Foundation launches 1990-91 concert season in Auditorium

By Jeff E. Zhorne PASADENA—The 1990-91 Ambassador Foundation Performing Arts season brings 87 artists and attractions to Ambassador, including Pinchas Zuckerman, Mstislav Rostropovich, James Galway, Mel Torme and Chet Atkins.

The foundation's 16th concert season opened Sept. 29 with a recital by baritone Hakan Hage-

During the 15 previous seasons offered by the foundation, about two million guests have attended concerts at the Church's headquarters.

"During these visits, our patrons have an opportunity to experience an activity of the Church they might not otherwise," said evangelist David Hulme, vice president of the foundation.

Despite the international reputation of the foundation's activities, each season poses bigger challenges.

"With rising costs and recession expectations, we must constantly strive to trim our expenses without sacrificing our reputation for quality," Mr. Hulme explained. "We feel that the opportunities the foundation furnishes to the Church are important and useful. People can see what we are like as an institution in an appropriate environment."

Present foundation activities are largely self-funding through ticket revenues. "Mr. [Joseph] Tkach recently approved the exploration of reducing our expenses through corporate sponsorship and patron support," Mr. Hulme said. "We are now committed to reducing our operating deficit to zero."

The program will give corporations and other institutions an opportunity to support performing arts in Southern California by benefiting the Ambassador Foundation.

"If we are successful in accomplishing what we have planned, everyone will benefit," he added.

To advertise the concert series, Promotion Services designed 20 promotional projects, including the



STAR PROMOTIONAL-Actor Patrick Stewart, captain of the Starship Enterprise in "Star Trek: The Next Generation," appears in a television commercial advertising the 1990-91 Ambassador Auditorium concert season. The commercial aired in Los Angeles

the excellent job they have been

doing with the telecast. The tele-

cast has certainly lived up to and

often exceeded our expectations

and has grown continually more

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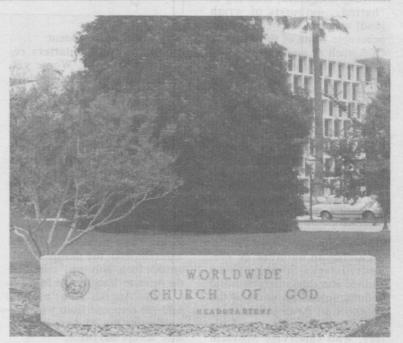
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professional and effective.

full-color, 24-page subscription brochure.

Design of concert promotion material is highly specialized, according to Michael Miles, senior art director, requiring a good understanding of the character and reputation of the Ambassador Auditorium and of the relative importance of individual performers and their potential draw at the ticket office.

The Pasadena Star-News ended a Sept. 21 article with: "Through all the challenges, the foundation's overriding purpose remains the same: to present the best performers possible in what is undeniably one of the world's finest concert



SET IN STONE—The Worldwide Church of God replaces Ambassador College on the granite block at the corner of Green Street and St. John Avenue. [Photo by Monte Wolverton]

Safe passage out of Mideast

Indian members leave Kuwait

By Jeff E. Zhorne

PASADENA-All citizens of India have been evacuated from Kuwait-all except those who refused to leave, the Indian Embassy reported in October.

Daniel Zachariah, pastor of the Hyderabad, India, church, said K.M. Matthews has safely moved from Kuwait back to India.

A.J. Solomon, another member in Kuwait, wrote the following letter: "I think you may be wondering

what has happened to me and my family and John Joseph and his family during the Gulf crisis.

"It was a very sad and horrifying story. I am sure God has answered all our prayers and given us a safe way out of Kuwait.

"After the invasion of the Iraqi forces into Kuwait, we were completely cut off from the outside world. Everything came to a stand-

"Everywhere we could see Iraqi soldiers with guns. It was a complete disaster and everybody started fleeing the country.

"All the civilians on the Failaka Island were forced to leave the place by Sept. 30, 1990. So I and my family left everything and went to Kuwait City, to a friend's place.

"By that time, John Joseph, with his family, left for India . . . but we couldn't accompany them.

"Then we worked out our escape first by bus to Basra and from there by Indian passenger ship. We arrived 19 Oct. in India."

PERSONAL FROM

Dear Brethren.

As you know, we are implementing a new policy on the World Tomorrow tele-

So you can better understand how the new policy works, I'd like to share with you excerpts from a memo I sent to all those involved with the telecast:

"I'd like to begin by commending and congratulating our Television Department staff for

Enthusiastic dedication

"Now, as we undertake to adjust our overall approach on the World Tomorrow program and in the Plain Truth magazine, I know the same level of enthusiastic dedication will make the program and the magazine all the more successful in touching the lives of those God enables us

"As you know, in a letter to all brethren and co-workers before the Feast of Tabernacles, I announced the decision to make the World Tomorrow telecast take on a more directly religious format. Just what does that mean, and how is it to be implemented?

"The term religious can mean different things to different people. This memo will outline the new format and explain what we wish to achieve with The World Tomorrow.

"First, the telecast is definitely not to copy the overly emotional character of certain other religious programs. On the other hand, it is also not to become confrontational, degrading others' sincerely held beliefs, condemning, nor filled with hyperbole about specific prophetic fulfillments.

"Rather, the telecast will take on a greater religious content by clearly and skillfully incorporating the biblical perspective throughout each program, from beginning to end.

"The biblical perspective is to be the unmistakable theme, or thread, presented throughout the telecast. It is not to be an apparent afterthought or a set of extra points dropped into the script here and there.

"Further, the biblical perspective is to be presented forthrightly, although wisely and diplomatically. Most programs will disclose at the very beginning that our purpose is to discuss the biblical perspective, regardless of how we may choose to develop the topic or which secular sources we may decide to

"As we all understand, not every topic can be handled in exactly the same style. However, each program will be unquestionably Bible-based, yet will enable viewers to readily distinguish between reporting of facts

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Public services: first for Zwickau, Germany

By Frankie Weinberger

BONN, Germany-East German brethren attended their first public Sabbath services in 25 years, when they met Aug. 25 in Zwickau.

Frankie Weinberger is a Worldwide News correspondent in Bonn, Germany.

Thirty members and visitors met for a morning Bible study, then ate lunch in the meeting hall. Sabbath services were complete with hymns and piano accompaniment.

Winfried Fritz, pastor of the Bonn-Duesseldorf, Darmstadt and Zwickau churches, shared his feelings about this first official public

"I've been going to East Germany regularly for the past 10 years. This time many aspects were so different and impressive.

"Driving straight through the border without a guard in sight was amazing. It made me think of the future when all the nations' borders will be taken down.

"It was quite a feeling to have a piano and be able to sing hymns," Mr. Fritz continued.

"Before, we met in members' apartments and had to shut the windows so nothing could be overheard."

Services will now be conducted twice monthly in Zwickau. In January, a newsstand program will begin distributing 10,000 Klar & Wahr (Plain Truths) a month in the three cities where members live: Dresden, Jena and Zwickau.

The small flock in East Germany started in September 1965, when Heinz Pistorius resigned as a Communist Party secretary to become a Church member. Mr. Pistorius is now a deacon.

Since then services had been conducted in secret, facing the danger of being invaded by police. Spies were often spotted.

However, the new Germany is not without problems, Mr. Fritz re-

The new economy is unstable and foreign to people. Prices are increasing, but salaries have not been raised accordingly, he said.

Some businesses are no longer needed, so many employees face layoffs. Others worry about high mortgage rates, higher rents, and home and auto taxes, which they have never experienced before.

Despite such concerns, Mr. Fritz feels encouraged: "Driving around I could see initiative being taken, which I had never seen before.

"People were outside working on houses and buildings, repairing holes that had probably been there for decades," he said.

"Although they face big problems, you can sense hope and a positive feeling."

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Misguided zeal takes militant forms

PASADENA-In our post-Cold War age, religion is once again a powerful factor to contend with. In many regions the fires of sectarian passions are flaring anew.

Tragically, much of this zeal is horribly misguided, resulting in "hatred...outbursts of wrath [and] murders" rather than the peaceable fruits of the Spirit of God, such as goodness, gentleness and self-control (Galatians 5:20-23, New King James throughout).

Consider the following examples. During the Feast of Tabernacles, Monday, Oct. 8, Jerusalem was rocked by an ugly incident in the area of the Temple Mount, a site considered sacred by Arabs and Jews.

A band of Jewish zealots, the Temple Mount Faithful, had planned a march to the Temple area intending to scale the Mount.

Fearing an outbreak of violence, Israel's Supreme Court banned the demonstration and communicated its edict to the Palestinian Arab community including its religious authorities, who supervise Moslem



holy places on the Mount.

Fears in Arab quarters remained, however. Worse yet, political activists recruited thousands of Arabs to come to the Temple Mount on that fateful day when some 20,000 Jews (not the Faithful zealots, who marched instead to the Shiloah Pool) would be praying at the Western Wall some 40 feet below the Temple plateau.

"The rioting began," commented Mortimer B. Zuckerman in the Nov. 12 U.S. News & World Report, "with the sudden call of the muezzin from the mosque loudspeaker for a 'holy war,' calling on

the Arabs to 'slaughter the Jews.' "
A Los Angeles *Times* reporter said the response from worshippers inside the Al Aksa mosque was "abrupt and fierce."

The rampaging mob grew to 3,000 strong, continued Mr. Zuckerman, adding: "The rioters picked up stones, bricks, boulders, metal missiles, even knives that had been prepositioned at strategic points." They hurled this barrage at the crowd below as well as at police on the Mount.

An overwhelmed and understaffed Israeli security force, after first firing tear-gas canisters, followed by rubber bullets, finally resorted to live ammunition. Soon, close to 20 rioters lay dead.

About one month after the Temple Mount riot, the militant Israeli rabbi, Meir Kahane, was assassinated in New York City while addressing a group of his followers. His assailant was an Egyptian working in New York who apparently acted on his own.

Rabbi Kahane had long advocated expelling Arabs from Israel as well as the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip. The idea of Arabs living in Israel, Kahane maintained, was inconsistent with the desire to maintain a Jewish

The killing ignited a thirst for revenge among Kahane followers in Israel. Along his funeral route in Jerusalem could be heard shouts of "Death to the Arabs!" One mourner, vowing revenge, exclaimed: "We will let our friend the machine gun talk. We will let our friend the knife talk."

Since the Temple Mount and Kahane incidents, Jerusalem has become a more dangerous place, with numerous acts of violence, mostly stabbings, against both Jews and Arabs.

Religious and sectarian violence is by no means limited to the Middle East, however.

Early in November, 15,000 frenzied Hindu fundamentalist pilgrims stormed a Moslem mosque in the northern Indian city of Ayodhya. Before being stopped by police, they began tearing the mosque to pieces, often with their bare hands, in the name of their legendary god, Lord Ram, who many Hindus believe was born on that spot.

Wave after wave of attackersprofessional people as well as peasants and Hindu holy menbroke through the police cordon with shouts of "Lord Ram; Long Live Lord Ram!"

"We are doing this only for our god, Lord Ram, and for our nation," exclaimed one excited

Within hours, Moslems counterattacked Hindus in many Indian cities and towns, fueling a cycle of violence that quickly reached 250 deaths.

And even 1,000 miles away, reported the Nov. 6 Los Angeles Times, "wild-eyed Moslems poured out of their houses in Bangladesh...setting fire to Hindu temples in an orgy of religious retaliation.'

The eruption in Ayodhya was enough to bring down the shaky government of Prime Minister V.P. Singh. Many Hindus had (See ZEAL, page 5)



My life has undergone several changes: I live in a different house in a different country, work at a different job with different responsibilities, and drive a different car on a different side of the road.

Adapting to such changes can take time. And I know many of our brethren often have to adapt to similar shifts in their lives.

Many find it disconcerting when their lives are changed dramatically, even if the change is for the better. Yet today's society enforces more changes upon us than at any other time in history.

Nowadays, people change jobs and move more often. Technological advances follow one another faster than ever before. We live in a complex world, in which rapid change has become the norm.

But this is not a healthy norm. Alvin Toffler, in his book Future Shock, warned of "the shattering stress and disorientation that we induce in individuals by subjecting them to too much change in too short a time."

How can we cope with the changes constantly bombarding us? How can we follow the mandate issued by Herbert W. Armstrong, and reiterated by Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach, telling us to simplify our lives?

First things first

Simplifying your life is indeed a key to preserving your sanity in this complex, ever-changing world. And the key to simplifying your life is to put first things first.

Jesus Christ said simply: "Seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness" (Matthew 6:33, New King James throughout).

We must maintain a right relationship with God, one that stands while external and peripheral things change.

The Psalms show David continually looking to his Creator as a refuge from the turbulence about him. David sought God's righteousness. He knew that God's commandments were righteousness (Psalm 119:172) and that those who kept God's law would have great peace (Psalm 119:165).

Daily living God's way of life is something that doesn't change when you switch jobs or move to a different area. It is not affected by advancing technology nor by changing social conditions.

The book of Philippians contains some important principles concerning the daily life of a Christian. It was written by the apostle Paul, a man well acquainted with living God's way under

Psalm 1, David likens the man who meditates on God's way of life to a tree.firmly rooted, while the unrighteous are likened to chaff blown by the wind.

Paul also speaks of the joy and peace accompanying the righteous. He proclaims: "Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I will say, rejoice! Let your gentleness be known to all men. The Lord is at hand. Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God which surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:4-7).

Think on these things

Paul concludes with some practical advice: "Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if

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many different circumstances.

Paul learned how to avoid letting external conditions worry him. He said: "I have learned in whatever state I am, to be content: I know how to be abased, and I know how to abound" (Philippians 4:11-12).

His mind set on God's kingdom, Paul could seek God's righteousness daily. Paul's mind-set is clearly shown in Philippians 3:13-14, where he said: "Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus."

Godly priority

Seeking God's kingdom and his righteousness is first priority. By keeping our minds focused on the kingdom and pressing to it, we live the way of God's righteousness.

That's what David and Paul did. Both of them were able to live the simple life and gain great peace of mind, despite the external problems continually beseting them.

The Psalms of David are full of praises for this way of life. In

there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy—meditate on these things" (Philippians 4:8).

These are elements of prayer and Bible study, but there's more. After time spent with God, our family and jobs, we still need to take a break from life's routines. But we must maximize our use of leisure time by reaching for the pure, noble, lovely things in life.

Listening to music can be rewarding. David loved music. Even Saul found solace from his troubles by listening to beautiful music.

Reading biographies and great literary works can also be uplifting and inspiring. And getting away into the countryside can help you attain tranquillity of mind.

Over the years I've discovered that when I think differently and positively about change, I feel and act differently about what is going on in my life. After all, the bottom line is that with God's help we are controlling our thoughts.

So the key to keeping your life simple among the complexity of change is to seek God's kingdom and his righteousness first and, secondly, spend time on life's lovely, inspiring, praiseworthy things.

European Diary By John Ross Schroeder

Africa: distant continent forgotten by the West

BOREHAMWOOD, England-Earlier this year our attention was riveted on Berlin and Eastern Europe. Communism was swept aside almost overnight.

Then before we could adjust to the European revolution, our minds were suddenly directed to the Middle East. Saddam Hussein had invaded Kuwait.

But, almost forgotten, is Africa, a continent that has drifted off the map of the world's concerns. Apart from attention to apartheid and Nelson Mandela in South Africa, there seems to be little interest.

At the same time the media was intensely covering the Iraqi story, terrifying events were taking place in Liberia. Human beings, made in God's image, were killed in Liberia in a senseless burst of cruelty. Men and pregnant women were brutally murdered.

No fewer than 12 wars are being waged in Africa at this moment. And Africa is the most-deprived and crisis-ridden continent on this globe.

Africa's strategic importance has been reduced by the end of the Cold War because the new Soviet image and an empty Russian wallet can no longer afford either arms help or military ventures.

But as Christians the state of Africa should deeply concern us. Summing up the continent as a whole, an article in the Aug. 28 Independent said: "A historic report on sub-Saharan Africa published earlier this year by the World Bank showed almost every indicator of development in Africa to be in decline and without hope of improvement unless there was fundamental change in the way the area was governed and a substantial input of external aid."

A report by Patrick Marnham in the Sept. 16 Independent on Sunday echoes the above negative evaluation of African prospects. Mr. Marnham asked: "Could the old saying be true that in Africa no known system of government works? It is hard to think of a country in sub-Saharan Africa where life for most people is better today than it was in 1957, when Ghana became the first British colony to gain independence."

The end of European colonialism produced neither prosperity nor peace. Wars are endemic. And as in other areas of the developing world, skyrocketing oil prices are adding to the problems of Africa's already heavily ravaged economies.

Even Kenya, for a time the model nation of postcolonial Africa, is suffering from an explosion of discontent and a deeply troubled and divided government.

Rwanda is in turmoil. Ten million people face famine on the horn of Africa. AIDS is endemic.

Other nations, wedded to their own worries, are not concerned about Africa. The United States is preoccupied with its budget crisis. Europe is enmeshed in its own period of transition.

Certainly, people and nations try to help the starving when, on occasion, we see the suffering on our television sets. But the help is not permanent and often does not address cause.

In the Sept. 30 Guardian Weekly, commenting on Kenya's current plight, the Anglican archbishop, Manasses Kuria, said, "Unless God rescues Kenya, we shall sink.'

Fortunately for Africa, God is supremely concerned about the people there. How do we know that? Because God has revealed his feelings toward various nations in the Bible

He said of the people of ancient Nineveh: "And should I not pity Nineveh, that great city, in which are more than one hundred and twenty thousand persons who cannot discern between their right hand and their left, and also much livestock?" (Jonah 4:11, New King James).

Only God's kingdom will relieve the unfathomable and immeasurable suffering in Africa and other nations. God looks forward to the coming of his kingdom. Do we?

Art, photography, writing

British youths enter contests

BOREHAMWOOD, England—This year for the first time, Youth Opportunities United (YOU) national art, photography and writing contests were conducted in the United Kingdom.

"The standard of all the entries for the three competitions was very high," said Peter Francis, YOU coordinator in the British Regional Office. "Many of the judges commented how impressed they were with the talent that all the participants expressed."

First, second and (when applicable) third places in each area are as

Photography (people or portrait): Erika Houghton, 14, of Godalming, England; Anneve Davis, 17, Basildon, England.

Photography (animals): David Macdonald, 18, Borehamwood; Gabriella Francis, 17, Basildon.

Photography (scenic): Erika Houghton; Tara Shattock, 13, Dunstable, England.

Writing: Luka Radovic, 14, North London, England; Sue Windebank, 15, and Ruth Anderson, 16, Maidstone, England; Josianne Martin, 16, Gloucester, England.

Poetry: Sarah McKay, 18, Maidstone; Jonathan Bayley, 13, Llandudno, Wales; Lianne Cokes, 16, Basildon, and Samuel Whiting, 16, Sheffield, England (third-place

Art: Sayed Nadim, 16, Watford, England; Lianne Cokes; Alex Verdier, 17, Borehamwood, and Lianne Cokes (third-place tie).

Winners received cash prizes, and winning entries were displayed at the Summer Educational Program (SEP) in Loch Lomond, Scot-

Your involvement in the Work

produces fruit. This column

shows how the World Tomorrow

telecast and the Church's publi-

cations change the lives of sub-

scribers, co-workers and pro-

Your article "The New Battle for

Britain" in the September Plain Truth

was very interesting. Of particular inter-

est was the discussion regarding the rare

calmness of the English Channel to-

gether with fog, which worked in con-

cert to aid in the Dunkirk troop rescue.

back-to-back stories. It would have been

a good time for the author to point out

the sequel to this phenomenon wherein

the Allied invasion force experienced

the worst storm to strike the Channel in 20 years. This apparent stroke of bad

luck turned out to be a Godsend by

lulling the German armed forces into

complacency. So many high level Ger-

man officers were on leave and absent

from the front as to cause Hitler to

believe that an invasion would take place

in such weather. A second good conse-

quence of the storm was an Allied troop

parachute drop which, in error, took

place at a considerable distance from the intended target and created confusion in

The German high command could not

conduct an inquiry.

The Channel story was really two

spective members.

War-time events

Faculty Positions Available Fall Semester 1991

BIG SANDY—The following faculty positions are available for the fall 1991 semester at Ambassador College.

Business administration: Full-time faculty position to teach undergraduate courses in business administration and management. A doctorate in business administration, management or closely related field is required. Applicant must have at least 18 hours of graduate course work in accounting or management.

Computer information systems: Full-time faculty position to teach undergraduate courses in computer information systems, including courses relating to management information systems and microcomputer applications in business. A doctorate in computer science, computer information systems or closely related field is required.

Foreign languages: Full-time faculty positions to teach undergraduate courses in French, German and Spanish. A master's degree is required. Graduate study in two or three of these languages is preferred.

Mathematics: Full-time faculty position to teach undergraduate courses in mathematics. A master's degree in mathematics

To apply for any of these positions, send a letter of application, official transcripts and curriculum vitae to Academic Office, Ambassador College, Big Sandy, Tex., 75755.

Financial Affairs sees administrative changes

PASADENA-Steve Andrews, formerly an assistant to evangelist Larry Salyer, director of Church Administration International, was appointed director of Financial Affairs & Planning, Nov. 2.

In announcing the change, Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach said evangelist Leroy Neff, Church treasurer, will now head the divorce and remarriage evaluation team, which reports to Mr. Salyer.

Mr. Neff will also serve as a per-

sonal adviser to Mr. Tkach and con-

and Duplicating departments are joining the Financial Affairs & Planning operation, while Computer Information Systems, Flight Operations and Machine Maintenance remain under director James



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Youth is guest on talk show

WASILLA, Alaska-Christopher Kopy, 11, was a guest on National Broadcasting Corporation's (NBC) Late Night With David Letterman Sept. 13.

Christopher and three other Alaskans were featured for growing large vegetables such as a 70-pound cabbage, 10-pound broccoli, 20pound rutabaga and three-foot cel-

Christopher grew a 16.02-pound zucchini. He was invited to be on the show after entering the zucchini in the Alaska State Fair in Palmer.

"It was a real shock to get a call from the Letterman show," Christopher said. "I thought it was a joke at first."

The show was to be taped on a Friday evening, but the taping was rescheduled when the crew learned that Christopher could not tape it on the Sabbath. The show provided a three-day all-expense-paid trip to New York, N.Y., for Christopher and his mother, Susan Krueger. "It was a real exciting experience," said Christopher. "I'll never forget it. The people who work for David Letterman really went out of their way to make us feel welcome."

Christopher attends the Palmer church with his parents, Terrance and Susan Krueger.

Vadnais Heights, Minn. * * *

the German high command. Events such

as these certainly do cause one to won-

Child abuse

"Into all the world..."

In regard to the child sexual abuse letter that was in the October Plain Truth, my children were molested by their biological father. Both of my children came to me and told me what had happened. I did believe them, but to no avail. Their father had a power over me. He had me lie in court. He threatened me with my life as well as both of my children.

The Department of Human Services was called in and removed my daughter. I fell apart physically and mentally. I have my daughter back. I have my son. I have a whole new lease on life. I will be married one year Oct. 26. I ask God to protect me and my children and my new

Tulsa, Okla.

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13-year-old's request

I would appreciate it if you would do an article on the "War About to Hap-

I hear little kids talk about what they

want to be if they grow up. I'm only 13 and am very worried about nuclear weapons. I wonder why they can't either share the oil base and let the United States pay half or settle it without fighting

Our parents tell us "you'll never get anywhere by fighting" and I think you should practice what you preach.

Bluefield, Va.

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Roadside reading

I have enjoyed reading the Plain Truth magazine and pamphlets. I read to my husband while we are driving across the country. Our life-style, as cross-country truck drivers, leaves little time at home. We don't have a lot of time away from our jobs. When we have a layover then I have more time to read. I am grateful and feel blessed by your

A.T. Moore, Okla.

Viewer requests help

I was listening to your program on TV one night and would like to receive free your booklet on When a Loved One Dies. I have lost my husband of 35 years, and have not been able to accept the fact that he is gone. So many times I feel I should join him, but I have three lovely children and 12 grandchildren, and know deep in my heart that this would not be fair to them. I need help.

Las Vegas, Nev.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Worldwide News welcomes your comments. Letters for this column should be addressed to "Letters to the Editor." The editor reserves the right to use letters so addressed in whole or in part, and to include your name and edit the letter for clarity or space.

Worldwide family

I just finished reading my fourth issue of The Worldwide News. What an eye-

Radio operators meet

PASADENA-Amateur radio operators who are members of the Alpha Charlie Net met at Feast sites around the world. The largest group numbered 39 in Kansas City, Mo., according to Garland Snuffer, manager of Cassette Services and coordinator of the network.

Four volunteer examiners also attended the Feast in Kansas City, and several radio operators took exams. Five upgraded their licenses.

opener on the world around us and on news concerning our brothers and sisters of the same faith in other parts of the

I do especially remember in everyday prayers those in the Persian Gulf in today's life and send all my sympathy to those in Philippines after the earthquake....

Moreover, we meet very sound advice from it all, not to mention the good and decent ways the pastor general teaches us, in his "Personal," to become God's radiant ambassadors in our day-to- day

It's just for me a given opportunity to show my appreciation for all you are doing to keep up the good work.

Cotonou, Benin

Warmest greetings from Malaysia! We just want to let you know your serving the Church through The Worldwide News is very, very much appreci-

Our 5-year-old daughter is among the grateful readers of The Worldwide News (we read it to her). When it is her turn to ask for God's blessings over lunch, she would ask for God's help to help us support Mr. Tkach, thanks for the worldwide ministry and (without fail) The Worldwide News. Then she would mention a couple of Church members and our family.

Today, in addition to these, she thanked God for letting us live in Malaysia. We believe she remembers there are many Church brethren who live in countries that are not so hospitable and peaceful. We appreciate that she has the opportunity to cultivate a sense of a worldwide family relationship. Until recently she still asked about

the jeh jeh (Cantonese for older sister) who died from yellow fever in Nigeria [Jan. 22 Worldwide News]. Every issue of The Worldwide News

inspires us to draw closer to God and to our spiritual family members worldwide.

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

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Interracial relationships

Thank you for your letter in the July 30 Worldwide News clarifying the doctrine of the Church on interracial relationships.

I have looked for the answers for almost 20 years. Our daughter married a black man in the 1970s. God was calling me at that time, but I did not know what was right and had to trust God to open my understanding in his time.

At first, my husband, who is not a member of the Church, had a hard time accepting him. Over the years it has worked out.

My daughter's husband is a very understanding and caring man. He is a good husband and provider. They now have a beautiful daughter.

They have had problems but have worked them out. I am very thankful to have the Bible principles explained.

North Dakota

Alumni program benefits graduates and the College

By David Bensinger

BIG SANDY—Newsletters, reunions and career assistance are some benefits former Ambassador College students can look forward to in a more comprehensive alumni program, according to Thomas Delamater, director of Development & College Relations.

A new alumni association will be organized in December. Plans for the association began earlier this year, according to Mr. Delamater.

Ambassador College considers an alumnus to be anyone who has completed 24 semester hours of course work at Ambassador.

"This will open the door for those who over the years were not able to graduate for various reasons, yet experienced Ambassador and can appreciate the overall experience of an Ambassador College student," said Mr. Delamater.

Newsletter

The first issue of Ambassadors, an alumni newsletter to be published quarterly, will be sent in December to alumni for whom the College has addresses. Later issues will be available to those who become dues-paying members of

the alumni association

The newsletter will contain articles about what's happening at the College, career services, how alumni can help with contacts for job placement for other alumni and general interest articles for and about other alumni.

"We want it to be a publication that is relevant to the concerns and interests of the alumni specifically," said Mr. Delamater.

Reunions

This year a reunion (home-coming) will take place in December for the graduating classes of 1960, 1970 and 1980.

"We'll have those years' graduates invited to one large reunion as opposed to trying to organize five or 10-year reunions for each individual class," Mr. Delamater said.

Events for this year's homecoming (Dec. 28 to 30) include a semiformal dinner and dance and a brunch

"We recommend that alumni arrive Friday, Dec. 28, and be here for the entire weekend," Mr. Delamater explained.

"We hope to make it a special weekend, during which alumni can renew old acquaintances, meet new friends and see what is taking place here."

Alumni and College benefit

Other activities are being planned that will involve all alumni, not just graduates, said Mr. Delamater. "We hope to be able to organize some regional events, as well as a program that offers certain career services to our alumni.

"We hope that with the program the alumni will benefit the College and the College will benefit the alumni. We will be looking to our alumni for suggestions on how we can accomplish that goal."



Veracruz, Mexico

Photo by Tom Purnell

New sites in Mexico, Bolivia, Spain Spanish areas show cultur

PASADENA—From Spain to Latin America, Spanish-speaking members gathered at 13 Feast sites, five of which were new this year. Three of the five new sites were in Mexico, which made traveling easier for brethren there. The other new sites were in Bolivia and Spain.

The Spanish-speaking members have a love for their customs and culture, and many Latin American sites provided a program of musical numbers, folk dances and songs.

A mountain range and lush tropical forest was the setting for brethren at the site in San Isidro, Costa Rica.

Festival coordinator Mauricio Perez said that although the rainy season was beginning there, morning temperatures were warm and afternoon rains refreshing.

Feastgoers, including Church youths, participated in a talent show that included comedy skits, folk songs and dances.

Young people greeted brethren as they arrived for services and also served as ushers.

"Because of the rainy weather, many brethren came down with colds or the flu," Mr. Perez said. Brethren took the opportunity to care for one another, to offer help or provide tea and hot soup."

Among activities enjoyed by Feastgoers in Guadalajara, Mexico, were a family day conducted in a water park, where brethren enjoyed water sliding, water basketball, tag and soccer; a Mexican Night at which Mexican and Latin American dances and music were performed; and a presentation of the Cabanas Cultural Institute children's choir.

Festival coordinator Gilberto Marin remarked: "Since the Feast was observed in the city of Guadalajara many of the brethren there loaned their homes to those with financial needs who came from other areas."

Apart from a thunderstorm, the weather at the Torreon, Mexico, site was fair with temperatures of about 70 degrees Fahrenheit (21 Celsius).

Five baptisms took place during the Festival.

Brethren invited the needy and the elderly out for a lunch or dinner. There were activities for the children, a talent show and a breakfast for the women.

In Veracruz, Mexico, strong winds, common during the fall,



Photo by Keith Speaks

reached 60 miles (about 100 kilometers) an hour, said coordinator Lauro Roybal. The winds damaged communication lines temporarily and pulled out trees, but did not cause any problems at the site.

Singles organized a boat tour of the port for senior citizens and a sing-along at the San Julian lagoon

This was the first time Veracruz was used for a Feast site, said Mr. Roybal. Brethren took the opportunity to learn more about their country, its people, customs and culture.

At the Barquisimeto, Venezuela, site, a band performed folk music at the family dance, and

brethren from Trinidad taught the Venezuelan brethren calypso

Guest speaker was Kenneth Smylie, pastor of the Melbourne and Port St. Lucie, Fla., churches. Besides Mr. Smylie, 72 visitors from 13 countries created a "feeling of international family," reported coordinator Salvador Barragan.

Festival coordinator Eduardo Hernandez at the Melgar, Colombia, site said family day was successful with adults and children wearing distinctive and colorful outfits.

At the Quetzaltenango, Guatemala, site, adults served refreshments and provided entertainment for a children's party. Flowers were given to senior citizens at a luncheon, and a guitarist entertained them.

Eight nationalities attended the Feast there, and in spite of the differences Feastgoers were united by an attitude of sharing, said coordinator Herbert Cisneros.

Hartmut Beckerat from Germany invited the Guatemala brethren to his room for snacks. This meant a lot to the brethren, said Mr. Cisneros. "Some members are not able to fellowship with others because of the distances involved." Other families also entertained the members.

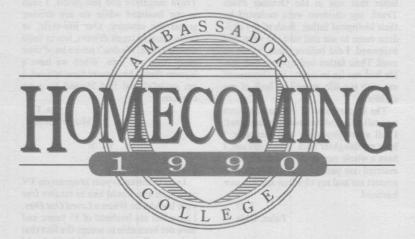
Activities in Talavera de la Reina, Spain, included the family day outing to a park and a bus trip to the city of Toledo, medieval capital of Spain until 1560.

Brethren visited a synagogue and a museum of the painter El Greco, according to Festival coordinator Pedro Rufian.

"Because of the long distances involved many members in Spain cannot attend the only Sabbath service in Madrid," said Mr. Rufian. "The Feast is one time when all the members are able to get together. Their enthusiasm was overwhelming and they devoted every spare moment for fellowshipping."

Spanish translations were offered in Spain for visitors from the United States, Canada and

Talavera de la Reina, Spain 179 Ensenada, Mexico 285 Guadalajara, Mexico 142 274 Torreon, Mexico Veracruz, Mexico 512 Quetzaltenango, Guatemala 458 San Isidro, Costa Rica 158 Barquisimeto, Venezuela 164 Melgar, Colombia 367 Trujillo, Peru 320 La Paz, Bolivia 52 Maitencillo, Chile 349 Mar del Plata, Argentina 468



REUNION ARTWORK—Homecoming logo designed by Academic Publications in Big Sandy for the December reunion of the graduating classes of 1960, 1970 and 1980. See above article for additional information.

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(Continued from page 1) and editorializing. As we teach the message of the Bible, we will carefully support and document our statements.

"Also, when giving the biblical perspective, we will diligently strive to indeed give the biblical perspective and not merely our own opinions, in-speak or internal, popular explanations (except when they agree with the Bible).

"This will require a greater degree of critical analysis of our scripts to be sure that our statements are accurate according to the Bible, not just because 'that's how we've always said it.'

"Since these instructions are not inconsistent with the guidelines we have received from the cable stations, owned & operated stations (O&Os), or super-stations, it is our expectation that if we skillfully follow these instructions, we will not jeopardize our relationship with those stations.

"In the few cases in which a program does meet our own standards but is not acceptable to a particular station, we may decide to air that program on only those stations that accept it.

"Also, to assist script writers,

program directors, script evaluators, presenters and others responsible, we have formalized a checklist that will serve as a guide to evaluate World Tomorrow scripts.

"Some of the questions on the checklist include:

"Is the biblical perspective the unmistakable theme, or thread, throughout this program?

"Does this program make it clear at the beginning that the Bible is the authority for the program's conclusions?

"Does this program increase the viewer's understanding of the Bible?

"Does this program encourage the viewer to have a relationship with God?

"Does this program use words and a line of reasoning that the average person can relate to and understand?"

I also gave specific guidelines for our programs on prophecy. "Prophecy programs will use Bible prophecies to focus on: a) The need to repent. b) The kinds of behavior that bring judgment on a nation. c) The fact that God reigns supreme and is in control of the destiny of mankind. d) The fact that Jesus Christ is going to return and that judgment

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Ensenada, Mexico

Photo by Ramiro Rosas

Forty minutes underground: Stoop low, mind your head!

By John Halford

PIKEVILLE, Ky.—"Would you like to see inside a mine?" asked Mike Stewart, after services.

"Why not?" I agreed. After all, this was eastern Kentucky, one of North America's main coal producing regions. So next morning, Pikeville pastor Douglas Peitz and I met Mike and his father, Estil, at their home and drove up to the Kiah Creek mine.

John Halford is a senior writer for the Church's publica-

Before we left, Mike loaded onto a trailer behind his truck something that looked like a squashed dune buggy. He called it a mouse.

Estil and Mike Stewart are members who attend the Pikeville church. Estil is a deacon, and Mike was president of the Spokesman Club. Their families have worked in the mines for generations.

Mike is a surveyor, responsible for charting the underground workings of several mines. Estil has been a miner for years—his main job is to insert roof bolts in place. Roof bolts? I didn't know enough then to ask what roof bolts were.

"Are you claustrophobic?" Mike asked as we changed into some overalls and donned hard hats, lamps

and safety equipment.
"Not especially," I replied. After all, I'd been to Carlsbad Caverns, hadn't I? The coal mine would be just like that, only dirtier, wouldn't

No, it wouldn't. Most coal mines in Kentucky are either open cut or drift mines. In drift mining, rather than a vertical shaft, access to the coal is gained by digging a horizontal tunnel into the mountainside. You don't go down the mine, you go

As we prepared to go into this mine I looked around for the entrance. The only opening I could see was what I thought was a small cave about three feet high. That couldn't be it, could it?

"OK, let's get into the mouse," said Mike, indicating his squashed dune buggy. There weren't any seats, so I sat on the floor, but Mike explained, "You'll need to lie down, it's kind of low in there."

Then, before I had time to change my mind, he lay down beside me in the buggy, and drove it into the

It was, as he said, kind of low. Kentucky's coal is found in narrow seams, sometimes only a few inches

Since it is uneconomical to mine useless rock with the coal, the mine's workings are kept low, sometimes as low as 21/2 feet. This one averaged 42 inches—a comparative cathedral.

We threaded our way half a mile into the mine at a depth of about

I wanted to know immediately what was holding the roof up. There seemed to be no props or supports of

"Roof bolts," said Mike, and I noticed that bolts had been driven at three-foot intervals into the ceiling (if something that was inches from your face could be called a ceiling).

"That's what my dad does. He drills holes in the rock, inserts those long bolts and tightens them. They hold the roof up.

What holds them up?" I asked. Mike explained that the bolts hold the overhead strata in compression, like reinforced concrete. It is much safer than the old methods of propping up the roof with wooden props.

Slowly Mike guided the mouse through the tunnels toward the coal face. I was surprised that the mine was dry and warm. The workers spend about 71/2 hours underground

KENTUCKY MINE-Senior Plain Truth writer John Halford (left) and surveyor Mike Stewart sit in a mouse, which can navigate the low mine shafts at the Kiah Creek coal mine in Kentucky. [Photo by Doug Peitz]

every day, although as this was Sun-

day, we were alone. At the coal face Mike showed me the equipment used to mine coal. No longer is it done with picks and shovels. Miners operate huge machines that rip and hack at the coal and automatically load it onto conveyer belts. Even so, in the confined space of the low tunnels, it is demanding and often dangerous work.

We spent about half an hour examining the various aspects of the mine. Mike always seemed to know where he was, and he didn't seem at

So, except for an interesting moment when the mouse refused to start, I relaxed too. But I do admit to breathing a sigh of relief when we eventually emerged back into day-

Much of the world's electricity is generated in power stations that burn coal. Electricity is so clean and efficient-just flick a switch and you have all the energy you want. It's easy to take it for granted. Forty minutes spent underground in the Kiah Creek mine gave me a new appreciation for the men who make it possible.

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(Continued from page 4) awaits all human beings.

"Titus 2:11-15 and Jude 14-15 can serve as a general framework for our prophecy programs. As Titus 2:12-13 explains, we are to live godly lives in this present age in an attitude of looking for the appearing of Jesus Christ.

"In all times and ages, Jesus Christ is about to return-in the sense of our own mortality and in the sense of the spiritual hope within the true Christian. (II Peter 3:8-9 is important to understand in this regard.)

"In the literal sense, however, the time of his return is not given to us to know. Consequently, neither is the certainty (versus the possibility) of the current power blocs being end-time power blocs.

"Prophecy programs will not highlight which individual, which nation or which group of nations currently may be fulfilling specific end-time prophecies. Prophecy programs will present a balanced, overall perspective of the purpose and value of prophecy, instead of attempting to interpret specific prophecies.

"Prophecy programs will not lose sight of the gospel message by trading the true gospel for a '10-nation/save-your-skin' gospel (Galatians 1:6-10). This was never the gospel. It was an interesting 'hook' to get people interested in the true gospel.

"But the fruit of this 'hook' has been that people have come to place this kind of message on a higher priority level than the true gospel, and many have come to think it actually is the gospel, which it is not.

"The Church of God does not have a commission to proclaim that 10 nations are rising in Europe. To notice that Europe may unite or that Germany is regaining power and to realize the possible implications is one thing.

"To preach this as though it were the gospel, or as though we have an obligation before God to do so, or as though it is the Church's commission, or as though it is more important than most other biblical subjects, is to misunderstand and misrepresent the true gospel.

"To preach that if you repent and obey God, you will not be killed in a war, taken captive, go hungry or get a disease, is to preach 'another gospel,' not the gospel of Jesus Christ (II Timothy 3:12).

"I will have more to say about prophecy at a later time.

"In summary, then, The World Tomorrow should point the way toward healing for those who need help. It should touch people's lives in the positive sense that Jesus himself touched the lives of those around him. It should emphasize the good news that there truly is hope and what the source of that hope is!

"The Work to which God has called us is indeed exciting! My wholehearted thanks to everyone for his or her individual part and for the diligent and cooperative spirit that has characterized the production of The World Tomorrow.

"I look forward, as I know each of you do, to the harvest God will give as we continue to work together to fulfill the commission he has set before us!"

I hope that will give you an idea of what to expect in the weeks ahead. It will still actually be several weeks before the new

policy takes its full effect. Please remember to pray earnestly for the continued success of The World Tomorrow and The Plain

Administrative changes

We have made administrative changes that I want to update you about: Besides his responsibilities on the Ambassador College board of directors and the Church executive committee, evangelist Leroy Neff will head the divorce and remarriage evaluation team (which reports to evangelist Larry Salyer, director of Church Administration International) and serve as an executive assistant to me.

Steve Andrews will head the Financial Affairs & Planning operation, to which the Purchasing and Travel departments have been added.

Income is still about 2 percent over last year, for which we are most grateful. I also want to thank you for your prayers, and for the very encouraging outpouring of letters and cards of support and enthusiasm for the direction of the Work!

Keep up the good work in serving our Lord and Master, Jesus Christ!

TELEVISION STATION

New stations

TIGHT FIT-Half a mile into the coal mine, some 650 feet below ground,

John Halford gets out of the mouse to stretch his legs in a coal shaft that

is about 42 inches high. [Photo by Mike Stewart]

Station/Location WKRG Mobile, Ala.

WHAS Louisville, Ky. WDIO Duluth, Minn.

WPIX New York, N.Y.

Air Time Sunday, 9:30 a.m.

Sunday, 10:30 a.m. Sunday, 10 a.m.

Saturday, 6 a.m.

Oct. 21, 1990 to Oct. 13, 1991 Oct. 7, 1990 to Sept. 29, 1991 Sept. 30, 1990 to Sept. 22, 1991 Sept. 22, 1990 to

Sept. 14, 1991

Contract Period

Renewals

KTVU Oakland, Calif.

WVIT West Hartford, Conn.

WMAQ Chicago, III.

WLEX Lexington, Ky.

KXLY Spokane, Wash. WTRF Wheeling, W.Va.

Saturday, 6:30 a.m. Sunday, 11 a.m.

Sunday, 8:30 a.m.

Sunday, 10 a.m. Sunday, 9:30 a.m.

Sunday, 11 a.m.

Sept. 15, 1990 to Sept. 7, 1991 Nov. 18, 1990 to Nov. 10, 1991 Nov. 4, 1990 to Oct. 27, 1991 Oct. 28, 1990 to Oct. 20, 1991 Oct. 14, 1990 to Oct. 6, 1991

Oct. 28, 1990 to

Oct. 20, 1991

Additional airing

KTTV Los Angeles, Calif.

Sunday, 6:30 a.m.

Oct. 14, 1990 to Oct. 6, 1991

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complained that Mr. Singh depended too much upon India's 90-million-strong Islamic minority for his political support.

British author and historian Paul Johnson explained what India's 650 million Hindus are most fearful of in an article he wrote for the Nov. 9 Los Angeles Times: "Geographically, the Hindu community, vast though it is, forms an enclave in a huge swath of Islam, which stretches from West Africa through North Africa, the Middle East, South and Central Asia, into the islands of Indonesia and the Pacific.

"Increasingly, Islam is assuming—or appears to be assuming -militant forms.... Islam is an expansionistic religion, and Hindus do not forget that for centuries they were victims of a Moslem imperialism that forcibly

converted them and destroyed hundreds of their ancient temples."

It has been said that more wars have been fought in the name of religion than for any other reason. That is probably not entirely correct. Religion and political interests are often so intertwined it is difficult to distinguish between

Yet, this world's religions can promote terrible causes. Jesus told his disciples that "the time is coming that whoever kills you will think that he offers God service" (John 16:2).

The true religion of God never enjoins its believers to commit murder or other vengeful acts of. violence against those professing other faiths. Almighty God does not need his chosen ones to fight on his behalf. Rather, he fights for us. He is the same God who sent an angel to shut the lions' mouths while Daniel was in the den.

Michael Bratcher of LaPorte, Ind., were united in marriage May 27. The ceremony was performed by Robert Dick, Seattle and Bremerton, Wash., pastor. The couple live in Mishawaka, Ind.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHS

ABLER, Duane and Alice (Ruxton) of Pasadena, boy, Benjamin Thomas, Aug. 7, 8:09 a.m., 10 pounds 6 ounces, now 1 boy, 1

ALFSON, Bill and Pam (Rains) of Pasadena, girl, Monica Kayleen, Sept. 3, 8:25 p.m., 8 pounds 4 ounces, first child.

BENNETT, James and Susan (Jones) of Liverpool, England, girl, Deborah Jane, June 19, 3:25 p.m., 7 pounds 3½ ounces, now 2 boys, 2 girls.

BICKNAVER, Randy and Traci (Williams) of Cincinnati, Ohio, girl, Jaclyn Ann, Sept. 16, 12:55 p.m., 7 pounds 11 ounces, now 1 boy,

BONIVICH, John and Vickie (Hutchison) of Youngstown, Ohio, boy, John Bradley, Oct. 9, 9:33 a.m., 7 pounds 13 ounces, first child.

BROWN, Billy and Rhona (Fisher) of Hobbs, N.M., boy, Clint William, Aug. 4, 3 p.m., 7 pounds 5% ounces, first child.

CALL, Kevin and Deborah (Bratt) of Portsmouth, Ohio, girl, Courtney Michelle, June 17, 9:55 p.m., 6 pounds 13 ounces, first child.

COGDILL, Klaron and Joann (Clift) of Springfield, Mo., boy, Jaron Zachary, March 22, 11:59 p.m., 8 pounds 3 ounces, now 3 boys, 1 girl.

COOKMAN, Tobin and Jennifer (Preteroti) of Big Sandy, girl, Natalie Justine, July 20, 10 p.m., 6 pounds 12 ounces, first child.

COX, David and Keily (Hodges) of Bowling Green, Ky., girl, Jessica Leigh, April 29, 7:49 p.m., 6 pounds 11% ounces, first child.

CRAWFORD, Johnnie and Debbie (Reynolds) of Kalispell, Mont., girl, Jonnie Dayne, July 30, 1 p.m., 7 pounds 3 ounces, now 3 girls.

CUTTER, Rodger and Tresa (Caylor) of Cincinnati, Ohio, girl, Casey J., Aug. 2, 1:29 p.m., 8 pounds 12 ounces, first child.

DIAZ, Tony and Pattie (Walden) of Monroe, La., boy, Thomas Charlton, Sept. 24, 5:07 p.m., 7 pounds, first child.

DIDIER, Duane and Nora (Langmaid) of Longmont, Colo., boy, Brian Jason, Oct. 8, 6:50 p.m., 7 pounds 3 ounces, now 2 boys, 1

DITTO, Preston and Stefanie (Powers) of Big Sandy, boy, Sean Marshall, Sept. 7, 10:34 a.m., 9 pounds 14 ounces, now 2

DUNHAM, Dana and Angela (Schartner) of Tarpon Springs, Fla., boy, Lincoln Alexan-der, Sept. 3, 12:49 a.m., 9 pounds, now 1

EDWARDS, Norman and Marleen (Pittman) of Pasadena, boy, Jesse Daniel, Sept. 23, 12:03 a.m., 7 pounds 11 ounces, now 3

FLYNN, Mike and Julie (Zenker) of Dinuba, Calif., girl, Bryauna Rae, Sept. 24, 1:26 p.m., 6 pounds 15 ounces, now 2 girls.

FRENCH, Jerry and Tresa (Hawkins) of Shreveport, La., girl, Kandyce Alicia, Aug. 7, 6:13a.m., 6 pounds 7 ounces, now 3 boys, 2

FULLER, Robert and Judy (Roach) of Columbia, S.C., girl, Joy Juliette, Oct. 9, 11:06 p.m., 6 pounds 6 ounces, first child.

GILBERT, Michael and Kimberly (Justice) of Visalia, Calif., girl, Megan Brianna, Aug. 8, 7 pounds % ounce, first child.

GILBREATH, David and Fern of Bakers-field, Calif., girl, Katherine Rae, March 17, 12:08 p.m., 8 pounds 8 ounces, first child.

HADZI-ANDONOV, Pance and Marika (Mindoseva) of Skopje, Yugoslavia, girl, Olja, Oct. 7, 9:45 p.m., 3.35 kilograms, now 3

HARRINGTON, Bill and Rose (Wright) of Neenah, Wis., girl, Paige Elyse, Aug. 21, 11:54 p.m., 7 pounds 4 ounces, first child.

HENRY, Timothy and Brenda (Skinner) of Sunspot, N.M., boy, Sean Patrick, Aug. 3, 12:54 a.m., 8 pounds, first child.

HOLUBECK, Michael and Pamela (Brown) of Bakersfield, Calif., boy, Cody Justin, Sept. 14, 3:14 p.m., 7 pounds 13 ounces,

JOHNSON, Michael and Kristin (Schone) of Port St. Lucie, Fla., girl, Carlee Natosha, July 2, 4:27 p.m., 7 pounds 7 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

KENNEDY, David and Shelley (Donaghey) of Brampton, Ont., boy, Aaron Jesse, Oct. 16, 8:36 a.m., 7 pounds 8% ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

KLAUS, Jeffrey and Barbara (Wilcox) of Pasadena, girl, Ashley Michelle, Sept. 8, 6:09 a.m., 7 pounds 6 ounces, first child.

KRUSE, Mark and Sue (Van Matre) of Reno, Nev., boy, Joseph Edward, Oct. 3, 11:48 p.m., 9 pounds, now 4 boys, 1 girl.

KYLE, Jason and Laura (Locklear) of Beaver Falls, Pa., boy, Zachary Joseph, Sept. 3, 11:45 a.m., 6 pounds 12 ounces, first child.

LAMB, Steve and Margaret (Gier) of Orlando, Fla., girl, Jaclyn Rachelle, Sept. 20, 7:58 a.m., 6 pounds 11 ounces, now 2 girls.

LANE, Bret and Lisa (Gonzalez) of Boise, Idaho, girl, Januelle Lynn, Aug. 26, 6:10 p.m., 8 pounds, first child.

LEISENFELDT, Eddie and Sue (Fosnaugh) of Manteno, Ill., boy, Travis Ed, Aug. 9, 1:01 a.m., 5 pounds, now 3 boys, 6 girls.

LITAVSKY, Mike Jr. and Mary (Kalamaroff) of Rochester, N.Y., boy, David Jonathon, Aug. 21, 8:29 p.m., 7 pounds 12 ounces,

LOGUE, Ronald and Joan (Stoyak) of Talla-hassee, Fla., boy, Ethan Ryan, July 19, 8:14 a.m., 7 pounds 12 ounces, now 2 boys.

McARTHUR, Andrew and Falisa Evett (Close) of Montvale, N.J., girl, Elyse Erica Joyce, Aug. 8, 10:24 p.m., 5 pounds 7 ounces, first child.

McCORMICK, Michael and Elizabeth (Taylor) of Chattanooga, Tenn., girl, Megan Elizabeth, Aug. 28, 9:30 a.m., 7 pounds 13 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

McKEAN, Dan and Mary (Yoder) of Columbus, Ohio, girl, Samantha Kate, Sept. 5, 9:54 a.m., 7 pounds 1 ounce, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

MELTON, Gary and Julie (Brooks) of Erlanger, Ky., girl, Alisha Ann, Sept. 3, 10:50 a.m., 8 pounds 2 ounces, now 2 girls.

MILLER, Derek and Brandee (Brown) of Monroe, La., girl, Brooklyn Dayne, Sept. 12, 7 pounds 6 ½ ounces, first child.

MUELLER, Eugene and Pamela (Fabiano) of Denver, Colo., girl, Priscilla JoAnna, Aug. 24, 8:25 a.m., 6 pounds 1 ounce, first child. NAISBETT, Paul and Angela (Bone) of Llandudno, Wales, boy, James Robert, Aug. 16, 8:15 p.m., 7 pounds 11 ounces, first child.

NAU, Edward and Mary (Hinge) of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., boy, Benjamin Edward Roland, Aug. 26, 2:06 p.m., 9 pounds 10 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

NEWPORT, Lee and Sherry (McCloud) of Grand Island, Neb., girl, Shelby Lynn, Sept. 20, 1:04 a.m., 8 pounds 5 ounces, now 3

OBERLANDER, Alan and Patricia (Wiese) of Omaha, Neb., girl, Lisa Nicole, Aug. 25, 7 a.m., 6 pounds 12 ounces, first child.

OSBURN, Tim and Melinda (Marshall) of Denver, Colo., girl, Elissa Kaye, Aug. 4, 4 pounds 15 ounces, first child.

PACKARD, William and MaryAnn (Taylor) of Montpelier, Vt., girl, Amelia Elyse, Sept. 9, 2:19 a.m., 7 pounds 9 ounces, now 2 boys, 1

PANKRATZ, Orrin and Paula (Beyer) of Wichita, Kan., girl, Karissa Rachelle, Oct. 15, 5:44 a.m., 6 pounds 7% ounces, now 1

POTTER, Marcus and Charlotte (Herrod) of Cincinnati, Ohio, girl, Essataricca Shirley Louise Ruth, July 3, 2:55 p.m., 7 pounds 3 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

RAGER, David and Rita (Tucker) of Clarksville, Tenn., girl, Lynsey Erin, Aug 19, 1:02 p.m., 7 pounds 11 ounces, now 1 boy, 1

RAMON, Rafael and Treva (Huddleston) of Sarasota, Fla., girl, Crystal Brooke, Aug. 17, 6:03 p.m., 8 pounds 3½ ounces, now 1 boy, 1 oirl

ROSE, D. LeRoy and Melissa (Johnson) of Indianapolis, Ind., boy, Davin Kyle, Aug. 15, 6:52 a.m., 5 pounds 15 ounces, now 2 boys,

SAUNDERS, Reginald and Jacquelyn (James) of Plainfield, N.J., boy, Brenton Andrew, Aug. 18, 10:02 p.m., 6 pounds 11 ounces, first child.

SEAY, David and Terri (Newby) of Tulsa, Okla., boy, Austin DePaul, July 7, 10:21 a.m., 8 pounds 11 ounces, now 2 boys, 2 SEWARD, Dan and Suzanne (Mitchell) of Fort Worth, Tex., girl, Samantha Allena Louise, June 22, 7 pounds, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

SMITH, Kevin and Treyon (Bradford) of Fort Worth, Tex., boy, Brandon Chaz, Aug. 10, 4:55 p.m., 9 pounds 2 ounces, now 2 boys.

STARKEY, Chris and Sonja (Knutson) of Montreal, Que., girl, Victoria Dawn, Oct. 12, 8:15 a.m., 8 pounds 13 ounces, now 2 girls.

STEIN, Kent and Leslie (Hendrickson) of Minot, N.D., boy, Corey Douglas, Sept. 19, 9:46 a.m., 8 pounds 11 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 oid

STEVENS, David and Jackie (Hedrick) of Mansfield, Ohio, girl, Tara Renee, Sept. 21, 5:32 p.m., 8 pounds 14 ounces, first child.

SWANSON, Paul and Lynn (Burrows) of Toronto, Ont., girl, Stephanie Rae, Sept. 27, 2:12 a.m., 7 pounds 4 ounces, first child.

THOMPSON, Matthew and Susan (Martin) of Gadsden, Ala., girl, Wyndi Lannette, June 21, 2:40 a.m., 7 pounds 3 ounces, now 3

VANDERVIES, Chris and Tracey (Erb) of Sarnia, Ont., girl, Ashley Christine, July 7, 7 pounds 8 ounces, first child.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kofol of Henderson, Nev., are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter Cecile Marie to Marcus Socios. son of Mr. and Mrs. Flavious Adkins of Troy, Mo. A Jan. 6 wedding in Missouri is planned.

David and Lea Evans of East Devonport, Tas., are delighted to announce the engage-ment of their daughter Judy to Warwick Birkett, son of Peter and Thonia Birkett of Devonport, Tas. A Jan. 13 wedding is

Kim Code and Tom Noyce of Caboolture, Qld., are happy to announce their engage-ment. A Jan. 13 wedding is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Studer of Kelowna, B.C. are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Cheryl Dawn to Clayton Bert Carlson of Vernon, B.C. A Feb. 2 wedding is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Masonholder of Chilli-cothe, Ill., are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Rebecca Sue to Randolph Todd Kohler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Kohler of Pewaukee, Wis. A May 26 wedding is planned.

WEDDINGS



MR. AND MRS. KURT DOHN

Beth Ann Grosz and Kurt Arthur Dohn were united in marriage July 3. The ceremony was performed by Terry Johnson, Omaha, Neb., pastor. Judy Andres was maid of honor, and Mark Dohn was best man. The couple live in Omaha.



MR. AND MRS. T. GOODMAN SR.

Terry John Goodman Sr. and Amelia Coretta Walker wish to announce their marriage, which took place July 14. The wedding was performed by Shorty Fuessel, Pensacola, Fla., pastor. Joyce Stokes was matron of honor, and Don Gresham was best man. The couple live in Lenexa, Kan.



MR. AND MRS. BRIAN BETTES

Brian Bettes and Sharon Scott were united in marriage July 29. The ceremony was performed by James Jenkins, Houston South and West and Victoria, Tex., pastor. Fred Stevens was best man, and Telly Quellette was marton of honor. The couple live in Houston.



MR. AND MRS. PERRY SANOY

Becky C. Sheets and Perry J. Sanoy were united in marriage May 27. The ceremony was performed by Ron Meisner, a minister in the Rochester, Minn., church. Cathy Huschka was maid of honor, and Tim Meisner was best man. The couple live in Sun Prairie, Wis.



MR. AND MRS. L. NICHOLLS

Joanne Fawcett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elton Fawcett of Brisbane, Old., and Laurance Nicholls, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Nicholls of Perth, W.A., were united in marriage May 20. The ceremony was performed by Arthur Suckling, a faculty member at Ambassador College. Roxanne Fawcett was maid of honor, and John Rasmussen was best man. The couple live in Brisbane.



MR. AND MRS. J. BROGAN JR.

Denise Elizabeth Bergeron, youngest daughter of Jack and Yvette Bergeron of Philadelphia, Pa., and Joseph Patrick Brogan Jr., son of Joseph and Anne Brogan of Levittown, Pa., were united in marriage June 17. The ceremony was performed by Arthur Dyer, Philadelphia pastor. Marsha Crump was matron of honor, and Chris Buylla was best man. The couple live in Warrington, Pa.



MR. AND MRS. MARK FITCH

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Fitch and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hazlett are pleased to announce the marriage of their children, Mark Barry Fitch and Deborah Susanne Hazlett, July 29 in Inez, Ky. Michael J. Greider, Paintsville, Ky., and Huntington, W.Va., pastor, performed the ceremony.



MR. AND MRS. JAMES LONG

san Marie Mills, daughter of Mr. and s. James T. Mills of Louisville, Ky., and nes Mark Long, son of Mr. and Mrs L. Long of Morristown, Tenn., were ted in marriage Jan. 28. The caremony

was performed by Roger Abels, Fort Wayne, Ind., pastor. Mary Beth Mills, sis-ter of the bride, was maid of honor, and Ricky Long, brother of the groom, was best man. The couple live in Knoxville,



MR. AND MRS. RANDEL MYHAND

Junie Joachim, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Joachim, and Randel Myhand, son of Geraldine Myhand, were united in marriage June 30. The ceremony was performed by Dale Schurter, Nassau, N.Y., pastor. Paula Craig was maid of honor, and Johnie Lambert was best man. The couple live in Randolph, Mass.



MR. AND MRS. DOUG BELL

Mr. and Mrs. Mel Christiansen are pleas nor, and Mrs. Met Christiansen are pleaser to announce the marriage of their daughte. Linda to Doug Bell of Calgary, Alta. The ceremony was performed Aug. 12 by Don-ald Hildebrand, Calgary associate pastor The couple live in Calgary.



MR. AND MRS. S. NORDSTROM

Jake and Clara Friesen, of Saskatoon, Sask., are pleased to announce the mariage of their daughter Helene to Steve Nordstrom, son of Wayne and Joyce Nordstrom of Edmonton, Alta. The caremony was performed June 9 by the bride's father, a minister in the Saskatoon church. Shannon Friesen, sister of the bride, was Shannon Friesen, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Scott Nordstrom, brother of the groom, was best man.



MR. AND MRS. T. BUTLER IV

Dawna L. Borax, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Borax of Ottawa, Ont., and Thomas Pierce Butler IV, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas P. Butler III of Salem, Mass., were united in marriage June 17. The ceremony was performed by the bride's father, Ottawa pastor. Jennifer Borax, sister of the bride, was the bridesmald, and Daniel Butler, brother of the groom, was best man. The couple live in Salem.



MR. AND MRS. D. HASTINGS Beverly K. Arensdorf, daughter of Elmer and Evelyn Mitchell of West Branch, lowa, and Douglas C. Hastings, son of Paul and Lucile Hastings of Floris, lowa, were united in marriage Aug. 11. The ceremony was performed by John Knaack, lowa City, lowa, pastor. Deb Hastings, sister-in-law of the groom, and Deb Donohoe, daughter of the bride, were matrons of honor, and Don Hastings, brother of the groom, was best man. The couple live in Ottumwa, lowa.



MR. AND MRS. ANDREW WESTON

Laura A. Green and Andrew D. Weston were united in marriage June 21. The ceremony was performed by James Chapman, Jacksonville, Fla., pastor. Rose and Holly Campbell were bridesmaids, and Keith Weston, brother of the groom, was best man. The couple live in South London, England.



MR. AND MRS. E. WADE MASTIN

Anise Patricia Thompkins of Stuttgart, Ark., and E. Wade Mastin of Nashville, Tenn., were united in marriage March 31. The ceremony was performed by Freder-ick Kellers, Nashville pastor. Beverly



MR. AND MRS. D. VANDER POEL

mr. and Mrs. Jack Falk are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughten Paula Jean Soik to Daniel Sean Vander Poel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Vander Poel of Luverne, Minn. The ceremony was performed Sept. 2 by William Miller, Green Bay and Appleton, Wis., pastor. Tammie Ackley was matron of honor, and George Suskalo was best man. The couple live in Attadena, Calif. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Falk are plea



MR. AND MRS. MARK VERNICH

Mr. and Mrs. George A. Buffington of Weeping Water, Neb., are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter Sandra Joanne to Mark Thomas Vernich, son of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Vernich of Hermitage, Tenn. The ceremony was performed Sept. 9 by the groom's father, a minister in the Nashville church. Kathy Lewis was mail of honor, and David Vernich, brother of the groom, was best man. The couple, both Ambassador College graduates, live in Pasadena.



MR. AND MRS. CORY ERICKSON

Colene Wade, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Errol Wade, and Cory Erickson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Erickson, were united in marriage July 22 in St. Paul, Minn. The ceremony was performed by evangelist Donald Ward, Ambassador College presi-dent. Julie Wade was maid of honor, and Eugene Kubik was best man.



MR. AND MRS. ROBERT WEST

Robert West and Adetayo Sodipo are pleased to announce their marriage. The ceremony was performed July 22 by Abner Washington, Pasadena East A.M. pastor. Abimbola Sodipo, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Ricardo Perez Gibson was best man. The couple live in Monrovia, Calif.



MR. AND MRS. JESSE BEEM

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Branam of Big Sandy are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter Robin Lynette to Jesse Glen Beem, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Beem of Hornick, Iowa. The ceremony was performed July 29 by Randy Duke, Ambassador College associate dean of students. Cherrie Branam, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Joe Beem, brother of the groom, was best man. The couple, both Ambassador College graduates, live in Hornick.



MR. AND MRS. WAYNE SCHMIDT

Jean E. Warren and Wayne W. Schmidt were united in marriage June 17. The ceremony was performed by Eric Warren, the bride's son and pastor of the Moncton and Chatham, N.B., and Charlottetown, P.E.I., churches. Melissa Warren was matron of honor, and Eric Schmidt was best man. The couple live in Regina, Sask.



MR. AND MRS. M. BRATCHER Wanda Gierden of Elkhart, Ind., and



MR. AND MRS. R. BELTER JR.

Karen Ann Fabiano and Richard "Rick" Belter were united in marriage March 7. The ceremony was performed by Douglas Horchak, Denver, Colo., North pastor. Della Miyamato, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and James Hatcher was best man. The couple live in Aurora, Colo.



MR. AND MRS. TIM MEISNER

Antje Burnett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray W. Burnett, and Tim Meisner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ron Meisner, were united in marriage June 17. The ceremony was performed by Paul Shumway, Rochester, Minn., pastor. Rachel Robinson was maid of bonor, and Perry Sanoy was best man. of honor, and Perry Sanoy was best man. The couple live in Minnesota.



MR. AND MRS. RANDY KARNES

Tina Patrice Jarvis of Ashland, Ky., and Randy Karnes of Charleston, W.Va., were united in marriage Sept. 3. The ceremony was performed by Raymond Taylor, Charleston pastor. Betty Jarvis, mother of the bride, was matron of honor, and Ron Karnes, brother of the groom, was best man. The couple live in Lawrenceville, Ga.



MR. AND MRS. J. CAMERATA Roma R. Tennison and Joseph P. Camerata, both of Phoenix, Ariz., are pleased to announce their marriage, which took place June 29. The ceremony was performed by Robert Smith, Phoenix West pastor. Rene Tennison, daughter of the bride, was maid of honor, and Jim Nork was best man.



MR. AND MRS. DAVID CLARK

Mr. and Mrs. William Wileman are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter Valerie Sarah to David Donald Clark of Calgary, Alta. The ceremony was performed June 17 in Calgary by Richard Thompson, dean of student affairs at Ambassador College. Onnie Thompson was matron of honor, and Paul Meyer was best man. The couple, both Ambassador College graduates, live in Sri Lanka.



MR. AND MRS. MARTIN J. MILLER

Sherry Lynn Rickard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James C. Rickard of Chattanooga, Tenn., and Martin J. Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Miller of Chattanooga, were united in marriage May 27 in Chattanooga. The ceremony was performed by Harold Rhodes, Chattanooga pastor. Michelle Rickard, sister-in-law of the bride, was matron of honor, and Tim Rickard, brother of the bride, was best man. The couple live in Chattanooga.



MR. AND MRS. KENNETH PLANT

Kenneth Plant and Carol Ann Miles were united in marriage April 22. The cerer was performed by George Elkins, Columbia and Sumter, S.C., and Augusta, Ga., pastor. The couple live in Fayetteville, N.C.

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MR. AND MRS. JOSEPH REAMS

Robert J. Corey of Cheboygan, Mich., is happy to announce the marriage of his daughter Susan to Joseph R. Reams, son of Sandra Oswall of Jackson, Mich. The ceremony was performed June 10 by Dwight Dean, a minister in the Detroit, Mich., East church. The couple live in Royal Oak, Mich.



MR. AND MRS. DARRAN McLAIN

Darran R. McLain and Karleen M. Meland were united in marriage May 6. Doug Holcomb, a minister in the Portland, Ore., West church, performed the ceremony. Kim Mello, sister of the bride, was matron of honor, and William Rand, the groom's grandfather, was best man. The couple live in Sacramento, Calif.



MR. AND MRS. KEVIN JOSEPH

Tina Lair of Forest City, III., and Kevin Joseph of Danville, Mich., were married March 25 in Peoria, III. The ceremony was performed by Ronald Lohr, Peoria pastor. Aaron Baker and James Truscott were best men, and Lisa Denton and Judy Lafferty were maids of honor.



MR. AND MRS. ROGER SHANKLIN

Sheila McDaniel of Lexington, III., and Roger Shanklin of Toluca, III., were marnied April 21. Gerald Knochel, a minister in the Peoria, III., church, performed the ceremony. Ken Adams was best man, and Janet Adams was matron of honor. The couple live in Toluca.



MR. AND MRS. JAMES WAGNER



MR. AND MRS. D. JAMES SHORT II

MR. AND MHS. D. JAMES SHORT III
Mr. and Mrs. Doy James Short of Orlando,
W.Va., are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter Beverty June to
James Edward Wagner, son of Mildred
Irene Wisham and the late James Wagner.
The Shorts are also pleased to announce
the marriage of their son Doy James Short
II to Lisa Dawn Miller, daughter of Donna
Exline and the late French Junior Miller.
The double wedding ceremony was performed June 9 by Michael Horchak,
Clarksburg, W.Va., pastor. The Wagners
live in Vandalia, W.Va., and the Shorts live
in Weston, W.Va.



MR. AND MRS. MICHAEL DRESSER

Nancy Ann Tice and Michael John Dresser were united in marriage Feb. 3 in Melbourne, Fla. The ceremony was performed by Kenneth Smylie, Melbourne pastor. Kim Haight was matron of honor, and Steve Mainville was best man. The couple live in

ANNIVERSARIES



MR. AND MRS. L. VERSHOWSKE

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle F. Vershowske cele-brated their 41st wedding anniversary Sept. 10. The couple attend the Waukesha, Wis., church and have been Church mem-bers for more than 30 years. They have two sons, two daughters-in-law and six grand-children.



MR. AND MRS. SAREL BESTER

The children of Sarel and Amerine Bester are pleased to announce the 25th wedding anniversary of their parents, which took place Aug. 28. The couple and their four children attend the Cape Town, South Africa church



MR. AND MRS. TOM BURCHARD

Sue, Peter, Jules and David, the children of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Burchard, would like to congratulate their parents on their 30th wedding anniversary Oct. 7. The couple live in Toowoomba, Old. The Burchards have been Church members for 25 years.



MR. AND MRS. J. GLYN-JONES

John and Rita Glyn-Jones celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary Sept. 3. They have two children and four grandchildren. They attend the Orlando, Fla., church.



MR AND MRS RAY MARSH

44th wedding anniversary. The couple were married Nov. 2, 1946. They were baptized in 1977.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Diesner celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary Aug. 30. Their children and Mrs. Diesner's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Goehring, would like to congratulate the couple. Mr. and Mrs. Diesner were married in Oakland, Calif., Aug. 30, 1964, and attend the Sacramento, Calif., church.



MR. AND MRS. JIM HARRISON

Jim and Roberta Harrison celebrated the 48th wedding anniversary Oct. 26. The cou-ple had three children, one of whom is deceased, nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Mrs. Harrison was great-grandchildren. Mrs. Harrison was baptized in 1959 and attends the Banning



MR. AND MRS. PAUL DZING

Paul and Janet Dzing of Hinsdale, III., c brated their 25th wedding anniversary Sept. 20. Mr. and Mrs. Dzing attend the Chicago, III., West church.



MR. AND MRS. DENNIS FRANCIS

The children of Dennis and Sheila Francis The children of Dennis and Shella Francis wish to congratulate their parents for 35 years of marriage. The Francises were married Sept. 3, 1955, and Mrs. Francis, a deaconess in the Croydon, England, church, was baptized in 1969. They have three children, Sue, Cathryn and Peter; one son-in-law, Eric; and one daughter-in-law, Lorna.



MR. AND MRS. GORDON BYERLY

with Billings, Mont., brethren, who commemorated the occasion with a potluck and cake. Although the Byertys attend the Butte, Mont., church, where Mr. Byerty is a deacon, the couple attended services in Billings from many water.



MR. AND MRS. JERRY PAYNE

The children of Jerry and Lynette Payne of Jacksonville, Ark., are pleased to announce their parents' 25th wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Payne were married Oct. 2, 1965. They were baptized in 1978. The couple have two daughters,



MR. AND MRS. M. PATTERSON

The children of Morris and Elizabeth Pat-terson are pleased to announce the 25th wedding anniversary of their parents, which took place Nov. 10. The Pattersons have two daughters, Deborah and Laura, and two grandchildren, Stacy and Caleb. The couple attend the Houston, Tex., North church.



MR. AND MRS. PAUL DILLARD

The children of Paul and Sharon Dillard are pleased to announce the 30th wedding anniversary of their parents, which took place Sept. 23. Auburn, Wash., brethren attended a surprise party honoring the Dil-lards. The couple have three sons, Kern, Kent and Connor, a daughter, Cami, and a daughter-in-law, Sarah.



MR. AND MRS. JOHN PEARCE

Mr. and Mrs. John Pearce of Denton, Tex celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary Oct. 14. The Pearces were baptized in 1970 and serve as deacon and deaconess in the Fort Worth, Tex., West church. The couple have two sons, two daughters and four grandchildren.

Brainerd, Minn., brethren honored Mr. and Mrs. Robert St. John with a surprise potluck Sept. 9 to celebrate the couple's 25th wedding anniversary. The occasion was also a farewell party for the couple who planned to move to Grand Marais,



MR. AND MRS. C. CALLIHAN

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Callihan were honored on their 40th wedding anniversary May 19 with a reception at the home of their daughter, Mary Pitman. Mr. Callihan was baptized in 1967 and Mrs. Callihan in 1969. The couple have two other daughters, Virginia Clark and Lillie Teel; two sons, Ed and ginia Clark and Line Patrick; and six grandchildren.



MR. AND MRS. D. BENNINGFIELD

Donald and Bernice Benningfield cele-brated their 35th wedding anniversary Aug. 26. Mrs. Benningfield was baptized in 1965 and Mr. Benningfield in 1966. The couple have two daughters and sons-in-law, Donna and Charles and Annette and Aaron; two sons and daughters-in-law, Wendell and Jeanna and Wayne and Cleta; and one grandchild, Ashley.



MR. AND MRS. TOM MILLS

Tom and Judy Mills of Louisville, Ky., cele-brated their 26th wedding anniversary June 6. The couple have eight children, Jim, Dory, Susan, Mark, John, Linda, Michael



MR. AND MRS. RICHARD PINELLI

Richard and Mary Pinelli celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary Sept. 25. The Pinellis have one daughter, Adrienne; one son and daughter-in-law, Jon and Margo; and two grandsons, Justin and Kegan. Mr. Pinelli is pastor of the Indianapolis North and Terre Haute, Ind., churches.

Stephen and Virginia Spykerman cele-brated their 25th wedding anniversary Aug. 21. Three of their children served cham-pagne and cream teas to Brighton, En-gland, brethren Aug. 18.

Donna and Harold Kirk of Big Stone Gap, Va., celebrated their 30th wedding anniver-sary Aug. 20. Mrs. Kirk attends the Pound, Va., church.

Margaret "Marge" and Jack Childress of Clintwood, Va., celebrated their 26th wed-ding anniversary Aug. 28. Mrs. Childress attends the Pound, Va., church.



MR. AND MRS. JERE WITTE

The children of Jere and Cherie Witte are happy to announce the 25th wedding anniversary of their parents, which took place June 14. The couple were married in 1965 in Big Sandy and now live in Houston, Tex. The couple have three children, Michelle, Jade and Troy.

Gracie and Clinton Dingus of Wise, Va., celebrated their 31st wedding anniversary Sept. 28. Mrs. Dingus attends the Pound, Va., church.





MR. AND MRS. HARVEY TAYLOR

Fayetteville and Fort Smith, Ark., brethren honored Harvey and Chioe Taylor on their 50th wedding anniversary Sept. 7. The Taylors have been Church members since 1965, and Mr. Taylor is a deacon. They have four children, seven grandchildren and one great tyrandchild. and one great-grandchild.



MR. AND MRS. JIM NUTTALL

Jim and Queenie Nuttall of Melbourne, Vic celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Sept. 21. The Nuttalls have four children and six grandchildren.



MR. AND MRS. MORGAN ROBY

Morgan and Irene Roby of Boone, Iowa, celebrated their 54th wedding anniversary Nov. 15. Mr. and Mrs. Roby were baptized together Sept. 16, 1978. The Robys have four sons, 12 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. Mr. and Mrs. Roby attend the Des Moines, Iowa, church.



MR. AND MRS. E. GOODCHILD

Edward and Katherine Goodchild cele-brated their 50th wedding anniversary at the Feast of Tabernacles in Corpus Christi, Tex., with their five children, their spouses and seven grandchildren. The Goodchilds were married Nov. 2, 1940. Mr. Goodchild was baptized in 1961 and Mrs. Goodchild in 1963.



MR. AND MRS. ROY T. BIRD

Mr. and Mrs. Roy T. Bird celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Sept. 15. The couple have seven children, Sandra Gaskins, Rita Sampson, Bonnie Fairchild, Phyllis Schindeldecker, Paul and Jack Bird and Mary Dobbs. Mrs. Bird was baptized in 1950 and attends the Hays, Kan., church.



MR. AND MRS. G. HARRISON JR.

George Jr. and Eloise Harrison celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at a dinner party given by their children Oct. 21. Mr. and Mrs. Harrison were married Oct. 14, 1940. They have six children, 14 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Mr. Harrison was baptized in June 1975, and Mrs. Harrison in August 1983. The couple attend the Norfolk, Va., church.



MR. AND MRS. HARMON GARRETT

The children of Harmon and Lucy Garrett are pleased to announce the 50th wedding anniversary of their parents. The couple were married Oct. 4, 1940, and have been Church members since 1964. Their children are Louise Anderson and her husband, Gene, Linda Wilson and her husband, Hugh, and Vonda Kellogg and her husband, Rod. The Garretts serve as deacon and deaconess in the Evansville, Ind., church. They have 11 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.



MR. AND MRS. MONTE DE RAMOS

Vivencio and Isabel Monte de Ramos of or Vivericio and Isabel Monte de Hamos or Dumaguete, Philippines, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary June 30. They were honored at a surprise reception after Sabbath services June 16. The Monte de Ramoses were baptized in 1973.



MR. AND MRS. JIM FISCHER

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Fischer of Kalbar, Qld., were honored Aug. 18 on their 50th wedding anniversary by the Ipswich, Qld., brethren. The Fischers were married Aug. 19, 1940, and were baptized in 1965. They have four children.

Cyrus and Edna Wolfgong celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary Oct. 1. Mrs. Wolfgong, a member who attends the Franklin, Pa., church, was presented with a commemorative bronze plate. The Wolfgongs have eight children, 17 grand-children and seven great-grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Sams of Church Hill, Tenn., celebrated their 53rd wedding an-niversary Sept. 14. The next day, Sept. 15, was the 26th anniversary of their baptism. Mr. Sams is a local church elder in the Pound, Va., church.

OBITUARIES C



PARKER, Tricia Joann, 34, of Lansing, Mich., died April 3 of cancer. Mrs. Parker, a Church member since 1984, is survived by her husband, Ben; two stepdaughters, Amber and Benay; a son, Jeff; and two grand-children, Tamara and Keywin.

MATILAC, Clarita M. "Claire," 42, of Davao, Philippines, died July 27 after a 10-month struggle with cancer. Miss Matilac, a Church member since 1975, is survived by her parents, three brothers, six sisters and nieces and nephews.

JOHNSON, Anthony, 46, of Kroftel, Ger-many, died Sept. 14 of cancer. Mr. Johnson, a Church member since 1965, is survived by his wife, Uschi; two children, Esther and Sascha; his father; one brother; and one



SHIRLEY J. CARTY

CARTY, Shirley J., 52, of Pittsburgh, Pa., died Aug. 30 after a lengthy illness. Mrs. Carty, a Church member since 1967, is survived by three daughters, Sherry Ward, Robin Holliday and Lora Bathgate; one brother, Joseph Lockhart; and three grandchildren.

STEWART, James H., 68, of Birmingham, England, died May 24 after a heart attack. Dr. Stewart, a Church member since 1966, is survived by his wife and two sons.

MEDLEY, Thomas C., 80, of Norwood, Ga., died Aug. 31 of lung cancer. Mr. Medley, a Church member since April 1984, was preceded in death by his wife, Melissa. He is survived by two daughters and sons-in-law, four grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, two stepsons, one stepdaughter, 15 step-grandchildren, 26 step-great-grandchildren, two brothers, four sisters and nieces and nephews.

HENSHAW, Wendy, 69, of Aberfoyle, Scotland, died Sept. 21 of a stroke. Mrs. Henshaw, a Church member since 1967, is survived by her husband, Norman, two sons, one brother and one sister.



ELBERT MANEY

MANEY, Elbert Franklin, 72, of Hayesville, N.C., died June 22 of a heart attack. Mr. Maney, a Church member since 1972, is survived by his wife, Beatrice Guinn; a son, children; and two great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his daughter, Glenda Singer.

OTTEN-LYON, Karine, 29, of Gouda, Netherlands, died Sept. 9 of a heart attack. Mrs. Otten-Lyon, a Church member since April 1981, is survived by her husband, Bert; one son, David; one daughter, Jannetie; her parents; one sister; and one brother-in-law.

NEWS OF LIPE PLACES & LIPE PLACES & LIPE PLACES & LIPE WORLDWIDE CHURCH OF GOD

PASADENA—Church Administration announced the following ordinations.

Peter Shenton, pastor of the Ipswich and Norwich, England, and Scandinavian churches, was ordained a pastor March 5.

Raul Ramos, associate pastor of the Miami, Fla., North and South churches, was raised to preaching elder on the Feast of Trumpets, Sept. 20.

Anthony Gallagher, pastor of the Lyon, France, church, and Cliff Veal, pastor of the Milan, Italy, church, were raised to preaching elder during the Feast of Tabernacles, Oct. 4.

Ghislain Ringuette, pastor of the Abitibi-Temiscamingue, Que., (French) church; and Daniel Samson, pastor of the Edmunston and Bathurst, N.B., (French) churches; were raised to preaching elder during the Feast of Tabernacles, Oct. 9.

Florante Martinez, pastor of the Butuan, Philippines, church, was raised to preaching elder during the Feast of Tabernacles, Oct. 10.

Dennis Pelley, assistant pastor of the Pasadena East P.M. church, was raised to preaching elder on the Last Great Day, Oct. 11.

Barry Gridley, director of Publishing Services, and Allen Olson, pastor of the Hays, Salina and Scott City, Kan., churches, were raised to preaching elder on the Sabbath, Nov. 3.

Don Ricks, a deacon in the San Antonio, Tex., West church, was ordained a local church elder on the Sabbath, Sept. 15.

Ordained local church elders on the Feast of Trumpets were Glen Burnett, a deacon in the Dayton, Ohio, P.M., church; Phillip Garland, a deacon in the Miami, Fla., South church; James Hollensen of the Morwell, Vic., church; Raymond Johnson, a deacon in the Miami North church; Bruce Kieviet, a deacon in the Cincinnati, Ohio, East church; Charles Powell, a deacon in the Queens, N.Y., church; John Sullivan of the Queens church; and Elliott Wynn of the Queens church.

Ordained local church elders on the Day of Atonement, Sept. 29, were Mauro Aguilar, a deacon in the General Santos, Philippines, church; Robert Coser, a deacon in the Modesto, Calif., church; George Davidson, a deacon in the Edinburgh, Scotland, church; Joseph Horton, a deacon in the Marion, Ohio, church; John Meyer of the Modesto, Calif., church; and Arturo Reyes, a deacon in the Tacloban, Philippines, church.

Ordained local church elders on the Sabbath during the Feast of Tabernacles, Oct. 6, were John Bennie, a deacon in the Durban, South Africa, church; and Pio Guzon, a deacon in the San Fernando, Pampanga, Philippines, church.

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BOREHAMWOOD, England—The regional office here announced the following ministerial transfers.

Jonathan Buck to Manchester, Liverpool and Stoke-on-Trent, England, and Llandudno, Wales, where he is assisted by Jeremy Rapson; David Magowan to Brighton, Croydon and Maidstone, England; Robert Harrison to Bradford, Hull, Middlesbrough and Newcastle upon Tyne, England; and John Jewell to Preston, England, and the Isle of Man, and Bible studies in Kendal and Penrith, England.

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CAPE TOWN, South Africa— The regional office here announced the following ministerial transfers to take place in December. John Bartholomew will move to Johannesburg Central, Peter McLean to Durban and John White to Pretoria and Pietersburg.

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PASADENA—Frank Schnee, German regional director until 1988, when he returned to Pasadena for health reasons, was named an associate pastor of the Pasadena West P.M. church Nov. 3.

"About a year ago there was a turnaround," said Mr. Schnee, who has suffered four years with Parkinson's disease and other health problems. "And week to week and month to month I've been feeling better and better."

Mr. Schnee thanked brethren for their prayers and words of encouragement—the biggest factor in the improvement of his health. BIG SANDY—A limited number of 1990 Envoys are available for people unable to obtain a copy at the Feast of Tabernacles.

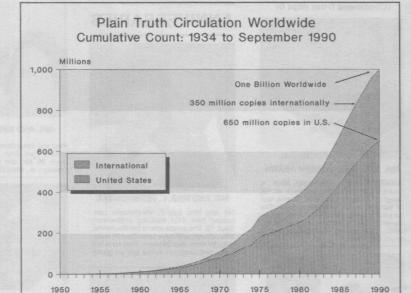
This year's Envoy, called a collector's edition by Chancellor Joseph W. Tkach, contains color photos of Ambassador College student life and Ambassador Foundation projects around the world.

The theme of this year's *Envoy* is "Values and Visions for the '90s," focusing on the future of Ambassador College and remembering Pasadena, home of the College from 1947 to 1990.

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MANCHESTER, England— Three hundred seventy-two brethren celebrated the 30th anniversary of the northwest England churches Sept. 8.

Evangelist Leslie McCullough, regional director for the United Kingdom, was guest speaker for the



occasion. After Sabbath services Mr. McCullough cut an anniversary cake, and photographs were taken of pioneer members with ministers who have served in the area.

OTTAWA, Ont.—The church here celebrated its 25th anniversary

Sept. 1. About 550 brethren and guests attended the festivities, which included taped messages from pastors who have served the area, a dinner, a variety show and a dance.

Recognition was given to the original members who attended the first service Sept. 4, 1965.



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

TORONTO, Ont.—By the time I reached Liberia, the small rebel resistance against the government had flourished into civil war.

Andrew Egan, 20, a member who attends the Brampton, Ont., church and a freelance writer, visited the West African country of Liberia last May. He reports on the rebel insurgency leading to the death of President Samuel Doe in September.

Though all Liberian members are now safe in Ghana, one member's property was destroyed. It will not be safe for him and his family to return to Liberia for several years.

Transportation on the only road linking the country had become impossible, and my plans for spending Pentecost with the Liberian brethren became uncertain.

Six weeks before arriving, I wrote to a Church member, Mr. Barbley. But the war had broken postal and telephone communication, so I received no reply.

I would try to reach the Barbleys directly. It would be arduous, as they lived in an isolated northern settlement beyond rebel lines.

The only way to reach them was by light aircraft. We flew along the African coast and banked inland past the rebel front. An hour later we dropped low over the jungle and thundered onto a ragged runway.

A boy took me to the Barbley house, where Mrs. Barbley came out to greet me.

A white man in that part of the country was odd, so she was apprehensive at first. I asked her whether she was a member of the Church.

"Oh!" she cried. "My brother!" and she embraced me and welcomed me into her home.

Barbleys blessed

Though they lived in a poor country, God had blessed the Barbley family. They had land, food, lived in a spacious house and owned two other houses they rented out.

Mr. Barbley, a Church member since the early 1970s, had an excellent job as an agriculturalist.

They have seven children, and Mrs. Barbley worked as a midwife.

Mr. Barbley told me that the other two members in Liberia had already left. Listening to radio reports, they realized they would have to do likewise, because the rebels would soon assault the area.

The next day Mr. Barbley and I discussed a journey to safety. Mrs. Barbley and the family would go to a village by the Ivory Coast border. Mr. Barbley would stay and monitor the radio reports.

If the situation worsened, they would cross into Ivory Coast. From



MR. AND MRS. BARBLEY

there they would travel overland to Ghana, where they would contact the brethren and take sanctuary.

The Barbleys were concerned about their daughter who attended a university in the capital. They would be unable to reach her.

So we determined that I would try to contact their daughter when I returned to Monrovia and take her to sanctuary in neighboring Sierra Leone.

From there I would try to send her by air to Ghana, where we hoped she could reunite with her parents and six brothers and sixters.

Tension intensifies

In many areas soldiers were threatening civilians. In Liberia an army officer accused me of being a communist spy. Lacking evidence, he eventually freed me.

When I learned that rebels had taken Buchanan, only 100 miles from the capital, I packed quickly and went to the airfield. Dozens of people were vying for passage to Monrovia, but Mrs. Barbley secured a seat for me.

In Monrovia I contacted the Bar-

bleys' daughter, who was staying with relatives at the police academy outside the capital. We decided to stay there until morning.

In the morning we tried to leave for Sierra Leone. But there were few vehicles and little gasoline. It took several hours to find transport.

When we finally found a bus, it broke down a few miles outside Monrovia. Because the curfew was approaching, we had to return to the city for the night.

By the next day transport from Monrovia to Freetown, capital of Sierra Leone, had risen from 30 to 120 Liberian dollars.

To avoid being trapped in the capital, we chartered a taxi to the border.

Leaving Monrovia was trying, and the overland journey even more so. We encountered frequent roadblocks with government troops confronting us.

At the last checkpoint before the Sierra Leone border, the soldiers searched us. Miss Barbley had withdrawn 1,400 Liberian dollars from the bank the day before, and we had concealed the cash in our baggage. I was hoping we could leave the country without being robbed.

The soldiers found nothing, but then claimed that she couldn't exit the country without a permit. They wouldn't let us proceed. I showed documents, explained

our situation, reasoned with the soldiers. Nothing worked. I could only wait for God's intervention.

We walked from the immigration

We walked from the immigration post, through the bush, to the nearby Mano River—the border between Liberia and Sierra Leone. But there was no bridge.

We climbed into a canoe, and the paddler heaved against the bank and sent us drifting into the current. Minutes later we thumped onto the opposite shore—Sierra Leone.

Along a trail in the jungle we arrived at a group of mud houses, the customs post. Neither of us carried entry permits for Sierra Leone, but we hoped that under the circumstances they might let us in anyway.

Earlier in the day, however, we had met a traveler stranded in Liberia and offered him passage in our taxi.

In the taxi we mentioned our concern about entering Sierra Leone.

"Don't worry about a thing," the traveler said. "I'm the police chief at the border post. I'll take care of everything for you."

Thus our immigration concerns were dissolved, and we continued to Freetown.

A week and a half after our journey began in Monrovia, Miss Barbley flew from Freetown to Ghana to stay with a Church family.

After returning to Canada in July, I received a letter from Mr. Barbley.

"Greetings from the Ivory Coast!" he wrote.

He explained that his family had crossed into Ivory Coast as the rebels attacked Grand Gedeh County.

By the time I received Mr. Barbley's letter, the rebels had entered Monrovia and captured Spriggs Payne airport, the city's last link with the outside world.

If the Barbleys had remained in Liberia, the rebels may have targeted them for reprisals, since they come from the same tribe as the president and most of the army.

Facing starvation

As a result of the conflict, Monrovia residents now face starvation and possible disease epidemics.

A five-nation West African peace keeping force landed in Monrovia in late August to establish order. But fighting continues between the remaining government forces and the rebels, which have split into opposing factions.

I received a letter from Miss Barbley Oct. 28, and she is living with her family in Ghana. They don't have a permanent dwelling yet, but she is trying to transfer credits from the Liberian university to a Ghanaian university.

To most of us, civil war and massacres seem distant. What God brought me through in Africa has deepened my appreciation for our privileged conditions.

