

COVENANTER MINISTERS

1930-1963

of the

REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

OF NORTH AMERICA

This volume is a successor to Thompson's *Sketches of the Ministers*, published in 1930. It contains supplemental sketches of ministers who were living in 1930 and of those who were called into service later. Some of these have entered into rest, while others have either retired or continue their ministry. The appendix includes a short list of those who left the communion of the Reformed Presbyterian Church. The latter pages are composed of accounts of institutions and projects of the church and include lists of missionaries who served in the period from 1930-1963. Pictures of moderators and of our institutions are given. For historical reference there are contained herein lists of Presbyteries and of Congregations, with dates of organization and disorganization during this same period.

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Pa. He graduated from Beaver Falls High School. He united with the First Beaver Falls R. P. Church in the spring of 1941.

He took his college work at Geneva and was graduated with an A. B. degree in 1951. This was followed by his studies in our seminary from which he was graduated in 1954.

He was licensed to preach the gospel in 1953 by Pittsburgh Presbytery and was ordained and installed pastor of Cambridge, Massachusetts congregation in June, 1954. He was released from this pastorate December 31, 1959.

On August 14, 1952, he was united in marriage to Miss Betty Jean Lidderdale of Butler, Pa. They have three children: David Irwin, Stephen Lee, Thomas Charles.

He served the church as a member of the Foreign Mission Board, 1954-1959. In January, 1960, he was taken under appointment by the Foreign Mission Board for service in our mission in Kobe, Japan. He arrived there with his wife and sons in July, 1960, and continues in this capacity until the present.

GEORGE M. ROBB, D. D.

G. M. Robb, whose biographical sketch appears in Thompson's **Sketches of the Ministers** up to the year 1930, when that volume was published, was in that year laboring as stated supply in Fresno, California. He continued to serve this congregation until the time of his death, which occurred on September 23, 1933.

Dr. Robb was recognized as a power for righteousness wherever his lot was cast. He found his keenest satisfaction in presenting the Gospel of Jesus Christ in personal contact. He delighted in the opportunity to present the Saviour of sinners to a lost soul.