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'89 Feast: ties that bind

By Jeff E. Zhorne

PASADENA—Gathering at 102 sites in more than 50 countries, some 147,000 members and their families observed the 1989 Feast of Tabernacles.

Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach's Holy Day message was received at all sites as planned. Hawaii, however, received only portions of the audio.

We Are One Family—Part V, shown at most sites Oct. 19, featured Mr. Tkach's visits to Western Europe, the Philippines, Hong Kong and Malaysia.

Help for quake victims

The 7.1-magnitude earthquake in San Francisco, Calif., Oct. 17 caused concern for brethren attending the Redding, Calif., site, about 200 miles to the north.

"Brethren remained calm even though close to half were from the Bay area," said Lawrence Neff, Redding coordinator. "The quake definitely had a profound and sobering impact on all."

On behalf of the membership of the Worldwide Church of God, Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach presented two checks for \$100,000 each to the American Red Cross Oct. 19. The money will assist victims of the earthquake and the devastation from Hurricane Hugo, which struck the South Carolina coast Sept. 21.

"After seeing the terrible destruction in San Francisco, we strongly felt that it was our duty to provide whatever emergency help we could," Mr. Tkach said.

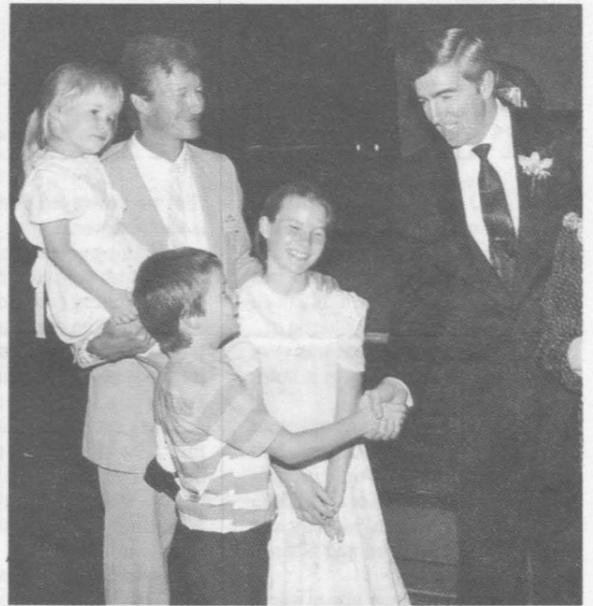
"After talking with local Red Cross officials we learned that urgent help was still needed for victims of Hurricane Hugo," he added, "especially since many supplies that were previously earmarked for Hugo victims were now being sent to the San Francisco area."

The Church is also working to provide other services, including blood donations and other supplies.

Snow, hurricane

Dayton, Ohio, was struck by the biggest October snowstorm on record Thursday morning, Oct. 19, according to a weather service spokesman.

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AROUND THE WORLD IN EIGHT DAYS—Clockwise from top left: Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach (left) presents two checks on behalf of the Church for earthquake and hurricane relief to American Red Cross officials in Pasadena Oct. 19; family day in George, South Africa; brethren in Ooty, India; evangelist Donald Ward greets a family in Caloundra,

Australia; brethren disembark from the MTS *Oceanos* for an excursion to the island of Patmos; the children's choir performs in Rabat, Malta; and women serve up a feast in Accra, Ghana. [Photos by Mike Bedford, David Burt, Joseph Moses, Michael Storey, Hal Finch, Greg S. Smith and Art Allender]

PERSONAL FROM *Joseph W. Tkach*

Dear Brethren,

What an inspiring Feast of Tabernacles!

Reports about the enthusiasm and devotion of God's people from around the world have been exciting and encouraging.

Many members and ministers have expressed that they felt a sense of openness, caring and godly love expressed throughout this year's Feast as never before in their experience in the Church.

I wholeheartedly pray that what they felt is in fact true, and I hope all of us understand why it is so vitally important that it be true and how each of us can and must see that it becomes a stronger and deeper part of the Church with each passing year.

God's love for us

The love of God is something that does not come by willpower or by force. It does not come by intimidation or by fear. God's love is absolutely undeserved and unearned. God himself is love.

He loved us while we were yet sinners.

It makes no sense for us to try to scare people into obeying God, threaten people into obeying God or punish people into obeying God. There is no spiritual value in obeying God out of fright or dread.

The approach taken by the apostles was to convince people to obey God by persuading them of the degree of God's love for them. Even when they corrected them and admonished them to obey, by reminding them of the ultimate destruction of the enemies of God, it was done in pleading love, not in angry threats (II Corinthians 6 and 7).

We often speak of character. We tend to look at one another and compare ourselves by how

well we outwardly seem to display righteous character. We speak of building godly character.

But do we realize who is doing the building? Is it we, ourselves, who are building all this charac-

merciful authority over us.

Our own righteousness is worthless. It is by God's grace that our sins are forgiven, and it is because Jesus Christ lives in us through the Holy Spirit that

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ter? If we are, what is the value of it?

We need to understand that it is God who is building his nature into us as we love him and therefore submit to his loving and

we can be made righteous—by God, not by our own struggling.

Why we obey God

We struggle with our sinful (See PERSONAL, page 11)

Political quake rocks Eastern Europe

PASADENA—"Europe's post-war order is crumbling so swiftly as to defy the comprehension even of the diplomats who are tracking it."

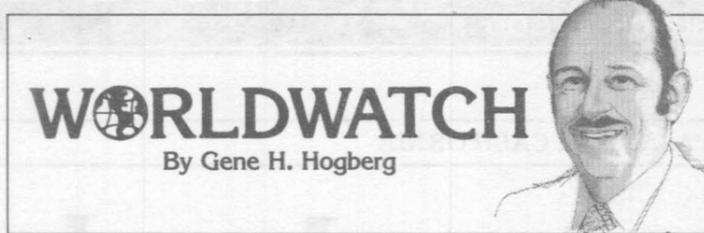
This assessment by John Newhouse in the Oct. 23 *New Yorker* best summarizes the bewildering pace of changes this year in Central and Eastern Europe.

The focal point at the moment is the political crisis enveloping East Germany because of the westward exodus of thousands of its citizens.

This reached a crescendo with the startling announcement by East German authorities Nov. 9 that East Germans could now exit the country directly at the West German and West Berlin borders, obviating the 28-year-old despised Berlin Wall.

But the story began earlier in the year, in May, when Hungarian authorities began to dismantle the portion of the Iron Curtain along its border with Austria.

The next month, Polish voters almost totally rejected the Commu-



WORLDWATCH

By Gene H. Hogberg

nist Party in nationwide elections. Poland's coalition government is now in the hands of a non-Communist majority.

This fall Hungary's Communist Party—officially the Hungarian Socialist Workers' Party—saw what happened to Poland's Communist rulers and decided to change its spots. Dropping the word *Workers'*, it now claims to be a moderate left-of-center party in the West European fashion.

Then, Oct. 23, the anniversary of the abortive anti-Communist 1956 revolt, the name of the country was officially changed to the Hungarian

Republic, the communist-style adjective, *People's*, dropping by the wayside.

Viewing these alterations, *Time* magazine, in its Nov. 6 edition, said that "1989 will be remembered not as the year that Eastern Europe changed but as the year that Eastern Europe as we have known it for four decades ended."

The most dramatic change of all has occurred in the German world. Over a three-month span scores of thousands of East Germans have fled into West Germany, using escape routes mainly across Hungary and Czechoslovakia.

chestra. My 4-year-old nephew, Joey Proulx, was impressed for a different reason than most.

From his 3-foot-high vantage point, all he could see was choir director David Kroll waving his arms back and forth, pointing here and there and, somehow, producing swells of music.

Joey, less impressed with the music than the technique that produced it, asked, "How does he get his hands to make all that music?"

Rick L. Shallenberger: It was exciting to be in Redding, Calif., this year because of the San Francisco earthquake. *Exciting* may sound like the wrong word to use, but it expresses my emotions.

The morning after the quake, we went to services not knowing what to expect. We weren't sure how the brethren would be responding, since many of them were from the affected areas.

Family day was planned, and we weren't sure if they would cancel the activity or not. We half expected the brethren to be somewhat dazed and frightened and there to be an aura of sobriety in the convention center.

The exciting part was to see the brethren respond as they did. There was a tremendous amount of love, encouragement and bravery displayed. It was obvious that the brethren felt secure with the family of God. Many had no idea what to expect when they returned home, but they didn't let it spoil their Feast. Neither did they let it spoil anyone else's Feast.

Monte Wolverton: For the first part of the cruise we had calm seas. But the Aegean is unpredictable at this time of year.

During the five-hour trip between the islands of Patmos and Mykonos, we encountered some relatively heavy seas—about 10-foot swells and heavy winds. As the ride became bouncier, many succumbed to seasickness.

Everyone was trying to deal with the problem in his or her own way. Some took refuge in their rooms. Others tried walking around the ship. Still others stayed out on the fantail in the fresh air. But I heard several people comment that they'd certainly rather be on our ship than outside in the water.

We had confidence that the captain or one of his competent crew was on the bridge, keeping us on course to our destination.

But since this ship was full of God's people keeping the Feast, an old analogy took on new clarity.

Christ is captain of the Church. We can always rest assured that he is on the bridge, directing his ship along the course he has charted for

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regrouped as a smaller, more reform-minded core.

Mr. Honecker's successor, 52-year-old Egon Krenz, had been under pressure both from within and without. From every corner of the land arose calls for free elections, which the authorities now must implement.

Small parties normally allied with the Communists are threatening, as did their counterparts in Poland, to break free and play independent roles.

Pressure too is coming from official circles inside West Germany. Initially the West German public welcomed the refugee influx. Employers rushed forward with job offers, eager to enroll energetic young men and women, most of whom are in their 20s and 30s.

But West German politicians are beginning to worry about the im-

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Just between friends

By Dexter H. Faulkner

Feast experiences

PASADENA—A couple of weeks before the Feast our daughter-in-law Melody, at their Friday evening meal, asked, "Who has Feast fever?" My son Nathan raised his hand and little Sharon imitated her daddy. Stephen was very hesitant and said, "I have a cold, does that count?"

My wife, Shirley, and I spent an enjoyable Feast in Trabolgan, Ireland. This was the first time in eight years we spent the entire eight days at one site. Nathan and Melody and grandchildren Stephen and Sharon were with us.

Our Irish brethren are a warm and welcoming people. My wife and I spent a week touring and doing research across Ireland before the Feast and were in Galway for Atonement.

We found the principal social institution is the pub. Almost every Irishman will spend some part of every day in a pub, unless he is terminally ill, in a hospital or incarcerated, because pubs are where they keep the drink and the talk.

The Irish are a gregarious people. They cannot bear to be left alone. They must always be talking to their friends. This is extended also to perfect strangers, so it is impossible to remain a foreigner in Ireland.

The 56 brethren from Northern Ireland and 201 from the Republic of Ireland attending this Feast site certainly fulfilled the above. They made this Feast the best Feast ever—spiritually and physically—for all who attended.

As far as I'm concerned, if you want a relaxing and uplifting family Feast of Tabernacles, I recommend the Trabolgan site. I give it a 10 on a scale of 1 to 10. The most inspiring thing this year was to see the children's choir perform. The family of God certainly has a lot to be proud of in its young people.

I realize this is only one of 102 sites, so I asked my staff to give me a report and reactions on the sites your Editorial team attended this year.

Clayton Steep: And now back to the real world, I said to myself after the Feast.

But wait a minute. Is that the way it really is? Is the everyday world we live in the real world? No, not at all. The world under the rule of God

that we portrayed during the Feast is the real world.

All the good experiences, the happy moments, the spiritual strengthening we received—they are part of the real world. The system around us with its frustrations, its annoyances, its vexations, its aggravations, is passing away.

The physical creation is temporary. The Holy Spirit and the Kingdom of God with its laws and truths—these will last forever. This is reality. And we are part of it now.

Maria Stahl: I was inspired by Mr. Tkach's announcement that the Church would contribute \$100,000 each to the relief funds for the victims of Hurricane Hugo and for the victims of the San Francisco, Calif., earthquake. It was exciting to know that we as a group were able to offer help to those who suffered and are suffering from those disasters.

Christ had compassion for the people in the world who suffered. I am thankful that Mr. Tkach has encouraged all of us to have the same compassion.

Maryann Pirog: I attended the Feast in Pasadena this year and was impressed with the hard work and dedication of the ministers, their wives and members who stayed in Pasadena to organize the Feast. Those who stayed here for the Feast gave their all to make Pasadena an enjoyable and exciting site.

I was especially impressed with the service of the ministers' wives. They gave many hours of work alongside their husbands. I saw, firsthand, the right attitude of service from the ministry and their families. I learned a lot from the ministry and not just from their sermons.

Melinda Unzicker: On the Last Great Day I overheard a woman in a restaurant ask a little girl why she was dressed up. The girl replied, "I just went to Church and now I'm waiting for Shirley Temple to be resurrected!"

Although her facts may have been a bit misconstrued, even at age 3, a little child can pay attention in services.

Lowell Wagner: Anyone who has been to the Wisconsin Dells, Wis., Feast site can't help but be impressed with the Feast choir and or-

Coupled with those permitted to leave through normal channels, more than one percent of East Germany's population has moved to the Federal Republic so far during 1989.

The exodus confronts East German authorities with serious shortages in key professions, from doctors in hospitals to waiters in restaurants.

The hemorrhage led directly to the downfall of aging president and Communist Party boss Erich Honecker, shortly after East Germany observed its 40th anniversary Oct. 7.

Nov. 7, the entire East German cabinet, including Premier Willi Stoph, resigned en masse prompting a full-blown crisis. The next day the ruling Politburo disbanded and



European Diary

By John Ross Schroeder

Resignations shake up British prime minister

BOREHAMWOOD, England—"Dear Margaret, the successful conduct of economic policy is possible only if there is—and is seen to be—full agreement between the Prime Minister and the Chancellor of Exchequer."

"Recent events have confirmed that this essential requirement cannot be satisfied."

Thus begins the text of the resignation letter from British Chancellor Nigel Lawson.

The catalyst was the role of Mrs. Thatcher's economic adviser, Alan Walters, who dismissed the European monetary system as "half-baked."

It seems the prime minister basically agrees with his sentiments.

However, Mr. Lawson considers joining the European exchange rate mechanism as essential to the long-term health of the British economy.

The disagreement is not primarily one of personalities but of basic policy. It is not limited to Mrs. Thatcher and her ex-chancellor.

As Paul Johnson wrote in the Oct. 27 *Daily Mail*: "They thought it had been agreed at the last European summit [in Madrid] that Britain would join the EMS when certain conditions had been fulfilled. It is now obvious that Mrs. Thatcher was not sincerely behind this compromise."

Consider reaction in the Oct. 27 *Financial Times*. "Thwarted by the Prime Minister in his desire to commit the UK to the exchange rate mechanism of the European Monetary System . . . Mr. Lawson found the macroeconomic management of the UK increasingly troublesome in the last year or two of office."

The reluctance of the prime minister to fully commit to Europe is the crux of this disagreement. This, along with high interest rates, an unstable pound and a huge trade deficit, weakens her position in dealing with Brussels.

As the *Times* editorial said: "There are only six weeks to go to the EC Strasbourg Summit at which she will be under even greater pressure than before to move forward on economic and monetary union."

At this writing Brussels has not had time to react fully. But the Oct. 27 *Daily Telegraph* said this: "The loss of Mr. Lawson as Chancellor, coming so soon after Geoffrey Howe's demotion, left Britain's EEC partners gloomier than ever

about the prospect of [pound] sterling joining fully the European monetary system.

"A Brussels diplomat said last night: 'There was a sadness . . . when Sir Geoffrey was sacked. Many of us also felt that Nigel Lawson was prepared to stand up to the Prime Minister. This is obviously why they have both gone.'"

No one knows exactly how events will shape up. Paul Johnson, in the Oct. 27 *Daily Mail*, considered the options: "She may get away with it again. Sterling may sail into smoother waters in due course. The trade gap may close. Her new man at the treasury may be able to bring down interest rates."

But he also wrote: "These are pretty big ifs, and what the political wisecracks are wondering this morning is: has Margaret Thatcher's phenomenal luck at last run out—and with her luck, has she lost her judgment too?"

In conclusion, Mr. Johnson said: "My own guess, and it is no more, is that Mrs. Thatcher's extraordinary tenacity and courage will pull her through. But there is no doubt that she has entered one of the most anxious crises of her career."

In the background of this are the workings of the European Community. The French are urging the processes of unity forward.

The Oct. 26 *Daily Telegraph* headline was "Mitterrand Urges New Treaty to Unify EEC."

Some excerpts: "President Mitterrand . . . has taken the debate on the future of Europe far beyond the question of monetary union."

"He said: 'The [proposed] inter-governmental conference is the kingpin of monetary union, which takes us a decisive step towards the ultimate objective, which is political union.'"

Now the article's crucial point: "His speech is likely to annoy the British government, which has said political union is 'simply not on the agenda.' A new treaty, which would at least involve extending EEC law to financial affairs, could even exclude Britain altogether."

So the channel gap continues. The Continent wants to move toward political unity. That is anathema to many in the United Kingdom. And people know that monetary union ultimately leads to political union. *The Worldwide News* will continue to observe events in Europe.

Brethren show exemplary conduct at U.S. sites

By Jeff E. Zhorne

PASADENA—"From all reports we have received, many people commented that the messages preached at the Feast sites were inspiring and helpful," said Joseph W. Tkach Jr., associate director of Church Administration for the United States.

"Equally inspiring were the many reports of the exemplary conduct of the Church membership," Mr. Tkach Jr. said.

Pasadena

For the first time the Pasadena site offered a "clean room," which was available for those with allergies or highly sensitive to odors. Closed-circuit television was provided.



Norfolk, Va.

Up to 40 people at a time gathered at the *succah* (Feast booth) in front of the Ambassador Auditorium to visit or take photographs with Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach.

You're here for the mind

In Palm Springs, Calif., a Chinese restaurant owner told coordinator James Reyer: "Most people come to Palm Springs to build the body. But you people come to develop the mind and spirit."

In Lexington, Ky., a first-time site, coordinator David Havir reported that temperatures in the high 70s Fahrenheit (24 to 26 degrees Celsius) dropped to the mid-30s (1 to 3 degrees Celsius) with snowflakes by the middle of the



Palm Springs, Calif.

Feast before rising again.

Feastgoers ate dinner on a two-hour train ride, attended family day at the Kentucky Horse Park and attended the Appalachian Festival of Music.

"An attitude of enthusiasm and appreciation was widespread among the membership throughout the



Pasadena



St. Petersburg, Fla.

Feast," said Mr. Havir.

In Big Sandy brethren enjoyed 25 new carnival games with prizes at family day. The Piney Woods campground provided opportunities for service and fellowship.

In Dayton, Ohio, brethren assembled at the La Comedia Dinner Theater for a two-hour show composed of 16 vocal, instrumental, dance and comedy selections, all performed by brethren, reported coordinator Ray Meyer.

On family day in Niagara Falls, N.Y., Marineland opened nine rides and gave performances by dolphins and killer whales. During one show, guest speaker James Friddle was kissed by a killer whale. He called it "a whale of a kiss."

In Pensacola, Fla., "most mer-

chants didn't ask to see IDs or driver's licenses to cash traveler's checks," reported visiting minister Dennis Pelley. "Instead, they would just ask if we were with the convention."

Feastgoers in Wisconsin Dells, Wis., represented 44 U.S. states, four Canadian provinces and three other countries. More than 500 youths sang in a children's choir.

Sunsets, sunrises and moonrises over the Atlantic Ocean off Jekyll Island, Ga., were spectacular, according to coordinator James Chapman.

"The children's choir was the best that I have seen," he said. The policy of having the same two songs at all sites for all to practice is an

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Daytona Beach, Fla.



Anchorage, Alaska

Cruise ship sails to Greek islands, Turkey

PASADENA—For the first time the Feast of Tabernacles took place on a cruise ship.

Brethren from 14 countries boarded the MTS *Oceanos*, operated by Epirotiki Cruises, at Piraeus, Greece, Oct. 13. Festival coordinator Richard Frankel, Washington, D.C., North and South pastor, introduced the opening night service as the ship set sail.

Ports of call included Istanbul and Kusadasi, Turkey, with a side trip to Ephesus, and the Greek Isles of Patmos, Rhodes, Mykonos, Crete and Santorini. Guided tours were available at most locations.

Guest speaker for the Feast was Kyriacos Stavrinides. Dr. Stavrinides, professor of classics at Pasadena Ambassador College, is

Greek by birth. In addition to two sermons, he gave talks about the history of some of the sites the group visited.

Sermons were also given by evangelist Harold Jackson of Church Administration; John Comino, Knoxville A.M. and P.M., Cookeville, Morristown and Jamestown, Tenn., pastor; Neil Earle, Toronto, Ont., West and Central pastor; Mr. Frankel; Richard Paige, associate professor of history at Big Sandy Ambassador College; and Don Waterhouse, Fort Worth, Tex., East pastor. Mr. Comino was raised in rank to pastor. Church members and entertain-

ers hired by the cruise line performed several evenings before and after dinner.

On youth day teens ushered and provided special music. At a senior citizens banquet, each man and woman received a boutonniere or corsage.

"The food and service on the ship were excellent," said Mr. Frankel. "And one of the greatest benefits, obviously, of this kind of Feast is the togetherness."

Many said that they met more people this year than ever before.

One woman wrote down the names and addresses of the people she ate with on the ship. At the end

of the Feast she had a list of 82 names.

The ship returned to Piraeus Oct. 20, and brethren disembarked. After a tour of Athens, services took place in the Royal Olympic Hotel there.

A perfect attendance of 585 kept the Last Great Day at the Royal Olympic Hotel.

Brethren toured Corinth Oct. 22, and most left for home Oct. 23.

"Olympic Airways flight staff commented on the exceptional behavior of our group," said Mr. Frankel. "The MTS *Oceanos* crew and staff mentioned this was the best group they have had in 15 years (the lifetime of the *Oceanos*). They also said our people 'knew how to have a good time, and it was clean fun.'"

Festival cruise 585



Corinth



Piraeus



Rhodes

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the Treasurer's Office
Leroy Neff

PASADENA—Holy Day offerings have been completed for 1989, and we are gratified and pleased with the results. Here are the increases in the United States for the fall Holy Days: Feast of Trumpets, 19.1 percent; Day of Atonement, 17.9 percent; first day of the Feast of Tabernacles, 14.3 percent; Last Great Day, 16.3 percent. When this was combined with the three earlier Holy Days, there was an increase of 21 percent for the year.

We in Pasadena wish to thank all of you for these offerings, which have eased our problems in the financial area.

While the Holy Day offerings were outstanding, the regular day-to-day tithes and offerings have lagged behind. For the first 10 months of this year we had an increase in the United States (including Holy Day offerings) of 3.9 percent more than last year. The month of October was 3.2 percent more than last year.

The CPI (consumer price index), also known as the cost-of-living index, is somewhere near our increase. In other words, our income is just about keeping even with increases in expenses.

We have been trying to continue in a carefully managed growing mode while the income is comparatively the same. There have been many changes toward more efficiency, but after a while there is little else that can be done.

New opportunities are becoming available, and others appear imminent. Unfortunately, because of our income status we will have to go into a no-growth mode and possibly even cut back. We will have to make significant changes, which may not be pleasant, in our various operations. Please pray that God will guide Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach and the rest of us in making wise decisions in this regard.

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Feastgoers in Canada enjoy foretaste of world tomorrow

VANCOUVER, B.C.—“From Victoria, B.C., to Halifax, N.S., brethren enjoyed a foretaste of the world tomorrow vividly portrayed by the many sermons and sermonettes brought by the local ministry as well as special guests,” said evangelist Colin Adair, regional director.

The Vancouver Office administered four Feast of Tabernacles sites. Mr. Adair and his family visited Victoria, Regina, Sask., and Halifax.

“At all three sites brethren mentioned how much they were enjoying the Feast and commented on the depth and meaning of the messages,” Mr. Adair said.

Regina, normally the coldest site in Canada, turned the tables on the other sites by producing sunshine and temperatures of 14 to 17 degrees Celsius (57 to 63 degrees Fahrenheit) on the last three days.

Rain was forecast for family day in Victoria, but the forecast was progressively changed from 100 percent chance of rain, to 80 percent, then 50 percent.

As it turned out, the morning started cloudy but by the time services were over the weather had cleared and family day proceeded under clear skies and normal temperatures.

In Penticton, B.C., five cruises were available on Lake Okanagan:

three family cruises, one for Youth Opportunities United and one for singles.

Senior citizens in Victoria had an elegant luncheon in the afternoon high tea fashion that the Empress Hotel is known for, according to coordinator Jack Kost. The atmosphere was enhanced by the luxurious surroundings of the Crystal Ballroom and the soothing sounds of a strolling violinist.

The variety show in Halifax consisted of entertainment provided by individuals and groups from the Atlantic provinces and included several transfers from other parts of Canada and the United States.

According to the Oct. 16 Halifax *Mail-Star*: “The Worldwide Church of God accepts the authority of the Bible and recognizes Saturday as the Sabbath. It recognizes eight Biblical feasts, and does not celebrate Easter and Christmas, which are believed to have pagan origins.”

Offerings increased 19.4 percent for each person on the first holy day and 14.2 percent on the Last Great Day.

Halifax, N.S.	1,363
Penticton, B.C.	3,110
Regina, Sask.	1,351
Victoria, B.C.	1,381



Regina, Sask.



Halifax, N.S.



Victoria, B.C.



Penticton, B.C.

Southern Africa: spirit of love

CAPE TOWN, South Africa—Seven Feast sites were administered by the regional office: Durban, George, Sonesta and Uvongo, South Africa; Mutare, Zimbabwe; Lusaka, Zambia; and Black River, Mauritius.

Coordinators said one of the most

outstanding features of the Feast was the spirit of cooperation among God's people.

Morgen Kriedemann, assistant coordinator at the George site, commented, “It makes administration and planning so much easier when people cooperate.”

Attendance at sites remained steady because there was little illness before or during the Feast.

For the first time this year two sites, Durban and Uvongo, received Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach's first-day sermon, which was recorded in Britain and sent to South Africa by airfreight. The sermon will be viewed in other churches after the Feast.

Guest speakers in southern Africa were evangelist Dean Wilson, Keith Stump of the Television Department and Curtis May, associate pastor of the Pasadena Auditorium A.M. church.

The South African brethren seldom hear speakers from abroad so they readily appreciate them and their families, according to John White, Durban coordinator.

This year a new site in Uvongo, 81 miles (130 kilometers) south of Durban, was opened. Coordinator John Bartholomew said that an ox and sheep were roasted on spits at family day on a nature reserve. Youths put on a water-ski show.

“There was an exceptionally fine spirit of love and caring among everyone,” Mr. Bartholomew said. “We really did rejoice in God's presence.”

The Civic Center convention manager commented how different the Church is from other groups. “When the Church is here I can relax and not worry that things will be damaged or stolen,” he said. A few days before the Feast another group

had hired the Civic Center and caused considerable damage.

In the western Cape province of South Africa, in the city of Hermanus, 197 attended services in the Sonesta Public Resort Hall.

Most of the brethren stayed in the resort area and were within walking distance of the meeting hall. Dwelling together in the resort helped develop a close-knit family atmosphere among God's people, according to Robert Klynsmith, Festival coordinator.

Members attending the Pietermaritzburg, South Africa, church raised funds to send Mrs. Mudge, 85, to Mauritius. It was her first airplane flight, and her first chance to travel out of the country.

William Whitaker, Mauritius Festival coordinator, said, “The fellowship was terrific, the weather was terrific, the hotel was terrific and the services were terrific.”

Springtime sunshine in Mutare, Zimbabwe, made the mountains sparkle with green brilliance, said coordinator George Efthyvoulos.

Family day was at a showground. Games were arranged for all age groups including pre-YES. A tug-of-peace brought the day's activities to a close.

Members in Lusaka showed their commitment to the Work by doubling the Last Great Day offering despite a devaluation of the currency by 85 percent.

Durban, South Africa	1,500
George, South Africa	524
Sonesta, South Africa	197
Uvongo, South Africa	596
Black River, Mauritius	120
Lusaka Zambia	124
Mutare, Zimbabwe	520

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it. When there are rough seas in the world—economic upsets, war, natural disasters or revolutions—those of us in the Church are not totally immune. We might suffer some ill effects of the world's problems—spiritual seasickness.

But it would be foolish of us to say: “Boy, this ship is really being tossed around. I think I'll jump overboard.”

Shirley Rhoades: I had the pleasure of going on the cruise for the Feast. One of the things I enjoyed the most was being on deck and feeling the wind blow refreshingly brisk and cold at times, whipping our hair and clothing. It was exciting to stand at the bow and watch the sun come up over the Aegean Sea.

One morning at daybreak I stepped gingerly out on the open bow area, expecting a cold blast of air in my face. To my surprise it was almost dead calm. And warm. I walked to the foremost rail and still there was no sense of wind.

How could this be? We were traveling at more than 15 knots and I could see the prow cutting through the water and the waves dashing to each side.

Then the realization came that the wind was also blowing at about 15 knots and coming from behind us. We were traveling at nearly the same speed as the wind, causing us to be in a smooth-sailing vacuum.

This is an example of living God's way. When we're right with the Holy Spirit we feel calm and feel no resistance. It was a good feeling.

Sheila Graham: My grandson, Bradley Guss, returned to his kindergarten class in De Soto, Tex., from keeping the Feast in Victoria, B.C. On his first day back, his teacher was discussing the calendar.

Brad, 5 years old, raised his hand and asked how many school days he had missed. She held up the calendar and counted off the seven days he had missed. Brad replied, “Then I think I owe you seven hugs, Miss Gregory.”

When her kindergartners miss a day, the teacher asks for a hug when they return. While all the students counted out loud, Brad went to the front of the room and gave his teacher seven big hugs.

Micheal Bennett: The Feast makes you think about how you would rule in the world tomorrow. Here's an example I'm still thinking about. How should I have handled it?

A couple of teenagers in Penticton, B.C., were having fun playing chicken with others on bikes and other pedal-powered vehicles. Some of those they came close to crashing into probably also thought it was fun, but some did not.

When they sped toward the group of pedestrians I was with, I quickly racked my brain for what to do. Should I laugh it off? Do nothing and hope their parents would take care of the situation? Play the heavy and let them know I didn't think it was funny? Yell and tell them to grow up?

Well, as much as I didn't want to, I felt responsible to play the heavy and dampen their fun. I hope I didn't come across judgmental or harsh. Correction can be hard to take and I was finding it can be hard to give.

Since then, I've thought of several ways I could have handled the situation better. I can't do anything about that situation now, but I guess I'll be better prepared next time.

David Logan: At the Feast in Palm Springs, Calif., I saw an elderly man who formerly attended services in my Church area. He had since moved away.

When we met again his excitement burst out. After talking for a few minutes he told me that he knew of a great Chinese restaurant and that he would gladly go out with me, if I offered. I was surprised by his excitement and his boldness, but I offered anyway. Lunch lasted four hours, and we had a great time.

Priscilla Taylor: My family—physical and spiritual—met in Lexington, Ky., this Feast. During my developing years, my family at-

tended services in Bluefield, W. Va., then later in Pikeville, Ky.

Many in those areas went to Lexington for the Feast. To say the least, it was a pleasurable experience to see them. Several older brethren, gesturing with their hands, said they “knew me when I was knee high to a grasshopper.”

These older people have such insight into life. After experiencing so much, they realize what's important and what's really not so important. These people have spiritual wisdom and have used it in their lives.

One aspect of this wisdom is sharing their experiences with those of us who are young. I received everything from pep talks on enduring to the end, to lectures on how to make a marriage work. I can now see more clearly why God tells us to fellowship with one another. When I left Lexington I was recharged with the spiritual food acquired from both the daily messages and my family's godly wisdom.

Mary Heine: While attending the Feast of Tabernacles in Norfolk, Va., we enjoyed all the pleasures the Feast has to offer—from fellowship to fine food. The sermons were inspiring, and one in particular left me encouraged.

Since my mom died last November God's plan has become a tremendous source of hope, in fact the only source. One minister's focus was on working together with resurrected saints to build the world God originally planned.

The sermon brought to mind the memories of all the times mom taught me things and how we too learned to work together on everything—dishes, cooking, trying to understand boys, making the grade at college (she was a prime source of encouragement) and finally Tim, who is now my husband (it worked, mom!).

The most encouraging realization I had this Feast is that thanks to God's plan mom and I may work together again, side by side.



Sonesta, South Africa



Lusaka, Zambia

French regions host to 3,732

PASADENA—The Feast took place at six French-speaking sites this year, according to evangelist Dibar Apartian, regional director.

Once again Mr. Apartian kept the first half of the Feast in Port d'Albret, France, and the second half in Sherbrooke, Que.

In Port d'Albret the children's choir of the Colmar and Metz, France, churches sang a farewell song to their pastor Olivier Carion, who is being transferred to Pasadena. They also honored Mr. Apartian with another song. Evangelist Dean Blackwell visited for the latter half of the Feast.

Jacques Le Houedec, pastor of the Angers, France, church, was ordained a preaching elder, and Roger Guilbert and Andre Gantois were ordained local church elders.

"We have received many positive comments from hotel and restau-

rant owners, proving that our members are really the 'salt of the earth,'" Mr. Apartian said.

In Sherbrooke Gerald Levesque of the Bathurst, N.B., church was ordained a local church elder. Singles had an afternoon outing that took them to a vineyard for a tour and wine tasting.

In Martinique brethren assembled in a larger and more comfortable hall than previous years. A *mechoui* was organized one evening, with the sound of drums and singing drifting over the beach, according to coordinator Erick Dubois.

Although Hurricane Hugo wreaked havoc in Guadeloupe, the Festival site there was "miraculously preserved," reported Mr. Apartian.

During the Feast some of the disaster victims in the village were invited to share a noon meal with brethren, according to coordinator

Gilbert Carbonnel. Members also helped clean up a large part of the Villages Vacances France beach.

"The site manager wants us by all means back next year!" Mr. Apartian said.

A boat trip was organized at the Jacmel, Haiti, site. Most members had not been on a boat before, according to coordinator Cyrille Richard.

Wesley Webster, an assistant pastor of the Washington, D.C., North and South churches, and Blaise Franklin from Haiti gave sermons.

Jacmel, Haiti	66
Port d'Albret, France	1,439
St. Francois, Guadeloupe	240
Ste. Luce, Martinique	399
Sherbrooke, Que.	1,468
Cameroon	120



Sherbrooke, Que.



St. Francois, Guadeloupe



Jacmel, Haiti

German sites: international family

BONN, West Germany—Hundreds of visitors to the German-language sites in Bonndorf, West Germany, and Brno, Czechoslovakia, helped create a feeling of an international family, according to John Karlson, regional director.

"A tremendous highlight" at both sites was the presence of guest speakers Larry Salyer and Dean Blackwell, evangelists from Pasadena, and Victor Kubik, pastor of the Minneapolis North, Brainerd and St. Cloud, Minn., churches, Mr. Karlson said.

Both sites had the best weather in many years. Personnel in hotels, restaurants, stores and the Cedok travel agency in Brno commented about the sudden surge of good weather upon the arrival of Feastgoers.

Phrases such as "Ambassador College weather" were used to describe the change for the better.

Bonndorf, West Germany

Bonndorf Mayor Peter Folkerts welcomed Feastgoers during the opening service. "I appreciate the friendship between us," he said. "Interpersonal relationships are ir-

replaceable for a future in peace with each other and for each other."

Two officials from the Office of Tourism in Goslar, West Germany, visited Bonndorf, according to Henry Sturcke, Festival coordinator. They attended services when *We Are One Family—Part V* was shown, and were positive about brethren and the Church.

Among those attending in Bonndorf were the only members in Hungary and Czechoslovakia, several members from Yugoslavia and a member from Poland.

A prospective member from Turkey was baptized during the Feast.

Peggy Bauer from the United States suffered congestive heart failure the day before the Feast and was hospitalized until the seventh day of the Feast. She attended services the morning of the Last Great Day.

Brno, Czechoslovakia

In spite of a law requiring visas for East Germans to travel to Czechoslovakia, all East German brethren were able to attend the Feast in Brno.

German members in Brno were surprised and touched when Mr. Salyer led the song service in German before leaving for Bonndorf.

Four women from Leningrad, Soviet Union, met several members in the women's sauna, one of whom spoke Russian.

"One thing led to another," said Robert Berendt, Festival coordinator. "The result was a two-hour discussion with Mr. Kubik, a request to attend services and a request for literature."

Brno, Czechoslovakia	309
Bonndorf, West Germany	1,124



Bonndorf, West Germany



Brno, Czechoslovakia

Dutch Festival conducted for 589 in millennial setting

HOOGEVEEN, Netherlands—"Thanks to everybody's cooperation, this was a wonderful Feast," said coordinator Bram de Bree.

"I am really impressed by the Dutch-speaking brethren," said evangelist Richard Ames, guest speaker. "I am thrilled that they can enjoy the Feast in their own language."

Services were in Dutch except for those by Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach and Mr. Ames. Pieter Michielsen, pastor of the Abbotsford, B.C., church, who speaks Dutch, was again a guest speaker.

The Dutch Feast is conducted in a former peat colony. "The pastoral scenes, the greenery and the trees create a millennial-like nature," Mr. Ames said.

Some activities were organized by the Church, with free time for the brethren to plan their own activities.



Hoogeveen, Netherlands

Wine-growing area welcomes Feastgoers to Italian site

CHIANCIANO, Italy—In the heart of the wine-growing region of Tuscany 719 Church members met for the Feast of Tabernacles, according to evangelist Carn Catherwood, regional director.

Feastgoers in Italy observed eight days filled with instructive sermons, Italian cuisine and excursions to Florence and the medieval city of Siena.

Sunny Italy's typical daytime temperatures were in the 70s Fahrenheit [21 to 26 degrees Celsius] followed by cool, invigorating evenings.

On a winery tour brethren sampled and bought area wines. One hundred fifty singles took an afternoon tour of the town of Arezzo and capped off their day with dinner at a restaurant on an ancient farm that grows its own produce.

Church youths took a dip in a thermal hot-spring pool before a pizza get-together.

At an Italian social evening gifts were presented to senior citizens and young children.

"For many of our Italian brethren it is the only time in the year when they have this kind of opportunity to fellowship together socially," Mr. Catherwood said.

Members attending the Chianciano site were housed in a small number of hotels. Included in the costs were two daily meals.

"This permitted groups staying in any individual hotel to eat together daily and contributed to a close-knit relaxed family atmosphere at the Feast," Mr. Catherwood said.

During the Feast, four new members were baptized, and the Holy Day offering was up by 11.7 percent over last year.

Hoogeveen, Netherlands	589
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Chianciano, Italy	719
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Chianciano, Italy

ITALY • JAMAICA • JORDAN • KENYA • MALAWI • MALAYSIA • MALTA • MARTINIQUE • MEXICO

Sites in Caribbean display the spirit of brotherly love

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico—"Picture card perfect." That's how evangelist Stan Bass, Caribbean regional director, described weather at the eight Caribbean sites during the Feast of Tabernacles.

Awards were given to the senior citizens at the Castries, St. Lucia, site who had been in the Church the longest (25 years), who was the oldest (86 years), who had been married longest (34 years) and who had the most children (13).

At the Freeport, Bahamas, site, brethren were welcomed by a ministry of tourism official who gave souvenirs to the group.

"There was a tremendous spirit of brotherly love and concern shown throughout the Feast," said Kingsley Mather, Festival coordinator, "particularly so when one family suffered a break-in and lost all their Festival funds."

"Brethren gave so generously that they were asked to cease giving. And the amount was enough to cover all that was lost and used to help in several similar circumstances."

An outstanding degree of warm fellowship and cooperation was evident in Kingston, Jamaica. Activities included a get-acquainted party and a family fun day at Ocho Rios.

A member, Jimmy James, who lives in an Amerindian village, set out for the Feast in Georgetown, Guyana, four days before the Feast.

Mr. James crossed 11 waterfalls, slept under trees, hunted and fished for food, and arrived at Georgetown on the morning of the Last Great Day.

In Port-of-Spain, Trinidad, "many overseas members treated locals to special meals so that table settings for 20 to 25 were not uncommon," said Clifton Charles, Festival coordinator.

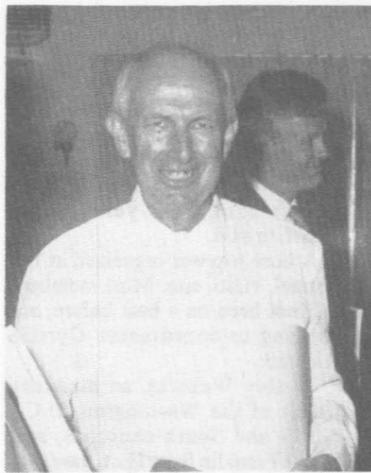
The management of the Hilton Hotel, where services were conducted, reported that "the members' courteous and warm treatment of their staff produced a corresponding response in the staff, accomplishing what previous training programs had failed to achieve."

"The result was that management noticed a significant positive improvement in the way in which the telephone operators, maids and waiters related to our members," said Mr. Charles.

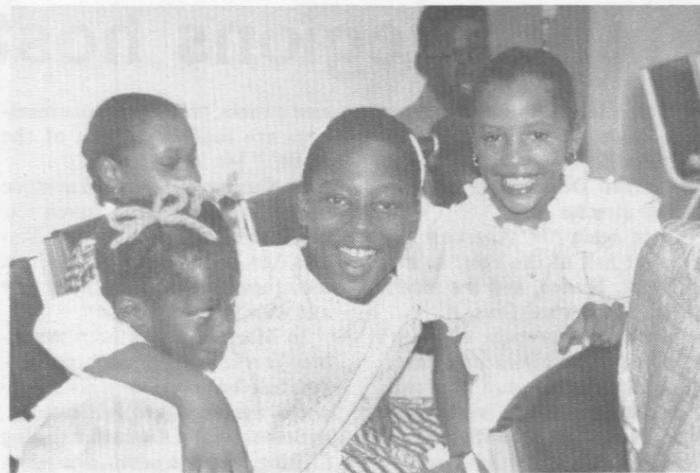
Unknown to the brethren, the assistant port manager and eight staff members went on a boat cruise with brethren. The assistant port manager "said he had never seen all age groups dance together to the same music."

Evangelist Herman L. Hoeh, guest speaker in Trinidad and Barbados, wore a Filipino barong because of humid, hot temperatures. Dr. Hoeh also wore black slacks and said people on the street thought he was a Catholic priest.

Freeport, Bahamas	607
Christ Church, Barbados	529
Roseau, Dominica	118
Grand Anse Beach, Grenada	223
Georgetown, Guyana	158
Kingston, Jamaica	726
Castries, St. Lucia	102
Port-of-Spain, Trinidad	880



Port-of-Spain, Trinidad



Christ Church, Barbados



Freeport, Bahamas



Port-of-Spain, Trinidad



Roseau, Dominica

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Five inches of snow downed tree limbs and hampered efforts to restore power. Up to 15,000 Dayton residents—and a few brethren—were still without power that evening.

"The loss of electricity cost several brethren their morning showers and forced some ladies to curl their hair in the Hara Arena rest-

rooms before morning services," said John Robinson, a local church elder in the Fort Wayne, Ind., church.

Hurricane Jerry threatened to strike the Corpus Christi, Tex., and Biloxi, Miss., sites at the beginning of the Feast but suddenly veered into Texas, avoiding Feast sites, reported James O'Brien, Biloxi coordinator.

Brethren in Pensacola and St. Petersburg, Fla., and Biloxi were asked to pray that God would divert the storm.

"It looked like family day would be washed out here, but everything worked out just fine," said Mr. O'Brien.

Enthusiastic welcomes

Restaurants and hotels greeted members enthusiastically at the Feast sites. Palm Springs, Calif., celebrity and mayor, Sonny Bono, greeted a group of brethren eating in his restaurant.

"Are you people with the convention?" he asked. The group replied that they were. "We're so glad to have you here."

Two women Feastgoers in Palm Springs realized they were short of funds when checking out of their hotel.

According to Greg Purdy, hotel manager: "The next thing we knew, though, another gentleman from your group who didn't even know the ladies heard their discussion and told our clerk he would be paying their balance as well as his! Needless to say, our staff was very impressed."

The *Golden Islander*, published in Jekyll Island, Ga., reported: "The Church of God brings 'class' to our Island. All members are dressed like we all used to dress on Sunday—the men in coats and ties and the ladies in colorful dresses, and as they walk about our Island, they exude an appearance of contentment and joy."

"They are pleasant, polite and courteous," the article continued. "And, they are the most organized group to enjoy our facilities and amenities during the year."

According to Barbara Clark of the Comfort Inn of Corpus Christi, Tex., "I have worked with your organization before, and I can say that it is the best group that a hotel could hope for!"

Let it rain

One morning before services in Saratoga Springs, N.Y., Joe Dalton Jr., Chamber of Commerce director, was driving past an intersection

where a parking attendant was directing members into a lot.

It was raining quite heavily at the time, and the parking attendant did not have an umbrella, related coordinator Walter Neufeld.

Mr. Dalton stopped his car, got out and gave his umbrella to the parking attendant, advising him that he could drop it off at the Chamber of Commerce office when he no longer needed it.

"This is typical of the very favorable relationship we enjoy here with the entire community of Saratoga Springs," said Mr. Neufeld.

According to the Chattanooga, Tenn., *Business Weekly*, "Contrary to the popular image of conventioners as a badge-wearing, boisterous and often boozy crowd, the Worldwide Church of God group consists mostly of families."

The Chattanooga *News-Free Press* printed the following letter from a retired parking lot manager in Chattanooga, who is not a Church member.

"If you'd like to see American families together, see folks like yours and mine (the ones who founded this nation), visit and observe around the parking lots and Trade Center before today is over."

"For years I've been privileged to see and meet American families through my work in public service during the Church of God assembly in Chattanooga."

"To see the family love and closeness, the well-behaved and well-mannered children, will show you there's still a chance for our nation. Let's all hope."

Press kits

A revitalized Church-produced press kit, emphasizing the booklet *Recapturing True Values: The Story of the Worldwide Church of God*, attained positive results from media.

"Each year reporters get better at covering the Feast and we get better at relating the information," said Michael Snyder, assistant director of Public Affairs.

A "dramatic increase" in television coverage owes largely to mailing more visually oriented kits.

"The purpose of the media program is not to get publicity for the Church," said Mr. Snyder, "but to increase local understanding of what the Church is and what it's doing at the Feast sites."

He added: "We consistently experience curiosity from reporters about Church doctrine. We receive many comments such as 'You sound like the first century church.'"

Germany

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fact of absorbing so many new people so fast. Certainly no one in the West German government wants to see East Germany depopulated.

Then there is another factor. Little-reported outside of the Federal Republic is West Germany's other refugee phenomenon.

This year, perhaps 300,000 other people of German descent will arrive. These so-called ethnic Germans are emigrating from long-established German communities elsewhere in Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union.

Resentment is growing in the Federal Republic against this influx of emigrants from the East, some of whom don't even speak German.

Reactions against virtually unrestrained immigration translates into a growing political crisis for Bonn. Anti-immigrant right-wing fringe parties, such as the Republicans, are eating away at the strength of the center-right coalition government.

As a result, politicians in Bonn are pressuring authorities in East Germany to bite the bullet and institute radical reforms so as to hold onto their restive population.

One of the most interesting aspects of all the changes under way in Central and Eastern Europe is the inability of the two superpowers, the United States and the Soviet Union, to have much effect on what is happening.

The Soviet Union has all but declared a hands-off policy. Moscow is permitting nations in the once solid East bloc to solve their own problems in the ways they see fit.

One Soviet spokesman, slightly tongue-in-cheek, remarked that the once-feared Brezhnev Doctrine of Soviet military intervention has been replaced by the Sinatra Doctrine. When asked what this meant, he referred to

entertainer Frank Sinatra's song, "I Did It My Way."

The United States, too, is largely on the sidelines. "From being at the center of European relations," wrote Peregrine Worsthorne in the Nov. 5 *Sunday Telegraph*, "the United States now seems to have moved to the margins—an interested spectator rather than a prime

mover."

As we approach the 1990s, the postwar period is indeed over. Perhaps it is only a coincidence that the Nov. 9 breakthrough occurred seven years to the day after Pope John Paul II decried Europe's "unnatural divisions" in his famous "revive your roots" speech in Spain.

French Bible lectures: people growing aware

PASADENA—Record numbers attended public Bible lectures in Lyon, Marseille and Toulouse, France, in October, according to evangelist Dibar Apartian.

"I couldn't believe it—98 people came to an afternoon Bible lecture in Lyon and 70 to a midweek evening lecture in Toulouse," said Mr. Apartian, who conducted the lectures.

"After the hurricane, earthquake and stock market tragedies all happening within a few weeks, people are becoming more aware of world events," he said. "I can tell by the questions they ask afterward. So these lectures are timely."

Seventy-nine people attended Mr. Apartian's Oct. 8 lecture in Marseille.

Lectures in Quebec

After spending the first half of the Feast of Tabernacles in France, speaking every day, the regional director traveled to the Sherbrooke, Que., site.

Mr. Apartian's Festival sermons were taped and will be played in French-speaking churches worldwide.

The day after the Feast, Oct. 22, he conducted a lecture in Montreal,

Que., where 200 new people attended.

"The Work is expanding," said Mr. Apartian. "But God knows our needs and he has been sending us lately an increasing number of students from France."

Follow-up Bible studies will be conducted in Lyon by Anthony Gallagher, in Marseille by Jacques Le Houedec, in Toulouse by Bernard Audoin and in Montreal by Donat Picard.

Mr. Apartian plans a February trip to the West Indies to conduct lectures on Guadeloupe and Martinique and possibly visit Haiti.

Bullet train to Angers

Mr. Apartian said that with the transfer of Olivier Carion to Pasadena, he was wondering how Samuel Kneller, pastor of the Paris, France, church, could also serve, with the help of three co-pastors, brethren in Angers. Angers is 3½ hours from Paris by train.

"Would you believe that last June a new TGV [Train Grande Vitesse] train started, which can travel from Paris to Angers in an hour and a half!" said Mr. Apartian. "The timing was perfect and it solved our problem."

Weather unseasonably mild for brethren at British sites

BOREHAMWOOD, England—Despite the lateness of the Feast this year, the British-administered sites of Brighton, Paignton and Southport, England; Aviemore, Scotland; and Trabolgan, Ireland; experienced unseasonably mild weather most of the Feast, according to evangelist Frank Brown, regional director.

A colder spell on the Last Great Day brought snow to the Cairngorm Mountains in Aviemore—a spectacular finish to a successful Feast.

Feast of Tabernacles attendance in the British Isles included 1,114 visitors, mainly from the United States and Canada, a 4.4 percent increase from 1988.

Guest speakers from the United States were evangelist Norman Smith and John Bald in Britain, Dexter Faulkner in Ireland, evangelist Richard Ames in Denmark, Selmer Hegvold in Malta and Peter Nathan and Keith Stump in East and West Africa.

Festival coordinators reported smooth organization, including the reception of the satellite transmission of Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach's first day sermon. Tapes were dubbed in Paignton and sent to 18 sites, including Africa, Mauritius and the Festival cruise. All tapes arrived in time to be played before the end of the Feast.

James Hancock, 15, of Plymouth, England, had a narrow escape when riding his bicycle to the Feast in Paignton. He was hit by a car traveling at 60 miles an hour. James was thrown off his bicycle, but suffered only minor abrasions.

In Trabolgan, Anthony Goudie, Festival coordinator, was interviewed on radio during the Feast. About 250 attended a medieval banquet, 125 toured Cork harbor by boat and Peggy Bhutto, a blind member from Chicago, Ill., played piano for special music and sang in the choir.

In Brighton, Raymond Collins from Baltimore, Md., died unexpectedly of a heart attack. The funeral was conducted in England after the Feast, Mr. Brown reported. Mr. Collins' wife, Cynthia, is originally from England.

In Bredsten, Denmark, Branislav Bogdanovic, a Yugoslavian who lives in Bergen, Norway, was baptized. While at the Feast he met Veijo Ranta Iso, a name he remembered because it was unusual to him. He first heard the name when he was employed by the Sanderstoe-

len Hotel as a pianist when the Church conducted the Feast there in 1974.

Mr. Bogdanovic now realizes that he had played for Church members years before, never anticipating he would be participating in the Feast himself.

In Rabat, Malta, the first Maltese Spokesman Club ladies night took place. The manager of a bowling center said that the YOU group was the friendliest and best-behaved group he has encountered.

In Africa overall attendance was 1,883, an increase of 10 percent from last year. For the first time in four years an organized Feast was conducted in Uganda, where 58 people attended five days of services.

In Mombasa, Kenya, the offering on the Last Great Day was more than 100 percent higher than the previous record Feast offering there.

Feastgoers took part in a dinner dance on an Arab dhow. After a sunset cruise in the old harbor of Mombasa the dhow moored in a sheltered bay where a barbecued steak dinner was served. Dinner was followed by dancing under the stars.

The talent show in Mombasa, "A Day in the Life of a Kenyan," was a lighthearted look at aspects of Kenyan life.

A new activity at the Naro Moru, Kenya, site was a boat race. Families made 42 model boats to sail down the Naro Moru River. Philip Ramsamy of the Seychelles Islands won the race.

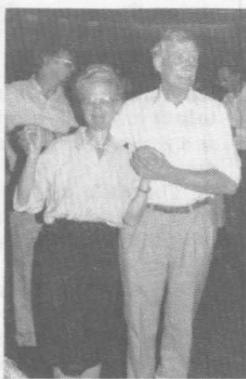
Offerings in Okada, Nigeria, were up 89 percent from last year.

This year marked the first time that the electricity stayed on throughout the Feast in Accra, Ghana. It was also the first time members stayed on the Church-owned farm at Kutunse.

Brighton, England	903
Paignton, England	1,178
Southport, England	1,220
Bredsten, Denmark	269
Trabolgan, Ireland	487
Aviemore, Scotland	670
Rabat, Malta	442
Accra, Ghana	553
Mombasa, Kenya	156
Naro Moru, Kenya	179
Okada, Nigeria	795
Tororo, Uganda	58
Blantyre, Malawi	196



Paignton, England



Aviemore, Scotland



Brighton, England



Southport, England



Trabolgan, Ireland

Typhoons threaten in Philippines

MANILA, Philippines—"The inspiration of the services and the stimulation of old and new friends characterized the annual family reunion of the Feast of Tabernacles in the Philippines this year," said regional director Rodney Matthews.

Attendance at the five sites was 5,613, including nearly 100 international guests, many of whom are Filipinos living overseas.

The week before the Feast brought some disruption when Typhoon Saling struck Metro Manila and the island of Luzon.

Damage to trees, buildings and power supplies from winds gusting to more than 150 miles an hour left the regional office without power Oct. 11 and 12. Many members were without power for up to 10 days.

However, the typhoon did not interfere with the Manila site or any of the other sites. Planning and most travel arrangements were not greatly affected because the storm passed so quickly.

Richard Thompson, acting provost of Ambassador College in Big Sandy, and his wife, Onnie, and their family were guests at the Feast. This gave Filipino brethren direct contact with an area of the Work they are not so familiar with.

Mr. Thompson spoke at four sites. A videotape of one of his sermons was played at the other site, so all brethren could hear him.

On Thursday during the Feast Typhoon Tasing threatened Manila but veered north and passed just north of Baguio.

Medardo Maninang, Baguio coordinator, said brethren were thankful for God's protection and "kept up a positive spirit" despite the cancellation of some activities.

The Thompsons and Paul Kieffer, director of Ministerial Services here, and his wife, Monica, "experienced a harrowing five-hour drive" when transferring to Baguio "with extremely strong and gusty crosswinds on Thursday afternoon when their flight was canceled," Mr. Matthews said.

Dionisio Catchillar, Manila coordinator, said brethren put love into action during a family luncheon. Expenses for the lunch, which included roasted calf and ice cream were offset by donations from members with more second tithe.

An 8 feet by 12 feet (2.4 meters by 3.6 meters) oil painting of a boy leading a lamb and a lion was the backdrop for the stage at the Manila Film Center.

The painting was produced in less than one week by Sheila Manlulu, 20, a member who attends the Marikina church and a fine arts student at the University of the Philippines. Last year's stage props were destroyed by a Sept. 21 fire that gutted the warehouse where the Church kept stocks of literature

and other property.

Reynaldo Taniajura, Cebu coordinator, on behalf of the brethren, presented Mr. Matthews and his wife, Ruth, with a picture frame for their wedding anniversary.

Mr. Taniajura said the behavior of the brethren did not go unnoticed by the people of Cebu. "Hotel personnel commented on how clean looking and well behaved World-wide Church of God people are."

Jessup Bahinting, Cagayan de Oro Feast coordinator, said that, for the second year, the use of headphones made possible simultaneous translation of sermons for the Cebuano-speaking brethren who do not understand English.

Members also used their blessings generously, commented Mr. Bahinting. Some brethren with more second tithe invited others to a restaurant for lunch and dinner.

According to Teodoro Sernal, Tacloban coordinator, the community observed the light of the brethren, and "lodging-house owners invited lodgers to come again next year."

Baguio, Philippines	1,724
Cagayan de Oro, Philippines	1,262
Cebu, Philippines	768
Manila, Philippines	1,288
Tacloban, Philippines	571

Thailand site: 'another culture'

CHIANG MAI, Thailand—Church members at the third Feast of Tabernacles in Thailand experienced "another culture—gentle, friendly people for whom serving is a way of life," said John Halford, Festival coordinator.

Amporn Pipatanant, the first Church member of Thai nationality to be baptized in Thailand, was baptized on the Last Great Day.

One activity was a truck ride up a muddy, steep and windy mountain track to visit a hilltribe village. Some of the group pulled the trucks out of the mud whenever they became mired.

Members were invited to the royal villa in Bangkok, where they saw Queen Sirikit's projects to help the poor people. Members purchased handicrafts produced by the projects.

Mike Stangler, a Church member who attends the Pasadena Audi-

torium A.M. church, carved a replica of the Church's seal, with the words *Ambassador Foundation* in Thai.



Chiang Mai, Thailand

At the end of the Feast the hotel told Mr. Halford it would have to almost double its rates to keep pace with the Asian tourist market. Mr. Halford said he didn't think Church members would be able to afford the new rates.

"The staff of the hotel negotiated with the general manager for a much lower increase," Mr. Halford said. "The manager told me, 'What can I do—my people are on your side. They want you to come back.'"

"Many people said the Thai Feast was a delightful surprise," said Mr. Halford. "They were deeply impressed by the friendliness and attitude of service of the Thai people."

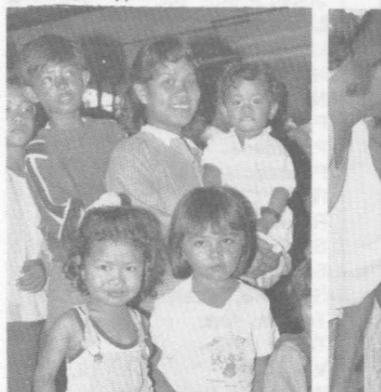
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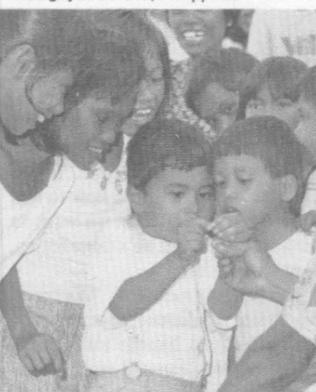
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Australia: caring for one another

BURLEIGH HEADS, Australia—More than 7,000 Church members and their families kept the Feast of Tabernacles at 12 sites in Australia and Asia.

Despite a domestic pilots strike in Australia few members had to cancel their original Feast plans. Most international guests were unaffected because alternative arrangements could be made with international carriers.

Visiting speakers at the Australian sites were evangelist Donald Ward, Ambassador College president, and Mark Cardona, pastor of the Memphis and Jackson, Tenn., churches. Evangelist Ronald Kelly and regional director Robert Fahey spoke at the Penang, Malaysia, and Chiang Mai, Thailand, sites.

Feastgoers were saddened by the death of 19-year-old Graeme Diamond of Ballarat, Australia. Graeme drowned while swimming at the Ulladulla, Australia, site.

"Graeme's family was overwhelmed by the outpouring of support and encouragement after his death was announced at the other sites," Mr. Fahey said.

Australian sites

A restaurant owner in Caloundra, Australia, praised the examples of singles at a dinner dance.

Near perfect weather, ocean sunrises and mountain sunsets were the fare at Ulladulla this year, according to coordinator Bruce Tyler.

An elderly man from Toowoomba was traveling to the Gold Coast North site to attend his first Feast when a tire blew out on his vehicle. The vehicle overturned several times, but the man only had to spend one night in the hospital.

Peter Sullivan, one of the managers for the Currumbin Palms resort at the Gold Coast South site, wrote: "The whole group—especially the younger members—were exemplary in their behaviour at all

times and it would be our pleasure to have you again stay with us either as a group, or indeed as individual members.

"The whole group has not only been an absolute credit to themselves but to the Worldwide Church of God."

Many members traveling to the Hobart site had to fly by Royal Australian Air Force Hercules transports. Seating consisted of a long row of chairs along each side of the fuselage, and earplugs were provided to protect against the noise.

In Perth rain was forecast for most of the day on family day. When brethren showed up at the site "the rain stopped, the skies cleared and everyone had an exciting afternoon of family fun," said Gavin Cullen, Festival coordinator.

South Pacific

Timothy Grauel, Festival coordinator for the Honiara, Solomon Islands, site, reported that a minor earthquake shook Honiara a day after the earthquake in the San Francisco, Calif., area.

"The quake did not cause any damage," said Mr. Grauel.

Services in Honiara took place at the Solomon Islands Malaria Training and Research Institute. Members noticed that some workers were looking through the cracks to hear what was being said.

On several occasions those looking in fell over when the members opened the doors on their way to the restrooms.

The entertainment evening in Penang featured talent from Malaysia and overseas.

Several members helped carry and care for a disabled member throughout the Feast in Ootacamund (Ooty), India. Family day included games involving fathers, mothers and children.

A variety show in Ahungalla, Sri Lanka, featured cultural dances,

songs and costumes. Because the site is so small all brethren were able to take part in the singles activity.

Caloundra, Australia	1,117
Gold Coast North, Australia	1,077
Gold Coast South, Australia	1,397
Hobart, Australia	359
Melbourne, Australia	825
Perth, Australia	655
Ulladulla, Australia	771
Ahungalla, Sri Lanka	149
Honiara, Solomon Islands	41
Kya In, Myanmar	*
Sa Khan Gyi, Myanmar	*
Ooty, India	233
Penang, Malaysia	575

* Figures not available



Honiara, Solomon Islands



Gold Coast, Australia, North



Ahungalla, Sri Lanka



Ulladulla, Australia



Perth, Australia



Ooty, India



Penang, Malaysia

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excellent one, he added.

At St. Petersburg, Fla., members supervised by Dennis and Linda Pine of Sarasota, Fla., spent 640 hours constructing nearly 500 yards of draperies and skirting for the auditorium stage.

A 36-by-20-foot mural of a Florida sunset was coordinated by Carl Kelly, a professional painter who attends the Fort Myers, Fla., church. Completing the setting, hundreds of palms and plants were provided by George Hughes, a member in St. Petersburg, from his nursery.

An article in the St. Petersburg Times reported: "Church members are welcome not only for their economic impact but also for their good behavior. 'We particularly enjoy them because they do their own cleaning up,'" said Bart Whitaker, manager of the Bayfront Center. "They leave the place cleaner than most groups do, and we never have to worry about breakage," Mr. Whitaker said.

How to live in love

Members attending the Corpus Christi, Tex., site were quoted in the *Caller Times* newspaper. "When my children were young, I started reading to them out of the Bible," said Don Sjogren. "From that time on, we learned how to live in love. And now, when we want to thank God for what he's done for us, we pray together."

Said another member: "We try to give them [children] practical advice on how to handle situations. Sometimes you can use examples of something that happened at school and relate it to a proverb."

More than 850 brethren in Biloxi, Miss., set sail on the 550-foot luxury liner *Pride of Mississippi* Oct. 19. "The food was delicious and three musical groups performed, including some members of our Feast family," said James O'Brien, coordinator.

On family day in Vail, Colo., Feastgoers transformed Dobson Arena into an old-fashioned Western town complete with storefront mock-ups, where children played games or were fitted for an Indian headband.

After some snowfall, temperatures in Vail ranged from daytime highs in the 50s and 60s Fahrenheit (10 to 20 Celsius) to nighttime lows in the low 20s (minus 4 to minus 6

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Anchorage, Alaska	588
Big Sandy	4,927
Biloxi, Miss.	4,837
Chattanooga, Tenn.	4,318
Corpus Christi, Tex.	4,239
Dayton, Ohio	3,162
Daytona Beach, Fla.	6,566
Eugene, Ore.	2,743
Jekyll Island, Ga.	2,873
Lexington, Ky.	5,051
Lihue, Hawaii	1,457
Niagara Falls, N.Y.	5,031
Norfolk, Va.	5,947
Palm Springs, Calif.	4,049
Pasadena	3,653
Pensacola, Fla.	5,848
Rapid City, S.D.	3,744
Redding, Calif.	2,266
St. Petersburg, Fla.	6,148
Saratoga Springs, N.Y.	2,009
Spokane, Wash.	2,522
Tucson, Ariz.	5,848
Tulsa, Okla.	3,333
Vail, Colo.	2,191
Wisconsin Dells, Wis.	6,364

South Pacific host to five sites

AUCKLAND, New Zealand—"We had very fine reports from all five South Pacific Feast sites with no major problems or serious outbreaks of illness," said evangelist Raymond McNair, regional director.

In Rotorua, New Zealand, senior citizens took a gondola ride to a restaurant 1,000 feet above the city. An agricultural show was presented for family afternoon. In the finale 15 children fed lambs.

This was the first year the Tonga site was open to international transfers. Services were in English with translations into Tongan by coordinator Toluta'u Ha'angana.

Many Tongan members planned to take a boat to the Festival site, but the boat was not working. An airline manager who is a Church member arranged to have members flown to the site.

The Feast was conducted for the second time in Vanuatu, and international transfers were accepted for the first time. Forty-five overseas visitors joined the Vanuatu

brethren to make a total of 104.

"God brought together people from all over the world with just the skills we needed," said Rex Mor-



Vanuatu Island, Fiji

gan, Festival coordinator.

Barry Dixon pioneered a Festival choir with the Vanuatu brethren. They presented special music on three occasions.

On opening night Vanuatu brethren gave each overseas visitor a garland of fresh, aromatic flowers. Later in the Feast they gave visitors polished shells, baskets they had woven, coconut soap and fruit.

One member, a teacher, stepped out on faith to attend the Feast although he was not given the time off. So far, five teachers in the Church have lost their jobs to keep the Holy Days.

During the Feast one man was baptized, becoming the 11th member in Vanuatu.

Dunedin, New Zealand	368
Rotorua, New Zealand	847
Port Vila, Vanuatu	104
Vava'u, Tonga	75
Yanuca Island, Fiji	223



Tonga



Port Vila, Vanuatu

Love of music hallmarks Festival at Spanish sites

PASADENA—Attendance at the 10 Spanish-speaking Feast sites ranged from 103 in Venezuela (the smallest site) to 1,490 in Mexico (the largest site), according to evangelist Leon Walker, regional director.

"Members in Latin America have a great love and talent for music," Mr. Walker said. "Consequently, there was a strong emphasis on singing and dancing at the Feast. Each area provided an entertainment program for the members featuring a variety of musical numbers. These programs are always the activity highlight of the Feast and members prepare for them several months in advance."

Although the Feast site in Puerto Rico was severely beaten by Hurricane Hugo less than four weeks before the Feast, conditions were basically back to normal as far as Festival needs were concerned. The meeting hall and enough rooms for the brethren were ready, according to coordinator Pablo Gonzalez.

About one half of those scheduled to transfer to Puerto Rico decided not to change their plans in spite of potential problems. Some wanted to show their support for the Puerto Rican brethren and share with them whatever conditions they might encounter, according to Mr. Walker.

Mexican brethren at the Feast in Guadalajara, Mexico, extended "an exceptionally warm welcome" to the about 350 American visitors, and the language barrier was successfully overcome, according to coordinator Thomas Turk.

American members in Guadalajara invited Mexican brethren to lunch through an invitation program organized by the Church.

In Colombia, the Feast was conducted without problems in spite of the crisis in the country from the crackdown on drug traffickers. The Festival took place in the coastal region of Santa Marta, which provided an excellent atmosphere away from the cares and problems of this world, Mr. Walker said.

Herbert Cisneros, coordinator of the Quetzaltenango, Guatemala, site, noted "a great deal of love and fellowship and good use of second tithe." Members with a larger amount of second tithe shared with those who had limited financial resources.

A talent show in San Isidro, Costa Rica, featured numbers from Costa Rica, Panama, the United States and Spain.

Festival attendance was 153, which allowed everyone to become acquainted, and which led to a deeper love toward each other, according to coordinator Mauricio Perez.

Six new members from Spain and one from Portugal were baptized at the Feast in Segovia, Spain, according to coordinator Pedro Rufian. Twenty-six of the 157 people in attendance celebrated their first Feast.

Brethren with cars gave rides to the 27 brethren staying at another hotel.

In Maitencillo, Chile, brethren ate meals together. "There is nothing more rewarding than hearing the fine conversations and good cheer of the brethren," said coordinator Mario Seiglie.

Thirteen new Church members were baptized at the Mar del Plata, Argentina, Feast site, according to coordinator Albert Sousa. This number included one from Paraguay and one from Uruguay.

"Members from nine countries, including the United States, were delighted by the

warmth, friendship, delicious food, social and sports activities," Mr. Sousa said.

A senior citizens activity organized by the women of the Argentina and Uruguay congregations included games and Bible questions. It ended with an afternoon snack, tea and sweet rolls.

The hotel management there gave the Church a bronze plaque in appreciation of being selected as the meeting place for the Feast of Tabernacles.

At a family dance in Barquisimeto, known as the musical city of Venezuela, brethren danced to Merengue, Golpe and Tamunague music performed by a Parranda, an area folkloric band. Salvador Barragan was Festival coordinator. It was the fourth time the Feast was conducted in Venezuela.

Some new members at the Feast in Trujillo, Peru, said they had not imagined that they could develop such close friendships in such a short time, according to coordinator Wilfredo Saenz.

Barquisimeto, Venezuela	103
Guadalajara, Mexico	1,490
Maitencillo, Chile	358
Mar del Plata, Argentina	480
Quetzaltenango, Guatemala	503
San Isidro, Costa Rica	153
San Juan, Puerto Rico	296
Santa Marta, Colombia	329
Segovia, Spain	157
Trujillo, Peru	275



Segovia, Spain



San Isidro, Costa Rica



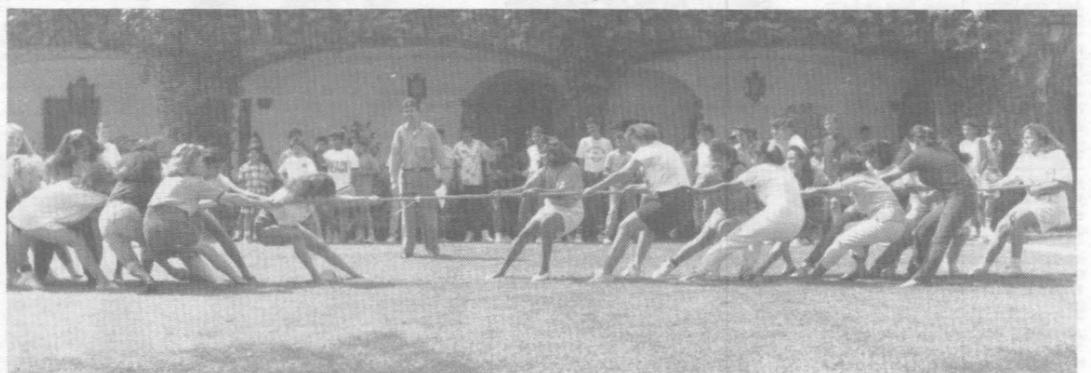
Barquisimeto, Venezuela



Mar del Plata, Argentina



Quetzaltenango, Guatemala



Guadalajara, Mexico

All in one hotel in Jordan 'made all the difference'

By Joseph Locke
PASADENA—Arab hospitality awaited 268 Feastgoers at the Amman, Jordan, site.

Joseph Locke, vice president of the Ambassador Foundation for international affairs, coordinated the Amman, Jordan, Festival site.

This was the fourth year for this site, but it was the first year that all brethren stayed in the same hotel.

It made all the difference in the world, as we were able to eat, tour and attend services together. The Marriott staff went out of their way to serve.

A supervisor of one of the hotel departments was so taken with our people that he attended some of the services. He asked for counseling and was invited to attend services by visiting minister Charles Bryce.

Mr. Bryce was so impressed by his attitude and quality of questions that he invited him to attend weekly

Sabbath services in Amman.

In Jordan we made daily tours to points of interest. On Monday, Oct. 16, the entire group traveled 200 miles (320 kilometers) to Petra.

Many in the group said the Petra visit was the high point of the tours. Feastgoers also visited Mt. Nebo, Jerash, the Dead Sea, ancient Philadelphia and Pella.

We also toured the schools where Ambassador College students teach disabled youths in Jordan. Prince Ra'ad and his wife, Princess Majda, were host and hostess at a wheelchair basketball game for the entire group on the evening after the Last Great Day. (Prince Ra'ad is first cousin to King Hussein of Jordan.)

After the Feast, two optional eight-day tours were conducted. One group toured Israel and the other group toured Egypt.

Amman, Jordan 268



Amman, Jordan

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Celsius).

Walter Neufeld, Saratoga Springs, N.Y., coordinator, presented Mayor Ellsworth Jones, who is leaving office this year, with a limited edition bronze figure of a rearing horse, something Mrs. Jones had confided he admired.

"Mayor Jones has contributed significantly to the overall good reception which the Church has received from the community," said Mr. Neufeld. "He will be missed."

Having a large group of deaf brethren at the Tulsa, Okla., site was a delight, said coordinator Earl Roemer. Deaf children signed in a

children's choir, and Bob Brown, a blind member from Tulsa, sang and played the piano.

Two issues of the Rapid City, S.D., *Journal* published excerpts of sermons. Church youths gathered at Evan's Plunge, an indoor pool fed by a natural hot spring.

Rainy weather in Anchorage, Alaska, turned to snow flurries and finally clear, sunny skies by the Last Great Day.

Moose, caribou and fresh Alaskan halibut and salmon were barbecued at family day at King's Lake Camp. Attending with the brethren was Alaskan musher and Iditarod race founder Joe Reddington Sr. and a team of sled dogs, one of which mushed to the top of Mt. McKinley in 1979.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHS

ANDERSON, Christopher and Erica (Stambler), of Albany, N.Y., girl, Briana Lee, Sept. 20, 5:45 a.m., 6 pounds 3 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

BEYER, Greg and Becky (Presley), of Paducah, Ky., girl, Jamie Ranae, Sept. 20, 3:14 p.m., 7 pounds 10 ounces, first child.

BRIAULT, Daniel and Colleen (Bromley), of Montreal, Que., girl, Alexandra Danielle Elsie, July 18, 6 pounds 10 ounces, now 1 boy, 3 girls.

CLARK, Curtis and Maggie (Watts), of San Bernardino, Calif., boy, Donovan Jarreal, Sept. 16, 6:47 p.m., 8 pounds 5 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

COHRON, Tracy and Kerri (Kearney), of Buford, Ga., girl, Caroline Elizabeth, Sept. 2, 5:55 a.m., 9 pounds 8 ounces, now 3 girls.

CURRY, Robert and Jennifer (Bittner), of Pennsauken, N.J., girl, Elyse Amanda Lee, April 28, 5:51 a.m., 7 pounds 12 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

DEAN, Aaron and Michelle (Gemon), of Pasadena, girl, Crystal Michelle, Aug. 12, 8 pounds 4 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

DEININGER, Dan and Val (Wood), of Spokane, Wash., girl, Dawn Alena, Aug. 28, 6:15 a.m., 8 pounds 10 ounces, now 2 boys, 3 girls.

DEMMONS, Lloyd and Mattie (Johnson), of Dayton, Ohio, twin girls, Christina Lee and Gina Lula, Sept. 6, 7 pounds 1/2 ounce and 6 pounds 4 1/2 ounces, now 1 boy, 4 girls.

DETWILER, Gregory and Anne (Homan), of Maleny, Australia, girl, Emma Christine, Aug. 26, 3:34 p.m., 9 pounds 1 ounce, first child.

DUNLAP, Bill and Cheryl (King), of Phoenix, Ariz., boy, William Thomas, Sept. 28, 5 a.m., 7 pounds 10 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

FISCHELLI, Dwayne and Tammy (Powers), of Dallas, Tex., girl, Amy Jo, May 16, 10:05 a.m., 8 pounds 14 ounces, now 2 girls.

FOX, Linden and Rosemarie (Halter), of Selinsgrove, Pa., boy, Matthew Joseph, July 3, 11:48 a.m., 9 pounds 4 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

FRANKLIN, Jeff and Renee (Detrixhe), of Fort Stockton, Tex., boy, Samuel Brent, Sept. 3, 11:30 p.m., 7 pounds 5 ounces, first child.

HILGEN, Greg and Randi (Hays), of Garden Grove, Calif., girl, Lacey Raeann, Sept. 6, 12:36 p.m., 8 pounds 2 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

JOHNSON, William Larry and Annabel "A.B." (Bek), of Big Sandy, boy, Jared William, Sept. 1, 12:40 a.m., 6 pounds 13 ounces, first child.

KNAACK, John and Hannah (Pope), of Daventon, Iowa, boy, Andrew David, Aug. 31, 9:17 p.m., 8 pounds 2 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

LEAL, Alfred and Sherry (Howard), of Erlanger, Ky., girl, Anna-Maree Rose, Sept. 12, 1:35 a.m., 8 pounds 1 ounce, first child.

LORIMER, John and Mandy (Attwood), of Melbourne, Australia, boy, Michael John, Aug. 9, 6:19 p.m., 8 pounds 11 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

LYSENCZUK, Taras and Lesia (Boryn), of Bradford, England, girl, Lydia Alexandra, Aug. 24, 9:01 p.m., 8 pounds 10 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

MACLEARNSBERRY, Bruce and Kadi (Schmidt), of Poulosbo, Wash., boy, Brett Andrew, June 3, 5:41 p.m., 7 pounds 15 ounces, now 2 boys.

MELVEY, Dale and Lynn (Whorton), of Glendora, Calif., boy, Kevin Glen, April 2, 9 pounds, now 2 boys, 2 girls.

MENZEL, Ken and Natalie (Clendening), of North Battleford, Sask., boy, Michael George, Aug. 8, 4:17 a.m., 8 pounds 4 ounces, now 1 boy, 4 girls.

MILLER, Ron and Colleen (Ellis), of Reno, Nev., boy, Dallas David James, Sept. 16, 11:36 p.m., 8 pounds, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

MOSSBARGER, James and Patricia (Wall), of Macon, Ga., boy, David Lamar, July 11, 12:36 p.m., 9 pounds 6 ounces, now 3 boys, 2 girls.

MUYARGAS, Ronnie and Joie (Medina), of Sydney, Australia, boy, Robbie Jonathan, May 29, 8 pounds 8 ounces, first child.

OBENZA, Reynaldo and Kimberly (Frey), of Mojave, Calif., boy, Adam Jared, Sept. 25, 8 pounds 1 1/2 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

OLYNYK, Gordon and Leona (Regier), of Saskatoon, Sask., boy, Jarvis Kenley, Sept. 2, 8:18 p.m., 6 pounds 13 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

PAVLOVICH, Doug and Olga (Tripkovic), of Kitchener, Ont., boy, Douglas Daniel, Sept. 8, 1:35 p.m., 6 pounds 12 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

RADER, Brian and Patti (Jacobe), of San Angelo, Tex., girl, Loren Elyse, Sept. 9, 7:54 a.m., 6 pounds 10 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

REHM, Jack and Sharon (Fertig), of Casper, Wyo., boy, Brady J., May 25, 2:26 a.m., 7 pounds 4 ounces, first child.

RIES, Kurt and Shari (Barnes), of St. Louis, Mo., boy, Todd Matthew, June 30, 4:17 a.m., 8 pounds 8 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

ROPER, Randy and Tammy (Morris), of Sacramento, Calif., girl, Katrina Nicole, Aug. 28, 8:19 a.m., 7 pounds 5 1/2 ounces, now 2 girls.

SEARER, Mark and Nina (Hewson), of Tyler, Tex., girl, Meghan Alayne, Sept. 7, 8:04 a.m., 7 pounds 15 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

SIMS, Norvall and Tracy (Pribbenow), of Bentley, Kan., girl, Amanda Louise, Aug. 13, 12:14 a.m., 7 pounds 1/2 ounce, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

SORENSEN, Jerry and Stephanie (Walker), of San Diego, Calif., boy, Andrew Christian, Aug. 1, 11:26 p.m., 8 pounds 4 ounces, now 1 boy, 5 girls.

STALLINGS, James and Debra (Reek), of Beckley, W.Va., boy, Kevin Bernard, July 30, 9:34 a.m., 10 pounds 8 ounces, now 4 boys.

TENNANT, Charles and Kawanna (Cain), of Clarksburg, W.Va., girl, Kaitlyn Iris, Sept. 5, 1:25 p.m., 7 pounds 9 ounces, first child.

TERRY, Joe and Kathryn (Batchelor), of St. Petersburg, Fla., boy, Joshua Earl, Sept. 9, 6:05 p.m., 8 pounds 7 1/2 ounces, now 3 boys.

TRUJILLO, Ignacio and Rebekah (Rios), of Santa Fe, N.M., girl, Celina Isaura, Sept. 1, 9:28 p.m., 8 pounds 6 ounces, first child.

WALLACE, Thomas and Rebecca (Larrette), of Verde Valley, Ariz., boy, Daniel Shaw, April 26, 2:25 p.m., 7 pounds 4 ounces, now 2 boys.

WILSON, Gary and Pam (Hagan), of Salem, N.H., boy, Scott Matthew, Aug. 25, 6:36 p.m., 7 pounds 11 ounces, now 3 boys.

ENGAGEMENTS

Richard John Schimpf II of Pasadena, Md., and Christina Lee Hall of Pulaski, Va., are pleased to announce their engagement. A May 27 wedding in Pulaski is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Rasnake of Milton, Fla., are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter Terri Anne Quinn to James S. Moyer of Tamaqua, Pa. Both attend the Wilkes-Barre, Pa., church.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Parris are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Melanie May Koehler to Gregory Alan Jennings, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Schultz. A Dec. 23 wedding is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. John Dolph of Walkerton, Ind., are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Betty Lou to Paul William Thiede of Greentown, Ind., son of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Thiede of Danbury, Conn. A Dec. 16 wedding is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Stanley of Port Loeise, Ireland, are delighted to announce the engagement of their daughter Yvonne Louise to Gregory John England, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim England of Mackay, Australia. A March 18 wedding is planned.

WEDDINGS



MR. AND MRS. BRIAN WARNER
Lisa Dawn Ault, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ault of Hope, Ind., and Brian Douglas Warner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Warner of Tipton, Ind., were united in marriage Aug. 13 in Columbus, Ind. The ceremony was performed by Frank McCrady Jr., Columbus pastor. Jayne Prater was maid of honor, and Scott Warner, brother of the groom, was best man. The couple live in Hope.



MR. AND MRS. L. SCHREIBER
Stella Dwinell and Leonard Schreiber were united in marriage Sept. 24 in Pasadena. The ceremony was performed by Joseph Tkach Jr., associate director of Church Administration for the United States. John Orchard III, grandson of the groom, was best man, and Shirley Gomperts was matron of honor. The couple live in Escondido, Calif., where Mr. Schreiber is pastor.



MR. AND MRS. GRAEME WALLACE
Deborah Smith and Graeme Wallace were united in marriage July 2. The ceremony was performed by Robin Jones, pastor of the Reading, Godalming and Southampton, England, churches. Virginia Smith, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Nigel Harvey was best man. The couple live in Milton Keynes, England.



MR. AND MRS. KUNO PFEIFFER
Annegret Tholi and Kuno Pfeiffer were united in marriage July 16 in Dulmen, West Germany. The ceremony was performed by Winfried Fritz, Bonn-Duesseldorf and

Darmstadt, West Germany, pastor. Brigitte Robertz and Michaela Steffen were bridesmaids, and Reinhard Habicht and Manfred Kuester were the groom's attendants. The couple live in Niederkassel, West Germany.



MR. AND MRS. R. RITENBAUGH
Beth Alyson Bulharowski, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Bulharowski of Sylmar, Calif., and Richard Theodore Ritenbaugh, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Ritenbaugh of Tujunga, Calif., were united in marriage July 23. The ceremony was performed by the groom's father, North Hollywood, Calif., pastor, Martin Collins was best man, and Roberta Felling was matron of honor. The couple live in Vista, Calif.



MR. AND MRS. ERIC OLINGER
Melanie Kay Faulkner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Faulkner of Lexington, Ky., and Eric Edward Olinger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Olinger of Pasadena, were united in marriage May 24. Benjamin Faulkner, associate pastor of the Biloxi, Miss., and Mobile and Monroeville, Ala., churches, performed the ceremony in Lexington. Vickie Jeffers was maid of honor, and Bill Ferguson was best man. The couple live in Tyler, Tex.



MR. AND MRS. LIONEL WATSON
Natalie Wayne Lee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P.W. Lee of Perth, Australia, and Lionel Andrew Watson, son of Mr. and Mrs. L.L. Watson, also of Perth, were united in marriage July 16 in a double ceremony performed by Lloyd Longley, Perth South associate pastor. Tammy Stevens was maid of honor, and Rob Minehan was best man. The couple live in Perth.



MR. AND MRS. BRIAN BOLDT
Carmen Marie Lee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P.W. Lee of Perth, Australia, and Brian Stephen Boldt, son of Mr. and Mrs. D.G. Boldt of Richmond, Va., were united in marriage July 16 in a double ceremony performed by Lloyd Longley, Perth South associate pastor. Joan Warren was maid of honor, and Martin Lee was best man. The couple live in Perth.



MR. AND MRS. JEFFREY SMITH
Michelle Caroline Moody, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clifton R. Moody of Rumney, N.H., and Jeffrey Lee Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Royal Smith, were united in marriage May 28. The ceremony was performed in Water-ville Valley, N.H., by Kenneth Williams, Rochester and Syracuse, N.Y., pastor. Michelle Gardner was maid of honor, and Ken Smith was best man. The couple live in San Jose, Calif.



MR. AND MRS. STEVEN BEARMAN
Julie Elder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David

Elder, and Steven Bearman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Bearman, were united in marriage Aug. 15 in St. Albans, England. The ceremony was performed by Robert Borker, Borehamwood, England, assistant pastor. Carole Elder, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Nigel Bearman, brother of the groom, was best man. The couple, both of whom work at the Church's Borehamwood Office, live in Radlett, England.



MR. AND MRS. CARL CHAPPELL
Mr. and Mrs. Aurele St. Denis of Winfield, Alta., are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter Jeanette Arlene to Carl Edward Chappell, son of Jody Chappell of Abbotsford, B.C. The ceremony was performed May 7 by Phillip Hopwood, Red Deer and Wetaskiwin, Alta., assistant pastor. Terri Perrott, sister of the bride, was matron of honor, and Chris Parlee was best man. The couple live in Abbotsford.



MR. AND MRS. D. KAMPWERTH
Angela Grace-Houseworth, daughter of Raymond and Alice Graf of Belleville, Ill., and Daniel Kampwerth, son of Marty and Christa Kampwerth of Trenton, Ill., were united in marriage Aug. 5. The ceremony was performed by Lawrence Greider, Belleville pastor. Deborah Churchill-Cameron was matron of honor, and Kevin Quimby was best man. The couple live in Belleville.



MR. AND MRS. PATRICK HOLDER
Patrick A. Holder and Peaches A. Munroe were united in marriage July 16. The ceremony was performed by Andrew Silcox, Birmingham, England, pastor. Bert Gibbs was best man, and Maureen Gibbs was maid of honor. The couple live in Birmingham.



MR. AND MRS. SIO OUI SHIA
Mr. and Mrs. E.G. Rogers of Houston, Tex., are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter Christine Rene to Sio Oui Shia, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Shia. The ceremony was performed Sept. 4 by Robin Webber, Pasadena Imperial P.M. pastor. Rebecca Meredith was maid of honor, and Jeffrey Broadnax was best man. The couple live in Pasadena.



MR. AND MRS. SCOTT WIENS
Scott Anthony Wiens, son of John and Louise Wiens of Nipowin, Sask., and Hedy Lee Barton, daughter of Bud and Fannie Barton of Orlando, Fla., were united in marriage May 21. The ceremony was performed by Martin Yale, a faculty member at Big Sandy Ambassador College. The couple live in Pasadena.



MR. AND MRS. BRETT JANTZ
Brett Jantz and Kim Carlson, and Chris Collier and Shawna Carlson were united in marriage Aug. 22. Wayne Carlson, father of the brides and a Modesto, Calif., minister, performed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Jantz live in Turlock, Calif., and Mr. and Mrs. Collier live in Highland, Tex.

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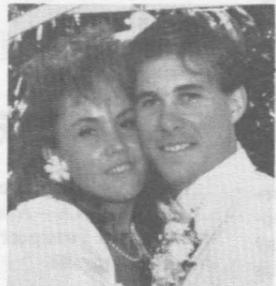
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MR. AND MRS. RICHARD ABICHT
Eutonia Elizabeth Gilley Black and Richard Dean Abicht were united in marriage Sept. 1. The ceremony was performed by John Moskel, pastor of the Lenoir, Boone and Marion, N.C., churches. Grace and Tonita Black, daughters of the bride, were maids of honor, and Michael and Mark Abicht, brothers of the groom, were best men. The couple live in Rutherford College, N.C.



MR. AND MRS. MARK LENGWIN JR.
Mr. and Mrs. John Fenchel of Tacoma, Wash., are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter Jennifer Jeanne to Mark G. Lengwin Jr. of Pittsburgh, Pa. The ceremony was performed July 4 in Tacoma by Gary Antion, dean of students at Big Sandy Ambassador College. Peggy Benedetti was maid of honor, and Jeff Lengwin, brother of the groom, was best man. The bride is a 1988 Pasadena Ambassador College graduate, and the groom is a senior. The couple live in Pasadena.



MR. AND MRS. TODD WHELCHER
Tonya Arman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Arman Jr. of Ferguson, Mo., and Todd Whelchel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Whelchel of Escondido, Calif., were married June 25 in Encinitas, Calif. The ceremony was performed by evangelist Dean Wilson, San Diego, Calif., pastor. Tammy Bingaman was maid of honor, and Brent Whelchel, brother of the groom, was best man. The couple live in Escondido.



MR. AND MRS. BRETT LANGFORD
Brett Linden Langford and Susie Louise Kuipers are happy to announce their marriage, which took place May 28. The ceremony was performed by Gavin Cullen, uncle of the groom, and pastor of the Perth, Australia, North church. Bonnie Kuipers was maid of honor, and Grant Langford was best man. The couple live in Pasadena.



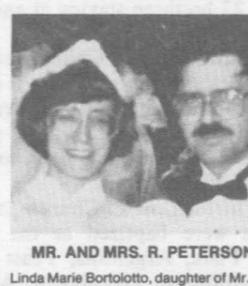
MR. AND MRS. I. FOTHERINGHAM
Valerie Ann Leatham, daughter of James and Dorothy Leatham, and Ian Fotheringham were united in marriage June 22 in Hollywood, Northern Ireland. The ceremony was performed by David Silcox, pastor of the Ballymena, Belfast and Craigavon, Northern Ireland, churches. The couple live in Nottingham, England.



MR. AND MRS. R. PETERSON
Linda Marie Bortolotto, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Armando Bortolotto of Kennedy, Sask., and Robert Harvey Peterson of Paynton, Sask., were united in marriage July 2 in Lumsden, Sask. The ceremony was performed by Maurice Yurkiw, North Battleford and Kerrobert, Sask., pastor. Carol Kushniruk was matron of honor, and Terry Scott was best man. The couple reside in Paynton, Sask.



MR. AND MRS. PETER SOTUS
Rebecca Marie Ellis and Peter Sotus were united in marriage July 2. The ceremony was performed by Lloyd Briggie, Youngstown, Ohio, pastor. Lorraine Costarella, sister of the bride, was matron of honor, and Eric McBurney was best man. The couple live in Boardman, Ohio.



MR. AND MRS. CHRIS COLLIER
Brett Jantz and Kim Carlson, and Chris Collier and Shawna Carlson were united in marriage Aug. 22. Wayne Carlson, father of the brides and a Modesto, Calif., minister, performed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Jantz live in Turlock, Calif., and Mr. and Mrs. Collier live in Highland, Tex.

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MR. AND MRS. DAVID HIEBERT
David Hiebert and Bertha Bloxham were married May 8 in Saskatoon, Sask. The ceremony was performed by Owen Murphy, Saskatoon pastor. Pat Zidak was bridesmaid, and Doug Atkinson was best man.

Janet Dattolo was matron of honor, and Lonnie Pierce was best man. The couple live in Westminster, Colo.



MR. AND MRS. JOHN GIBBS
John Gibbs and Barbara Deon would like to announce their wedding, which took place July 22 in Summerland, B.C. The ceremony was performed by Anthony Wasilkoff, Kelowna and Penticon, B.C., and Tonasket, Wash., pastor. The bride's attendant was Cheryl Hernberg, and Dale Jones was best man.



MR. AND MRS. GEORGE HARMON
Deborah Joyce Cottrill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Kenneth Cottrill of Summerland, B.C., and George Harlin Harmon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Harmon of Kermit, W.Va., were united in marriage June 18 in Calgary, Alta. The ceremony was performed by Graeme Marshall, Calgary pastor. KC Cottrill and Anna Larkin, sisters of the bride, were maid and matron of honor. Thomas Harmon, brother of the groom, was best man. The couple live in Calgary.



MR. AND MRS. JACK MORGAN
Joyce Henry and Jack Morgan were united in marriage April 9 in Jacksonville, Fla. The ceremony was performed by James Chapman, Jacksonville pastor. Vivian Mitchell was matron of honor, and Larry Mitchell was best man. The couple live in Jacksonville.



MR. AND MRS. TIMOTHY ELLEY
Mary Margaret Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Johnson of Drasco, Ark., and William Timothy Elley, son of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Elley of Farnam, Neb., were united in marriage Jan. 22. The ceremony was performed by Douglas Horchak, Denver North and Lafayette, Colo., pastor.



MR. AND MRS. HAROLD BRYAN JR.
Lynn M. Allworth Haupt and Harold M. Bryan Jr. were united in marriage July 9 in Pasadena. The ceremony was performed by James Reyer, Pasadena Imperial A.M. pastor. Cheryl Cooper, sister of the bride, was matron of honor, and Ron Packer was best man. The couple live in Pasadena.



MR. AND MRS. RICHARD SOULE
Jeannette Richardson and Richard Soule were united in marriage Sept. 3 in Round Rock, Tex. The ceremony was performed by Harold Lester, Austin, Tex., pastor. The couple live in Round Rock.



MR. AND MRS. DOUG DANNER
The family of Doug and Delphia Danner gave a party to celebrate the couple's 25th wedding anniversary Sept. 9. The Danners were married Sept. 3, 1964. They have three children, Drew, Damon and Dana, and two step-grandchildren. The Danners attend the Kansas City, Kan., South church.

ANNIVERSARIES MADE OF GOLD



MR. AND MRS. WALTER WILKINS
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wilkins celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary July 15. Brethren honored them with a 50th anniversary plate and roses. The Wilkinses have a daughter, Julie, and two grandchildren. The couple were baptized in 1975.

ANNIVERSARIES



MR. AND MRS. GEOFF DEEPROSE
The family of Mr. and Mrs. Geoff Deeprise would like to announce the couple's 45th wedding anniversary, which took place Sept. 26. The Deeprises have been Church members since 1967. They attend the Calgary, Alta., North church.



MR. AND MRS. GENE MAXWELL
Gene and Linda Maxwell celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary Oct 3. The couple have five children, Theresa, Craig, Eric, Brian and David; and two grandchildren, Christopher and Lydia. The Maxwells have been Church members since 1970. They attend the Fort Collins, Colo., church.



MR. AND MRS. PAUL LANG
The children of Paul and Jennie Lang would like to announce the 35th wedding anniversary of their parents, which took place Aug. 28. Mr. Lang was baptized in 1959, and Mrs. Lang in 1960. The couple have three daughters and sons-in-law, Timothy and Debra Martens, William and Connie Sloan and Greg and Susan Williams, all Church members; and eight grandchildren. The Langs attend the Eugene, Ore., church.

NOTICES

The San Jose, Calif., church will celebrate its 25th anniversary in February. Those who have attended the congregation over the years are invited to come and commemorate this milestone. For details, write to Larry Shamus, 1332 Crestwood Drive, San Jose, Calif., 95118, or call Mr. Shamus at 1-408-264-0603.

The Santa Rosa, Calif., church will celebrate its 20th anniversary Dec. 23. Brethren who have attended the congregation through the years are invited to attend. Directions and housing arrangements can be made by calling Bill Lund at 1-707-584-4210 or writing to Box 2192, Santa Rosa, Calif., 95405.

The Bradford, England, church, originally established in Leeds, England, will celebrate its 25th anniversary Dec. 9. David Magowan requests that anyone wishing to attend should contact him in advance.

OBITUARIES

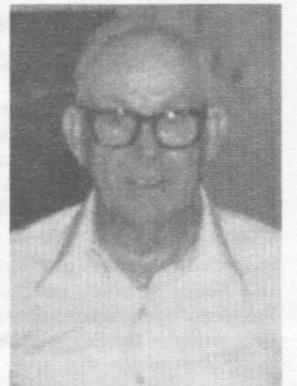
HOMMES, Doris I. 84, of Roseville, Minn., died Sept. 3. Because she suffered from multiple sclerosis, Mrs. Hommes, a Church member since 1966, was unable to attend services for several years. She is survived by two daughters, Maxine Baldwin and Lorraine Butcher, both Church members; six grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.



DIANE DUMOULIN
DUMOULIN, Diane, 37, of Edmonton, Alta.,

died June 26. Mrs. Dumoulin, a Church member since 1971, is survived by her husband, Luc; a daughter, Sophie; and a son, Pascal.

MOSES, Benjamin, 79, of Washington, D.C., died Aug. 30. Mr. Moses, a Church member since 1969, had no survivors.



JOSEPH W. BOHANNON
BOHANNON, Joseph Wesley, 73, of Modesto, Calif., died Aug. 22 after heart surgery. Mr. Bohannon, a Church member since 1966, is survived by his wife, Norma, also a member; one son, Joseph Jr.; and three grandchildren.

WEATHERHEAD, Harold, 76, of Saint John, N.B., died Aug. 21 after a lengthy illness. Mr. Weatherhead, a Church member since 1975, is survived by his wife, Viola, also a member; four sisters; and two brothers.

NIMZ, Ervin Leslie, 81, of Francesville, Ind., died Sept. 13 after a long illness. Mr. Nimz, a Church member since 1965, is survived by his wife, Edna, also a member.



DOROTHY E. BELL
BELL, Dorothy E., 74, of McDonald, Pa., died July 12 after a long illness. Mrs. Bell, a Church member since 1964, is survived by her husband, Frank M.; two sons, Bernard and David; one daughter, Jeraldine, a Church member; 15 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

ENGLAND, Lather Sanders, 57, of Maiden, N.C., died Aug. 22. Mrs. England, a Church member since 1964, is survived by her husband, Robert Sr.; a son, Robert Jr., a local church elder in Washington, D.C., and his wife, Patricia; and a son-in-law, Harvey Lee Pettis Jr., all of whom are Church members. Mrs. England is also survived by a son, Thomas; and seven grandchildren.

BURNETT, Leatha, 85, of Richmond, Va., died Aug. 31. Mrs. Burnett, a Church member since 1978, is survived by eight children, 10 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

SCHMIDT, Cornelius "Mike," 72, of Newton, Kan., died Aug. 24 of cancer. Mr. Schmidt, a Church member since 1986, is survived by his wife, Sylvia, also a member, one son, two grandchildren, three brothers and one sister.

PERSONAL

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nature because we love God and want to please him—and because Christ lives in us. Therefore such righteousness is God's, not ours.

If we really do believe Jesus Christ died for us, and that our sins are forgiven, we will devote our lives to his service—to becoming like him (though we will never be perfect in this life). We will be learning to think of others in the same way that we should have come to realize he thinks of us.

We will be shedding our arrogance and superiority toward others whom we feel are not as "righteous" as we are. This is Paul's unmistakable message to us in Ephesians 4:29-5:2.

Looking down on others because we feel superior to them, whether spiritually or even in some physical way is the exact antithesis of all Jesus Christ stands for, and all he did for humanity, including each of us personally.

We certainly cannot claim his merciful and forgiving sacrifice on our own behalf and then go out and treat others in precisely the opposite manner. If he lives in us, we'll be living a new way

of life, a way that cares about others and is growing in love toward all others.

When we fall short, we'll want to throw ourselves on God's mercy and carry on, continually striving to remove the ways of the former self.

Love without barriers

Such love is fair, kind and generous to all. It is not limited by the barriers of office, position, economic status, nationality, race, sex, sinful past or even religion. How can we look down our noses at one another if the love of God is in us?

The parable of the man who was forgiven the enormous debt in Matthew 18 should be a constant reminder of our Christian obligation to forgive.

It is when we feel our most "righteous," because we are arrogantly looking down on someone else whose sin we think we could never have sunk so low as to commit, that we are indeed weakest spiritually. And we all have a lot of growth yet to come in this most basic area of our Christian lives.

Love is not something that can be legislated into being.

How are we able to love one another? Because God first loved

us. If we abide in his love, we can extend it to others. We can so deeply appreciate God's limitless love for us that we simply cannot bear malice toward others.

As God forgives us so great a debt, so we are pleased to forgive others. This is such a fundamental theme of true Christianity that it can never be overemphasized.

I hope this is what so many

knowledge in the image of its Creator. Here there is no Greek or Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ is all, and is in all.

"Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive whatever

We struggle with our sinful nature because we love God and want to please him—and because Christ lives in us.

began to feel more strongly expressed and displayed at the Feast this year. And I pray that it will continue to increase in each member and minister as time goes on. We must stand united in love, with firm and undying faith in God's great and precious promises.

The apostle Paul sums up these matters beautifully in Colossians 3:9-17: "Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in

grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

"Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God. And what-

ever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him" (New International Version).

Let's keep the fire burning bright of our commitment to the life-giving truth and freedom God has opened our minds and hearts to grasp!

P.S. Be sure to read Mr. Neff's "Treasurer's Report" on page 3 carefully. My deepest and heartfelt thanks to all the brethren for the outstanding Holy Day offerings!

Without those exceptional offerings, income for the year to date would now be seriously lower than the 4 percent increase at which it currently stands.

But, we must now face the fact that income is just barely keeping pace with inflation. Money for continued growth is just not present.

We must do the very best we can with what God gives us, and sometimes that means we have to shift or revise our strategies to accomplish the most with what is now available.

Please pray earnestly that God will lead me to make the decisions he knows are best for the overall good and future of the Church and Work.

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

UPDATE

PASADENA—Evangelist **Donald Ward**, Ambassador College president, announced several administrative changes for the Pasadena and Big Sandy campuses Oct. 5.

Evangelist **Roderick Meredith**, Big Sandy provost, returned to Pasadena to take up duties as a full-time writer in the Editorial Department.

Richard Thompson, Big Sandy dean of students, was named acting provost. **Gary Antion**, an associate professor of theology in Pasadena, will serve as dean of students in Big Sandy.

Replacing Mr. Antion is **Bryan Hoyt**, Salem and Albany, Ore., pastor, who moved to Pasadena to join the college faculty as an instructor in theology and counseling. Mr. Hoyt has a master's degree in counseling.

BIG SANDY—**Thomas Delamater**, chairman of the Mass Communications Department, was named director of development and college relations for the Big Sandy campus by evangelist **Donald Ward**, Ambassador College president.

Gary Shaffer, instructor in speech, will serve as assistant director of the new department.

The department will contact foundations, organizations and individuals who provide endowments for higher education. It will also handle college relations, including media inquiries about the college and coordinate the college's involvement in community events.

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HINSDALE, Ill.—**Richard Smith**, 15, captured second place in a national safety poster contest sponsored by Commercial Travelers of America.

Richard, mentally impaired since he was hit by a truck in 1981, placed first in the regional contest and second in the state contests in 1988. This year his poster was titled "Never Play on Railroad Tracks."

Richard is the son of **Kenneth and Diana Smith**, members who attend the Chicago, Ill., West church.

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UNION, N.J.—Union and Jersey City, N.J., brethren celebrated the 25th anniversary of the church there Aug. 26.

Three pastors who have served in the area attended: **James Jenkins**, Houston West and Victoria, Tex., pastor; **Richard Frankel**, Washington, D.C., North and South pastor; and **Michael Swagerty**, Chicago, Ill., North and Northwest pastor. Each gave minisermos to the more than 1,000 in attendance.

A formal dinner and dance took place that evening, and 25-year members were presented with commemorative pins.

Festivities concluded Sunday, Aug. 27, with a family picnic.

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OTTAWA, Ont.—When **Prince Andrew** and **Sarah**, Duchess of



FLOWERS FOR THE LADY—Brian Hayward, son of Church members Carl and Frances Hayward, presents Sarah, Duchess of York, with a bouquet at the Ottawa, Ont., Rehabilitation Centre July 19.

York, visited patients with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS) at the Ottawa Rehabilitation Centre July 19, Church members **Carl and Frances Hayward** met them. Mr. Hayward has suffered from the disease for two years.

Motor Neuron Disease Society in the United Kingdom, gave a speech to the patients and their families in the center's gymnasium.

"I'm determined to improve public awareness so we can work towards a cure, and in the meantime, help all those who suffer," she said. The duchess accepted a bouquet of flowers from the Haywards' son **Brian**, 9.

The royal couple spoke to the Haywards for a few moments.

"The duchess told me to keep fighting and not to give up," Mr. Hayward said.

The Haywards attend the Ottawa church.

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BONN, West Germany—The regional office here announced the following personnel changes.

Martin Fekete, former assistant pastor of the Bonn-Duesseldorf and Darmstadt, West Germany, churches, now serves as office manager for the Bonn Office.

Erwin Schotten, a 1977 Pasadena Ambassador College graduate, joined the editorial staff in the Bonn Office in August.

Andreas Drosdek, a 1989 Pasadena Ambassador College graduate, is the new manager of the Personal Correspondence Department in the Bonn Office. He replaces **Alfred Hellemann**, who will continue to serve as associate pastor of the Bonn-Duesseldorf and Darmstadt churches until December.

In December **Grant Spang**, Berlin, Hamburg and Hannover, West Germany, pastor, will transfer to Australia to pastor the Wodonga and Wagga-Wagga churches. Mr. Hellemann will then pastor the Berlin, Hamburg and Hannover churches.

'There's no question God answered'

Quake jolts bay during Feast

By Kerri Dowd

PASADENA—Thirteen brethren unable to attend the Feast were in the San Francisco, Calif., area during the Oct. 17 earthquake that measured 7.1 on the Richter scale.

They are all fine, although most had damage inside their homes, according to **Keith Brittain**, associate pastor of the San Francisco and Oakland churches, who was dispatched from the Redding, Calif., Feast site to check on their safety.

The quake, which struck at 5:04 p.m., Oct. 17, the fourth day of the Feast of Tabernacles, was first reported to have a magnitude of 6.9. The quake killed at least 65 people.

No Feast site was affected, and only those members unable to attend the Feast were home to experience the shaking.

One such member was 93-year-old **Wilhelmina Larson**, who lives in a retirement home in San Jose, Calif.

Mrs. Larson remembers the 1906 San Francisco earthquake. "There were three big shakes worse than in San Francisco in 1906. I remember those like yesterday, and this was worse, I can tell you.

"We were in the dining hall. I cried out loud, 'Merciful Father, you know we are all a bunch of helpless old people. Keep us safe and keep us calm.' There's no question God answered."

Help from headquarters

Pastor General **Joseph W. Tkach** presented two checks for \$100,000 each to the American Red Cross Oct. 19 to assist victims of the earthquake and the devastation from Hurricane Hugo, which struck the South Carolina coast Sept. 21.

"After seeing the terrible destruction in San Francisco, we strongly felt that it was our duty to provide whatever emergency help we could," Mr. Tkach said.

Bay area churches

"I went into the area because these people could not be reached by phone," Mr. Brittain said.

Mr. Brittain got around the city without too much trouble, and contacted all 13 people.

There are no reports of severe damage to the homes of Church members in the San Francisco and Oakland area.

In the San Jose and Aptos, Calif., church areas, four families suffered major damage. **Mike and Bonnie Ferranti** and their son, **Charles**, 16, lost everything when their apartment building burned to the ground, according to **William Jacobs**, San Jose and Aptos pastor.

"A lot of members donated money at the Feast when they heard of the Ferranti family's situation," Mr. Jacobs said.

Mr. Ferranti's boss also gave him a substantial pay raise and bought the family some furniture and other necessities. Renters insurance covered the belongings they lost in the fire, and the family moved to a better apartment in a more convenient location.

"The Ferrantis are really troupers—serving people. They lost everything they had, but they have been faithful, and God has turned everyone's minds to help them."

Marsha Rosen, a prospective member who was unable to attend the Feast, was in her home during the earthquake. Her home, which is covered by insurance, received severe damage.

Glen Goodwin's house was moved off its foundation. It will cost an estimated \$30,000 to repair it, but Mr. Goodwin expects to receive a grant to cover the expense.

When **Gordon Emerson**, an Aptos local church elder who lives near the San Andreas fault, returned from the Feast, he found chests of drawers that had been thrown upside down, and items from one room that were thrown into others. His chimney was also knocked down. The financial loss was minimal.

"We don't anticipate being left with any major problem in the long run," Mr. Jacobs said.

"We've been able to help most of those people either with Church assistance or from the members who could help, but there has been far less need for Church assistance than I expected."

Many of the brethren lost items that fell off shelves. **Stuart Segall**, associate pastor, removed 50 pounds of broken glass—much of it china and crystal—from his home.

If brethren had to move out of their homes because of broken pipes, they had relatives or someone to stay with. Mr. Jacobs made an announcement at Sabbath services Oct. 28 that those who needed

food, shelter or other supplies should contact him. He received no responses.

"It is really amazing with all of the destruction around us to see how we have been protected," said Mr. Jacobs. "The best thing to do was to be somewhere else. There was no reason to go home. I think it drew us all a lot closer together at the Feast."



"That also he should gather together in one the children of God that were scattered abroad." (John 11:52)

HONG KONG—A member here wrote about reaction to the Chinese government's crackdown on students in June. Following are excerpts.

"Hong Kong was in total shock and chaos the day after the [Tiananmen Square] massacre. About one million people flocked into the streets, all wearing black or white clothing, to walk in protest of the massacre.

"I have never seen Hong Kong people in such unity and orderly marching. People walked hand in hand and sang patriotic songs.

"Movie stars, celebrities, the very rich and the very poor all forgot about their social status for the time being as if to say that under machine guns and tanks, they are all equal.

"Fast food shops were giving out free drinks and sandwiches to marchers to show their support. The special fund-raising concert for the students' movement had raised HK\$13.2 million [about US\$1.7 million] in one night.

"Previously, Hong Kong people have always been known to be indifferent to politics. But people have now lost all confidence in China. Many people are leaving the colony, worsening the brain drain situation.

"The anti-British feeling is growing stronger here recently. There is a saying that Britain is Hong Kong's stepmother who decided to abandon her stepchild and return the child to

his wicked father.

"Taiwan is the first wife, who was divorced by the father (China) and married the United States. Therefore, Hong Kong is now an orphan.

"China has suffered tremendous losses in its many industries because of the [Tiananmen Square] incident. This is especially noticeable in the tourist industry.

"People in Hong Kong no longer buy. Everyone saves money to emigrate. You can see signs like 'immigrating sales, all goods must go.'

"The Singapore government issued 10,000 applications for immigration visas. They charged HK\$1,200 [about US\$150] each just for the application fee. Yet people flocked to the consulate and grabbed whatever form they could get.

"When the office ran out of forms, the crowd turned wild. Some shouted, 'I will pay \$200 extra for the form.' Another yelled, 'I will pay \$300.'

"It was just ridiculous, but you can feel how desperate the people are to get a passport for security from whoever will offer it to them. They can no longer rely on the British, who they thought would be the first ones to offer them protection.

"It is indeed a pity if a prosperous city like Hong Kong ends up becoming an empty shell, then goes backward to the time even before the British rule."

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