

Distinguished Achievement Citation

Tracey K. Jones, Jr.

Class of 1939

Dr. Tracey K. Jones' involvement in international missionary endeavors attests to his commitment to efforts towards alleviating universal physical and spiritual needs of human kind.

Dr. Jones received his B.A. from Ohio Wesleyan in 1939, a B.D. from Yale Divinity School in 1942, and did post-graduate work at the University of California at Berkeley. In 1961 Ohio Wesleyan awarded him the honorary degree of doctor of divinity.

As a missionary in Nanking, China, Dr. Jones handled relief and rehabilitation problems among Chinese refugees. Later he was pastor of Wesley Methodist Church in Singapore, known as the "mother church" of Methodism in Asia.

Upon returning to the U.S. in 1955, Dr. Jones became active in the Methodist Church's Board of Missions, later known as the Board of Global Ministries, the largest program agency of the church. Named General Secretary of the Board in 1968, he was responsible for strategy and long-range planning with regard to the worldwide missionary activities of the church.

His involvement with the National Council of Churches has included membership on its Governing Board, chairing its Peace Priority Program, and heading its Blue Ribbon Panel on the Middle East.

Within the sphere of the World Council of Churches, he has participated as Moderator of the Commission on world Mission and Evangelism, and as a member of the Theological Education Fund.

Dr. Jones has written several books, including *Our Mission Today*, which was used by the Methodist Church to reinterpret its missionary enterprise.

Dr. Jones' role in providing for those in need and his arbitration efforts concerning Vietnam and the Mid-East, have furthered the cause of peace. These endeavors have brought him recognition from both secular and religious sectors. Ohio Wesleyan also commends and honors Dr. Jones for his concern and commitment to global outreach.

