



Speaker

Rev. Herman Hoeksema, pastor of the First Protestant Reformed Church in Grand Rapids, Mich., and the main speaker of the Reformed Witness hour, has been preaching the truth of God's word for over 30 years. During a long and turbulent ministry he has consistently maintained that God is the Lord. And also in his radio work Rev. Hoeksema has not compromised in order to satisfy the fancies of a radio audience, but has witness to the Reformed conception of the Word of God. And for that we are proud. There is, in the hearts of true believers within the scope of our

broadcast, and especially in ours, a prayer of thanksgiving that God has allowed the Reformed Witness Hour to present Rev. Hoeksema with a distinctive gospel message these four years.

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HISTORY OF THE RADIO CHOIR

Our Radio Choir is composed of members of our local Protestant Reformed Churches. At present the choir boasts eighteen voices, as follows:

SOPRANOS

Alice Brands
Harriet De Borst
Annette Doezema
Beth Peterson
Jean Piersma
Edith Steigenga

ALTOS

Harriet Bloem
Angie Doezema
Gertrude Jonker
Wilma Pastoor
Magdalene Snyder

TENORS

Gerrit Helmus
James Heys
Adolph Vermeer

BASSES

Jack De Vries
Jack Doorn
George Vink
William Wierenga

The choir is under the direction of Miss Doris Van Dellen, and Miss Lois Hoeksema is the accompanist.

During this past year it pleased our heavenly Father to take unto Himself one of our beloved members, Pvt. John M. Swart.

The Protestant Reformed Radio Choir originated in the year 1941 and its membership was obtained by request of the Radio Committee. The following people accepted the committee's invitation to sing in the choir:

SOPRANOS

Deana Kerkstra
Edith Steigenga
Doris Van Dellen

ALTOS

Edene Dresselhuis
Jeannette Hoeksema
Deborah Harkema

TENORS

James Heys
Clarence Pols
Adolph Vermeer

BASSES

Sidney De Young
Jack Doorn
George Vink

Mr. A. Haan served as director of this group, and Miss Lucille Steigenga was our accompanist.

During the period between its inception and the present time several others exercised their talents in behalf of the choir, including: Lois Vander Wal, Henry Kooienga, Richard Bloem, and Effie Theule. Mrs. Russel Dornbush and Mrs. Irving Cramer, accompanists; and Peter H. Bouma, director.

The Choir regularly supports the "Reformed Witness Hour" broadcast three out of four Sundays each month and also renders several concerts each year.

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ANNOUNCER

During the course of a hundred broadcasts several announcers have introduced "The Reformed Witness Hour" to our listening audience. From the first audition held Walter Hofman, one of the original radio committee members was chosen to announce the program. Later Mr. Arthur Dekker and Mr. Homer C. Hoeksema served on alternate weeks. Last season and continuing up to the present time Mr. Hoeksema has served alone as our "Reformed Witness Hour" announcer. And he has served very capably, writing his own script each week. Mr. S. De Young is our assistant announcer, who very willingly and ably serves at the microphone in the absence of our regular announcer.

