

## God's Church employs three-point media plan

By Michael A. Snyder

PASADENA — The continued success of God's Church in preaching the Gospel rests primarily on two reasons, said David Hulme, director of media purchasing for the church, in a Sept. 4 interview with *The Worldwide News*.

"God said that a distinct trait of the Philadelphia era would be that of walking through open doors," said Mr. Hulme, referring to Revelation 3:7-8.

"This obviously is stressing to us how God will enable His Church to perform the end-time work — God himself will provide the opportunities to preach the Gospel," he said.

Mr. Hulme explained that a comprehensive media plan was the second factor needed for success.

"Mr. [Herbert W.] Armstrong outlined the basic media plan we use today over half a century ago," Mr. Hulme said. "He explained it in his autobiography."

### Three-point plan

Mr. Armstrong wrote that in January, 1934, God's Church began using three main media to proclaim Christ's Gospel: (1) a half-hour radio broadcast; (2) the mimeographed edition of *The Plain Truth*; and (3) personal public meetings.

"What we publish and broadcast today is vastly different in terms of quality and magnitude," Mr. Hulme said. "But we still use exactly the same principles."

"As God makes available new opportunities, we utilize them," he explained. "God's Church actively incorporates new advertising, broadcasting and printing methods when God opens the door to use them."

Mr. Hulme said that when Mr.

Armstrong began proclaiming Christ's Gospel, radio was the only electronic media. "Today, television is more effective, so we emphasize television."

Instead of a mimeographed *Plain Truth*, the Church today publishes seven language editions of *The Plain Truth* in full color.

### Personal meetings

"Perhaps the biggest development is the personal meetings," Mr. Hulme said. "Back in the 1930s, Mr. Armstrong personally conducted evangelistic campaigns."

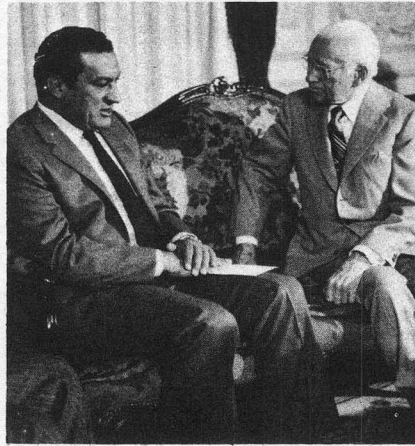
"Today, some evangelists and church pastors conduct public Bible lectures, but beginning in 1968, Mr. Armstrong began meeting world leaders."

"Now he can explain the meaning behind world conditions and the solution of humanity's problems directly to men in power," Mr. Hulme said.

He said that new advertising methods not available to the Church in the 1930s have added "a new dimension to the Church's advertising in the 1980s."

Direct-mail packages offering subscriptions to *The Plain Truth* are used in the United States, Canada and other countries. Airport and railway displays attract people's attention and offer a newsstand copy of *The Plain Truth*. Newspaper inserts encourage people to subscribe to *The Plain Truth* in Europe, the United States and other countries. More than 2.9 million newsstand copies are distributed worldwide each month.

"We also have the availability of television 'superstations' that cover vast areas of the United States," Mr. Hulme said. "When wear *The World*



**THREE-POINT PLAN** — God's Church uses a media plan developed by Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong in 1934 to preach Christ's Gospel today, according to David Hulme, director of media purchasing. Clockwise from left, the three main elements used in preaching the Gospel are personal meetings, the *World Tomorrow* program and the seven language editions of *The Plain Truth*. [Photos by Warren Watson]



*Tomorrow* on WTBS in Atlanta [Ga.] or WGN in Chicago [Ill.], we have a huge potential audience nationwide that numbers in the millions. This type of coverage was not available to Mr. Armstrong in the 1930s."

Outside the United States, Canada and Australia, *Reader's Digest* advertisements written by Mr. Armstrong "are one of the primary vehicles for producing new subscribers, since television, for the most part, is not available to us," Mr. Hulme said.

Mr. Hulme added that the Church has "a very positive relationship with *Reader's Digest*. As a result, we have negotiated an additional discount structure."

"This discount," he explained, "will enable us to expand our coverage next year."

## Treasurer makes report

By Leroy Neff

PASADENA — With two thirds of 1984 completed, it is time once again to evaluate the Church's financial situation. (Of course, Financial Services does this throughout the month and not just at month's end.) God has again blessed His Church with a good increase over last year. August ended with an increase of 14 percent, and the year-to-date increase was 14.7 percent.

*Evangelist Leroy Neff is treasurer of the Worldwide Church of God.*

In spite of this good increase, Financial Services expects the Church to have the lowest reserves of the year during the next few weeks. Perhaps some members do not understand why such low points occur. Simply put, the Church's income and expenses vary greatly throughout the year. During this year, income is expected to vary by \$7.5 million between the highest and lowest month. Each month is a different ball game as far as income and expense are concerned. Financial Services tries to plan ahead for these variations, but sometimes the planning is not as good as it should be.

Another factor is Holy Day offerings in the spring and fall, which are in addition to regular tithes and offerings. They temporarily boost the bank balance, but this is gradually spent by the next Holy Day season. The situation is constantly changing, and other occasional unexpected changes in either income or expenses also occur. Unless the Church has sufficient reserves, the problems are increased, and so far this year reserves have not been sufficient.

In addition to these factors, the present situation is further complicated by an overspending by the departments. It is hoped this situation can be corrected before the end of the year, but it came unexpectedly at the most difficult time of the year.

I hope this explanation will help brethren understand the current financial situation in God's Church. Because of the Feast and *Worldwide News* scheduling, my next report will be in November. It will contain information about finances for September and October.

In the meantime, the Financial Services staff in Pasadena hopes and prays that God will richly bless all of you wherever you observe God's festivals, and that you will have a spiritually and physically rewarding Feast.

## 'Pretty tough for members here'

# Drought hits southern Canada

By Sandi Borax

PASADENA — Hot, dry weather wiped out crops of many prairie farmers in southern Canada, reported the Lethbridge, Alta., *Herald*, Aug. 7.

"It's pretty tough for the members here; some of them didn't even bother putting in a crop this year," said Kenneth Webster, pastor of the Lethbridge church.

Based on reports from Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba, the prairies' spring wheat yields will be down at least 25 percent from 1983, John Groenewegen of the Department of Agriculture in Ottawa, Ont., told *The Worldwide News* Sept. 4.

Roy Swanson, a farmer in the Lethbridge church, says this year's crop is a disaster, the worst it's been in 65 years. "You just can't believe how dry it is. All the rivers are about dry. All the dugouts and dams are about dry... it just can't seem to rain," he said.

Mr. Swanson explained: "During a regular year we'd get about 25 bushels to the acre for our winter wheat. This year we'll get about eight. That will pay for last year's seed, fertilizer and spraying... Where do you get the money to make your land pay-

ments and pay your taxes?"

Douglas Johnson, pastor of the Regina, Sask., church said: "There have been scattered showers here and there that have helped out some of the farmers. There are some areas where there will be 40 bushels per acre, and two miles away it's five bushels per acre."

Jonathan Buck, pastor of the Moosomin, Sask., and Brandon, Man., churches, said that a combination of factors — lack of rain, wind, hail and insects — is causing problems for the farmers. He said a farmer in his area "planted one crop that got blown out, the next one got hailed out and something else happened to the third one. He ended up planting four times."

The drought creates an ideal environment for grasshoppers, who thrive in hot, dry weather. Hordes of them have heavily infested some parts of the prairies, wreaking damage to gardens and already spindly crops, according to *The Western Producer*, Aug. 16.

"This summer's outbreak of grasshoppers through the southern Prairies is the worst in recent memory and if next spring is also dry, it can only get worse," the *Producer* said.

Mr. Buck said that in some areas

"[the grasshoppers] are so thick they eat everything — the evergreens, the grass — they're eating each other."

Concerning the farmers in the Regina area, Mr. Johnson said, "Most of them feel they'll make it through all right even though it's maybe a little bit of a belt-tightening year."

By Darlene Reddaway

LONG BEACH, Calif. — "It's almost like the Feast," said Lester McColl, pastor of the Long Beach East and West churches, who, with guests from New Hampshire, Oregon, Texas, Saipan and Saudi Arabia, took part in 25th-anniversary celebrations here Aug. 25.

*This article was written by Darlene Reddaway, a member of the Long Beach, Calif., West church.*

Sabbath festivities, which included double services, a picnic lunch, a catered dinner, a variety show and a dance, took place in the

student center of Long Beach State University. Nine hundred attended.

In his opening comments, Mr. McColl asked: "Do you realize that we are celebrating the 25th anniversary of the church in Long Beach on Aug. 25... Did you know that in those 25 years the Long Beach church has had 25 ministers, and that this is my 25th year in the ministry?"

Wilbur Berg, associate pastor of the churches, gave the opening sermon. The morning sermon was given by evangelist Herman L. Hoeh, *Plain Truth* editor, who gave the first sermon in Long Beach 25 years ago.

After lunch Melvin Williams, a Long Beach East local church elder, delivered the afternoon sermonette. Evangelist Leroy Neff, Church treasurer, the church's first pastor, gave the sermon.

Special music was performed by members of the Long Beach, Garden Grove and Los Angeles, Calif., chorales, directed by Mr. Berg.

After services drinks were served as a prelude to dinner and evening activities. A buffet dinner, catered by Long Beach State University and served by Church women, followed.

A variety show and dance took place afterward.

# Soviet Union fears East Europe eyeing West

PASADENA — "Nothing is changing, but all is in question throughout Eastern Europe." So proclaims a Yugoslav journalist, Janez Stanic.

Mr. Stanic's remark accurately describes the unusual amount of political activity under way in his corner of the world. This activity increasingly disturbs the Soviet Union, overlord of most of the region's 135 million people (with the exception of the Yugoslavs and Albanians).

"To differing degrees, the countries of the region," reported Dan Fisher in the July 15 *Los Angeles Times*, "are today politically paralyzed, spiritually adrift, economically crippled and suffused with an aching sense of frustration, particularly among the young . . ."

In most countries of Eastern Europe, living standards have stagnated or fallen since the end of the 1970s. Increasingly, noted Mr. Fisher, "these are crop-duster economies trying to compete in a space-shuttle world."

Sensing a sink-or-swim situation, the East bloc countries are increasingly turning to the West for both trade and aid.

East Germany, as reported in this column last time, was given two government-backed loans from West Germany in a little more than one year. Business within the two German states is considered by Bonn as inter-German trade. Because of this, East German goods enter not only West Germany on preferential

terms, but the Common Market as well, making East Germany the European Community's unofficial 11th member. This outlet helps make the East German regime the most prosperous in the East bloc.

Yet another link was forged Aug. 30 in the slowly maturing two-Germans relationship. On that day, Lufthansa, the West German air carrier, began its first regularly scheduled service to East Germany with once-a-day service to Leipzig.

While the new air link is initially scheduled only for the annual Leipzig international trade fair, Lufthansa officials hope it will be extended indefinitely.

(At the same time, political relations between the two German states have cooled. Under intense Soviet pressure, East German party leader Erich Honecker canceled his planned visit to West Germany.)

## Trip to Budapest

Other East European states are making their own economic adjustments — all before the wary eyes of big brother in Moscow. Hungary, and increasingly Bulgaria, are instituting more free-market-oriented economies.

While accompanying Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong on his visit to London, Paris and Vienna in June, I took a side trip to Budapest, Hungary. I had not been there since 1975.

It was apparent that considerable change had taken place in Hungary

over the nine-year period, specifically in the construction of new Western hotels. I was told that Western investment, specifically from neighboring Austria, was now a significant part of the economy.

Hungarian party boss Janos Kadar has quietly and shrewdly bent his country's communist economic system about as far in the direction of

ever to travel to the country. In 1984, the official visits picked up steam. In short order, Mr. Kadar entertained Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher of Great Britain, Prime Minister Bettino Craxi of Italy and Chancellor Helmut Kohl of the Federal Republic of Germany.

Moscow, to a degree, is helpless



## WORLDWATCH

By Gene H. Hogberg

capitalism as he can without incurring Moscow's wrath.

The result is a curious East-West economic composite commonly referred to as goulash communism. While private shareholding companies are not permitted, small personal or family owned businesses may employ up to 12 people.

Later this year the first privately financed hotel built in the East bloc since 1945 will open in Budapest.

And soon, private banking will be reintroduced on a small scale.

Western leaders are enamored with the changing Hungarian scene and have been trooping to Budapest in increasing numbers.

In the summer of 1983 U.S. Vice President George Bush paid a visit, the highest-ranking U.S. official

to control what is occurring. With Communist party chieftain, Konstantin Chernenko, apparently ailing, its governing structure is consumed with the possibility of another succession crisis.

And economically, the Soviets are limited in what help they can extend to their satellites. A statistic released by *Pravda* revealed just how backward the Soviet consumer economy is: Soviet citizens last year spent an incredible 37 billion hours



## Just one more thing

By Dexter H. Faulkner

### Survival of the fittest

The grotesque, snarling face of the elephant seal filled the television screen as my family and I viewed the battle of the huge animals to determine who would be the master of the herd.

After their offspring were born, the young also had to battle to survive. Some were crushed beneath the giant bodies of other females or their own fathers, while others who got too far from their mothers' sides were injured by the snapping jaws of other mothers. Most lived until they could make it into the relative safety of the water nearby, but many did not.

In nature, it's survival of the fittest. From the largest creatures to the most minute, it's a constant battle to live and procreate.

We've seen the silvery salmon determinedly wrenching and beating their bodies to climb upstream to breed. These fish have a built-in mechanism that propels them toward achieving their goal. It's do or die in the attempt.

Did God intend us to learn certain physical and even spiritual principles from studying the habits of these marvelous creatures He designed and brought into being? Yes, indeed He did.

We too have a battle on our hands. We can be thankful, for most of us, it's not a battle for physical survival. We aren't obliged to kill or be killed in a never-ending struggle for the right to live and procreate our kind.

We are in a battle, however. And it can be described as survival of the fittest. For that's what it is, only in a spiritual sense. The rewards don't go necessarily to those who are the strongest physically, the most agile or with the keenest senses. Nor to the most beautiful and talented, or to the most intelligent. God has designed other ways to test who is

spiritually the fittest.

How important is it to win in this struggle? It's all important, because it's not just temporary physical existence that is at stake, but our lives for all eternity.

What about the losers in the animal kingdom, those that don't survive, those that wind up as food in the winner's stomach. Why weren't they the fittest? Let's analyze their weaknesses.

Some losers wandered nonchalantly about, grazing here and there as they pleased, unalert and unaware of danger. Easy prey for the predator.

Others overestimated their strength. Striking out on their own, they sometimes even disdained nourishment — food and water — until suddenly they were all alone and in a weakened state.

Some started out well, ever alert, growing stronger through experience in conquering the odds, but as time went on they grew careless, weary of being on the alert, tired of the constant battle.

The young who unwisely strayed from the protection of their mothers' sides also became easy targets.

Others were caught in fiercer storms without proper shelter.

There are many reasons the relatively few win out in nature's battles while the majority end up as the victor's lunch. All share, however, a common characteristic of losers — a grave underestimation of the enemy and of what it takes to be a winner.

The apostle Peter warned us about spiritually underestimating our enemy. "Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour" (I Peter 5:8).

He's out there, all the time, stalking us, looking for a weakness he can

exploit. Are we daily, fervently, asking for God's protection in this jungle where Satan is king? Or do we nonchalantly go about our business every day, oblivious to any danger?

Or maybe we're the strong, independent types who go out to face the world without sufficient spiritual nourishment. No time for prayer or Bible study this morning, we've got important things to accomplish. We'll pray and study later. But it may be later than we think.

Are we weary of well doing? We've been in the Church for years. Ministers and Church members all over the country know who we are. Haven't we gained a lifetime membership in this Church? God understands what we've been through, why we've let down in our standards. Surely what we've accomplished in the past counts for something.

Do we hang on to some of the rebellion of our youth? Do we try to get as close to the edge of the cliff as possible, yet to stay out on the fringes, yet still be a part of God's Church? We're courting disaster if we do.

Are the problems we face, persecutions because of our religion, always unprepared for? The fierce storms of Satan's wrath will sweep us away if we aren't staying close to God, developing and building faith.

Winning in this spiritual battle God has called us to is a lot tougher than we think. If it isn't tough for you right now, you're neglecting something. God doesn't promise everyone is going to make it. It's those who endure to the end.

Are you girding your loins — staying close to God — and fighting your spiritual battles daily against this world, self and Satan so you will be one of those winners God and Jesus Christ will honor in the Kingdom?

Do you know yet that they which run in a race run all, but one receiveth the prize? So run, that ye may obtain" (I Corinthians 9:24).

God wants us to win. He has opened up access to Him and given us His Spirit and provided His Word and His Church. We have no excuse if we neglect this "so great salvation" (Hebrews 2:3). Remember, it's survival of the fittest — the spiritually fittest.

## European Diary

By John Ross Schroeder



### Europe's growth paradox

BOREHAMWOOD, England — Global population is growing by more than 200,000 people a day, according to *U.S. News & World Report*.

The population explosion is a frequent topic in the media. Most leading newsmagazines have run at least one recent article on the growing numbers of people on our planet. Hence the controversial population conference in Mexico City, Mexico, in August.

But rapid human growth is not true of every country. Population

growth isn't uniform throughout all nations. More than one developed nation is suffering from a low birthrate.

The Aug. 11 *Guardian* editorialized: "East Germany and Hungary have controlled their growth so severely that Hungary is now hymning the praises of larger families. . . Both the French and the West Germans fear that population decline will lead to economic and diplomatic decline."

Hungary is hampered by a low birthrate. The Soviets have generally allowed the Hungarians more economic freedom than most other Eastern bloc countries. Therefore Hungary has prospered for the last several years. But Hungarians feel (See PARADOX, page 9)

## Letters TO THE EDITOR

### Children's stories

Hi, my name is Kendra. I am 10 years old. Leah, my sister, is 4 years old. We just love your [Vivian Pettijohn's] stories in the Church newspaper. I like the one called "Postponed — Again?" [W/N, July 2]. It was really good. I hope you keep on writing them.

Kendra Thompson  
Calgary, Alta.

### Miraculous power

I own a John Deere garden tractor with a 48-inch mower deck. The combined weight of the two is in excess of 1,000 pounds. . .

While attempting to load the machine on the back of my pickup truck, the loading ramp collapsed, flipping the tractor and me upside down. I fell down and landed on my back on the splintered loading ramp only to look up and see the tractor falling directly on top of me. I raised my hands in the air, caught the tractor by the hood and held it in the air above my head for several seconds.

After calling for my wife, I attempted to shift my body out of line to drop the tractor to the ground. The tractor ever so gently lowered to the ground pinning my leg only, which was easily removed. Only the great hand of God and His mighty power could have given me strength to hold the tractor in the air above my body.

The iron seat was bent in two, the (See LETTERS, page 11)

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# Small staff serves God's Church in world's second-largest country

**Thomas C. Hanson**  
VANCOUVER, B.C. — "It's quite staggering what is being done here by a small staff," said Colin Adair, regional director of the Church in Canada.

The 21 full-time employees of the Canadian Regional Office serve the second-largest nation in land area in the world with a population slightly larger than California's. They are divided into five departments: executive, ministerial, data processing, mail processing and accounting. Many employees work in several areas, according to Mr. Adair.

French-speaking Quebec is administered from the Vancouver Office. Literature requests received at a post office box in Montreal, Que., are sent to Vancouver for processing.

Evangelist Dibar Apatian, regional director of the Church in French-speaking areas, supervises the French-speaking churches and ministry from Pasadena.

The Yukon Territory is served by the ministers in Alaska.

The Canadian Office traces its history starting from 1957, when James Friddle, then pastor of the Seattle, Wash., church, opened a post office box in Vancouver. A mailing office was opened in February, 1961, by Dennis Prather, still an employee of the Vancouver Office. The first service was conducted by evangelist Roderick Meredith in June, 1962.

### Canadian finances

The Church in Canada always receives more money than it budgets for, and that can be a problem, Mr. Adair said. Canadian law requires charities to spend 80 percent of income from one year in the next year. The Vancouver Office, the second-largest regional office outside of Pasadena, has high income and lower expenditures, Mr. Adair said.

This enables the work in Canada to subsidize the work of the Church in other areas including East and West Africa, Arab countries, the United Kingdom, Italy, Hong Kong, Japan, the Philippines, Sri Lanka and Spanish-speaking areas. "We practice the way of give, and God blesses the work," Mr. Adair said.

Southam Murray, the firm that prints the English-language *Plain Truth* going to Canada, is helping the Church in its attempt to get second-class mailing privileges for *The Plain Truth*. This could save the Church in Canada more than \$150,000 a year, Mr. Adair said.

Canada Post turned down the Church's latest request in August. The agency has refused to grant second-class privileges because they view *The Plain Truth* as an American publication, said Mr. Adair. In an effort to prevent "junk" mail from receiving second-class privileges, Canada Post requires that 50 percent must be paid circulation. *The Plain Truth* is penalized because it has no subscription price.

The Church is appealing the decision.

### Newsstand program

*The Plain Truth* will be distributed from lighted display stands beginning this month at airports in Toronto, Ont.; Calgary, Alta.; Vancouver; and Montreal, Que. Rental cost is \$122,600. Until the end of the year there will be no net increase in the number of *Plain Truth* newsstand outlets, Mr. Adair said.

The newsstands have met with some opposition. Some have been vandalized (including being run over by a truck), and magazines have been stolen from others. There isn't the same tolerance to non-mainstream religions as there is in the United States, Mr. Adair said.

In Vancouver, 4,000 copies of *Youth 84* are distributed monthly

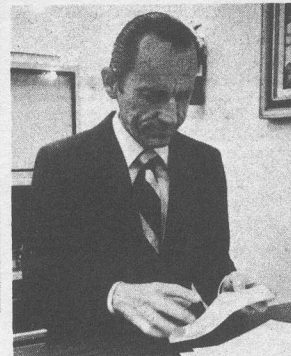
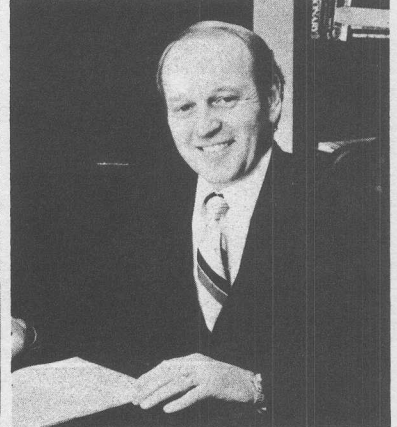
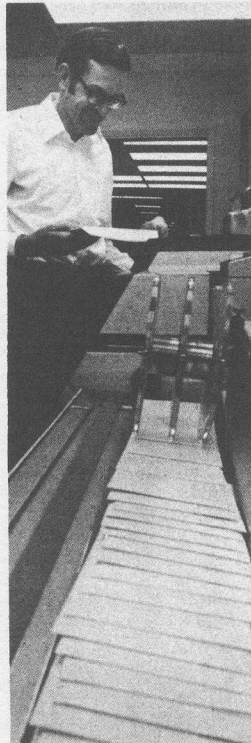
on newsstands. These are usually placed on the middle tier of the three-tiered stands.

The Canadian Office installed a Wide Area Telephone Service (WATS) line in 1981. A volunteer team from the Vancouver church handles the calls on Sundays, according to Gordon McKill, WATS supervisor. Response is not high, because Canadians prefer to write in and not phone, he said. Although the WATS operation is small, the number of calls received from January to August was up 28 percent over last year, Mr. McKill said.

The greatest need for the work of the Church in Canada is for more open doors, more co-workers to make up for those unemployed and increased television coverage, Mr. Adair said.



**REGIONAL DIRECTOR** — Colin Adair serves as regional director of the Church in Canada. He was named to the post in March, 1981. [Photo by Thomas C. Hanson]



**CANADIAN STAFF** — Clockwise from above: Donald Aikens sends out first-class mail in the mailing area; Louis Gloux, Mail Processing supervisor; George Patricson, assistant to regional director Colin Adair; Colleen Patrick, Mr. Adair's secretary, sends out Mr. Adair's biweekly letter to ministers and deacons; the Canadian Office staff; and Dennis Prather, French mail reader, who opened the Church's mailing office in Vancouver in 1961. (Photos by Thomas C. Hanson and the *Envoy*.)



## God's Church in Canada

<i>Plain Truth</i> circulation	850,088
Ratio of circulation to population	1:27
Television stations airing <i>World Tomorrow</i>	34
Radio stations airing <i>World Tomorrow</i>	30
Churches	73
Full-time ministers	62
Local church elders	30
Ministerial trainees	1
Attendance	11,000
Members	6,595

# Ministerial Refreshing Program III

Session 8, Aug. 15 to Aug. 28



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Big Sandy



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Manila and Marikina, Philippines



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Lincoln, Neb.



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and South



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**Douglas & Sherry Winnall**  
Assistant pastor  
Providence, R.I., and Boston,  
Mass.



**Joseph & Elsie Young**  
Local church elder  
Long Beach, Calif., West

Not pictured:  
Charlotte Whitting

# JUST FOR YOUTH

A page for kids 5 to 105

## Teen chooses to keep Sabbath

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. — It's impossible to find a successful athlete who hasn't spent countless hours perfecting his skills.

It is possible, however, to find a successful athlete who chose not to display his skills in what would have been the perfect atmosphere — in terms of excitement as well as exposure to college scouts.

*This article is reprinted with permission from the June 29 Philadelphia, Pa., Daily News. Nick Chalaris is the son of Evangelos and Barbara Chalaris of Philadelphia. Mrs. Chalaris attends the Philadelphia church.*

Last year, shortstop Nick Chalaris of Robert Lambertson High [in Philadelphia] was a no-show at the Vet [Veterans Stadium, home of the Philadelphia Phillies baseball team] for the City All-Star Baseball Classic. This year, coach Alex Dejewski reluctantly did not even submit his star player's name during the meeting to select the Public League participants.

Chalaris, who maintained a 95 scholastic average and graduated 10th in his class, is a member of the Worldwide Church of God.

"We obey everything that it says in the Bible," Nick said. "The

seventh day is the sabbath and we keep it holy. Playing baseball doesn't keep it holy. It was always my dream to [play] baseball at the Vet, but I feel what I did was right."

Chalaris's commitment to his religion cost him more than a chance to play at the Vet. Temple [University in Philadelphia]



NICK CHALARIS

showed preliminary interest, then had to back off mindful that Saturday double-headers are a staple of its schedule.

Instead, Chalaris will attend Ambassador College in Big Sandy, Texas, a two-year school that is run by the church. It offers no intercollegiate sports.

"If I had gone to Temple," said Chalaris, who is already living and working at Ambassador before starting classes in the fall, "there wouldn't have been just the problem of playing on Saturday. There also would have been the problem of traveling [to the games] Friday night.

"Our sabbath starts on sundown Friday. We . . . read the Bible, maybe read some of the literature put out by the church . . . Our services are usually Saturday afternoon.

"When we lost to Roxborough in the playoffs, it was tough thinking about it maybe being my last baseball game. I had worked hard on my game and also to develop my body. Baseball had helped build my character, had helped me make a lot of good friends . . . But it wasn't going to be the rest of my life.

"It wasn't a big sacrifice to give it up. If you really believe in what you're doing, you don't view it that way."

Chalaris batted .416 for Lambertson, making third team *Daily News* All-Public. All he plays now is intramural softball.

In two years, Nick hopes to transfer to Ambassador's campus in Pasadena, Calif. His brother, John, also an ex-Lambertson athlete, is ready to make that switch come fall.

"I just want to study hard, so I can get a good job," Nick said. "I'm interested in data processing, but I'm also going to take a few theology courses. If you feel that God is calling you, you go in His direction."

For now, though, Chalaris is in Big Sandy, Texas, a town that sadly and unexpectedly turned up in the national news this week. Wednesday, Chalaris saw Miami Dolphins coach Don Shula and Detroit Lions running back Billy Sims when they landed on Ambassador's air strip to attend the funeral of Dolphin running back David Overstreet.

## Looking for Treasure

By Vivian Pettijohn

"What are you looking for, Chris?" Debbie asked as she joined him in the Ellison backyard. Chris, using a large tea strainer, was frantically sifting a pile of potting soil.

"I'm looking for gold!" Chris answered, frowning. "Remember last fall, during the Feast, when we drove from Sacramento out to that old fort and panned for gold?"

"Sure!" Debbie answered. "I still have my gold nugget. Say, are you looking for your nugget?"

"I'm afraid so," Chris answered. "I was looking at it, and I dropped it. Could you help me look? It's valuable treasure."

Soon Mr. Ellison arrived home. After parking the car, he walked over to the children. "Hi! What are you looking for? It must be important!"

"Hi, Dad. I dropped my gold nugget here," Chris said. "Would you help look?"

"Hi, honey!" Mrs. Ellison called. As she came outside, Chris explained again. Mother said, "I'll help, too. Dinner can wait."

After several minutes, Debbie triumphantly held up a small gold-colored lump. "Eureka!" she shouted.

"Oh, sis, thanks!" Chris exclaimed, taking the prized metal and holding it tightly. "And thanks, Dad and Mom."

"That reminds me, son," Dad responded. "After dinner let's talk about looking for real treasure — something even more valuable than gold."

That evening Dad presided in the living room. His Bible lay on his lap. "Does anyone see a treasure in this room?" he asked.

Chris and Debbie looked excitedly around the room.

"Here is the treasure," Dad said as he picked up the Bible. He turned to Proverbs 16:16: "How much better is it to get wisdom than gold! and to get understanding rather to be chosen than silver." Dad continued, "Chris, do you know why wisdom is better than gold?"

"Well," Chris replied, "Once you said if a person had all the gold in the world, but didn't have the wisdom to use it properly, it would be no good to him. Is that what you mean?"

"Yes, it is," Dad replied. "Now, Debbie, how can you get this valuable treasure of wisdom and understanding?"

"Well," Debbie answered hesitantly, "Mr. King said that when we pray we talk to God. And when we read God's Word He talks to us. We get wiser by reading the Bible. Right?"

"Right!" Dad agreed. "This evening we used our eyes to look for treasure. Let's do that as we read the Bible. But let's also look for treasure with our ears! Listen during services, and God will give you wisdom."

"Wow!" Chris said, "I just thought about the four fall Holy Days coming up soon — plus a whole week at the Feast of Tabernacles! Just think of all the sermons and sermons we'll be hearing! We'll have lots of chances to look for real treasure!"

## A new look at youth news

In the July 30 issue, *The Worldwide News* began a new page — "Just for Youth." This page combines the "Focus on Youth" column and "Children's Corner." It includes children's stories, feature stories on youths, details of selected YOUNG activities or events, and other information of interest to YOUNG people.

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

## MAJOR MEETS TORNADO

By Shirley King Johnson

Jim nodded. "We'll wait in the yard until your program is over."

"I'm not coming back today," Harry said. "After my TV show, I'm going to town with Dad. Tell you what we could do. You walk on the other side of Prince, Jim, and we'll let Sue ride up to my mailbox. You hold on to Prince's bridle on that side and I'll hold on this side. OK?"

"OK!" Susie said with a happy little laugh. "Giddap, Prince!"

Reluctantly, Jim walked beside Prince, his hand holding the bridle. At the end of the driveway they turned up the hill. Major stiffened. Wait! Don't go up there! Tornado is loose!

Major whizzed past Prince, whirled in front of him and barked. "Woorrff! Woorrff!"

Puzzled, Prince stopped.

"Stop that, Major, you silly bound dog!" Harry complained. "What's the matter with him, Jim?"

"Come here, Major!" ordered Jim. "Walk beside me. Giddap, Prince."

Meekly, Major came to heel beside

Jim and they walked on. Each step brought them closer to the loose bull.

Susie chuckled as she kept her fingers twisted in Prince's thick mane. "He's such a lovely horse," she chirruped. "Can we go a little faster, Harry?"

"No," Jim broke in. "We shouldn't be doing this. As soon as we get to the mailbox, you're getting off, Sue, and we'll walk home. I hope Grandfather is still on the phone. That's all I hope."

Major suddenly stiffened. "Woorrff!" he warned. Tornado was coming out toward them.

Prince whinnyed and shook his great head. There was something about the black animal he did not like.

"Hey!" shouted Harry, jerking his horse to a stop. "There's our new bull!"

"Turn around," Jim called out, color draining from his face.

The bull advanced at an angry pace and snorted.

"WOORRRFF!" Major rushed forward to try to turn the bull back, but the bull kept coming, bellowing as he picked up speed.

"Get out of the way!" Harry dived into the ditch.

Jim pulled on Prince's bridle to turn him back down the road. Alarmed, Prince jerked away from Jim's grasp and wheeling, he cantered down the hill.

Frightened and shrieking, Susie clung to the mane.

Jim joined Harry in the ditch as the bull thundered past. "Major! Stop him!" he shouted to the beagle.

Major started after the bull. With a desperate burst of speed he caught up, gave a mighty leap and sank his teeth

into one black leg.

Tornado spun around and kicked. Major was sent sprawling to the side of the road. Scrambling up, he challenged the bull. "WOORRRFF!"

Enraged, eyes flashing red, Tornado lunged. Major darted to one side as the bull thundered harmlessly past.

Familiar with the roadside fences, Major squeezed under to safety. The bull rushed after him and his head bumped against the fence post.

Major saw he was safe and barked to taunt the bull. Looking down the hill, he saw Susie still held on as Prince galloped into Grandfather's driveway.

Grandfather came out of the house just then and exclaimed, "Child! What're you doing on that horse?"

Grandfather tied Prince to a post and held his hands out to Susie. Sobbing, Susie slid down into them.

"The bad bull is loose," she wailed. "Jim and Harry were walking Prince up the hill with me on him and the bull got loose and he chased us down the hill."

(To be continued)



Artwork by Judith Doeken

## Summer Educational Program NIGERIA

By Wesley Webster and Raynard Eddings  
YANKARI GAME RESERVE, Nigeria — Nigeria's first Summer Educational Program (SEP) began here Aug. 8. The one-week program included 54 campers from Nigeria, Cameroon and Ghana.

*Wesley Webster and Raynard Eddings, Pasadena Ambassador College students, assisted at the Summer Educational Program (SEP) in Nigeria.*

Activities offered at the camp were education, obstacle course, tapestry, volleyball, softball, soccer, swimming and weaving. The weaving and tapestry classes, according to Lateef Edalere, director of the camp and pastor of the Nigerian churches, were to teach the youths a skill and art that may one day be used to earn money.

The campers stayed in chalets, buildings that resembled straw huts, but were made of concrete blocks and had tin roofs.

The campers spent one afternoon viewing game. They saw waterbuck, wild boars, elephants and a hippopotamus while riding through the reserve in two trucks. Baboons roamed the residence area daily, and on one occasion a baboon followed some girls into a chalet and took food they dropped.

Evening activities included a slide show, a dance, a social, a barbecue, volleyball and basketball and a Friday-night Bible study.

Activities began at 7 a.m. each day. The days were divided into four 90-minute class periods.

Camp ended Aug. 14 with an awards presentation. Certificates of

merit were awarded in each activity to the most outstanding boy and girl and to the most outstanding boys' and girls' dorm. Honorable mention awards were also presented in each activity. Other awards were given to the counselors and to the four most outstanding campers of the session.

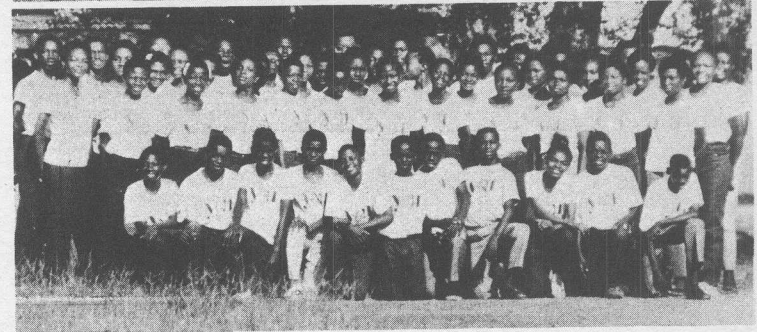
Joseph Ezenkine, a teen from Nigeria, said: "I can't express my gratitude on what I experienced in the SEP camp. I learned many things, like how to interact with other people and how to behave in public. I would like to come back and learn more."

Judith Caspar, from Cameroon, said: "This camp has made me imagine for the first time what it is like being together with other teens in the Church and being taught the way of God. Where I come from, Cameroon, there are very few teens, 10 to 15, including my five sisters. Being together like this makes me visualize something semimillennial, especially since we worship behind closed doors in Cameroon."

Mr. Edalere said, "The growth potential in the work in Nigeria injects a sense of urgency in accomplishing the commission of uniting the hearts of the fathers to the children."

Although there is no *Plain Truth* promotion and *The World Tomorrow* is not on radio or television, the demand for *The Plain Truth* and other publications is constantly increasing. Church attendance grew 23 percent since the 1983 Feast of Tabernacles. Mail received rose 129 percent within the last six months. There are about 200 children approaching Youth Opportunities United (YOU) age.

"God seems to be working with entire families with various tribal groups," Mr. Edalere said.



**NIGERIAN SUMMER FUN** — Clockwise from top: Campers play softball, visit a natural warm spring and gather for a group portrait at the first Summer Educational Program (SEP) in Nigeria Aug. 8 to 14. [Photos by Wesley Webster]

## AMBASSADOR ACTIVITIES



**DESSERT ARRAY** — Donald Ward, academic dean for Big Sandy Ambassador College, and his wife, Wanda, decide which desserts to sample at a faculty dinner Aug. 26. [Photo by Mike Bedford]

### FACULTY MEMBERS ATTEND DINNER

**BIG SANDY** — Evangelist Leslie McCullough, deputy chancellor of Ambassador College here, and his wife, Marion, were hosts for a faculty dinner Aug. 26.

Sixty-five attended the dinner, which took place at Mr. McCullough's campus home after the first week of classes. The group ate under a 30-foot by 30-foot tent awning. Food was catered by the Food Service Department.

According to Mr. McCullough, the purpose of the dinner was for the faculty to get together and to get acquainted with the new faculty members.

"It started the year off with the opportunity for the faculty to get together in a relaxing atmosphere," said Mr. McCullough. "We do it every year."

### COLLEGE BEGINS SOFTBALL SEASON

**BIG SANDY** — Softball tryouts for men and women took place during the first week of classes here, Aug. 20 to 24. Teams include a mixture of freshmen, sophomores and seniors, according to Larry Haworth, assistant professor of physical education.

Play began Aug. 27 with a game between teams with faculty members and students on each side. Regular play began Aug. 29.

### MEETING INTRODUCES 1984-85 OUTREACH

**PASADENA** — An Outreach kickoff meeting took place Aug. 22 in the Ambassador College Fine Arts Recital Hall.

The meeting was led by senior Neil Druce, Outreach director for the 1984-85 academic year. Slides of last year's activities were shown, and Mr. Druce introduced the leader for each division of Outreach to explain what is involved in his area.

The five branches of Outreach and their leaders are: transportation, junior Paul Bennett; special projects, senior John Mabry; entertainment, sophomore Kevin Armstrong; youth tutoring, junior David Fix; and visiting the elderly, senior Roy Coustou. Senior Ronald Plumlee introduced the elderly visiting branch in Mr. Coustou's absence.

Next, Gary Antion, faculty adviser for Outreach, discussed the purposes of Outreach — to use what is learned at Ambassador College to serve others both with-

in and outside of the Church.

### GET-ACQUAINTED PICNIC KICKS OFF YEAR

**PASADENA** — The annual get-acquainted picnic began at 1 p.m., Aug. 26, on the Ambassador College campus.

Activities included game booths, which awarded plastic rulers, Chinese yoyos and stuffed animals to winners; a dunk tank featuring 1984-85 student body officers; volleyball; and other games.

Entertainment featured senior Terri Conti, an accordionist; The Ambassador College International Bluegrass Band, composed of sophomores Lin Buy, Michael Savoia, Edwin Stepp and David Terdik, and seniors Gina Savoia and Katie Thomas; a basketball skit; and a vocal duet by sophomore Kevin Armstrong and senior Roger Hooper.

After a meal of roast-beef sandwiches, baked potatoes and coleslaw, the students gathered for a sing-along led by Ross Jutsum, director of Music Services. Greg Albrecht, dean of students, when asked to lead a song, sang his rendition of "Long, Tall Texan."

The day's activities ended with the movie *Casablanca* in the Student Center.

## Nicaraguan family discovers God's truth, America's freedom

By Tom Alexander  
CHICO, Calif. — "One of the most appreciated things you have in America is freedom," said Gerardo Quintanilla, a member of the Chico church. "We enjoy it, and we love it."

Tom Alexander is a member of the Chico, Calif., church.

Mr. Quintanilla, his wife, Mercedes, and their five children discovered freedom in 1981 when they left Nicaragua and moved to the United States. A year later they were baptized by Marc Segall, then Chico pastor. (Mr. Segall was transferred to pastor the Greenwood and Jackson, Miss., churches.)

"We believe that being a member of God's Church is the most encouraging privilege that a human being could have," Mr. Quintanilla said. "It's an opportunity to achieve the

most wonderful goal we could ever dream."

Mr. Quintanilla's first contact with God's truth came in 1969, when he answered an advertisement for *La Pura Verdad* (Spanish *Plain Truth*) in the Spanish edition of *Reader's Digest*. *La Pura Verdad* became his favorite magazine.

As the political climate in Central America worsened, Mr. Quintanilla found his import business falling apart. Rather than subject his family to economic hardships and the radical political doctrines of the Sandinista government, Mr. Quintanilla decided to leave his beloved Nicaragua for America.

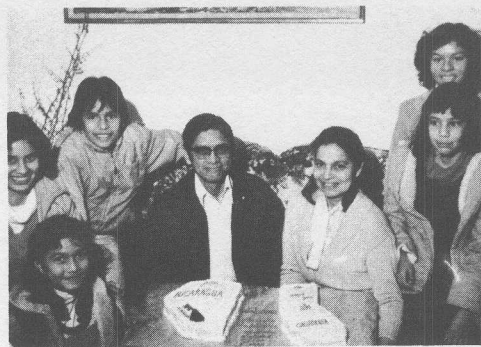
He now works as a bookkeeper in Yuba City, Calif.

Though his family appreciates America's freedoms, they dislike some aspects of society. Mr. Quintanilla noted how both parents in many families work outside the

home and spend less time with their children. "We believe this is damaging many American homes and the future of the American children," he said.

But members of God's Church have given the Quintanilla family the most positive impressions of America. "We have seen a living example of model parents, youngsters, devoted Christians and responsible, thoughtful workers who are always ready to serve in a dynamic way," he remarked.

"A few years ago we didn't believe it possible to find this kind of people anywhere on earth," he said.



AMERICAN WELCOME — Members of the Chico, Calif., church welcome the Gerardo Quintanilla family, immigrants from Nicaragua, with a cake baked by Linda Miller. From bottom left: Elisa, Mercedes, Gerardo Jr., Mr. Quintanilla, his wife, Mercedes, Amarely and Soledad (standing). [Photo by John Miller]

## Five generations attend from 1960s broadcast

By Rose Marie Brown  
MERIDEN, Conn. — Twenty years ago the late William M. Buster Sr. heard Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong over WOR-radio in New York, N.Y., while traveling to Mount Kisco, N.Y.

This article was written by Rose Marie Brown, wife of Vincent Brown, a local church elder in the Meriden, Conn., church.

Mr. Buster was so impressed with what he heard that he pulled his car to the side of the highway and listened to the remainder of the program.

Now five generations of his family attend services.

His widow, Geneva, 83, has 14 children, 22 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren and two great-

great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Buster was baptized in July, 1965, in New Jersey and regularly attends Sabbath services and senior citizens' functions in Meriden, along with a daughter and two granddaughters who are members, and other children, grandsons, great-grandsons and a great-great-grandson.

Mrs. Buster said she is noted for her chicken and dumplings and likes to crochet doilies and bedspreads as presents for her children.

"Children in the Church are fortunate to have parents who will teach them as they learn of God's true ways. I feel they are blessed for having parents to teach them the right way," she said.

Pastor Larry Wooldridge calls her loyalty and example "a definite inspiration" to Connecticut brethren.



FIVE GENERATIONS — Five generations of Geneva Buster's family attend services in Connecticut. Clockwise from center: Geneva Buster, wife of the late William Buster, the first family member to attend Sabbath services; Roschem Buster, her great-great-grandson; Adam Buster, her great-grandson; Barbara Pulliam, her granddaughter; Kim Buster, her great-granddaughter; Mary Buster, her daughter; and Joe Pulliam, husband of Barbara Pulliam. [Photo by Robert W. Kessell Sr.]

## Member puts life in perspective

By Paul Jacobus Jr.

MONTVALE, N.J. — In God's Church there are people who persevere and keep their goals in sight. Mabel Massey, 84, of the Montvale church is one of those people.

From her earliest childhood, on a farm in South Carolina, Mrs. Massey remembers the excitement of train travel. Since no cars were in the area at that time, people got around in hacks (flatbed wagons) or ox-drawn wagons, she said.

Paul Jacobus Jr., 19, wrote this article before graduating from Youth Opportunities (YOU) in Montvale, N.J. YOU members were asked to interview and write a story about a senior citizen in the church there. The stories were put into booklet form and are available for members to read at Sabbath services.

"I don't think I ever saw an ox drawing a buggy — that was too fancy for him," Mrs. Massey said. "[The ox] has no style, nor is he ever in a hurry. You could walk where you were going and back before he would get there."

On their farm the family raised chickens, turkeys, hogs, guinea fowl, always had at least two cows for milk and butter, two mules for cultivating fields and a horse for pulling the buggy they traveled in to church and to visit grandparents.

Mrs. Massey's family sold chickens, eggs and hogs in Camden, S.C. They smoked their own meats, made straw brooms and wooden washboards and used zinc tubs for washing clothes and bathing.

Mrs. Massey's school days were "few and far between." She had to walk 3 miles each way.

At 15 she and one of her three younger sisters went to boarding school. She met her future husband there and they were married three years later.

When she was 19 she studied

nursing in Columbia, S.C. In 1925 she went to New York and took the state board examination in practical nursing.

One night in the late 1950s she found a *Plain Truth* on a bus seat. She read it, started listening to *The World Tomorrow* and sent for literature. She began attending services in Manhattan, N.Y., the first church raised up in the area. Carlton Smith was pastor.

Mr. Smith baptized Mrs. Massey March 3, 1962, and she attended her first Feast of Tabernacles in Big

Sandy. She has also kept the Feast in Jerusalem, which, she says, was "beyond my dreams."

"Things that had no meaning at all before baptism take on a glow that shines through the darkness," she said. "You wish that everyone you know could experience such an awakening."

"It is so strange, you may think it unreal, but years take the sharp edge off physical things," she said. "I enjoy my Bible study most of all." There's no mistaking that God's Kingdom is No. 1 in her life.



BRIDGING AGE GAP — Mabel Massey, 84, of the Montvale, N.J., church plays a children's game at a church picnic. [Photo by Mike Bedford]

## PT sparks Canadian's interest

By Judy Tofts

MONTREAL, Que. — When *The Plain Truth* was published only in English in the 1950s, Rosanna Whissell, now a 91-year-old member of the Montreal French-speaking church, knew only French.

This article is by Judy Tofts, wife of Malcolm Tofts, assistant pastor of the Montreal English and Magog, Que., churches.

So Mrs. Whissell asked her daughter's husband, George Sabourin, to translate articles into French for her. This sparked Mr. Sabourin's

interest in the Church, and Mrs. Whissell and Mr. and Mrs. Sabourin eventually went on to study the Bible Correspondence Course and become Church members.

Today 25 of Mrs. Whissell's 51 descendants attend God's Church. Four generations of the Whissell family attend the English- and French-speaking churches in Quebec.

At the 1964 Feast in Jekyll Island, Ga., Carn Catherwood, now regional director of Italian-speaking areas, introduced them to Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong.

In 1965 Mr. Sabourin, now deceased, was the first deacon

ordained in Quebec.

Because of Mrs. Whissell's interest, her husband, Alexandre, became a prospective member and studied with them, but died before he was baptized.

Since her baptism in 1966, Mrs. Whissell has missed only one Passover service, because of illness.

Her Church member descendants include a granddaughter, Rita, who married Bruno Leclerc, pastor of the Val d'Or, Que., church; and a great-granddaughter, Judy, who married Malcolm Tofts, assistant pastor of the Montreal English and Magog, Que., churches.

# ACCENT ON THE LOCAL CHURCH

## Youths take camping, backpacking trips

Twenty-two YOU members from the **TEXARKANA, Tex.**, church took part in a two-day camp-out July 29 and 30 in the pine woods on the Big Sandy Ambassador College campus, where brethren camp during the Feast of Tabernacles. Restroom facilities were available, and tents were set up.

Activities began Sunday morning, July 29, with a bike ride around the campus on bicycles provided by the college. The teens were divided into groups with an instructor for each group to demonstrate the correct way to ride.

Sunday afternoon the group swam in Lake Loma. Monday activities included golfing with instructors from Ambassador College and swimming in the afternoon. Meals were prepared by parents and other Church members who volunteered as cooks and chaperons.

Douglas Horschak, pastor of the **PRESCOTT and FLAGSTAFF, Ariz.**, churches, led 23 teens and eight adults on a field trip to Doheny State Beach, Calif., where the group met San Bernardino, Glendora and Riverside, Calif., YOU members for cookouts, swimming and games, starting July 22.

YOU members and adults toured San Juan Capistrano Mission and proceeded to Laguna Beach, Calif. Tuesday, July 24, they went to Six Flags Magic Mountain, an amusement park. Wednesday, they ventured into Sequoia National Park for two nights of camping. The group hiked and listened to lectures by forest rangers.

Friday, July 27, the group arrived in Pasadena and attended afternoon

services in the Auditorium July 28. A cookout, sing-along and two movies sponsored by the Pasadena YOU took place afterward. Sunday, the group toured the Ambassador College campus and returned to Arizona. The 1,450-mile journey was made possible by several fund raisers during the year.

Forty-one YOU members and chaperons from the **ALBERTA** region spent Aug. 2 to 6 hiking in the Coalbranch district of the eastern slopes of the Canadian Rockies. Robert Berendt, associate pastor of the Edmonton, Alta., South church, and Will Wooster, pastor of the Red Deer and Wetaskiwin, Alta., churches, led the group.

The first day the group tackled 9,600-foot Mt. Cheviot, and the next day crossed Rocky and No Name passes. Sabbath camp, Aug. 4, was made alongside picturesque Ruby Lake, surrounded by the Selkirk range, where Sabbath services were conducted by Mr. Berendt.

The group experienced an Indian sauna built on the site by Henry Goodin of Wetaskiwin, swimming in the Miette Hot Springs and a wrap-up banquet catered at a restaurant in Hinton, Alta.

**FAIRFIELD and SANTA ROSA, Calif.**, brethren were hosts to a YES camp-out Aug. 5 to 8 at Lake Berryessa Boy Scout Camp. Thirty youngsters took part in activities such as swimming, arts and crafts, nature hikes, boating, Bible studies and fishing.

The camp-out was organized by Cathy Pridmore and Sandee Miller. Area brethren and YOU members were counselors and helpers.

**WINNIPEG, Man.**, YES members took their annual camp-out July 26 and 27 at Bird's Hill Park. About 100 children and 50 adults swam and went orienteering, played games, sang and roasted marshmallows.

This year's theme, "Countries of the World," is used to add extra interest. Each group was assigned a country, which allowed children to identify their tents with flags and signs. Alvin Nordstrom, associate pastor of the Winnipeg East and Thunder Bay, Ont., churches, and his wife, Dorothy, accompanied the group.

July 27 **MOJAVE, Calif.**, YOU members and adults began a 10-day backpacking trip to Blue Canyon Creek, a tributary of the Middle Fork of the Kings River in California. Fifteen hikers made the trip of about 50 miles. Four days were spent hiking, fishing and swimming in Blue Canyon.

The adventurers hiked back to the bus Aug. 5 to return home. A follow-up picture party took place Aug. 18 for Mojave YOU members and their families.

*Michele Sargent, Debbie Benson, Robert J. Millman, Carrie Docken, Nestor Guspodarhuk and Camilo P. Reyes.*



**CHILLY CROSSING** — From left to right, Billy, Beverly and Dennis Wilson cross the cold waters of Crown Creek July 29 during a Mojave, Calif., YOU backpacking trip to Blue Canyon, Calif.

## Members pay visits to U.S. attractions

More than 100 **FRESNO and VISALIA, Calif.**, brethren camped together in picturesque Sequoia National Park July 27 to 29. Guest speakers for Sabbath services in the park amphitheater were Gene Hoberg, *Plain Truth* world news editor,

and Mordakhai Joseph, a minister in the Auditorium P.M. church.

After the Sabbath campers gathered around a camp fire and participated in a sing-along led by Fresno member Byron Sanders and four guitarists. Sunday morning Bible studies were given by Bill Conway, a deacon in the Fresno church, and Glen White, pastor of the Fresno and Visalia churches. Activities ended shortly after noon Sunday.

Forty-eight singles from **UNION and MONTVALE, N.J.**, visited America's oldest winery in Washingtonville, N.Y., July 29. The educational tour, lasting more than an hour, explained how wine is made, aged and mellowed. The tour also offered wine-sampling.

After the tour, Ronald Robinson, a local church elder, his family and the singles relaxed while eating picnic lunches. On the return home, hymns were sung on the church bus. Gordon Rizzuti organized the activity.

Twenty-one YOU members and eight adults from **SIOUX FALLS, WATERTOWN and YANKTON,**

S.D., visited Yellowstone National Park, Wyo., July 29 to Aug. 4. On the trip the group also visited Devil's Tower, Jewel Cave and the Grand Tetons.

One afternoon featured swimming in Thermopolis, Wyo., water holes. Hours of bus riding were shortened by playing checkers, chess, card games, sleeping, taking pictures and chatting.

During the day YOU members and adults ate out, then had evening cookouts of hamburgers, hot dogs, chili, chicken and roast beef.

Fifteen **YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio,** and **MERCER, Pa.**, singles carpooled to Geauga Lake Amusement Park in Aurora, Ohio, July 29.

Many were able to buy tickets discounted more than 50 percent. The morning was spent on the rides and attractions.

After sharing lunch, the group took in the water rides and relaxed in the sun.

*Rena Conway and Linda Sanders, Patrick Caffarelli, Tarra Pulis and Steve Nosol Jr.*

## YOU attends awards' night

An annual YOU awards' banquet took place July 29 for **MODESTO and STOCKTON, Calif.**, YOU members. The formal event featured a dinner of chicken Kiev, salad and vegetables, prepared by Jean Harris, who was assisted by Nancy Harris and Gayle Overton.

The dinner was served by YOU members who acted as ushers, waiters and waitresses. Background music was provided by YOU members Teresa Brunner, Carrie and Carolyn Burchett, Kim and Shawna

Carlson, Karna Wolaridge and Mary and Nancy Halsted.

Pastor Oswald Englebart spoke on godly hope vs. worldly hope. Buck Burchett served as master of ceremonies, and deacons Wayne Carlson and Bob McNeeley presented a slide show portraying how teens should bypass the glitter of this world and "Go for the gold" of God's Kingdom.

Various sports and cheerleading awards were presented by coaches Mike Beattie, Don Bonstein and Jill Carlson, recognizing the accomplishments of Division I and II basketball teams who placed first in their regional competitions.

Mr. Englebart recognized the YOU members who had graduated this past year from junior and senior high schools. The four high school graduates are Fred Evans, Daniel Freeman, David Mellon and Ed Taylor. Sherry Fields and David Brunner, two members who graduated from YOU this year, were given special awards.

Mr. Englebart also recognized those who received special academic or sports awards from their schools. *Carolyn Burchett and Inge Holm.*

## Church areas commemorate anniversaries

Almost 300 brethren from the **LAUREL, and WILMINGTON, Del.**, churches gathered July 21 at the Square Club in Dover, Del., to commemorate the 10th anniversary of the Laurel church.

Afternoon Sabbath services included a sermonette by pastor David Register, who told some of Laurel's history, and a sermon by Richard Frankel, pastor of the Washington, D.C., and Front Royal, Va., churches, who spoke on the family. Brethren had a potluck afterward, and Mr. Register gave more history and events of the church.

The Laurel church began as the Delmar, Del., church July 6, 1974, with services in the Delmarva Convention Center. In March, 1976, the church moved to its present location in Laurel.

In 10 years the church attendance has grown from 62 to 209. In July, 1978, a sister church in Wilmington was started.

During the anniversary celebra-

tion, gifts were presented to Mr. Frankel and his family for having been one of the first ministers to work in the area in the 1960s. Gifts were also given to Stacy Rutter, born July 13, 1974, for being the first of 22 children born in the 10 years. A gift also went to Betty Rutter for having been in the Church the longest, since 1956.

Don and Peggy McCoy were the first in the church to have a Church wedding, on July 13, 1975. Patrick Moore was the first student to graduate from Ambassador College, in May, 1984.

Photographs of the original members were taken with plans to give a picture to each family. An anniversary dance that lasted until midnight featured music provided by Clem and Loretta Scardino, the Sound Transition Deejays, and their collection of more than 4,000 records. Mr. and Mrs. Dave Duneworth made a 10th anniversary banner and other wall and table decorations.

Anniversary cakes were made by Pat Larrimore, Virginia Seefried and Mrs. McCoy. Mrs. Rutter and Lillian Sherwood cut and served the cakes while Mr. and Mrs. Ed Figgs made and served punch throughout the evening.

French-speaking brethren in **QUEBEC CITY, Que.**, the provincial capital, celebrated the church's 10th anniversary July 28 and 29. The first Sabbath services took place July 27, 1974, and were conducted by Colin Wilkins, now pastor of the churches in Scotland.

After Sabbath services, conducted by Robert Scott, pastor of the Quebec City and Trois-Rivieres, Que., churches, brethren partook of an anniversary cake prepared by Alain Vezina. Julie Toutant made hall decorations.

The next day brethren went to a park near Beauport Lake for a *mechoui*, a traditional Arab-style lamb roast, cooked on a skewer rotating over a fire.

While the meat cooked, adults and children participated in games and races. In the late afternoon the group sat around wooden tables for a family style meal, which included the lamb.

Twentieth anniversary festivities for 605 **MIAMI and FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla.**, brethren began at 1 p.m. Sabbath, Aug. 11, at Hialeah Junior High School Auditorium.

Just before services members picked up commemorative announcement bulletins, which included copies of the official letter from Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong announcing the first meeting of the Miami church Aug. 15, 1964. The church was pastored by Kenneth Swisher, and 81 members attended the first meeting.

Current Miami pastor Al Kersha announced special music, a rendition of "Battle Hymn of the Republic," performed by the Miami and Fort

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**ANNIVERSARY CENTERPIECE** — Alain Vezina cuts a cake at 10th-anniversary celebrations in the French-speaking Quebec City, Que., church July 28. (Photos by Eli Chiprout)



## Summer picnics conducted

Aug. 5 about 210 BOSTON, Mass., and PROVIDENCE, R.I., brethren attended an annual picnic at a Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) day camp in Hopkinton, Mass.

The activity-packed day, also attended by some brethren from New York, included softball, soccer, horseshoes, volleyball, canoeing, hiking, children's games and swimming in an Olympic-size pool with a bath house available all day.

At noon brethren surprised pastor Jim Franks, his wife, Sharon, and their children, Molly, Jamie and Kimberly by honoring them with champagne, cake and personalized T-shirts commemorating their five years at Boston and Providence. Jim Arnaldo made the presentation, and Mike Correiro popped the champagne corks to kick off the celebration.

Brethren signed a card of thanks, and watermelon was also served. The picnic ended after a sing-along, led by Marge Rounds.

Sunny weather greeted GRANDE PRAIRIE, Alta., brethren who attended an annual picnic Aug. 5 at Moonshine Lake Provincial Park. The day began with a pancake and egg brunch. Afterward the group played softball, volleyball, lawn darts and other games. A mid-afternoon snack featured cookies and watermelon.

An obstacle course was set up and run by adult and children relay teams. The course included riding a bicycle on a narrow plank, swinging on a rope Tarzan-style and crawling under a net.

The group took part in a Bible quiz before a potluck supper. More games were played toward evening.

Brethren from KINGSTON and SMITHS FALLS, Ont., sponsored a combined picnic July 29 at Portland, Ont. After a mixed softball game, a lunch of barbecued hamburgers, mixed fruits and desserts was served.

Preteens were coached in softball, and swimming was available in the afternoon. For those with energy left, a final softball game was played to finish off the day.

Sunday, July 22, about 325 brethren from the BALTIMORE, Md., church attended their 14th annual bull roast at Maynard Marvel Sr.'s farm in the rolling hills of Freeland, Md. More than 300 pounds of beef were seasoned, wrapped in aluminum foil and roasted over an open pit by deacon

Roger Crawford and his assistants.

Thirty pounds of hamburgers were barbecued as well and served on whole-wheat buns. Brethren supplied vegetables, salads, desserts and beverages. Snow cones, beer and coffee were sold.

Children played in a sandbox and on a slide, seesaw and swings. Later they won prizes in various games, including skipping rope and throwing a football through a tire.

Brethren played cards and volleyball, went on hayrides and conversed in the relaxed, rural setting. Later in the day before a softball game could be organized, a sudden rain halted the activities.

Earlier in the month, some men went to the farm to construct 12 picnic tables and benches in addition to the 25 already there.

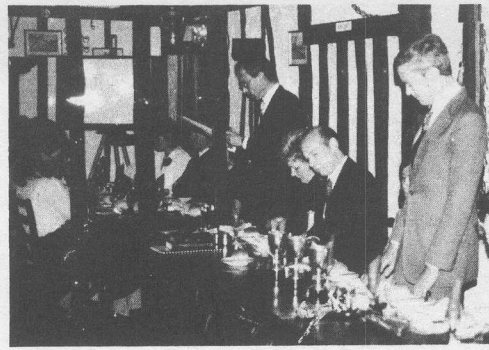
Brethren and guests of the DAUPHIN, Man., church gathered at Moon Lake in Riding Mountain National Park July 29 for an annual picnic, which began with a breakfast of pancakes, sausages and eggs. The aroma attracted a small bear.

The day's activities included swimming, water ball, horseshoe riding and hayrides. A picnic lunch brought the day to a close.

The last of two OCALA, Fla., summer picnics took place July 29 at the 36th Street Recreational Complex in Ocala, with about 55 Ocala and Gainesville, Fla., brethren in attendance.

The combined group played and watched softball and kickball. After a picnic lunch games were organized, and YES children flew kites.

Ray Blouin, W. Penner, Jeannine Lortie, Jon and Ginnie Cook, Olive Weaver and Terrie Payne.



**FINAL MEETING** — David Plumley (standing left) reads the minutes at the final ladies' night of the year for the Basildon, England, Spokesman Club July 18 at The Old Windmill in South Hanningfield, England. Club director Robin Jones is seated (center), and President Stephen Cornish stands right.

## Clubs organize ladies' nights

The Old Windmill, a country-style restaurant in South Hanningfield, England, was the location of the final ladies' night of the BASILDON, England, Spokesman Club July 18.

Forty members and guests were present for the evening, which was opened by President Stephen Cornish. The Old Windmill offered roast beef or cold turkey served with a variety of hot vegetables and salad. During the main course tabletopics were presented by Peter Sheppard. Subjects included "Should mothers of young children go to work?", "How should we view experimentation on human embryos?" and "Which is the most beautiful country in the world?"

After a recess and dessert of Black

Forest cake and fresh fruit salad, Michael Davies introduced speakers David Plumley, Stephen Robson, Victor Francis, David Adlington and Len Maylin.

As the speeches drew to a close, coffee was served and club director Robin Jones, pastor of the London and Basildon, England, churches, emphasized the fruit that club produces. He thanked the women for their support and sacrifice. Those present took home printed programs and menus as souvenirs.

**WOLLONGONG, Australia,** Spokesman Club members met for an evening of food and speaking at their first ladies' night of the year July 25. The evening was organized by club President Ian Gudze.

Tabletopics were led by Vladimir Milechik and one of the questions concerned Geraldine Ferraro, the first woman vice-presidential candidate in the United States. Most Improved Speaker was Edward Lever, who inspired the club with a speech on a young woman's attempts to overcome deep-seated introversion.

For his speech titled "Smile," John Ellis, the newest club member, was awarded the Most Effective Speech cup by club director Rodney King, pastor of the Wollongong and Canberra, Australia, churches.

David Plumley and Ian Ryan.

## Paradox

(Continued from page 2) they could prosper a lot more with an increased population.

Contrary to popular opinion, high population density does not always hurt economic development. Julian Simon wrote in the Aug. 6 *Wall Street Journal*: "Drive around on Hong Kong's smooth-flowing highways for an hour or two, and you will realize that a very large concentration of human beings in a very small area does not make impossible comfortable existence and exciting economic expansion, if the system gives individuals the freedom to exercise their talents and pursue economic opportunities. The experience of Singapore makes clear that Hong Kong is not unique, either."

Mr. Simon continues, "Our ultimate resource is skilled, spirited and hopeful people exerting their wills and their imaginations to provide for themselves and for their families, and thereby inevitably providing for the benefit of us all."

Of course, the majority in many Third World countries are anything but "skilled, spirited and hopeful." Runaway population growth is a curse. The European problem, however, is pretty much the flip side of the coin.

Take France as an example. Its population shortage was prophesied in the Bible. Near the end of Deuteronomy is a prophecy about Reuben — the progenitor of modern-

day France. "Let Reuben live, and not die; and let not his men be few" (Deuteronomy 33:6). This rendering is incorrect.

The word *not* in the last phrase of this verse is in italics. It is not in the original. An explanation of the mistranslation is found in a footnote in *The Amplified Bible*. It reads: "The earlier Bible translators could not believe that Moses meant to say of Reuben, 'let his men be few,' so they put 'not' in it in italics: 'let not his men be few.' But Reuben had committed a grave offense (Gen. 49:3-4), which canceled his birthright, and God meant exactly what He directed Moses to say..." (page 255).

The Amplified Bible renders the verse: "Let [the tribe of] Reuben live, and not die out, but let his men be few."

The Jewish Publication Society translation has it: "Let Reuben live, and not die In that his men become few." The *Good News Bible* translates it: "Moses said about the tribe of Reuben: 'May Reuben never die out, although their people are few.'"

Is this prophecy accurate in the end time?

Read this about the modern nation of France. "As early as 1800 she [France] began to fall behind her European rivals in her rate of growth, due to social and political factors such as the Napoleonic laws of equal inheritance" (John Ardagh, *France in the 1980s*, page 14).

## Youths attend camps

ave to rush out the next morning to lay off help. This is not always can do it.

MISSISSAUGA, "TENNESSEE and MISSOURI converged on Lake Ouachita, near Hot Springs National Park in Arkansas, Aug. 6 for a four-day summer camp.

From a 7 a.m. wake-up call until lights went out at 10 p.m., the children had classes in waterskiing, canoeing, water polo, volleyball, basketball, riflery, archery and swimming. Each evening songs were sung around a camp fire.

A dating class, taught by camp director Gilbert Goethals, took place for

## er different

members and 34 adults from QUEBEC attended a summer camp at St. Emile de Suffolk, Que., July 15 to 22. The owner of the campsite gave free access to his land, which includes a lake. Games were played in a clearing in the middle of camp, beside a river running into the lake.

This year tennis was added to the sports agenda, and tennis lessons were given to youths and some parents by Donat Picard, pastor of the Montreal North and South French-speaking churches, who was assisted by Bruno Leclerc, pastor of the Val D'Or, Que., church.

Swimming was included in the program, and Martine Vezina, a Montreal French Church member, gave swimming lessons, which included techniques in saving a drowning person.

The campers heard Bible studies each day, and forums around the camp fire took place in the evenings.

Claire Bernard, assisted by other women at the camp, prepared meals. On the Sabbath, July 21, the men served the morning meal, and the afternoon meal was served by team captains and assistants.

Sabbath services took place in the town school, with Mr. Leclerc giving a sermonette on how to be a true friend. Mr. Picard's sermon centered on this dangerous world.

Nolan Ballinger and Jean Guy Gauthier.

Up to that time France had the largest population of any country in western Europe — easily outdistancing Great Britain and Germany. By 1910 Germany and Britain had overtaken her in population. And by 1935 eight people were dying for every seven being born in France, the breadbasket of western Europe.

Now note this fact unrealized by most. Mr. Ardagh writes, "In 1940 Germany was able to put nearly twice as many men of military age into the field as France — and results were all too evident" (page 14).

Today in most Third World countries the population explosion is a curse. Nations like India and Mexico are trying desperately to get their birthrates down.

How can it be that a low birthrate is regarded as a national calamity in some of the developed nations of Europe? Mr. Ardagh: "Although for a poor country a high birthrate is a menace, for a developed nation like France the opposite is true... France is still under-populated in relation to her neighbors and her own geography" (page 14). Human resources can be a great blessing in a developed country.

It is true that there was a *Lebeboom* in France in the '50s and '60s, and the nation benefited from it greatly. However, as Mr. Ardagh explains, "More recently the birthrate has fallen again, quite sharply, and this has caused some alarm" (page 15).

## Seniors take outings

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., senior citizens and pastor Allen Bullock went on a bus trip June 24 to Florida's Silver Springs. After a two-hour bus ride, the group went on a glass-bottom-boat ride and jungle-cruise ride.

Afterward a man wrestled an alligator at a reptile show, and a walk through a deer park and live animal habitat allowed the group to pet animals.

They walked by an antique car collection and saw the *Sea Hunt* movie set. At the day's end the group met at an ice-cream stand and boarded the bus for home.

Fifty senior members of the WHEELING, W. Va., church gathered in Bridgeport, Ohio, for dinner and fellowship Aug. 4. A potluck meal, consisting of a variety of meats and vegetables, was served.

After dinner Reinhold Fuesel, pastor of the Cambridge, Ohio, and Wheeling churches, addressed the senior citizens on forming closer relationships with members of all ages. Special emphasis was placed on spending time with YOU and YES members. The group fellowshiped afterward.

Leslie Jansen and Jeff and Lori McDonald.

## Church

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Lauderdale choirs, directed by Rick Thomas, Miami chorale director.

Mr. Kersha then introduced two guest speakers, former pastors Frederick Kellers, now pastor of the Searcy and Little Rock, Ark., churches, and evangelist Gerald Waterhouse, who extended greetings from Mr. Armstrong.

After sunset a semiformal banquet took place in the grand ballroom of the Miami Airport Marriott Hotel. The room was decorated with flowers, a banner reading "20th Anniversary" and colored lights. Floral centerpieces were placed on each table.

During a dinner of chicken roma and key lime pie, Mr. Kersha read a roster of 31 original members who were present. They later posed for photographs. A special music selection of "Just Like a Loving God" was performed by John Buckland, accompanied by band members.

Deacon Al Segall, who headed a door-prize committee, obtained donations from area businesses. Prizes awarded during three drawings conducted by Ken Brady, a Miami local church elder and master of ceremonies, were a Bahamas cruise, an RCA color television set, a Pierre Cardin wristwatch, 14 dinners for two ranging from \$30 to \$50 each, four gifts of men's cologne and a \$300 shopping gift certificate.

Dance music was provided by Cool Change, a band composed of

## Tea provided by singles

Singles from the NOTTINGHAM, England, United Singles Group provided a tea for YES children after Sabbath services July 21. Singles and YOU members served the refreshments.

Overall direction was provided by Susan Whiles. After the meal the children were entertained with a game based on drawing biblical scenes. Philip Perry.



# College students study Spanish in three-week Mexican program

**By Michael Medina**  
**PASADENA** — For three weeks Ambassador College senior Michael Medina, junior Elisabeth Prevost and sophomore Ronda Woodbridge spent three hours each day, Monday through Friday, in intensive Spanish classes.

*Michael Medina is a senior at Pasadena Ambassador College.*

The students traveled to Mexico City, Mexico, July 27 to study

Spanish at El Instituto Mexicano Norteamericano de Relaciones Culturales. They returned to Pasadena Aug. 17.

Each of the students commented on how beneficial the school was in improving his or her effectiveness in speaking Spanish.

According to Miss Woodbridge, "There was no English spoken in the class at all, and that forced us to learn very fast."

The students visited sites in and around Mexico City, including the Museum of Anthropology; El Cas-

tillo de Chapultepec (Chapultepec Castle), the residence built for Maximilian (emperor of Mexico, 1864-67) that served as the residence of several Mexican presidents; the Pyramid to the Sun and Pyramid to the Moon; and El Palacio de Bellas Artes (Fine Arts Palace).

The students were invited into the homes of some of the brethren, where they were served home-cooked Mexican food. They said the brethren in Mexico City exuded love, warmth and hospitality.

## Soviet

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politician Franz Josef Strauss made a surprise visit to Albania, which, along with Yugoslavia, is an independent East European communist state. Albania broke away from Moscow years ago and went its own way, in virtual political seclusion. But now it shows signs of coming out.

"An advance in relations with West Germany," reported the Aug. 22 *Christian Science Monitor*: "would be Albania's most important move in its recent quest for enlarged contacts with most of the West European countries and Scandinavia. The Albanians are aware of the role Strauss has played in West German relations with Romania and East Germany, two Communist states within the Soviet bloc."

### Key to German reunification

All in all, the East European situation is in a state of dynamic flux. Soviet leaders feel that something definitely is up and fear that their grip on their satellites is slipping.

The Soviets fear one possible development above all else — the reunification of Germany. "Anything remotely resembling German unification remains unacceptable to the Soviet Union," writes William Pfaff in the Aug. 19 *Los Angeles Times*. "The partition of Germany is, for Moscow, the achievement justifying World War II."

Today's Soviet leaders, add a report in the Aug. 6 *New York Times*: "are for the most part old men who remember the war.

They sustain fear of a revived Third Reich and abiding taste for their role of wartime victor."

Yet the key to German reunification and the readjustments of Europe's postwar boundaries resides in Moscow. It is more obvious than ever that such alterations await a comparatively younger crowd coming to power in the Kremlin — one not personally associated with the horrors of World War II. Economic realities may also force a new look into the German question.

"The Soviets," wrote Robert J. Pranger in the Aug. 23 *Christian Science Monitor*, "may eventually develop a second, more positive option toward German reunification, given potential economic opportunities, that could

outweigh possible risks to the Warsaw Pact."

German reunification will come — but within the broader context of a united Europe.

Perhaps European Parliamentarian Otto von Habsburg expressed it best this way:

"Germany will never be separately reunited as some of the illusionists believe. It's only in the framework of a general European reunification, when Poland and Hungary and Czechoslovakia come to Europe, then of course Germany will be reunited — but not before."

Slowly, step by step, the groundwork is being laid for the eventual emergence of a powerful, German-led third force in Central Europe.

## What to Do After the Feast

Here are some suggestions to make returning home after the Feast easier.

— Arrive early so you don't have to rush out the next morning to school or work. Even a half day off helps. This is not always feasible, but it is desirable if you can do it.

— Buy food for the first dinner and breakfast at home before you leave. This alleviates frantic trips to the store when you get home. You could even freeze a first-night-home casserole as much as a month in advance. A little planning pays off.

— Collect mail and pets as soon as possible upon returning.

— Get unpacked as fast as possible. Unpacked suitcases cluttering the house can be depressing.

— Before you leave, put clean sheets on the beds and fresh towels in the bathrooms. Leave your house the way you would like to find it when you get back. *Z. Harlean Botha.*

## Seniors say today's society is 'altogether different'

**By Eric Frantz**  
**SPRINGFIELD, Mo.** — Of the Springfield church's average attendance of 250, nearly one third are more than 60 years old.

*This article was written by Eric Frantz, a Youth Opportunities (YOU) member in the Springfield, Mo., church.*

Elven are in their 80s, and eight are more than 90. The oldest is Emma Gibson, 94.

Some of the 60-plus group attribute longevity to proper health and work habits.

Jessie Hart, 74, pointed out that older people should not get lonesome. Instead of waiting to be enter-

tained, she said, make the effort to entertain others.

Inspiration to the elderly here comes from the family of Church members in Springfield and the understanding attained through God's Spirit. They no longer worry about what the future holds.

Living around the turn of the century meant a hard life, yet memories of those who lived at that time are precious. The seniors recall neighbors sharing, few divorces — an altogether different society.

The days seemed longer and people less hurried. There were good times and bad, but according to Lucy Winslow: "The happiest times were when the children were tucked away in bed, and the family was once more together."

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### Obituaries

**BELFAST, Northern Ireland** — Yvonne Stevenson, 52, a member since 1959, died Aug. 5 after a long illness.

Mrs. Stevenson is survived by her husband, Joseph; one daughter and son-in-law, Hilary and John Murphy, also members of the Belfast church; and three grandchildren, Caroline, Samuel and Benjamin.

Funeral services were conducted Aug. 7 by John Jewell, pastor of the churches in Ireland.



YVONNE STEVENSON

**CORPUS CHRISTI, Tex.** — Jeremiah Daniel Giza, 2½, died June 17 from a heart problem, which was undetected since birth.

He is survived by his parents, David J. and Nancy Giza, members of the Corpus Christi church, and sister Kathleen Elizabeth, 1 year old.

Funeral services were conducted June 20 in Houston, Tex., by Warren Heaton Jr., a minister in the Houston West church.

**BALTIMORE, Md.** — Mary L. Balcerowicz, 65, died Aug. 2 following a long illness. She has been a member since December, 1981.

The funeral service was conducted by Roy Demarest, pastor of the Baltimore church.

**BALTIMORE, Md.** — Nancy L.

Logan, 64, died Aug. 10 after a bout with cancer. She has been a member in the Baltimore church since July, 1972.

Mrs. Logan's survivors include her daughter, Diana Nesbitt, a member in the Baltimore church.

The funeral service was conducted by Thomas Oakley, a minister in the Baltimore church.

**CHICAGO, Ill.** — Julian J. Wojcicki, 66, died July 24 of a heart attack. Mr. Wojcicki, ordained a deacon in the Chicago North church June 9, has been a member of the Church since 1963.

He is survived by his wife, Irene; one daughter and son-in-law, Susan and Sam Cecala, and a daughter, Frances, all members of the Chicago North church; daughter and son-in-law, Mary and David Hibbler; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Michael Swagerty, pastor of the Chicago North and Northwest churches.

**SHELBY, Mich.** — Gary A. Clark, 19, died July 19 of complications from muscular dystrophy.

His mother, Diane, is a member of the Grand Rapids, Mich., church. Gary is survived by his parents; three sisters; and one grandmother, Ethel Clark, and an aunt, Mayme Wynn, members of the Grand Rapids churches. Burial was in Shelby July 23.

**SAN FERNANDO, Philippines** — Nida Laxamana, 18, died July 4 after a bout with diphtheria and heart complications.

Miss Laxamana was active in Youth Opportunities United (YOU) and attended the first Philippine national Summer Educational Program (SEP) at Agoncillo in May.

She is survived by her foster parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eulogio Laxamana; her natural parents, Mr. and Mrs. Aurelio Mandap (Mr. Mandap is a minister in the San Fernando church); four brothers, Rely, Ernie, Nelson and Nelito; and three sisters, Lolita, Connie and Rachel. Graveside services were conducted by Roberto Gopez, pastor of the San Fernando and Tarlac, Philippines, churches, July 5.

**BR. STOL, England** — Keith Mill-

man, 63, a deacon, died Aug. 3 at home. Mr. Millman, a member of God's Church since 1961, is survived by his

wife, Jean; two daughters, Wendy Lodge and Janet Kent; and seven grandchildren.

The funeral service was conducted by David Bedford, pastor of the Bristol, Plymouth and Tiverton, England, and Cardiff and Carmarthen, Wales, churches.

**PRESCOTT, Ariz.** — Frank Watson, 70, died July 27 in a private airplane accident near Clarinda, Iowa.

Mr. Watson is survived by his wife, Eleanor, a Church member, four sons and two daughters.

Graveside memorial services were conducted Aug. 1 by Douglas Horchak, pastor of the Prescott and Flagstaff, Ariz., churches.

**BAGDAD, Ariz.** — Ron Sims, 45, died July 27 in a private airplane accident near Clarinda, Iowa.

Mr. Sims is survived by his wife, Linda, a Church member, and three sons.

Graveside memorial services were conducted Aug. 1 by Douglas Horchak, pastor of the Prescott and Flagstaff, Ariz., churches.

**SARNIA, Ont.** — Jack Webster, 63, died July 25 of a heart attack.

He is survived by his wife, Isabell, a member since 1978, and one son. The funeral service was conducted by Richard Wilding, pastor of the Sarnia and London, Ont., churches.

**BARRHEAD, Alta.** — Alfred Heilmann, 42, a member since May, 1975, died at home July 1 after his ultralight plane malfunctioned and crashed.

Mr. Heilmann is survived by his wife, Martha, and stepchildren Garry Schultz of Edmonton, Alta., and Elaine Stark of Lloydminster, Alta., all members of the Church.

Funeral services were conducted in Barrhead July 4 by Robert Millman, pastor of the Westlock and Atmore, Alta., congregations.

**LEGAL, Alta.** — Levis Michaud, 32, a member since November, 1975, died July 31 in a car accident at Morinville, Alta.

Mr. Michaud is survived by his wife, Lucienne, a member; two sons, Miguel, 9, and Alain, 4; and brothers Claude, Richard and Donald, all members.

Funeral services were conducted in Morinville Aug. 3 by Robert Millman, pastor of the Westlock and Atmore, Alta., congregations.

**KENOSHA, Wis.** — Mildred R. Stowell, 86, a member since 1963, died

after a lengthy illness June 9.

Mrs. Stowell is survived by five sons, 17 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Michael Greider, a minister in the Kenosha, Wis., church, officiated June 11 at the funeral services in Burlington, Wis., and graveside services in Delavan, Wis.

**UMTATA, South Africa** — Nomfanelo Z. Masela, 13, died July 13. She is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T.C. Masela, members of God's Church in Umtata, two sisters and three brothers.

Funeral services were conducted by Frank Nelt, pastor of the East London and Port Elizabeth, South Africa, churches.

**LACEY, Wash.** — Nancy M. Bertram, 82, died July 9 in a convalescent center here.

She was born Nov. 28, 1901, in Dayton, Wash., and spent her childhood there. She moved to Olympia, Wash., 20 years ago, and has been a member of the Church since August, 1960.

Mrs. Bertram is survived by one son, Harold M. Dunn of Olympia; one daughter, Shirley C. McCloud of Spokane, Wash.; one brother, Clethid Mathes of Chewelah, Wash.; one sister, Rachel Criss of Dayton; three grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

The graveside funeral service was conducted July 13 by Melvin Dahlgren, pastor of the Tacoma and Olympia, Wash., churches.

**MOJAVE, Calif.** — Marvin G. Nielsen, 51, a member since 1980, died July 15 of a heart attack suffered July 8. Mr. Nielsen was born in Blair, Neb., but was raised in Eugene, Ore., where he heard Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong on radio. He was baptized in Riverside, Calif., Feb. 10, 1980, by Carn Catherwood, now regional director for the Church in Italian-speaking areas.

Mr. Nielsen is survived by his wife, Florence, a member; his parents, Carl and Frances of Eugene; two sisters; six children, Marvin of Yakima, Wash., Cindy Hoover, a member of the Modesto, Calif., church, and Carl, Paul, Kathy and Ryan; three stepchildren, David Frye of Mojave, Michael Frye and Janette Hall of Canoga Park, Calif.; and three granddaughters, Robin Bielfeld of Pasadena and Belinda and Jennifer Hall of Canoga Park.

Funeral services were conducted in Riverside July 19 by Camilo Reyes, pastor of the Mojave and Bakersfield, Calif., churches.

## Letters TO THE EDITOR

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steering wheel broke in my stomach, the hood, lights and dash all were damaged. My sun glasses were smashed flat, yet, I suffered absolutely no cuts or broken bones. Except for some sore muscles, God Almighty protected me totally from harm. I praise God for loving me so much to look after me every second of every day. I now totally realize the great importance to daily put on the full armor of God, daily pray and talk with Him.

John A. Thom  
 Kennewick, Wash.

### Helpful publications

I wanted to write to say congratulations for a job well done. *The Plain Truth, Good News and Worldwide News* each reflect a great deal of effort and are very professionally done. But not only that, it is evident that you really care about the readers and that God's Spirit is very much involved in each publication. The latest *You 84* issue (May issue) strikes a perfect balance of information to teens on how to cope with growing up and to parents on how to rear teens; a very helpful publication!

Jim Yowell  
 Sperryville, Va.

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

**PASADENA — Sanong Charubhat**, Thai consul general for Los Angeles, Calif., met with Pastor General **Herbert W. Armstrong** in Mr. Armstrong's Hall of Administration office here Aug. 29, according to **Aaron Dean**, personal aide to the pastor general.

"The consul general is being promoted by the government of Thailand to be its ambassador to Nigeria, and he wanted to personally thank Mr. Armstrong for the help given by the Ambassador Foundation to the Thai community in Los Angeles and in Thailand itself," said Mr. Dean.

Evangelist **Herman L. Hoeh**, editor of *The Plain Truth*, said that the consul general is "an unassuming, quiet man, but very helpful in working through Thai officials. He enabled Mr. Armstrong to arrange contacts that we would not have been able to achieve otherwise in the time available to us regarding their majesties [in Thailand]."

Mr. Armstrong was a guest of **King Bhumibol** and **Queen Sirikit** of Thailand during his trip there Jan. 22 to 26. Mr. Armstrong was made Knight Commander of the Most Exalted Order of the White Elephant by the king Jan. 23. The order is the equivalent of knighting in English culture.

Mr. Sanong was accompanied by consulate officials **Samroeng Laksanasut**, **Direk Attabumroong** and **Pricha Sakutyinyai**.

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**PASADENA — International Reader's Digest** advertisements continue to pull high responses, according to **David Hulme**, director of media purchasing for the Church.

An ad run in the August Danish edition of *Reader's Digest* pulled a 1 percent response, which Mr. Hulme said was "very acceptable."

The ad was presented in a five-page foldout, called a gatefold.

The ad was translated into Danish and advertised *Den Enkle Sannhet* (Norwegian *Plain Truth*). "I think the strength of this response helps prove that the Norwegian language was a wise choice for starting the magazine in the Scandinavian area," Mr. Hulme said.

*Reader's Digest* ads in South Africa continue to do well, with the August advertisement pulling about a 0.5 percent response in the first week of returns.

July *Reader's Digest* ads in Malaysia and Singapore advertising *The Plain Truth* and *The Seven Laws of Success* pulled 4 percent and 2.7 percent, Mr. Hulme said.

He added that a *Reader's Digest* ad run in June in Hong Kong brought a 3.8 percent response.

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**PASADENA — Ministerial Services** released the following ordination:

**Samuel O'Dell** was ordained a local church elder during Pentecost services June 10. He serves the Amarillo, Tex., church.

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**PASADENA — Publishing Services** here was selected as an Award of Excellence winner in the Mead Paper, Inc., monthly competition for fine printing, according to **Larry A. Fox**, director of Mead Awards.

Mr. Fox notified **Ray Wright**, director of Publishing Services, by letter that Mead Paper selected the 1984-85 Ambassador Foundation concert brochure in the competition.

"The Ambassador Auditorium 1984-85 brochure is both attractively designed and well printed," Mr.

Fox said in the letter to Mr. Wright.

Five winners are chosen each month, and the Ambassador Foundation brochure will become part of Mead's Top Sixty Show of 1984, Mr. Fox said.

**Michael Miles**, a graphics artist in the graphics design area of Publishing Services, designed the brochure.

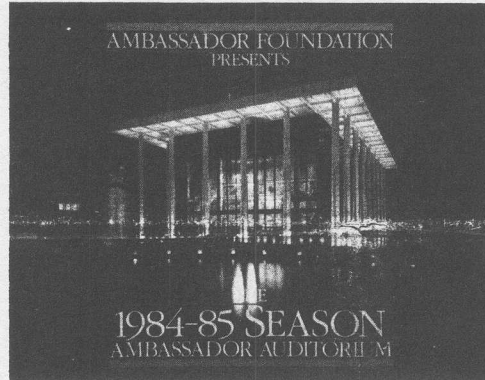
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**PASADENA — David Hulme**, director of media purchasing, released the following new television stations and time changes for U.S. stations airing *The World Tomorrow*.

Listed by state are the station's call letters, location, channel number and time when *The World Tomorrow* is aired.

**ARIZONA**  
KYEL, Yuma — 13, 8:30 a.m., Sun. (time change).

**CALIFORNIA**  
KTTV, Los Angeles — 11, 7 a.m., Sun. (time change effective Sept. 23).  
KCOP, Los Angeles — 13, midnight, Sun. (effective Sept. 23).  
KBHK, San Francisco — 44, 11:30 p.m., Sun.



**WINNING BROCHURE —** Mead Paper, Inc., selected the above 1984-85 Ambassador Foundation concert brochure as an Award of Excellence winner (see "Update," this page).



**PASADENA — Distribution of The Plain Truth** from island newsstands at airports in Vancouver, B.C., Calgary, Alta., Toronto, Ont., and Montreal, Que., will begin in September, according to the Vancouver Regional Office.

Direct mail campaigns were conducted in August and September, and after the Feast a newspaper insert will be run. A 30-second television commercial in Winnipeg, Man., Oct. 27 through Nov. 1 will tell viewers to look for the insert in their newspaper. This program will be evaluated to see if it should be expanded.

Canada Post rejected the Church's application for second-class mailing privileges, but an appeal for reconsideration of the decision is pending.

**Scandinavian Plain Truth**

Circulation of the Norwegian-language *Plain Truth* (*Den Enkle Sannhet*) topped 16,000, and the combined English and Norwegian *Plain Truth* circulation at the end of August stood at just more than 27,000 (up 11 percent over July)

**COLORADO**  
KUSA, Denver — 9, 7:30 a.m., Sun. (effective Sept. 16).  
**FLORIDA**  
WTVJ, Miami — 4, 7 a.m., Sun. (time change).  
**GEORGIA**  
WGTX, Atlanta — 46, 7 a.m., Sat. (effective Sept. 15).  
**INDIANA**  
WTVW, Evansville — 7, 7:30 a.m., Sun. (time change effective Sept. 30).  
**LOUISIANA**  
KTBS, Shreveport — 3, 8:30 a.m., Sun.  
**MICHIGAN**  
WXON, Detroit — 20, 8 a.m., Sat. (effective Oct. 6).  
**MISSOURI**  
KPLR, St. Louis — 11, 11 p.m., Sun. (time change effective Sept. 16).  
**MISSISSIPPI**  
WTOG, Meridian — 11, 10:30 a.m., Sun. (time change).  
**NEW YORK**  
WOR, New York — 9, midnight, Sun. (time change effective Sept. 30).  
**NORTH CAROLINA**  
WGHP, High Point — 8, 11 a.m., Sun.  
**PENNSYLVANIA**  
WPXI, Pittsburgh — 11, 7:30 a.m., Sun. (time change).  
**TENNESSEE**  
WTVF, Nashville — 5, 10:30 a.m., Sun.  
**TEXAS**  
KSAT, San Antonio — 12, 8:30 a.m., Sun.  
KENS, San Antonio — 6, 7 a.m., Sun. (time change).

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**PASADENA —** One way members can assist God's Church is by carefully and accurately preparing their Holy Day offerings, according to **John Wilson Sr.**, a co-worker officer in the Mail Processing Center (MPC). Avoiding mistakes and oversights means that less time and

## Test Dates Set for SAT

Prospective Ambassador College students should note that the College Entrance Examination Board (CEEB) has released test dates for United States and international administration of the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT).

SAT scores are required of prospective students with less than 30 semester units of college-level course work.

The following dates are Saturday tests. All Sunday SATs are administered the day after the following dates: Oct. 13, Nov. 3, Dec. 1, Jan. 26, March 23, May 4 and June 1. The October test date falls during the Feast and is administered only in California, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, North Carolina, South Carolina and Texas.

Registration information for the above dates may be obtained from high school counselor offices; by writing the CEEB, Box 592, Princeton, N.J., 08540, U.S.A.; or phoning CEEB offices at 609-883-8500. Instructions for obtaining a Sunday administration are given in the SAT registration brochure.

The Ambassador College admissions committee recommends that Ambassador applicants take the SAT at the earliest possible date. The CEEB requires six weeks to process SAT registration for U.S. applicants and longer for international students.

Prospective Ambassador students should also note that March 1, 1985, is the deadline for applications.

Richard F. Ames  
Director of Admissions  
Pasadena Ambassador College

effort will be needed to deposit funds in Church accounts and record contributions.

Though there have been few problems with Holy Day offerings in the past couple of years, MPC offers the following suggestions:

- Use proper envelopes. Please use the pre-labeled envelopes sent from headquarters for all Holy Day offerings.

The offering will be credited to the person whose name appears on the envelope, regardless of whose check is enclosed. If, for example, you inadvertently place your offering in your child's envelope, your child's record will be credited. Although such errors can be corrected, they can cause inconvenience to you and MPC.

It's a good idea to keep your *Plain Truth* subscription number in your Bible. Then, if you forget your preaddressed offering envelope, you can still write this number on one of the envelopes provided by the ushers. Also, if you use a non-labeled envelope, please write clearly.

- Fill out checks correctly. Please make checks, traveler's checks and money orders payable to "Worldwide Church of God." Fill out the check completely, including the date and signature. Make certain that the numerical amount and

written amount agree.

Most of us do not handle traveler's checks except at Feast time. Remember that these checks must be countersigned on the appropriate line before they can be cashed. Please do not sign them on the payee line.

It is also helpful if you avoid folding checks and currency. Most items should fit into the envelope without folding them. A surprising amount of processing time is spent unfolding and straightening checks and bills.

- Have sufficient funds in the bank to cover checks. Bounced checks, written when there is not enough money in the account, create additional bookkeeping problems. Not only can no money be credited to the Church's accounts, but additional time and expense must be spent notifying the sender. Fees to the sender from the bank can amount to \$25 or more.

Holy Day offering checks collected at the Feast of Tabernacles are deposited in banks at the various Feast sites, so they should be valid on the day they are written. Please do not return on returning home in time to deposit money to cover a check written at the Feast. Banks now process checks quickly.

It is better not to give at all, or to make a smaller donation, than to write a check that bounces.

Some have written or called asking MPC to send their checks through a second time or to prevent their being returned to their banks. Unfortunately, there is nothing MPC can do to intercept a check that may bounce once it is deposited.

ther" (there wasn't time to say anything) and it became like I was jumping into water and I landed safely — in a sitting position — on the only soft carton box in the room [below]. The room was used as a store full of scrap metal and furniture, carelessly arranged."

**Ordinations**

On the Sabbath of Aug. 18, Neil Earle, pastor of the Toronto, Ont., churches, was raised to pastor rank by Colin Adair, regional director of the Church in Canada. Dan Fuller, assistant pastor of the Hamilton, Ont., church, was raised to preaching elder, and Roly Palmatier was ordained a local church elder Aug. 21.

**Italian summary**

The number of countries with subscribers to the Italian edition of *The Plain Truth* (*La Pura Verita*) reached 82. Circulation grew to 56,131 in July, up 4 percent since the end of June and more than doubling in the last year. Twenty-nine co-workers and 192 donors assist the members in Italy in supporting the work of the Church there.

*Reader's Digest* ads in the March issue in Italy produced 10,105 responses so far. *The Resurrection Was Not on Sunday* and *The Wonderful World Tomorrow* in Italian were sent to those who had previously requested them. This mailing contributed to the 8,693 pieces mailed out in July.

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