

Chester Arthur Kirkendoll, Jr.

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General Board of Religious Education
Jackson, Tennessee

Religion

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anybody can know*

Perseverance perseverance study

Name Chester Arthur Kirkendoll, Jr. **Field:** Religion
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Plan of Work

A four-year study of the rural and town church will be made for the purpose of determining its scope, effectiveness and significance, and for developing an integrated church program which will insure the fullest development of Christian character. Five typical counties of the South will be selected as project centers where study and experimentation will be conducted.

Requests grant for nine months beginning September, 1945. Will return to present position. Wishes to work toward Ph.D. under the supervision of Dr. Frank M. McKibben of Northwestern University and Garrett Biblical Institute.

Personal Data Born Searcy, Arkansas, June, 1914. **Age:** 31
 Married, two children. **Draft Status:** 4D

Undergraduate Work Sumner Junior College, Kansas City, Kansas, 1932-33.
 Lane College, Jackson, Tennessee, B.A., 1938.

Graduate Work Northwestern University, M.A., 1941.
 Garrett Biblical Institute, 1938-40.

Experience Associate director of young people's work (part-time), General Board of Religious Education, C.M.E. Church, 111 Shannon Street, Jackson, Tennessee, 1935-40, \$750; director of leadership education, General Board of Religious Education, Jackson, Tennessee, 1940- , \$1500.

Accomplishments Master's thesis: An Evaluation of the Leadership Training Schools of the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church.

Publications: Writer of a church school quarterly for seniors, young people and adults of the C.M.E. Church since 1936.
 Co-author of: A General Guide for Young People's Discussion Groups, 1940; Witnessing for Christ, 1944.

References

B. Julian Smith, General Board of Religious Education, Jackson, Tennessee
 Mrs. E. W. F. Harris, Woman's Connectional Missionary Council, Jackson
 J. Arthur Hamlett, Presiding Bishop, Kansas City, Kansas
 Joseph H. Stevens, Lane College, Jackson, Tennessee
 Frank M. McKibben, Garrett Biblical Institute

Budget Summary

Total Amount Needed	\$1,962
From Applicant	462
From Fund	\$1,500

AMOUNT GRANTED

Sent to Committee

