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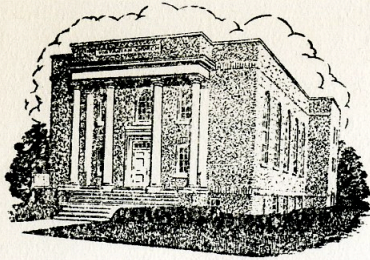
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FIRST UNITARIAN CHURCH

639 MAIN STREET

NIAGARA FALLS, NEW YORK

George N. Marshall, Minister

March 5, 1955

Dear Fellow Church Member:

As General Chairman of our Expansion Fund Canvass it is my great pleasure to tell you more of the Canvass and its events.

The Canvass will be limited to the solicitation of individual members and member families and any other persons and families who consider themselves affiliated with or use our Church, although not technically members. We will concentrate our efforts to obtain pledges from all our families during an intensive solicitation period between the fifteenth and the twenty fifth of March.

Since we believe face-to-face solicitation to be the best, each family of the Church will be visited and solicited individually and privately in their home during the Canvass period. There will be no solicitation in groups or meetings - nor will any solicitation be conducted by mail or telephone.

Every member of the Canvass Organization (a member of the Church) will have made a generous and realistic pledge before he visits any family of the Church. Also he will be giving much of his time toward the Canvass and its successful conclusion on March 25th.

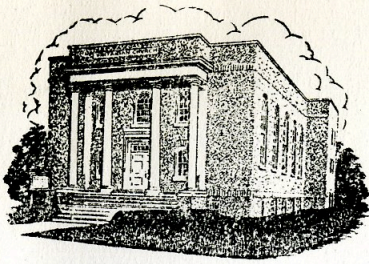
The Canvass is being conducted in an effort to increase our present Church facilities, to renovate the existing structure, to pay off the present indebtedness and to properly finance the operation of the Church. This will allow our Church Leaders to plan a more effective over-all program than is possible at the present time.

A Loyalty Dinner meeting will be held at Howard Hall (YWCA) at 6:30 PM, Monday, March fourteenth. The objective and other phases of our canvass will be explained.

As we enter into this cooperative program together, all of us must try to do whatever we are able to do, willingly, thoroughly, and promptly in accordance with the plan of the Canvass.

Sincerely,

Adolf M. Hamann,
General Chairman



FIRST UNITARIAN CHURCH

639 MAIN STREET

NIAGARA FALLS, NEW YORK

George N. Marshall, Minister

March 9, 1955

Dear Members and Friends,

There is a spirit stirring in First Unitarian.

There is a growing optimism.

There is a new sense of committment and awakened responsibility. One feels it and thrills to it at the committee meetings, at the discussions, to the growing enthusiasm for the enlarged program for church extension and development.

We are now well into the canvass for the Church Expansion Fund. Committees are organized and have been meeting nightly. Daily new groups are assuming roles of responsibility. Together, all of us have been shaping and molding a program to fit the needs of our church and the ideals of our fellowship.

All of us, before it is over, will be given an opportunity to participate in the program, and to commit ourselves. During the next two weeks, great things will happen at First Unitarian! Many will be amazed at the testament we will write to a vital and virile faith!

During this period, as your minister, I commend to all of you the spirit of thoughtfulness, and honest searching of conscience. If we begin in this spirit, our efforts will be worthwhile, for the frank facing of personal responsibility will lead us to a greater acceptance of the principles of our free faith. This is the beginning of our development program.

Together, we can move "Forward in Faith"!

Faithfully yours,

George N. Marshall
Minister

P.S. Do not forget to return the reservation card which Mr. Hamann mailed out to you. Let's have a large attendance at the Loyalty Dinner next Monday evening in Howard Hall.