



### PROFESSOR ROBERT DECKER

Professor Decker was ordained into the ministry of the Protestant Reformed Churches in 1965, in Doon, Iowa. In the fall of 1966 he began a series of sermons for the Reformed Witness Hour, based on II Peter 2. Since then, he has been heard on the Reformed Witness Hour several times. In 1969 he became pastor of South Holland Protestant Reformed Church. He began teaching in the Protestant Reformed Seminary in 1973.

### THE REFORMED WITNESS HOUR CHOIR



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Our special thanks to those who have helped to make this program possible for this many years:

Our Faithful Ministers:

Prof. Homer Hoeksema  
Prof. Robert Decker  
Rev. John Heys  
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Rev. Robert Harbach  
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Also to Mr. Henry Vander Wal who has spent hours of his time recording the ministers, handling correspondence, mailing literature and numerous other tasks.

The Mission Committee of Synod that supports the broadcasts on more than half of our radio stations.

The consistory of First Church that has faithfully supported the Radio Committee since 1945.

The many individuals and churches that have assisted with their generous gifts.

Above all, our thanks goes to our Heavenly Father for the opportunity given us to broadcast the Reformed truth.

In Memoriam

**LARRY DE MEESTER**

Who faithfully served on the Reformed Witness Hour Committee for many years in the capacity of Treasurer, and in later years as President. Larry went to be with his Lord January 1, 1981.

**DATES & EVENTS**

October 12, 1941	First broadcast "Protestant Reformed Hour" on WLAV, Grand Rapids, Rev. Herman Hoeksema spoke on theme "GOD IS GOD"
1941	First "Protestant Reformed Radio Choir"
December 7, 1941	Announcement of the attack on Pearl Harbor was made immediately following the broadcast (see page 101 of "God's Covenant Faithfulness")
November 17, 1946	200th Broadcast - Rev. Herman Hoeksema
1950	Broadcast now on 3 stations
1955	Radio equipment temporarily moved from First Church basement to Ed Kooienga's home.
1960	Now on 6 radio stations
March 11, 1962	1000th Broadcast - Rev. Herman Hoeksema
1960's	Broadcast heard on shortwave via Trans-world Radio. Fruit of this broadcasting is seen in our mission field in Jamaica.
1970	We are now broadcasting on 9 stations.
May, 1972	Reformed Witness Hour began printing and mailing their own broadcast copies.
1980	The broadcast is being aired on 13 stations.
May 10, 1981	2000th Broadcast - Prof. Robert Decker

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**REFORMED WITNESS HOUR  
RADIO COMMITTEE**



Seated: (left to right) Don Faber, David Harbach, Betty Haveman  
Standing: Larry Koole, Ron DeVries, Dwight Monsma, Bill Swart,  
Harry Rutgers

Missing from picture: Mrs. Gerald Schipper, Stuart Looyenga,  
Jan Miersma, Jeanne Karsemeyer

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