

WORLD RELIGION DAY

Baha'i Observance At Wilmette Temple

In the midst of today's international conflicts and social turmoil, finding a way to unite all men of whatever race, religion or national origin, has become the concern of truly religious people.

As a means of developing an awareness of humanity's great need for religious Unity, the National Baha'i Assembly of the United States, has set aside this Sunday as World Religion Day.

Special programs in 1,600 communities throughout the United States will mark observance of World Religion Day which was instituted in 1950.

William Maxwell, an auxiliary board member of the National Spiritual Assembly will officially start the observance when he speaks 8 p.m. Saturday, at a public meeting at the Chicago Baha'i Center, 116 S. Michigan Ave., Room 1108. His subject is "Religion Comes of Age."

At the Baha'i House of Worship in Wilmette Sunday, Paul Harris and his wife, Mrs. Sara E. Harris, who have traveled in 25 countries will share the topic of "World Religion and World Peace." This program begins at 4:15 p.m.

Commenting on World Religion Day, Dr. David S. Rhne, secretary of the National Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'is of the United States said that the purpose of World Religion Day is to elevate the minds of sincere speakers above the confusion and conflicts of historic creeds, and inspire them with the vision of the oneness of all revealed faiths proclaimed by Baha'u'llah, founder of the Baha'i Religion, 122 years ago.

Baha'is believe the Writings of Baha'u'llah contain the blueprint for universal peace. The cornerstone of the teachings in the dual principle of the oneness of mankind and the oneness of religion.

In the 100 years since Baha'u'llah announced His mission to bring mankind God's teach-

ings for the day, the Baha'i Faith has been established in more than 360 countries and dependencies.

This Faith has taught, from its inception, that there is one God, and Mankind is one family meant to live together in mutual appreciation and free from prejudice and animosity.

Baha'is believe the most recent prophet from God, Baha'u'llah, whose name means "Glory to God" has offered a set of principles which will assist humanity to establish lasting peace in the 20th Century.

It is to honor these principles, particularly the concept of the "oneness of religion and mankind," that the Baha'is have set aside World Religion Day.



BAHA'I SPEAKER

Noted world traveller and lecturer, Paul Harris of Mattoon, Ill. who, along with his wife, Mrs. Sara Harris, will speak Sunday at the Baha'i House of Worship in Wilmette, Ill. at 4:15 p.m. The program is in observance of World Religion Day sponsored by the National Baha'i Assembly of the United States.