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# Mail Summaries and Letter Excerpts

## MAIL SUMMARIES

#### HEADQUARTERS

April 28

The total income for the year through Friday stands 10.3% above last year. The income for the month through Friday is 9.8% above last April. The mail count for the year to date shows a 6.5% decrease, while for the month we show only a 0.3% decrease.

Initial responses to the second ad in *Reader's* Digest are heavier than to the first ad. So far we have counted 489 responses to the second ad. Responses to the first ad now total 7,790.

#### VANCOUVER, CANADA

April 20

The mail and the income continue to look good; however, we are somewhat behind in letters compared to last year's (year-to-date) figures. Last year we had received 111,961 letters by April 16th, compared to 89,710 letters received by April 17th of this year.

#### SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA

April 20

This past week has seen an unusually low mail income. As a result the percentage of total income received this year has dropped to only 3.9% over the same period in 1971.

Correspondingly, the growth in total mail received has fallen off to a 34% increase, and donation mail to date is only 0.7% over last year.

## JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA

April 20

Mail shows a 20.5% decrease; advertisements for year to date show no increase. For this month the average letter count per day is only 200.

## GENERAL SUMMARY

Mail Income for Month	 42.5%	Increase	
Total Income for Year	 12.1%	Increase	

#### GENEVA, SWITZERLAND

March

March has been an outstanding month for us. Regular mail is up 200% over March 1971, mainly due to interest in our new magazine — French TOMORROW'S WORLD.

In spite of Europe No. 1 putting back our Wednesday and Saturday broadcasts by some 45 minutes, we are receiving 50% more mail than we did last year!

We are now offering the new Correspondence Course in French and have so far received 800 requests.

There has been only a very slight increase in income this month, while our expenses have gone up by 13.4% over March 1971.

#### MANILA, THE PHILIPPINES

April 20

This past week's mail, although not up to last week's level, was good. The letters came in well during the first three days of the week, but slipped near the end of the week thereby bringing our daily average to 615 letters. We received a total of 3,075 letters.

Our month-to-date income fell off several points. This was due mainly to excellent last Holy Day Offerings we had during the same (Continued on page 46)

May 2, 1972



## **BABY NEWS**

**Dennis and Virginia Adams** (Lake of the Ozarks): Greetings! Bright and early at 1:00 a.m. Monday April 17, 1972, Julia Marie made her first appearance. She weighed in at 7 lbs., 7 oz. and measured  $22\frac{1}{2}$  in. long. Delivery was quick with  $2\frac{1}{2}$  hrs. of real labor, but not easy as she was brought on by a case of the flu and came breach (wanted everyone to know she was a girl). All are healthy and well, including the father who also had the flu at delivery. This gives us a boy and a girl and we are content to leave it that way for awhile.

Gilbert and Giselle Carbonnel (Martinique): On Friday, April 14, my wife began to feel the first contractions. However, the doctor said it would take another ten days (having previously predicted the birth for the month of May). Finally, at 5:15 p.m. on Friday, the 14, a little girl was born to us. She's doing very well and her name is *Claudia*. I thank the Eternal for this great joy. Giselle is a bit tired, but is quickly regaining her strength.

**Bryan and Bobby Hoyt** (Pittsburgh A.M. and P.M.): Greetings from Pittsburgh: Another daughter was added to our family! Our little *Beckie Kay* was born April 23, 1972, at 6:00 a.m. She weighed 7 lbs. 4 oz. and was 19 in. long. Bobbie and Beckie are doing just fine. Our other daughter, Bonnie, thinks Beckie is her doll but we can't blame her — we do too!

John and Janice Strain (Glendale A.M. & P.M.): Although she was late in coming, we would like to announce the birth of our first child, *Cherie Lynette*. She was born January 19, at 9:17 a.m. Cherie weighed in at 7 lbs.,  $13\frac{1}{2}$  oz. and was  $19\frac{1}{2}$  in. long. Total labor was  $9\frac{1}{2}$  hrs. with about 3 hrs. of hard labor. Everything went very well, just a beautiful delivery. Everyone is fine and each day brings new joy!

Ron and Rosemary Wallen (Lakeland, Orlando, St. Petersburg): Hi from sunny Florida from two proud parents! Our latest blessing arrived



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at 3:40 a.m. on Wednesday, April 12, 1972 in the form of an 8 lb., 12 oz. baby girl!! Ginger Reneé has added much spice to this family and is healthy in every way. Rosemary is fine and is looking forward to being able to exercise again on both the handball and tennis courts. By the way, Ginger is our first.

## MAIL SUMMARIES

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period of April last year. The year-to-date percentage, consequently, suffered a decline. The letter count is up 161% over last year and the income is up 5.54%.

## LETTER EXCERPTS

Comments About the Broadcast

Glad to hear you back on the radio. It is very encouraging to hear you speak about the Bible.

## - Robert R., Jackson, Michigan

We are really enjoying the radio services on the Book of Hebrews. You really make it so plain and yet so deep. Anyone can understand it. At least those who are keeping God's Commandments surely can. Thank you so much.

- Mrs. Henry O., Strawberry Point, Iowa

I am a serviceman in the Air Force, and I have been listening to your program while driving to work every morning. The distance to work is about 70 miles, so I have plenty of time to hear your programs. Sometimes its the only thing that keeps me awake. I, too, thought I was saved, but I found I was only worshipping in vain.

- J. Hammonds, Shannon, North Carolina

## WORLDWIDE CHURCH OF GOD

World Headquarters Pasadena, California

HERBERT W. ARMSTRONG PRESIDENT and PASTOR

OFFICE OF Albert J. Portune, Vice President, Financial Affairs and Planning

Dear Fellow Ministers:

## Greetings from the Office of Financial Affairs and Planning!

Many have been asking about the latest income report, and I should say that, although we are still behind in our year-to-date increase, which is presently standing at 9.7%, the indicators for income growth are encouraging. The increase of contributions for the month-to-date--this does not include property fund--is 18.8%. I am hoping that we can finish the month of April with about 11% or 12% over last year. At present, total income increase year-todate is 10.3%, against a 17.5% budget. By now most of you will have heard that the Holy Day offerings for the two days of Unleavened Bread showed a 3.7% <u>decrease</u> over last year. This is the first time in the history of the Work that such a decrease has occurred on the Holy Day offerings. Right now I am studying the offering returns to see if there is any specific factor to account for this decrease, and will let you know later what our findings are.

In view of the fact that our income is still not what it should be this late in the year, we are still maintaining a "freeze" on new hirings and equipment acquisitions. Some of our departments are really beginning to hurt a little because of this freeze, but I feel we should continue it until the present trend reverses itself. I would appreciate your mentioning this to the members and asking their prayers in this regard.

This last Thursday, April 27, Mr. Herbert Armstrong was asked to make a statement relative to Mr. G. T. Armstrong's absence from his office on Channel 4 (KNBC), Los Angeles, and also on Channel 7 (KABC). Apparently some of the local news sources have been interested in what has happened to Mr. Ted Armstrong, and are busily ferreting around in search of details. By now you should have received the Co-Worker letter written by Mr. Armstrong in answer to the many questions we have been receiving at Headquarters, and he used this letter as a basis for his statement to the television news people. I thought I should mention this incident to you because of the tremendous trial that Mr. Armstrong is presently undergoing relative to this particular problem, and I would like to request your earnest prayers in his behalf. There are other individuals who are also busily attacking what the Work is doing and seeking any kind of "juicy tidbits" to either run in their newspapers or over the radio. Again, if you hear anything of this nature in your area, please advise Mr. Hill immediately. By the time you receive this letter, I shall have returned from Big Sandy, where I had gone for the weekend with Mr. Herbert Armstrong and Mr. Hunting, who is on his way back to England.

At Big Sandy we met with the architects for the planning phases for a proposed, badly needed, multi-purpose Administration Building. The building, if financing can be arranged, will be located to the east of a new entrance road leading directly to the Bird Sculpture fountain.

Mr. Hunting has been visiting Headquarters for about a week and discussing some of the aspects of the press and other related areas on the English campus. Hopefully his visit will lead to streamlining activities between the English operation and Headquarters. Sometimes we forget that our multi-national complexity is a real factor in maintaining good communications in all our overseas offices, and frequent visits to Headquarters are necessary to resolve any mutual problems. The Work is really a major international corporation!

Before signing off, I would like to mention a problem that was brought to my attention this last week concerning the matter of the use of tax consultants. Apparently some of our Church members have been using the services of tax consultants based on the promise of obtaining larger refunds for them, and, in some cases, have actually signed a blank tax return for the "consultant" to fill out and mail. In some cases, these tax returns have been found to have been "padded" with false claims. If you or any of the people in your Church have been in the habit of using this type of service, they should very carefully check their tax returns to insure that they are entirely accurate and honest. It is possible that severe penalties could be levied against any individual who can be proved to have filed a falsified return. Remember, the person who signs the return is liable, even more so than the agency or consultant who made it out. This is just another area of personal responsibility that could cause a problem, and even possibly bring reproach upon the name of the Church, if it is widespread.

Please remember us all in your prayers, especially during this time of particular trial, and ask God that He would strengthen His Apostle and inspire him to make the necessary decisions to further the great Work in which we are all involved.

In Jesus nam Albert J. Porjune

## WORLDWIDE CHURCH OF GOD

World Headquarters Pasadena, California

HERBERT W. ARMSTRONG PRESIDENT and PASTOR OFFICE OF RODERICK C. MEREDITH

Dear Fellow Ministers:

Greetings again from Headquarters! As I mentioned in my "cover" letter for the news release, the District Superintendents from both the U.S. and Canada were all here for special meetings last week. After their meeting with Mr. Armstrong on Wednesday afternoon, we asked the U.S. Superintendents to remain over on Thursday and had two very profitable meetings with them. In the morning, Mr. Luker and Mr. Carrozzo had meetings with the men right in the Church Administration Department going over the maps, charts and getting their "input" on summer plans. Everyone was enthusiastic about this -- and I am sure that having the Superintendents' suggestions in person will make our plans and changes more effective than ever this summer.

Then, in the afternoon, I had a fine three-hour meeting with them discussing various problems in the Work and the field -- and giving ideas for future growth and greater effectiveness. Everyone seemed to feel that these were some of the finest meetings we have ever had, and several of the Superintendents suggested that I put part of the information I gave them in this letter for all of you -- which I will do later on.

First, though, by way of recent news, I would like you all to know that the <u>Reader's Digest</u> advertisements are NOT -- as we had originally been told -- alternated on a geographical basis. As Mr. Rader explained it, it is more like an "every-other-name" basis -- handled by a computer. Therefore, even though several of you called or wrote asking about the fact that some of your members had our ad in their Digest and others did not -- this is no problem.

Just last week, Mr. Bobby Boyce was moved from Champaign, Illinois, to New Orleans to be the pastor of the New Orleans and Baton Rouge Churches. This will free Mr. Paul Flatt, as he requested, to superintend his district full time. He had been tied down pretty heavily just pastoring those two churches since he had no Preaching Elder in the district headquarters area.

Having had the District Superintendents' complete "input," we will be making final decisions on the field assignments and ministerial changes for the summer yet this week! We will try to get this news to you as soon as possible in a special letter or, at the very latest, in the next Bulletin. However, as you know, there are always two or three <u>late summer</u> changes or transfers that may come up in addition to the early summer announcements.

As many of you know, the general income for the Work, for the building fund and even for the spring Holy Day offerings is down considerably this spring. In addition, the numbers of new Co-Workers, numbers of visit requests and numbers of new prospective members are also down on a percentage basis. There are several factors which contribute to this picture -- the soaring food prices and unusual inflationary trends; the devaluation of the dollar coupled with general financial uncertainty in the country as a whole and other outside factors. However, I would like to touch upon at least two factors that pertain to our membership exclusively and have you ministers focus upon what we in the ministry can do about them. One is the "1972 syndrome." In spite of all our statements or wishes to the contrary, a lot of our brethren HAVE let this affect them -- even before most of them realized there was a really serious problem with Mr. Ted Armstrong. Because they think we were dogmatic on this point in the past, many are distrusting the Church a little more in general and are retrogressing spiritually and, at the same time, obviously, in their support for the Work. Also, there are others who are not "doubting" the Church as such but now feel far more "free" to spend a little more of their money on personal things -- sometimes luxuries -- for their homes and families. It has been reported to me that several of our brethren even in this Headquarters area have "suddenly" made the decision to buy a home -- with all of the heavy early expenses of down payment, closing fees, etc., that this involves -- now that they realize "there is more time to go."

This is not necessarily wrong or evil of itself, but I think we can all see that if a <u>few thousand</u> brethren begin buying more color T.V.s, new automobiles and even homes -- obviously, MANY tens of thousands of dollars which might have come to the Work are automatically absorbed elsewhere.

Therefore, in kindness, love and an understanding manner, we should:

1) Inform the brethren from time to time in our sermons and Bible Studies and counselings that although 1972 has not brought the end of the Work, it is turning out to be a year of GIANT significance in a manner different than we anticipated! Mr. Portune did prognosticate this 8-12 months ago, however, saying several times in Bible Studies and sermons that although 1972 might not see the end of the Work, it would see a year of BIG change, restructuring and growth in God's Work and would be of definite significance. Sensing through God's spirit and the direction of world events that this was true, several of us -- including myself -- followed his lead in saying these same things to many thousands of people. You fellows need to let the brethren know this -- and let them realize that 1972 is turning out to be of FAR GREATER significance than we realized it would even a few months ago.

For, even apart from Mr. G. T.A., there are many new openings, directions and organizational changes coming up in the Work -- such as <u>Reader's</u> <u>Digest</u> opening for us the way it did the very first of this year, the decision to <u>combine</u> The PLAIN TRUTH and TOMORROW'S WORLD into one magazine and so reach nearly three times as many people with spiritual meat, etc., etc.

Then help the brethren realize that although we <u>do want them</u> to have a "balanced" life and be able to have nice things for themselves, if all of us SELFISHLY rush off together to buy every material thing our hearts desire -especially if we do this at the <u>same time</u> -- then it is going to really HURT and CRIPPLE God's Work! Encourage them to "tighten up" on their personal spending for a few months now and devise a plan to <u>spread</u> out some of their purchases over many months or years so that they can continue to give <u>generously</u> to God's Work! Help them realize that we in God's Work are <u>cutting</u> back, economizing, restructuring and working harder than ever -- which we really ARE here at Headquarters! -- and ask them not to let us down at this critical time.

2) The second internal area we need to concentrate on has been called the "G. T. A. syndrome." Because of the uncertainty of Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong's real status for a while, many brethren and Co-Workers became discouraged or "uneasy." Some began cutting down on or withholding their tithes and offerings -- a few even sending us anonymous letters to this effect. Now, knowing the facts, it is up to you ministers to assure the brethren enthusiastically that even though putting his own son out of the ministry was the hardest thing he has ever had to do, he has done it because he fears God -- is surrendered to God and is going to do God's Work GOD'S way at all costs! Mr. Armstrong is determined that RIGHTEOUSNESS must be maintained in this ministry in this church even when it hurts. As I said before, if you emphasize this to the brethren in a positive way, NOT negative and "threatening," I am sure all our truly converted brethren will rally and put their hearts in this Work more than we have ever seen before!

Now to other matters. Most of you have heard that we are sectioning the U.S. Churches into two REGIONS for administrative purposes. With this basic plan being approved in essence by Mr. Armstrong and in particular by Mr. Albert Portune, the two Regional Directors will be Mr. Dennis Luker and Mr. Alfred Carrozzo. With the exception of a couple of districts "crossing over" geographically -- as it were -- for particular reasons, Mr. Luker will be the director over all the churches in the southern and eastern seaboard and Mr. Carrozzo will be the director over all the churches in the central states and the west. The District Superintendents, as most of you know, have been consulted about this for some time and had fine meetings with these two Regional Directors here at Pasadena recently. So Mr. Luker is now in charge of the following districts: Big Sandy, New Orleans, Atlanta, Nashville, Cincinnati, Detroit, New York and Washington, D.C. Mr. Carrozzo will be directing these districts: Headquarters, Oakland, Portland, Denver, Kansas City, Minneapolis, Chicago and Akron.

Following the Biblical and management practices of delegation, I am sure this will work out for good to all concerned. For those of you not yet familiar with this concept, let me just state that from now on these men will be basically directing or <u>superintending</u> all the districts within their respective regions just as I did the whole nation in earlier years (although, hopefully, <u>better</u> than I did as we all keep learning a lot as we go along!). They will read the reports the Superintendents deem necessary to send forward to them from

their respective districts, plus all special reports and suggestions. They will communicate on the phone with the District Superintendents on plans, ideas, problems and with other ministers occasionally as required. They will make regular trips to the district headquarters and major churches within their regions to bring news, inspiration and direction from Headquarters, to get the "feel" of the local district or church problems -- and to keep the lines of communication open constantly even in a personal way.

Working together, Mr. Luker and Mr. Carrozzo will correlate plans for new churches, ministerial transfers and other matters to present to me for overall decisions. Within their individual regions, they will work with local church problems and administrative and spiritual problems of the superintendents and even of local ministers as needed or requested by the District Superintendents.

Be sure you back these men with enthusiastic warmth and loyalty! I am sure they will do a fine job and am very happy to announce their appointment to these major responsibilities.

Perhaps it would be helpful at this point to give you a brief summary of the background and qualifications of these men -- especially for those who are newer in the ministry and may not know them that well yet.

Mr. Dennis Luker graduated from the University of Delaware as an engineering major before attending Ambassador. Then he worked for about a year with North American Aviation between colleges. An outstanding student and leader in college, he was appointed senior class president and graduated from Ambassador with the class of 1963. He had baptizing tour experience between his junior and senior years, and after graduation served in the Bay area -- soon becoming pastor of the churches up there -- and eventually Superintendent of the Oakland district for over two years.

Then he had the experience of establishing a new district headquarters in Minneapolis and served there for about six months before coming into college after  $5\frac{1}{2}$  years of field experience, plus an earlier baptizing tour.

As all of you should know, he has been my "right-hand man" here in C.A.D. at Pasadena now for nearly  $3\frac{1}{2}$  years and has grown immensely with the job and become very familiar with all major church areas in the United States and has helped dozens of you personally.

Mr. Alfred Carrozzo became a member of God's Church way back in 1955. He started attending in San Diego where I was his pastor for five years and ordained him a deacon about 1959. Then he was brought to Headquarters, put on the Visiting Program, made a Local Elder and began attending Bible and speech classes -- gradually enlarging this educational background to include all the major class areas required for graduation. For several years now he has been Director of the Headquarters' Visiting Program -- organizing the work of dozens of elders, deacons and others in the biggest single church area we have

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on earth today. He has done an outstanding job and has won the confidence of Mr. Armstrong, Mr. Portune and many others -- certainly including myself -- many times over. For the last three to five years he has served as a part of our field administrative "team" -- participating in nearly all major decisions about the field ministry, making field visits, and helping us organize and re-organize C.A.D. and the entire field ministry procedures.

Both of these men are warm and hearty, absolutely dedicated, loyal and <u>serving</u> individuals. I know that I can count on all of you to give them full cooperation and support in their respective responsibilities. And with the two of them functioning in individual regions -- later to be joined by a <u>third</u> Regional Director when the need arises -- I know things will be handled more efficiently than all of you, <u>including all</u> 16 District Superintendents, trying to get to me <u>personally</u> with your problems, or else Mr. Luker having to catch the "overflow" on a haphazard basis from the entire U.S. field ministry! This will make it more efficient, more organized and better for us all -- leaving me free to concentrate on the major areas of thought, planning and overall control which a Division Head should.

After all this description of the Regional Directors' duties, some will wonder what I will have left to do! Mr. Luker suggested that I explain this as I did to the District Superintendents in our recent meeting. Briefly, then, I will retain the responsibilities for:

1) Setting objectives and all major policies for C.A.D. and the U.S. field ministry.

2) Organizing church areas and assigning men properly.

3) Overall motivation and organization through the Ministerial Bulletin, other ministerial letters, personal letters, calls, personal field visits (which I will continue to make!), ministerial conferences, etc.

4) Checking overall <u>results</u> of our procedures and analyzing these as a guide to future plans.

5) Developing subordinates -- teaching and guiding future ministers through college, teaching the ministers at various types of conferences and through letters, the ministerial manual, the hoped-for management manual, etc.

6) Handling any major or permanant disciplinary action involving U.S. ministers.

7) Acting as overall C.A.D. representative to other divisions of the Work, on the Executive Committee, to God's Church at large and to the world.

I hope the above helps you realize that I will now have <u>more</u> time than ever (I hope) for thought and planning regarding field policies and field problems, for writing and editing basic instructional and organizational material that is

sorely needed, etc. Also, I will still teach the freshman Bible class four days a week, help write and edit for our two magazines and have plenty to do in other areas!

I do hope the above explanation is helpful and encouraging to all of you. It will help make all of our work more effective and we will, no doubt, be taking other steps of this sort as God blesses and enlarges the Work in the future.

For your immediate concern, however, fellow ministers, please review the areas given earlier on the attitude problem some of our brethren are having regarding the Work and the times in which we are living. Be sure all of you get out and visit your people more often in the coming weeks -- "share" yourselves with them, build their confidence more than ever and show that we in Christ's ministry are there to give, to help and SERVE. Some of the superintendents suggested that more member visits than ever may be necessary during the next several weeks because of these problems, and I certainly agree. So let's concentrate on solidifying the body of Christ and building a warm rapport with God's people at this critical juncture.

Pentecost is just around the corner, and several of us will be coming out from Headquarters and from Big Sandy for area visits. Final plans are not yet complete, though, so we will try to let you know in a soon-coming personal letter or in the next Bulletin. If any of you "need" a visit from some of us, give us a call and perhaps we can put you on the list! May God continue to bless and inspire all of you servants of His Son, Jesus Christ, as you yield to Him. And please be sure to remember Mr. Armstrong, Mr. Portune and all of us here in your prayers.

With Christian love,

Roderick C. Meredith



We have good news and bad news, which do you want to hear first?

Perhaps we should get the bad news out of the way first. The Barbados government denied Mr. Bass's application for a work permit. The tragedy is that it appears religious bigotry may be at the base of it. One of the senators in Barbados, and an influential man, is a distant relative of one of our members and has been heard to comment that he hates everything this Work stands for. The man is also an "evangelist"!

Mr. Bass has been given until May 19 to leave Barbados, and so he is busily checking with an attorney to make arrangements for the incorporation of the church in Barbados under a local board of trustees. This will protect the funds we have in the bank and will enable the Barbados Church to pay for any radio time on their own station. Mr. Bass will return to Pasadena immediately after that and we will discuss what to do next in the Caribbean. There are several alternatives open to us, as there are a number of small congregations coming up to a size where they need help. Mr. Bass will be fully employed in the Caribbean as always, but it is going to be difficult for the members in Barbados. It appears that he will not even be able to go into Barbados occasionally to preach on the Sabbath.

This seems unfair, but when you understand why Barbados is doing it, the light suddenly dawns. For decades now, Barbados has been "taken to the cleaners" by foreign religionists. Evangelists have come in and built up a small work, creamed off the money and left poor people even poorer. Consequently, they are putting the clamps on any foreign missionaries, evangelists, etc. It is most unfortunate that the Church of God, one of the very few religious organizations that has not exploited the people, has to be caught in the crunch.

This by no means spells the end of the Work in Barbados. We have a loyal deacon who has been giving sermonettes and assisting Mr. Bass in visiting, and we may be able to continue having Sabbath services. We will have to decide later the format that those services will follow.

Also, there's the possibility of a change in government at the next election. The present Minister for Home Affairs is an avowed black nationalist, and is the main motivating force behind the policy of denying work permits to foreigners working in Barbados. These policies only aggravate an already serious unemployment problem. A change in government would be followed immediately by another application on our part to have a minister in Barbados. With an incorporated church in Barbados making that application, it would have a much better chance of success.

I know the brethren in Barbados will be praying fervently about this, and I hope that you will join them.

On the positive side in the West Indies, Mr. Harold Jackson conducted the first ever Passover in Trinidad. Following is an excerpt from his report:

On my arrival in Trinidad, at 10 p.m., I was met by Messrs. Dayelsingh and Hosein, both baptized members of the Church, who escorted me to my hotel; and after a few moments of chatting, retired for the night. Tuesday morning we toured the Northern

section of the island, but rain prohibited our continuance so, after visiting a sick member I returned to my hotel to study and await the time for the Passover. Forty-seven persons gathered on the third floor of an office building in a busy section of Trinidad at 7 p.m. for the Passover. Fifteen women and thirty-two men were quietly awaiting my arrival. The service was a solemn one and sobering: they did realize its meaning. This occasion marked the first Passover service given by one of God's ministers in the history of the island; however, due to laws prohibiting preaching by foreigners, I was unable to stay for the first Holy Day, so I departed the next afternoon for Barbados. My hosts were congenial and regretted to see me leave so soon, but understood the seriousness of the situation.

Mr. Jackson then went on to Barbados to join Mr. and Mrs. Bass and 240 brethren for the Days of Unleavened Bread. The Festival was

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held at the Barbados Hilton this year, and while the members were dining at the Hilton between services, the Prime Minister dropped in and became quite interested in the "large orderly group of people" occupying the entire mezzanine floor.

Other good news is that we now have finalized our ministerial changes coming in June and the assignment of those graduating seniors going to the Foreign Work. A list of those will be included in this Bulletin.

There are some new churches involved in the ministerial assignments. Very significant is the beginning of two new churches in Cape Town, South Africa under Mr. Gordon Terblanche. Why two new churches in one city? One of them is colored and the other is white. Our brethren are still not permitted to meet together in South Africa.

An outlying Bible Study will be converted into a church in Launceston, Tasmania with Kerry McGuinness taking it as his first pastorate. I'm sure he and Mary Jean are very excited about that opportunity.

Another new church will begin in Bendigo, Victoria, Australia. This will be a two-church area with Ballarat, and Leroy Cole will be the pastor. They expect the opening attendance to be 75.

George Lee is moving from his pastorate in Calgary to Bricket Wood to enter on a degree program.

Congratulations to everyone on their new responsibilities and opportunities. It can't spell anything but growth for the Work of God.

There's more news to come, but it will have to wait for the next Bulletin. This all has to be typed, proofread and then in Richard Sedliacik's hands in just over an hour.

## MANPOWER ASSIGNMENTS

## MINISTERIAL TRANSFERS

#### To Pastor a Church:

- Gordon Terblanche (P.E.) from Bricket Wood to Cape Town, South Africa
- Kerry McGuinness (L.E.) from Brisbane to Launceston, Tasmania

Richard Wilding (P.E.) from Montreal to Calgary Carn Catherwood (Pas.) from Paris to Montreal Etienne Bourdin (P.E.) from Geneva to Paris

#### **Other Transfers:**

Colin Jackson (L.E.) from Auckland to Brisbane John Larkin (L.E.) from Kitchener to Auckland George Lee (P.E.) from Calgary to Bricket Wood John Halford (P.E.) from Melbourne to Sydney Derek Seaman (L.E.) from Birmingham to Johannesburg

Ted Tupper (L.E.) from Sydney to Melbourne John Sanderson (L.E.) from Glasgow to Edmonton

#### GRADUATE TRANSFERS

- Dave Magowan from Auckland to Bricket Wood (office)
- Colin Cato from Bricket Wood to Düesseldorf (M.A.)
- Peter Butler from Bricket Wood to Vancouver (M.A.)
- John White from Bricket Wood to Salisbury (M.A. and office)
- Bill Rabey from Vancouver to Ottawa (M.A.)
- Rouf El Gammal from Pasadena to Vancouver (office)

Jack Croucher from Sydney to Brisbane (M.A.)

- Norm Pappas to Brisbane (M.A.)
- Chris Pappas to Ballarat (M.A.)
- Peter Pappas to Launceston (M.A.)

Bruce Tyler to Brisbane (M.A.)

## GRADUATING SENIOR ASSIGNMENTS

#### Pasadena:

Terry Roth to Auckland (office and M.A.) Ken Lewis to Blackheath (M.A. to live in Sydney) Peter Whitting to Brisbane (M.A.) Jack Kost to Kitchener (M.A.) Al Zaiser to Saskatoon (M.A.) John Buck to Winnipeg (M.A.)

#### **Bricket Wood:**

Rod Gowland to Melbourne (M.A.) Brian Orchard to Newcastle (M.A.) Gavin Cullen to Sydney (M.A.) Jim Bennett to Perth (M.A.) Frank Nelte to Durban (M.A.) Neil Earl to Regina (M.A.) Robert Elliott to Toronto (M.A.) Sam Kneller to Montreal (M.A.) James Muir to Geneva (M.A.)

## **Big Sandy:**

Klaus Rothe to Edmonton (M.A.)