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Protestant Christian Church services including a full program of church affiliated activities and Buddhist Church services plus a complete offering of allied Buddhist activities were available to all evacuees within a few days after arrival of the first residents. The fact that communities were moved to the same Center intact, brought into Fresno Center the same Religious leaders that had served the evacuees in their home community. These leaders proceeded at once to provide all of the services and church related activities that they had offered previous to evacuation, in those communities.

Protestant Christian services and Buddhist services were the only Religious services desired by any of the evacuees. Facilities for other kinds of Religious faith would have been made available if requested.

There were more than 1000 Center Busses participating in Buddhist activities and nearly 700 Protestants taking part in the activities they provided.

The Center Administration provided office facilities for both groups equipped with tables, files, chairs, shelves and other office requirements. Recreation Centers and the Bowl (outdoor auditorium) were used for meetings.

These churches with their leaders contributed greatly to the welfare and well being of many evacuees with the extent of the services and activities they provided.