

## 5,500 brethren in two cities hear God's plan from pastor general

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong addressed 2,750 brethren Jan. 9 at Constitution Hall next to the White House, reported Richard Frankel, pastor of the church here. Following his address, the pastor general conducted a ministerial meeting for 68 ministers and wives.

Following evangelist Ellis LaRavia's sermonette, Mr. Armstrong traced the development of God's plan for man, focusing on the two trees in the Garden of Eden. "He strongly emphasized the building of character and being lights in this darkened world," Mr. Frankel said.

The pastor general was given two sterling silver candelabra from the 18 churches represented.

"The gift was selected to symbolize the sterling character Mr. Armstrong encourages us to strive for," Mr. Frankel continued. "Each piece had five candleholders, in sum representing the Ten Commandments," which symbolizes God's way of building character, he added.

### Unusual circumstances

Mr. Frankel spoke of some unusual circumstances in renting

the hall. It was difficult finding a hall large enough that was available when Mr. Armstrong was scheduled to speak, "that is, until the hall manager found out we were associated with the Ambassador Auditorium at Ambassador College," Mr. Frankel said.

The hall manager knew Church member Jack Elliot from a previous convention. Mr. Elliot's son Steve is a ministerial trainee in Washington and was at the meeting.

Later, when Mr. Frankel was booking a room and making other arrangements for Mr. Armstrong he came into contact with two men from the Middle East. One was a good friend of someone Mr. Frankel had met in Jerusalem while serving as manager of the Work's former office there. They were able to help secure "excellent arrangements" for Mr. Armstrong.

"Finally," the Washington pastor related, "the catering manager who served refreshments after Mr. Armstrong's meeting with ministers came up to me afterwards and said, 'It's good to be back among friends.' I asked him what he meant and he replied that he used to cater meals for the Church in the Mid-

west during the Days of Unleavened Bread!" Mr. Frankel said these events reveal the high visibility of the Church.

Mr. Armstrong was accompanied on the trip by his personal aide Aaron Dean and his wife Michelle, evangelist Ellis LaRavia and his wife Gwen, and Accounting Department manager Fred Stevens.

### Houston trip

The previous Sabbath, Mr. Arm-

strong spoke to 2,753 brethren at the Houston, Tex., Music Hall, according to evangelist Burk McNair, who met the pastor general at Hobby airport there Jan. 2.

After a sermonette by Larry Salyer, pastor of the Pasadena Auditorium A.M. church, Mr. Armstrong detailed man's temporary existence, modern education, evolution and Protestantism," said Mr. McNair.

"God told the prophet Joel He would pour out His Spirit upon the world in the last days," Mr. McNair remarked, recalling the pastor general's sermon.

"The Holy Spirit is like a light — it's either on or off," he added. "Mr. Armstrong said the Spirit must change your whole being through

and through."

About 1,300 brethren from churches in Lake Charles, La., Beaumont, Corpus Christi, Victoria, Harlingen, San Antonio, Austin, Waco and Lufkin, Tex., heard the pastor general's sermon.

Following services, Mr. Armstrong conducted a ministerial meeting in the Sheraton Hotel in Houston. More than 70 ministers, local church elders and wives attended.

The pastor general was accompanied to Houston by Mr. Salyer and his wife Judy, Richard Sedliack, managing editor of the *Pastor General's Report* and the Ambassador College Correspondence Course, and his wife Elva.

## Close finish in national talent contest

# Drummer, oboist tie for first

PASADENA — There must have been some mistake, the judges thought. So they tallied up the scores again. Sure enough, out of a possible 250 points, only two tenths of one point separated Joshua Griffin of Pasadena and Elisabeth Prevo of Chattanooga, Tenn.

So the five judges called it a tie. Josh and Elisabeth both won 1½-year scholarships to Ambassador College for their performances in the Youth Opportunities United U.S./Canadian National Talent Finals at the Ambassador Auditorium Dec. 28.

The performance was attended by Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong. "Mr. Armstrong gives you a lot of encouragement," Josh said. "You want to have a good attitude and do your best."

Josh, 18, performed a drum solo "Drum Train" and Elisabeth, 17, played the oboe to Monti's "Csardas." Nine other regional finalists from the United States and Canada competed in the contest.

Because of the tie, no second place was awarded. Third place and a one-semester Ambassador scholarship went to Kim Friesen, originally of Tacoma, Wash., who now attends Ambassador College in Big

Sandy. Performing at the nationals for the third consecutive year, Kim played *Intermezzo No. 2, Opus 118* by Brahms on the piano.

Rebecca Karels, a Pasadena Ambassador College freshman representing the Houston, Tex., North church, took fourth place and a one-semester scholarship to Ambassador with her piano rendition of Chopin's *Valse in E Minor*.

The Young Ambassadors performed several numbers and sang "Let There Be Peace on Earth" in the grand finale with the YOU contestants.

Contestants were judged differently this year, according to Job Egbert, business administrator of the national YOU Office. Twenty percent of a contestant's score was judged by his or her pastor, who rated each contestant's character and contribution to the local church.

Another 40 percent was based on technical aspects of each performance judged during a recital closed to the public Dec. 27. The remaining 40 percent came during the final contest open to the public Dec. 28. A five-member panel of judges, headed by evangelist Ellis LaRavia, judged the contestants on

technical accuracy, showmanship and stage presence.

The seven other regional finalists were Tammy Levitt, Saskatchewan, Canada; Nadine McCormick, Richmond, Mich.; Brian Mickens, Tucson; Michael Peine, Indianapolis, Ind.; Aaron Root, Roseville, Minn.; Cindy Screen, Alberta, Canada; and Rhonda West, Alliance, Neb. Kevin Dean, director of YOU, presented plaques to all participants. "Every one came out a winner," said Elisabeth. "Parents and friends gave us moral support."

"The contestants and their families took part in activities during their on-campus stay in Pasadena that included trips to Disneyland, Marineland, the Rose Parade and Ice Follies.

Debbie Bates, project coordinator in the national YOU Office, planned activities for the contestants and families and was hostess during their week-long stay here.

"The contestants certainly showed lots of talent, and they gave a high quality performance," noted Mr. Egbert.

"I was impressed with the quality of the youths — they are real top-notch," Mr. LaRavia commented. (See YOU, page 12)

## 28 AC students selected for 1982 Jerusalem dig

PASADENA — Twenty-eight Ambassador College students were selected to participate in the City of David Archaeological Project in Jerusalem this summer, according to Richard Paige, coordinator of the college's archaeological program.

The four-week dig starts July 5. Yigal Shiloh, the dig director, and members of his staff are to give the students an on-site orientation to the City of David excavations and show how pottery finds are useful in dating. Students will also attend a lecture given by Dr. Shiloh on the archaeological history of the city of David at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, according to Mr. Paige.

Students are to dig Monday through Friday from 6:30 a.m. to noon, with a half-hour break at 10. Plans are for them to stay at Ramat Rachel, a kibbutz five miles southeast of Jerusalem, the same place diggers stayed last summer.

Preparation for the dig is underway. The students and alternates are taking a class in biblical archaeology taught by Mr. Paige in Pasadena. Students in Big Sandy review slides and tapes from Mr. Paige. The class there is taught by faculty member Clifford Anderson.

The students, 20 from Pasadena and eight from Big Sandy, are scheduled to depart June 13 from Los Angeles, Calif., and Houston, Tex., respectively and meet in New York City. They will arrive in London, England, the next day. After a two day stay in London, most of the students will begin an optional bus tour of Europe that will take them to Paris, the chateau country, Geneva, Switzerland, and Milan, Venice, Florence and Rome, Italy.

The Sabbath of June 26 will be spent in Rome and then they will

depart for Tel Aviv, Israel, June 27.

Following their arrival in Israel, the group will begin a five-day tour of major biblical and archaeological sites including Eben-ezer, Shechem, Samaria, Caesarea, Mt. Carmel, Megiddo, Capernaum, Hazor, Dan, Caesarea Philippi, Mt. Tabor, Bethshan, Jericho, Qumran, Masada, Arad, Beersheba, Hebron and Bethlehem.

During their stay in Jerusalem, field trips will be taken to major sites in Jerusalem and nearby areas such as Michmash, Gibeon, the Valley of Aijalon and Gezer.

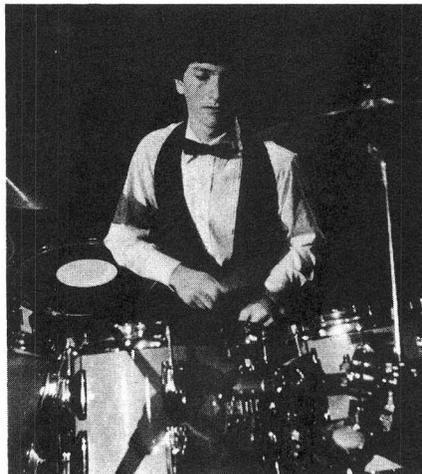
The dig ends July 30. The diggers will return to New York City Aug. 2.

Those selected from the Pasadena campus are seniors Craig Minke, Sandra Atkinson and Lois Weber; juniors Eric Larison, Mike Limanni, Jim Marion, Marty Richey, Jerry Ross, Susan Culpepper, Susan Francis, Karen Lee, Vickie Murney and Martine Savard; sophomores Ken Fergen, Debbie Burbach, Colleen Gus and Kadi Schmidt; and freshmen Wayne Hand, Joseph Slevin and Robert Walker.

Big Sandy students selected are sophomores Bob Jones, Doug Ruml, Dave Vernich, Renee Detrixhe, Sherri Means and Lisa Tanksley; and freshmen Donald Hornsby and Mary Ann Smith.

Alternates from Pasadena are juniors David Maxemiuk, Susan Lang and Lynda Samson, sophomores Tim Butler, Bill Harrington, Marjolaine Dubois, Wendi Hayward and Karen Wallbridge; and freshman Greg Achtemichuk.

Alternates from Big Sandy are sophomores Craig Clark and Cathy McNeil; and freshmen Lee Page and Janet Johnson.



**MUTUAL EXCELLENCE** — Joshua Griffin (above) and Elisabeth Prevo (right) tied for first place in the Dec. 28 U.S./Canadian Youth Opportunities United National Talent Finals. Both received 1½-year scholarships to Ambassador College. [Photos by Roland Rees]

# Crisis in Poland foreshadows NATO split

PASADENA — It's easy this early in 1982 to isolate the most important trend, prophetically, that is developing now: the split between the United States and its allies in Western Europe over reaction to the crisis in Poland.

This widening transatlantic rift is producing the most serious crisis ever in the history of the NATO alliance, formed in 1949 to thwart further Soviet inroads in Europe.

The most alarming aspect of this trend is the growing chorus of influential voices in America openly questioning whether the United States and Western Europe have any kind of future together at all.

## Poland accentuates split

When the Polish government of Wojciech Jaruzelski cracked down on its internal critics Dec. 13, the stage was set for this latest and most serious squabble within NATO.

On either side of the line stood NATO's most important members, the United States and West Germany. The crisis showed how differently the two nations perceived what the proper response to Moscow and Warsaw should be.

President Ronald Reagan made a big point of increasing U.S. defense spending to redress the NATO/Warsaw Pact military imbalance, which turned heavily in Moscow's favor during the Carter presidency.

When the Polish military put a screaming halt to that nation's liberalization movement, President Reagan had to "do something" lest his silence be perceived as condoning the Jaruzelski crackdown. His response was to initiate — unilaterally — a series of sanctions against both the Soviet Union and the martial law government in Poland.

Western Europe has since been dragged — reluctantly — into supporting the U.S. sanctions policy.

Mr. Reagan's announced sanctions, however, are more form than substance, unless or until he reimposes an embargo on grain sales to the Soviets — fully three fourths of U.S. sales to the Soviet Union.

West Germany's — and all of Western Europe's — trade stakes with the Soviets and Eastern Europe are much higher. This is critical in these recessionary times. Nearly a half million jobs in West Germany are dependent upon East bloc exports. The steel firm of Mannesman, for example, sells almost 60 percent of its steel tubing to the East — and this percentage will increase if the massive \$15 billion Soviet-Western Europe gas deal goes through.

These economic realities undoubtedly lay heavily on the mind of West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt as he gave his own perspective of events in Poland — a view far different from that of Mr. Reagan. Mr. Schmidt told the New York, N.Y., *Times*:

"I think that the sanctions, economically speaking, are not really of great effect. But, of course, psychologically, politically, they will have a great effect in Moscow. . . I consider Jaruzelski, first of all, to act out of what he believes to be in the best of interest of the Polish nation, in the first instance as a Pole. In the second instance, he appears as a military man. And only in the third instance, I think, he comes as a Communist."

Hardly the hard line approach taken by Mr. Reagan.

Chancellor Schmidt believes that the ambivalent American foreign policy in recent years, following in the wake of Vietnam, lies at the heart

of the crisis in the Western alliance, not European softness.

During the Carter years, for example, Washington turned a blind eye as Moscow greatly expanded its medium-range nuclear weapons targeted on Western Europe. Mr. Carter also canceled at the last minute — embarrassing his NATO allies — key weapons programs to redress the growing imbalance. Mr. Reagan's policy is the exact reverse of Mr. Carter's, but the key factor is this: How is he perceived by the Kremlin?

Mr. Schmidt told an American journalist that the Soviets have come to question the continuity of goals and the strategy of the United States. "The Soviets have questioned the strategy behind denying them grain, then giving them grain, then denying them something else," he said. "They need some strong words and they need to feel the will behind those words."

## Jettison 'ungrateful Europe'?

Influential Americans, on the other hand, while acknowledging past U.S. failures, especially from 1976 to 1980, are laying more blame on "neutrality" and "pacifism" in Western Europe for the burgeoning NATO crisis.

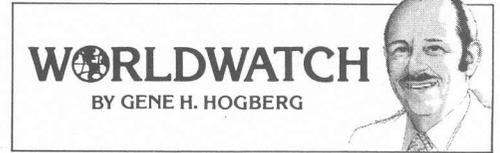
These critics express definite isolationist tendencies. According to their line of reasoning, if America is no longer appreciated for the role it has played as free Europe's protector for the past 33 years, then Europe should simply be cut off, with U.S. troops on the Continent pulled back home.

For the past two months the editorial page of the opinion-shaping *Wall Street Journal* has rung out with several editorials and opinion

pieces on the need for the United States to rethink its defense commitment to Western Europe.

Columnist Irving Kristol wrote in the *Journal* that "NATO ceased to be a living reality some years ago" and that "sometime in the not-too-distant future the appropriate funeral services will be held."

A short time later, a piece by an American businessman, published on the *Journal's* op-ed page, began



bluntly, "The time has come for the U.S. to sever its ties with NATO." Incredibly, the author, Ronald C. Nairn, expressed the belief that the conquest of Western Europe by the Soviets (after American troops have left) or Finlandization of the Continent "would make little strategic difference to the U.S." but would only "add to Soviet burdens."

The author said that the United States should, in effect, turn its back on Europe and instead look to Asia where "the vast Pacific basin lies at America's other shore." Compared to the 1.5 billion to two billion people of the Pacific basin, he said, "Europe seems a puny affair."

America's political leaders, too, are beginning to "think the unthinkable" — cutting the ties with Europe.

Arthur Burns, U.S. ambassador to West Germany, said that "the nuclear debate is becoming a battle

for the soul of Europe." U.S. troops, he went on to say, "will not stay here if they are not welcome."

Mr. Burns also quoted former senator, Mike Mansfield, now U.S. envoy to Japan, as having said that America's future lay in the Pacific, not the Atlantic.

Interestingly enough, Mr. Mansfield was the author of the Mansfield Amendment, introduced several times in the U.S. Senate in the early 1970s calling for American troops to be withdrawn from Europe. The Senate rejected the Mansfield Amendment every time.

But now, Senate Majority Leader Howard Baker says he is not so sure it would not sail through.

What we are witnessing is the generation gap in full bloom on both sides of the Atlantic. On the eastern shore, youthful Europeans are unaware of the importance of America's commitment to their freedom and security. On the western shore, a new crop of U.S. legislators has grown to adulthood without realizing how critical a free, allied Europe is to the survivability of America itself.

The upshot of this all-important trend is simply this: Without America, Western Europe, standing before the Soviet abyss, will have to arm itself, will have to become a nuclear "third force" on its own. Or as another piece in *The Wall Street Journal* commented, "European peace may someday require European self-policing."



## Review, study, sacrifice for final spiritual exams

Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong forcefully reminded God's people that "we're in the FINAL EXAM period of the END TIME before the end of the world, and the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ in ALMIGHTY POWER AND GLORY to usher in the happy and peaceful World Tomorrow!" (Member/Co-Worker letter, Nov. 30, 1981).

### Final Exams

I still remember vividly studying under the grueling pressure of preparing for final exams in school. Can't you? Remember the long hours of "burning the midnight oil," the sacrifices of going without sleep, food, exercise and entertainment, just to obtain a passing grade.

Those experiences etched vital lessons in our minds then, which can only now be fully appreciated by those upon whom is God's judgment! (I Peter 4:17).

What does it mean to prepare for final exams?

### ● It is a time to review.

Students preparing for their final exams before graduation need to go back through their entire year's study. In sermons, broadcasts and articles over the past year or so, Mr. Armstrong has gone back over the foundational truths upon which this era of God's Church was built. In a Dec. 19 sermon in Seattle, Wash.,

Mr. Armstrong exhorted each and every member to go back and start the Correspondence Course over again. Starting with lesson one right through. The basic booklets need to be reviewed. (See back cover of January, 1982, *Good News*. How did you do? Did you pass the test?)

For the Body of Christ today — standing on the brink of eternity — the time has come to review. The apostle Paul warned, "Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall" (I Corinthians 10:12).

### ● It is a time to devote extra time to study.

As the days of examination draw closer students need to get up earlier and stay up later — burning the midnight oil, if necessary, just to be ready.

Again, in his Nov. 30 co-worker letter, God's apostle warned the heirs of salvation, "Pray continually and fervently, and STEP UP YOUR READING AND STUDY OF GOD'S WORD, THE BIBLE." We need to rekindle our first love — that desire and love for God's magnificent truths. We need to be filled with God's Spirit (Ephesians 5:18) and not to neglect so great a salvation (Hebrews 2:3). Now is not the time to allow the cares or pleasures of life to rob us of our time in studying and drinking in of God's precious Word. Now is the time to study, to cram for the final exam (II Timothy 2:15, II Peter 3:18).

### ● It is a time to persevere.

For some students a stunning realization strikes during their last days of preparation — there's a chance they aren't going to make the grade. Failure to graduate with their class would be humiliating. Those called as firstfruits today will be literal kings, priests and rulers tomorrow.

The apostle Paul admonished: "Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompense of reward. For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise. For yet a little while, and he that shall come will come, and will not tarry" (Hebrews 10:35-37). Have these words ever been more timely?

### ● It is a time to sacrifice.

Final exam time is time for new-found self-discipline and sacrifice. Self has to be denied. Likewise, Mr. Armstrong repeatedly has called on those in Christ to truly be willing to sacrifice. A year ago, Christ's apostle wrote: "I now have to ask you to sacrifice and send in special EXTRA generous offerings more than ever before. Time is short. Soon there shall be a FAMINE of hearing the word of God" (Amos 8:11). (Member-Co-Worker letter, March 19, 1980.)

### Soon approaching

Fellow classmates, graduation is soon approaching. Will we pass with flying colors? Mr. Armstrong said the Church will be ready for Christ's return — will we be a part of that graduating class?

Those students who diligently use their time in the best way to review, who devote extra time to study, who persevere earnestly and make necessary sacrifices, are able to meet their final exams with success.

Remember the apostle Paul's words: "And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time for us to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed" (Romans 13:11).

## Letters TO THE EDITOR

### Apostle in Middle East

I find *The Worldwide News* very informative and especially edifying spiritually. I particularly enjoyed the article, "Christ's Apostle in the Middle East" . . .

I thought it was wonderful and like a miracle that Mr. [Herbert W.] Armstrong was able and even shown how and what to speak to the Egyptian political science association about. Mr. Armstrong, after thinking that maybe he wouldn't be able to speak because of illness, suddenly is given strength and vitality!

I couldn't help but be reminded of Zechariah 4:6, and I am overjoyed to realize that this prophecy is being fulfilled before my very eyes!

William E. Spoonmore  
Orangevale, Calif.

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### Face value

I recently realized I have not been giving enough credit for the ingenuity the children in the Church display when dealing with problems they face regarding holidays at school.

Our son's teacher was very amused at the way he handled a rather difficult problem (considering he's only 5 years old). One of the mothers brought snacks to school, which consisted of one large Santa Claus face cookie for each child. The teacher apologized, explaining that she wasn't sure whether to give Troy one of the cookies, but she felt compelled since she had no other type of cookie to give him.

She related that he carefully examined the cookie, said, "I don't think I like the face on this cookie," and then, making a rather astute decision, turned the cookie over and ate it.

Kathy Williams  
Dallas, Tex.

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### Cards from brethren

Thank you very much for all the fervent prayers that were prayed on my behalf during my recent accident, where I lost both my legs. I know the reason I am alive today is because these heartfelt

prayers were answered by God Almighty.

For about nine days, I knew nothing of what went on in my life, but it was sure great to awaken and see my family, friends and hear of all the wonderful things you brethren had done for me. It was to my amazement that so many of you brethren had written letters, sent cards, phoned calls, sent money, fruit, books and flowers. I had "wall-to-wall cards." Cards from so, so many of the brethren in Pasadena and other areas I had never met. What a joy it brought to my heart.

Then I received the card from the P.M. church, in Pasadena, with Mr. [Herbert W.] Armstrong's signature on it. I knew then with Mr. Armstrong praying and all of you praying, I was well on the way to recovery.

Frank Beard  
Murfreesboro, Tenn.

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# 1981 WATS line calls double; broadcasts account for increase

PASADENA — More than 8,000 calls were received on the Work's Wide Area Telephone Service (WATS) lines in response to Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong's broadcast *Plain Truth About Christmas*, which aired Dec. 19 and 20. The response was only slightly short of the all-time weekend response record set in February, 1978.

According to Richard Rice, director of the Mail Processing Center here, WATS response in 1981 increased "virtually 100 percent," with the Work receiving more than a quarter of a million calls.

"Our response really boosted with the addition of WGN-TV [Chicago, Ill.] in March, 1981," reported Bill Butler, supervisor of the WATS area here. "In March we were on 55 television stations. Now, we're on more than 100, and our response has escalated accordingly."

Mr. Butler said that dozens of extra lines were added since January. There are now 35 WATS lines, and 30 California lines, which handle collect calls from California, Alaska and Hawaii.

In addition to the 100-plus television stations, the WATS area handles calls for more than 90 radio stations in the United States. Radio calls in Canada are directed toward a Canadian WATS number at the Vancouver, B.C., Office.

With many stations airing on the

Sabbath, a volunteer group works three-hour shifts to handle calls. "This volunteer program has proven to be immensely successful," said Mr. Butler. "More than 16 percent of our total calls have been taken by the volunteers on the Sabbath, which is more than 50,000 calls." Sabbath volunteers include employees of the Work, Church members and Ambassador College students.

WGN-TV, one of the best stations for response, airs at 7:30 a.m. Central Standard Time (CST) Saturday. Carried by cable, it is the second-largest station in the United States. More than 70 volunteers arrive at 5 a.m. Pacific Standard Time (PST) to take the calls.

"Nearly one fifth of the student body in Pasadena works part-time for us, and about half of the student body has volunteered for extra time on the Sabbath and other times," said Mr. Butler. "As we increase the lines, we provide more student employment," he said. Including Sabbath volunteers, more than 5,000 manhours were donated in 1981.

WATS employees and volunteers are carefully selected, continued Mr. Butler. "People who answer WATS calls are direct representatives of Mr. Herbert Armstrong. Many first-time callers think that Mr. Armstrong himself will answer the phone. Therefore, we have an intensive ongoing training program to insure that quality is maintained on those lines."

A typical WATS employee takes 18 to 20 hours of training before being allowed to answer phones. About two months of training is required before a person is considered a qualified operator.

This training includes review of all Church literature, as well as instruction in equipment and procedures. Printed information about the Church's publications is also circulated among employees.

## Strange gifts, addresses, requests

# Church receives unusual mail

*The author of the following article is employed by the Work's Mail Processing Center in Pasadena.*

By Bill Butler

PASADENA — Reading mail has been an important part of the Work ever since the first *World Tomorrow* program aired in January, 1934. Fourteen letters were received from that first broadcast on KORE, a 100-watt station in Eugene, Ore.

The Work now receives nearly 9,500 letters every workday. Most of these are routine booklet requests, but hundreds of unusual letters and other items are also



I was so much to receive GOOD NEWS magazine and the correspondence course you mentioned. I am currently receiving PLAIN TRUTH.

I am confident that God is working out a plan for life and I am indeed appreciative of your interest and assistance.

**CHARRED LETTER** — The above letter, one of hundreds of unusual pieces of mail received by the Work's Mail Processing Center, was partially burned in an airplane crash.

received here.

One co-worker wrote that his house was burglarized three times and each time the only thing stolen was literature from the Church. This was especially unusual considering he had an expensive gun collection. Apparently the thief didn't realize that all the Church's literature is free.

It's always encouraging when writers tell of happy outcomes to painful experiences. One man said he visited 21 doctors over a period of several years because of a painful back injury. Finally, he wrote to us for an anointed cloth and was completely healed the day he received it.

Another incident was reported by a lady whose *Plain Truth* always arrived in a worn and tattered condition. Several people were apparently reading her magazine before it got to her home. The Work sent a gift subscription to her post office and from then on her magazine arrived untattered.

### Strange addresses

The Work also receives improperly addressed letters:

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Ambassador Hotel, Suite C  
Pasadena, Calif. 91101

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From Europe:

Ambassador College  
California, Texas  
USA, United Kingdom

One woman addressed her envelope, "Deliver to that man of God who preaches the truth on radio from Pasadena. I've forgotten his name." The post office sent the letter to the Work.

Many letters have arrived without postage stamps. Some have had S&H Green Stamps on them. One just had a nickel taped to it. (Back when postage was 5 cents.) One man simply drew a picture of a stamp and it got here.

Perhaps the most unusual one, though, was a letter delivered 15 years after it was mailed. The letter had fallen behind a counter in the post office that wasn't moved for years. When painters moved it to paint a wall, they found the envelope and forwarded it to the Work. The woman was still on our file, awaiting the arrival of her literature.

### Survived plane crash

Another letter survived an airplane crash and arrived in Pasadena even though 30 percent of it was destroyed by fire.

The list of strange items mailed to the Work goes on and on. The Work has received birth certificates, marriage licenses, wedding rings, gold fillings from teeth, locks of hair and

false teeth. One person sent his first-fruits in the form of frozen goods. After several days in the mail, you can imagine how that smelled.

Another letter smelled so bad it took hours to air out the mail room. Two years ago a bank in New Orleans, La., returned a contribution receipt that was cashed by one of their tellers as a check. The receipt plainly states it is a receipt, but it has Herbert W. Armstrong's signature on it.

Anointed cloths are serious matters, but occasionally some people new to the Work misunderstand their purpose.

One man asked for six anointed cloths for his first-aid kit. A woman wrote: "I'm pregnant. It was an accident! Please send an anointed cloth right away!"

### Unusual titles

It is common for new subscribers or viewers to get booklet titles confused. Following is a list of some of these unusual titles that were collected over several years by dozens of mail readers and personal correspondents.

- 7 Laws of Radiant Death
- 7 Laws of Radium Sickness
- 7 Laws of Arabian Help
- How Is the Beast?
- Mark of the Breast
- Mark of the Monster
- Managing Your Personal Finance
- Where Are Edner and Eliza?
- Liza and the Rich Man
- Lazarus and the Dead Man
- Send me the 7 Last Plagues
- Ending Your Financial Earth-Quakes
- Earth Quacks
- Is God Extinct?
- 7 Proofs God Exits
- Does the Bible Exist?
- Does God Hate the Witch?
- Women — Are They a Lost Cause?
- True Womanhood — How it Can be Stopped!
- Booklet 91109
- The United States in Apostasy
- British Columbia in Prophecy
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## Alone but not cut off

# Lone member in Poland visited

*The author of the following article is a student at Ambassador College in Pasadena. He was employed by the Work's Bonn, West Germany, Office from 1975 to 1981. According to John Karlson of the Bonn Office, Wiktor Przybyla, the only member of God's Church in Poland, is "doing fine" following the imposition of martial law in that country Dec. 31.*

By Clifton L. Veal

NEDZA, Poland — Perched on a knoll in the village of Nedza amid the rolling hills of Upper Silesia in southwestern Poland is one of those typical government issue houses — two stories, boxy, flat slanted roof. A house like myriad other houses in myriad other Polish villages, yet God takes special interest in this one-family dwelling. In it lives the only member of this era of God's Church in Poland. His name is Wiktor Przybyla.

The first time I met Mr. Przybyla was in the sweltering summer of 1975. After having completed a private tour of Poland, I wanted to stop by and visit our member in Poland. Finding the village of Nedza was a feat in itself, but once I did, everybody knew where Mr. Przybyla lived. He had grown up in Nedza and his father and mother were still living there. (They have both died since.)

One of his fellow workers from the firm Rafamet, where Mr. Przybyla has chalked up more than 30 years of service, pointed out the location of his house.

Mr. Przybyla's wife told me he hadn't finished the afternoon shift, so I took a taxi 14 kilometers to Rafamet to meet him. At the front gate of the factory (they produce machines that are used in the pro-

duction of railroad wheels), I asked them to let him know that his friend from America was there. That not being an everyday occurrence, Mr. Przybyla was able to get off a few minutes early.

He strode anxiously out the front exit. As he saw me an "ear-to-ear" smile crossed his face. (The Poles are a warm and happy people and Mr. Przybyla especially so.) We gave each other a bear hug that would have left the staunchest Russian breathless.

Though we had previously corresponded, this was the first time that I had seen Mr. Przybyla and he was thankful that someone had come to visit him. There he stood before me: 42 years old (he is now 48), loving father of five children (he's now the loving father of seven children: Dora, 17; Kristian, 16; Weronika, 12; Theresa, 10; Eva, 9; Zuzanna, 5; and Johanna, 2.)

He is a quality control expert for his firm, in charge of the final inspection for machines sent to all parts of

the world — including many to the United States. Mr. Przybyla is a man who has worked hard all of his life. He is a man of character, a man of morals, and a man with purpose, a man — the only one in his country — whom God has looked down upon and called to be a member of the Body of Jesus Christ.

But how did that calling come about?

Upper Silesia was German territory until World War II. Mr. Przybyla grew up speaking German until his 12th year. (After the war Polish was enforced.) Because he speaks German God was able to call him when and where He did. In 1972 *The World Tomorrow* was broadcast in the German language over Radio Luxembourg. Mr. Przybyla heard it and was interested. After studying some booklets he was even more interested. He requested a visit. Tom Lapacka, the pastor of the Hannover and Hamburg, West Germany, churches, came to his (See POLAND, page 5)



**POLISH MEMBER** — Wiktor Przybyla, the only member of God's Church in Poland, pauses with his son Kristian and daughter Dora. [Photo by Christel Wilson]

## SEP features varied activities for Church youths ages 12 to 18

The author of the following article is the director of Youth Opportunities United (YOU) in Pasadena.

By Kevin Dean

**PASADENA** — Applications for campers and staff workers for the 1982 Summer Educational Program (SEP) near Orr, Minn., will be available in February from Church pastors. Tuition for campers will be \$225.

Three three-week sessions will again run consecutively this summer. The first session begins June 7 and runs through June 27. The second session is June 30 to July 20 and the third session is July 24 to Aug. 12. The camp is for children ages 12 to 18, whose parents are members of the Worldwide Church of God.

At each session 300 campers will enjoy activities that include skiing, swimming, water polo, canoeing, dance, archery, riflery, basketball, volleyball, cheerleading, wilderness trips, softball and rock climbing.

Teenagers can meet new friends and learn skills in an atmosphere that Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong has described as "almost a little Millennium."

One camper put it, "If everyone is going to be happy like this in the world tomorrow, I want to be there." Another said "The instructors and my counselor helped me and others develop a sense of self-confidence. I learned to do a lot of

things I wouldn't have normally gotten to try."

One girl described her feelings about rappelling: "When I looked down that 90-foot cliff, yelled 'rappeling' and took the first step, my heart nearly stopped. Knowing I was attached to the safety rope helped, but I don't think I breathed until I reached the ground. Then, the craziest thing happened, I wanted to do it again."

Those who water-ski have a chance to do so on two skis, slalom (one ski), use trick skis or ski barefoot. The Orr facility has a ski jump for the more daring.

Archery and riflery are also available. "That bulls-eye looks big until you try to hit it," one young man remarked.

Expert instruction given by the staff helps even the novice swimmer, skier or climber improve his skills. To quote an SEP staff member, "Each student gets a well-rounded view of all sports, and can achieve to his or her maximum potential."

Proper character development and wholesome attitudes are stressed in all physical activities, as well as in all aspects of daily dorm life.

"In basketball and volleyball," one coach commented, "attitude, conduct and sportsmanship mean more than how you play the game."

Education classes are quite beneficial for those wondering what the

future holds for them. Campers are taught to set goals, using the seven laws of success. They are also taught what the Millennium will be like.

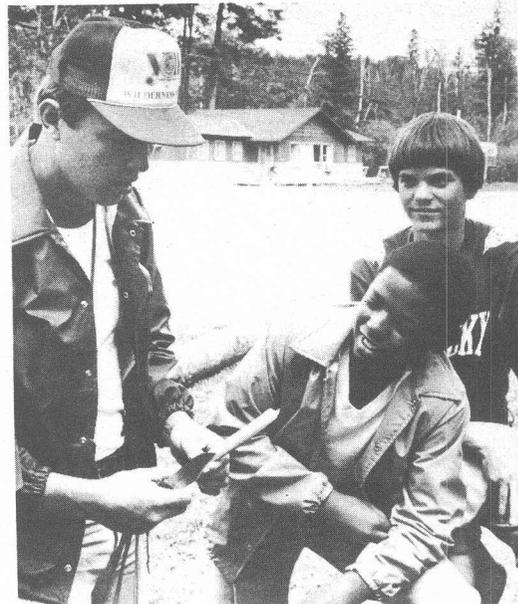
Meeting new people is another rewarding part of camp. Campers make new friends and share experiences with teenagers from different backgrounds. "I never wanted it to end. It was like I had 23 brothers," one young man said. A staff member commented, "I still write to my counselor, and that was 14 years ago."

SEP is a camp for all teenagers. Those attending camp are promised an exciting summer and the opportunity to learn. The opportunities are fantastic, the activities are great and best of all it's a camp based on God's principles.

Applications will be available from Church pastors in February. Send completed application forms to YOU, 300 W. Green St., Pasadena, Calif., 91129. Camper applications must be submitted by March 15.



SEP ACTIVITIES — Clockwise from upper right: Canoeists paddle on Lake Pelican at the SEP camp near Orr, Minn.; Pasadena Ambassador College dean Greg Albrecht instructs campers; staffers and campers transport a canoe; basketball players soar for position; SEP staff member Tim McQuoid explains edible plants; a rock climber sures his grip. [Photos by Roland Rees]



## Premature infant lives

# Baby beats odds of survival

David and Jonnie Perry are members attending the Champaign, Ill., church.

**By David and Jonnie Perry**  
CHAMPAIGN, Ill. — She was 3½ months premature.

Tiny Sharran Holm weighed in at 1 pound 5 ounces April 7, 1981. Her doctors gave her less than a 1 in 100 chance of survival. Born to Randy and Beth Holm, Sharran was to be called "miracle baby" in the months to come.

Mr. Holm, pastor of the Champaign and Springfield, Ill., churches, and his wife realized that Sharran's chances for survival were minuscule. But they had faith in God's power to heal. Soon after Sharran's birth, brethren around the world were praying for God's intervention and healing.

Mr. and Mrs. Holm commented that despite Sharran's fragile condition, she displayed an extraordinary will to live and a fighting spirit from the moment of her birth.

Sharran's fight for life proved to be a great inspiration to her parents and to Church members. During the 3½-month stay in Mercy Hospital here, Sharran overcame several setbacks and complications with God's help. Tiny, undeveloped lungs slowly grew.

May 21 was a special day in the Holms' lives — they finally were allowed to hold their infant daughter. For Sharran's first 1½ months,

her skin was so fragile that she could not be touched or held frequently. "It was really a big day when we finally got to hold her," Mrs. Holm said. "You can't imagine what it's like to see your baby lying there and know there's nothing you can do. I couldn't comfort her. It's really hard to sit and look and not be able to hold her."

Two months later, July 22, Sharran went home with her parents. Growing to 4 pounds 10 ounces, Sharran had beaten the odds of survival. She had become the smallest

baby to survive in east-central Illinois.

Today, Sharran weighs a robust 12 pounds — more than 9 times her birth weight!

During the past Thanksgiving holiday here, the Holms reflected on the events of the past eight months. They were especially thankful for the prayers and letters of support from brethren around the world. Most of all, they know it was God who made Sharran's presence possible for the best Thanksgiving of their lives.



**HEALTHY BABY** — Randy Holm, pastor of the Champaign, Ill., church and his wife Beth hold their 8-month-old daughter Sharran in their living room. [Photo by David Perry]

## Poland

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home in February, 1975. On this trip Mr. Lapacka baptized Mr. Przybyla.

The fall of 1974 marked Mr. Przybyla's first Feast of Tabernacles. He was with the handful of East German brethren in Arnsgeut, East Germany. He celebrated the Passover in Zwickau, East Germany, in 1975. That year saw him in Bad Salzungen, East Germany, for the Fall Festival. In 1977 he was permitted to travel upon invitation to Canada. His one-month stay in that country gave him the foundation to begin learning the English language (He can, with the aid of a dictionary, read the English *Good News*.) For the Fall Feast in 1979 and 1980 he

traveled to Carlsbad, Czechoslovakia. In 1981 he attended the Feast in Bonndorf, West Germany.

Mr. Przybyla is able to be with other brethren for the three festival seasons: for Passover and Pentecost with the East German brethren, and for the Feast of Tabernacles, usually at the Czech site. Because of distance and governmental red tape, it is not often possible for a minister to visit him in his home. However the Holy Days offer him ample opportunity to speak with God's ministers.

Normally about three or four times a year members visit Mr. Przybyla in Nedza. He spends the Sabbath studying literature and listening to cassette tapes of sermons supplied by the German Office.

(Thanks to God giving him favor with his superintendent and others trading shifts, he is able to have every

Sabbath off.)

It is not easy to be the only member of the true Church in a country so saturated with the teachings of a false church. (Poland is about 95 percent Catholic.) Also, God has not yet chosen to call Mr. Przybyla's wife, Margrethe.

One incident that illustrates the difficulties one can incur involves Mr. Przybyla's daughter, Johanna. The village priest came to visit the Przybylas and said, "I have heard there is an unbaptized child in this home." Mr. Przybyla kindly, but firmly escorted him into the living room. Then began an animated discussion about the subject of baptism, during the course of which Mr. Przybyla posed some basic questions that the priest could not answer and explained to him some basic points he probably could not understand.

At the end of the discussion Mr.

Przybyla left for work, the priest left for his parish, and the house was left with an unbaptized child.

Wiktor Przybyla has been a tremendous example of dedication and loyalty to God's Work and to God's apostle. He is always anxious to hear about Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong's latest trip or about how Frank Schnee, German regional director, is doing or about how many subscribers the latest advertisement in *Der Spiegel* added to *The Plain Truth* subscription list.

He is alone and yet not cut off. He is separated by many miles and two Communist borders from the nearest church area and yet bound to us and as inextricably a part of this great Work as anyone working directly in it — a testimony to the love and power of God, and to the strength of the bond possible through God's Holy Spirit

# A Time to Prepare

**STORY FOR YOUNG READERS**  
By Kathy Kranch

"Hi, Mom!" called Debby as she came through the door.

Mrs. Brown looked up at the clock over the kitchen sink. It was only 2 p.m. "Why are you home from school so early?" she asked.

"A waterline broke so they decided to let us leave early. We were all glad, since it is Friday," she answered.

"That's great! It's really a pretty day, but you'll need a coat if you go out," her mother said. Just then 5-year-old Chuck came racing into the kitchen on his cycle, dragging his brother's teddy bear by its ears. Brian was right after him, yelling all the way, "Chuck, give me back my bear!"

Mrs. Brown sighed and entered the battle. "All right, Chuck, give Brian his bear and ride your cycle out of this kitchen! Brian, you are 2 years old and know better than to run in the house. Both of you go sit on the couch until I say you may get up," directed their mother.

Debby had been sitting at the kitchen table watching all this. Suddenly she said, "Mom, after I change clothes I could take the boys outside to play."

Mrs. Brown looked up from the stove. "Oh, honey, I would really appreciate that. I almost have the lasagna ready for tomorrow, but I still have to prepare the chicken for tonight and deserts for both meals. If you did that for me it would really help."

"Sure, Mom, I'll be glad to. Besides, I already promised Sherry we would have lasagna for dinner tomorrow after services, so I'll help you so we can." Quickly she went up the stairs and changed into play clothes. Mrs. Brown met her at

the bottom of the steps and gave her a hug. Together they walked to the living room. "Boys, you may get up now. Debby wants to take you outside to play. Get your coats."

In no time Chuck and Brian were into their coats and out the door.

"What would I do without Debby?" Mrs. Brown asked herself out loud as she watched from the window. Brian jumped into the sandpile and Chuck climbed into the swing. Mrs. Brown soon finished the lasagna and put it into the oven. Then she began to prepare a cherry pie for dinner.

Around 3:30 she put the pie into the oven. Through the door came her children. "Mom, both of them need a nap," said Debby, as she helped them with their coats. Mrs. Brown carried Brian up the stairs and Chuck came up behind them. She tucked them both into bed and sat down in her rocking chair to read them a story. Before she had finished they were both asleep. She tiptoed out of the room and shut the door. If only they would take a nap like this every Friday, she thought.

She went downstairs and found Debby busy cleaning the lettuce, tomatoes and peppers for the salad. "Debby, you are a workhorse! You have helped me so much already. Why don't you go have some fun?"

"This is fun, Mom. I like to cook. I'd like to make a dish all by myself. Is there anything left to do that I could make alone?" she asked.

"Well, the chicken dish is sort of hard to prepare. How would you like to make the dessert for tomorrow? You could impress Sherry and her family. It's not too hard. It's a frozen fruit salad in whipped cream," she answered.

"That sounds yummy! Let me see the recipe," said Debby.

It took Debby quite a long time to

clean and cut up all the fruits and mix them into the whipped cream, but when she had finished it was beautiful. She put it into a leaf mold and thought to herself how delicious it would taste tomorrow.

"Mom, do we have anything to put around it for decoration?" she asked.

"Let's see. You could take some leaves off the peppermint plant in the dining room. There's a can of mandarin oranges in the basement. That might look good with it. You really did a good job on that. It's beautiful!" said Mrs. Brown.

Debby blushed and smiled.

"Well, I think all the food is finished or cooking. Let's make a quick run over the house and make sure everything is ready for the Sabbath," said Mrs. Brown. At 5 p.m. they were putting the last of the blocks into the toy chest. Everything was ready for the Sabbath.

"This is wonderful! It's more than an hour until the Sabbath and all the work is done. You have been such a big help to me today. Why don't we sit down and relax?" asked Mrs. Brown. So they did and had a long talk until nearly 5:30.

"I see the car. Daddy's home!" said Debby.

"Would you go wake up the boys, please?" asked her mother.

Before Mr. Brown could get into the door the boys were there to meet him. He grabbed up both of them and asked: "What smells so good? I'm starved. I smell fruits and something Italian and chicken. I think I could eat it all by myself, too!"

"Oh, Daddy, you can't have it all. We want some, too," piped up Brian.

"I stopped at the station and got gas and checked the oil and tires, too. And look at that shiny car! I had time to stop at the car wash and get it cleaned and waxed," said Dad.

"It's really pretty," agreed his wife, "it makes the Sabbath seem more special."

"If there's time before we eat I'll pack the car for services. Do you have the briefcase packed? Do you children have your things ready? Remember, you may only take quiet toys to services," said Mr. Brown.

"The briefcase and bag are over by the couch. Here's another bag for the children's things," answered Mrs. Brown.

"Here, Daddy, I have some books and paper and pencils for services," said Chuck.

"And, here are my things," said Debby.

In raced Brian with his teddy bear. He stopped right in front of his father and solemnly handed it to him. "Bear go to church," he said.

His father laughed and gave Brian a hug. "How about some help with all these things?" he asked. So he and the children loaded up the car.

When they had finished Debby said, "It would be fun to have a fire in the fireplace tonight. Could we?"

"Well, OK, I'll go gather in some wood. It sounds like a good idea. But, after that let's eat this feast you and your mother have fixed. Old dad is hungry," answered Mr. Brown.

"Well, OK, if you do that we'll let you eat," teased his daughter.

"Thank you, thank you," said Father as he went out the door.

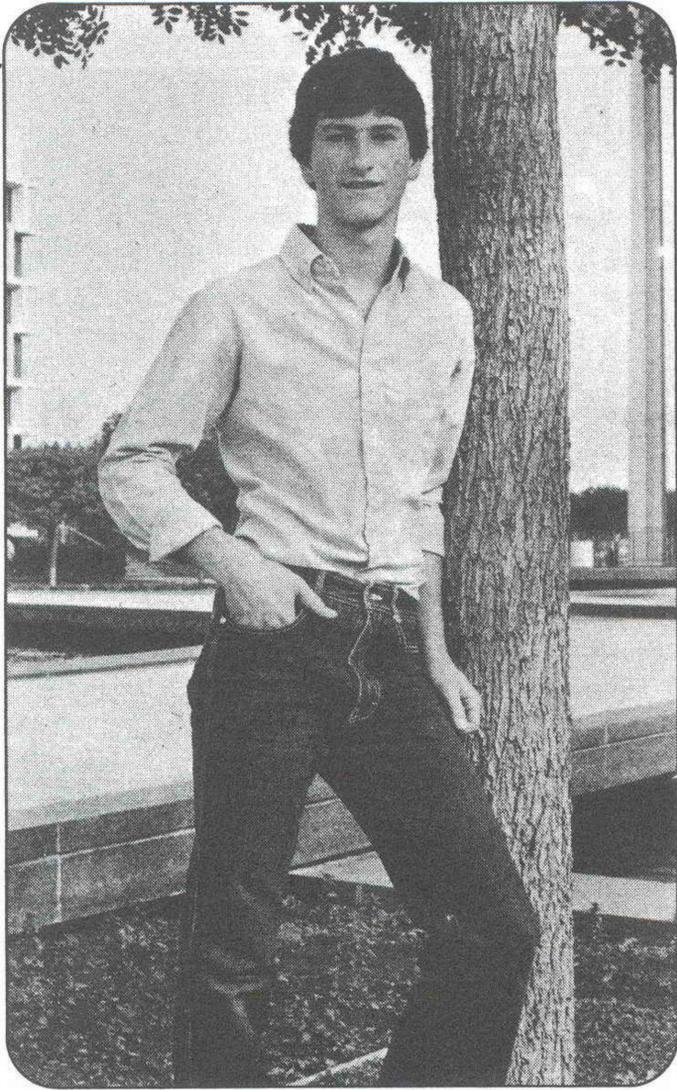
Soon he returned with a heavy load of firewood and put it in the wood box.

"Let's go wash our hands before we all starve, boys," said Mr. Brown.

Debby and her mother hurried and got dinner onto the table.

The whole family sat down and joined hands for the prayer before beginning their Sabbath dinner.

# SEVENTH YOU TALEN



**JOSHUA GRIFFIN**

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Joshua Griffin was excited about his idea — why not take the audience on a drum tour of the United States and Mexico, featuring various types of music? So he did, and he tied for first place with "Drum Train," a drum solo that took listeners to Tijuana, Mexico, New Orleans, La., New York City, the United States Military Academy at West Point, N.Y., and Los Angeles, Calif.

To simulate being in Tijuana, for example, Josh shook maracas. In New Orleans, he played a jazz beat on his drums. The 18-year-old drummer says his drum teacher taught him to play all kinds of music.

Josh, a senior at Imperial School in Pasadena, would like to play drums as a studio musician. He would also like to improve his art technique. Josh took up pencil and charcoal drawing after helping out in his father's sign-painting business.

This year all the judges at the Youth Opportunities United (YOU) U.S./Canadian National Talent Contest were members of God's Church. "I like it that way," Josh remarked. "You don't feel at odds with the judges. I knew that God's Spirit works through them, so they would judge fairly."

Josh has taken part in several YOU sports, including basketball and track and field. At Imperial, Josh is senior class president and was speech club vice president last year. Before entering Imperial two years ago, Josh won outstanding merit awards for playing drums in marching bands and concert bands at Charter Oaks High School in Glendale, Calif.

Josh, who represented Region 7 in the national contest, has two brothers and three sisters. His parents are James and Juanita Griffin, who attend the Auditorium P.M. church.



**KIM FRIESEN**

**ELISABETH PREVO**

"I don't know what I'd do without YOU," said Elisabeth Prevo, 17, whose oboe performance tied for first place at the national talent contest in Pasadena. Representing Region 3, she performed Monti's "Csardas."

Elisabeth has played the oboe for six years, the piano for seven years and the flute for four years. With her eye on becoming a professional musician or music instructor, Elisabeth is first chair oboist at Rhea County High School in Chattanooga, Tenn. Her oboe instructor is a professional oboist with the Chattanooga Symphony Orchestra.

At the Roane State Talent Festival in Harriman, Tenn., she won third place in piano. A math club member and straight-A student in high school, Elisabeth hopes to be accepted to Ambassador College.

Cheerleading, volleyball and horseback riding top her list of interests. Elisabeth is secretary of her YOU chapter and has one brother and one sister. Her parents are John and Mary Prevo, who attend the Chattanooga church.

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**KIM FRIESEN**

Kim Friesen, 19, enjoys a variety of music — she has played the piano for 15 years and the flute for 10 years. She also plays the piccolo and sings. Her piano solo, *Intermezzo No. 2, Opus 118* by Brahms, was rated third best by the judges. Her performance won her a one-semester scholarship to Ambassador. It was her third national talent contest.

Kim, who represented Region 5 in the contest, attends Ambassador College in Big Sandy, where she is a cheerleader and plays tennis. She water-skis and hopes to become a music teacher after graduation. Honors she received while living in Washington included playing flute in state and national honors bands

and receiving superior ratings for piano playing in a music guild.

Kim's one brother Brad and her parents Walter and Lois Friesen live in Tacoma, Wash.

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**REBECCA KARELS**

A student at Ambassador College in Pasadena, 18-year-old Rebecca Karels represented the Houston, Tex., North church and Region 5 at the national talent contest in Pasadena, where she won fourth place with her piano rendition of Chopin's *Valse in E Minor*.

Becky's aspirations include continuing in music and working in data processing. She worked as a legal secretary in Houston before attending college.

Becky was involved in high school bowling and loves traveling to California beaches. She has traveled to England as well.

Last spring Becky was awarded a plaque for outstanding overall achievement in her Houston YOU chapter. She has placed in regional talent meets for four years. Becky and her two older sisters are the daughters of Eric and Winn Tate of Spring, Tex. Becky's performance won her a one-semester scholarship at Ambassador.

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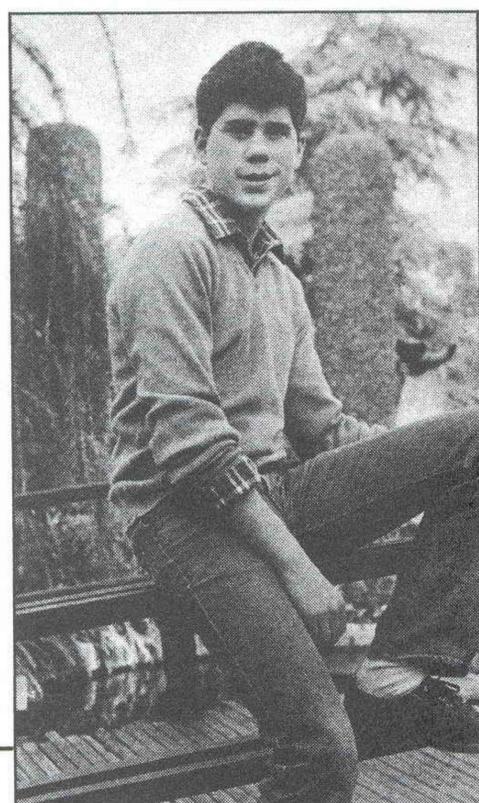
**RHONDA WEST**

Rhonda West, 17, traveled from Alliance, S.D. (Region 6), to sing "Blue Moon" by Rogers and Hart in the national talent contest in Pasadena. She has taken voice lessons for three years and is first soprano in the Alliance High School Concert Choir and swing choir.

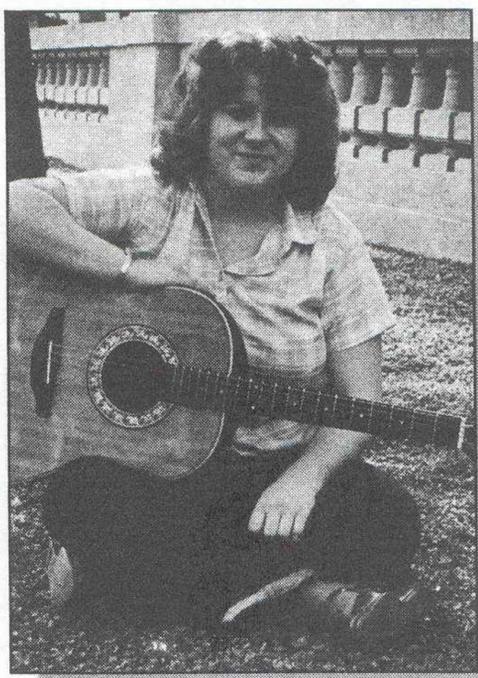
Other achievements include serving as secretary of her high school's choral organization, singing in the High Plains Honor Choir and being named the 1981 Kiwanis Club star of stars in division 6. She has already won the 1982-83 District 62 talent

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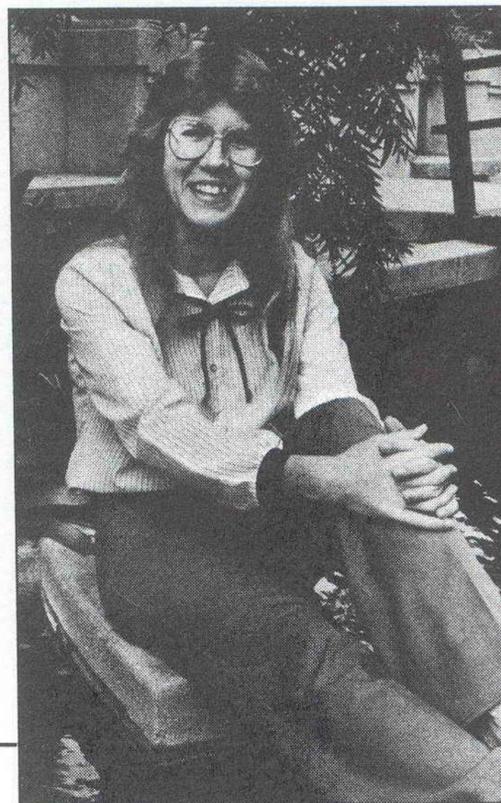
**AARON ROOT**



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contest.

Rhonda's hobbies are writing, swimming, skating, dancing and working with children. She is looking forward to attending Ambassador College. Her parents are Floyd and Mary West.

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## AARON ROOT

One of the benefits for Aaron Root of winning the Region 4 talent contest for his classical guitar rendition of "Spanish Ballad" was seeing the Ambassador College campus in Pasadena for the first time. Aaron, 17, has been accepted to Ambassador College in Big Sandy next fall.

After completing Ambassador, Aaron hopes to study engineering. His interests include drawing, trumpet playing and long-distance running. In addition to participating in the regional YOU track meet last spring, Aaron is a cross country letter winner at his high school in St. Paul, Minn.

He gave two star trumpet performances in a Minnesota state high school contest. His parents are Marvin and Maryanna Root, who accompanied him to the contest in Pasadena.

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## CINDY SCREEN

Eleven of Cindy Screen's 17 years were spent studying piano. She hopes to attend Ambassador College and to advance her piano skills. Representing Alberta, Canada, Cindy performed "The Snow is Dancing" by Claude DeBussy at the national talent contest in Pasadena.

Athletics is another favorite of Cindy's. In the Canadian National Track Meet last year she won first place in the 400-meter dash. For three years in a row she was named outstanding female athlete at regional track meets.

Cindy earned the Neil Edwards Award in school for having the high-

est average grades in ninth grade. She favors snow skiing, waterskiing and mountain climbing. Cindy has two brothers and one sister and is the daughter of Wilfred and Donna Screen, who reside in Elnora, Alta.

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## TAMMY LEVITT

Despite being just 13 years old, Tammy Levitt, who represented Saskatchewan, Canada, in the national talent contest, has virtually veteran experience. She has sung since age 8 in numerous YOU contests, church chorales and city festivals. The city of Saskatoon, Sask., where Tammy lives, awarded her a scholarship to pursue a singing career.

She sang a solo in the 1981 Feast chorale in Regina, Sask. Her parents, Al and Joey Levitt, made the trip to Pasadena to hear Tammy's vocal rendition of "Come Sweet Morning" by R.H. Elkin.

Tammy favors horses and sports. She's won medals in YOU track and field. Tammy is one of five children.

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## NADINE McCORMICK

"I'd like to be a country singer," says Nadine McCormick, 17, who sang and played guitar to "Growin' Up" at the national talent contest. Nadine composed the music for the song, which was written by Luana Mullins, a friend of Nadine.

Nadine won second place in the Canadian talent finals and has earned seven YOU awards for her musical ability. In addition to singing and playing the guitar for the past three years, she enjoys drawing cartoons. Nadine would like to attend Ambassador College this fall.

Two brothers and nine sisters round out Nadine's family. Her parents are Horace and June McCormick, of Sarnia, Ont.

## MICHAEL PEINE

One goal that 16-year-old Michael Peine reached was learning how to play several percussion instruments — the timpani, snare drum, drum set and marimba. In a high-school-sponsored contest, Michael won perfect scores for playing all four instruments.

"I played the marimba in the talent contest because it's pleasing to the ear," said Michael, who represented Region 2 in Pasadena with Heifetz's "Hora Staccato." (The marimba is similar to a xylophone with resonating tubes below each bar.)

Vice president of his Indianapolis, Ind., YOU chapter, Michael has played YOU basketball for three years and runs YOU track and pole vaults.

Michael, an eagle scout, enjoys windsurfing, waterskiing and snow skiing. He hopes to study drafting at Purdue University, in West Lafayette, Ind.

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## BRIAN MICKENS

Perhaps Brian Mickens will have a tough time deciding upon a career, for he is actively involved in modeling, dancing, acting and singing. He says that he also wants to program computers.

The 17 year old from Tucson, representing Region 7, performed a vocal rendition of Marvin Hamlisch's "What I Did for Love."

Brian hopes to complement his 10 years of singing experience with dancing modern ballet. While living in New York, he attended a Harlem Dance Theatre workshop. He also plays a role in a soon-to-be-released movie, *Extra, Extra*.

He swims, cycles and plays YOU basketball. Brian, his brother and three sisters are the children of Calvin and Omega Mickens of Tucson.



ELISABETH PREVO



REBECCA KARELS

Photos by Sylvia Owen

## A WEST



## MICHAEL PEINE



## BRIAN MICKENS



## TAMMY LEVITT



# LOCAL CHURCH NEWS

## CHURCH ACTIVITIES

A family social evening for the **ABBOTSFORD, B.C.**, brethren took place Dec. 5 in the McCallum Activities Center. Table games were participated in by young and old. An assortment of finger goodies was served for refreshments. *Al Hankey.*

Brethren of the **BIRMINGHAM, England**, church enjoyed a square dance Nov. 21 led by deacons Basil Harris and Colin Smith, who were visiting from the Bristol and Gloucester, England, churches. The ladies provided a selection of cakes, and drinks were supplied by YOU members. Charlie Chaplin and Keystone Cops films were shown at the start of the evening for children of all ages. *John Guy.*

The first social of the new **CROYDON, England**, church (combined Wimbledon and Orpington, England, churches) took place Dec. 12 after sunset. Tasty goodies were enjoyed, followed by films of the Young Ambassadors and Herbert W. Armstrong's visit with the late Anwar Sadat in the Middle East. *Margaret French.*

The **DAWSON CREEK, B.C.**, ladies had a craft and bake sale Dec. 2 in the Co-op Mall. Some of the ladies traveled more than 40 miles to participate in the sale. About \$472 was earned for the work. Surplus baked goods were served as dessert at one of the weekly Sabbath potlucks. *Sylvia Gulz.*

"Coping with Hard Times" was the subject of a 2½-hour seminar Dec. 1 for members of the **EUGENE, Ore.**, church suffering from the current economic slump. Six speakers, including a personnel manager and officials from private and governmental relief agencies, gave helpful information on seeking employment, assessing job skills, starting a small business, budgeting, working with creditors and locating community crisis relief services and programs. The seminar was organized by deacon Dick Case at the request of pastor Larry Walker, who served as seminar chairman. A question-and-answer session followed the speeches. There was no cost for the speakers or the hall. The entire program was recorded and put in the church tape library. Mr. Case reported that the United Way was planning a similar activity inspired by the seminar. *Larry J. Walker.*

Dec. 12 was a day of sadness and joy for the **FORT MYERS, Fla.**, church. Members put on a covered-dish luncheon following Sabbath services to welcome their incoming pastor, Dan Bierer, and his family. They also said good-byes to the Frank McCrady's. Mr. McCrady will continue to pastor the Lakeland, Fla., church. Included in the meal was a cake decorated with both ministers' names. Mr. and Mrs. McCrady were presented with a gift of crystal candlesticks from the brethren. *Bonnie Friebe.*

**FORTH WORTH, Tex.**, brethren enjoyed a salad bar game party Dec. 12 after Sabbath services. The evening was successful, especially after some found out how to play Backgammon and Cribbage. *Lester Zimmermann.*

The fourth annual winter social of the **KENOSHA, Wis.**, church was Dec. 13. The day began with Novelty Olympics, in which members participated as teams. A slide show of past activities and dinner followed. The day concluded with a square dance for all. The brethren presented pastor Michael Hanisko and his wife Zelda with a friendship quilt and a brass chafing dish as going-away presents. Mr. Hanisko is being transferred to the Anniston, Ala., and Rome, Ga., churches. *Ann Sorrentino.*

Brethren from the **LONGVIEW, Tex.**, church had an outdoor social Nov. 22. Activities included an evening cook-out, followed by a hayride. Everyone then gathered around the big bonfire to stay warm and participate in a sing-along. Laverne Hanneman was host for the event, which took place at Lake Deerwood Estates. *Lee Berger.*

The **LOUISVILLE, Ky.**, church observed its 15th anniversary Nov. 28 at the Woman's Club in St. Matthews, a Louisville suburb. The church has assembled at the Woman's Club since the first meeting there Nov. 28, 1966. Forty-three original members were present and were recognized at the Sabbath service. Robert Bertuzzi, the first pastor of the Louisville church, sent a

taped sermonette, but was unable to attend in person. Ray Meyer is the present pastor of the church. A celebration dance with entertainment, food, drinks and fellowship followed in the evening. *Robert Adcock.*

**MAIDSTONE, England**, brethren met together for a social and a dance Nov. 28. A meal of Kentucky fried chicken, potatoes and beans, followed by apple turnover and cider, was managed by Graham Tarrant and his team of young people. Music for the evening was provided by the Southern Man Disco group. John Brooker and Graham Goldfinch played host to games for the children, after which everyone listened to a group from the London, England, church called Harmony. Throughout the evening, drinks were served by Mr. and Mrs. John Patch. *George Holden.*

The **MONTPELIER, Vt.**, church enjoyed a family night following services and a Bible study Dec. 12. The activities began with a supper arranged by the YOU, at which time the brethren expressed thanks to their pastor, Dan Rogers, and his family, Barbara, Christine and Christopher, by way of a large gift tray of assorted fruits, nuts and cheeses. After the supper, square dancing began. Mr. Rogers announced that the YOU from Montpelier won the district 11 YOU Bible bowl, which took place Dec. 5. Those participating in the Bible bowl were Suzanne Proux, Denise

**ROANOKE, Va.**, minister Robert Persky had a church organizational meeting Dec. 7 at the Troutville Town Hall. The quarterly meeting is for all those involved in organizing church activities. Mr. Persky handed out copies of the 1982 church organizational chart, which lists the people responsible for various functions within the church. He reviewed the church activities of the past year and discussed some of the upcoming events for 1982. *John Bass.*

The **JOY singers of the ST. PETERSBURG, Fla.**, church provided sing-alongs for the residents at the Tyrone Medical Center and the Veteran's Administration Bay Pines Nursing Homes Nov. 29. The sing-alongs featured music from the musicals *Oklahoma* and *The Sound of Music*, as well as popular songs of the '40s and '50s. *Lavene L. Vorel.*

The **ST. PETERSBURG, Fla.**, church had a yard sale on Bay Pines Blvd. Dec. 6 and 7. The sale, advertised as having everything imaginable, became a flea market as three full transport trailer loads of goodies were collected and donated by the members. Public participation was extremely high. *Lavene L. Vorel.*

The **SALEM, Ore.**, congregation had a potluck and family game night Dec. 5. The evening began with prayer and a meal, followed by children's games. The small children were led in simple exer-



**FLEA MARKET** — Bargain hunters shop at the gigantic yard sale of the St. Petersburg, Fla., church Dec. 6 and 7. (See "Church Activities," this page.) [Photo by Lavene L. Vorel]

Berteau, Matthew Chesaux and Cynthia Kendall. Guests from Albany, N.Y., and Concord, N.H., came and shared the day and evening. *Margaret Wheeler.*

The **MOULTRIE, Ga.**, church had its first square dance of the season Dec. 12 at the Bledsoe Auditorium. Members of the Tallahassee, Fla., and Columbus, Ga., churches came to join in the fun. Caller Ray Collins, along with his wife and daughter, helped to make the evening a success. A refreshment booth consisted of drinks, hot dogs and popcorn. *Vera Goodemote.*

A garage sale for the **NEWCASTLE, Australia**, church took place Nov. 15 and 22 at the garage of Mr. and Mrs. Peter King and was organized by Merv Bell. The variety of items given by the members included the proverbial kitchen sink, a television set, a stove, a hot-water unit, knickknacks and paperback novels. The sale raised \$580, which will help send children to the new Australian SEP camp in southern Queensland, Australia. Several other events, including two cake stalls, also raised funds. The cake stalls raised \$900. *Roger Rye.*

Fellowship, food and fun were enjoyed by the **PEORIA, Ill.**, brethren Dec. 12. Following a potluck, a square dance caller started with the basics of square dancing, and before the evening ended, all were swinging their partners with style and grace. Children under YOU age enjoyed games, and cards and table games were available to those who wanted to catch their breath between dances. *Janice Keefer.*

Nearly 60 brethren from the **PLYMOUTH** and other southwest England churches gathered at the home of pastor John Jewell Nov. 28 in response to his annual open-house invitation to a wine and cheese party for the churches in the area. Mrs. Jewell presented a colorful array of cheeses, including the world-renowned Stilton. Accompanying the cheeses were many dips, together with salads and fruits. Many of the brethren brought wines, including a number of homemade ones made from fruits and herbs. *K.C. Jones.*



**AWARDS PRESENTATION** — Steve Buchanan, YOU coordinator for district 82, presents the first-place trophy to Rhonda West winner of the talent contest in the senior division at Chadron, Neb., Dec. 19. (See "Youth Activities," page 11.) [Photo by Doug Johannsen]

minister in charge, Nicanor Enriquez. On hand to observe the occasion were Cebu, Philippines, deacon Ereno Lagaria and minister Pike Mirto, who is assigned to minister to the Tacloban flock. Present at the beach party at White Beach were also some members from Leyte and Samar and their wives. The dishes included *kinilaw* (a raw fish dish), root crops, *bahalina* (seasoned tuna), drinks and cereal. After the occasion, Messrs. Mirto and Lagaria were taken to the airport by Arthur Reyes. *Al Tambis.*

The churches in northern **TASMANIA** had a fund-raising effort Nov. 8 to help finance YOU members to SEP camp in Queensland, Australia. Thirty men, women, YOU members and children worked in a seven-hour marathon effort to bag 500 bags of sheep manure from beneath the floor of a Midland sheep-shearing shed. The manure was bagged for sale to members who deals in organic fertilizers. Cold wind and showers did not deter the workers, who only stopped for hot tea and coffee and a quick lunch. The event raised \$430. *Max Hoskyns.*

The **TORONTO, Ont., WEST** brethren had a fund-raising sale Dec. 6 at the Great Canadian Flea Market. Kevin Moore arrived early to secure a good sales spot. Many items donated by the brethren were offered for sale. Choir director Bill McBride sold original oil paintings by Fred Thaler in custom-made wood frames by deacon Dewey Peterson. Doll quilts made by Hilda Martin were sold, and Ann Lai was busy doing French braids at \$5 per girl. The tally totaled more than \$700. *Bill Moore.*

The **UNION, N.J.**, church put on its second annual talent show Nov. 21. The acts included pastor Jim Jenkins and associate pastor Gordon Harry in a comedy skit, Tony Caputo singing selections from *Fiddler on the Roof*, a puppet show for the young children and the New Jersey Chorale in a musical dance routine. *Glen A. Prokesch.*

The **VICTORIA, B.C.**, church had its first social of the winter following a Bible study Dec. 6. The social started with a choice of indoor sports or a whist [a card game] drive. Team races were organized for the children. Everyone brought his own supper, which was followed by the showing of the films *The Ugly Duckling* and *Winnie the Pooh*. *Peter Crompton.*

Regional director Peter Nathan gave a Bible study to the **WELLINGTON,**

New Zealand, church Nov. 25 on the nature of God's Spirit. On the Sabbath Nov. 28 a special screening of videotapes of "The Sadat Murder" and Herbert W. Armstrong's Last Great Day sermon was presented to the combined Wellington and Palmerston North, New Zealand, churches. An American-style Thanksgiving dinner was then served to 123 people, who related to a rerecording of the Young Ambassadors' film and a tape-slide show by Ross Andrew and Robert Crump of their trip to Squaw Valley, Calif. *Dennis Gordon.*

Members of the **WINDSOR, Ont.**, church enjoyed a family games social Nov. 28 at the Oakwood Community Center. Activities included Monopoly, Risk, Rubik's cubes, table games, pool, Ping-Pong, volleyball and piano playing. *Carol Smith.*

A dinner marked the fifth anniversary celebration of the **YAKIMA, Wash.**, church Nov. 14. Pastor Gerald Flurry pointed out a number of "firsts" in the church: first birth, Brian Young, first baptisms, Ann Esparza and Hattie Reynolds; first marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Rick Ralston; first Ambassador student, Mike Solleski; and the first outhouse blown down in the wind, belonging to John and Wanda Jacobs. Don Talbot gave a historical five-year review of the church. The children's choir, directed by Kathy Talbot, and children's games rounded out the program. A photo album-scrubook provided memories for all to share. *Al Parker.*

## CLUB MEETINGS

The **BIRMINGHAM, England**, Spokesman Club had its ladies' night meeting Dec. 1 at the New Imperial Hotel. Although it was not a dinner evening, wine, soft drinks and savory biscuits were served. Unbeknownst to director Barry Bourne, the club members provided a surprise gift for Mrs. Bourne. The president of the club presented her with a large bouquet of flowers and her favorite chocolates, as the club's expression of thanks for her service and hospitality in all the church activities. At the conclusion of the evening, a professional photographer took group photographs. *Roland Jenks.*

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**GRAND FINALE** — The cast of the Union, N.J., church talent show Nov. 21 assembles for the finale. (See "Church Activities," this page.) [Photo by Glen A. Prokesch]

# CHURCH NEWS

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The **BRISBANE**, Australia, **SOUTH** Women's Club had a men's evening for the final meeting of 1981 Nov. 18. Director for the club was pastor Colin Sutcliffe. Mrs. Ron Fraser was hostess, and she warmly invited all to be involved. The questions presented by Geoff Nelson received hearty responses. Theme for the evening was "Family Recreation," and many helpful points were given by President Patricia Wardland and Mrs. Tim Hughes, Mrs. Barney Boland and Mrs. Robert Browning. The evening was highlighted by a supper prepared by Mrs. Fraser, Mrs. Hans Stein and Mrs. John Lehmann. *Mrs. Don Clark.*

A new Spokesman Club was formed in **CHADRON**, Neb., Dec. 8. With only nine members, the format was changed to only three speakers, three evaluators, a timer, toastmaster and topicmaster, which means each member will have a duty each club meeting. Director Steve Buchanan from Rapid City, S.D., stressed enthusiastic and eager participation by all the members. The club meets twice monthly. Officers selected for the club are Doug Johansen, president; Rex Norman, vice president; Vernon Rockey, secretary; Doug Elwess, treasurer; and Pete Brixius, sergeant at arms. *Doug Johansen.*

Lindsay Codd, president of the **CHRISTCHURCH**, New Zealand, Spokesman Club, welcomed guests to the ladies' night Dec. 10 at the Tower Restaurant. A four-course meal was enjoyed by members and their guests. The ladies were presented with orchids. Mr. and Mrs. Karl Karlov were special guests for the evening. Speeches were presented by Stan Miller and Alan Wilson, after being introduced by toastmaster Alec Harrison. A lively topics session was led by Brian Gray. *Bob Garrett.*

The **CINCINNATI**, Ohio, **NORTH** Ladies' Club had its first meeting of the season Dec. 13. Kenda Turner and Carol Boeckley served as hostess and cohostess, respectively. April Combs talked on caring for winter plants, Janet Treadway gave points on how to talk with your husband and Marilyn Brown talked about the play school group started by her and four other mothers. Diana Harry led tabletopics. Pastor Jack Pakozdi went over the rules for this year's club. He ended the meeting with a lecture on conversational tools. *Ponda Partin.*

The **EVANSVILLE**, Ind., Ladies' Club had its first 1981-82 meeting Dec. 13. Guest speaker Fred Bailey spoke on the woman's role. Business was conducted by director Diane Bailey, and tabletopics were led by Sandra Fentress. A demonstration on making a comforter was given by Brenda Eades. *Kathy Duncan.*

The **HOBART**, Australia, Spokesman Club had its final meeting of the year at the Good Woman Inn Dec. 14. Special guests for the evening were Mr. and Mrs. J. Page. Members and their ladies enjoyed dinner in a cozy Tudor setting. Following the topics session, which was presented by Derek Attwood, speeches were given by President Garry Barber and Vice President Mark Gully. In concluding the evening, director Alan Dean announced the appointment of officers for 1982: William Wheeler, president; Bruce Featherby, vice president; Phillip Sweetingham, secretary; Tom Madden, treasurer; and Barry Cook, sergeant at arms. *S. Featherby.*

The Ladies' Club of **HOUSTON**, Tex., met Dec. 15 at the home of Maureen Moulden. Mrs. Moulden gave a demonstration on the art of making bread. Members brought their good, quick recipes to share with the club. A potluck luncheon was served, and everyone enjoyed tasting the different varieties of food. *Barbara Morris.*

Women of the church were invited to the Nov. 21 meeting of the Women's Club of **INDIANAPOLIS**, Ind. Vernon Hargrove opened the meeting with prayer. Herb Johnson and several associates demonstrated self-defense to prevent rape. Mary Bond of Social Health presented a film entitled *Rape — Escape Without Violence*. Each woman brought a plate of finger foods for refreshments. *Jayne Schumaker.*

The **KENT**, Wash., Ambassador's Club opened a new year Dec. 5 with a hearty welcome extended to the wives to attend regularly. The membership is comprised of graduates of the Spokesman Club. Pastor Richard Parker outlined the policy that wives may also participate at every meeting, except they will not be given assignments. *Gale Ullerick.*

Dec. 1 was volleyball night for the **KNOXVILLE**, Tenn., Spokesman Club. Pastor Dave Orban canceled the topics session of the regular format to allow more time for the volleyball, which followed the meeting. The competition was more comical than fierce as both beginners and pros floundered to get the ball across the net. *Andy Thomas.*

The **KUMASI**, Ghana, Spokesman Club, which meets at a college on the outskirts of the city, was interrupted during the Dec. 12 meeting by a loud bang, followed by frantic screaming heard directly outside. Club members rushed out of the hall to find a bus carrying 40 people had just tipped over, 120 feet away. Club members rushed to the scene of the accident and began lifting people from the wreckage. The members

club discussed the booklet on tithing. Mr. Persky closed the meeting by discussing the doctrine of hell. *John Bass.*

The **ROCKHAMPTON**, Australia, Ladies' Club met for its end-of-the-year guest evening Dec. 6. Hostess Marilyn Byrne created a Hawaiian theme in the Gieses' back yard. Man of the guests wore Hawaiian shirts, and a few children dressed in grass skirts. During the tabletopics session, each club member asked one question. Director Bruce Dean presented Certificates of Merit to three pioneer members who completed the course during 1981: Marie DeMey, June Hinricks and Dawn Bennett. Mrs. Byrne and others prepared and served the meal of whole baked fish and salads, with fresh tropical fruit and cakes for dessert. *Jeanette Dean.*

The **SACRAMENTO**, Calif., Women's Club met for the first time Dec. 14. President Pat Wallace led the club. Topicmistress for the evening was Betty June, and toastmistress was Marcie Walton. The Most Effective Speech

club discussed the booklet on tithing. Mr. Persky closed the meeting by discussing the doctrine of hell. *John Bass.*

## SENIOR ACTIVITIES

Twenty-nine **BALTIMORE**, Md., senior citizens, their drivers and helpers enjoyed an afternoon of bowling, pizza

and all-one-could-eat meal at a Sir George's smorgasbord restaurant. *Jane Stanwood.*

## SINGLES SCENE

The **ATLANTA**, Ga., Singles' Club sponsored a dance Nov. 28 and invited 20 churches in the surrounding states. The social began with hors d'oeuvres, and later a four-course meal was served. Brethren from as far away as Jackson, Miss., and Cincinnati, Ohio, attended the evening of music and dancing. *Richard Thatcher.*

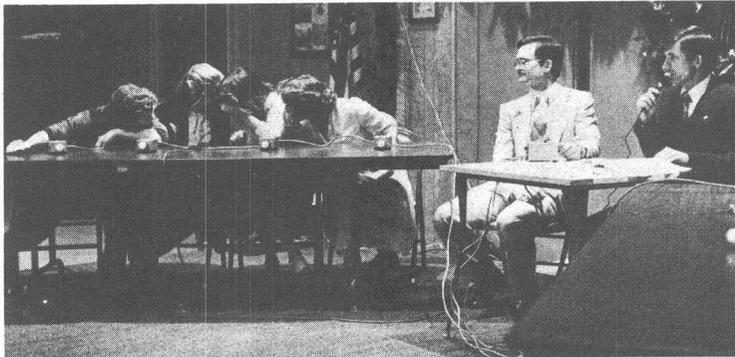
The fourth annual singles' dance sponsored by the **CLEVELAND**, Ohio, United Singles' Club took place Nov. 28 in North Olmstead, Ohio. Some 123 persons danced to records played by the Zadar family. A prize was awarded to Rodney Larson of Iowa for traveling the longest distance. Others journeyed from Michigan, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia. The following day the brethren enjoyed lunch and a museum tour. *George Antonio.*

Singles from as far away as North Carolina and New York converged on **COLUMBUS**, Ohio, Dec. 5 for the fourth annual Columbus Alive Singles' Dance. The theme, "A Night of Solid Gold," was carried out in the '50s and '60s music and the decorations. Prizes were given for costumes and for best twist, limbo and jitterbug dancing. The entertainment was a skit performed by adviser Bill Wood and 12 singles entitled "The Columbus Mickey Mouse Club." The person traveling the farthest to attend the dance, Harlan Brown from Durham, N.C., became an honorary Mouseketeer. *Bev Earls and Boyd Thomas.*

The home of Karl Harbeck in Wayne, Mich., provided the setting for a **DETROIT WEST** and **ANN ARBOR**, Mich., singles' mixer Dec. 12. Music, food, drinks, a sing-along, dancing and, of course, much getting-to-know-you-better conversation were enjoyed. *Steve Holsey.*

**JACKSONVILLE**, Fla., singles, plus pastor Allen Bullock and his wife Doris enjoyed dinner at People's Restaurant Dec. 5. The occasion commenced the Jacksonville Singles' Club. Uplifting fellowship and good food set the pace for the club. *Mike Medina.*

Seventeen **NOTTINGHAM**, England, members of United Singles. (See **CHURCH NEWS**, page 11)



**BIBLE BOWL** — YOU teams representing six area churches take part in a Bible bowl during weekend activities in Kansas City, Kan., Dec. 12 and 13. (See "Youth Activities," page 11.)

waved down passing vehicles so that the injured could be taken to the hospital. Other club members kept curious onlookers from getting too close to the bus. The fuel tank on the bus had been punctured and fuel was dripping on the heated engine. Within 20 minutes, club members, along with others who helped, managed to remove everyone from the bus and get the injured safely to the hospital. Though many people were severely injured, no one was killed in the accident. *Steve LeBlanc.*

Fifteen women got together for the first meeting of the Women's Club of the **PALMER**, Alaska, church Dec. 5. The club format, tabletopics and icebreakers were explained in turn by Carol Roemer, Dorene Eckman and Laurie Pickett. Hostess Linda Orchard gave a talk and demonstrations on how to organize one's time, home and family. Club officers are Carol Roemer, Dorene Eckman, Linda Orchard, steering committee; Elinor Fransson, secretary; and Sharon Dillon, treasurer. *Linda Orchard.*

Fifty-two women attended the second meeting of the **ROANOKE**, Va., Women's Club Dec. 6 at the Troutville Town Hall. The director is Robert Persky. All the women joined in the topics session led by Susan Allen. Following a refreshment break, hostess Betty Chandler introduced speakers Lillian Hensley, Ann Farmer and Sherry Kinzie, who gave their This Is My Life speeches. Mr. Persky discussed the importance of being a submissive wife. *Sherry Kinzie.*

The Troutville Town Hall was turned into a Western ranch Dec. 13 as the **ROANOKE**, Va., Spokesman Club played host to graduates, wives and dates for the annual ladies' breakfast. The cooking crew, headed by Danny Smith, and the decorating crew, headed by Melvin Dillman, began their work early in the morning, and the result was a bountiful breakfast in a Western atmosphere. After breakfast, minister Robert Persky opened the regular club meeting with prayer, and President Wiley Green introduced topicmaster Dan Allen. After a break, the club reconvened for the speech session, led by toastmaster Jim Stiglich. Awards were presented to Larry Linton for the Most Helpful Evaluation, Bod Rodzaj the Most Improved Speaker and Melvin Dillman for the Most Effective Speech. Mr. Persky closed the meeting by discussing Herbert W. Armstrong's introduction in the club manual.

After another break, 16 members of the Graduate Spokesman Club had a meeting under the direction of Mr. Persky. Don Roschell, John Lanum and Jim White gave sermonettes, and the

award went to Frances London. The Most Improved Speaker was Raabe Wallace. Director D.R. Sandoval instructed the ladies on parliamentary procedure and enumerated the goals of the club. *J. Fossan.*

The **MANASSA** Women's Club of **ST. PETERSBURG**, Fla., met Dec. 15. Slides were shown of the Chillkoot Trail, which is over the coastal mountains between Alaska and British Columbia, Canada. The slides were taken and shown by Bunny Schneider. *Helen Walworth.*

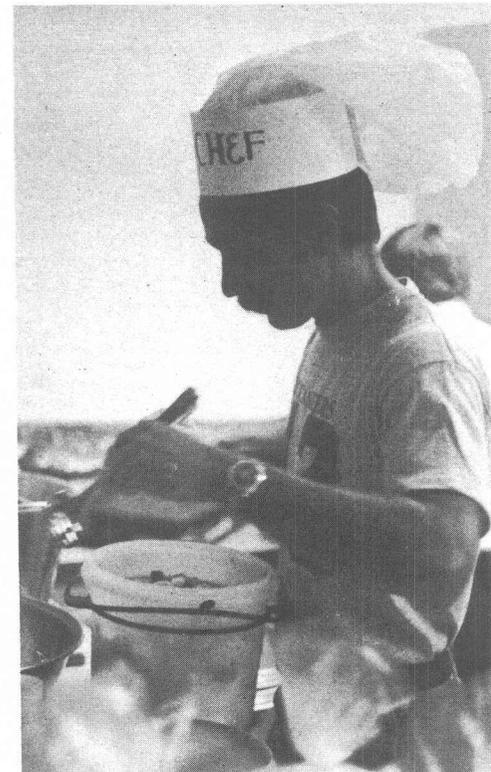
The **SAN DIEGO**, Calif., Women's Club (A.M.) began its sixth season Dec. 8 with a meeting in Mira Mesa, Calif. The meeting was opened by Mary Ann Aust, wife of associate pastor Jerold Aust. Mrs. Aust spoke briefly of her previous experience and then outlined the club format. Mrs. Aust read an amusing and touching essay on "Grandmas," written by a third grader. The Women of the Bible portion of the meeting was conducted by Mr. Aust, who chose Ruth as his first subject. The meeting concluded with a review by Mr. Aust of the booklet *True Womanhood*. *Susan Karaska.*

With a theme of "A Night in Italy," the **TAMPA**, Fla., Young Adults' Club had a spaghetti dinner Nov. 21, which was attended by more than 100 people. Coordinator Jack Fike delegated responsibilities to Jules Dervaes for the entertainment, and to Greg Quick for organizing the dinner. Donna Wood was responsible for decorating the hall and presenting an Italian atmosphere. Carl Gennaro and Bill Jeffers served as head cooks, while many other men served as assistant cooks and waiters. Lynn Rowe, Tim Holmes, Dale Britt, Bob Pino, Joe Rodriguez and Dale Yates provided entertainment for the guests with songs that were appropriate for the evening. Al and Mike Myers gave dancing lessons to those who wished to learn such dances as the box step and the cha-cha. *Dale Yates.*

The end-of-the-year ladies' night of the **WELLINGTON**, New Zealand, Spokesman Club took place in an elegant reception lounge Nov. 24. Special guests were regional director Peter Nathan and his wife Karen. After dinner, Sio-Oui Shia led tabletopics and President Roy Everett introduced the speakers. Director and pastor Lyall Johnston introduced Mr. Nathan, who addressed the gathering and presented certificates to 12 graduates. *Dennis Gordon.*

The first meeting of the newly formed Ambassador's Women's Club of **WINCHESTER**, Va., took place Nov. 29 at Handley Library Auditorium. Club director Wendy Park opened the meet-

ing with prayer and then explained the purpose of club and how to make it meaningful to self and others. Jenny Spong followed with the tabletopics session. Glenda Sawyer gave a talk on Tabitha, showing her example of serving others. Hostess Margie Dulaney introduced guest speaker Judy Burtner, extension agent from Virginia Polytechnic Institute, who gave a talk on economy in the home. Club officers appointed for the coming year are Glenda Sawyer, treasurer and sergeant at arms, and Margie Dulaney, secretary. *Margie Dulaney.*



**CHEF** — Bill Jeffers helps prepare a spaghetti dinner for the Young Adults' Club of Tampa, Fla., Nov. 21. (See "Club Meetings," this page.)

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## BIRTHS

**ABEL**, Mr. and Mrs. Aislaka, of Oguta, Nigeria, boy, Biebheh, Nov. 5.

**BARBEE**, Jim and Norene (Hyda), of Topoka, Kan., girl, Kerrie Rebecca, Dec. 2, 4:36 p.m., 8 pounds 4 ounces, now 2 girls.

**BARE**, Dale and Kathy (Warrell), of Pryor, Okla., girl, Alison Leah, Oct. 13, 1:30 p.m., 8 pounds 6 ounces, now 1 boy, 3 girls.

**BLAKELY**, Jeff and Darlene (DeGarmo), of Cincinnati, Ohio, boy, Troy David, Oct. 10, 7:05 a.m., 9 pounds 10 1/2 ounces, now 3 boys.

**COLEMAN**, Kevin and Cindy (Bellomy), of Kansas City, Mo., boy, Preston Lee, Aug. 31, 7:41 p.m., 8 pounds 11 ounces, now 2 boys.

**DUBRY**, John and Linda (Jepsen), of Greenboro, N.C., girl, Lisa Danielle, Dec. 9, 3:12 p.m., 7 pounds 9 ounces, first child.

**EDINBOROUGH**, Jack and Rita, of Abbotford, B.C., boy, Ian William, Oct. 12, 1:35 p.m., 7 pounds 6 1/2 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

**FAW**, Murray and Cindy (Fenton), of Kitchener, Ont., girl, Robin Elizabeth, Sept. 10, 12:06 p.m., 7 pounds 4 ounces, now 4 boys, 5 girls.

**GOULD**, Gary and Amy (Behm), of Dayton, Ohio, boy, Daniel Norman, Oct. 27, 12:55 a.m., 9 pounds 2 1/2 ounces, now 2 boys.

**HOLLON**, Derrick and Linda, of South Lebanon, Ohio, girl, Jada Alexandra, Nov. 16, 11:30 p.m., 9 pounds 8 ounces, now 2 boys, 2 girls.

**HOWE**, Alan and Susan (Rush), of Minneapolis, Minn., boy, Jeffrey Alan, Dec. 8, 2:09 p.m., 8 pounds 2 ounces, first child.

**KINCAID**, Douglas and Vickie (Sutherland), of Nashville, Tenn., boy, Brandon Christopher, Oct. 17, 10:45 a.m., 8 pounds, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

**KOHER**, David and Julie (Pagnhlang), of Wheeling, W.Va., girl, Vanessa Erin, Oct. 12, 7 pounds 15 ounces, first child.

**LORENZANA**, Pete and Dee (Siqueiros), of Pasadena, boy, Jacob Herbert, Oct. 23, 7:54 a.m., 8 pounds 8 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

**MADGE**, Larry and Chris (Glochrist), of Lethbridge, Alta., boy, Mark David, Nov. 2, 3:45 a.m., 8 pounds 6 ounces, now 2 boys, 2 girls.

**MEREDITH**, Roderick and Shyrrel, of Pasadena, boy, Jonathan Carl, Dec. 2, 1:20 a.m., 6 pounds 14 ounces, now 2 boys.

**MILLS**, Richard and Vicki (Norman), of Seattle, Wash., boy, Michael Andrew, Dec. 18, 7:29 p.m., 10 pounds 3 ounces, now 3 boys.

**MILNER**, Dennis and Judith (McGlaughlin), of Pasadena, boy, Stephen Bradford, Dec. 2, 11:53 a.m., 7 pounds 14 ounces, first child.

**SEGALL**, Marc and Lisa (Cosco), of Chico, Calif., boy, David Marc, Dec. 14, 7:21 a.m., 8 pounds 9 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

**SHEPPARD**, Ernest and Paula (Levet), of Ada, Okla., girl, Crystal Michelle, Nov. 4, 11:18 a.m., 7 pounds 8 ounces, first child.

**SODARO**, Bruce and Joyce (Ettas), of Lancaster, Pa., girl, Andrea Michelle, Nov. 6, 5:40 p.m., 5 pounds 5 ounces, first child.

**STEWART**, Mike and Sonja (Landin), of Ogden, Utah, girl, Rachel Jessica, Dec. 14, 11:27 a.m., 7 pounds 1 ounce, now 3 boys, 1 girl.

**SUBBOT**, Rick and Anita (DeMott), of Pasadena, boy, Nathan Drew, Dec. 9, 5:36 p.m., 8 pounds 6 1/2 ounces, first child.

**TIBBS**, John and April (James), of Tacoma, Wash., boy, Benjamin Lewis, Nov. 30, 2:43 a.m., 9 pounds 8 ounces, first child.

**TODD**, Tim and Bonnie (Pearle), of Lafayette, La., girl, Jessica Marie, Nov. 16, 11:45 p.m., 5 pounds 11 ounces, first child.

**WILLIAMS**, William and Susan (Bean), of Winchester, Va., boy, William Lewis, 7 pounds 11 ounces, now 3 boys.

## ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hubbard Jr. of Fresno, Calif., and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Malm of Fort Macleod, Alta., are pleased to announce the engagement of their children Tony Ellen and Duane Lloyd. The wedding will take place Jan. 23 in Lethbridge, Alta.

## WEDDINGS



**MR. AND MRS. WES JOLLY**

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Dickinson of Albuquerque, N.M., announce the marriage of their daughter Karen to Wes Jolly of Flagstaff, Ariz., Nov. 22, Mr. Dickinson, pastor of the Albuquerque and Farmington, N.M., churches, performed the ceremony.

Marcia Ganha Muller and Harry Clarke Gunderson were united in marriage Nov. 7, with Darlene Schmidt as maid of honor and Paul Kangas as best man. Felix Heimberg, a minister in the West Bend, Wis., church officiated the ceremony at Oinesen Park Pavilion in Milwaukee, Wis.

Sharon Bergeron and Edward Neva were united in marriage Dec. 5. The ceremony was performed by Leo van Pelt, pastor of the Sudbury and North Bay, Ont., churches.



**MR. AND MRS. TIMOTHY ROGERS**

The wedding of Karen Michele Ridgway, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Ridgway of Saskatoon, Sask., and Timothy Glen Rogers, son of Ed Rogers and the late Riema Rogers, took place in the Besabourough Hotel Gardens in Saskatoon May 17.

The ceremony was performed by pastor M. Yorkie of Saskatoon. The bride attended Ambassador College in 1975 and 1976. The couple reside in the Lloydminster, Sask., area.



**MR. AND MRS. CHARLES FISHER**

Deborah K. Saylor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Saylor, and Charles A. Fisher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marion L. Fisher Sr., were united in marriage Sept. 27 at Ambassador College. The ceremony was officiated by Richard Ames. Maid of honor was Cheryl Saylor, sister of the bride. Best man was David Fisher, brother of the groom. Debby and Chuck reside in Pasadena.



**MR. AND MRS. JEFFREY VALLET**

C. Jeffrey Vallet, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cal Vallet of

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Nitro, W.Va., and Deborah L. Nelms, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Nelms of Nashville, Ga., were married Oct. 10 in Valdosta, Ga., at the Crescent Garden Club. The ceremony was performed by Rick Beam, pastor of the Moultrie, Ga., and Tallahassee, Fla., churches. The maid of honor was Edwina Nelms, sister of the bride. The best man was Gray Vallet, brother of the groom. The couple reside in Ripley.



**MR. AND MRS. MARTY DAVEY**

Yvonne Verwater of Toowoomba, Australia, and Marty Davey of Smyrna, Tenn., were united in marriage Aug. 23. The ceremony was performed by Dean Blackwell in the Ambassador College Recital Hall. The couple, both 1981 Ambassador College graduates, now reside in Houston, Tex.



**MR. AND MRS. PETER BIRKLE**

Catherine Parsons, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allan Parsons, and Peter Birkle, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Birkle, were united in marriage Aug. 29 in Willowdale, Ont. The ceremony was performed by Alvin Norstrom, pastor of the Toronto, Ont., East church. Truly



**MR. AND MRS. ALBERT J. BOYD**

## Weddings Made of Gold

VALLEY CENTER, Calif. — Albert and Edith Boyd of the San Diego, Calif., church celebrated their 50th anniversary Nov. 25. They received a card with signatures of many of the brethren on the Sabbath before their anniversary. Mr. Boyd and the former Edith Ruth Sands met on a blind date and

were married in 1931 in Long Beach, Calif. He, at 28, was employed by the Long Beach Fire Department. She was a 26-year-old telephone operator. Both were baptized into God's Church in November, 1964. The Boyds have one daughter, Darlene Armstrong, and one son, Albert Jr.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

We'd like to let the readers of *The Worldwide News* know about your new baby as soon as it arrives. Just fill out this coupon and send it to the address given as soon as possible after the baby is born.



Our coupon baby this issue is Esteele Dubois, daughter of Philippe and Michelle Dubois of Montreal, Que.

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Parsons was maid of honor, and Dave Hosock was best man. The couple reside in Don Mills, Ont.

conducted by Jeff McGowan, pastor of the Boise and Ontario and Baker, Ore., churches.

## ANNIVERSARIES

To my Happy Bear: Thank you for the happiest and most meaningful year of my life. Merging two families has had its trials but also tremendous blessings. It's wonderful to have such a kind, understanding and loving friend to share life with, and our beautiful little daughter has really rounded out our family. Happy anniversary, Darling. I love you! Your Lover, Lamb Chop.

Happy fourth wedding anniversary Nov. 23 to Ev and Judy Gower; and as of Dec. 4, a joyous welcome to the congregation of called-out ones — the Body of Christ. With much love, Mom.

Cleto, a dozen years of sharing our lives has truly been wonderful! Thanks for all your patience, understanding and great love. Your three sons and I love you and wanted to tell you how much it means to have you. Happy 12th anniversary and many more. Love always, Renee.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Harlow, longtime members of God's Church, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Dec. 14. A family banquet in their honor took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mike McDonough in Williamsburg, Va. Included in the many gifts received was an anniversary clock, presented to the Harlows by the Richmond, Va., congregation. The couple attend the Richmond church.

Dear Fred: Happy anniversary Jan. 11. Honey! And thank you for your growing love and understanding these past six years. You are a wonderful husband and fantastic father to our two beautiful little girls. We all love you so much! Loving you forever, Sue.

## Obituaries

BOISE, Idaho — James A. Shines, 59, died Nov. 1. Funeral services were



**CINDY LOU OLSON**

**BRAINERD**, Minn. — Cindy Lou Olson, 26, died of pneumonia Nov. 4. Stan McNeil, pastor of the Brainerd church, conducted funeral services. Mrs. Olson is survived by her husband Raymond and three daughters, Christina, Charity and Roberta.



**DEANNA GREENE**

**CHICAGO**, Ill. — Deanna Greene, 17, was killed instantly in an automobile accident Nov. 8. Roy Holladay, pastor of the Arlington Heights and Hinsdale, Ill., church, conducted funeral services.

Deanna is survived by her parents, Landon and Eulalia Greene; three sisters, Carla, Denise and Ginny; two brothers, Faron and Jerome; and a niece and nephew.

**CHULA VISTA**, Calif. — Thomas W. Baldrey, 71, died Dec. 7 at his home here after a long bout with cancer. Interment was in LaVista Memorial Park in National City, Calif.

Mr. Baldrey is survived by his wife Evangeline; a daughter, Verna Grabbe of Pasadena; three sons, Allan, Glenn and Arthur; a sister, Eula Mae Seymour; a brother, Elbert; and 11 grandchildren. (See ANNOUNCEMENTS, page 11)

# CHURCH NEWS

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enjoyed a guest from Manchester, England, enjoyed a get-together Nov. 28 at the home of John Gent. After a buffet meal served by Joan Gent, the singles saw two slide collections from Mr. Gent and Peter Gout on Disneyland, Pasadena, the Ambassador College campus and a National Aeronautics and Space Administration site, followed by another show by Mike Maher on the Prestatyn, Wales, Feast site. *Ann McLaren.*

A family atmosphere prevailed as 12 young adults gathered at the Troutville Town Hall Dec. 6 for the first meeting of the ROANOKE, Va., Single Young Adults' Group. The group will meet the first Sunday of every month under the direction of minister Robert Persky and his wife Kay. Bob Rodzaj was appointed assistant coordinator of the club. For this first meeting, Mr. and Mrs. Persky led the group in a round table discussion on dating, personal relationships, etiquette, grooming and the importance of proper fellowship. The group made plans for future meetings and other activities. *Deborah Skipper.*

## YOUTH ACTIVITIES

The YOU talent contest of District 62 took place in CHADRON, Neb., Dec. 19. Rhonda West won first place in the senior division, and Brenda Colson finished second. Winner of the junior division was Laciada Madison, with Matt Minkel placing second. During the break between the junior and senior divisions, a Rubik's cube competition took place. Fifteen-year-old Mark Madison won with a time of 3 minutes 40 seconds. Second place in the event went to Carl West, with a time of 4 minutes 30 seconds. Meals were prepared for all guests Friday evening, Sabbath morning, and that evening by brethren in the Chadron area. *Doug Johannsen.*

The YOU District 32 talent contest took place in CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Dec. 5. The contest was preceded by a potluck dinner after church services. In the junior division, Jon Prevo on the drums won first place and Tammy Casson on the piano won second place. In the senior division, Elisabeth Prevo on the oboe won first place, singer Karen Taylor won second place and singer Debbie Rogers won third place. Jon, Karen and Elisabeth will represent District 32 in the Southeast regional contest.

The Chattanooga YOU had an ice-skating party Dec. 12 at Choo-Choo's Ice Land. *Elisabeth Prevo.*

HARRISBURG, Pa., YOU members, along with their parents, were invited to a night of pizza and bowling Dec. 5. The group of 30 occupied six lanes, and the higher scores were around 180. *Alan Weaner.*

The HOBART, Australia, Boys' Club enjoyed a fishing trip to Lake Leake in Tasmania Dec. 6. The boys, accompanied by two of the fathers, camped overnight in order to have a full day of fishing. Two of the boys hooked trout from the lake. The boys learned to solve some problems on the outboard motors and how to enjoy the great out-of-doors. *Daniel Clarke and S. Featherby.*

A weekend of YOU activities for the KANSAS CITY, Kan., district began Dec. 12. The Kansas City South church was

host to Sabbath services, a potluck and a Bible bowl for the teams of the area. A sermon on peer pressure was delivered by Don Hooser, pastor of the Grand Island, Neb., church. A large number of Church members attended the YOU talent contest that evening, which was followed by a dance and refreshments. Early the next morning, eight teams squared off in the district girls' volleyball tournament. Kansas City East won the championship, and Kansas City North received the Best Sportsmanship award. *Donald Ferguson.*

The 3- to 8-year olds of the KNOXVILLE, Tenn., congregation enjoyed a costume party Dec. 6. The most popular costumes were cowpersons, early settlers, hula girls and various athletes. The most unusual costume was the Rubik's cube. The participants enjoyed two hours of games, some Disney cartoons and juice and cookies. *Anny Thomas.*

About 50 YOU members and adults from the RICHMOND and NORFOLK, Va., areas visited Washington, D.C., Dec. 6. The group went to the Smithsonian Institute, and after touring the museums all day, they convened with the Washington teens for a pizza supper at a nearby Pizza Hut. *Linda Brockmeier.*

The SPRINGFIELD, Mass., church was host for the first Family Weekend in the Northeast Dec. 5 and 6. Brethren from Albany, N.Y., Concord, N.H., Montpelier, Vt., Providence, R.I., Springfield and Boston, Mass., Meriden, Conn., and Portland and Bangor, Maine, participated in the event. After Sabbath services, a Bible bowl took place, and the YOU team from Montpelier won the first-place trophy. Following a meal, the District 11 YOU talent show took place. Winners were Lori Swanson, first place in the senior division; David Kangas, second place in the senior division; and Sandy Swanson, first place in the junior division. These three will advance to the regional competition. In the District 11 volleyball tournament

Sunday, Providence won first place, Concord second and Albany third. Best Sportsmanship was awarded to the Springfield team. Most Valuable Player was Dana King. *Michael Midura.*

The WINDSOR, Ont., YES group enjoyed a five-pin bowling outing Nov.

29. The YOU group set aside the afternoon of Dec. 13 for a games social at the home of Mike and Carol Greaves. The social consisted of cards, table and board games, skating and fellowshiping. Refreshments and then a chicken dinner were served. *Carol Smith.*

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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DOUGLAS, Ga. — Alvin A. "Gus" McCarty, 73, died Dec. 4. Mr. McCarty was baptized in 1968 and attended the Moultrie, Ga., church. Funeral services were conducted by Rick Beam, pastor of the Moultrie church.

Mr. McCarty is survived by his wife Ruby, a daughter, three sisters, two grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

EMMETT, Idaho — Rosa E. Clement, 89, died Dec. 12. Funeral services were conducted in Boise, Idaho, by Jeff McGowan, pastor of the Boise church and congregations in Ontario and Baker, Ore. Mrs. Clement is survived by her daughter, Alma Jones, a member of the Boise church.

FRESNO, Calif. — Eulalia Ann Harding, 87, died Nov. 14 after a long illness. Graveside services were conducted by Alton Billingsley, pastor of the Fresno church.

Mrs. Harding is survived by her husband Howard, and a daughter, Dorothy Benbow of Fresno.

HACIENDA HEIGHTS, Calif. — Kim Ann Kimura, 25, died of cancer Oct. 25. Funeral services were held by

Carn Catherwood, pastor of the Glendora, Calif., church. Interment was in Rose Hills Memorial Park in Whittier, Calif.

Miss Kimura was baptized July 12 and is survived by her parents, George Toshio and Mickey Kimura, and a sister.

MASON CITY, Iowa — Anna M. Johnson, 62, died unexpectedly Nov. 14. She had been a member of God's Church for 12 years. Funeral services were conducted by Keith Thomas, pastor of the Mason City church. Mrs. Johnson is survived by her husband Leo.

SEDRO-WOOLLEY, Wash. — Dovie Samuelson, 91, a longtime member of the Church, died Dec. 7 following a stroke. Funeral services were conducted by Valden White, pastor of the Sedro-Woolley church.

TORONTO, Ont. — Emma Gillanders, 79, died Nov. 28 of a heart attack immediately after Sabbath services in Toronto. She had been a Church member since 1965.

Funeral services were conducted by Richard Pinelli, pastor of the Toronto East and West churches. Mrs. Gillanders is survived by her husband Alexander, son, Donald; and daughter, Margaret Cunningham, a member of the Toronto West church.

# Children's Corner

## King of the Mountain

By Vivian Pettijohn

"I'm king of the mountain!" shouted Chris gleefully from the top of the dirt pile in Tommy's backyard. "Call me King Christopher!"

"Now I'm king!" bragged 6-year-old Tommy as he rushed back up the hill and sent Chris tumbling down it. "Call me King Thomas!"

Each time the boys ran up the hill, trying to be king, the pushing got rougher and their tempers got more out of hand.

"I'm king," Chris again yelled, as he scrambled to the top. He gave Tommy a hard shove, making him fall. Tommy hit one knee on a sharp rock and tore his pants. The rock cut his leg too, which began to bleed.

"Ow! Look what you did, Chris! You're mean! I don't want to play with you anymore!" Tommy whimpered a little from the pain — and from worry about what his mother would say when she saw the torn pants.

"You pushed me, too, Tommy!" Chris yelled. "Let's see you come back up here and try to knock me off the mountain — if you think you can! I'll just push you harder next time! You're such a baby, whining over a tiny cut! Baby Tommy, you make me mad!"

Chris made no effort to control his temper. His father suddenly walked through the gate in the hedge. He was frowning.

"Chris," he scolded, "what is going on over here? I could hear your fussing and yelling clear over in our house. And Tommy," he asked, bending down to examine the cut leg, "how did this happen?"

"Chris pushed me and made me fall on a rock," Tommy said angrily.

"Tommy," Chris's father said with

concern, "I'm sorry your leg got hurt. Maybe your mother or father should take a look at it. But first," he continued, "Chris, you apologize for hurting Tommy."

"I — I — I'm sorry, Tommy," stammered Chris, hanging his head and kicking one foot in the dirt.

When Tommy had gone into his house, Chris and his father walked home silently.

"Chris," said his father as he picked up the newspaper in the living room, "I want you to read some headlines to me. Then we'll talk about what they have to do with you and Tommy."

"WAR BREAKS OUT!" Chris read, looking puzzled. Then, following his father's finger to other headlines, Chris read: "Couple Gunned Down," then "Gang Fight Sends Six to Hospital."

"Son," his father said, "you've been learning the Ten Commandments. Do you know which one has been broken when there are wars and fighting?"

"No, Daddy," answered Chris after a pause, "because there isn't one that says 'Thou shalt not fight and have wars.'"

"Yes, there is," Dad said, picking up his Bible, "when you read the Sixth Commandment, 'Thou shalt not kill' — or as Jesus Christ said in Matthew 19:18, 'Thou shalt do no murder.' This is what Jesus said in Matthew 5:21-22: 'Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not kill; and whosoever shall kill shall be in danger of the judgment: But I say unto you, That whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment...'

"So," continued Dad, "when you let yourself get angry and think hateful thoughts you are as wrong in God's sight

as the person who murders."

"And I was thinking hateful thoughts about Tommy!" Chris admitted. "I'm sorry, Daddy. We were just playing and having fun at first. Then we both started losing our tempers and shoved too hard. I'd better go over to Tommy's and tell him I'm really sorry and I want us to stay friends. Okay?"

"Yes, son," Dad agreed, smiling. "It's wrong to lose your temper, even a little, for it makes you think bad thoughts. And bad thoughts nearly always lead to bad actions — such as fights and even murder!"

"I see now, Daddy," Chris said, "why you wanted me to read the headlines. The wars and fights got started from bad thoughts." Chris paused, then said, "I really thought it was important to be king of the mountain. But I'm bigger than Tommy, and I shouldn't have shoved him so hard. When I go over to tell him I'm sorry, I'll call him King Thomas. He'll like that."

"Good," Dad said, turning to Proverbs 16:32. "I want you to think about this verse, too, which says that the person who is slow to anger is better than the mighty, and the person who rules his spirit is better than the one who takes a city. You just wanted to take a 'mountain' — a little pile of dirt — so you could be king and rule it. But when you rule your temper, that's more important than taking even a whole city! So," Dad said, putting an arm around Chris, "keep trying to rule yourself, living by God's laws, and someday we'll really be able to call you 'King Christopher!'"

The next "Children's Corner" is about the Seventh Commandment. If you haven't already memorized this commandment, can you learn it before then?

## Find the Proverb

Hidden in the squares below are all the words of Proverbs 16:32. This proverb helps us understand the meaning of the Sixth Commandment. The words below are in straight lines, either forward, backward, up and down, or at an angle. As you find the words in the puzzle, circle them and mark them on the word list.

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Verse: "He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city."

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

# UPDATE

**MANILA, Philippines**—Brethren here cheered and clapped when Pastor General **Herbert W. Armstrong** appeared on television screens Jan. 9. According to regional director **Guy L. Ames**, God opened the door to the two most powerful television stations for *The World Tomorrow* telecast. Twenty-three stations carried the program nationwide.

Mr. Ames expressed to the Metro Manila congregation here during Sabbath services Jan. 9 how excited he was when word came that the pastor general had approved the move to air the telecast. "This is both exciting and historic for God's Work in the Philippines," he said.

Jan. 10, at 9:30 a.m., the telecast aired on the nation's second most powerful station.

Mr. Ames expressed his appreciation for the Canadian brethren and regional director **Collin Adair** for "generously giving a financial hand to make this historic broadcast possible." Mr. Adair was previously regional director in the Philippines.

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**ACCRA, Ghana** — Church members here are alive and well following a Dec. 31 military coup, the second in three years, according to reports received from **Steve LeBlanc**, a ministerial trainee here.



STEVE LeBLANC

**Jerry J. Rawlings**, a retired air force lieutenant, overthrew the civilian government of President **Hilla Limann**, the individual to whom Mr. Rawlings handed over power following the June, 1979, coup.

**Melvin Rhodes**, the pastor here, was in the United States with his wife at the time of the coup, and was able to contact Mr. LeBlanc. Mr. and Mrs.

Rhodes returned to Ghana Jan. 11.

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**DOUGLAS, Wyo.** — **Jerry Sinner**, 17, and **Monty Fertig Jr.**, 20, saved the life of a 4-year-old boy here Dec. 20. The pair were working in a trailer court when they heard shouts from a nearby frozen sewage lagoon. Two boys had fallen through the ice.

Jerry plunged in after the boys, pulling one from under the ice pack. The two then started cardiopulmonary resuscitation. One revived and was taken to a nearby hospital. Ambulance and fire rescue units continued efforts to revive the 3 year old en route to the Douglas hospital, but were unsuccessful.

Jerry attends the Wheatland church with his mother **Evelyn Sinner** and Monte is the son of **Dean and Loretta Fertig**. Mr. Fertig is a local church elder in Casper, Wyo.



**GRADUATION DAY** — Recipients of Diplomas in Biblical Studies from Ambassador College in Pasadena pause after ceremonies in the faculty lounge Jan. 6. From left: Jay Fields, Lincoln Jallal, Eva Peck, Linda Regan and Norma Wiles. [Photo by Scott Smith]

## Church teenagers meet Britain's Queen Elizabeth

**ST. ALBANS, England** — Several Church teens, students at Parmiters School in Garston, were able to meet or see Britain's Queen Elizabeth II when she visited the school Dec. 11.

Queen Elizabeth opened a new drama building and toured Parmiters, a comprehensive high school for 12- to 18-year-old students. One boy and one girl from each class had tea with the Queen and her entourage in the school assembly hall.

**Gordon Wilson**, 13, son of **Bill and Irene Wilson** of the St. Albans church, escorted a girl to present flowers to the Queen, who unveiled

a commemorative plaque.

**Julie Winchester**, 16, daughter of St. Albans member **Ernie Winchester**, performed in the school band as it welcomed the visiting monarch.

**Peter Smith**, 13, son of **Edward and Irene Smith** of the Cambridge, England, church, performed in a short skit for the Queen. Mr. Smith is an elder in the Cambridge church.

Children of evangelist **Frank Brown**, deacon **Winston Bothwell** and *Plain Truth* contributor **John R. Schroeder** were also present during the royal visit.



**FUND RAISER** — Pasadena Ambassador College senior **Rosalyn Verwater** (right) and her sister **Elise**, a freshman, sell concessions to bolster student funds Jan. 1 at the Rose Bowl, site of a major college post-season football game in Pasadena. The students involved were able to leave early to avoid breaking the Sabbath. [Photo by Robert Taylor]

## YOU

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"They all performed well, and it was close judging the winners."

Last summer it was announced that the 1982 national talent contest would take place in April. Acting upon this several churches had district contests. However, later the contest was rescheduled to its usual time, the end of December.

According to Mr. Dean, district

contests are scheduled for September, regionals in November and nationals at the end of December, like this year.

"The district winners who have already won can compete again in the district contests in September," Mr. Egbert explained. "Even if they don't win, current district winners will advance to regional competition along with the September district winner." Therefore, more contestants will perform at regionals this year.



**REGIONAL DIRECTORS MEET** — Evangelist **Frank Brown** (center), regional director of God's Work in the United Kingdom, converses with **Larry Omasta** (right), director of Media Services, while **David Hulme**, a preaching elder assisting in the media area of God's Work, looks on during a break in the Jan. 13 regional directors' meeting with Pastor General **Herbert W. Armstrong**. [Photo by Nathan Faulkner]

## Cancer fells local elder



RONALD GOETHALS

**SUMNER, Wash.** — **Ronald J. Goethals**, 45, a local church elder in Sedro-Woolley, Wash., died of multiple myeloma (cancer of the bone

marrow) Dec. 18. He died in his sleep at the home of his brother **Gilbert**, a local elder in the Tacoma, Wash., church.

Funeral services were conducted in Sedro-Woolley Dec. 22 by **Gilbert Goethals**. Interment was at Union Cemetery there.

"No man was more willing to serve than Ron," said **Valden White**, pastor of the Sedro-Woolley church. "He played a prominent part in all our activities. He was closer than a brother to me. And I shall always miss him."

Mr. Goethals was born in Seattle, Wash., Nov. 14, 1936. He was baptized into God's Church in November, 1968. He was ordained a deacon July 1, 1972, and was raised in rank to local church elder Sept. 13, 1977. He attended the Ministerial Refreshing Program in Pasadena July, 1981.

Mr. Goethals is survived by his wife **Jacqueline**; a son **Steven**, 18; a daughter **Patricia**, 16; two brothers, **Gilbert** and **Albert**; a sister, **Mary Louise Bassen**; and his father, **Victor**.

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