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DAYTON, Ohio, September 30, 1968 ---- Dr. Marcus Bach, noted author and specialist on inter-cultural and inter-religious relations, will be the second lecturer in the Martha Holden Jennings Lecture Series at the University of Dayton this Saturday, October 5, in Kennedy Union at 9:30 A.M. The lecture is the second in a series of eight year-long program co-sponsored by the Cleveland-based Martha Holden Jennings Foundation and the School of Education at the University of Dayton.

Dr. Bach's lecture is entitled "Time For A Change in Thinking."

The lecture series is designed for 350 selected outstanding elementary and secondary school teachers in Southwestern Ohio. Similar programs have been conducted at Kent State University, Ohio University and Bowling Green State University. The UD series, under the direction of Mr. M. Byron Morton of the Department of School Administration, is the first in this section of the state.

Dr. Bach is Director of the Foundation for Spiritual Understanding at Palos Verdes, California. Under his arrangement with that organization, Dr. Bach spends a year in teaching and a year in travelling for lectures and research. His lecture/research program has taken him to many parts of the world where he has studied religious and ethnic groups. "I try to empathically interpret their ways of life and subjectively enter into their experience," he says.

His work has brought him into association with many outstanding leaders including the late Dr. Albert Schweitzer in Africa, Vinoba Bhave of India, and Buddhist leaders in southeast Asia. Two assignments by the State Department have taken him to Pakistan, Cambodia and the sub-continent.

His current work for the Foundation of Spiritual Understanding is designed to explore new approaches to the total circumference of concepts which unite humanity on deep feeling levels of response. He has promoted such contemporary ideas as spiritual ecumenicity and the theoretical aspects of what he calls the "Overchurch."

He has published 15 works. His latest book, "The Wonderful Magic of Living," was released in January. Other interpretive works include "The Power of Perception."

On the staff of the School of Religion at the State University of Iowa for 14 years, Dr. Bach received his doctoral degree from that institution in 1942. He also holds honorary degrees from Bradley University, Hillsdale, Carthage and Elmhurst colleges.

Many of the nation's top educators and leading public figures have served as lecturers since the establishment of the Jennings Scholar Program in 1959. The total Jennings program is designed to upgrade all phases of teaching in Ohio's elementary and secondary schools.

(Note to News Media: If you'd like to interview Dr. Bach contact Mr. M. Byron Morton at 461-5500, Ext. 507, Monday through Friday.)