

Mystery of the Ages completed; printing begins in U.S. facilities

By Michael A. Snyder

PASADENA — Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong's book *Mystery of the Ages* went on the presses July 29, according to Ray Wright, director of Publishing Services.

The Church is having 150,000 copies of the hardbound edition printed, 75,000 at Arcata Graphics Co. in Fairfield, Pa., and 75,000 at an R.R. Donnelley & Sons printing plant in Crawfordsville, Ind.

"We plan to have hardbound copies available for Ambassador students at the beginning of the 1985 academic year," said Roger Lippross, production director of Publishing Services.

The jacket cover, with gold-embossed letters, is being printed at the Strine Printing Co. in York, Pa.

The 400-page book has seven chapters and a scripture and subject index. Mr. Armstrong also wrote an author's statement, preface and introduction that precede the seven chapters.

The book will be mailed to ministers before the Feast of Tabernacles. According to Mr. Lippross, brethren at English-speaking sites are scheduled to receive a hardbound edition during the Festival.

To be sold in bookstores

"The book was originally written as a textbook for use in the second-year Bible class at AC," said Aaron Dean, executive aide to Mr. Armstrong (see "Herbert Armstrong Addresses Colleges' Theology Curriculum," *WN*, Jan. 7).
Mr. Armstrong decided to offer the hardbound edition, priced at \$12.95, in bookstores. This presents the book to an audience that possibly would not read or treat seriously literature received free of charge.

Dodd, Mead, a publishing house in New York, N.Y., is coordinating distribution. "Dodd, Mead is a well-established publishing house that has a reputation for high ethics and publishing high-quality books," Mr. Lippross said.

The Church prepared its largest advertising campaign for a single piece of literature to promote the book, according to Terry Warren, supervisor of the design graphics area in Publishing Services.

"We will be advertising in *Publisher's Weekly*, *Library Journal* and other book trade publications beginning in late August," Mr. Warren said. "This coincides with the traditional fall launching of new books into bookstores."

"Then, beginning in October," Mr. Warren continued, "a nationwide series of consumer ads promoting *Mystery of the Ages* will appear in national newspapers."

Ads promoting *Mystery of the Ages* are scheduled to appear in *The Wall Street Journal*, the *New York Times*, the *Los Angeles Times*, the *Washington Post* and other major newspapers in California, Florida, Massachusetts, Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Texas, Washington and Wisconsin.

The ads were prepared in Publishing Services and reviewed and approved by Mr. Armstrong. "The copy for the ads comes directly from *Mystery of the Ages*," Mr. Lippross said. "Even if a person reads the ad but doesn't eventually buy the book, he will still receive a substantial witness."

"A massive public relations campaign will also run simultaneously with the advertising campaign," Mr. Warren said. "Over 1,000 advance copies of *Mystery of the Ages* and press kits will be sent to book reviewers all over the country."

Intensive effort

After Mr. Armstrong began writing the book in January, "several departments of the Church cooperated to make sure the book would come out on time," said Dexter Faulkner, managing editor of the Church's publications.

"Mr. Armstrong worked on the book probably hundreds of hours since January," Mr. Dean said. "He would write a section and then sometimes later rewrite it to make sure the material was clearly portrayed."

"He wrote sections on the G-III [jet], in hotel rooms, in his office and other places," Mr. Dean continued. "When he wasn't writing the book, he often talked and thought about it."

"After most people would complete an intensive project of this magnitude, they would have to take a vacation," Mr. Dean said. "In-

stead Mr. Armstrong now wants to write some other booklets and articles that he hasn't had time to do while he was working on the book."

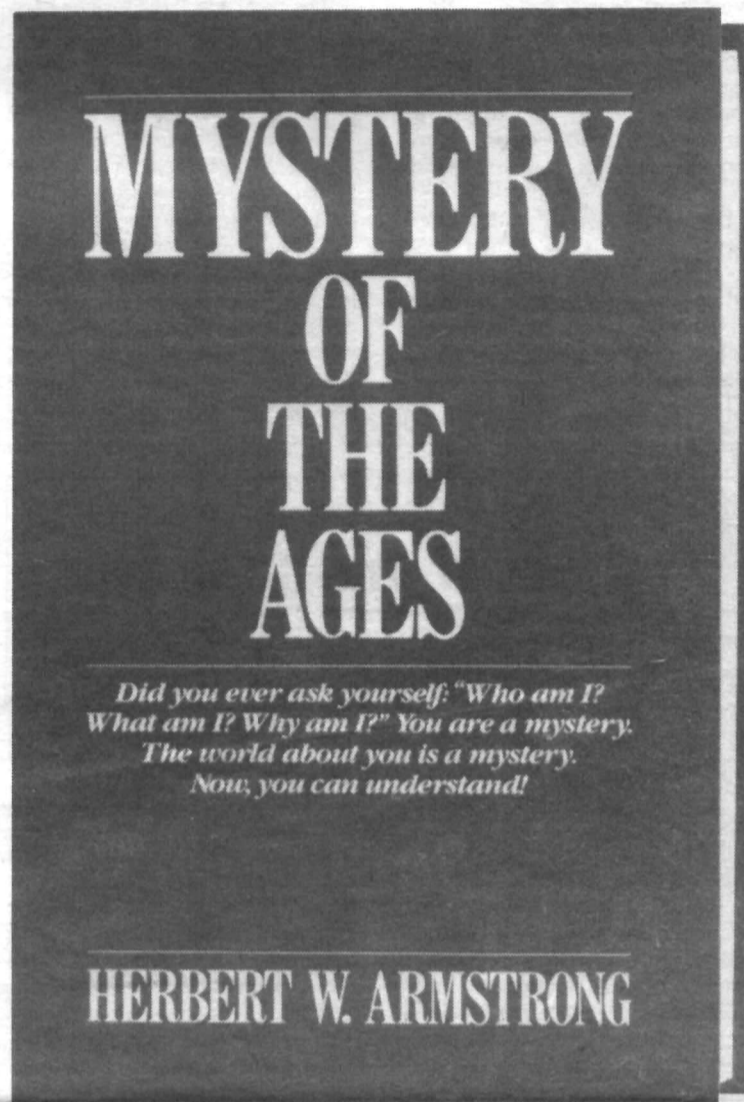
Greg S. Smith, designer for the book, said Mr. Armstrong was personally involved from the beginning. "You could say that Mr. Armstrong was the art director as well as the author," Mr. Smith said. "He met with several people from Editorial [Services] periodically to review the design, the paper stock, the typestyle and finally, the cover."

Mr. Lippross said Mr. Armstrong personally selected the color for the book jacket. "With gold embossed lettering Mr. Armstrong wanted a regal color, so he selected a deep shade of purple that is not normally commercially available."

To print the cover jacket, Strine Printing Co. had to specially mix the purple color.

As each chapter and section was completed by Mr. Armstrong, the material was sent to Editorial Services where it was reviewed for style by evangelist Herman L. Hoeh, *Plain Truth* editor, and other members of the Editorial staff. After typeset galley proofs were produced by Publishing Services, the material would be sent back to Mr. Armstrong for approval and any additional material he would add.

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NEW BOOK — The jacket cover for Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong's new book, *Mystery of the Ages*, has gold foil embossed on the main title. The cover was printed with a purple ink specially mixed by Strine Printing Co. in York, Pa. The 400-page book will be available at English-speaking Feast sites.

'Some rob themselves'

Second tithe: how to save, use it

By Leslie L. McCullough

God's true Church keeps His tithing laws. And we are the only group in the world, as far as we know, doing so.

Evangelist Leslie L. McCullough is deputy chancellor of Big Sandy Ambassador College.

God revealed to us, His people, a special system of money management that honors Him and produces abundant blessings for us. As we enter the Feast of Tabernacles season, we should review an important aspect of God's commandments concerning our finances — second tithe.

Notice Deuteronomy 14:22-23: "Thou shalt truly tithe all the increase of thy seed, that the field bringeth forth year by year. And thou shalt eat before the Lord thy God, in the place which he shall choose to place his name there, of the tithe of thy corn, of thy wine, and of thine oil, and the firstlings of thy

herds and of thy flocks; that thou mayest learn to fear the Lord thy God always."

For your own use

Here God tells the people they are to eat of the tithe of their corn, wine and oil. This then is a different tithe from the one used to carry out the work of the ministry.

The first tithe, since the crucifixion of Christ, is given to the Melchisedec priesthood for the carrying out of the work of God's Church. It is absolutely forbidden for people to take of that tithe for their own personal use.

But this second tithe is for your use. Why? So "thou mayest learn to fear the Lord thy God always" — so you might learn to properly stand in awe of, revere, respect and worship your Creator God at His festivals.

Some rob themselves

God commands that you keep this tithe strictly for your benefit. It is to provide for your Feast expenses — for your transportation, lodging,

food, entertainment and pleasure during these days.

In spite of all this, some complain about having to save this tithe for their own use. Some save only part of it. Others wait until it's time to leave for the Feast and take their last check or two, pile the children into the car and start out for the Feast, hoping against hope they will have sufficient cash to keep from running up a bill they can't afford to pay.

Perhaps this is the very reason some of you are not blessed financially. If you are not paying God His full tithe, as well as faithfully saving your second tithe, you are under a curse. You definitely will not be blessed until you begin to keep all of God's commandments.

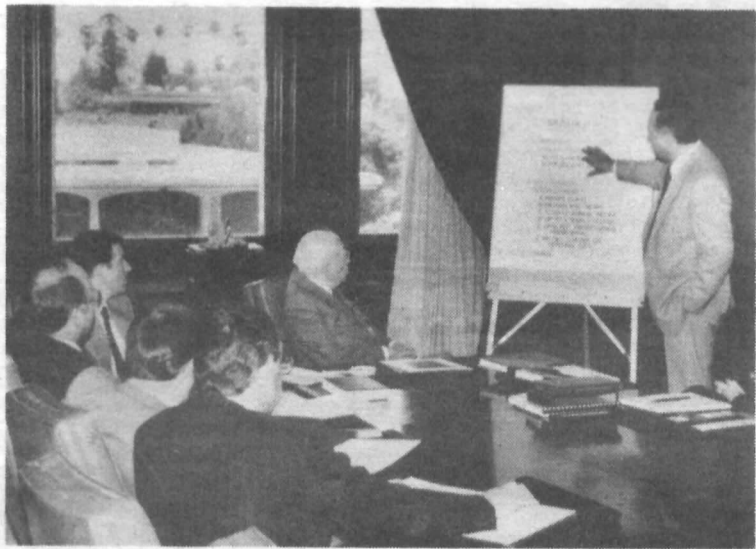
Managing your second tithe

Ancient Israel, a farming nation, was to bring the second tithe of their corn, wine and oil to the place where God set His name (Deuteronomy 14:24-25). If the distance was too great and the produce too bulky, they could sell this tithe and use the money to provide transportation to the Feast and purchase food there.

Some of you reading this article are farmers by occupation. You could certainly bring a part of your second tithe in the form of canned or frozen fruits, vegetables or meats, even today. This produce could then be used to provide your meals at the Feast.

Others of you work at some trade or occupation to earn your living.

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PLANNING MEETING — Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong (center) views a proposal on marketing *Mystery of the Ages* presented by Ray Wright, director of Publishing Services. Officials from Editorial Services and Publishing Services attended the June 4 planning session. [Photo by Warren Watson]

Pre-Feast Worldwide News

As brethren prepare for the Feast of Tabernacles *The Worldwide News* publishes this article by evangelist Leslie McCullough explaining the proper use of second tithe, and the box from Ministerial Services on page 3 explaining the use of second tithe to supplement Holy Day offerings. More Feast articles are scheduled for the Aug. 19 pre-Feast issue.

Africa: a battleground in the 'real war'

PASADENA — We live, as if we need to be reminded, in the age of wars and rumors of wars.

It is an unusual time in history. Most warfare today is not of the type that prevailed a generation ago, whereby nations played by certain diplomatic, so-called civilized rules. Wars were "declared."

Today's fighting embraces a more anarchic style. Guerrilla groups fight to "liberate" their nations, or ethnic or religious groups within nations. Much of contemporary warfare takes place in this gray area.

Despite the confusion that often prevails, there is, as former U.S. President Richard Nixon points out, a "real war" going on. Mr. Nixon wrote a book on the subject — and with that title — about five years ago.

In it he said: "We are at war. We

are engaged in a titanic struggle in which the fates of nations are being decided . . . 'The Real War' is being fought on many fronts. It takes place on the economic front, in the realms of ideas and ideals, in covert action and psychological warfare and propaganda."

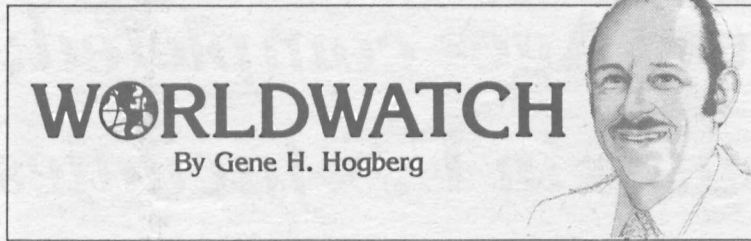
The "real war," the former President points out, pits each superpower against the other, its friends and allies. It is fought on all corners of the globe. While not all Third World conflicts arise from this deadly competition, Mr. Nixon stresses, the Soviets are "the first in line to pick up the pieces."

Furthermore, said Mr. Nixon, the Free World can lose "by ignoring the Soviet challenge around the periphery — those piecemeal advances into countries in Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the Middle East on which the West depends

not only for oil, but for so many of the other vital resources without which a modern industrial economy cannot operate."

State of emergency

By keeping this in mind one has



a clearer view of the violence that has erupted in one key area of the periphery — South Africa. Because of the unrest in several urban areas, the South African government declared a state of emergency in a

number of districts in Transvaal and eastern Cape Province (not the entire country).

The news media tended to report on those demonstrators killed or injured by police. However, a good many of the victims of violence have

been black authority figures — anyone said to be collaborating with the government.

Black councilmen, policemen, their wives and children have been brutally attacked by other blacks; some hacked to death, others doused with gasoline and burned to

death. Their homes have been torched or destroyed by hand grenades.

What is really going on in South Africa? It should be noted that the government of State President P.W. Botha has instituted an unprecedented series of social changes. So why is rioting worse than ever?

To obtain the answer I talked with visiting political and business leaders from South Africa. These individuals, who represent a broad spectrum of interests and opinions, were visiting Los Angeles, Calif., while on a nationwide tour of key U.S. cities.

Among the two delegations were 18 parliamentarians in South Africa's new tricameral national legislature. These included representatives of the Indian and "colored" (people of mixed racial ancestry) peoples as well as delegates from the Afrikaner and English-speaking communities.

The visitors included four officials (plus one businessman) from (See AFRICA, page 4)



Toy guns teach war

"Bang, bang, you're dead." It's only a kids game, right? Wrong!

Studies show that toy gun play is closely associated with violence and hurting others. Playing with toy guns prompts aggression and anti-social behavior, which may include kicking, fistfighting, pushing and shoving, damaging property and threatening to hurt someone.

Let me illustrate the point with two newspaper headlines from our news files. "Toy Gun Turns Out to Be Real as Boy, 13, Kills Friend, 12." The victim was shot while the two boys were at the home of a third youngster playing cards. Thinking the weapon was a cap pistol the youth playfully pointed it at his friend across the room and it discharged.

"Tot Kills Father." A 3-year-old boy "hunting" with a loaded shotgun fatally wounded his father. We often read of similar accounts in our papers; all have tragic endings.

We live in a violent age. Even in our entertainment, some television and movie actors' popularity is primarily built on their portrayal of violent characters. The most successful films are the ones with a lot of "action."

A friend of mine here in Pasadena, Glenn Nice, became concerned about media violence when his first-grade son came home telling about another child bringing in his new toy for show and tell. The toy was a replica of a medieval war machine. The child was the son of a member of God's Church.

My friend was so concerned that he gave a sermonette about allowing our children to play with war toys. This column is based on his sermonette.

The toy cowboy-and-Indian guns and bows and arrows of the '50s and '60s have given way to the light sabers and laser guns of today. Some parents — and toy manufacturers — believe that the science fiction war toys, the space guns that light up or make noises, are acceptable even if traditional toy guns are not. But authorities disagree.

Researchers contend that there's "no difference between kids pretend killing with stun guns, phasers, zappers and weapons that have lights and make funny noises, and kids pretend killing with other toy guns — except that they probably see it as a better way to kill, it's more futuristic — superior to your ordinary Western gun."

As one researcher put it: "Parents probably think that it's fantastic and less harmful. But the same argument was made about violence in cartoons. Kids just don't make those distinctions."

Without realizing it, parents are actively training their small children to be the soldiers of the future. By allowing their children to play with such toys, Americans are supporting the war effort in a big way.

Age of violence

Christ said that the end time would be like the days of Noah (Matthew 24:37). One of the descriptions of those days is "the earth was filled with violence" (Genesis 6:11). This was just one of the aspects of the wickedness of man that caused God to destroy that society.

But we in God's Church are supposed to be living a different way — a way that leads to peace, happiness and every good thing. Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong has taught us that we are the Kingdom of God in embryo. We should be living a way of life that is an example of what God's Kingdom is like.

Each succeeding generation under the government of God and His Church should be better than the one before it, because a better foundation should have been laid.

Our children are sanctified. They have a better starting place than many of us did. We should be able to help our children avoid the pitfalls that caused us so much grief in the past by teaching them a better way.

In the Millennium swords will be turned into plowshares. If a remnant of war is found in a field, it will be formed into a useful instrument. A father then would use this opportunity to describe to his children the time when men fought and killed each other. He would explain how Christ returned to change that way of life so people could live in peace with each other.

Then, he would involve his children in turning the rusty rifle barrel or other "sword" of destruction into a useful tool. Mr. Armstrong has a watch made from a cannonball given to him by King Leopold in recognition of Mr. Armstrong's efforts toward peace. It's during the Millennium that "All your children shall be taught by the Lord, And great shall be the peace of your children" (Isa-

iah 54:13, Revised Authorized Version).

My friend concluded his exhortation to control what we allow our children to watch and play with by quoting, "Therefore let us pursue the things which make for peace and the things by which one may edify another" (Romans 14:19, RAV).

Age of peace

In this peaceful time to come, can you imagine that the father who taught his children about the former use of the weapons would allow his children to play pretend games with them? No, I don't think so. Yet some of us are allowing our children to look upon replicas of weapons of war as fascinating toys.

If you don't have small children or grandchildren, you may not have been in a toy store lately. It's quite an experience. Especially if you check out the toys for boys. It's amazing how many toys are related to either violent television shows, including cartoons, or to some facet of war.

I hate to say it, but I've seen play battles going on during Sabbath services between children using toys that portray strange warlike creatures and soldiers, while parents are seemingly oblivious to it all, calmly taking notes and listening to the sermon.

I've seen other children coloring violent scenes in coloring books or reading stories about their favorite violent cartoon characters.

No, these things are not real. They're toys. But the toys of today are the tools of tomorrow. Think about what you're doing when you purchase toys for your children. What are you teaching them?

It has been proved that children who aren't given toy guns to play with are more likely to outgrow fantasy gun play at an earlier age. If children don't have the chance to play with guns, there won't be as much pleasure associated with gun play. Such children will then find some other activity that is more rewarding. But parents must be involved in the instruction and activity.

My boys were taught as they grew up that guns are not toys. I explained to them that when they were old enough I would teach them the proper and safe use of guns. Later, when they were in their teens, their grandfather could take them hunting with him, knowing they knew how to responsibly use the rifles they carried.

Remember, brethren, by allowing our children to play with the toys of today's violent world, we are not teaching the way of peace, we're teaching war.

We must be living and teaching the way of life that is an example of what God's Kingdom is like. "The fruit of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace" (James 3:18, RAV).

European Diary

By John Ross Schroeder



Potato politics of famine

BOREHAMWOOD, England — There are few earthly pleasures equal to planting one's own seed potatoes, occasionally pulling up a few weeds and finally digging up a rich harvest of finely grown spuds.

Letters TO THE EDITOR

Special edition

Thank you for the special edition of *The Worldwide News* on the History of the Philadelphia Era of the Church. It gives renewed strength to read why we have so many trials. Thanks again, and keep up the good work. I'm looking forward to receiving my book of the *Mystery of the Ages*.

Odessa A. Madlock
Texarkana, Ark.

We received our *Worldwide News* yesterday and I have only read the History of the Philadelphia Era of God's Church. Thank you for keeping us abreast of what is going on and your encouragement for us to stay close to God, to grow and build character, to give of self, pray and fast. Thank you, Mr. [Herbert W.] Armstrong.

Mr. and Mrs. Emery French
Plant City, Fla.

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Article inspires

In reading this article ["Rare Disease Claims Teen's Life," *WN*, June 24] I felt an overwhelming sadness and loss at the death of this 16-year old and I'm sure his family and friends felt the same way. But that's not the reason I'm writing this letter. I'm writing because I also felt inspired by the life he lived.

He loved, he laughed and I'm sure he was a light to his family and friends.

He was compelled to live even while he knew he could die at any moment . . .

He inspired me to rethink my priorities and to realize that trials come in all sizes; when you think yours is the greatest someone else's is greater.

He also made me think, Am I just sitting and waiting for Christ to return, or am I doing as Mr. [Herbert W.] Armstrong said, to be studying more, learning to be the teacher Christ wants us to be. With these thoughts, I had to admit that this 16-year-old had more strength and drive than I do and I must learn from him.

Ozella Hare
Hoffman Estates, Ill.

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Teens appreciate Plain Truth

I am a concerned 14-year-old girl. I am concerned about what has happened, (See LETTERS, page 9)

Those out of your own garden taste much better. The whole process makes you feel at one with creation.

Truth is that the potato is one of the best-designed products ever created. It is housed in a sturdy package with a wonderful shelf life.

Now, one reads that it may be necessary to destroy large numbers of European Community potatoes. Trouble is potatoes are plentiful over most of Western Europe this year. The harvest is unprecedented. That ought to be cause for rejoicing, but sadly it is not.

Take the British potato. English farmers can sell their spuds to the Potato Marketing Board for more cash than is obtainable on the open market. And, of course, they can't compete in price with cheaper foreign potatoes. So the board may have to destroy them.

No doubt some EC bureaucrat can explain why all this is necessary. But the idea is repugnant to a sensitive human being. It runs counter to

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Tithe

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You are not paid in produce but with a salary check. A 10th of that check should be laid aside each payday to provide for your expenses to, from and during the Feast.

Your second tithe should generally be placed in a bank for safekeeping. Money stuck away in a drawer could be easily stolen.

It is usually better to keep this second tithe in a completely separate account from your regular account. That way you will not be as likely to "borrow" (steal) from your second tithe and find yourself in serious trouble.

Don't rationalize that you can "borrow" from your second tithe and repay it later. This method usually doesn't work, and you are not being honest with yourself or God. Tithes are to be paid first. Don't miss the Feast and lose out spiritually.

Also, by putting your second tithe in a savings account, you can earn a small amount of interest on your account.

God expects you to use your second tithe properly and not just "blow it." Anyone can throw money away. In Deuteronomy 14:24-27, God tells you some of the ways in which you are to use your second tithe.

Use — don't abuse — your tithe

One of the chief items, of course, is food. But here the principle is also revealed that transportation to, from and during the Feast, lodging and any Feast-related expense is also included. Let's notice how you should properly use your second tithe.

Can you use a portion of your second tithe for automobile repairs to go to the Feast? Can you buy tires or a battery, for instance?

Under these circumstances, ask yourself, "Is this expense necessary in order to attend God's commanded Feast, or is it simply work the car needs and this would be an easy way to pay for it?"

If your car needs repairs for you to attend the Feast, you may pay a certain portion of the cost from second tithe. Figure the number of miles you drive each year. Then figure what percentage of those miles is driven in attending God's Feasts. If you drive an average of 10,000 miles a year and the mileage driven to attend God's Feast is 2,000 miles, you could pay one fifth of the annual upkeep of your automobile from your second tithe. This principle would apply to tires or any other necessary upkeep of your car.

But the most important thing to remember is that you need to attend God's Feast. That is God's command (Deuteronomy 16:16). You could spend the bulk of your second tithe fixing your car and then not have enough money left to pay for your Feast expenses. Obviously this would not be the thing to do.

What about buying clothing with second tithe? Normally, you should not plan to buy clothing with your second tithe, except for special types of clothing that would be needed at the Feast but would not normally be a part of your wardrobe.

Brethren from warmer climates who travel to the Feast in Regina, Sask., or Saratoga Springs, N.Y., might have to buy heavier and warmer clothing than they normally need at home. It is all right to use second tithe for clothing under such special circumstances.

Rarely should you buy an integral part of your wardrobe with second tithe. However, such an exception might arise in the case of an individual who simply does not have proper clothing to wear to attend God's Feast and could not otherwise afford it. We should all appear before God well groomed and nicely dressed.

Looking to the Millennium

People have asked whether they could buy slipcovers for their furni-

ture, tricycles for their children or fishing equipment for Dad. Even though these items would not be used primarily at the Feast, they reason that the scripture says you are to buy whatsoever your soul desires (Deuteronomy 14:26), and their soul certainly desires slipcovers, tricycles or fishing equipment. This is erroneous reasoning.

God is talking about buying whatever you might desire to be used at the Feast — primarily food, drink and good-quality housing.

The whole reason for spending your tithe this way is that you may rejoice and look forward to the wonderful time of the Millennium.

Then is it wrong to buy gifts for the children and family? No. But use wisdom. You should not buy your child expensive gifts simply because it is from your second tithe. Suitable toys, books or games that will help make the Feast enjoyable for your child are perfectly all right. But do not buy the year's supply of toys on the way to the Feast. Nor would it be appropriate to buy expensive cameras and watches or personal gifts out of second tithe.

In the meantime, you should teach your child the principles of tithing the year around. If your child is old enough to have a small income from mowing lawns or doing odd jobs around the neighborhood, teach him to pay God's first tithe and to save a second tithe. Regardless of your child's age, teach him how to use money properly by giving him a small amount and guiding him in spending it during the Feast.

And before you go to the Feast, think about another explicit command God has given His people:

"Three times in a year shall all thy males appear before the Lord thy God in the place which he shall choose; in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles: and they shall not appear before the Lord empty: Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord thy God which he hath given thee" (Deuteronomy 16:16-17).

God instructs us to show our respect for Him and appreciation for His blessings by giving Him offerings during the Holy Day seasons.

When it comes time in services to take up an offering, you should not throw into the basket whatever you think you can spare at the moment. You should consider and prepare for the offering long before you get to services — perhaps even before you go to the Feast. Plan your offerings "according to the blessing" God has given you throughout the year. And remember that "God loveth a cheerful giver" (II Corinthians 9:7).

Is it right to plan your trip to the Feast so that one or two natural wonders and scenic spots might be included on the way? Since these wonders help us realize the glory of our God, the answer is yes.

These side trips might take you slightly off your regular route. But when the trips begin to entail additional hundreds of miles in the opposite direction of the Feast, they should not be taken on second tithe.

Some have wanted to detour several hundred miles to see relatives and haven't been too pleased when a minister advised against it. Sometimes it may be all right to plan to see your family before or after the Feast. But such a visit must not be allowed to detract from the main reason for the trip — the observance of God's Holy Days that picture His plan of salvation. If the reason for the trip is to see the family — and, incidentally, you are going to one of God's Festivals — that is wrong.

Use second tithe at home?

What about those who do not have sufficient second tithe to go to the Feast? Can they stay home and use what they have there? Deuteronomy 12:17-18 declares: "Thou mayest not eat within thy gates the tithe of thy corn, or of thy wine, or of thy oil . . . But thou must eat them before the Lord thy God in the place which the Lord thy God shall choose . . ."

God says we must use our second

Use of Second Tithe for Holy Day Offerings

Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong has taught for more than 40 years that the second tithe is to enable members to attend God's Holy Days — especially the Feast of Tabernacles. The second tithe is saved for that purpose, not as offerings for the Church's work. The Scriptures are clear on this point (Deuteronomy 14:22-27).

However, members may supplement their Holy Day offerings with second tithe provided they have first carefully planned to meet all their Festival expenses, sent in their tithe of the tithe and have shared a portion of their excess tithe with less fortunate members by sending it to headquarters for distribution or turning it in at the Feast site.

Those who fulfill these prior obligations and still have second tithe left over, may give it in addition to their regular Holy Day offerings. (That is, above and beyond the amount already set aside for Holy Day offerings.)

tithe only in going to and from the Feast and for expenses there.

During the Feast of Unleavened Bread and the other Holy Days, services may take place right in your own area. In that case, you could use a small amount of your second tithe for expenses of those feasts because that is where God has put His name for those feasts.

However, remember that the Feast of Tabernacles is the time when God's Church all gathers together to keep a feast. Never cut yourself short by spending too much money at the other feasts so that you cannot be with God's people at the great Feast in the fall.

Proper use at the Feast

Just how should you use your second tithe in going to the Feast and while you are there?

Some families in the past have journeyed to the Feast by sleeping each night in their car. In the morning, they stop at a supermarket, buy some fruit and cereal and eat in the car. At nightfall they once more curl up in the car for a few short hours of uncomfortable, cramped sleep.

It wasn't that these people didn't have sufficient second tithe to eat in restaurants and sleep in motels.

They simply denied themselves so they could turn in a large amount of excess second tithe after the Feast.

They unwittingly disobeyed one of the major commands concerning the Feast. They weren't able to rejoice before God. They stoically deprived themselves of the enjoyable, pleasant time they should have been having.

Traveling to and from the Feast, and during the Feast, you should use second tithe in order to eat in good restaurants and stay in nice motels. You should learn to appreciate the finer things that you are not able to afford at other times of the year. In this way, you will learn to appreciate quality; this has a spiritual application for eternity.

God expects us to live balanced lives. It is right to use your second tithe to eat in good restaurants and to stay in fine motels. But it isn't right to squander and throw away second tithe just to get rid of it. God isn't a waster. He doesn't want anyone of us to be, either.

Since the Feast is observed in many different locations around the earth, many of you have only short distances to travel to attend. Many with good-paying jobs find they have an abundance of second tithe even after they pay all their expenses.

Because of this superabundance, some few bring reproach and ridicule on the Church of God by unthinkingly squandering their money just to get rid of it. They feel they must spend it all on themselves lest they be deprived of what is rightfully theirs.

Excess second tithe

What if you are one of those who was abundantly blessed by God and have an excess of second tithe? You paid your tithe of the tithe, took care of all your needs and still have money left over. What are you supposed to do with it?

God's way is the way of giving, sharing and outgoing concern. Jesus said, ". . . freely ye have received, freely give" and "It is more blessed to give than to receive" (Matthew 10:8, Acts 20:35).

God repeatedly exhorts us to remember the Levite, the widow, the fatherless, the poor and the stranger within our gates. The Levitical priesthood was replaced by Christ's ministry today. God's ministers do not save a second tithe, even as the Levites didn't. Your excess second tithe helps pay their way to the Feast so they might teach you the plan of salvation.

Your extra second tithe also is used by the Church to help some of the elderly or widows who have no second tithe to attend the Feast. God will bless you for allowing someone else to share in your abundance.

Let's all look forward to the most marvelous Feast ever by determining right now to be there rejoicing before God. Really enjoy the abundance God gives you. Drive carefully. Pray for the safety of your brethren around the world, and don't forget to thank the loving God who makes your rejoicing at the Feast possible through the second tithe He gives to you.



BOOK LAUNCH — Greg S. Smith (left photo), art director for special projects in Editorial Services, checks color on the *Mystery of the Ages* jacket cover at Strine Printing Co. in York, Pa., July 29. Right photo, Roger Lippross (right), production director for Publishing Services, and Terry Warren, supervisor of the design graphics area, review advertisements July 26 prepared for *The Wall Street Journal* to promote *Mystery of the Ages*. [Photos by Jim West and Kevin Blackburn]

Printing

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"Several times Mr. Armstrong would add a paragraph or rewrite a section after the material was typeset," Mr. Faulkner said. "It was definitely an exciting experience to work with him on this important project."

After *Mystery of the Ages* is

distributed to brethren, Mr. Armstrong plans to offer the hardbound edition to co-workers, according to Mr. Dean.

Paperback edition

According to Mr. Lippross, a free paperback edition is scheduled to be available in January, 1986, and foreign-language editions are scheduled to be distributed to brethren worldwide "probably during the

1986 Feast of Tabernacles."

The book began running serially in the July-August *Plain Truth*.

This has two advantages, according to Mr. Lippross. "First, millions of *Plain Truth* readers will be able to read the book for free serially, and second, it gives us a chance to translate the book using our regular *Plain Truth* translators instead of contracting for the extra expense of additional translation."

Potato politics

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our deepest inclinations. Put on a purely personal level, no gardener would ever let it happen.

People are starving by the millions in black Africa, while the EC destroys surplus food crops. Surely this is one of the greatest dilemmas of our time. One grows weary of reading about butter mountains, wine lakes, grain gluts — and now the latest — potato politics. Political maneuvering has finally overtaken the lowly potato. Nothing escapes the bureaucracies of men.

Hundreds of European newspaper and magazine articles have tirelessly explained why it is so hard to help — why it is impractical to transfer Euro-mountains of food to the starving millions in

Third World countries.

We live in a complex world. It is harder to help people than ever before. Even individual efforts are often counterproductive. People do poorly at doing good.

Even Church brethren have been thwarted in their efforts to help their brothers and sisters in some Third World countries. Because of various levies, clearance duties and other taxes, generous gifts to needy members can turn into financial hardships.

Situation in Africa

Believe it or not, African farmers in some countries are being priced and taxed to underproduce! No wonder food production has dropped drastically in black Africa.

Africa: 'real war'

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two of the black national states within South Africa, the states of Lebowa and Gazankulu.

There was no doubt in the minds of those I talked to as to who was largely responsible for the state of unrest — radical groups inside the townships who incite school-age and unemployed youths to violence.

Chief among these is the organization, backed by the South African Communist Party, which has vowed to make the black urban areas of the country ungovernable. In one highly publicized demonstration, the banner of the Communist Party was prominently displayed.

But, once again, why the revolutionary mentality now? The clearest answer came from a man whom I felt was the most eloquent of the parliamentarians I talked to, Salam Abram, a member of the Indian chamber, called the House of Delegates.

"There are," Mr. Abram said, "elements within our borders who do not want to see reform succeed." In other words, the pressure on South Africa, both from within and without, has come from the forces who fear that the country's new governmental structures (gradually admitting Indians, "coloreds" and eventually at least urban blacks into the process) could, as Mr. Abram said, have "an even chance of success." And success would keep South Africa tied to the Free World system.

Where is disinvestment heading?

Disinvestment, the policy that calls for U.S. and other Western businesses to ultimately leave South Africa, plays into the hands of those who advocate revolutionary methods. If those calling for disinvestment and trade sanctions, however sincere or idealistic they may be, succeed, then additional hundreds of thousands of black workers would be thrown out of work, their wives and children made hungry — some then to be marshaled into the forces of revolution.

French member honored

ROUEN, France — The French government honored Church member Andree Boyer May 10 with a bronze Medal of the French Family (Medaille de la Famille Francaise).

The mayor of La Mailleraye, in a public ceremony, expressed the "gratitude of the country" to Mrs. Boyer for the fulfillment of her role as wife and mother.

Mrs. Boyer helps her husband, Gilbert, a deacon in the Rouen church and a schoolteacher, manage a farm.

Potential recipients of the annual award are appraised by the mayor of each community, which tends to be small and the people well known,

according to the Church's French Office in Pasadena. Winners are selected based on the mayors' recommendations.

The award is part of a program that presents annual awards to outstanding families in France, the French Office added.

At the ceremony the mayor exhorted the many children present to honor, respect and love their mothers, who are in many ways the mainstay of their youth and future development.

The ceremony ended with a reception at the town hall, where people congratulated Mr. and Mrs. Boyer and their four children.

Tony Jackson of Oxfam, a relief organization based in Oxford, England, wrote in his book *Against the Grain*: "We must get the policy-makers to stop fixating on food aid and start asking the right questions about underdevelopment and poverty — why [food] production has fallen so catastrophically in Africa, for example. At the moment, all we do is throw in the towel and send in more food aid" (quoted from *African Business*, June, 1983).

In the long run, more food can simply mean more hunger. Also, food aid often competes with local food crops — depressing earnings and hurting economies. The geopolitics of hunger is exceedingly complex.

Aging transport systems hinder food distribution. Decaying railways break down for lack of proper funds. Train cars are scarce. Not enough trucks are available. Roads

eyes on the economic underpinnings of modern society. Their aim is to pull the plug on the Western industrial machine. The Western industrial nations' dependence on foreign sources of vital raw materials is one of our chief vulnerabilities . . .

"The Soviet Union seldom acts without a purpose, and its purposes are always strategic, never moral. Thus its persistent efforts to stir further the already troubled waters of southern Africa have to be viewed against the backdrop of the resources in that part of the world.

"The Soviets are not in Africa to liberate. They are there to dominate, control and exploit."

Africa's plight is far from over. Before peace finally comes, grim days lay ahead for the relatively still prosperous countries of the southern region.

are poorly maintained. Result — desperately needed grain lies in storage ports for weeks on end. Witness the Sudan.

Sometimes food simply disappears. In the Dec. 4, 1983, *Sunday Times*, Peter Wilsher showed how "thousands of tons of emergency food-aid" went missing early in 1983. Sometimes ships were misrouted, and at other times large consignments of food were sent to the "wrong" government ministry. The logistics of food distribution is a monumental problem.

And then there are the famine profiteers. *The Economist* reported July 6, "Some owners of what transport there is are charging exorbitant prices." A few Third World businessmen are making a mint off the plight of the starving.

Oxfam's Tony Jackson observed in the April 27, 1981, *Newsweek*: "After 25 years and billions of dollars of food aid, there has been little obvious improvement in the third world." Four years later and we seem to be going backward fast.

Aid from rock stars

And now the spectacle of rock stars in the Live Aid concert raising millions of dollars for food aid. No matter how abhorrent some of the music may sound, perhaps some of the proceeds will get through to the famine-ridden millions in some form. But as the article in *Newsweek* explained, "Even when food aid gets to the right country at the right time it often does not reach the right people."

Popular folk singer Harry Belafonte also tried to help. He conceived the idea of cutting a record with the hottest names in American pop music to create a bonanza for famine victims. Eleven million discs have been sold bringing in \$50 million. But that's the easy part.

Clifford D. May wrote in the June 2 *International Herald Tribune*: "The hard part, according to U.S.A. for Africa . . . has been trying to untangle the intricate web of factors that created the African famine and identifying strategies that might help ease it. 'What we've learned is that it's not just a question of sending more money or more food,' said Ken Kragen, the Producer-Manager of the Project." Mr. Belafonte himself added, "The reality is certainly much more complex than we anticipated."

The following headline appeared in *The Christian Science Monitor*: "Ethiopia's Starving People Also Need a Government." That sums the problem up in one sentence.

According to the May 1 *Financial Times*, "There is no doubt that the prime cause of this state of affairs is economic mismanagement in many of these African nations." It all adds up to proper government — proper management.

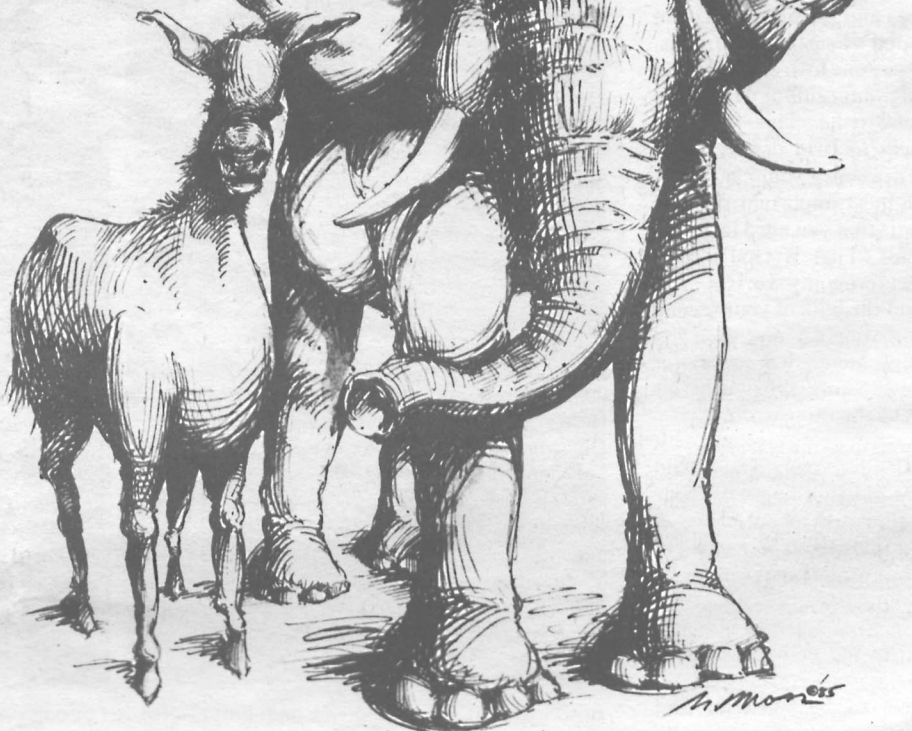
An article in *Listener* was headlined "The Lasting Solution Is to Get Every African to Produce Food." The Church has pioneered some successful small food-producing farms to help Church brethren in black Africa. But this is a mere drop in the African bucket.

The drop head explained: "Millions of Africans cannot buy food, they must grow it. For many, the years of drought have made this impossible; but, in any case no amount of water will make crops grow in soil that is exhausted."

Why destroy those British potatoes? Why not simply send them to starving Africans? Well, as we have seen — it's not all that simple.

Only God's government can turn Africa around. Only God's government can bring lasting prosperity to the Third World. The only answer is: "Thy Kingdom come!"

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IRON SHARPENS IRON

Schoolchildren face dilemma about holidays vs. Holy Days

By Jess Ernest

The children of God's people are challenged in this world's schools. This is specially true in the holiday seasons.

Most people believe in observing Halloween, Christmas and Easter, and they expect their children to learn something of these days in school. It is natural for teachers to use these days as teaching vehicles since most children readily display enthusiasm for all the fun and excitement involved in them.

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What better way to learn to draw a circle than by making a jack-o'-lantern for Halloween, or to learn to make a triangle than by producing a witch's hat? Christmas parties seem to be enjoyable pastimes; class unity and friendships can be promoted by having children exchange valentines. In most schools, worldly holidays are a major medium for teaching art, drama and reading.

Yet these holidays are abominable in God's sight. God commands us not to keep them — to keep His true Holy Days instead. It is our job as parents to instill this knowledge in our children, while helping them thread their way through the intellectual, social and religious obstacle course they will face in this world's educational system.

Helping children adjust

As members of God's Church, we are in the minority, and our children are going to be in the minority, too, when they go to school. Children who don't celebrate the world's holidays can feel left out and perhaps even begin to question the beliefs you have taught them if you don't become actively involved.

We must strongly consider the challenges thrust upon our young children. Monumental problems can result if we don't offer a strong support system to help them cope with the assaults on their basic beliefs.

Following are some suggestions to help defuse potentially troublesome situations. You may discover more techniques from your minister and other Church members.

- **Contact your child's teacher early.** As soon as possible after the school year opens (but not the first day), make an appointment with the teacher. Be friendly and show your pleasure at the prospect of the meeting.

- **Establish rapport.** It is advisable, but not necessary, that both parents visit the teacher. Establish an atmosphere of openness, communicating trust and respect for the teacher and the responsibility he or she has in teaching your child.

Be forthright and spell out gently and respectfully what you want your children to do and not do in school regarding the holidays. Guard against coming across as preachy and judgmental, and don't be too quick to offer Church literature about the pagan aspects of the holidays. If the teacher specifically requests to see some literature, then it would be fine to let him or her read it. But don't expect the literature to do your job for you.

- **Be positive.** You could say something like: "We want our children to participate as much as possible, but there are some activities that go against our beliefs. Sometimes it is hard to differentiate between an acceptable and unacceptable activity. One way I have resolved this matter is to ask, 'What is real and what is fictional in regard to the characters used during the holidays?'"

"As an example, our children could draw scarecrows because they represent something that is real, but we don't want our children drawing ghosts and goblins because they represent something that is not real to us."

After briefly explaining about the holidays in question, you might say tactfully: "I realize that our beliefs are unique and you may not have

heard of them before. But we are willing to help you in any way we can to make it easier on all concerned."

Snowman scenes can be substituted for Santa Claus, and scarecrows for jack-o'-lanterns.

The point is that you should not be belligerent and offensive in telling the teacher what you will not tolerate. You are going to discuss the matter, to seek his or her counsel and ask if there is any way you can help. At all times, show respect for the teacher's responsibility in teaching your children.

Remember, most teachers teach because they want to, and they enjoy their work. In the main, they will try to work with you to be effective in teaching your children. Where problems have arisen, the cause often was parents being too aggressive in dealing with the teacher.

What if your child's grades drop when out of school for Feast?

What should you as a parent do if your child's grades are lowered for taking time off to attend the Feast of Tabernacles?

This article was prepared by the Personal Correspondence Department in Pasadena.

Situations like this have occurred. In one case, a 10-year-old felt bad because her grades were lowered after she attended the Feast. What can a parent do to help a child in such an instance?

Overall approach important

First, you need to make sure your child's grades have not been lowered because of inferior schoolwork. Has your child kept up with studies while at the Feast? Show interest in your child's performance at school all the time.

God ultimately holds parents responsible for the education — especially the religious instruction — of their children (Ephesians 6:4). Don't neglect this responsibility.

Parents should always take a direct interest in the studies and schoolwork of their children — perhaps you could even discuss it at dinner once in a while. Children should feel free to approach their mother or father to receive proper help and encouragement in studies.

If parents will treat this responsibility seriously, they should be able to give their child vital help and instill a positive attitude and enthusiasm toward learning.

Also, if parents are really interested in their children's welfare, they should realize the problems that can occur because a child misses up to two weeks or more of school in the fall. Parents should, therefore, approach the child's teachers before the Feast and courteously explain the situation.

Politely ask permission for your child to be excused from classes. Let teachers know you will be happy to see to it that your child keeps up with schoolwork — even ask the teachers

for advance assignments that your children can complete during suitable hours during the Feast.

When approaching a teacher about the Feast, use wisdom. In certain cases it might also be necessary to see the school principal and explain the situation to him or her. If you approach school officials in a



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positive, friendly manner, everything should work out all right.

Remember to be friendly! Don't try to preach a sermon about the Feast. Make your explanation personal and friendly, without implying that the whole world is wrong and everybody should attend the Feast. Avoid all religious arguments, and you will avoid trouble.

What about unfair cases?

In most cases, if parents will treat their responsibilities seriously and help their children keep up with studies, the children will not be left far behind when they return.

In a few cases, however, teachers may give the child lower grades out of religious spite. Then what?

Naturally, the child would feel bad about it. Here is your chance to help your child build character, and instill some valuable lessons.

By gentle teaching, help the child realize that the grade itself isn't the important thing — the important thing is the knowledge learned. And, through patient teaching, help the child realize that knowledge learned

- **Offer constructive alternatives.** For instance, the first holiday in the school year is usually Halloween. When the teacher assigns the children to draw Halloween characters your child could simply draw something different, perhaps a general fall scene, and not mention it to the other children.

In the lower grades the teacher is trying to teach the children how to recognize and draw certain shapes. Our children can benefit from this lesson without compromising our beliefs by drawing the same shapes, but changing the color of the paper and what the shape represents.

Another example of holiday conflict is Christmas. A common question when children return from Christmas vacation is, "What did you get for Christmas?" Again, the teacher has options, and could just ask a different question, like, "What did you do during your school vacation?"

What about holiday parties? Usually the parties are scheduled in advance and communicated to the parents. In discussing this with the teacher, you should decide on one of the following options: Don't let your

child go to school that day, let the teacher send your child to the library during the party time or let your child work on some other project. Another possibility would be to pick up your child at school just before the party begins (in this case, the



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child would probably not be counted absent).

You need to provide such positive and enjoyable experiences for your children in family activities, and especially during God's Holy Days, that your children will not feel that they are missing anything.

- **Remember that children in early grades generally accept other children's beliefs and differences.** If you teach your child to calmly, firmly, warmly tell classmates what he or she believes, other children will usually just accept it and not become argumentative or persecute your child for the difference.

Teach at home

Obviously the teaching you do at home is vital before your child ever goes to school. If the subject of holidays vs. Holy Days is clearly in the minds of the parents and communicated to the child, there will be less confusion in the child's mind when the beliefs are confronted at school.

Teach your child that there are many differences among people — different races, nationalities and religious beliefs. Emphasize that we know our religion is right, without leading your child to be prejudiced and judgmental because all others are wrong.

Teach your child that most people are deceived and have chosen to follow other religions, but that God has allowed it for now, and so should your children. Don't make your child feel superior or inferior just because of a different religious belief, but specially blessed by God.

If your child knows what he or she believes and why and has good communication at home, respects the teacher and observes that his or her parents have a good relationship with the teacher, he or she is less likely to experience trauma in school in coping with the dilemma of holidays.

Milestones in Church's work

August, 1917 — In a dream, Loma Armstrong sees an angel descend from heaven, put his arms around the Armstrongs and announce that Jesus Christ will return in this generation, saying that Christ has work for the Armstrongs to do.

August, 1927 — Mrs. Armstrong recovers from a combination of quinsy, blood poisoning, a dog bite and several other ailments, proving God's promise to heal is sure.

August, 1961 — *The Plain Truth* appears in German for the first time.

August, 1972 — Mr. Armstrong meets in Tokyo with Japan's new prime minister, Kakuei Tanaka, and his immediate predecessor, Eisaku Sato.

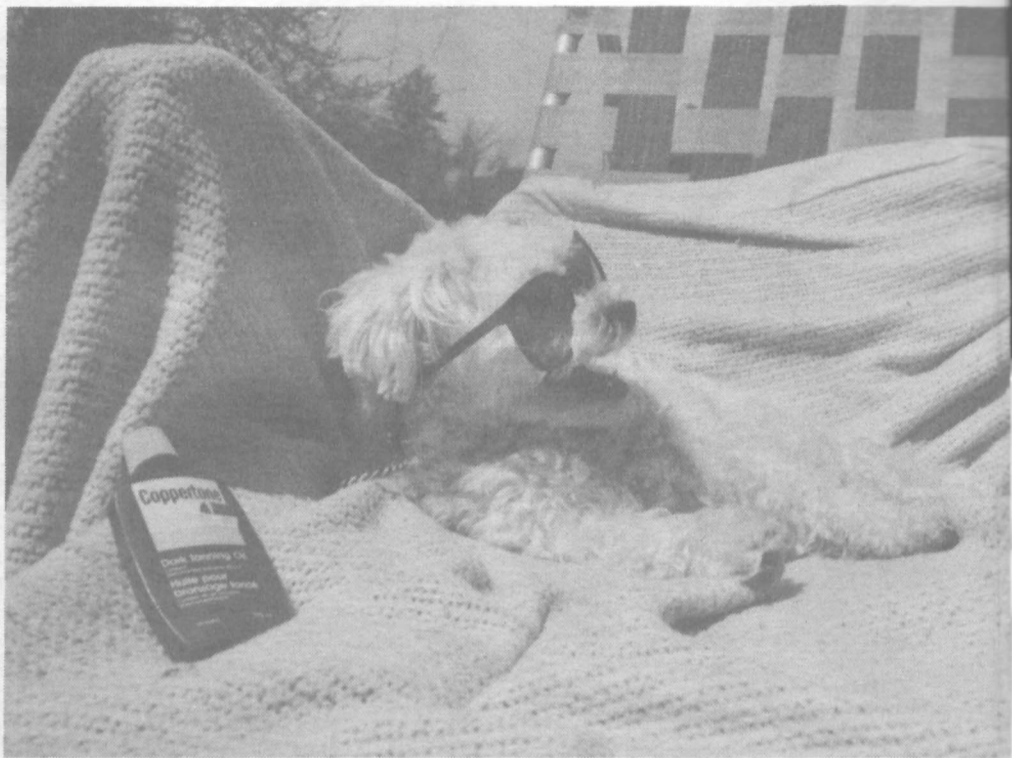
Aug. 12, 1976 — Mr. Armstrong attends ground-breaking ceremonies in Jerusalem for Liberty Bell Garden.

Aug. 21, 1981 — Mr. Armstrong speaks at the reopening of the Big Sandy campus of Ambassador College.

Aug. 17, 1983 — The Church receives its 50 millionth letter.

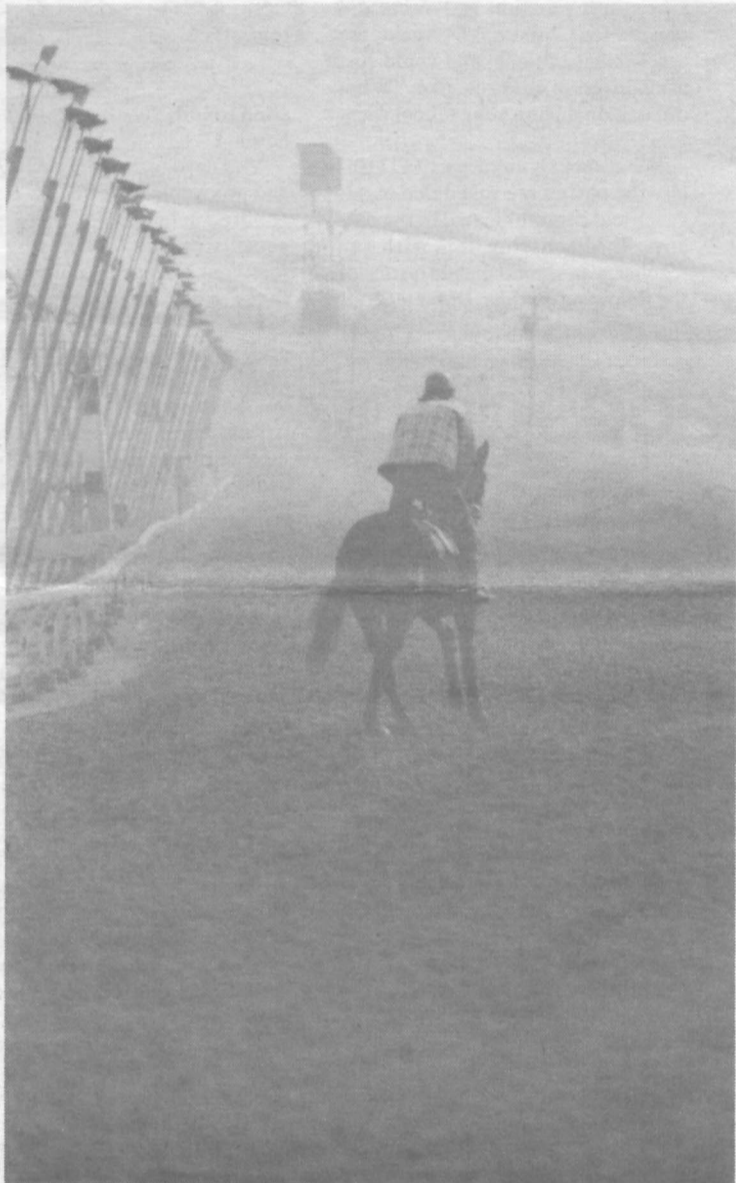


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BEST HUMAN INTEREST (COLOR): ISRAEL DIAZ



BEST OVERALL COLOR; BEST GENERAL SUBJECT (COLOR): KEVIN BOS

By Michael Guidolin

VANCOUVER, B.C. — Kevin Bos of Sherwood Park, Alta., received the award for the Best Overall Color Photograph, and Ted Goralchuk of Winnipeg, Man., took the Best Overall Black and White

Photograph in the 1985 Canadian Youth Opportunities United (YOU) Photo Contest.

Kevin's photo also placed first in the General Subject category, and Ted's placed first in the Portrait category.

Michael Guidolin of the Church's Vancouver, B.C., Office, coordinated the Youth Opportunities United (YOU) Canadian Photo Contest.

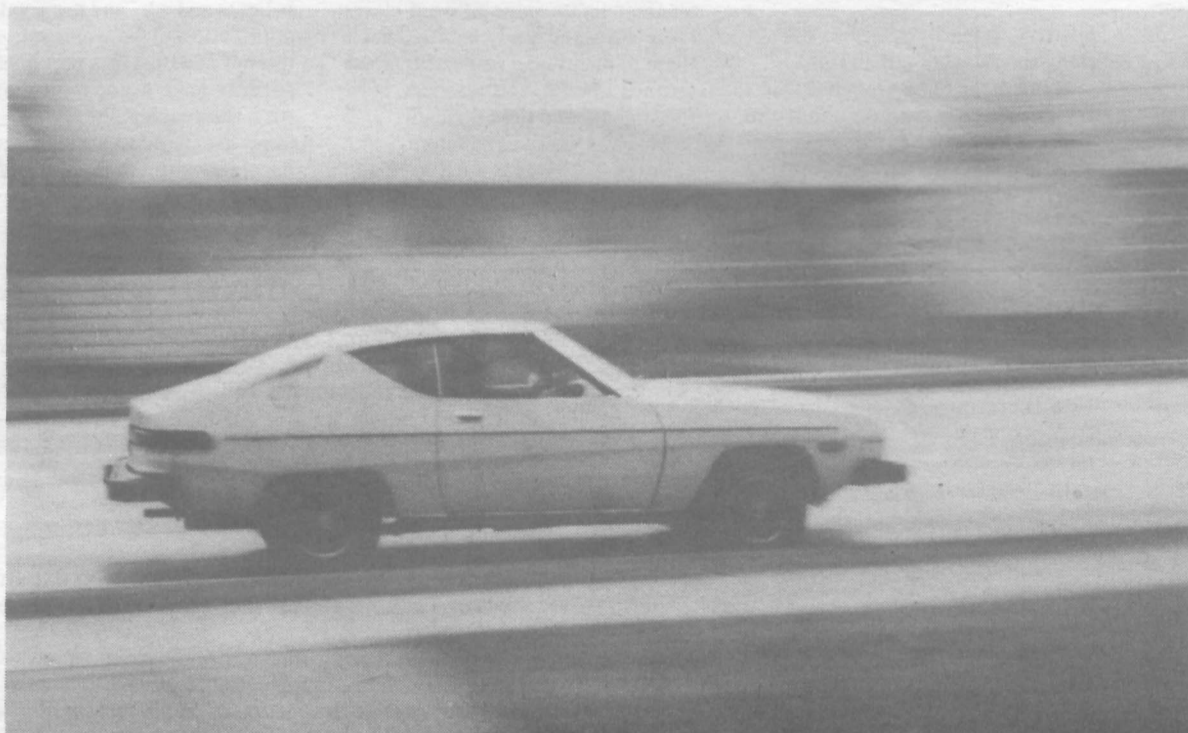
Winners will receive plaques and cash prizes. First place winners will receive \$50; second place, \$25; and third place, \$15.

Judges were Michael Guidolin of the Vancouver Office, and Bruce Armstrong, Robert Ausma, Andrew Borm and Darlene Moss, Church members with experience in photography. Colin Adair, regional director for the Church of Canada, was overall evaluator.

Photos were judged according to guidelines set forth in the YOU manual and in *Youth* magazine articles on photography. These included how well the photo fit the category, originality, creativity, focus, exposure, forethought and whether the photo told a story.

Mr. Adair said he was pleased with increased response this year and encouraged YOU members to use their talents not only in photography but also in other areas.

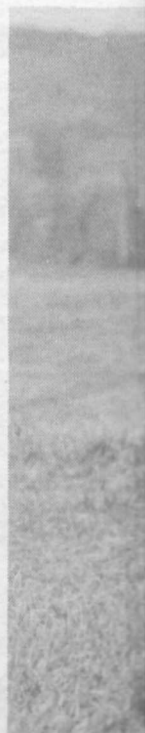
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BEST ACTION (B&W): TED GORALCHUK



BEST ACTION (COLOR): ISRAEL DIAZ



MOST HUMOR



BEST GENERAL SUBJECT (B&W): MORGAN MILLMAN



BEST NATURE (COLOR): HELGA BRUNESKI

CONTEST: CANADA

First, second and third places and honorable mentions in each category are as follows:

Human Interest (color): Israel Diaz, Scarborough, Ont.; Peggy Almas, Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ont.; Doug Mylymok, Summerland, B.C.; Chad Oakes, Calgary, Alta. (honorable mention).

Nature (color): Helga Bruniski, Surrey, B.C.; Kevin Bos; Peggy Almas.

Nature (black and white): Doug Mylymok; Karin Anderson, Surrey, B.C.; Chad Oakes.

Humorous (color): Peggy Almas; Michelle Engblom, Winfield, Alta.; Kevin Bos.

Humorous (black and white): Doug Mylymok; Morgan Millman, Westlock, Alta.

Unusual (color): Ted Goralchuk; Ron Patrickson, North Vancouver, B.C.; Arthur Gonzales, Toronto, Ont.

Portrait (color): Chad Oakes; Doug Mylymok; Jason Kearns, Airdrie, Alta.; Charles Bruniski, Surrey, B.C. (honorable mention); Marina Juozapaitis, Kingston, Ont. (honorable mention).

Portrait (black and white): Ted Goralchuk; Karin Anderson; Doug Mylymok.

Action (color): Israel Diaz; Chad Oakes; Jason Kearns; Ron Patrickson (honorable mention); Ed Patrickson, North Vancouver, B.C. (honorable mention).

Action (black and white): Ted Goralchuk; Chad Oakes; Christine Guerin, Grande Prairie, Alta.

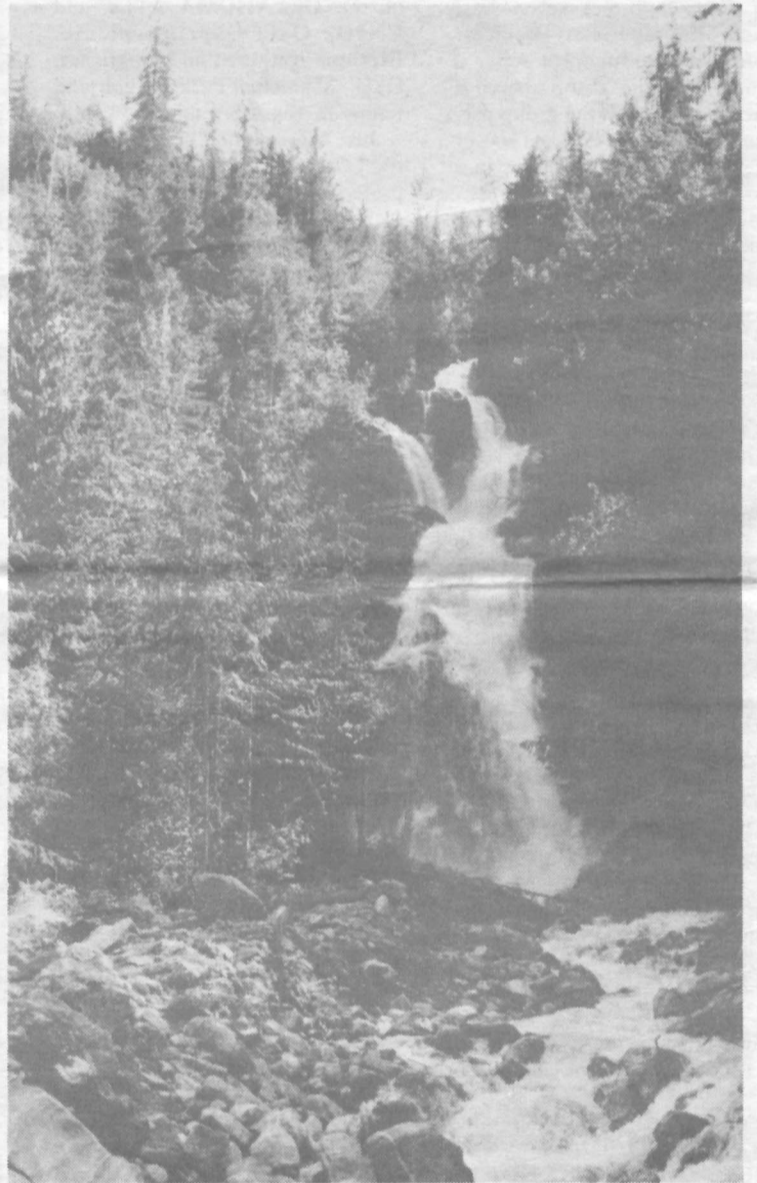
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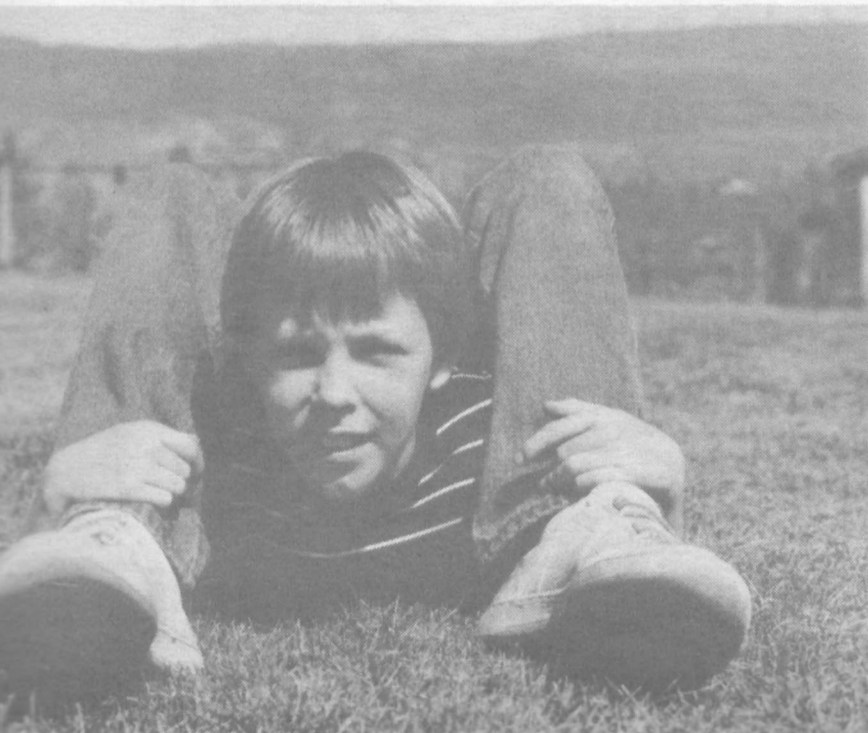
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BEST OVERALL B&W; BEST PORTRAIT (B&W): TED GORALCHUK



BEST NATURE (B&W): DOUG MYLYMOK



BOYS (B&W): DOUG MYLYMOK



MOST UNUSUAL (COLOR): TED GORALCHUK

ACCENT ON THE LOCAL CHURCH

Churches share activities

The **TERRE HAUTE**, Ind., church conducted its annual goat roast July 7. More than 150 brethren took part in the event, where three goats and four turkeys were roasted over an open fire. The event marked the seventh anniversary of the Terre Haute church.

The goat roast was part of a three-day activity on Jerry Rayce's farm. About 50 people camped out on the property.

July 6 136 brethren attended Sabbath services on the farm. Frank McCrady Jr., pastor of the Terre Haute, Indianapolis, and Columbus, Ind., churches, explained how not to be offended and how not to offend others. Using the outdoor setting as a theme, James Lee, associate pastor, delivered a sermonette on seeing God in creation.

Twenty-one members from **WEST BERLIN** and other areas of West Germany met seven East German brethren in East Berlin for a church picnic June 16. After a morning walk the group shared a potluck. After lunch the group participated in a father-and-son soccer match. The group had dinner in a rustic cafe in the Grunau forest.

Instead of the cold, wet weather characteristic of the Emerald Isle, **GALWAY**, Irish Republic, brethren assembled for a beach party at Ballyvaughan in Clare County June 30 under clear skies.

Thirty-six members and children attended the event. Homemade soup, beefburgers, fresh fruit salad, yogurt and cookies were served. Activities included volleyball, horseshoe pitching, canoeing, boating and swimming.

Hilda Burke won a children's egg-and-spoon race, and the men's, women's and children's sack races were won by Gerry Murphy, Linda Cargill and Hilda Burke.

More than 300 **JACKSONVILLE**, **GAINESVILLE** and **OCALA**, Fla., brethren met at Gold Head Branch State Park June 16 for a combined church picnic.

Several families who camped at the park the night before got an early start the next morning barbecuing 216 chickens and persevering in spite of heavy rains. By the time the picnic began at 10 a.m. the rains were reduced to an occasional light mist.

The chickens were purchased with funds earned from concession

Pastor receives send-off

BRIDGETOWN, Barbados, brethren bade farewell to the Arnold Hampton family June 8. Mr. Hampton pastored the Castries, St. Lucia, Kingstown, St. Vincent, and Bridgetown churches for 3½ years.

The first half of the function focused on musical memories of the Hamptons' tenure in the Caribbean. This concluded with the Barbados chorale singing the Hallelujah Chorus, and Youth Educational Services (YES) children singing a farewell song.

During the second session, local church elder Edward Straughan paid tribute to Mr. Hampton.

Brethren presented the Hamptons with several gifts, including one inscribed with Joshua 1:9.

Assistant pastor Lincoln Jailal gave a toast before Mr. Hampton said a farewell word on behalf of his family. The Hamptons left June 11 for Chicago, Ill., where Mr. Hampton pastored the Chicago Southside church. *Clement Lowe.*

stands operated by brethren during home games of the Jacksonville Bulls professional football team. Bill and Linda Powell and Steve and Mary Randolph cut the chickens into quarters. Baked beans, salad, desserts and beverages were provided by picnickers. Activities included swimming in Lake Johnson, football, volleyball, horseshoes, table games and guitar playing by Hoke Wells and John Brown.

RENO, Nev., brethren met June 23 for a picnic on Lake Tahoe's Sand Harbor. Clear water beckoned swimmers, waders, sunbathers and sandcastle builders. Others took boat rides, water-skied and played volleyball, horseshoes and board games.

At noon the group gathered in the pavilion to share a potluck.

Early bird golfers teed off at 6 a.m. June 23 to begin the first event of the **OKLAHOMA CITY** and **ENID**, Okla., spring picnic. Brethren gathered at Kingfisher, Okla., Municipal Park for golf and tennis in the morning.

Just before lunch brethren from the two churches presented gifts to pastor Arnold Clauson, who was transferred to pastor the Cape Girardeau, Mo., and Paducah, Ky., churches.

Two of the gifts were a videocassette recorder and a memory quilt embroidered with panels depicting events of Mr. Clauson's pastorate in Oklahoma. The reverse side bears the signatures of members and families of both church areas.

Adults and children played organized games in the afternoon, including shoe scramble, balloon relay, water-balloon pass and bucket fill.

HUNTSVILLE and **FLORANCE**, Ala., brethren gathered for a combined church picnic June 30 at Swan Creek Park in Athens, Ala.

The day's activities began with pitching horseshoes and playing volleyball and tennis. Children

Groups go cycling, canoeing

Seven cyclists from the **DUBLIN**, Irish Republic, church completed a sponsored bicycle trip from Belfast, Northern Ireland, to Dublin June 30.

The group was composed of Gillian Chapman, Yvonne and Rebecca Stanley, Mark Watson, Donal O'Callaghan, William Stanfield and Henry Cooper, a Dublin local church elder. They were accompanied by a backup crew of Christopher Murphy and Ben Chapman.

The group started at 9 a.m., and the first of the pedal pushers reached home at 7 p.m., after covering about 110 miles. Funds raised were donated to the Summer Educational Program (SEP) transport



PEDAL PUSHERS — Members who attend the Dublin, Irish Republic, church complete a bicycle trip from Belfast, Northern Ireland, to Dublin, a distance of about 110 miles, June 30. Money raised helped teens attend the Summer Educational Program (SEP).



WEST MEETS EAST — Church members from West Germany visit East German members in East Berlin for a picnic and soccer match June 16. [Photo by Norbert Mueller]

played on playground equipment. Picnic lunches provided by each family were spread on picnic tables under the main pavilion. The afternoon was completed by softball and card games, a sing-along accompanied on guitar by Larry Freund, and watermelon cutting. Florence men and women each won a tug-of-war. A rainstorm ended the day's activities.

More than 200 **YOUNGSTOWN**, Ohio, brethren attended the first picnic of the season June 30 at Dreamiee Acres in Canfield, Ohio, a 20-acre facility including a four-acre lake.

After lunch brethren participated in swimming, boating, fishing, softball, tennis, volleyball and horseshoe pitching. Jack Henry organized a penny hunt for preteens, who combed the grass looking for the new pennies.

Later brethren quenched their thirsts with 18 watermelons sliced by deacon Charley Moore.

fund for teens who traveled to the Loch Lomond, Scotland, camp in July.

Thirteen members of the **BONNYVILLE**, Alta., church took a two-day canoe trip through northern Alberta June 30 and July 1. The Wolf and Sand rivers provided the group with 35 miles of rapids, beaver dams and scenery.

The participants saw deer, elks, otters, loons and pelicans and heard howling timber wolves. The canoeists explored two trappers' cabins along the route. The trip ended late Monday afternoon, July 1, with a meal cooked at the pickup point on the Sand River.

Henry Cooper and B. Kim Wenzel.

Sixty women of the **FORT WAYNE**, Ind., church attended an English lawn party June 30 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Darris McNeely. Mr. McNeely, pastor of the Fort Wayne church, served as maitre d' with YOU members serving the tables.

In a setting overlooking the Cedar Creek Reservoir, the group ate lunch before going for paddleboat rides and playing croquet and games including craft bingo, where they won items handcrafted by members.

CAMBRIDGE and **LUTON**, England, brethren met at Comberton Village College near Cambridge July 7 for an outdoor social and barbecue. Activities got under way about 10:30 a.m. with tennis and soccer.

Other attractions included pony rides, minimotorcycling and swimming in the college's outdoor pool. Four grills were provided, and members cooked their own burgers, chicken or sausages for lunch.

During the afternoon David Stirk, pastor of the two churches, put his radio-controlled model airplane through its paces above the college playing field.

Fifty United Singles from the **NORTHAMPTON**, **BIRMINGHAM**, **NOTTINGHAM** and **GLOUCESTER**, England, churches, shared a sports day and barbecue at the home of pastor Barry Bourne and his wife, Thelma.

Texans take part in swim meet

The combined **HOUSTON**, Tex., churches participated in a family swim meet June 30 in the outdoor Olympic pool on the University of Houston campus.

Under a southeast Texas sun, 35 entrants, ranging in age from 5 to 57, registered for the 21-event meet. The age groups were divided into pre-YOU, YOU and adult. Kenneth Giese, pastor of the Houston West and Victoria, Tex., churches, served as the official starter, and David Johnson, Houston East pastor, kept the official pictorial history.

Closely contested events included the 100-meter freestyle race in the adult division, which was decided by less than half a second. The meet was described by Gary Bastie, meet director and organizer, as "shoulder to shoulder and not head to head." *Ron Davis.*

in Desborough, England, June 16.

The group played cricket, croquet, badminton, volleyball, table tennis and rounders.

Gloucester, led by singles representative Basis Harris, was victorious in the four-team rounders tournament, defeating Birmingham, skippered by Simon Hodgetts, in the final.

The day was rounded off by a barbecue prepared by Mrs. Bourne.

Frank McCrady Jr., Norbert Mueller, Christopher Murray, Sharon Shiver, Naomi Yutsy, Michael E. Crist, Jan C. Old, Libbye Kebrdle, Pam Martin, Philip Stevens and Douglas Palmer.

Areas meet for dance, talent show

EL DORADO, Ark., **TEXARKANA**, Tex., and **SHREVEPORT**, La., brethren combined for their second annual spring formal dance June 23 at the Progressive Men's Club in Shreveport.

The Big Sandy Ambassador College band provided a varied program of popular and country and Western music. The foyer and stage were decorated to resemble a woodland park.

During intermission 1985 high school graduates were honored, including Charles North, David Cartmel, Tonya Burton, Rhonda Huntley, Toby Neff and Michelle Sargent from Texarkana; Tony Lucero, Matt Bergman, Nina Sample, Tammy Willadsen and Mark Morton from Shreveport; and Johnny Calendar from El Dorado.

The graduates were introduced by Autry Sandell, a Shreveport YOU assistant. The men were given pen and pencil sets, and women were presented digital travel alarm clocks.

YOU members then staged a talent show. Participants who performed solos were Shane Granger on piano; Charles North, alto saxophone; Jonathan Bryan, alto saxophone; Lisle Bergman, vocal; Elizabeth Whittington, violin; Lisa Knox, vocal; Michelle Dreer, vocal; and Shirlene Bryce, flute. Jonathan Bryan and Minette Burkes performed a song and dance routine.

The Shreveport social committee, headed by Barry Shanklin, planned and directed the event. Brethren from the three churches helped in setup, cleanup and preparing refreshments. *Bill Gay.*

Members meet for club graduations

Seventeen **UTRECHT**, Netherlands, Spokesman Club members and their wives or dates met for a ladies afternoon at the Bilthoven, Netherlands, Heidepark Hotel June 30. The setting was appropriate for celebrating the club's 10th anniversary.

June 30, 1975, Roy McCarthy, now regional director for God's Church in South Africa, started the Utrecht club with 21 in attendance.

Today about one third of the baptized members in the Dutch-speaking areas attend one of three Spokesman Clubs. Bram de Bree is regional director of the area.

Over the past 10 years the original Utrecht club has split twice. In 1978 those in the south began attending in Tilburg, Netherlands. In 1984 members living in the north started attending the Zwolle, Netherlands, club.

During the anniversary celebrations the group was welcomed on a sun-covered terrace, where refreshments were served. Afterward club President Frans Danenberg introduced Martin de Rooter for tabletopics and Jan Boode as toast-

master. Four speeches were given.

Harry Knot and Richard Steinfors graduated and were presented certificates of merit. Mr. de Bree gave the overall evaluation, emphasizing the need to live now and put training into practice so to better serve humanity in the world tomorrow.

The group was served an appetizer and moved to the dining hall for a four-course dinner. The evening was concluded by the toastmaster who presented women with red roses.

One hundred seventeen **ROCHESTER** and **SYRACUSE**, N.Y., Spokesman and Graduate club members, their wives and guests met at the Lionstone Restaurant in Geneva, N.Y., June 9.

Pastor Leslie Schmedes introduced Brian Convery, Rochester club president, who welcomed the group and introduced Lloyd Elwell for tabletopics. Thomas Melear, associate pastor, evaluated the first half of the meeting.

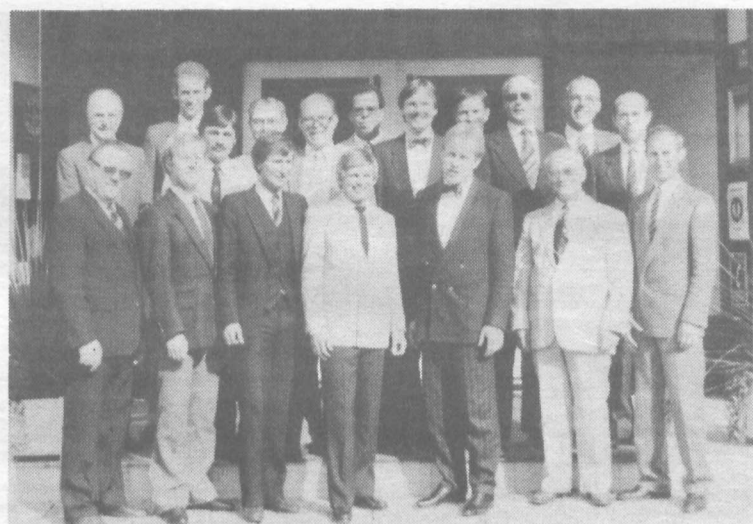
Those in attendance dined on roast beef or spring chicken, after which Gerald Smith, Syracuse club

president, called the second half to order and introduced Roland Talbot as toastmaster.

Speakers were Dan Maybury, Ken Kress, Jim DiFranco, Ed Lombard and Richard Newman. Evaluators were Roger Sherwood, Donnell Massey, Lance Dudek, John Rossie and Dave Reeser.

The Most Helpful Evaluators were Mr. Massey and Mr. Rossie; the Most Improved Speaker was Mr. Kress; and Mr. Newman gave the Most Effective Speech. Mr. Schmedes evaluated the speaking session and spoke on how the club manual is designed to help deal with problems.

Mr. Melear presented graduation certificates to Syracuse club members Peter Candella, Ralph Murray, Raymond Preston, Mr. Rossie and Mr. Sherwood. Mr. Schmedes presented certificates to



ANNIVERSARY CLUB — Utrecht, Netherlands, Spokesman Club members pause with Bram de Bree (left, back row), regional director of Dutch-speaking areas, at Heidepark Hotel in Bilthoven, Netherlands, site of 10th anniversary celebrations of the Utrecht club June 3.

Rochester members Ronald Beilstein, Lewis Caswell, Mr. Convery, Dennis Dudek, Chris Gnage, David Healey, Ronald Hollenbeck,

Theron Lillie and Gerard Tusch.

The **EUGENE**, Ore., A and B Spokesman Clubs met for a combined graduation dinner and ladies night June 16 at North's Chuck Wagon. Ray Makinson, B club president, opened the meeting and introduced Keith Boise, who led tabletopics.

Toastmaster Cliff Anderson presented speakers Clyde Diller, Cecil Hollands, Burnell Boehland, Helmut Jankowski and Larry Hardison, A club president.

Most Improved Speaker was Mr. Jankowski; Mr. Boehland gave the Most Effective Speech; and the Most Helpful Evaluation was given by Lyndon Hammer.

Leonard Schreiber, club director and pastor of the Eugene, Bend, Coos Bay and Roseburg, Ore., churches, presented certificates of completion to Mr. Jankowski, Mr. Hammer, Richard Snyder and Ed Lazor.

The Spokesman Clubs from the **INDIANAPOLIS**, **TERRE HAUTE** and **COLUMBUS**, Ind., churches combined for a graduation ceremony in the Columbus Ramada Inn June 23.

More than 140 shared a smorgasbord of chicken cacciatore, roast beef, Salisbury steak and vegetables. After the meal and speeches, 11 men were awarded graduation certificates.

Frans Danenberg and Richard Steinfors, Jake Hannold, Tim and Lin Rhay and Frank McCrady Jr.

Brethren visit Bahamas

Brethren from **FAYETTEVILLE**, **FORT SMITH**, **RUSSELLVILLE** and **MENA**, Ark., departed from the Houston, Tex., airport for Nassau, Bahamas, June 13.

In Nassau they were met with tropical breezes and island music. After checking into their hotel, the group explored the clear water and white sands of the beaches.

After breakfast Friday, June 14, and a Bible study by John Elliott, Fayetteville and Fort Smith pastor, the rest of the morning was spent shopping.

At 1 p.m. the group traveled by chartered boat to Rose Island, one of the many uninhabited islands in the area, where they spent the afternoon swimming, snorkeling and scuba diving.

The high point of the trip was spending the Sabbath with the Nassau brethren, who with pastor Kingsley Mather welcomed the group. Kenneth Mattson, Russellville and Mena pastor, gave the sermonette, and Mr. Elliott gave the sermon. The Nassau church performed special music.

That evening a Bible bowl was conducted for YOU members and adults. The evening ended with

singing "All of We Is One Family," a Bahamian composition.

Before departing for home Sunday morning, June 16, the group shopped again, while others went to the beach for one last dip and to see dolphins swimming offshore. Mr. Elliott and Mr. Mather coordinated the event. *Dora Brach and Dan Jefferson.*

Clubs put on special events

NAIROBI, Kenya, Spokesman Club members conducted a ladies morning June 9 at the home of Sammy Muli. About 44 people attended the event, marking the completion of the club's first year.

Guest of honor was Owen Willis, pastor of the Nairobi and Kibirichia, Kenya, and Blantyre, Malawi, churches. Steve LeBlanc, assistant pastor and club director, was also present.

Mr. Muli was topicsmaster, and speakers were Ndungu Wainaina, Ephah Gatugu, Kimani Ndungu and Daniel Wanjie, club president. Mr. LeBlanc gave final evaluations and comments.

Mr. Wainaina was awarded the Most Effective Speech trophy; Mr.

At a potluck and dinner dance, the **BILOXI**, Miss., and **MOBILE**, Ala., churches gave Donald Thomas, a Mobile local church elder, and his wife, Edwina, a surprise 25th wedding anniversary celebration in appreciation of their years of service to the area.

Pastor Steven Moody toasted the anniversary couple with champagne, and the congregation serenaded them with "You'll Never Walk Alone." The celebration was completed by a dozen red roses, cake, punch, candy, a guest book, wedding photographs, gifts and a

honeymoon-decorated car.

The couple were presented with a 14-karat gold-faced wall clock from funds donated by brethren. *Treba Jackson.*

Newsstand meeting takes place

A pancake and egg breakfast at the Hypatia House in **WICHITA**, Kan., kicked off a *Plain Truth* newsstand distribution meeting for 56 Wichita members June 9.

The meeting was led by pastor Judd Kirk, Charles Wagerle, a local church elder and newsstand distribution leader, and deacon John Maskrid.

Members were then sent out in groups of twos and threes to areas of Wichita and surrounding cities. One hundred thirty-one contacts were made and 20 new *Plain Truth* newsstand outlets were arranged. *Julia Hildebrand.*

Gatugu was Most Improved Speaker; and Clement Obuba gave the Most Helpful Evaluation.

After the meeting a luncheon took place, with a soccer match between singles and married people in the afternoon. Snacks and fellowship concluded the day.

A combined **LAUREL** and **MERIDIAN**, Miss., Spokesman and Graduate club shared a ladies night at the Dixie Electric Power Association auditorium in Laurel June 16. Malachi 4:6 was the theme for the banquet, which took place on Father's Day.

Topicsmasters were the father-and-son team of Tom and Tony Diaz. Speeches were given by Philip Neal, Jerry King, Gene Loper and Joe Van Etten. Jonathan Grimes was toastmaster. Special recognition was given to the widows who were guests of the club.

Pastor Paul Kurts and Edward Mitchell, a Laurel local church elder, gave the overall evaluation. YOU members directed by Linda Sanford served at the dinner.

LAFAYETTE, La., Spokesman Club members conducted their last meeting of the year June 9, with club members, wives and guests sharing a meal of grilled steaks, baked potatoes, tossed salad, mixed vegetables and pie.

After the meal club President Tim Todd presided over the meeting. John Pearce led tabletopics. Speakers were James Crawford, Paul Perry, Harold Forrestier, Charles Amy and Don White.

The Most Effective Speech and Most Improved Speaker trophies went to Mr. Forrestier. Jim Baugh gave the Most Helpful Evaluation.

Dennis Doucet, associate pastor and club director, evaluated the topics and speeches. Overall director Alton Billingsley, pastor of the Lafayette and Baton Rouge, La., churches, gave an evaluation of the club. He quoted Proverbs 3:13 and added, "You are building on your future."

Kimani Ndungu, Paul Kurts and Glenda Crawford.

Youths attend banquet, trip

The **MODESTO** and **STOCKTON**, Calif., YOU awards banquet took place June 23, beginning with a dinner of chicken Kiev, vegetables and strawberry shortcake served by YOU members.

YOU members were recognized for their accomplishments during the past year including basketball, volleyball, cheerleading, track and academics.

Special awards were presented by the teams to their coaches, Mike Beattie, Brent Rabe, Wanda Shahan, Jill Carlson and Lori McNeely. Division II basketball team members presented an award to pastor Oswald Engelbart for being their No. 1 fan.

Six members who graduated from high school were Lori Butler, David Fisher, Dennis and Kenneth Fultz, Eric Plagenza and Keith Wolaridge. Eight members graduated from junior high. David Mellon was the only YOU graduate this year.

After dinner and the awards presentation-David Mellon served as disc jockey for the dance. The evening coordinator was deacon Wayne Carlson. Carol Silva deco-

rated the hall, and Sandy Messerall organized the YOU serving crew. YOU members Carrie Burchett, Nancy Halsted and Karna Wolaridge provided piano music during part of the dinner.

June 30 through July 4 the YOU chapters from **GENEVA**, Ala., and **FORT WALTON BEACH**, Fla., conducted their second annual summer camp-out at St. Andrews State Park in Panama City Beach, Fla.

This year they were joined by YOU members from Gadsden, Ala., and Laurel and Meridian, Miss. About 105 youths and chaperons participated in the event.

Volleyball, swimming, fishing and sunbathing on white-sand beaches were among activities provided for the campers. Attractions included the Miracle Strip Amusement Park and Shipwreck Island Water Park.

Gadsden teens won a Bible baseball game featuring questions from Genesis. Watermelons and vegetables donated from members' gardens and prepared by volunteers helped keep costs down.

Carolyn Burchett and Terri Phillips.

Letters TO THE EDITOR

(Continued from page 2)

what is happening and what will happen to this world. You help me understand world events through your magazine, *The Plain Truth*. I feel, as a responsible young person, that it is necessary to know all aspects of life, religion and world events.

Tammy Scoby
Kelso, Wash.

I just would like to thank you for having such a great magazine. You couldn't imagine how much it has affected my life, and that of my brother. My brother picked it up at a store for the fun of it, but once we finished reading it from cover to cover, we realized it wasn't a fun magazine.

I'm 12 and my brother is almost 14, but after reading *The Plain Truth* we feel much older and wiser. The knowledge that we gained has helped us a great deal, both with our personal lives and spiritual too. We both now subscribe to *The Plain Truth* and can hardly wait till the next issue appears. We both plan to be faithful readers for many, many years to come.

Kyle Timothy
Staten Island, N.Y.

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French PT readers comment

My father-in-law received your magazine and often spoke of your thoughtful articles, as well as about God and the Bible. I was a rebel and an atheist; I read only books about anarchy. He

died suddenly at the age of 42. Strangely, one month after his death I began to receive *The Plain Truth*. At first I read it superficially but, with time, it became a balm for my soul. Today I await your publications as one waits for a friend and I thank you for them.

L. Desilets
Montreal, Que.

Your magazine arrives regularly in my mail box. The person to whom it is addressed is unknown to me. I contented myself with writing "Not at this address" on the wrapper and returning the item to the mailman. Two weeks ago, however, I saw through the wrapper the question "Does God exist?" I kept the item for myself. Now I've read *The Plain Truth*. I am interested and wish, if possible, to have a subscription.

Toihen Noel
Porto-Novo, Benin

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Missing Dimension

I'm fifteen years old and one of the many subscribers to your magazine *Youth 85*.

Not long ago, my parents found out that I was dishonestly meeting my boyfriend without their permission. Well, my parents don't allow me to date yet and they were quite disappointed with my behavior, although my dad was very understanding and gave me your book entitled *The Missing Dimension in Sex* to read . . .

Your book answered every question I had on the subject and made me aware of how God wants teens to act while dating. It also changed my ideas and life for the better. I rank your book as one of the most valuable possessions a teenager could have.

Name withheld

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHS

ARNOLD, Grahame and Barbara (Champion), of Godingham, England, boy, Simon James, June 24, 11:44 a.m., 3.97 kilograms, now 2 boys.

BEDWELL, Tim and Wanda (Luis), of Sacramento, Calif., girl, Cara Lynn, June 23, 4:57 p.m., 9 pounds 1 ounce, now 3 girls.

BELLING, William and Bonnie (Parmenter), of Appleton, Wis., girl, Bethany Ann, June 7, 1:12 a.m., 8 pounds 4 ounces, now 2 boys, 3 girls.

BRUNING, Robin and Deborah (Burnett), of Gautier, Miss., girl, Jennifer Leigh, Aug. 19, 1984, 3:20 a.m., 6 pounds 4 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

CAPAZ, Daniel and Lisa (Huttunen), of Montreal, Que., boy, David Daniel, May 21, 8 p.m., 8 pounds 6 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

COLLINS, Jeff and Kathy (Zirkle), of Clarksburg, W.Va., boy, Sean Kristofer, April 28, 10:13 p.m., 7 pounds 11 1/2 ounces, now 2 boys, 3 girls.

COTE, Robert and Marguerite (Welch), of Pasadena, girl, Alison Deborah, June 26, 8:47 a.m., 6 pounds 9 1/2 ounces, now 2 girls.

DOBRTCH, John and Mary (Shimek), of Washington, Pa., twin boy and girl, Stephen John and Marianne Michelle, June 22, 6:26 and 6:17 p.m., 7 pounds 1 ounce and 5 pounds 9 ounces, now 1 boy, 3 girls.

DON, John and Helen (Oppermann), of Lake Moogerah, Australia, girl, Johanna Violet, June 18, 12:20 a.m., 8 pounds 9 ounces, now 2 girls.

ECKLES, Wesley and Eileen (Neuendorf), of Milwaukee, Wis., boy, David Edward, June 30, 1:59 p.m., 7 pounds 15 ounces, now 2 boys.

FIKE, Mark and Janelle (Chapman), of Reno, Nev., girl, Kristen Nicole, July 1, 2:59 p.m., 8 pounds, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

GARCIA, Phillip and Darlene (Rodriguez), of Modesto, Calif., girl, Shiloh Darlene, July 8, 7:27 p.m., 9 pounds 8 ounces, first child.

GARSON, Tom and Pam (Luis), of Modesto, Calif., girl, Kathryn Elizabeth, July 5, 8:12 p.m., 7 pounds 3 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

GREIDER, Larry and Bonnie (Smith), of Fayetteville, N.C., boy, Aaron Lewis, May 28, 10:42 p.m., 7 pounds 2 1/2 ounces, now 2 boys, 2 girls.

HALL, Warner and Yonah (Alcock), of Tucson, Ariz., girl, Hadassah Haninah, July 11, 6:35 a.m., 7 pounds 9 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

HEAD, Carl and Neita (Floyd), of Fort Worth, Tex., girl, Kimberly Meredith, June 26, 3:19 a.m., 7 pounds 5 ounces, first child.

HEBERT, Lynn and Sherry (Nehk), of Big Sandy, boy, Jesse William, July 9, 4:57 a.m., 8 pounds, first child.

HERRON, Daniel and Suzie (Barnard), of Polson, Mont., girl, Melissa Jo, June 21, 2:44 a.m., 8 pounds 9 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

HOOK, Stephen and Julie (Looney), of Baltimore, Md., girl, Holly Suzanne, June 28, 6:32 a.m., 7 pounds 6 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

JACKSON, Randy and Michele (Hollis), of Big Sandy, girl, Rachel Nicole, June 26, 3:55 p.m., 9 pounds 6 ounces, first child.

KING, Stephen and Kathy (Stojanovic), of Newcastle, Australia, boy, Simon Gregory, June 23, 7:01 p.m., 6 pounds 10 ounces, now 2 boys.

KUHNE, Robert and Claudia (Cocomise), of Chicago, Ill., boy, Robert Philip, June 26, 9:19 p.m., 7 pounds 12 ounces, first child.

LABELLE, Michael and Rhonda (Pease), of Dallas, Tex., girl, Chloe Cherie, July 4, 3:15 a.m., 7 pounds 10 ounces, first child.

LITTLEJOHN, Charles and Roberta (Smith), of Greenville, S.C., girl, Melinda Ann, June 30, 9:30 p.m., 6 pounds 4 ounces, now 1 boy, 3 girls.

LOGUE, Glenn and Jen (Lucas), of Bainbridge, Ga., girl, Kelly Darlene, June 29, 4:36 a.m., 6 pounds 5 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

MANCEWICZ, Mark and Eva, Eikhart, Ind., girl, Katy Lee, May 8, 12:43 p.m., 6 pounds, now 2 girls.

McCRRARY, Jack and Gail (Monroe), of Casper, Wyo., boy, Jacob Ryan, June 15, 1:15 p.m., 9 pounds 4 ounces, now 4 boys, 3 girls.

MEZ, Skeets and Brenda (Childers), of Big Sandy, girl, Charissa Kay, July 11, 3:39 a.m., 6 pounds, first child.

NIELSEN, Steven and Kathleen (Kosar), of Santa Rosa, Calif., boy, Kevin Andrew, July 8, 10:54 a.m., 7 pounds 2 1/2 ounces, now 2 boys.

NIKODEM, Joseph and Donna (Hendricks), of Green Bay, Wis., boy, Joseph Rocky, July 1, 9:45 p.m., 9 pounds 6 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

PENDLEY, Wesley and Carol (Mooney), of Big Sandy, twin girls, Amanda Rae and Candice Lynn, June 12, 3:17 and 3:30 a.m., 5 pounds 13 ounces and 5 pounds 8 ounces, now 1 boy, 3 girls.

QUADE, Joseph and Wendy Marie (Tucker), of McGregor, Minn., boy, Victor Alexander, July 7, 11:34 a.m., 8 pounds 2 1/2 ounces, now 3 boys.

ROBINSON, Jerry and Becky (Mullins), of Oklahoma City, Okla., girl, Amber Dae, July 2, 8:30 p.m., 8 pounds, now 2 girls.

SCHAEFFER, Paul and Kim (Copeman), of Baltimore, Md., girl, Brandy Michelle, June 21, 3:35 a.m., 8 pounds 4 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

SCHURKO, David and Karen (Gottschall), of Regina, Sask., boy, Michael David John, July 1, 3:03 p.m., 10 pounds 13 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

SHAFER, Ed and Laurie (Finnigan), of Blackfoot, Idaho, girl, Justine Nicole, June 25, 2:16 a.m., 7 pounds 4 ounces, now 2 girls.

SIDARS, Stephen and Marci (Scates), of Pasadena, girl, Marissa Kathleen, July 9, 1:35 a.m., 5 pounds 2 ounces, first child.

SMITH, Kyle and Mary (Resch), of San Jose, Calif., boy, Jeremy Andrew, July 4, 10:44 p.m., 8 pounds 8 ounces, first child.

THOMAS, John and Kathy (Quisenberry), of Lansing, Mich., girl, Adrian Marie, June 29, 8:10 a.m., 9 pounds 4 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

TOMCAVAGE, Thomas and Debra (Heim), of Harrisburg, Pa., girl, Amber Krystine, July 1, 4:38 a.m., 7 pounds 14 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

URISTA, Juan and Laura (White), of Pasadena, boy, Timothy James, June 6, 9:43 a.m., 9 pounds 14 ounces, first child.

VAN LANEN, Gerald and Pat (Robinson), of Green Bay, Wis., girl, Elizabeth Rose, May 27, 2:20 a.m., 8 pounds 2 ounces, now 1 boy, 4 girls.

WILDT, Bob and Sue Ann (Foraker), of Wichita, Kan., boy, Kevin Joseph, July 2, 10:17 p.m., 9 pounds 12 ounces, now 2 boys.

WILSON, Milton and Harriet (Kliesch), of Miami, Fla.,

girl, Tonya Marie, June 19, 11 a.m., 7 pounds 12 ounces, now 2 boys, 6 girls.

WOLAVER, James and Angela (Rhodes), of Austin, Tex., boy, Bradley Hall, May 24, 3:23 p.m., 6 pounds 1/2 ounce, first child.

ZICK, Andre and Georgia (Lane), of Pasadena, girl, Christina Elizabeth, July 11, 7:20 p.m., 7 pounds 14 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Borax of Calgary, Alta., are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter Sandra Lynn to George Andrew Hague, son of Mrs. Robert K. Hague. A Sept. 8 wedding is planned in Pasadena.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hamilton of Behtlehem, Ga., are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Jennifer Carol to Harold Andrew Bridges, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bridges of Watkinsonville, Ga. A fall wedding is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Wells of Cridersville, Ohio, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Cheryl to Keith Benjamin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Benjamin of Mount Blanchard, Ohio. A Sept. 22 wedding is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. William E. Oswald of Columbia, Mo., would like to announce the engagement of their daughter Camilla Fay to Daniel Matthew Klein dienst, son of Mr. and Mrs. David M. Klein dienst of Fulton, Mo. An Aug. 11 wedding is planned in Columbia.

Mr. and Mrs. James E. Riddle of Pittsburgh, Pa., would like to announce the engagement of their daughter Lori Lynn to Charles Allen Rambo of Lynwood, Calif. A Sept. 18 wedding in Pittsburgh is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Bailey of Cave City, Ark., are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Regina Caroline to Larry Dean Huffman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dean Huffman of Omaha, Ark. An Aug. 3 wedding is planned.

WEDDINGS



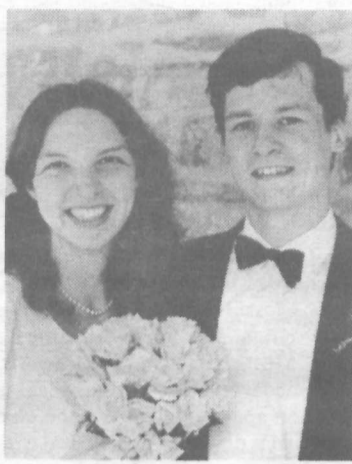
MR. AND MRS. JOHNNY TRENT
Angela Joyce LaBelle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John A. LaBelle of Meridian, Miss., and Johnny Forrest Trent, son of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ronald Trent of Durant, Okla., were united in marriage March 9 in Meridian. The ceremony was performed by Paul Kurts, pastor of the Meridian and Laurel, Miss. churches. The couple reside in Durant.



MR. AND MRS. ROBERT KERSTEN
Robert Kersten and Eilene Steines were united in marriage May 18 in Tomah, Wis. John Bald, pastor of the LaCrosse, Wis., Rochester, Minn., and Mason City, Iowa, churches, performed the ceremony. The matron of honor was the bride's sister Bernice Haile, and the best man was the groom's brother Walter. The family reside in Tomah.



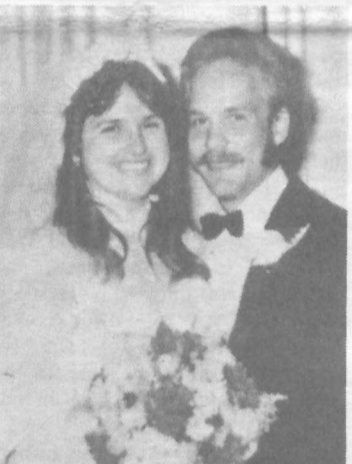
MR. AND MRS. DALE LAMB
Shelia Ann McNeill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willie J. McNeill of Erwin, N.C., and Dale W. Lamb, son of the late Joseph W. Lamb and Frances Lamb of New Richmond, Ohio, were united in marriage June 1 at Western Guilford High School Auditorium in Greensboro, N.C. Dan Rogers, pastor of the Greensboro church, performed the ceremony. Michael Lamb was the best man, and Mrs. Jimmy L. Kirby was the matron of honor. The couple reside in Cincinnati, Ohio, and attend the East church.



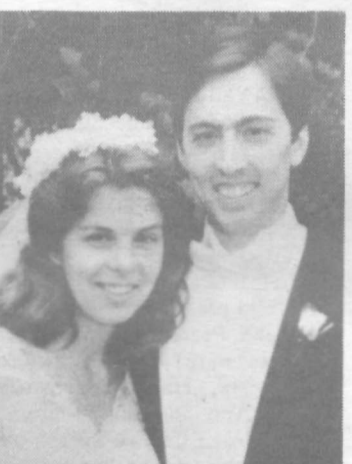
MR. AND MRS. FRANK DEMEESTERE
Frank Demeestere and Gretha Jonker were united in marriage May 15. Bram de Bree, regional director for the Church in Dutch-speaking areas, performed the ceremony. The bride's sister Frieda was maid of honor, and Eric Missault was best man. The couple reside in Gent, Belgium.



MR. AND MRS. WAYMAN THURMAN
Sara Lee Coston and Wayman L. Thurman were united in marriage May 19 in a garden wedding in San Angelo, Tex. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh M. Coston, who attend the San Angelo church. The ceremony was performed by Randal G. Dick, pastor of the Dallas, Tex., West church. The bride's sister Julie Athans was matron of honor. Jared Thurman, the groom's son, was best man. The couple reside in San Angelo.



MR. AND MRS. TOM AVANT
Edwina Joy Windysh, daughter of Edward and Jean Windysh of the Yorkton, Sask., church, and Tom Allan Avant, son of Larry and Beverly Avant of the Fargo, N.D., church, were married Nov. 3, 1984, in Goodeve, Sask. Dennis Lawrence, pastor of the Dauphin, Man., and Yorkton churches, performed the ceremony. Maid of honor was Cheryl Nagy of Yorkton, and the best man was John Hanson of Clitherall, Minn. The couple reside in Battle Lake, Minn., and attend the Fargo church.



MR. AND MRS. J. RAKESTRAW
Carolyn Ruth Tatham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred A. Tatham of Wentworth, N.H., and Jonathan Blaine Rakestraw, son of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Rakestraw of Tallahassee, Fla., were united in marriage May 19. The ceremony was performed on the Ambassador College campus in Pasadena by David Albert, a pastor-rank minister and professor of psychology at the college. The maid of honor was Barbara Wilcox, and the best man was Kevin Parks. The bride and groom are Pasadena Ambassador College graduates. They reside in Pasadena.

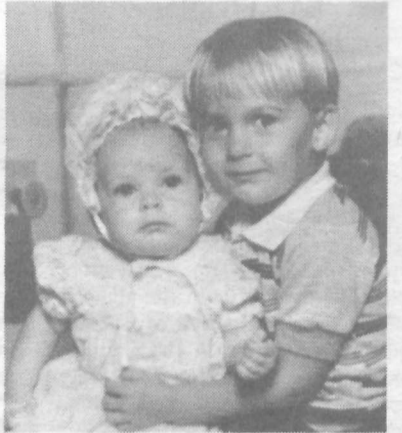
Sheila Hudspeath of McComb, Miss., and Richard Rex Conn of Summit, Miss., were united in marriage Sept. 7, 1984. The ceremony was performed by L. David Stone, pastor of the Hattiesburg and Picayune, Miss., churches. The couple reside in Summit and attend the Hattiesburg church.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

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

Our coupon babies this issue are Jennifer Leigh and Wesley Dale Bruning, children of Robin and Deborah Bruning of Gautier, Miss.

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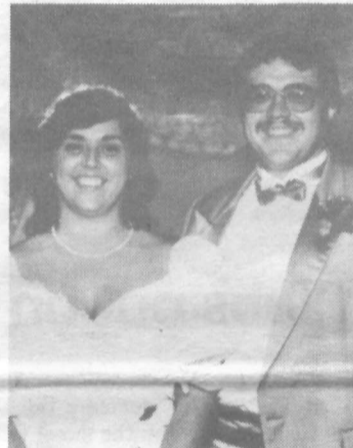


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MR. AND MRS. JOE GREENE
Brenda Royer, daughter of Donnie and Clarene Royer, and Joe Greene, son of Dayne and Dorothy Greene, were united in marriage June 2 in Rushville, Ill. The couple attend the Macomb, Ill., congregation.



MR. AND MRS. CURTIS POLLARD
Marcia Adell Kwasnica, daughter of Myrtle A. Kwasnica, and Curtis Charles Pollard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald C. Pollard, were united in marriage May 19 in Calgary, Alta. The ceremony was performed by Trevor Cherry, associate pastor of the Calgary South church.

ANNIVERSARIES

My love: This will be our sixth anniversary, and I would love to say: Thank you, God, for the wonderful loving six years of our marriage and for making it very fulfilling and joyful all these years. I love you very much and much more. Dolores M. Sanchez

Congrats! The managers of the former Simons' Slumber Lodge have completed 27 years of marriage. We want to wish Lyle and Joyce Simons many more happy years together in their new "lodge" in Castlegar, B.C. Thanks Mom and Dad for everything you are and have done for us. Love, No. 1 Son, Jelly Bean and Woodwards.

Happy 25th anniversary July 30 to our wonderful parents, Dean and Jayne Fertig. Love, Monty, Jeff, Janea, Kevin, Julie Ann, Julie, Becky, Derek and grandson Devin.

To my Sweetheart, Nathan: Happy anniversary Aug. 3. Thank you for being such a loving and caring husband. I can't believe that the first six months have already passed. I look forward to the many years ahead. Love to you always, Princess.



MR. AND MRS. CARL ZIRKUS
Linda Jessie Gomperts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gomperts of Mira Mesa, Calif., and Carl Henry Zirkus, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hans Zirkus of Fairfield, Conn., were united in marriage at an outdoor ceremony June 30 at Balboa Park in San Diego, Calif. Evangelist Norman Smith, pastor of the Yuma, Ariz., and San Diego churches, officiated. Karen Barillaro of Wallingford, Conn., was maid of honor, and John Gomperts, brother of the bride, served as best man. The couple reside in Mira Mesa.



MR. AND MRS. NATHAN BRADEN
Julie Anna Seelig and Nathan Anthony Braden, both of Pasadena, were united in marriage Feb. 3. The ceremony was performed by Victor Root, associate pastor of the Pasadena Auditorium A.M. church. The matron of honor was Venetia Makshinnoff, and the best man was Mark Houston. The couple reside in Pasadena.



MR. AND MRS. GRADY SMITH
Mr. and Mrs. Grady Smith celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary June 23 at the home of their daughter Dixie Poulos in Arcadia, Calif. The occasion included an afternoon barbecue with friends, followed by a vacation in Santa Barbara, Calif. Mr. Smith was baptized in 1964 and Mrs. Smith in 1962, in Kalamazoo, Mich. In 1967 the Smiths moved to Pasadena, where Mr. Smith was employed in the Purchasing Department of the Church for about 10 years. Now retired, the Smiths live in Sierra Madre, Calif., and attend the Pasadena Imperial A.M. church. A second daughter, Nancy Gimenez, lives in Riverside, Calif., and a son Robert lives in Sierra Madre. The Smiths have four grandchildren.

**Weddings
Made of Gold**
JAMESTOWN, Tenn. — Joe and Velma Broyles celebrated their 54th (See ANNOUNCEMENTS, page 11)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Continued from page 10)
 wedding anniversary April 29.
 Mrs. Broyles has been a Church



MR. AND MRS. JOE BROYLES

member since 1961 and attends the Crossville, Tenn., church.

HARRISBURG, Pa. — A family dinner took place June 21 at the Sunnyside Restaurant in Carlisle, Pa., to



MR. AND MRS. CHARLES McNEELY

honor Charles and Ruth McNeely on their 50th wedding anniversary.

The McNeelys were also honored

with a cake at the Harrisburg church's Jubilee Club meeting and picnic June 30.

The McNeelys have been members of the Church since December, 1974, and attend in Harrisburg with their daughter Kay Eshenour and her two daughters.

The couple have five children and 11 grandchildren and live in Duncannon, Pa.

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. — Hugh and Mattie White celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary July 20.



MR. AND MRS. HUGH WHITE

Mr. and Mrs. White were baptized in Fayetteville July 21, 1978.

They have three children and two grandchildren.

Obituaries

HOUSTON, Tex. — Sam Harvey, 64, of Pasadena, Tex., died May 25. Mr. Harvey was in an automobile accident in

February, 1968, which left him paralyzed from the waist down. He was bedridden until his death.

Mr. Harvey has been a Church member since June, 1952.

John Ogwyn, pastor of the Houston North church, and the Disabled American Veterans conducted services.

Mr. Harvey is survived by his wife, Jo Ann, who attends the Houston East church; two daughters, Rebecca Newberry of Clear Lake, Tex., and Debra Mietzler, a member who attends the Corpus Christi, Tex., church; one son, Daniel of Houston; and nine grandchildren.

DES MOINES, Iowa — Frank H. Hunt, 81, died of lung cancer June 1 at his home in Boone, Iowa.

Mr. Hunt was baptized in September, 1975, and attended the Des Moines church.

He is survived by his wife of more than 50 years, Lenora, a member who attends the Des Moines church; two sons; one daughter; and 11 grandchildren.



MR. FRANK H. HUNT

Funeral services were conducted in Boone by Calvin DeVries, a minister in the Des Moines church.

BONN, West Germany — Helene Grimm, 92, died March 30 in a rest home where she lived for many years.

Mrs. Grimm has been a member of God's Church for almost 20 years, attending the Duesseldorf, West Germany, congregation.

She left no surviving relatives.

DES MOINES, Iowa — Madeline Hardyk, 80, died here July 3. She has been a member of God's Church since December, 1972.

Mrs. Hardyk is survived by her husband, Jake, also a member who attends the Des Moines church, one sister, three children, 12 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at graveside in Slater, Iowa, by Robert L. Cloninger, pastor of the Des Moines and Ottumwa, Iowa, churches.

BIG SANDY — William E. Shaak, 79, died June 27 after a long illness.

Graveside services were July 1 in Gladewater, Tex., Memorial Park with Hal Baird, associate pastor of the Big Sandy church, officiating.

Born April 24, 1906, in Prescott, Pa., Mr. Shaak was a former Dallas, Tex., resident and lived in Gladewater three years. He worked as a business consultant. Mr. Shaak has been a member of the Church since 1963.

Survivors include his son, Nathan of New Orleans, La.

MOUNTAIN LAKE, Minn. — Albert Martin Kleinow, 79, died May 3 after suffering three years with cancer. Mr. Kleinow has been a member of God's Church since 1963 and last attended in Lake Crystal, Minn.

Survivors in the Church include his wife, Elise, and his son, Lawrence.

Funeral services were conducted by Victor Kubik, pastor of the Lake Crystal and Minneapolis, Minn., South churches.

McLEAN, Tex. — Ernest "Ernie" Boucher Jr., 23, was killed June 16 in a motorcycle accident.

Mr. Boucher is survived by his par-

ents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Boucher of McLean, one brother, three sisters, two nieces and two nephews.

Mr. Boucher's parents attend the Amarillo, Tex., church. One sister, Laurie Vowell, attends the Midland, Tex., church. Funeral services were conducted by James O'Brien, pastor of the Amarillo church. Burial was in Stephenville, Tex.

BONN, West Germany — Margarete Michels, 82, of the Bonn congregation died May 23.

Mrs. Michels was baptized during the Spring Feast in 1965.

She was in good health all of her life until she had a heart attack May 17. She is survived by three of her four children.

BONN, West Germany — Hermine Ranzinger, 46, of the Munich, West Germany, congregation died June 15 after a three-week bout with cancer.

Miss Ranzinger has been a member of God's Church for a number of years. She is survived by one brother.

MONROE, La. — Maude Brooks, 90, a member of the Church since 1952, died May 31 in Jonesboro, La.

Mrs. Brooks, a widow, is survived by a son, a sister, a granddaughter and three great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted by John Knaack, assistant pastor of the Monroe and Alexandria, La., and Natchez, Miss., churches.

IRVING, Tex. — Doris Jackson, 55, of the Dallas, Tex., West church died April 18 after a lengthy illness. Her husband, Don, preceded her in death in January, 1984.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackson were baptized in 1965 in Illinois.

Mrs. Jackson is survived by her sons, Don of Ardmore, Okla. (Whitesboro, Tex., church), and Rick of Pasadena.

Graveside services were performed by Randal Dick, pastor of the Dallas West church.

Children's Corner

Hold that door!

By Vivian Pettijohn

"Jeff, shame on you!" Kathy yelled angrily. "You let the door slam in my face!"

"So what?" 6½-year-old Jeff answered, laughing. "We guys have to be tough and not baby you girls. You should see Butch and some of the other boys at school. They really show the girls who is boss there!"

"But I thought boys were supposed to be gentlemen!" 5-year-old Kathy complained, frowning. "Daddy opens the door, and holds it open, for Mommy and me. That's nice! Why don't you do that?"

At the sound of the loud argument, both Leon and Virginia Winfield hurried out the back door. Rocky followed, curious.

"See, Jeff?" Kathy exclaimed. "Daddy opened the door for Mommy! Daddy, tell Jeff — and Rocky — they should be gentlemen and do that."

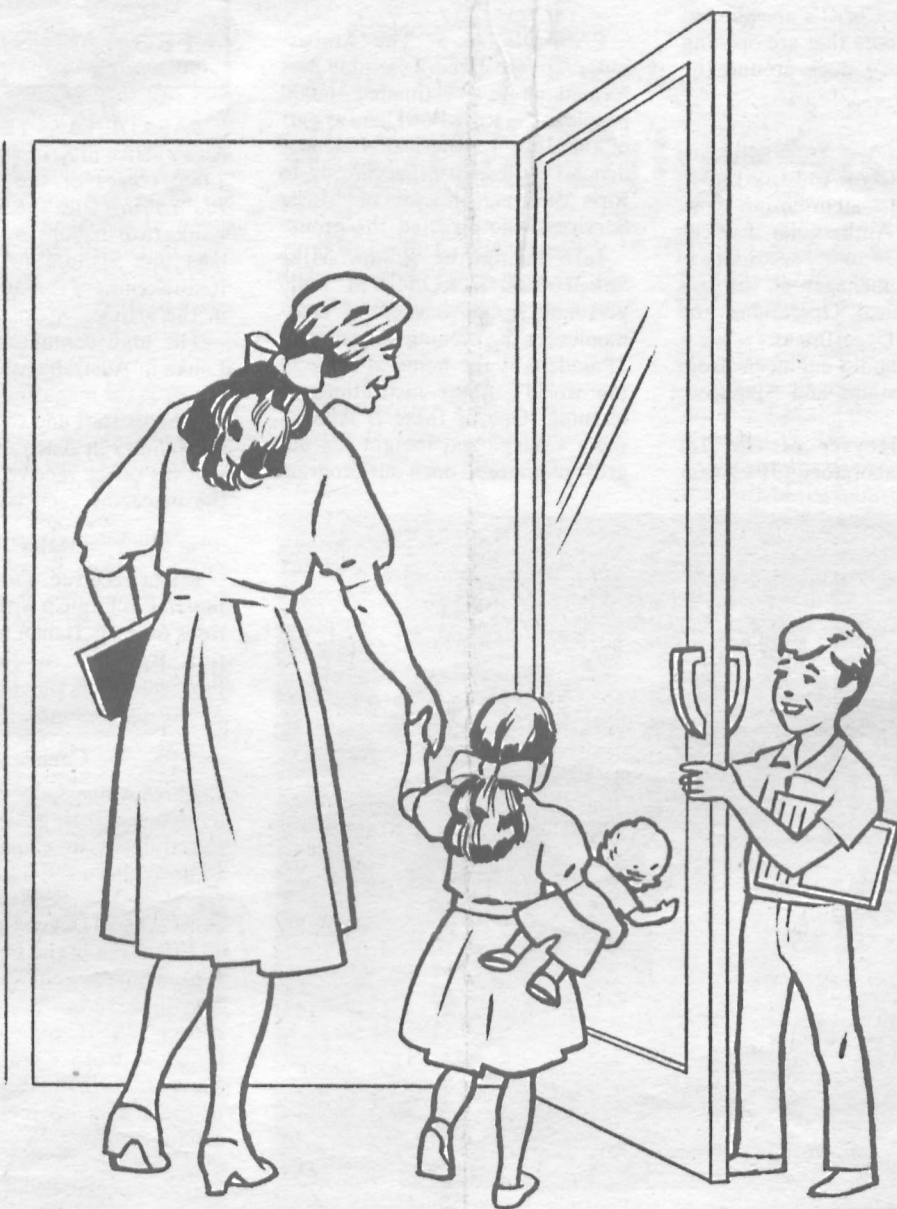
"Children, keep your voices down," Dad commanded. "Let's sit down for a minute at our picnic table. Then tell me what the problem is. Kathy, you first."

"Well," she responded in a softer voice, "Jeff slammed the door in my face. And he says that Butch and other boys at school do things like that. He says boys are tough and shouldn't baby the girls."

"Jeff?" Dad asked, eyebrows raised.

"Well," Jeff answered, shuffling his feet under the table and squirming, "Butch says that guys shouldn't be sissies, doing silly things for dumb old girls."

"Jeff," Dad replied, "don't you ever call girls — or anyone — dumb! And I want both of you boys to think about what Jesus, our example, would



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do. Would Jesus treat girls like that? Or would He treat women and girls with respect, like a gentleman does?"

"Uh . . . well . . .," Jeff mumbled, "He would treat them with respect, like a gentleman does." Rocky, looking a little guilty, too, nodded in agreement.

"Then you try to do like He would do," Dad instructed, "instead of following boys like Butch, who seems to be a bully. Don't give in to peer pressure! Remember that even if every other boy in the world does a certain thing, if that thing is wrong, don't you do it. Don't let them tempt you to follow them. In fact, instead of following their bad example, you should set a good example."

"This is an important lesson, boys," Mother agreed, "especially now that you are both in school." She stood up. "Now, let's finish getting ready so we can leave for Sabbath services. And in the car, on the way, I want you children to memorize Proverbs 1:10. In it Solomon wisely says, 'My son, if sinners entice you, Do not consent.'"

"That is a good verse to live by," Dad commented as he got up. "And whenever you are tempted to follow someone's bad example, just ask God to help you resist that temptation so that you can become like Jesus and act as you should."

A little later, at the door of the Glendale church's meeting hall, Jeff ran ahead of the family. He opened the door wide for Mother and Kathy and held it open, grinning.

Just behind the Winfields the DeLellis family followed. Six-year-old Lois poked her older brother's arm and said: "See, Georgie? Look what Jeff does. He's a gentleman! Now, why don't you do like he does?"

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

UPDATE

PASADENA — More than 143,000 people subscribed to *The Plain Truth* from the largest direct-mail campaign conducted by the Church, according to **Ray Wright**, director of Publishing Services.

About two million direct-mail packages containing a letter from Pastor General **Herbert W. Armstrong** offering a subscription to *The Plain Truth* were mailed in the United States July 1 (see "Update," *WN*, July 8).

"Direct-mail campaigns have increased [U.S.] *Plain Truth* subscriptions by over a quarter of a million subscribers since 1979," said **Boyd Leeson**, U.S. *Plain Truth* circulation manager.

Mr. Leeson said that direct-mail consultants told Church officials that "a 6 percent response to this type of free offer is excellent." He added that response to the direct-mail campaign is approaching 10 percent.

"Direct mail is also an effective advertising medium with a high renewal rate," he added. "Of those who request *The Plain Truth* through direct mail, 47 percent renew their subscription after one year."

According to **Terry Warren**, supervisor of the design graphics area of Publishing Services, the July direct-mail campaign also provided a test for 100 different mailing lists and 12 promotional packages. "This gave us valuable insight into what the [U.S.] public responds to," Mr. Warren said.

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PASADENA — Weekend telephone response to Pastor General **Herbert W. Armstrong** on *The World Tomorrow* topped the 18,000 mark July 20 and 21, according to evangelist **Richard Rice**, director of the Church's Mail Processing Center (MPC).

"Just one week after TV calls reached a new all-time record, we received the second highest response to the *World Tomorrow* program," Mr. Rice said. "The telecast *Ascent to Greatness* brought in 18,450 calls."

Telephone responses topped 20,000 July 13 and 14 (see "Response Tops 20,000 Mark," *WN*, July 22).

Since response trends normally decline during the summer, Mr. Rice expects the records to be broken again during the fall and winter when television response is normally higher in the United States.

"So far this year," he continued, "we have received 404,000 TV calls — 41 percent above 1984's record total."

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MELBOURNE, Australia — The Federal Department of Aviation approved back-lit island displays distributing *The Plain Truth* in some of Australia's major airports, according to **Robert Morton** regional director for Australia and Asia.

Mr. Morton made the announcement to more than 800 brethren attending combined Sabbath services here July 13.

According to Mr. Morton, initial approval was given for two island displays to be placed in the Melbourne airport, two in the Sydney airport and one wall-mounted display in Adelaide. A third location in Melbourne airport was promised as soon as space becomes available.

Negotiations are under way to place similar island displays in major central railway stations.

In commenting on the potential exposure of *The Plain Truth*, Mr. Morton said 18 million people will use the Melbourne airport throughout 1986, with 26 million visiting the airport in Sydney. This means

many additional thousands will come into contact with Christ's Gospel through *The Plain Truth*.

Mr. Morton said: "Island displays like these are one of the most prestigious forms of advertising in this country. The *Plain Truth* magazine is no longer considered to be 'just a religious magazine.' It is now the eighth-largest magazine in circulation in Australia and has gained a great deal of respect over the past few years. With these new doors Christ has opened to His work, there will undoubtedly be additional growth and additional persecution."



AIRPORT DISPLAY — *Plain Truth* newsstand displays, like the one pictured above, will be used in some Australian airports.

He asked the brethren to pray constantly for Christ's apostle and for the new doors that are opening to the Church's work around the world.

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PASADENA — Synergetic Audio Concepts (Syn-Aud-Con) sponsored a sound-system design seminar on the Ambassador College campus July 23 to 25, according to **John Prohs**, manager of the college's Technical Operations and Engineering Department.

About 50 audio engineers from the United States and Singapore participated.

Richard Heyser of the Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) near



EDITORIAL MEETING — Editor-in-chief Herbert W. Armstrong enjoys a light moment with *Plain Truth* editors and writers July 23. During the 1½-hour meeting, Mr. Armstrong reviewed and discussed magazine covers, articles and headlines scheduled for the November-December *Plain Truth*. From left: Gene Hogberg, world news editor; Dexter Faulkner, executive editor; Mr. Armstrong; Aaron Dean, Mr. Armstrong's executive aide; Michael Snyder, senior writer; and evangelist Herman Hoeh, *Plain Truth* editor. [Photo by Warren Watson]

Pasadena made a "surprise appearance," according to Mr. Prohs. Mr. Heyser has received a silver medal award from the Audio Engineering Society for outstanding contributions to audio technology and is considered a leading innovator in the field.

Other instructors at the seminar were Mr. Prohs and **David Harris** from Ambassador College; **Rollins Brook** of Bolt, Bernack & Newman (BBN), the acoustical designers for the Ambassador Auditorium; **Herbert Chaudiere** of Town, Richards & Chaudiere Audio Consultants; and **Don Davis** of Synergetic Audio Concepts.

"The reaction by seminar participants was very positive," said Mr. Prohs. "Many were impressed with the attitudes of members on the campus."

"The information, rapport and credibility gained is especially helpful with Festival preparation, as well as beneficial in meeting other audio needs for the college, Church and Ambassador Foundation," he said.

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PASADENA — The Ambassador College Band Ensemble performed before an estimated 36,000 people at the Rose Bowl here as part of the July 4 American Independence Day festivities, according to **Ross Jutsum**, director of Music Services, who directed the group.

Introducing the group, **Mike Sakellarides**, a KOST-FM radio personality and master of ceremonies for the evening's show, said: "Pasadena is the home of some of the world's finest institutions of learning. One of these is Ambassador College and tonight it's our great pleasure to open our program

with the Ambassador Band Ensemble."

The group's performance included Dixieland-style songs and popular selections. The Ambassador College Band Ensemble included **Richard Gillis** on trumpet; **Bruno Gebarski** on trombone; **Steve Brooks** on flute and alto saxophone; **Ronald Plumlee** on alto saxophone; **Tim Crabb** on guitar; **Tom Crabb** on bass; **Joseph McNair** on drums; **Rick Peterson** on percussion and vocals; and Mr. Jutsum on piano and vocals.

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PASADENA — Ministerial Services released the following itinerary for evangelist **Gerald Waterhouse**.

Aug. 5, Vineland, N.J.; Aug. 6, Trenton, N.J.; Aug. 7, Union, N.J.; Aug. 8, Middletown, N.J.; Aug. 10,

Long Island East and West, Manhattan, Westchester, Brooklyn and Queens, N.Y., combined Sabbath services.

Aug. 12, Montvale, N.J., and Middletown, N.Y.; Aug. 13, Albany, N.Y.; Aug. 14, Springfield, Mass.; Aug. 15, Meriden, Conn.; Aug. 17, Boston, Mass., and Providence, R.I., combined Sabbath services; Aug. 18, Concord, N.H.; Aug. 19, Montpelier, Vt.; Aug. 24, Kenosha, Milwaukee, Waukesha and West Bend, Wis., combined Sabbath services.

Aug. 25, Green Bay and Appleton, Wis.; Aug. 26, Wausau, Wis.; Aug. 27, Wisconsin Dells, Wis.; Aug. 28, La Crosse, Wis.; Aug. 29, Rochester, Minn., and Mason City, Iowa; Aug. 31, Minneapolis North and South, St. Cloud, St. Paul and Lake Crystal, Minn., combined Sabbath services.

INTERNATIONAL DESK

A WORLD VIEW FROM MINISTERIAL SERVICES

PASADENA — The prime minister's office in Sri Lanka asked for 1,000 copies of the July-August *Plain Truth* with the article on Sri Lanka to distribute to cabinet members and visitors to the Village Reawakening Program mentioned in the article.

The high commissioner for Sri Lanka in Australia asked for 2,000 copies of the magazine for distribution to his staff and the Sri Lankan community in Australia. He asked that his office receive 10 copies of the magazine each issue.

Malta

Malta received *The World Tomorrow* in English with Italian subtitles over the Italian television station Retequattro July 2. The program bears the Italian title *Il Mondo di Domani*.

Canada

Three Ambassador College graduates began their duties as ministerial trainees in Canada in June. Colin Wallace and his wife, Carrie, serve in the Saskatoon, Sask., church; Rod Devries and his wife, Judith, serve in the Prince George, B.C., church; and Todd and Kim Martin serve in the Regina, Sask., church. The three men became familiar with office procedures in the Vancouver, B.C., Regional Office before taking up their ministerial assignments.

Barbados

The *World Tomorrow* radio broadcast can be heard on Voice of Barbados, a 20,000-watt station heard on Barbados and several neighboring islands. The Church

canceled time on BBS, a limited-range FM station.

Charles Lowe, a local church elder in Barbados, and his wife, Jean, will spend the next year at Ambassador College in Pasadena. The Lowes will return to Barbados to fill the need for an additional minister there.

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JAPANESE TOUR — Sio Oui Shia (left), a senior at Pasadena Ambassador College, conducts a tour of Ambassador College for 73 students and personnel from Bunkyo Women's Junior College in Tokyo, Japan, July 22. According to Arthur Suckling, director of the program, the students arrived on campus July 21 to study English for three weeks. [Photo by Kevin Blackburn]

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