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New Church Starts In Modesto

Dr. Hoeh began the new Modesto Church of God as the first services were held on July 31.

On the Sabbath of July 24th, before the Modesto Church began, 412 people listened attentively as Mr. George Kemnitz informed the Sacramento Church that this was to be the *last* service for this particular group. God has truly blessed this area with continued growth, and starting July 31, 1965, former Sacramento brethren from the Modesto area will be able to attend their *own* church pastored by Mr. Al Dennis from Fresno!

Many other changes were announced. The Reno Church will begin having services in the morning, and will have *two* Bible studies per month. Now that Mr. Sid Cloud, Local Elder, has moved to Lake Tahoe, the Reno Spokesman Club is able to meet every week instead of only twice a month. Brethren in the Reno area are certainly thankful for the blessings God is pouring out.

The Sacramento Church will meet at 3:15 p.m. in a brand-new, bright and cheery hall. It is an old Safeway building, tastefully converted into an auditorium, affording privacy and a large, convenient parking lot.

Mr. Kemnitz will now be able to spend more time after services counseling and ministering to those in the Sacramento area.

Even though it was hard to say goodbye to those attending the new Modesto Church, all were thankful to be a part of this ever-changing and richly blessed work of God.

Summer Activity Summary Shows Outstanding Growth

The "lazy, hazy summer months" have not slowed the progress of the Work of God. In fact, just the opposite is true! Fantastic growth is the summary of summer activities. In ordinations, new churches, attendance figures, radio wattage and mail received—in ALL phases of the Work—a giant leap forward has been

accomplished since college graduation.

Ordinations

A continually urgent need is for more laborers to feed the flock, ministering to the people being called by God at this time. A great help has been the *nineteen* ordinations in a little over two months. *Six* men have been ordained as Preaching Elders. *Thirteen* men have been ordained as Local Elders. The most recent of these was Mr. Louis Jubert, ordained by Mr. Apartian and Mr. Kelly in the British West Indies.

New Churches

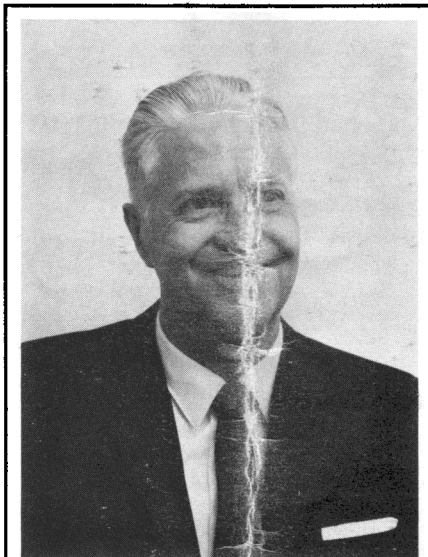
Here in the U.S.A. since June 1, exactly *SEVEN* new church congregations have already been established. All of these, as Mr. Armstrong said recently when announcing the starting of a new church, were with his approval! Yet he said more ministers are needed per church area, not more churches for each minister.

Attendance averaged 139 for each congregation, totaling close to *one thousand* people.

U. S. Attendance

The overall attendance for the United States has increased sharply during the

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The Fresno Church has its first Local Elder. He is Mr. Eldon Stewart, for several years a Deacon. The ordination occurred July 31—the same Sabbath the Fresno congregation found 30 of its membership now privileged to attend the new Modesto Church. The ordination of Mr. Stewart will be a big assist to Mr. Al Dennis who has to divide his time with the new congregation at Modesto.



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Mr. Meredith Leads Los Angeles Spokesmen On Overnight Camp-out in Angeles Forest

On Saturday, August 14, as the Sabbath sun dipped below the horizon, sixty-five people headed up into Angeles National Forest for an overnight camp-out. A day of fun and fellowship was to follow.

The group was comprised of Los Angeles Spokesmen and families. Their destination was the very secluded Bandido Campground, located thirty-five miles from the city.

The group was greeted by Mr. Gus Laney who had a roaring fire in the fire ring. Before long—under the clearest, freshest, most star-studded skies that these inhabitants of "smogville" had viewed in many months—the sound of many voices emanated from the circle as the familiar sing-along got under way.

Harmony was the theme as singing continued until the giant logs were reduced to mere flickering coals, signaling the time to "sack in."

A number of enthusiastic sportsmen were on their way for a pre-dawn

hike, at about the time the sun peered over the rugged terrain.

At nine o'clock, the call went out for breakfast and—with late (or early) arrivals swelling our ranks to over one-hundred people—delicious scrambled eggs, pancakes and beef sausage were served to all.

After a period of rest, a hike for "normal" people was organized for a ten-thirty departure. With Mr. Roderick C. Meredith setting a lively pace, the hikers were able to see and enjoy the beauty of nature as well as limber up some relaxed muscles during the two-hour trek.

Dinner call brought the usual response and before long all appetites had been satisfied. A tired "Chef" Carol Miller excused his weary helpers as the tempo began to slow.

As the last refrains of the final sing-along wafted into the clear sky, and the last vehicle departed from Bandido Campground for points south, everyone KNEW the outing was successful.

Summer Growth

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months of May, June and July, 1965. With churches covering virtually every part of the nation, almost *two thousand* new people now regularly attend services. This increase is just for the past three months. Each month nearly 650 people start attending for the *first* time.

There are 92 churches throughout the states with an average of 280 in each congregation.

Mail, Money and Watts

One little-noticed fact is the *tremendous* increase in radio wattage this summer!

With Radio City, Radio Caroline, plus many recent U. S. stations, the summer increase totals—listen to this—more than TWO MILLION watts per week! This figure is the *net* gain in wattage calculated by the Radio Studio.

The mail increase, boosted by the Semi-Annual letter is 50% plus for June and July. Money for the same two months is a strong 30%. No summer slump here! Let's not take for granted the increase God has given during the summer. Continue praying for even more growth this fall.

As Mr. Armstrong has said, "Each apparent setback is just the cocking of the gun to shoot the Work of God forward with even greater speed."

New Officers Announced for Fontana Club

At a recent meeting of the Fontana Spokesmen Club, the Director, Mr. Al Mischnick, introduced Dr. Clint Zimmerman, who announced a new slate of club officers!

Moving up from the Vice-presidential post to President is Mr. Wallace Fagerstedt, replacing Mr. Gene Melton. Now serving in the Vice-president

position is Mr. Stephen Cox. Mr. Jack White is the club's new Secretary. Mr. White was formerly Sgt. at arms. Mr. Gary Furst was Secretary previously.

Two entirely new additions to the officer posts are Mr. Wayne Watson and Mr. Ambrose Cooper. Mr. Watson is Fontana's new club Treasurer while Mr. Cooper will serve as Sgt. at arms.



NEW OFFICERS—Left to right, Messrs. Jack White, Wallace Fagerstedt, Stephen Cox, Al Mischnick, Ambrose Cooper, and Wayne Watson.

New Officers Appointed Recently in San Diego For Spokesman Clubs

The cheerful atmosphere of the Campus Chuckwagon Restaurant gave sparkle and zest to the San Diego Wednesday night Spokesman Club on July 28.

The presence of the ladies also added beauty and helped make the evening complete.

At the close of the meeting, our Club Director, Mr. Schreiber appointed new officers. They are as follows: President, Mr. Sprotte; Vice President, Mr. Ivcevic; Secretary, Mr. Hendrickson; Treasurer, Mr. Whitman; Sgt. at Arms, Mr. King.

Two days previously, new officers were installed in the Monday Club. They are: President, Mr. Still; Vice President, Mr. Maasch; Secretary, Mr. Bradford; Treasurer, Mr. Alvarez; Sgt. at Arms, Mr. Bebee.

Phoenix Spokesmen and Families Spend Two Days Camping at "Peaceful Valley Ranch"

The clean, clear, bracing air of the timbered 7,000-foot altitude of Mr. and Mrs. John Hausman's "Peaceful Valley Ranch" captured the hearts of the Phoenix Spokesmen and their families. Two wonderful days of camping were spent over the 4th of July weekend.

Many arrived and set up camp Saturday night, while others came bright and early Sunday morning to take advantage of Mr. Ferguson's generous offer of flapjacks for all. Sunday morning, we squared away our camps and lolled leisurely around the grounds, chatting with the brethren, and just relaxing and enjoying the pure, invigorating air and the beautiful surroundings of God's creation.

Suddenly the tempo changed! Up popped a volleyball net, and horseshoe stakes were driven into the ground. Then the clang of horseshoes and the shouts of spirited volleyball players rang through Peaceful Valley. Sunday afternoon some of the more ambitious adults and the many children hiked around the mountain to a small lake



KEEP-AWAY—Vigorous action during Keep-Away game at Paul Wolf Swim School. Three Pasadena clubs rented facilities for evening of recreation.

Three Pasadena Clubs "Pool" Their Resources For Evening of Swimming, Singing, Fellowship

Members and families of Pasadena A, B, and C Spokesman Clubs gathered

together the evening of July 25 for a spirited and refreshing swim party. The pool and facilities of the Paul Wolf Swim School in Pasadena were rented for the combined outing which included not only aquatic sports but a hamburger fry as well.

As the families began to arrive, the water was soon filled with happy, shouting swimmers. "Keep-away" became the chief sport. Three different groups intermingled at the same time with shouts of, "Who's got the ball?" "Throw it here!" The exchanges kept everyone excited and "off" their toes.

Those taking a swim-break joined in the sing-along generated and accompanied by Bill Brazil and Larry Kellar on their guitars.

The aroma of barbequeing hamburgers wafting across the pool soon drew a hungry following. Before long it was "chow—come and get it!" The ladies had prepared salads to go with the hamburgers, beans, and potato chips. After the invigorating swim everything tasted so good!

Topping off the evening was home-made ice cream made by a number of members before the party and brought well ice-packed to harden during the evening fun.

Poolside fellowship really makes friendly people even *friendlier!*

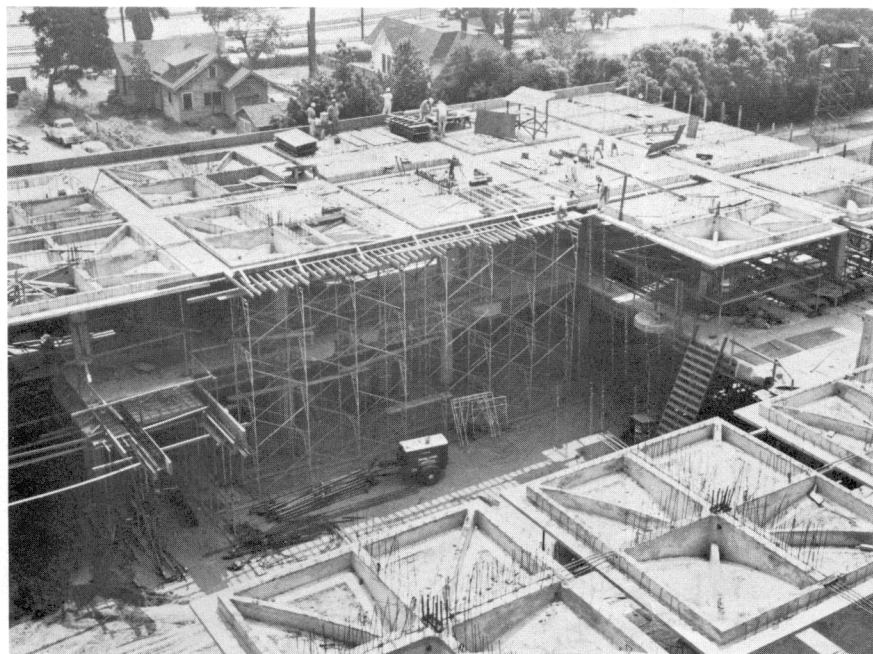
for swimming, wading, or fishing.

Sunday night came in crisp and clear! After supper we gathered around the campfire in a sing-along. Mr. Tullio Panella and Al Jacobson accompanied the singing on their guitars to the tunes of many old favorites.

Little by little the ranks of the ninety-some adults and children drifted off to "hit the sack." But many lingered on, and there was a jovial, if sleepy, group on hand to greet Mr. and Mrs. Thomas on arrival from the Bible study in Albuquerque, N.M., at about 1:30 a.m.

Monday morning the little children went fishing on the ranch pond. Many caught "eating-size" fish for the first time in their lives!—A thrill they will not soon forget! Meanwhile the adults were back at horseshoes, volleyball, or hiking; but by early afternoon, equipment was being packed and the campsites cleaned, and one by one the families began heading for home.

Thus ended two days of sparkling fellowship which will enhance the memories of all who attended.



PROGRESS PHOTO—In this unique photo, taken from the TOP of the huge crane at the construction site, you can see the massive concrete umbrellas beginning to form the roof of Ambassador's new Dining Hall.

Breakfast and Bowling For Glendale Spokesmen At Grand Central Bowl

KER-PLOP!

She was off to a rare start—bowling from a *sitting* position in the middle of the alley. But Mrs. Steve Etherton was no quitter—she 'rose to the occasion and came through with the second highest score on that lane.

There was fun and fellowship as the Glendale Spokesman club gathered at the Grand Central Bowl on a recent Sunday morning for breakfast and bowling.

Mr. Dick Holum was easy winner at the breakfast table—but the waitress is still trying to figure out what Mrs. Ken Register wanted when she asked for a "bisket of baskets."

After the hearty breakfast, forty eager bowlers invaded ten lanes for a frontal onslaught against one hundred defenseless pins. Some, feeling sorry for the pins, carefully rolled the balls down the gutters. Others with more experience and form managed to roll some impressive scores.

The "first timers" as well as the "old pros" had a profitable as well as enjoyable morning and are looking forward to a repeat of breakfast and bowling at the Grand Central.

Long Beach Clubs Hold Combined Final Meeting

Some of the most exciting, purposeful and inspirational times in any over-coming Christian man's life are during Spokesman's Club. He can, in love, "give out" in speeches and comments and, in humility, receive the evaluations that will help him overcome his faults. On occasion, however the men will even rise above this type of fine meeting to inspire the whole room. This is what happened Wednesday night, July 28, 1965, when the Long Beach "A" and "B" Clubs met in a combined meeting. To help make this final meeting of the year a success were the wives and guests of the members.

A double-tongued rendition of "Cinderella" by President Glenn Harmon started the evening off on a fast tempo which was kept up throughout the Table Topics session by Topicsmaster George Mehler. Mr. Charles Oehlman, Toastmaster, introduced the speakers of the evening in good style.

The first speaker, Mr. Peter La Bianco, winner of the "Most Improved" trophy award, brought the house down describing *A day in the life of a Bachelor*. This was followed by a "Union" attacking Mr. Don Lackey. After being warned by Mr. Ted Phillips on

Santa Barbara Enjoys Outing at Oak Park

On Sunday, July 18, the Santa Barbara church once again had a very enjoyable outing. This time it was in the form of a steak barbeque at Oak Park, hosted by the Santa Barbara Spokesman Club.

Virtually the entire congregation was present, including our pastor, Mr. Selmer Hegvold and family.

Starting about 10 am, many of us participated in several invigorating games of volleyball. This did wonders for us, including building mammoth appetites.

Around noon our "chefs," Messrs. Taylor, Beyer, and Bosch went to work at the barbecue pit. Shortly thereafter we all sat down and, along with good conversation, enjoyed our fill of the delicious top sirloin, potato salad, green salad, chili beans, assorted desserts and root beer for the children.

After lunch, though heavily laden, we dragged ourselves out for a few more games of volleyball, which were a bit slower than the early morning games.

The Spokesman Club provided the steaks and beverages, and the ladies furnished the salads and desserts.

Many thanks go to all those who had a hand in buying, preparing, and serving the delicious meal. This is true Christian fellowship in action.

the dangers of *Flying off the Handle*, Mr. Herb Magoon wrapped up the evening and the "Most Effective Speech" trophy with an inspirational *The Chosen Few*. Mr. John Ettelman was the recipient of the "Most Helpful Evaluation" award.

Mr. David Jon Hill, the club director, described the meeting as a typical, well-balanced program and admonished the newer members to take advantage of the opportunities offered them by "getting on your feet more often."

The gratitude of the clubs was extended to Mrs. Ferne Williams for her faithful service in preparing our meals over the last few years. We know she will be serving as faithfully and as ably at Ambassador College in her new position in the dining hall.

MARRIAGES

Miss Carol Jackson was united to Mr. Ray Smith on July 16, 1965 in the Sacramento area. Mr. George Kemnitz performed the ceremony.

BIRTHS

- Mr. and Mrs. James Baugher, El Monte, Boy—born July 28, 1965
- Mr. and Mrs. Mel Williams, Long Beach, Girl—born July 19, 1965
- Mr. and Mrs. William McNeely, Pasadena, Girl—born July 20, 1965
- Mr. and Mrs. Ivan J. Kuipers, Pasadena, Girl—born July 30, 1965
- Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Armstrong, Pasadena, Girl—born August 3, 1965
- Mr. and Mrs. Dale Eastridge, Phoenix, Boy—born July 20, 1965
- Mr. and Mrs. Donald Oens, Phoenix, Boy—born June 29, 1965
- Mr. and Mrs. Rudolf Beer, Sacramento, Boy—born August 8, 1965

BAPTISMS

- El Monte**
Mrs. Lorene A. Horn
- Fontana**
Mr. N. B. Woolsey, Miss Anna Birtha, Mrs. Lou Ellen Harlan, Mrs. Gladys Loveland
- Fresno**
Mr. James Eller, Mrs. Betty Eller, Mrs. Bell Andrews, Mrs. Johnie Mae Arnold
- Long Beach**
Mrs. Joyce Winters
- Oakland**
Arthur Briggs, Bernard Desloges, Geraldine Gray, Dorothy Hatch, E. W. McCoy, John W. Peters, Mr. and Mrs. Santo Rossi, Diane Rossi, Jim Sterling, Eli Tenty, John Thomas
- Phoenix**
Mrs. Evelyn Jacobson, Mr. Claude A. Jollis, Mr. Harvey Lee, Mr. Robert McDonald, Mr. Donald Oens, Mr. Joseph Ratliff
- Reno**
Mrs. Hilda Ettleman, Mr. William Graunke, Mrs. Jean Hage, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Miller.

- Sacramento**
Mr. Albert Atiyeh, Mr. Lyle Morris, Mr. and Mrs. Dan McCoy, Mrs. Betty Schwyhart, Mr. Claude Smith,

CROSSWORD PUZZLER

*Tackle this tricky teaser!
Don't give up until you have conquered it!*

ACROSS

- 1 Asa's son who reigned well over Judah (2 Chrn. 17:1-6)
- 10 Preposition
- 11 Bi--ah. (Rachel's handmaid)
- 12 Zerobabel's son in Jesus' genealogy (Lk. 3:27)
- 13 In "the day of the Lord," this nation (near Egypt) shall have "great pain." (Ezek. 30:3-4)
- 15 Christ said, "I will never ——— thee, nor forsake thee!" (Heb. 13:5)
- 16 I--ael.
- 17 R-----.
- 19 Pronoun.
- 20 Same as 10 across.
- 21 Preposition.
- 23 Herod's brother, Philip, was tetrarch of this region. (Lk. 3:1)
- 26 An evergreen tree of great value to building in Bible times.
- 27 Jews are of this tribe.
- 29 "—— not an elder, but intreat him as a father

... (1 Tim. 5:1)

- 31 God ——— the stars in the firmament. (Gen. 1:17)
- 32 Animal in Daniel's vision (Dan. 8)

DOWN

- 1 She drove a tent nail through Sisera's temples. (Judg. 4:21-22)
- 2 "... in lowliness of mind let each ——— other better than themselves." (Phil. 2:3)
- 3 Common tree of Palestine used as a symbol for Israel.
- 4 John the Baptist said (Jn. 1:26-27) he was not worthy to loose this on Christ's feet.
- 5 He went with Paul into Asia (Acts 20:4)
- 6 Member of hypocritical sect of Jesus' day.
- 7 Pronoun.
- 8 Same as 20 across.
- 9 Christ said ——— up your

cross and follow him! (Mat. 16:24)

- 14 Liars shall ——— their part in the lake of fire! (Rev. 21:8)
- 18 Those who worship the beast shall have ——— rest day or night! (Rev. 14:11)
- 22 in the parable of Lk. 19, the nobleman went into a ——— country to receive a kingdom.
- 24 Dan was prophesied to (Gen. 49:17) "be a serpent by the way, an ——— in the path..."
- 25 God says even though the camel and hare chew the ——— you shall not eat them! (Deut. 14:6-7)
- 28 Christ said, "... the words that I speak unto you, they ——— spirit, and they ——— life!" (Jn. 6:63)
- 30 When asked about Abel, Cain retorted to God, "—— I my brother's keeper?"

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- Mrs. Janice Tourney
- San Jose**
Vivian Carper, Alfred J. Donze, Eleanor Herrick, Laurence C. Keller,

- Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Middlebrook, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Salberg, Edward Sobeck, Kathleen Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Whisenhunt

Softball League Enters Final Weeks of Play With Scramble for Second

With two weeks of play remaining in the Southern California Softball League schedule, *four* teams are vying for second place.

The Los Angeles Eagles bounced back into third place with three successive victories, following a prolonged slump which saw them plummet into fifth place.

San Diego—although still in second place—suffered another loss as their big bombers had to settle for a split in a recent doubleheader with the Eagles.

Rounding out the foursome contending for the coveted runner-up spot are the Los Angeles Valiants—currently in fourth place—and the Pasadena Royals who are one game behind them, in fifth place.

The smooth fielding, hard-hitting Pasadena Athletics are still undefeated. Their recent victories over El Monte's "A" team and the Valiants assures them of no less than a *tie* for first place—even if they should lose all their remaining games.

Glendale has been playing at about a .500 pace for the past few weeks and is tied for sixth place with El Monte "A."

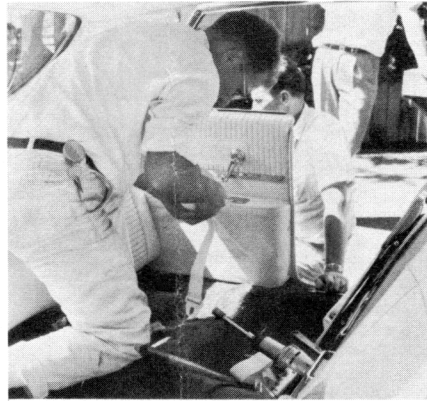
The El Monte "B" team is just two games away from completing the season with a *win-less* record—at least on the field. Their victories have been in attitude and example to the rest of the league, as they enjoyed fellowship and exercise throughout the season.

The *big* games are yet to come. Why not get out and cheer your team down the stretch!?

STANDINGS

WON LOST

PASADENA ATHLETICS	10	0
SAN DIEGO	8	4
LOS ANGELES EAGLES	7	5
LOS ANGELES VALIANTS	6	5
PASADENA ROYALS	5	6
GLENDALE	5	7
EL MONTE "A"	5	7
EL MONTE "B"	0	12



SAFETY BELTS—Al Donze, of San Jose Spokesman Club, puts finishing touches on rear seat belts.

SAN JOSE SPOKESMEN INSTALL SEAT BELTS

Seat belts, front and rear, were installed Sunday, July 11, by safety-minded members of the San Jose Spokesman Club as a service to brethren in the San Jose church area.

With a professional installer, in the form of Mr. Al Donze, leading the way with confidence, the work was accomplished quickly and thoroughly.

Seeing the job done more rapidly than expected, several men sanded and finished the church's bright, new library bookcase.

Stanley Ranch Campout

Fifty men and boys, from as far north as Vallejo and San Francisco, camped out at the Stanley Ranch atop a mountain in the Santa Cruz range twelve miles from Los Gatos, California on Saturday evening, July 17.

Sunday morning, exercises were led with "vigah" by Don Osborne and Joe Morris.

After a taste-tingling breakfast, the campers hiked along a fire trail to the top of a ridge. The eye could see as far south as the Monterey Peninsula and as far northeast as Mt. Diablo—a 40-mile radius.

Hikemaster Dudley Trone instructed youngsters how to respect and handle firearms. Mr. Trone then demonstrated the firing of a .22 pistol, hitting two cola cans 6 out of 10 times from seventy-five feet.

The men returned home unshaven, weary, haggard and fatigued; the boys, exhausted, but enriched by a new experience.

Fontana Church Spends Day Swimming at Balboa Beach

It was "water play for a day" for the Fontana Church of God at Balboa beach Sunday, July 20!

Wiener- and marshmallow-roasting supplemented seven hours of swimming, fishing, and riding the surf! Some rode old inner tubes or surf-rafts while others took sunbaths. But one elderly Church member, who had settled down for a short nap in the warm sand, was *washed awake* by a cool splash that came suddenly from one of the ten-foot-high surf waves! Laughing, he decided to stay awake and watch some children molding sand fortresses by the water.

Games of volleyball and horseshoes made it a day complete and well rounded for the whole family!

Youngsters See Giants Play

The San Francisco Giants (vs. the Pittsburgh Pirates) hosted up to 50 youngsters between ages 9-14 from the Oakland and San Jose Churches on August 10 for a professional baseball game! Admission was free!

The group was escorted by five chaperones from the local Spokesman Clubs. The Giant organization reserved the seats upon approval of an application forwarded to them. During the summer, youth groups are invited to appointed-day baseball games if properly chaperoned.

Most of these young people had never seen a major-league baseball contest and this was their first opportunity to see the skill and teamwork that go into a top-notch game.

