

To do Christian, social work among West Indians in Sheffield

Negotiations between the Presbyterian Church of England and the Presbyterian Church of Jamaica have culminated in secondment of Miss Marjorie Prentice Saunders for three years, in the first instance, to do Christian and social work among 4,000 West Indians living in Sheffield, England.

Miss Saunders is Director of Christian Education (Children and Young People) in the Presbyterian Church of Jamaica. Born in St. Mary, her parents were Presbyterians.

She qualified at Bethlehem Training College as a teacher. She is a graduate of St. Colm's Missionary College, Edinburgh and holds a London University certificate of Proficiency in Religious Knowledge.

Her seventeen years of service in the Presbyterian Church have covered a field of varied activities — from Youth Organizer in the church to Founder-Secretary of the Meadowbridge-Forest Haven Citizens' Association.

She is the first woman full-time worker in the Presbyterian Church of Jamaica. She is Organizer of the Girls' Guildry, (Caribbean Area), an executive of the Women's Federation, ex-

ecutive of Operation Friendship and of Girls' Town, and a member of the Kingston and St. Andrew Corporation Infirmary and Poor Relief Committee. She is Chairman of the Women's Department of the Jamaica Christian Council.

Miss Saunders is a member of the South-eastern Presbytery and a member of the Synod of the Presbyterian Church in which capacity she serves on many committees as well as on boards of Presbyterian schools (secondary and preparatory). She is Chairman of the Meadowbrook Preparatory School Board. She was awarded the certificate and Badge of Honour for meritorious service in 1960.

She goes to the St. James Presbyterian Church, Sheffield, and from that base will have the opportunity of caring for the spiritual and social needs of West Indians there. The church here will be the poorer for her absence, but rejoices to know that it can find such a person who is willing and capable for such a mission.

This will make us richer in the years to come. Miss Saunders goes with the best wishes of the Presbyterian Church of Jamaica and its prayers for God's guidance and blessing in the task that lies ahead.

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