a decision to give generously to one's church brought a positive impact, since it made one conscious of setting aside each week for God's work a worthwhile offering.

In the next few days a layman from the church will visit each home to discuss with the people their pledge for God and His work.

Mr. Cyril Warne, the conductor of the church choir, explained the significance of the family pledge and called upon members to put God and the Church first in their

Children Shown Films

The minister of the church, Rev. F. V. Winn, expressed pleasure at the representative gathering and endorsed the action of the committee in deciding on the forward move.

He said he relied on the loyalty of members to Christ and their Church to make the campaign a successful one.

To enable parents to attend the dinner, children were looked after at the Golden Square Methodist Sunday School by members of the Kangaroo Flat Methodist Church.

They were shown films by Mr. Basil Miller and were provided with supper.