

### **Isaacs, Elizabeth, Rev.**

The Rev. Elizabeth (Beth) D.K. Isaacs, 80, of Winter Park, Fla., passed away Friday, Aug. 4, 2000, at the home of her daughter in Winter Park after a long battle with cancer. She was born Aug. 19, 1919, in Manchester, England, daughter of the late John Robertson and Mary Jane (Kay) Chapman. She was united in marriage to James Isaacs in 1956. He preceded her in death in 1977. She had been involved in the church all her life and had served as a missionary in Mexico from 1945 to 1949. She then attended Wooster College in Ohio, Wayne State University, Detroit, and Northern Theological Seminary, Chicago, thus earning three master's degrees along the way. In 1964, she became the first woman to be fully ordained and serve as a pastor in the Methodist church in Michigan. Over the years, she had served 11 churches, eight in the Thumb area. She was pastor at Trinity United Methodist Church in Sebewaing from July 1, 1976, until November 1979. She retired in 1989 from active ministry after serving six years as District Superintendent of the Port Huron District. Surviving are her children, the Rev. Mary E. Frost of Winter Park and John P. Isaacs of Caro; and four grandchildren. A memorial service will take place at 3 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 27, 2000, at Trinity United Methodist Church in Sebewaing. Memorials may be made to Huron Memorial Hospice or Stephen's Ministry, Aloma United Methodist Church, Winter Park. Local arrangements are being handled by the Dinkel-Juengel Funeral Home in Sebewaing.