

PASADENA ADDRESS — Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong greets Adnan Abu Odeh (left), a government minister of the Jordanian royal court, backstage before Mr. Abu Odeh's June 7 address in the Ambassador Auditorium. [Photo by Warren Watson]

Jordanian royal minister visits Pasadena at invitation of HWA

By Michael A. Snyder
PASADENA — Adnan Abu Odeh, a minister of the royal court of Jordan, addressed more than 1,100 Church employees, Ambassador College faculty and students and Church members in the Ambassador Auditorium here June 7.

The royal minister and his wife, Khawla, arrived at the Ambassador College campus June 6 from Washington, D.C., where he had accompanied Jordan's King Hussein on an official state visit to see U.S. President Ronald Reagan. He left the campus June 10.

"Mr. Abu Odeh, who travels with and directly serves King Hussein, came here at the invitation of Mr. [Herbert] Armstrong," said Aaron Dean, personal aide to the pastor general.

"The AC students working in

Amman [Jordan] live in an apartment attached to the Abu Odehs' home there, and they have become like a second set of parents to the students," Mr. Dean continued.

Formal dinner

Mr. Abu Odeh, former Jordanian minister of information, and his wife were guests of Mr. Armstrong June 9 in the campus Social Center. Attending the dinner with Mr. Armstrong and the Abu Odehs were evangelist Raymond F. McNair, deputy chancellor of Pasadena Ambassador College, and his wife, Evelyn; Mr. Dean and his wife, Michelle; Joseph Locke, director of student training for the Ambassador Foundation projects in Jordan; and Robert and Marguerite Cote, who teach education classes on the Pasadena campus to prepare students to serve on the Jordanian projects.

"During the dinner Mr. Abu Odeh discussed the current situation in the Middle East and the prospects for peace," Mr. Dean said. "He also praised the AC students working in Jordan, commenting that they do their work incredibly well and are excellent

ambassadors not only for the college, but for the United States in general."

Middle East talk

The royal minister discussed prospects for peace in the Middle East during his June 7 address in the Auditorium.

Explaining the historical background to the Israeli-Arab conflict, Mr. Abu Odeh asked: "Why should I go back a little bit to history? Because you cannot really understand the present without going a little bit back to history."

"In the 19th century, here in the West you call it the golden age of colonization. Great Britain was all over the world... the French, the Portuguese, the Dutch, even the Germans and the Spanish."

Tracing powers of the Ottoman Empire (Turkey) to the south, Mr. Abu Odeh said: "Turkey at that time was ruling all Arab Asia. What we know now as Israel, Jordan, Palestine, Lebanon, Syria, Iraq, parts of Saudi Arabia, North Yemen... that was the end of its domination in terms of geography."

The Industrial Revolution (See MINISTER, page 9)

Foundation assists in cultural exchange

Chinese group completes tour

By David H. Evans

PASADENA — The first Chinese minority children's group to visit North America performed in the Ambassador Auditorium June 2 and 4 as part of a U.S. and Canadian tour partially funded by the Ambassador Foundation.

David H. Evans is an assistant to evangelist Ellis La Ravia, a vice president of the Ambassador Foundation.

The Little Ambassadors of Yunnan, 28 children, ages 7 through 15, included acrobats, musicians and folk dancers representing minority nationalities of the Yunnan province in southwest China.

"Last year the foundation sponsored a tour for the Little Ambassadors From Shanghai," said evangelist Ellis La Ravia, a vice president of the foundation (see *W/N*, May 21, 1984). "This year's group was a second 'first,' comprised of 12 of the 24 nationalities in Yunnan."

Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong met with the children in his office May 29, the day they arrived from Vancouver, B.C. They presented a painting by one of China's most well-known artists to "grandpa," as they called Mr. Armstrong throughout their stay. As group photos were being made, some of the children hugged Mr. Armstrong and gave him lapel pins from Yunnan, Mr. La Ravia said.

"The cultural exchange was more than just a performance by people from another country," Mr. La Ravia said. "The children were representing their background and their country. We helped them to see our country and the values we have."

Richard Liu, who helps the Ambassador Foundation establish cultural and humanitarian projects with China, saw the group perform last year and suggested they come to North America.

The performances began with an eight-minute film, *Kaleidoscope of Yunnan*, showing the province and

customs. After the film an 8-year-old girl introduced the 16 acts. The *Los Angeles Times* described her as, "a pint-sized mistress of ceremonies whose graceful posing and lilting Chinese speech quickly beguiled" the audience.

Acts included nine minority folk dances, musical numbers and acrobatic acts. One of the traditional instruments used was a green tree leaf. Acrobatic acts included a girl juggling another girl, a boy balancing center stage on a ladder while flipping bowls from his foot to his head, and "Flexible Poses," a contortionist routine. The performance ended with the Yunnan Folk Song and Dance: "Happy Children."

Mr. Armstrong attended the June 2 performance, as did Gao Younias,

deputy consul general of the People's Republic of China in San Francisco, Calif. Afterward they met with the children backstage. Wan Xiaojun, silver medal winner of the National Youth Musical Instrument Competition in 1984, gave a dai (Chinese flute) to Mr. Armstrong.

The children were then escorted to the Hall of Administration for a reception. Juanita St. John, representing Mayor Tom Bradley of Los Angeles, and John Crowley, the vice mayor of Pasadena, welcomed them to this area, said Mr. La Ravia.

Two performances for students in the Pasadena Unified School District took place June 4. About 1,200 attended each performance. That evening their final performance of (See *TOUR*, page 7)



FAREWELL VISIT — Some of the Little Ambassadors of Yunnan performing group from China visit Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong (center) at the campus Social Center June 9 before leaving for San Francisco, Calif., to return to China. [Photo by Nathan Faulkner]

Media growth continues for Church worldwide

By David Hulme

PASADENA — Nineteen-five continues to be a year of worldwide media growth for God's Church.

Financial difficulties experienced by an American television evangelist enabled God's Church to pick up six new television stations

and improve airing times in Canada (stations and times appear at the end of this article).

Direct mail scheduled

Plans for a direct-mail campaign this fall in Canada were completed the week of June 4 to 8 here at Church headquarters. One million pieces of mail offering a subscription to *The Plain Truth* are scheduled to be mailed.

David Hulme, a pastor-rank minister, is director of Media Purchasing for the Church.

Plain Truth penetration in Canada continues to be the best worldwide, with 1 in 27 people receiving the magazine. This depth of penetration has contributed greatly to the Canadian Regional Office's ability to subsidize the preaching of the Gospel in other countries.

The ability to subsidize international areas is also fostered by the fact that Canada does not have to support the large operations overhead that the Church's headquarters must do in Pasadena. Even with these overhead costs, headquarters still subsidizes international operations at about twice the monetary level of Canada's contributions.

A combination of media availability, relatively low population (24.8 million), a high standard of living and freedom of religion have made Canada fertile ground for receiving God's truth.

In the United States *Plain Truth* penetration is 1 in 56. In order to equal Canadian media-spending (See *MEDIA*, page 7).

Minerals: Achilles' heel of U.S. economy

PASADENA — Americans have been greatly blessed with mineral abundance.

The United States, along with other English-speaking nations descended largely from Joseph, has been an exceedingly fruitful nation (Genesis 49:22). We have enjoyed bountiful harvests because of good land, good weather and abundant rainfall — the "blessings of heaven above" (verse 25, Revised Authorized Version).

In the same verse these nations were prophesied to also enjoy "blessings of the deep that lies beneath" — a reference to abundant mineral resources.

The latter blessing is eroding away, at least as far as the United States is concerned. U.S. mining and mineral processing industries suffer from suffocating governmental regulations, the impact of radical, unbalanced environmentalism, low-cost foreign competition and a dangerous overreliance for key minerals on politically unstable parts of the world.

June 10, I heard about this critical situation firsthand in San Fran-

cisco, Calif. I traveled there to hear a speech delivered to the Commonwealth Club by J. Allen Overton, president of the American Mining Congress.

He warned that the United States is "losing its mining, minerals and minerals processing base" — the foundation of modern society.

"The stakes are high," said Mr. Overton, "yet most Americans are not tuned in to the problem... It is not without reason that minerals have been called the bedrock of civilization and, throughout history, the stepping-stones of human destiny."

"Without minerals, we would have no factories or offices, no schools or hospitals, no highways or railroads or planes to fly in the sky, no communications networks or energy systems, no means of equipping the military that defends us or cultivating the agriculture that feeds us, no human habitat more advanced than the one that preceded the Stone Age."

"It can truly be said that our horn of plenty begins with a hole in the ground."

Mr. Overton challenged charges of environmental extremists who have exerted intense pressure to severely curtail mining operations and even minerals searching, especially on federally owned lands.

"What cannot truly be said, despite the outcry of assorted zealots, is that all our material bounty has been bought at the expense of rap-

years is involved from the point of minerals exploration to on-site development, to extraction, smelting and manufacture of the primary products.

Moreover, the basic components of the minerals process — the mines, the smelters, the stamping plants — cannot be, as Mr. Overton said, "turned on and off like a pigiot."

WORLDWATCH

By Gene H. Hogberg



ing and ruining the land. Moreover, we ought to remember that over the entire history of this nation, with all the material blessings that mining has produced, only a fraction of 1 percent of the land's surface has ever been touched by a miner's pick."

The average person doesn't stop to think that a process of several

Once lost, it will take years — if ever — to recover it."

Dangerously dependent

At the same time that domestic producers have been closing operations, American industry has become dangerously dependent upon foreign sources of minerals. Most critical is the reliance on southern Africa for key minerals such as chrome, manganese and cobalt. Meanwhile, the Soviet Union — the only other possessor of such key minerals in quantity — continues to

literature? Could we explain the doctrines of the Church to others if we were called upon to do so?

None of us know exactly how much time we have to prepare to be teachers. No matter how old or young we are our lives could be snuffed out at any moment. Our human lives are extremely fragile — like the wild flowers of the field, God says. Here for only a short time.

Are we redeeming the time God has given us to absorb His Word, and to put into daily practice His commandments? To be the most credible, convincing teachers, we must be thoroughly convinced ourselves. We must be applying His laws and learning through our own personal experience that God's way works.

"For every one who lives on milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, for he is a child. But solid food is for the mature, for those who have their faculties trained by practice to distinguish good from evil" (Hebrews 5:13-14, Revised Standard Version).

When opportunities to "give an answer" (I Peter 3:15) come up, we shouldn't feel incompetent to explain the Church's doctrines. Let's make a goal right now before the summer is over to read one of Mr. Armstrong's basic booklets or to go back over the Bible Correspondence Course and chain reference the pertinent scriptures in our Bibles so that we know and know that we know how to explain the particular doctrine covered.

Practice explaining it to your mate or your children. If you're single, encourage a friend or relative to make the same goal and practice explaining the doctrines to one another.

As soon as you're sure that you can explain that doctrine, go on to another. If you're unsure about a point, ask your minister.

Use your family Bible studies to best advantage. Spark your family conversations at the dinner table. Be able to advise and guide your children from God's Word.

Analyze your life and your activities. What are your priorities? How much time are you spending teaching or preparing to teach? Pare down the nonessentials. Like Bill, be totally committed to your calling. And then maybe we can hear Mr. Armstrong say, "Brethren, you've finally gotten it."

And we can look forward to Jesus Christ's words: "Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord" (Matthew 25:21).

Just one more thing

By Dexter H. Faulkner



Are you people getting it?

It was the first day of the college semester, and I sat in the history classroom with several other bored people waiting for the instructor to arrive. This was a required history class, so many of us were there only because we had to be.

As the desks filled with students, I flipped halfheartedly through my new textbooks.

"Good afternoon, class. Welcome to history 101." Startled by his booming voice, we watched our instructor purposefully stride to his desk, books and papers in his arms.

After depositing them and himself, he planted his elbows on the desk and steadily looked around the room. His blue eyes seemed to study each one of us individually as he checked the role.

Did everyone have his or her textbooks? Whose name was not on the role? Did all have copies of the class schedules? Within a matter of minutes his whirlwind personality had engulfed us.

"All right, people. You've got a large amount of material to cover this semester. But I'm going to be working a lot harder during this course than you are. That's a promise! So let's get going."

He kept his promise too. He was always on time and always prepared. And even though he was three times our age, he was the liveliest, most enthusiastic person in the room. Actually, he was all over the room. From his desk to the board to the map stand to sitting in the front row and waving his arms to emphasize a point.

He had traveled in many areas of the world and showed us slides and told us innumerable stories of his adventures to prove it. The people, the politics, the culture of the past came to life for us.

Have you ever had a teacher like that? A teacher who has so much impact on your life that you can never forget him or her? I've had a few, and I'm sure most of you have as well.

The teachers in our lives, whether they be our parents or grandparents, or high school or college instructors, have shaped and molded us far more than we realize. For bet-

ter or worse, much of what we are today is based on their training and example.

How about you? Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong continues to emphasize that our goal and special calling is to become teachers in the world tomorrow. Over and over he asks: "Are you people getting it? Do you really understand your calling?"

Well, do we? Do we really? God wants every one of us to be an even better teacher than the one described above. What do you think it takes to become a teacher like that?

Desire to be a teacher

First of all, and here's where many of us have a problem, you've got to want to become what God has called you to be — a ruler and a teacher. Along with fulfilling the commission of announcing to the world God's soon-coming Kingdom, we've got to make preparing to rule and teach one of the primary priorities in life.

The teacher I described (let's call him Bill) was not in God's Church. Yet he knew more about what was going on in the world than most of us. He read several newspapers and newsmagazines daily and weekly. He looked for trends culturally, socially and politically that might affect his world in the future. And he passed along that information to us, encouraging us to do the same.

Bill had prepared himself with years of education before he began teaching. (By the way, he never missed one class session all through college.) But his education didn't stop there; it continued right on.

He read and reread books pertaining to history. He attended seminars and conferences to glean from others in his field what they had experienced and learned. He traveled to further his personal experience with the cultures and peoples of other areas.

Know the doctrines

Brethren, again, do we really understand our calling? Are we 100 percent committed to preparing for it? Are we reading all the Church's

European Diary

By John Ross Schroeder



A genuine British hero

BOREHAMWOOD, England — John William Maxwell Aitken was the son of Lord Beaverbrook, British and Canadian newspaper magnate and key cabinet member during World War II.

Though heir apparent to the *Express* newspapers, he did not inherit his father's genius for journalism.

He was to earn his spurs during the Battle of Britain.

Sir Max Aitken died at 75 the last day of April. It was ironic that he was taken from his country at the time when celebrations took place throughout Western Europe, marking V-E (Victory in Europe) Day.

From the first day of battle his *Blenheim* fighter bomber went up to meet the invading fighters. Unlike many of his buddies Max Aitken was flying missions at the end of the war. He was fortunate to escape with his life.

"Never in the field of human conflict was so much owed by so many (See HERO, page 10)

Letters TO THE EDITOR

'Iron Sharpens Iron'

I know others have already written you about the section "Iron Sharpens Iron," but I feel I must add my 2 cents, too. I especially liked the April 1 section.

Dan Creed's article on women was uplifting and makes one feel one is on the right track by trying to be a good wife and mother and praying and fasting for the Work. It was inspiring to be encouraged to look for other service areas and examples of Anna and Dorcas and Timothy's womenfolk.

Also, Mr. [Fred] Stevens' article on closing the spiritual generation gap was timely. Sometimes we feel we are not close to God but it is our own fault for neglecting our relationship.

Polly Edington
Thief River Falls, Minn.

I have been helped tremendously by the column "Iron Sharpens Iron." It is fantastic...

I literally devour every morsel of spiritual food found there. The writers really get down to the nitty gritty of Christian living. Thanks ever so much. If we do not grow spiritually and overcome, it won't be your fault. You've done your part!

Martha Carroll Douglas
San Antonio, Tex.

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Letter response

We received your [Herbert W. Armstrong's] letter today reminding us that God's work is blessed mostly because of our fervent prayers and the way we conduct our personal lives. Even though 1 (See LETTERS, page 3)

expand its mineral base.

"We have been increasing our reliance on Zambia, Zaire, South Africa and other nations that are marked by social, political and economic instability," Mr. Overton said. The Soviets, on the other hand, "have spent billions of rubles to develop their mineral mother lode in Siberia, and recently completed a new 2,000-mile railroad to connect it with the heartland of its military manufacturing complex."

How dangerously dependent is the United States on foreign sources? Mr. Overton continued:

"Just recently the secretary of the Army testified before Congress that the United States is more than 50 percent dependent on foreign sources for 23 of 40 critical materials essential to the U.S. national security, while the Soviet Union is totally independent of foreign sources for 35 of these same critical 40 materials."

"When the secretary of the Army speaks of critical materials, he means materials that are absolutely essential to the making of tanks, jet engines, planes, armor-piercing shells, missile control systems and other weapons and armored transport in the arsenal of defense."

The possession of mineral resources, and the near-guaranteed access to those your nation doesn't have in abundance, are major factors of national power. In fact, ex-

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YOU essays: youths write themes on world change

PASADENA — "What I Would Change in the World and Why" was the topic for the 1985 Youth Opportunities United (YOU) essay contest, according to Jeb Egbert, YOU business administrator.

First place in the senior division went to Philip Helmuth, 19, of Vista, Calif.; Deborah Bratt, 17, of Portsmouth, Ohio, placed second; and Shari Seltzer, 17, of Kokato, Minn., placed third.

In the junior division the first place essay was written by Minette Burks, 14, of Shreveport, La.; second place went to Rob Poole, 13, of Bolingbrook, Ill.; and third place went to Wendy Kendall, 15, of Gladewater, Tex.

Winning essays

Philip would like to change people's attitudes toward one another. "At the risk of oversimplifying global troubles, I feel each and every problem man is plagued with today could be solved if each person would be courteous to those around him."

He continued: "Imagine a country where... the elderly and the disabled are cared for by family and friends. Crime is almost nonexistent because the citizens have everything they need. Employers pay fair wages and when someone is out of work or having financial trouble, friends and family help that person until they are working again or can support themselves."

In her winning essay, Minette, who also placed first in the junior division in last year's essay contest, wrote: "I think that if I narrowed it down to the root of the problem, the item to consider would be the current family concept."

"What is a family? A group of people, related by blood, sometimes living together, sometimes not? Is it just people that live together but could really care less about one another?"

"Certainly not!

"A family, a true family, is a group of people, small or large, that love each

other very much and are individually proud to be part of this wonderful gift that God has given us."

About 1,000 entries were received this year, Mr. Egbert said.

The purpose of the contest is "to develop another side of the young people's character and ability; to develop their thought processes; to get them to focus on positive aspects of the Church; and to get them writing."

YOU administrators and staff from Imperial Schools evaluated the essays on a 10-point scale. About 40 percent received a six or better, and these were passed on to Editorial Services staff, who selected the winners.

First prize in the senior division was \$100; second, \$50; and third, \$25. First prize in the junior division was \$50; second, \$25; and third, \$15.

"There has been a dramatic rise in talent and ability over the past two years," Mr. Egbert said.

Honorable mention

Senior division: Craig Alexander, 17, Jackson, Miss.; Sonya Jo Blythe, 18, Iuka, Miss.; Kathy L. Carr, 19, Portland, Ore.; Erin Chapman, 17, Reno, Nev.; Rhonda Evans, 17, Seaman, Ohio; Marcus O. Green, 16, Jackson, Miss.; Carol Harmon, 15, Vance, Ala.; Michelle Kardell, 16, Young America, Minn.; Sami Morden, 18, Arlington, Wash.; Perry W. Otis, 16, Sumiton, Ala.; Eula Persons, 19, Birmingham, Ala.; and Rodger Read, 19, Carver, Minn.

Junior division: Kendra Ashley, 14, Alabaster, Ala.; Mark R. Bastian, 14, Washington Crossing, Pa.; Lois Brandenberger, 15, Spencer-ville, Ind.; Deanna M. Dahlgren, 14, Tacoma, Wash.; Jason Edleman, 15, Winnsboro, Tex.; Charles T. Goad, 14, Fort Wayne, Ind.; Judy Halford, 15, South Pasadena, Calif.; Wendy Hoffman, 15, Western Springs, Ill.; Ruth Kirishian, 16, Puyallup, Wash.; Lisa Kissel, 14, Loveland, Colo.; David Kolodziej, 15, Berwyn, Ill.; Janet Manuel, 15, Concord, N.C.; and Stacy Pritt, 13, Pasadena.



CANADIAN MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE — Ministers and wives participating in a May 13 to 16 ministerial conference are photographed at the Banff Springs Hotel in Banff National Park, Alta. (See "Ministers, Wives Attend Conference in Canada," WN, June 10.) According to Colin Adair, regional director in English-speaking Canada, 167 ministers and wives attended the conference, which was the first all-Canadian conference in five years.

Serves 22 years for God's Church in Britain

Longtime receptionist retires

By John Ross Schroeder

BOREHAMWOOD, England — Eleanor Suckling, receptionist at the Borehamwood Office, retired May 31 after 22 years work for the Church in England.

Mrs. Suckling began work in November, 1963, at Ambassador College in Bricklet Wood, England. After the college closed she worked at the press building in Radlett, England, and has worked at Elstree House in Borehamwood since the Church moved its Brit-

ish Office here in 1982.

The staff of the British Office honored Mrs. Suckling with a luncheon in the office conference room. Frank Brown, regional director for the Church in the United Kingdom, Scandinavia, the Middle East and East and West Africa, presented her with a wristwatch, and recounted anecdotes about what she encountered on the job. The watch was purchased by the office staff and the ministry in the United Kingdom.

Mrs. Suckling retired to spend

time with her son, Arthur, director of financial aids for Pasadena Ambassador College, her daughter, Diane Sower, and four grandchildren in the Pasadena area. Mrs. Suckling's sons, Arthur and Paul, and son-in-law Ronald Sower, serve in the ministry.



ELEANOR SUCKLING

Letters TO THE EDITOR

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thank you very much for these letters, I wish that there were no need for you to have to remind us that we must keep on praying fervently and not stop.

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Goodman Jr.
Roanoke, Va.

My husband and I have been shown again you cannot out give God. Before leaving on a business-pleasure trip last week we received the letter from Mr. [Herbert] Armstrong about the needs for 100 trained ministers to be placed out into the field. We prayed about this need and sent in a check to be used in this need.

During our trip the next week we received so many discounts on our rental cars, hotels and purchases that we just had to write and share this with you. In totaling all our expenses upon our return we found we paid less than half of what the normal rate would have been. Our lives are blessed each day. We have enclosed another check in the same amount as the first for your use in God's work.

Mr. and Mrs. Mel Holman
Apache Junction, Ariz.

Music directors for 1985 Festival named

PASADENA — The Festival Office here announced U.S. and Canadian special music coordinators (SMC), festival choir directors (DIR) and children's choir directors (CCD).

Instrumentalists or soloists should contact the special music coordinator for the site listed below that they plan to attend.

Those interested in performing at a Feast site should contact the appropriate person listed below and request copies of the music to be used. List the instrument you play or voice part you sing and your experience level.

Please note that contacting the appropriate director and learning the music before the Feast is mandatory. Rehearsals during the Feast are only to warm up the group and put the final polish on the performance.

U.S. sites

Anchorage, Alaska: Michael Pickett (SMC), (DIR), 2919 Wiley Post Ave., Anchorage, Alaska, 99503; Mark Roth (CCD), Box 54, Soldotna, Alaska, 99669.

Big Sandy: Kenneth Treybig (SMC), Box 383, Hawkins, Tex., 75765; Dennis Pelley (DIR), Mail Processing Center, 64 W. Valley, Pasadena, Calif., 91129.

Biloxi, Miss.: Thomas Hammett (SMC), (DIR), 1614 Vance Ave., Chattanooga, Tenn., 37404.

Corpus Christi, Tex.: Thomas Senyeri (SMC), 16500 Henderson Pass, No. 1405, San Antonio, Tex.,

78232; Byron Griffin (DIR), 8602 Woodwind, San Antonio, Tex., 78251.

Dayton, Ohio: Alvin Dennis (SMC), (DIR), 4267 Cider Mill Dr., Cincinnati, Ohio, 45245; Richard Daulton (CCD), 1739 Chase Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio, 45223.

Eugene, Ore.: James Morrison (SMC), (DIR), (CCD), 10119 Ramsey Rd., Gold Hill, Ore., 97525.

Jekyll Island, Ga.: William Powell (SMC), (DIR), 6908 La Flam Circle, Jacksonville, Fla., 32208; Paul Nowlen (CCD), Box 11, Jenkinsville, S.C., 29065.

Johnson City, Tenn.: Harold Salmon (SMC), (DIR), 512 Meadow Crest Dr., Bristol, Va., 24201; Marylou Wells (CCD), 328 Cedar Valley Rd., Bristol, Tenn., 37620.

Lake of the Ozarks, Mo.: Wilbur Malone (SMC), (DIR), 34 Cindy Court, Foristell, Mo., 63348.

Lihue, Kauai, Hawaii: John Bawice (SMD), (DIR), Box 5185, Pleasanton, Calif., 94566.

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Saratoga Springs, N.Y.: Kenneth Williams (SMC), Box 612, Concord, N.H., 03301; James Her-rick (DIR), 203 Loudon Bldg. 2A6, Concord, N.H., 03301.

Spokane, Wash.: Paul Shumway (SMC), 15932 Spanaway Loop Rd. S., Spanaway, Wash., 98387; Dwan Sanders (DIR), 13013 Spanaway Loop Rd. S., Tacoma, Wash., 98444; Margaret Hilliker (CCD), 12909 9th Ave. NW, Gig Harbor, Wash., 98335.

Tucson, Ariz.: William Samuelson (SMC), (DIR), 5028 48th Ave. NE, Seattle, Wash., 98105; Hernan Herrera (instrumental ensemble), Mail Processing Center, 64 W. Valley, Pasadena, Calif., 91129.

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First member in Kansas says she belongs with God's people

By Martha Riley

WICHITA, Kan. — Thirty-five years ago Mary Ellen Hattan, 90, the first member of the Philadelphia era of God's Church from Kansas, was baptized by Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong in Pasadena.

Martha Riley is a member who attends the Wichita, Kan., church.

Born in Blue Mound, Kan., May 8, 1895, Mary spent her early childhood among the coal mines of eastern Kansas where her father was a miner. She was married for 60 years and reared four children, while she and her husband, J.C., farmed and sold wholesale produce in Fredonia, Kan.

In 1943 Mrs. Hattan first heard Mr. Armstrong's *World Tomorrow* radio broadcast on XEG in Monterrey, Mexico. After receiving her first booklet, *The United States and British Commonwealth in Prophecy*, she remembers thinking, "That's just what I have been looking for."

Mrs. Hattan's first meeting with Mr. Armstrong and his wife, Loma, took place in Eugene, Ore., in 1946, when her daughter was ill. "Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong came to the hospital one night and Mr. Armstrong anointed her," Mrs. Hattan recalled.

She said that Mr. Armstrong explained God's plan of salvation and this provided comfort when her daughter died.

After her baptism in 1950, her contact with the Church continued

by radio and printed material. Contact with other brethren was limited until the founding of the Wichita church in 1961.

Although she lived 100 miles from Wichita, Mrs. Hattan seldom missed a Sabbath service or activity. "If God's people are somewhere in a



SABBATH HUG — Mary Ellen Hattan greets Dennis Robertson, Pasadena Ambassador College faculty member. [Photo by Sheila Graham]

group, I belong there too," she said.

Mrs. Hattan continued to travel the 100 miles to services for 11 years, until the death of her husband. In 1972, she moved to Wichita to be closer to the church.

Though she is 90 Mrs. Hattan actively entertains brethren in her home with home-cooked meals and hospitality.

She enjoys quilting, pitch (a card game), dancing, bowling and hugging. Known for extending her arms to give a hug to everyone, she is of-

ten affectionately called Grandma Hattan.

The Wichita church honored Mrs. Hattan with a surprise dinner after Sabbath services April 27. After brethren arrived at Orchard Park Recreation Center, Wichita pastor Judd Kirk gave Mrs. Hattan a corsage, a photograph and memory album and an airline ticket to Pasadena, purchased from contributions by Wichita brethren. Mrs. Hattan said: "I'm speechless, but how did you keep this from me?"

Accompanied by Wichita member Barbara Graber, Mrs. Hattan kept Pentecost in Pasadena, her first visit there since she was baptized in 1960. She also met with Mr. Armstrong.

More than 30 people in the Pasadena area who once attended services in Wichita were notified of Mrs. Hattan's visit and sat together at Pentecost services in the Imperial church to honor her.



AMONG FRIENDS — Mary Ellen Hattan, 90, the first Church member from Kansas, who was baptized in 1950 and attends the Wichita, Kan., church, poses with brethren after Sabbath services in the Pasadena Imperial church May 25. [Photo by Sheila Graham]

'He didn't want to sit and wait'

Rare disease claims teen's life

By Cindy Glenzer

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — Today is Tony Roemer's 16th birthday. But instead of marking the occasion with a celebration, his family is preparing to bury him.

He couldn't resist the lure of the volleyball court, and playing basketball was quickly becoming a favorite pastime.

You couldn't say he was a fiercely competitive athlete; he didn't play for any of his high school teams. He simply loved a good challenge — whether it was the challenge of a good race or the challenge of day-to-day living.

Sunday afternoon the life that

This article appeared on the front page of the May 21 Anchorage, Alaska, Times. It is reprinted by permission. Service High School in Anchorage conducted the Tony Roemer First Annual Soccer Fun Match May 31. Tony's father, Earl, pastors the Anchorage, Fairbanks, Palmer and Soldotna, Alaska, churches.

was stretched taut, snapped. Roemer, who suffered from a rare terminal disease, had a heart seizure during the 60-Minute Challenge Race and died an hour and a half later.

He never finished his final race, but Roemer's family and friends don't believe the Sunday run was the race that really mattered.

"He was a walking time bomb and he knew it," Roemer's father Earl said. "He just wasn't going to let it keep him from doing the things he wanted to do."

"Tony didn't want to sit and wait. He wanted to be really active and he was. He played volleyball and basketball with the Church youth group every week and he really wanted to run this race."

"He had run it last year and did the mileage he said he would and he enjoyed himself. He was really looking forward to the race. It was something he wanted to do."

The Service High School sophomore was diagnosed at birth as having a congenital disorder known as Marfan's disease. It attacks the heart, eyes and other soft body tissues and is commonly known as "The President's Disease," as Abraham Lincoln was a known sufferer.

"We knew it could happen at any time," Earl Roemer said. "The March of Dimes did a tremendous job monitoring him and the University of Washington sent its leading pathologist up every year to check on him."

"We knew the disease unfortunately was terminal, but it is still never easy when it actually happens."

Roemer was taken by ambulance from the race route to Providence Hospital, where he was pronounced dead.

Active in the Worldwide Church of God and Youth Opportunities United, Roemer made his mark at Service with what were commonly referred to as "Tony-jokes," according to close friend Van Perrigo.

"Tony was probably one of the most humorous guys I ever knew," Perrigo said. "He was really into jokes and was always looking for new ones to spread around."

"He liked a good laugh and he was very, very intelligent," Perrigo said. "I don't think he looked on the dark side of things very often. He certainly never talked about (the disease). Not a lot of people knew about it and I had no idea it was ter-



TONY ROEMER

minal. He never told me that." Fond of chess and other strategy board games and an avid Los Angeles Lakers fan, Roemer recently received his second straight nomination for a Presidential award in languages.

Roemer, born May 21, 1969, in Youngstown, Ohio, had been an Anchorage resident for eight years.

Graveside services will be held at 2 p.m., Thursday, at Anchorage Memorial Park, officiated by Samuel Butler of the Worldwide Church of God.

Roemer is survived by his parents, Earl and Carol, his sisters, Debbie and Chrissie, and his brother, Thad. He also leaves his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Springer of Burnt Woods, Ore., and Mr. and Mrs. Charles [H.] Roemer of Pasadena, Calif.

Invalid reaches out with radio

BRADENTON, Fla. — Amateur radio operator Barry Yoder of Bradenton travels the world without leaving his bed.

Confined to a bed and wheelchair with lung problems, Yoder, a member of the Manatee Amateur Radio Club, has communicated with people as far away as Japan, Africa and the Soviet Union on his ham radio set. He became interested in amateur radio 31 years ago and calls it an avocation rather than a hobby.

This article is about Barry Yoder, a deacon in the Sarasota, Fla., church who is confined to a wheelchair and given oxygen because of lung problems. He attends Sabbath services regularly. The article appeared in the April 18 Bradenton, Fla., Herald and is reprinted by permission.

"Most people get involved in amateur radio because of the thrill and fascination of communicating with others around the world," Yoder said. "You can flick a switch and twirl a knob to reach the world and beyond."

One of the most important aspects of amateur radio is public service. "Hams have a long tradition of establishing and maintaining communications in the event of a disaster or emergency," Yoder said.

Amateurs will be working closely with law enforcement agencies and disaster service agencies again this hurricane season, he said.

The endless experiments by hams for improved radio communications often result in practical civilian and military applications.

One example is the single-sideband, pioneered by hams, which al-

lows more communication channels to be made available within the same amount of radio space.

Hams use teletype, television and exotic digital communications. A recent development has been packet radio, which sends and receives messages at the rate of more than 1,000 words per minute.

Not only can hams talk to people in far off lands, they're also out of this world, sending signals to the moon and bouncing them back to earth to contact other amateurs.

"The future holds an almost limitless amount of communication possibilities," Yoder said.

It's not that expensive to get set

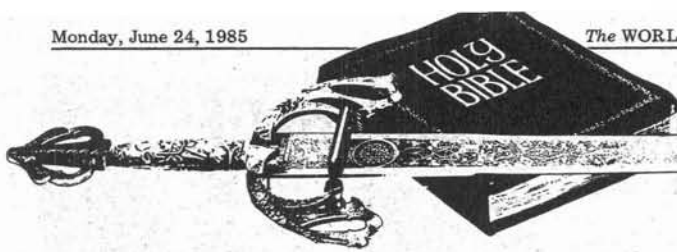
up as a ham radio operator, Yoder said. "You can go to a hamfest, which is an electronic swap meet and buy used equipment. Then you can get another ham to help you set up."

Yoder prefers to communicate in Morse Code. "I've gotten pretty fast, about 80 words a minute," he said. A basic Morse system, using secondhand equipment, would cost about \$25, he said.

A license is required to operate a ham radio. Examinations are given by a three-person team composed of other amateurs. There are five license classes in ham radio from the novice to the extra class.



SIGNAL SENDER — Barry Yoder, a deacon in the Sarasota, Fla., church, who is confined to a wheelchair, communicates in Morse Code on his ham radio set. [Photo by Carson Baldwin]



IRON SHARPENS IRON

Can you know if you qualify to be in the Kingdom of God?

By Graemme J. Marshall
Are you qualifying — this minute — to enter the Kingdom of God? Can you know if what you are doing is enough? Is your Christian growth satisfactory?
These questions often beg for answers in every one of our lives!

Where do you stand in God's eyes? Is what you have done since learning about God's truth sufficient? How can you know?

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If only God would talk to you personally and say what He thinks of your progress! On two occasions God the Father did exactly this for Christ, letting Christ know that He was pleased with Christ's life (Matthew 3:17, 17:5). What immense comfort and encouragement this must have been for Jesus.

How can you receive encouragement to know your efforts please God? And how can you know what must be done to become pleasing, if you are below par?

God sent Jesus Christ to not only be a sacrifice for sin, but to be an example for us. It is in Christ's example that we may gain eternal life.

Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong has pointed out that true Christians are training to be teachers in the world tomorrow. When we become "kings and priests" (Revelation 5:10), we will, as spirit-born Christians, assist Christ in teaching others God's way.

But what of now? Are you confident of being in God's Kingdom? What standard will determine whether you become God?

Jesus was (and is) the greatest teacher — even His enemies acknowledged His uniqueness (John 3:2, 7:46). Scripture reveals Christ as the Captain and Author of our salvation. He set us the example to follow (Hebrews 2:10, 5:9, 1 Peter 2:21). If we diligently strive to make His example ours, then we are on the way to qualifying for the Kingdom.

How would you answer for yourself: (1) Is the Father pleased with me? (2) At Christ's return, can I be sure that He will see in me His mind and character?

Scripture warns about a group of professing Christians expecting to enter the Kingdom to whom He will say, "Verily I say unto you, I know you not" (Matthew 25:11-12). How can you avoid having this said of you?

The answer is to know how Christ was the greatest teacher of all time, and to follow that example.

Here are five major areas of Christ's example:

(1) *Christ was master of His subject.*

He knew Scripture. He repeatedly corrected the Pharisees: "Ye do err, not knowing the scriptures" (Matthew 22:29). Even when they knew its literal application, He rebuked their lack of understanding the spiritual intent (Luke 13:15-16).

Christ quoted Scripture from memory in the way the Bible is to become part of our minds. Knowing Scripture can safeguard us from the lies, falsehood and heresy prophesied for the latter days (1 Timothy 4:1-2).

Mr. Armstrong has written that "we must all speak the same thing — and it must be the very same thing Jesus teaches in His Word." As Christ said, "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God" (Matthew 4:4).



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One key to knowing whether you are qualifying is the extent that you know Scripture and can understand and apply its spiritual intent (II Timothy 2:15).

(2) *Christ set a blameless example.*

His words matched His deeds. He practiced what He preached.

A common expression goes, "I cannot hear what you are saying, because what you are speaking too loudly." Words and deeds often fail

to match. Paul warned the Roman Christians about such hypocrisy: "Thou that preachest a man should not steal, dost thou steal? Thou that sayest a man should not commit adultery, dost thou commit adultery?" (Romans 2:21-22).

Of bishops and deacons in the Church, Scripture requires an impeccable example to always be evidence (1 Timothy 3:2-12).

It comes down to being a professing Christian or a real one. To qualify for the Kingdom, true Christians must practice what they preach.

(3) *Christ knew human nature.* Christ did not need human adulation, because He "knew what was in man" (John 2:25). He understood lusts, passions and desires. Knowing this, He was not hoodwinked by appearances and flattering words.

He often knew in advance what others were thinking (Matthew 9:4). He could recognize evil motives (Mark 12:15). He saw behind the puzzlement of His disciples (Luke 9:46-47).

We often think we know someone else's intent by body language, facial expressions or attitude. But perception isn't always that easy. We are often wrong. Proverbs warns that a hearty welcome to dinner may hide vain motives (Proverbs 23:7). Have you learned that you are your own worst enemy? Or do you look into

the mirror of God's law — see what human nature is — and then walk away, neglectful of how it also applies to you (James 1:22-24)?

To qualify for the Kingdom you must know that your greatest fight is with yourself, not others.

(4) *Christ was master of His emotions.*

Christ's thoughts were always under emotional control. He got righteously angry when He threw the money changers out of the Temple. This was godly indignation and was appropriate.

Scripture admonishes, "Let not the sun go down upon your wrath" (Ephesians 4:26). Don't carry angry attitudes over into another day.

When Christ was falsely accused and attacked by angry humans, He kept calm and controlled (Matthew 27:12-14). When He was physically abused and assaulted, He held His emotions in check (Matthew 26:63, 67-68). He always epitomized self-control and discipline.

To reflect His life, you must also be making progress in this area of emotional maturity and discipline. Proverbs 22:24-25 warns, "Make no friendship with an angry man; and with a furious man thou shalt not go: lest thou learn his ways, and get a snare to thy soul."

Do you know Christians who get furious and upset, who are always depressed or negative, who yell at people and fly off the handle? Don't identify with such bad behavior. Instead, know Christ's emotional discipline and follow that example.

(5) *Christ was dedicated to doing God's work.*

All His thoughts and energies were directed at fulfilling the com-

mission God had given Him. He said, "I must work the works of him that sent me" (John 9:4). His sole purpose in life was to perform the will of God the Father (John 5:30).

Likewise, we today must have Jesus' fervor in doing the work God has given us (Matthew 24:14; 28:19-20). That's the main reason we were called at this time. Nothing else is more important.

Does completing God's work take priority in how you spend your time, how you pray, how you plan your life, how you handle your money? As Mr. Armstrong has said, you will grow spiritually — qualify for God's Kingdom — in proportion to how much your heart is in God's work.

This is probably the most important point in Christ's example for us, and should be the most important consideration in our lives right now.

You can be confident

Can you be confident that God is pleased with your life? At Christ's return, will He see His mind reflected in you (Philippians 2:5)?

The answers will all be positive if you are now striving to know Scripture and live a blameless life, if you know your real enemy and are gaining supremacy over your hard-to-handle emotions and if you are devoting your every effort to doing your part in God's great work.

If the Father and Christ are well pleased with your life, you know you will have entrance into the Kingdom of God, to live eternally.

Pray that all true Christians gain this immortal goal.

Family unity essential for rearing teens

By George Delap
Some say the trouble with teenagers is they think they know it all. That may be true, but so did you and I when we were that age.

But we learned much since that time. A lot of development still has to take place from the teenage years.

Child training doesn't stop at age 8 or 10. Many parents, it seems, think that after six or seven years, the job's done. But when a child reaches 11 or 12, the parents are in for a shock. Child rearing isn't over yet.

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Yes, the job changes. The job becomes different as the child progresses through puberty. But child training is important, and it takes every bit as much time.

God designed the family as the ideal place for teenage training and development. Here are four steps in building family unity.

(1) *Set family standards together.*

Proper standards of behavior are a requirement. It begins with the parents. God expects parents to take the principles found in the Bible to set standards of behavior that will not only bring harmony to the home, but also teach children essential lessons.

It must be done by husband and wife together. Communication is important. The husband should not decide alone what the family rules should be — this is a family matter. Agreement is essential (Amos 3:3).

That might mean a little bit of give and take. It is far more important to reach agreement than for one mate to get his or her own way.

Standards need to be realistic. For instance, the husband might have extreme ideas about modesty. He might say: "No daughter of mine is going out with a skirt that comes above mid-calf. And I won't stand for one of these new hairdos. I prefer her hair to be brushed back and in a bun at the back."

We've got to take account of the real world when we set the house rules. That doesn't mean compromising with God's law, but we don't want our teenagers to be unnecessarily odd. We don't want to place an unnecessary burden on them.

Families with teenage girls, take note: It's essential that the husband listen to his wife's input. Some things only the wife can teach her daughters. The wife knows about being a girl. The husband has not had that opportunity.

Obviously, once you've set family standards you might have to adjust them once in a while. Whatever you decide, do it together.

(2) *Talk to children about family standards.* Family unity starts between husband and wife, but it must come to embrace the whole family.

Communicate with your teens. Discuss the rules with them. Don't be afraid to accept input from them. New input might cause you to amend one of your rules.

Teenagers are not little children. They are young adults, and you have to treat them accordingly. You can't just give orders all the time and expect them, without any reason, backup or understanding, to jump into line and say, "Yes, sir."

Paul wrote in Ephesians 6:4, "Fathers, provoke not your children to

wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." Sometimes we fail to explain properly. When our teens don't understand, they may get a bit turned off. So take the time to talk.

We expect our teenagers to respect us as parents. One way we can teach that respect is by showing them respect.



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(3) *Hold standards fast.* Once you as parents have set standards with input from your children, then hold fast to them. Don't run scared.

A family had two daughters. In this case the husband set the standards himself. His wife was expected to just fall into line, and in the beginning she did.

But when the oldest daughter reached 15, she wanted to take a job in a disco. It meant staying out late and being involved with questionable company. The father said, "No!"

But the girl replied, "I'll be 16 next week, and if you don't let me do it, I'm going to leave home."

The mother panicked. She sided with the daughter and cut the ground from under her husband's feet.

The daughter left anyway.

And not only did this girl lose respect for her parents, but the younger one followed on her heels. Now neither daughter has much respect for Mother and Dad.

This episode caused an immense problem between the parents. Happily, that was healed. But they made a damaging mistake; they ran scared.

Remember to hold on to the standards that have been set (II Thessalonians 2:15). Parents cannot afford to bow to pressure. Don't compromise. Once you've agreed on the house rules and you know they are right for your family, stand fast.

Paul told the Galatians, "Let us not be weary in well-doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not" (6:9). Apply that scripture to your family.

(4) *Set the example.* Jesus said we are the light of the world (Matthew 5:14). The people closest to our light are our children. If our example isn't shining on them, then on whom is it going to shine?

Nowhere is our example more important than in the home. Your teenagers know what God expects of you. They have an embarrassingly accurate picture of Christian standards as those standards are applied in your home.

If we don't exemplify God's laws, then we shouldn't expect our children to live up to our own family standards. Our example has an enormous impact on our children — for good or for bad.

Do your teenagers justice. Apply these basic steps and build unity into your home. Provide the proper family environment and enable your teenagers to become solid adults.

Train your teens together!

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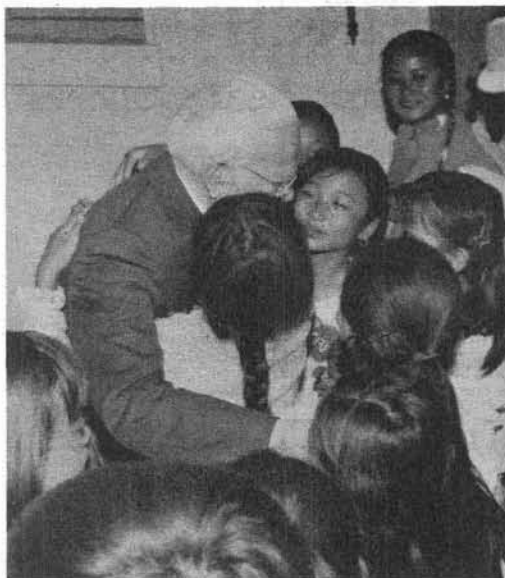
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Media

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levels, the Church would have to allocate much more money than is now available.

Japan advertisements

In Japan, progress continues on English-language advertisements scheduled to run in August. Since the magazines selected are specifically for Japanese students studying English, good response is anticipated.

Preliminary direct-mail campaigns in Italy and France began in early June. These test campaigns offering Church literature will help refine the focus for scheduled campaigns this fall.

Early indications are that direct mail works extremely well for God's Church in Europe.

New Canadian stations

Following are new stations and time improvements added in Canada:

- ALBERTA**
CFCN, Calgary — 4, 11 a.m., Sun.
- BRITISH COLUMBIA**
KVOS, Vancouver — 12, 10:30 a.m., Sun.
- ONTARIO**
CKWS, Kingston — 11, 12:30 p.m., Sun.
CHEX, Peterborough — 12, 12:30 p.m., Sun.
- SASKATCHEWAN**
CICC, Yorkton — 10, 6:30 p.m., Sun.
- QUEBEC**
CFCF, Montreal — 12, 9:30 a.m., Sun.

Tour

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the tour took place.

Before their arrival in Pasadena the group performed in Portland, Ore.; Kelowna, B.C.; Edmonton, Alta.; Vancouver, B.C.; and Victoria, B.C.

While in Vancouver, Colin Adair, regional director of the work in Canada, and his wife, Margaret, welcomed the children to their home May 28, according to John Dyck, a Church member who manages the Queen Elizabeth Theatre in

Vancouver, where the children performed.

After dinner, the Adairs joined the group to attend the opening performance of the Dance Theatre of Harlem in the Queen Elizabeth Theatre. The performers welcomed the children backstage afterward and exchanged gifts with them.

During their stay in Pasadena, the group visited Disneyland, Sea World and Universal Studios, toured Pasadena, Los Angeles, Hollywood and China Town, and attended picnics prepared for them, accompanied by students from

Imperial School.

Their last day on campus was June 9. The children went to say good-bye to Mr. Armstrong, who commented that, "11 of them gave me a personal hug and a kiss... Now I have grandchildren all over the world."

After touring San Francisco, the group left for home June 10.

"This cultural exchange, aided by the warmth and affection of this talented group, was another step in the direction of the worldwide peace that is soon to come," Mr. La Rava said.

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Martin & Jane Yale
Local elder
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Mary Carr

ACCENT ON THE LOCAL CHURCH



COMPUTER LESSON — Allan Priest (standing) instructs (from left) Lionel Robas, Trevor Robas and Jimmy Robertson, members who attend the Johannsburg, South Africa, East church, at one of seven lectures during a seminar that ended April 2. [Photo by James Mathie]

Members attend seminar, hear evangelist

April 2, 22 **JOHANNESBURG**, South Africa, **EAST** brethren and friends completed a seven-lecture computer seminar in the home of Allan Priest, a Johannsburg East member.

Last year Mr. Priest was commissioned to design a computer system for the South African breweries. This gave rise to Mr. Priest conducting seminars for brethren in his home to educate them in the functions of a computer.

Topics covered included basic programming, hands-on computer participation, word processing, computer use in bookkeeping, interfacing with a printer or liquid crystal display, demonstrations of home computer use and networks and multiuser business concepts.

A certificate was presented to all those who completed the seminar.

At the Hotel Mindanao in **CAGAYAN DE ORO**, Philippines, May 11, evangelist Dean Blackwell, who is conducting a training program for Philippine ministers, elders and wives, said in a Sabbath sermon, "This is a work of the widow's mite."

Mr. Blackwell explained how the work of God's Church has always been like the grain of mustard seed.

In the afternoon brethren watched Mr. Blackwell's slide presentation of his Bible-mark-

ing system, the land of Israel, the Dead Sea, the Mediterranean and Jordanian territory including Petra.

The next day Mr. Blackwell lectured singles on sex, marriage and family relations.

Mr. Blackwell and his wife, Maxine, and Dominador Guevarra, finance officer of the Manila, Philippines, Regional Office, left Cagayan de Oro for Manila in the afternoon May 12.

A.F. Priest and Jessup M. Bahinting.

Clubs conduct ladies nights, dinners, gala

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark., Spokesman Club members were on hand for their final meeting and ladies night May 12. Capping off a year of opportunities, including the assignment of a unique experience speech, the club met in the historic train depot at Eureka Springs, Ark.

President Maurice Ware gave introductory remarks, followed by tabletopics by Jim Northrup, Director John Elliott, pastor of the Fayetteville and Fort Smith, Ark., churches, expressed his appreciation for the club members' performance and growth.

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YES, families spend day in country

LAWTON, Okla., Youth Educational Services (YES) members and their families spent a spring day in the country May 5.

YES members participated in sack races, three-legged races, baton-pass relays, tug-of-war, swimming in a creek and a wiener roast.

The day ended with a 10-mile hayride and an impromptu tour of a field to watch hay being baled. Winifred and Ercole Bailey were hosts of the event. *David Carley.*

DAUPHIN, Man., Spokesman Club members conducted their final club meeting of the year with a ladies night at La Verendrye restaurant May 6.

The evening began with topics-master Bill Sass presenting a variety of topics. A prime rib dinner followed. During the meal the group was entertained by the Dauphin Barbershoppers.

Toastmaster Ken Aime then introduced speakers for the evening: Lynt Weaver, Pierre Demers, Sam Letwinetz and Neil Durnin, who spoke on different aspects of leadership.

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Graduation certificates were presented to Mr. Durnin, Mr. Letwinetz and Mr. Demers.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, **NORTH** and **SOUTH** Spokesman and Graduate Club members and invited guests honored graduating Spokesmen with a combined dinner and dance May 12 at the Quality Inn Riverside in Covington, Ky.

A social hour of fellowship began the evening and was followed by opening remarks by associate pastor Ronald Weinland. After dinner, pastor Bob League spoke on the invaluable training received in the

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Brethren tour Israel, spend time at camp

About 50 Church members from **SWITZERLAND, FRANCE** and **WEST GERMANY** took a 10-day sight-seeing tour through Israel May 7 to 16. The tour was organized by Thomas Lapacka, pastor of the Zurich and Basel, Switzerland, and Stuttgart, West Germany, churches, and Samuel Kneller, Paris, France, pastor.

Participants met at the Zurich airport and departed on a four-hour flight to Tel Aviv, Israel, where

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they were welcomed by Itzhak Gershuni, an Israeli tour guide, and Eli, their bus driver.

The next morning group members started their tour along the Mediterranean coast, visiting Caesarea, Haifa and Akko. Leaving the coast, they went toward Mt. Carmel.

That evening they arrived at the kibbutz guest house Nof-Ginossar, on the shores of the Sea of Galilee. Many took a swim in the sea that night or early the next morning.

The next day the group traveled along the Golan Heights to Caesarea Philippi and back to Capernaum, from where they took a boat trip across the Sea of Galilee to Tiberias.

Mejiddo, where armies will gather for the last battle, proved to be an interesting site. They continued through the Judean desert up to Jerusalem, where they stayed at the kibbutz guest house Kiriat Anavim,

Singles honor seniors, YES

The **UNION, N.J.**, singles club sponsored a senior citizens luncheon May 4 at Union High School. Event coordinators were Doreen Robinson and Florence Coan.

After Sabbath services, the setup committee arranged appetizers for the seniors, including juices, coffee and tea.

Ronald Robinson, a Union local church elder and singles club director, then welcomed the senior citizens to the gathering and introduced speaker James Jenkins, pastor of the Union and Middletown, N.J., churches.

Mr. Jenkins spoke on how the role of senior citizens is downplayed in today's society. He gave encouraging and uplifting words to the group. One point was that a mind tends to improve with age

in the Judean hills outside the city.

On the Sabbath, May 11, Raymond Clore, a local church elder serving in Israel, conducted a Bible study. May 12 brethren visited Yad Vashem, which is named in memory of victims of the Holocaust; the Knesset; and the Shrine of the Book, where some of the Dead Sea Scrolls are displayed.

After leaving Jerusalem the group passed through the Judean desert along the Dead Sea to Masada. After a cable car transported them to the top of Masada, they listened to the history of Masada as related by their tour guide.

Afterward the group hiked at Ein Gedi, a nature reserve surrounded by caves, waterfalls, pools, flora and animals. The group also floated in the Dead Sea. Before returning home they visited the Mount of Olives, Kidron Valley and Golgotha.

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if it is actively used.

Singles club members then served as hosts and hostesses during the luncheon. After the meal and dessert, John Stonik gave a slide presentation on his 1984 Feast of Tabernacles in China.

NOTTINGHAM, England, singles provided a tea for Youth Educational Services (YES) children May 4. Before the meal the younger children were taken on an escorted walk around an arboretum.

While they were away, the older children, supervised by Sam Gray, drew a design on a chalkboard, which proclaimed their thanks for the food.

The group then shared the meal. Susan Whiles was overall organizer. *Rosie Little and Victor Stiso, and Philip Perry.*

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New church, anniversary celebrated

May 11 marked the beginning of a new congregation in **MIDDLETOWN, N.Y.** Total attendance was 165, including guests. The new church draws its membership primarily from the Montvale, N.J. church, with others from the Mount Pocono, Pa., and Albany, N.Y., areas.

Gerald Backhus, a local church elder, gave the sermonette, in which he exhorted brethren to grow when God has planted them. The sermon was given by William Swanson, pastor of the Montvale and Middletown churches, who gave seven points to encourage individual and collective spiritual growth in the new church area.

Brethren celebrated the 10th anniversary of God's Church in **CHRISTCHURCH, Nev** Zealand, with a family social the evening of May 4.

The hall, where Sabbath service had taken place earlier, was transformed into a festive atmosphere of red, white and blue streamers with balloons, stars and banners hanging from the walls. Memories of 10 years of church activities were displayed and brethren saw cinematic films and slides taken by Clem Paterson.

After feasting on a potluck brethren took part in a barn dance. Dinner was served by YOU waitresses in white crepe-paper aprons.

An anniversary cake, baked by Elizabeth Hobbs and decorated by Connie Simpson, was cut by Mar Murray, 91, the oldest member of the Christchurch congregator who also attended the church's first service; Colin Sutcliffe, pastor of the Christchurch and Dunedin New Zealand, churches; and his wife, Fiona.

Mr. Sutcliffe then read a congratulatory message from John Larkin, the first pastor of the church in Christchurch and now serving in the Manhattan Westchester and Long Island East and West, N.Y., churches. A congratulatory telegram was also received from regional director Pete Nathan.

Joy Kingsbury and Laurie Riera.

Malaysians share picnic

Thirty-one adults and children from MALAYSIA, including Yong Chin Gee, pastor of the Johor Baharu and Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, churches, shared an adventurous picnic April 26 at Jeram Tuli, which, translated from the Malay language, means Deaf Rapids.

The site contains an unspoiled waterfall in the middle of a rubber estate about 25 miles from Kota Bharu, Malaysia.

Brethren arrived in five carloads and formed a human chain to transport food, picnic items and babies down steep, jungle-like slopes to the bottom of the falls, where they found a pool and sandy beach.

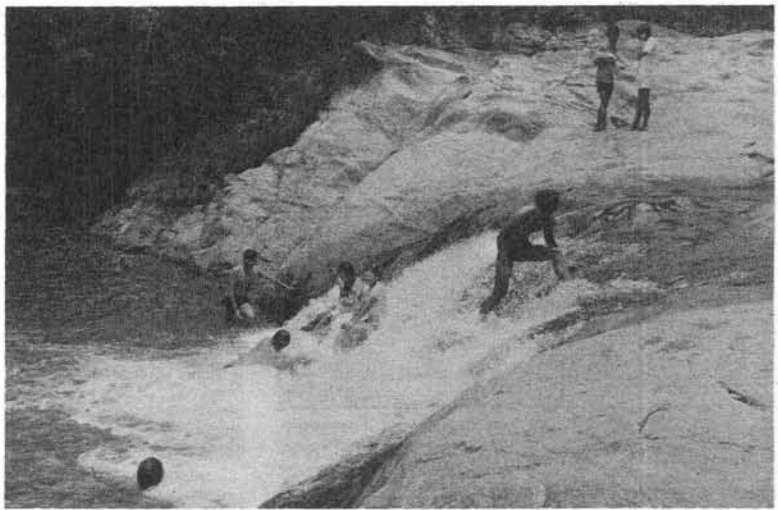
The group swam and waded in

the chilly mountain water and pool beneath the deafening falls. Children caught fish and tadpoles on the rocks.

Brethren attended a Bible study that evening, and the next morning Sabbath services were conducted by Mr. Yong in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Teo Poh Don of Kota Bharu. Mr. Yong preached on the purpose of God's calling and expounded the meaning of discipleship.

A combined lunch took place in an area Siamese restaurant, and brethren then listened to a tape on youths by evangelist Gerald Waterhouse.

Mr. Yong conducted a youth session for teens and younger children. Mrs. Ong Lok Lim.



MOUNTAIN RAPIDS — Malaysian members and children swim in a mountain pool April 26 during a picnic at Jeram Tuli, Malaysia. Brethren formed a human chain to relay food, picnic items and babies down to the pool and beach.

Clubs

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clubs and explained true service that is sustained by God's power.

Graduating Spokesmen were Duncan Cline, Barry Grady, Don Hancock, Jerry Finger, Gene Brown, Harmon Daniels Jr. and Mark Wiesman. The director and assistant directors of the clubs received gifts of appreciation after the graduation certificates were presented.

The group spent the rest of the evening dancing to the music of a church band led by Ron Duncan.

The KITCHENER Spokesman Club conducted an evening gala May 11 at the Walper Terrace. Af-

ter the meal President Don Bergstrom introduced Tony Stryker for tabletopics. Mark Hayward, assistant director, evaluated the session.

After intermission John Atkins set the pace as toastmaster. For his speech on ingratitude, Dan Jennings received the Most Effective Speech trophy. Craig Marley was named the Most Improved Speaker for his parody on a Spokesman Club, and the Most Helpful Evaluation cup went to Peter Grainger.

The evening concluded with director and pastor Terry Johnson giving his overall evaluation on a year of bearing fruit.

Dan Jefferson, Teresa Hopkins, Bill N. Sass, Rob Cutter and Rick Pratt and Craig Marley.

Brethren

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Sixty-one parents and children from an AUCKLAND, New Zealand, church group called Young Active People (YAP) spent five days at Motutapu Island May 17 to 21.

The children, ranging in age from 5 to 12, experienced with their par-

ents some of the activities offered at the Summer Educational Program (SEP) site there.

Although early winter in New Zealand, five sunny days allowed the group to go sailboating, canoeing and exploring on foot.

Bible education classes, canoeing instruction and art-appreciation classes were given, as well as cooking classes for the girls and tent erecting for the boys. Parents par-

ticipated in activities with their children, including a confidence course.

Two days before the camp, Auckland experienced cold, wet weather, and the day after the camp, the area again was drenched by heavy rains, which set records and flooded the campsite, causing damage to many of the buildings and equipment.

Christine Joosten and Neville Fraser.

Minister

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changed the balance of power worldwide, he continued, giving Europe a technological advantage over the ruling Ottoman Empire.

During this time, the royal minister said: "In Christian Europe the Jews were not always in good life — they were not always treated well. That is well known to history, especially in Eastern Europe.

"So out of thinking of their future their leading intellectuals started to think of a place where they can build a Jewish national home."

The conflict begins

After the British conquered Palestine, they authorized the Jews to immigrate there with the 1917 Balfour Declaration. The British later appointed a Jewish Zionist named Herbert Samuel as high commissioner for Palestine.

"With this appointment, with the League of Nations mandate, the conflict started to develop. The Arabs of Palestine all of a sudden discovered that they were under a form of change, a change in the interest of the Jewish community in Palestine, which was in 1918 . . . constituting only 17 percent of the population — 83 percent Arabs, 17 percent Jews."

Continuing, Mr. Abu Odeh said: "Now we come to a more recent event in history, World War II — pogroms and Holocaust, which are very well known to everybody. Nazism was so cruel, so inhuman. They killed so many civilians in Europe, and in particular, the Jewish community. That was bound to create a very human sympathy and attachment to the Jewish cause in Europe and in the world."

Mr. Abu Odeh said that after World War II ended in 1945, Western sentiment favored creating a Jewish state, where Jews could live in peace. This resulted in the 1947 partitioning of Palestine by the United Nations, creating an Arab state and a Jewish state.

Since the Arabs owned about 93 percent of the land, "that, by itself, created a very imbalanced position,

a very unfair position, which drove the Arabs to refuse this partitioning plan," he said.

The result was the first Arab-Israeli war in 1948, in which Israel captured about 76 percent of Palestine.

The conflict deepens

"Then the conflict took another turn, which had to show its effect later on in the next two decades. The Israelis wanted peace with the Arabs in the '50s. They asked for peace. The Arabs said no. That's a fact. They said no because you have taken our land. Give us back our land, then we accept peace."

He said for many years the Arabs refused to budge on the territory position. Tension mounted and in 1967 another Arab-Israeli war erupted, with the Israelis occupying all of Palestine, including the Sinai desert and the Golan Heights.

"The result of the 1967 war was enormously important in this history," the minister continued. "Ironically the Arabs got disillusioned for the first time after the war. They started to believe, well, Israel does really exist . . . they are a strong people. 'They are, they are, they are.'"

"That laid the grounds for the Arabs to change gradually their attitudes over the last 18 years," he said.

He then said that the series of victories by Israel built up their confidence and led them to begin building Israeli settlements in occupied territory for both religious and security reasons.

The royal minister said that the Arab nations complained to the United Nations and the United States that these settlements were illegal and another form of hostile aggression.

Cultural differences

"When we presented the question of settlements to the American people . . . very few of them could understand our position, but most of the Americans cannot understand our position simply because of the cultural affinity between the settlements in Israel and the foundation of the United States of America."

"Another area which made it difficult, this Judeo-Christian heritage, which is a part of your culture, too. Islam to you is something strange," he said.

He talked about the difficulty of Jordan to speak for the Palestinians. "We can't compromise on the Palestinian territorial rights or political rights. If we do so, whatever peace we reach will be shaky — it will not be durable."

Prospects improving

Mr. Abu Odeh said that former radical Arabs are moderating demands, "so we are extending our hands for a peaceful settlement." He said that the Arab position is still the return of occupied territory in exchange for peace.

"In any case, when we talk about peace . . . let's emanate from the prospects, the better prospects of the future, rather than the bitter hangups of the past. A conflict that goes on for 60 years must have precipitated so many piles of bitterness and distrust. What we need," he concluded, "is trust between us and the Israelis."



SOCIAL DINNER — Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong and Adnan Abu Odeh (right), a government minister of the Jordanian royal court, discuss peace prospects in the Middle East before dinner in the Pasadena campus Social Center June 9. [Photo by Nathan Faulkner]

Minerals

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perks generally classify natural resources as second in importance, superseded only by geography.

It is interesting that President Theodore Roosevelt was one of the first American conservationists. But he was a believer in national power too. While President Roosevelt was the inspiration behind the American national park system, he would not have locked up the public resources from prudent development.

Today's extreme environmentalists want to keep nature virtually undisturbed from human activity, the opposite of the instructions given by God to Adam, who was told to "tend and keep" (Genesis 2:15, Revised Authorized Version), not keep away from, the garden in Eden.

(In the creation account one of the rivers that went out of Eden, called Pishon, flowed "around the whole land of Havilah, where there is gold; and the gold of that land is good; bdellium and onyx stone are there" (Genesis 2:11-12, Revised

Standard Version).

God placed minerals in the earth for humanity's benefit. The extraction of these resources has often been done in an uncaring manner. Extremists swing to the other end of the pendulum and try to prevent development, even exploration, in order to prevent damage.)

Mr. Overton continued: "When the laws are passed that place de facto off-limits signs to minerals exploration and development in some two thirds of our vast public lands — an area nearly equal in size to all the states east of the Mississippi — hardly a thought is given to the impact on the domestic minerals base."

"We may not need to mine in these potentially rich lands today, but we ought to find out what's there, and only exploration can tell us, and it involves a negligible disturbance of the terrain."

Security threatened

Finally, Mr. Overton asked: "Are all the things I've described the way for a responsible leader of the Free World to conduct itself? . . . Our increasing dependence on unstable or uncertain foreign sources for our essential minerals imperils our national security and threatens our prosperity at home. It pits our survival as a free nation against the insatiable appetite of the Soviets for world domination through elimination of the U.S. as an economic leader of the Free World."

One can be certain that the Soviets are following all courses open to them to foster U.S. weakness in the minerals area. This includes subtle influence inside the radical environmentalist movement and promoting strife in South Africa and influencing uninformed reactions to that complex area.

Mr. Overton said the United States cannot let its mineral-based industrial strength ebb away; that its economy must not be based primarily on service industries. "Our enterprises can't only be those of cutting up chickens and cooking hamburgers."

He reiterated the advice given by the ancient Greek lawgiver Solon to the wealthy King Croesus, "He who hath better iron than yours will win all your gold."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHS

ALLEN, James and Virginia (Burns), of Fort Worth, Tex., girl, Laura Elizabeth, April 27, 7:30 a.m., 7 pounds 15 ounces, now 3 girls.

BEYER, Michael and Holly (Jensen), of Independence, Mo., girl, Heather Michelle, May 20, 5:32 a.m., 7 pounds 14 ounces, now 2 girls.

BRUMGARD, Robert and Marjorie (Garrison), of Wynesburg, Pa., boy, Steven Andrew, March 12, 6 pounds 13 ounces, now 2 boys.

DRAKE, Patrick and Bonnie (Green), of Cincinnati, Ohio, girl, Heather Lynn, April 20, 4:43 a.m., 8 pounds 8 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

DULLUM, Bradley and Jude (Beers), of Minneapolis, Minn., boy, John Thomas, May 10, 6:44 a.m., 8 pounds 1 ounce, first child.

FENSTERMAKER, Jerome and Oleta (Setlow), of Elston, Mont., girl, Naomi Christine, May 15, 9:14 a.m., 7 pounds 2 ounces, first child.

FURLONG, Ronald and Lorraine (Melnychuk), of Winthrop, Man., boy, Scott Michael, May 7, 10:15 p.m., 8 pounds 15 1/2 ounces, first child.

GRIMES, David and Kim (Yeager), of Beaver Valley, Pa., girl, Briana Jean, May 10, 4:07 p.m., 9 pounds 13 ounces, first child.

GROTHENHUS, Kim and Dorothy (Walker), of Grand Rapids, Mich., girl, Nicole Marie, May 22, 4:49 p.m., 8 pounds 2 ounces, now 2 girls.

HAMILTON, Alan and Beverly (Cox), of Fort Worth, Tex., girl, Ashley Dawn, May 13, 3:39 a.m., 7 pounds 1 ounce, first child.

KASWAGA, Tom and Rebeka (Kaleaga), of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, boy, Yohana Tom, April 28, 3 kilograms, now 2 boys.

KIDD, Jeffrey and Rosemary (Beck), of Middleborough, England, girl, Fiona Annette, May 10, 2:04 p.m., 9 pounds 3 ounces, first child.

KING, Rick and Susan (Bates), of Topeka, Kan., boy, Jacob Allen, May 2, 4:23 p.m., 7 pounds 10 ounces, now 2 boys, 2 girls.

KITTEL, John and Anita (Roberts), of Canton, Ohio, girl, Tara Marie, May 16, 12:36 a.m., 8 pounds 13 ounces, first child.

KOVACS, Anita and Mary Lou (Rizzuto), of Toronto, Ont., boy, Jacob Michael, May 21, 4:28 a.m., 7 pounds 5 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

MARLOWE, Truman and Rose (Harcus), of Dodge City, Kan., boy, David Philip, May 12, 6 pounds 10 ounces, now 3 boys, 1 girl.

MCLEOD, Mike and Karen (Lansford), of Houston, Tex., girl, Lindsay Adrienne, May 13, 10:10 a.m., 5 pounds 14 ounces, now 2 boys, 7 girls.

MIDDLETON, Samuel and Maxine (Youngblood), of Carthage, Mo., boy, Ryan Matthew, March 12, 12:43 a.m., 8 pounds 8 ounces, first child.

MÜSSER, Mark and Cynthia (Rooder), of Aggleton, Wis., boy, Mitchell David, May 18, 5:57 a.m., 8 pounds 11 ounces, first child.

NEWKIRK, Michael and Nancy (Spieker), of Dallas, Tex., boy, Clinton William, May 18, 3:20 p.m., 8 pounds 5 1/2 ounces, now 2 boys, 2 girls.

PÁRHAM, Fred and Kay (Brown), of Long Beach, Calif., boy, Daniel Wesley, May 6, 4:30 p.m., 8 pounds 5 1/2 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

PICHE, Leo and Debbie (Carry), of Winnipeg, Man., girl, Sarah-Jane Frances, April 10, 8:37 a.m., 8 pounds 9 ounces, first child.

SCORDILL, John and Abbie (Baum), of Sibley, La., girl, Mollie Lynn, Dec. 19, 1984, 2:55 a.m., 8 pounds 7 ounces, first child.

SMITH, Dennis and Kathleen (Reddick), of Marion, N.C., boy, Brian Matthews, May 15, 4:04 p.m., 8 pounds 12 1/2 ounces, first child.

STILBORN, Gave and Dottie (Marrin), of Regina, Sask., boy, Brian Bradley John, March 28, 4:23 p.m., 2 pounds 8 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

SUNMEY, Rod and Norma (Holands), of Eugene, Ore., girl, Katie Marie, May 22, 4:17 a.m., 10 pounds 2 ounces, now 2 girls.

TACKETT, Ronald and Veronica (Cook), of Greensboro, N.C., boy, Jeffrey Myles, April 29, 8 a.m., 6 pounds 14 ounces, first child.

TRAVIS, Glenn and Zara (Gourjian), of Pasadena, girl, Rachel Karen, March 30, 9:07 p.m., 7 pounds 12 ounces, now 3 girls.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Billie F. Johnson of Mooresville, Ind., are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Pamela Sue to James Curtis Stoneman Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. James C. Stoneman Sr., of Lebanon, Tenn. A July wedding is planned.

Dr. and Mrs. Kenton Daily of Toledo, Ohio, are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter Wendy Jean to James Laura Karcher, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Karcher of Dahlgren, Ill. A July 28 wedding in Toledo is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Bagshaw of Westlock, Alta., are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Charlene Melody to Colin Paul Bishop, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Eric Bishop of Edmonton, Alta. An Aug. 4 wedding in Edmonton is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Haines are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Barbie to Gary Campbell, son of Barbara Campbell and Charles Campbell. A July 21 wedding is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sigurdson of Wadena, Sask., are pleased to announce the engagement of their eldest daughter, Pamela Louise Vols, to Ralph Latend Trudline III of Beaumont, Tex. A Sept. 22 wedding in Winnipeg, Man., is planned.

Barbara Dusky and Don Golas, both of Butte, Mont., would like to announce their engagement. A July 7 wedding in Butte is planned.

WEDDINGS

Jody Lynn Schell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dillman of Wellsville, Pa., and Timothy Ellis Whitley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Whitley of Conroe, Tex., were married May 19 at the Holy Name of Jesus recreation center. The ceremony was performed by James Rosenthal, pastor of the Harrisburg, Pa., church. Matron of honor was Teresa Dilson. The best man was Pete Galsons. The couple reside in Conroe.

Mr. and Mrs. James Gauden are happy to announce the marriage of their daughter Sheryl Ann to Eric Simonsen. The ceremony was performed by Norman Strayer, pastor of the Wisconsin Dells and Wausau,

Wis., churches. The matron of honor was Patti Zoelick, the bride's sister. The best man was Gary Budde. The couple reside near Wilson, Wis.



MR. AND MRS. RUEL H. GUERRERO
Marioru Laureta, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gregorio Laureta Sr. of Naga City, Philippines, and Ruel H. Guerrero, a 1983 Ambassador College graduate, were united in marriage April 7. The ceremony took place in Legazpi, Philippines, and was performed by evangelist Dean Blackwell, who conducts a training program for ministers in the Philippines. Mr. Guerrero is a ministerial trainee in the Naga and Daet, Philippines, churches.



MR. AND MRS. LARRY GRIFFITHS
Dolores Koeltter and Larry Roger Griffiths were united in marriage in Vancouver, B.C., March 24. The ceremony was performed by Thomas Eckler, pastor of the Vancouver church. Annie Bohn was maid of honor, and Bill Hall was best man. The couple reside in Vancouver.



MR. AND MRS. D. BROCKLEHURST
Carolyn Anne House, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David House of Chislehurst, England, and David Brocklehurst, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brocklehurst of Ouldford, England, were united in marriage May 12. The ceremony was performed by the bride's father, pastor of the Channel Isles, Godalming, Reading and Southampton, England, churches. Bridesmaids were the bride's sister Susan and Ruth Trout. Best man was Nigel Shaw. The couple reside in Colchester, England.



MR. AND MRS. ROBERT DUNN JR.
Robert M. Dunn Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dunn Sr., of Elford, N.C., and Lisa Marie Hege, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry R. Hege Sr., of Lewisville, N.C., were united in marriage May 25. Dan Rogers, pastor of the Greensboro, N.C., church, performed the ceremony. The best man was Liberty Tyson, and the maid of honor was Ruth Grabbe.

ANNIVERSARIES

To Dad and Mom: June 5 marked 20 wonderful years of marriage. Happy anniversary! We love you both so much and are very thankful that God has blessed us with such loving parents. From your daughters, Julie, Melaine and Angie.

My dearest Steve: You have filled the last four years with so much love and happiness. We have a beautiful daughter who has been a total joy. I couldn't ask for any more than what you've given me. I love you. Happy anniversary, June 13, Marsha.



MR. AND MRS. JIM KELLY
Jim and Peggy Kelly celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary Jan. 26. The Kellys have been in God's Church since they were baptized in Edinburgh, Scotland, in 1950 by evangelist Raymond F. McNair. They celebrated their anniversary with brethren at the Moose Hall in Carmarthen, Wales. A special cake was made for them.

Obituaries

GLADEWATER, Tex. — James D. Bald, 79, died at home here Oct. 24, 1984. Mr. Bald was baptized in April, 1951. He and his first wife, Margaret (who died in 1974), were pioneer Church members in Pasadena, and later in the Long Beach, Calif., church when it began in 1959. They were ordained deacon and deaconess in that year.

Mr. Bald, a retired meat cutter, moved to Gladewater in 1966. He is survived by his wife, Joyce Ragan Bald, a deaconess in the Big Sandy church; a son, John, pastor of the La Crosse, Wis., Rochester, Minn., and Mason City, Iowa, churches, and his wife, Nancy; and a grandson, James D. Bald of the Big Sandy church.

Funeral services were conducted by evangelist Burk McNair, pastor of the Big Sandy and Tyler, Tex., churches, with interment at Gladewater Memorial Park.

WACO, Tex. — Edina Kosarek, 79, died May 18, at home in Smetana, Tex. She suffered from scleroderma for about 10 years.

Mrs. Kosarek was baptized in 1959 and attended services in Houston, Tex., until 1971. She has attended the Waco church for 14 years.

Mrs. Kosarek is survived by her daughter Hazel Y. Burt, a brother James Siegert, a sister Rosalie Gudake, all of Bryan, Tex.; three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Harold Lester, pastor of the Waco and Austin, Tex., churches, conducted funeral services at the Hillier Funeral Home Chapel in Bryan. Burial was at Smetana Cemetery.

TAMPA, Fla. — Dorothy Marie Chazer, 71, died April 2. She has been a Church member since 1970.

Mrs. Chazer is survived by two sons, one daughter, seven grandchildren, two brothers and four sisters.

Memorial services were conducted April 3 by Ronald A. Lohr, pastor of the Tampa church.

SAVANNAH, Ga. — Bobbie Owens Knox, 79, died May 1 at Candler General Hospital here after a long illness.

Hero

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to so few," said Prime Minister Winston Churchill. Mr. Aitken was one of those few. Day after day his plane climbed into the sky to challenge the aggressors.

Group Captain Aitken personally shot down 16 fighter planes. He was responsible for many more as an officer in command of others. When, in 1942, his night fighters destroyed an enemy formation, Prime Minister Churchill wired him, "Renewed congratulations to your squadron and personally to you."

His Squadron 601 destroyed more than 200 enemy aircraft during the war. By war's end half of

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Mrs. Knox was a Dothan, Ala., native and lived in Savannah 44 years. She has been a member of the Church for more than 20 years.

Mrs. Knox is survived by a niece, Thelma Lee Washington, and a nephew, Hannibal A. Higgins, both of Savannah. Services were conducted May 4 by Roosevelt Smith, a minister in the Savannah church.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. — Eric H. Skoog, 52, died at home in Dayton, Minn., Dec. 26, 1984. He has been a member since 1967.

Mr. Skoog is survived by his wife, Marjorie, and seven children, Valerie, David, Mark, Julie, Jonathan, Shelly and Joel.

Funeral services were conducted by Larry Walker, pastor of the Minneapolis North and St. Cloud, Minn., churches.

AMERICAN FALLS, Idaho — Rebecca A. Alston, 87, a member of God's Church for about 15 years, died April 20 in a nursing home after a long illness.

Mrs. Alston attended the Blackfoot, Idaho, church. She is survived by three sons, three daughters, one brother, 25 grandchildren, 46 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Randy Schreiber, pastor of the Blackfoot and Twin Falls, Idaho, churches.

VINELAND, N.J. — Clement F. Wasleski, 78, a Church member since 1973, died at home May 12 after a long and difficult illness.

Mr. Wasleski was bedridden and suffered from a severe arthritic condition and emphysema. He was unable to attend services for many years. He is survived by his wife, Elsie, and a son, Clement Jr.

Graveside services were conducted May 14 by Vincent Panella, pastor of the Trenton and Vineland, N.J., churches.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. — Albert Oates Jr., 69, died May 17 at St. Mary's

Hospital here after developing a blood clot in his lung.

Mr. Oates began attending services in Grand Rapids in March, 1980, and was baptized into God's Church in January, 1983.

He is survived by his wife, Florence, four daughters and one son.

Funeral services were conducted May 20 in Grand Rapids.

FORT SMITH, Ark. — Zelma B. Hendren, 81, died here Jan. 9. She has been a Church member for 33 years.

Mrs. Hendren is survived by six children, including Vernia Hendren, a member who attends the Fort Smith church. Funeral services were conducted by John R. Elliott, pastor of the Fort Smith and Fayetteville, Ark., churches.

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. — Robert B. Smith, 81, died Dec. 30, 1984, in Westville, Okla. He has been a Church member for 12 years. Mr. Smith is survived by his wife, Edna, who attends the Fayetteville church, and five children, including Lee Roy Smith, who attends the Waco, Tex., church. Funeral services were conducted by Beal Beaver, a minister in the Fayetteville church.

LONDON, England — Arthur Cameron, 54, died Jan. 31.

Mr. Cameron is survived by three sons, Keith, Andrew and Mark, and a daughter, Constance, all of whom live in London.

The funeral was conducted by Robin Jones, pastor of the London and Basildon, England, churches.

MILWAUKEE, Wis. — Robert M. Jones, 69, died May 5 after several months of failing health.

Mr. Jones was baptized in April, 1975, and is survived by his wife, Celeta, eight children and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Eugene Noel, pastor of the Milwaukee and West Bend, Wis., churches.

Squadron 601's pilots had lost their lives in combat.

After his death, tributes poured in from people throughout Britain, including one from Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher. He was the archetypal British hero. Attempts to assign him to a desk job were steadfastly resisted. Daily his famous father anxiously awaited the phone call to hear that young Max had made it back to base safely.

He was decorated for bravery by King George VI at Buckingham Palace. Said a Royal Air Force (RAF) friend: "In the Battle of Britain, you had to have special qualities to be a leader. Max had those qualities. Even more so. He was one of the best commanders. He had tremendous loyalty."

Michael Foot, former Labor

Party leader, wrote in the May 1 *Daily Express*: "Most tragically the last years of Max's life were governed by his illness. The beautifully poised supple body became paralyzed, and his death now must come as a relief."

"Everyone who saw this spectacle will recall his joyous youth and manhood, the spirit of adventure incarnate, of cool, radiant courage. Others had those qualities too — fortunately for our country — but few displayed them more than Max Aitken."

Many *Worldwide News* readers probably have not heard of Max Aitken. He and other brave pilots like him won the Battle of Britain. This benchmark victory bought valuable time until the United States could enter the war.

JUST FOR YOUTH

A page for kids 5 to 105

Teen to study in Germany

By Kerri Miles
NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Gwen Christopher, 17, is moving to West Germany for a year. She leaves Aug. 27.

Gwen is one of six high school students in the United States who received a scholarship through the American-Scandinavian Student Exchange Program. She will return in July, 1986.

Although she has had two years of high school German, Gwen considers that "kindergarten" in comparison to living in the country. She is confident that she will pick up the language quickly.

Gwen does not know yet where in West Germany she will be, but "we've written to the Festival coordinator about the Feast," she said, "and when I get there, I will write the nearest minister and put myself in his hands."

When she returns Gwen plans to attend the Columbus College of Art and Design for one year. She was awarded a full-tuition scholarship there for one year, and her goal is to become an illustrator for magazines or books.

Before she received these scholarships, Gwen applied for Ambassador College. After being awarded the scholarships she asked the college to hold her application. She would like to attend later. She hopes training at Columbus might help her to pay her way through Ambassador College.

Gwen was a YOU cheerleader for three years and participated in Bible baseball four years. She attended the Summer Educational Program (SEP) in Orr, Minn., in 1980 and in Big Sandy in 1982. Her other interests include sewing, music and tracing her family's genealogy.

'Just for Youth'

"Just for Youth" includes children's stories, feature stories on youths, details of selected YOU activities or events and other information of interest to young people.

This page features material that serves as an example and provides ideas for other youths and YOU groups. For that reason and because far more items are sent in than can be used, everything submitted cannot be published. If you would like articles or photos submitted for this page returned, please include a self-addressed stamped envelope.

MEN WANTED!

By Vivian Pettijohn

"Now, Rocky and Jeff," Mr. Winfield scolded, "each of you quit pouting and try to act like a man!"

"But, Daddy," 6½-year-old Jeff whined as he handed Dad a hammer and tried not to cry, "I'm too little to act like a man. And I wanted so much to go to the park today."

"No boy your age is too young to start acting like a man," Dad pointed out as he pounded the last nail into a chair he had been repairing for a Church widow. "And part of becoming a man is learning to be wise. You must learn, for example, that it is more important to help someone than just to play all day. Remember, boys, that you are deciding by the way you act now what you will be like as men someday."

"Yes, sir," Rocky responded as he helped Dad lift the chair down from the garage workbench. "I'm sorry, Daddy, that I argued about helping you today."

"Thanks, son, for the apology," Dad responded. "Let's go into the house for a minute. Rocky, I want you to read what King Solomon said about how we learn to become wise."

In the living room, as they sat together on the couch, Rocky read Proverbs 19:20 aloud from the Revised Standard Version: "Listen to advice and accept instruction, that you may gain wisdom for the future."

"Since Jesus was wise," Rocky said thoughtfully, "He must have had good advice and instruction — didn't He?"

"Yes," Dad answered, "I'm sure He did, for Luke 2:52 says that as Jesus grew physically, he also grew in wisdom and in favor with

God and man."

Dad placed an arm lovingly around each boy. "Rocky, how would you describe Jesus, who is our example of what a man should be like?"

"Well," almost-9-year-old Rocky replied, his eyes squinting as he thought hard, "I know He did carpenter work, so He was strong. And I know He was a leader. And He had lots of courage, especially when those people made fun of Him and even tortured Him!"

"That was a good answer," Dad commented. "And I hope you boys will become more like Jesus as you grow. Of course, in order to become men, you must do a lot more growing than just in stature — meaning just getting bigger. For example, you need to grow in patience. You can't always have what you want whenever you want it, you know. And try to obey more cheerfully, for when you obey your mother and me as we teach you God's way of life, you are also obeying God!"

"Daddy," Jeff asked softly, "do you think when Jesus wanted to do something and couldn't, that He pouted?"

"No, I'm sure He didn't pout," Dad replied seriously.

"Well," Jeff answered, "I'm going to try not to pout anymore, too."

"That's good," Dad replied, "and I'm proud that both of you seem to be growing in wisdom on your way to becoming men."

Suddenly Dad stood up. "By the way, how about asking Mommy and Kathy to go with us to deliver the chair to Mrs. Wolfe — and then spend Sunday afternoon in the park? Come on, boys — I mean, young men!"

MAJOR RESCUES SUSIE

STORY FOR YOUNG READERS
By Shirley King Johnson

Major trotted along the muddy sloping bank of Seven-Mile Creek and stopped at the water's edge. The busy stream on Grandfather's farm ran clear and shallow with sparkling water. Major lapped it up happily. Sudden splashing upstream made

the beagle raise his head.

"Hi, Major!" called out Harry Sterner, a neighbor boy. He stood in the center of a raft that was coming downstream.

Waving his tail in greeting, Major said, "Woof!"

Harry gripped a straight pole with both hands and stabbed it into the creek's bottom to guide the raft. He turned it toward Major. Leaping ashore, he tied the raft to

a tree stump. "Is Jim around?"

Major led Harry up the grassy bank. Jim and Susie were stacking wooden posts into a square on the grass.

"Hi!" Harry greeted. "Whatcha doin'?"

"Hello!" Jim and Susie said together as they saw Harry.

"We're building a log cabin," Susie replied.

"Where'd you come from?" Jim asked, laying aside a post and walk-

ing over to Harry.

"I tied some logs together and floated down from my place," replied Harry. "Come on down and see my raft."

Major tagged along behind Susie as she followed the boys to the water's edge.

"Is it OK if I keep my raft tied up here?" Harry asked as Jim poked at it with a stick. "My father told me to not build a raft until I've learned how to swim. I'll have to keep it hidden."

Jim's brows drew together in a perplexed frown. "I don't know. I'll have to ask Grandfather about it."

Harry jerked his head in a gesture of impatience. "If you ask him, you know he'll mention it to my father and I'll be in a peck of trouble."

"If I were you, I'd let that raft float on downstream and forget the whole thing," Jim suggested.

"Oh, don't do that," Susie broke in. "It's so lovely! Please take me for a ride on it, will you, Harry?"

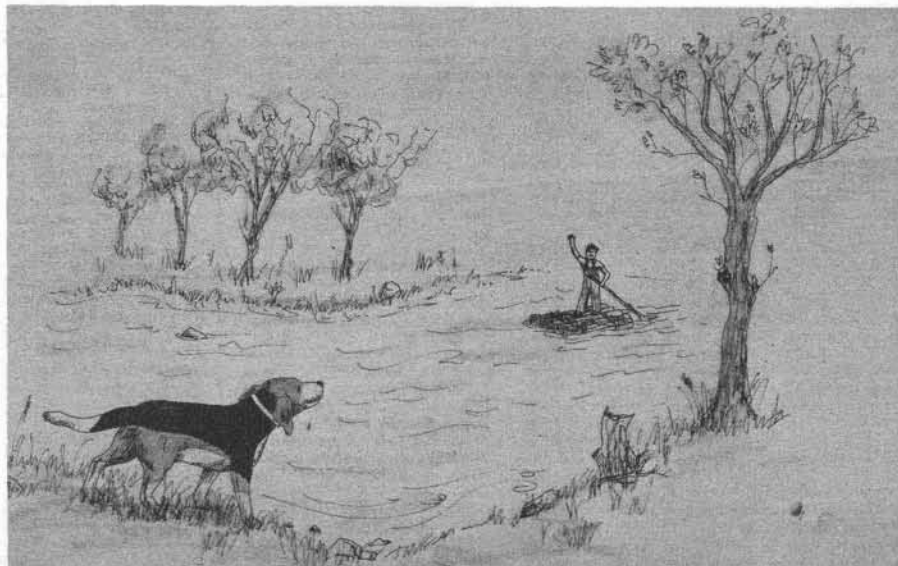
Extending a hand to her, Harry urged her on. "Sure, hop on. Be sure you keep your weight in the middle of it or it'll tip over."

Susie gave a little jump, landing near the middle, but she stepped back with one foot to catch her balance and that side of the raft tipped downward.

"Step on the middle!" yelled Harry. But it was too late. Susie spilled off into the shallow water and sat down with a shriek of dismay. "Ohhhh! It's cold!"

Major leaped into the water. Catching Susie's sleeve in his mouth, he tugged her toward the bank.

(To be continued)



Artwork by Judith DeVries

NEWS OF PEOPLE, PLACES & EVENTS IN THE WORLDWIDE CHURCH OF GOD

PASADENA — The government of India passed legislation in May adopting a five-day work week for government employees. The private sector is also following this legislation, according to **Robert Morton**, regional director for Australia and Asia.

William Sidney, pastor of the Bombay, India, church, telephoned Mr. Morton with the news. Mr. Sidney said this will be one of the biggest milestones for brethren in India.

"For years our brethren in India have labored under the burden of a six-day work week," Mr. Morton said in a report to evangelist **Joseph Tkach Sr.**, director of Ministerial Services.

"This has meant a number of them over the years have lost their jobs as a result of the Sabbath, while others have found it necessary to use their valuable vacation time to keep the weekly Sabbath.

"Some," he continued, "have been working under an almost permanent threat of being fired for not working on the Sabbath. Others had not received advancement or promotion."

"For years they have had to live week by week in faith that somehow God will work things out for them," Mr. Morton said. "Now God has mercifully lifted the trial off them."

The legislation took effect June 3. Mr. Morton added that he expects co-worker interest in the Church to increase with this new ruling.

One of the members was in danger of being fired by his government department head for keeping the Sabbath. After the legislation passed, the department head told the member, "Your God has changed the whole country so you can get your Sabbath off."

Commenting that in the past many people not yet attending services lacked faith to trust God to deliver them, Mr. Morton said, "I think over the next few months we will see an increase in the number of baptism requests coming into our address in India."

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PASADENA — Upheaval from rebel activity in the Philippines is adversely affecting members, according to **Guy Ames**, regional director for the Philippines.

Mr. Ames forwarded a report from **Victor Lim**, pastor of the Davao and Tagum, Philippines, congregations. Mr. Lim wrote: "Increasing rebel activities in areas where our members have farms is making life more and more difficult. One member is being sought after by the rebels in an effort to recruit her to make her a group secretary."

"The member," he continued, "has so far evaded a meeting with the rebels, so she is safe for the meantime."

"We are constantly praying for God's divine protection upon such members and hope that members in other church areas can include them in their daily prayers."

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SAN DIEGO, Calif. — **Fernando Barriga** and his wife, **Acelia**, returned here May 27 after a 34-day trip to Spain and Portugal to visit members and co-workers there.

"We now have a total of 21 members in Spain and seven in Portugal," said Mr. Barriga, pastor of the Mexicali and Tijuana, Mexico, churches, in a telephone interview June 19.

Mr. Barriga baptized two people in Spain during his visit.

"We also got all of the Portuguese members together for the first time

for Sabbath services in Porto," Mr. Barriga said. Twelve people attended the May 4 service.

Mr. Barriga also conducted Sabbath services in Madrid, Spain, April 27 and Holy Day services Pentecost, May 26. Fifteen brethren attended both services.

"During the tour I also visited eight prospective members in Spain and 13 new people who had requested a ministerial visit," Mr. Barriga said. "In Portugal I visited three prospective members and six new people."

Mr. and Mrs. Barriga also visited an English-speaking woman living in the Azores Islands. "Her parents were very surprised that someone would come all the way from the U.S. to visit her," he said.

He said that arrangements are now being made to register God's Church in Spain. "That will enable us to begin a regular church there," Mr. Barriga said.

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PASADENA — The quantity of mail received here at the Church's Mail Processing Center (MPC) continues to pour in at a record pace, according to evangelist **Richard Rice**, MPC director.

"Incoming mail shows an excellent increase over 1984, which itself was an outstanding year," Mr. Rice said.

"Through the first week of June, we received 2.6 million pieces of mail. This is a 30 percent increase over last year's count for the same period. It also represents an average of more than 17,000 pieces per day."

To illustrate, the evangelist said, "Our letters and cards are picked up from the post office in trays, which are about 2½ feet long (.75 meters) and hold 800 to 1,000 items."

"Recently," he continued, "our daily tray counts have run as high as 20 to 30. On Monday mornings, the weekend's mail has ranged from 50 to 90 trays."



PASADENA — Response to *The World Tomorrow* with Pastor General **Herbert W. Armstrong** on Telearba on the island of Aruba averaged 10 written responses a week for the first two programs.

The San Juan, Puerto Rico, Office, which serves the English-speaking Caribbean, has received a marked increase in visit requests from exotic islands across the Caribbean. The office received two requests from Aruba, and one each from Tortola in the British Virgin Islands, St. Croix and St. John in the U.S. Virgin Islands, Antigua and Dominica.

Plain Truth circulation in the Caribbean is 72,600, an increase of 28 percent over 1984. This increase is largely because of increases in the subscription list in Puerto Rico, Trinidad and Tobago, Guyana and Jamaica.

Three thousand copies are distributed on the newsstands. This means that *The Plain Truth* goes to 1 in every 122 people in the English-speaking Caribbean.

Australia

The toll-free telephone line continues to boost response to the

"Just two years ago," he said, "these counts averaged only about half of what they do now."

The mail received includes responses to Pastor General **Herbert W. Armstrong** on the *World Tomorrow* program, subscription requests for *The Plain Truth* and

The Good News and requests for other Church literature.

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BOREHAMWOOD, England — Austerity measures introduced by the government in Nigeria have had a detrimental effect on the

Church's income there, according to the British Regional Office, which oversees the Church's work in Nigeria.

Postage has increased by up to 500 percent, which severely handicaps the Church's ability to mail out booklets requested by readers.



FRENCH SUBSCRIPTION PROGRAM — The above brochure is part of a subscription test program scheduled to begin in Paris, France, in late July for *La Pure Verite* [French *Plain Truth*], according to evangelist **Dibar Apartian**, regional director for French-speaking areas. "We plan to install 20 display easels in Paris supermarkets that offer a *Pure Verite* subscription through this brochure," said **Jeffrey Patton**, circulation manager. The French Department distributes about 1,000 newstand *Pure Verites* monthly in Lyon and Alsace-Lorraine, France. "We must pay VAT [value added tax] of 18 to 19 percent on each magazine imported into France," Mr. Patton said. "The VAT is much less costly on the brochures." He added that the Spanish Department developed and has used inexpensive subscription brochures successfully, "so we are experimenting with their basic concept to see if French subscribers will respond."

576 new people attend lectures

PASADENA — Despite terrorist activities and power blackouts, 576 new people attended *La Pura Verdad* lectures in Lima, Peru, June 7, 8 and 9, according to **Reginald Killingley**, pastor of the Lima and Huaraz, Peru, churches.

Lectures also took place in Quito, Ecuador, and Miami, Fla.

The Lima lectures were conducted by Mr. Killingley.

Mr. Killingley and associate pastor **Wilfredo Saenz** received more than 100 phone calls from subscribers who wanted directions, had questions about the lectures or wanted to know if they would still take place despite the terrorist activity.

Lecture topics were "How and Why the PV Is Unique"; "World Conditions — Where Are They Leading Us and Why?"; and "Why Society Is at the Brink — Right Family Relationships Must Be Restored."

Seven follow-up lectures were scheduled, and 70 people attended the first lecture June 15, Mr. Killingley said.

Quito, Ecuador

Three hundred ten new people, or 32 percent of those invited, attended, *PV* lectures in Quito, Ecuador, June 2 and 3. This was the highest percentage response for a *PV* lecture, according to Mr. Speaks.

The lectures were conducted by **Eduardo Hernandez**, pastor of the Bogota, Colombia, church. Mr. Hernandez was in Quito for one week and conducted Bible studies for the five members in the area. There are eight members in the country and 3,580 *PV* subscribers.

All available literature was distributed the first night, even though the Spanish Department sends about 50 percent more literature than estimated maximum attendance, Mr. Speaks said.

One man was so enthusiastic that he wanted to get up and take a collection for Mr. Hernandez, Mr. Speaks said. Eight people contacted Mr. Hernandez about Bible studies. Follow-up studies are planned for late August.

Miami, Fla.

Lectures took place in Miami, Fla., May 22 and 23. They were conducted by **Pablo Gonzalez**, pastor of the San Juan, Puerto Rico, and Barquisimeto, Venezuela, churches, at the Holiday Inn Airport Lakes Hotel.

Forty-seven new people attended, and several expressed interest in the Church, according to **Al Kersha**, pastor of the Miami church. "The quality of interest was as good or better than any lectures in the past," he said. About five people who attended previous lectures are baptized members.

"Because greater Miami has a tremendous number of Spanish-speaking people, we really appreciated Mr. Gonzalez coming to give the lectures," Mr. Kersha said. He added that he hoped it would spark further growth.

Eight *PV* lectures have been conducted in five countries this year, according to Mr. Speaks. Nine more *PV* lectures are scheduled for three countries.

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