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Seven Deacons One Deaconess Added This Feast

During the past few weeks, God has added to the ever-growing list of servants in His work. Seven Deacons and one Deaconess have been ordained to assist in serving the brethren. Mr. W. C. Cowan was ordained a Deacon in the Memphis church April 18. In Oklahoma City, Mr. Walter Stein was added to the Deacon's roll April 25. Mr. McCrady recently ordained Mr. Woodbury as a Deacon in the Garden City church. Moving to the Pacific Northwest, three new Deacons have been added to the Portland church. Mr. Douglas Holcomb, Mr. Leon Sheppler, and Mr. Glen Ellis were recently ordained to office by Mr. Dale Hampton.

Mr. Selmer Hegvold ordained Mr. John Holly to the office for the Temple City Congregation during the recent Feast. On the first weekly Sabbath during the Days of Unleavened Bread, Mr. Meredith ordained Mrs. Nevelene Swaney as Deaconess in the Pasadena Church.

These have all been important and greatly needed additions in God's Church and we should all rejoice at this growth in the body of Christ.

Ambassador Clubs Sponsor New Club Stationery

Something new and exciting is in the offing for the Ambassador-Spokesman Clubs around the world! At the instigation of the front-running Tuesday Night Section "A" club, and for the first time in club history, the Ambassador-Spokesman Clubs International will have their own official, standard stationery.

The new stationery, to be used only for official club purposes, will reflect the ultimate in rugged masculinity while showing a gentleman's appreciation for the artfully dramatic. The embossed club seal will be printed in "old gold" on a tan, heavy rag paper folded to card size, 3½ x 5. Envelopes will match with an embossed seal on the back flap.

HOW GREAT THOU ART!

— Theme of Pentecost —

Just as it was on that great day of Pentecost recorded in the second chapter of Acts, awe inspiring and mighty signs of the power of God when tongues of fire descended from heaven and a mighty roar was heard by all, the miracles of both the hearing and speaking of foreign tongues was witnessed by thousands, and the apostle Peter preached such a powerfully inspired sermon that 3,000 were added to the Church that day.

On this day of Pentecost, 1962, at the Tabernacle in Big Sandy, over 1,500 sat in awe-struck amazement as the realization of just how great God is came upon them.

Mr. Richard Rice opened the services with a fast moving sermonette setting the theme for the day by showing that all things are possible with God. This was followed by Mr. Ted Armstrong who sang "How Great Thou Art" with such feeling and inspiration that many an eye was moist when he finished.

Mr. Albert Portune preached the morning sermon showing that God has no limit, that compared to God, man is nothing. He painted a picture of this vast universe which God said was to be inhabited, and of suns much larger than our own, some 160 million miles in diameter, and galaxies so far away that

they are just a speck in the sky to our eyes.

Then, Mr. Portune thundered out the message of the part we are to play in ruling this vast universe.

This sermon was the topic of conversation as all withdrew to the dining hall to partake of a delicious meal prepared as only God's people can.

After all had rested, eaten, and fellowshiped, Mr. Ted Armstrong, in the afternoon service, showed how God is going to bring all these things into focus, that through His might and power we are to be changed into the very *sons of God*, that we of this age will be the only ones born of a better resurrection just as Christ was, and that we of this church will be the very ones to help God go on creating and giving life for all eternity. No, God did not shake the building nor did He send down fire from heaven, but the preaching by both Mr. Portune and Mr. Armstrong was just as powerful as the apostle Peter's. The impact it had on our people was so overwhelming that all left for their homes with a different attitude about God, of His might and power.

As Job said, "With my ears I have heard of you, but now my eye (mind's eye) sees you—sees HOW GREAT THOU ART!"

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German Expansion

By transatlantic phone comes this good news about the growth in the German work: an office being established in bustling Dusseldorf, an additional spot of fifteen minutes opening up on Radio Luxembourg and soon, large Gospel ads in the *Reader's Digest*, German Edition. Four thousand are now on the German PLAIN TRUTH mailing list and this amount is expected to skyrocket . . . soon!

Keep Up With the Work

Donna L. Henry

Do you wonder how much the work is growing? You can know, without receiving a bulletin, by comparing the latest Plain Truth with the one you received the month before. How? 1. Look at the asterisk near the new stations. 2. Put some kind of mark by a station where the broadcast doesn't go out daily—pray for it that whole month and compare with the Radio Log the next month. 3. Some of the broadcast hours are very early or very late. Place a mark by them, and pray for them that month. Let's keep up with the work and grow more ourselves.

USE THE LIBRARY

Donna L. Henry

Are you ignorant about geo-politics? I was until I read "The Rise and Fall of the Third Reich" by Shirer. If we don't read the books available in our library, we are willingly ignorant as are the "well-informed" of the world. (II Peter 3:5). Let's show our thankfulness for the library by using it every week.

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Just Passing Through

. . . and they should

It's about 6 p.m. in the Feemp home. Mrs. Feemp has just prepared a rather meager dinner—the kind she has been preparing since Mr. Feemp lost his job. But just this afternoon Mr. Feemp has returned to work on the night shift, and things are beginning to look up. Nevertheless, it will be weeks before the family is back on its feet.

The Feemp children, Fred, Flora and Ferdy, are busy on unusually heavy assignments from school. The doorbell rings. Mrs. Feemp answers it to find eight strange faces staring at her from the front porch.

"Don't you remember us?" the man of the group asks. "I'm Gabe Goozil. This is my wife, Gert Goozil. And these are our kids, Grace, Griselda, Garry, Gideon, Guy and Godfrey. You sure you don't recognize us?"

"We're from Gritty City, Arkansas, and we met you at Gladewater, Texas, six years ago," says Mrs. Goozil. "We were just passing through, and we thought we'd stop to say hello."

Mrs. Feemp doesn't remember the Goozils, but she smilingly invites them in. At the earliest opportunity she sends her children out after more groceries and to borrow a card table and chairs to extend the dining table. After a late dinner, during which Mrs. Feemp has trouble keeping a conversation going because the Goozils always have their mouths full, Mr. Goozil suddenly remarks, "Well, Gert, we'd better be looking for a motel. Wouldn't it be a joke on us if they were all filled up at this hour? Heh! Heh! Heh! Heh!"

"It's too bad we don't have enough beds for you to stay overnight here," Mrs. Feemp says.

"Oh, we don't need beds," Mrs. Goozil hastily pipes up. "All of us have sleeping bags! We could sleep right here in your living room or on the floors of your bedrooms!"

Mrs. Feemp turns a little pale, but she manages to smile and nod, and to remind herself that quite possibly these people are much worse off than her family, and that this is an opportunity to be of real help.

About 1 a.m. Mr. Feemp, arriving home from work, wonders whose car is parked in front of the house, then decides that it belongs to someone visiting next door where the lights are still on. Mr. Feemp doesn't notice that the lights are still on in his kitchen, and he makes the mistake of coming in through the front door. Before he can turn on the light, he steps squarely on something soft and warm. A blood-curdling scream results, but it is not from Mrs. Feemp. Lights go on, and Mr. Feemp is shocked to find himself with one foot on the abdomen of young Gideon Goozil, whose family is scattered out on the floor and the sofa.

Confused, embarrassed and somewhat irked, Mr. Feemp strides over prone bodies to the kitchen, where he finds his wife still cleaning up the dinner dishes.

"I couldn't turn them out," Mrs. Feemp tearfully explains. "They needed some place to stay, and they must be very short of money."

After a sleepless night Mrs. Feemp gets up early to prepare a breakfast for thirteen people. Grocery stores aren't yet open where she can buy the eggs,

cream and fruit juices she would like to give her self-appointed guests so the morning meal consists mostly of oatmeal.

At breakfast the weary Mr. Feemp gets to talk to the Goozils for the first time, and apologizes for walking in on them. Mr. Goozil laughs and remarks that Christians shouldn't hold grudges. Then the conversation lags while the Goozils keep on eating.

The Feemp children leave for school, lessons unprepared because of unexpected company. Mr. Feemp decides that it's time to get better acquainted with the Goozils, whose conversation has been at a minimum and their eating and sleeping at a maximum. Just as he and his wife start into the living room, they hear the loud, clear voice of little Garry Goozil, age six.

"I wanna go to motels and restaurants. Mommy! I don't care what Daddy says about it being better to stay at people's places because they don't ask for money. I can't stand oatmeal!"

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All of us have been invaded by the Goozils at one time or another. They are generally people who can't afford to travel, but who nevertheless set out with the intention of taking advantage of uncomplaining Christians.

Frankly, they are moochers. As such, they seek advantages at the expense of others. This is just another way of trying to get something without having to work for it.

In 2 Thess. 3:10 we are told that those who will not work should go without eating. It doesn't mention those who can't work or who can't find work. The ones who can't are the ones we should help—not those who won't.

If the Goozils were people who could afford to travel, they should have phoned the Feemps to say hello. This would have given the Feemps an opportunity to decide whether or not it was wise to invite the Goozils to their home.

There are those who insist that it is a pleasure to have their doorbells pushed at any hour—even 4 a.m.—because they like to be surprised. But these generally turn out to be the type of people who like to go out pushing doorbells at that hour for their own benefit.

Actually, it is rude and inconsiderate, under most circumstances, to barge in at any hour without some kind of advance notice. It is even worse to stay on in a household where the presence of outsiders can inhibit and spoil necessary plans and activities.

Perhaps it boils down to this, even with the best of Christian friends: Is it more considerate to invite ourselves or to let others invite us?

PRAY FOR THE WORK

Do you realize that our brethren in Latin America only hear the broadcast once or twice a week? The political situation in their part of the earth is very grave and they need to grow very fast. They have no local churches and until they get to go to church every Sabbath and/or hear the broadcast every day, they will have a very hard time reaching their goal and qualifying for their position in God's Kingdom. Neglecting to pray for this could cost a brother his salvation. Just how important is this to you?

FRONT PAGE NEWS FROM THE HOUSTON CHURCH

How Important Is Organization?

By H. L. Treybig

Often we hear the word "organization." Especially in the Spokesman Club the admonition is often given to a person conducting a certain portion of the meeting to work on organization, to have things planned out better. Since we hear this word so often, it must have a very important part to play in our lives. Let's consider some examples.

Look at a Board of Directors meeting of a corporation. What is taking place? People are discussing things of concern to that particular business entity; they are making plans that are to guide the company in a particular course of action. They are preparing for the future.

Now look at your own life. In order to be successful in leading a life of overcoming, you have to have a plan—organization is needed. Children have to be taught, loved, provided for, corrected when necessary. Carefully laying these plans and then doing them requires organization. You follow a certain daily routine in your physical habits which automatically come easy for most of us because we are human. But the Spiritual things require more effort; hence we need to have a battle plan for our warfare. Every little detail must be carried out explicitly in order to be effective and accomplish the most. Suppose you left prayer out of your life completely. Could you be a dynamic Christian? The answer is obvious.

Many of us do not seem to be able to make a decision promptly when a problem arises. Here again if we take all of the parts of the problem and pick out the main issue, analyze, evaluate it, we can come to a conclusion faster. Arranging the parts of a problem into proper categories is nothing more than organization.

Just from delving into these short examples, we find that organization is a must for a leader. That is what we are here for. We are in training to guide the whole world in a better, happier, more productive life. We need to learn the most important thing in our life is organization.

Ultra-Modern Penthouse Office Now In Use

The beautiful penthouse offices of Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong and Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong are now completed. Rich, wall-to-wall carpeting creates an air of elegance. Solar-controlled aluminum sun louvers allow natural lighting to enter while excluding all glare from this epitome of air-conditioned office space. Superior, interior decorating adds dignity and refinement to the entire office atmosphere. It is very likely that various views of this ultra-modern architecture, towering above the luxurious Ambassador College grounds, will soon appear in a nationally-read architectural magazine.

The location of Mr. Ted Armstrong's desk allows him to scan the splendor of Ambassador College and the City of Pasadena all the way to the mountains. A Bierstadt painting of the Swiss Alps sets off the beauty of cherry wood panelling.

PLAY BALL

By Robert Persky

If you have plenty of pep and energy, but just don't know what to do with it, then find out when the next volley ball game will take place and join in the fun. Here is a way in which you not only put to use excess calories and weight while building up a healthy and robust body, but also you gain a truly profitable experience of fellowshiping with your own Spiritual brethren. This is an opportunity you should not want to miss. After all, how often do you get to fellowship with your brethren amid a life of daily routine.

On May 27, at Mr. Harold Treybig's home, the Spokesman Club and families gathered together for a wonderful and worthwhile experience of playing games of horseshoe, and of course volley ball, combined with a chicken barbecue and picnic. There was loads of fun and food for all.

When the sun finally set and forced the players to cease, all were tired and tuckered out and ready to hit the sack with the memories of their short get-together.

I hope that all of you will think twice before you miss the next opportunity to fellowship. You will be very much satisfied and happy if you don't miss it.

DO IT NOW

Do it now—the good you can,
True to God and fellowman;
One more day may be too late,
Never should we hesitate.
If you have a fragrant flower,
Cheer someone this very hour.
Flowers laid upon a tomb,
Quickly fade and lose their bloom.
If you utter earnest prayer,
For a soul with griefs to bear,
God will help both you and him,
When the way seems rough and dim.
In this world of sin and woe,
We, the love of God must show.
Do it now if but a "SMILE"—
Helping others all the while.

EARTHWORMS

By C. S. Bass

Earthworms have another use other than serving as fishing bait. They are attracted to dead leaves and plants, which contain large amounts of lime tied up organically with the organic elements of the dead material. They eat this foliage, and in so doing, they release the lime in a manner that makes it readily available to the soil.

WHAT ABOUT IMPERIALISM?

By L. R. Carothers, Jr.

Today, no one would dare stand up in the United Nations and say his country stood for imperialism, for it has become an ugly word all over the world since World War II. Let us examine what it is that the world is turning its back on and branding as immoral and even criminal.

Imperialism is the governmental set-up where one government rules over other, lesser governments. Applied on the world scene, and in the usual sense, it is where one national government rules in a greater or lesser extent over other colonial or even other national governments. Before World War II, the Imperial government in London ruled over the British Commonwealth and Empire, as it was then called. The British rule over Canada or Australia, for example, was much less exercised than the rule over India or its African colonies. This system of government was developed with the idea that all people are not equally suited to govern.

Nations through all ages have needed a strong world ruling government. But greed and the lust for power in human nature has always made that an impossibility. To deny the necessity of imperialism is to deny the obvious. Now, the important thing is "who" is to be the imperialist power? That is the real question and one that the Anglo-Americans could face if they understood that there must be one. For surely the idea prevalent today in our countries of the self-determination of all peoples is not believed by anyone but us.

So it is very important that we of all people understand this thing. For there is to be an Israelitish imperialism under the Kingdom of God. And the Emperor, the King of Kings, will govern. Did you notice the title, King of Kings. Brethren, that is imperialism.

Hats — Pretty and Practical

Have you ever wished to have a hat to match your dress? Or have you ever felt you would like to have a hat but just couldn't afford to buy one?

On May 15, 1962 at the home of Mrs. J. J. Turner fifteen ladies and three little girls met to learn something about making hats. To make inexpensive hats one needs only some Pellon or buckram for a frame, wire for the edge and material for a lining and a top. This may be trimmed with flowers, feathers or left plain. Mrs. Malcolm Martin, Mrs. Cecil Battles and Mrs. Elwynn Brockway gave us some pointers on making hats.

As an added feature to our morning of fun and fellowship, we decided for each other what shape face we had—whether it be round, square, oval, triangular or heart. Knowing your face shape is important in choosing a hat or knowing what type collars and necklines you should wear.

After a shared sack lunch (and somehow everyone must have thought that meant tuna fish sandwiches) we went our separate ways, hoping to meet again soon.

Anyone for a quilting bee?

An Outing for the Widows

Wild animals and ice cream were the order of the day Sunday, May 27, at the Dallas Zoo. Twenty-three adults and eighteen children were present. Mr. Parish led the group through the zoo with Mr. Rhome bringing up the rear. It took more prodding for the older children than for the young ones. As usual the monkeys stole the show. One lady remarked she hadn't been to the zoo since her children were small. At four o'clock the group was led to a shady place where Mr. Rowell and other men were waiting with six and one-half gallons of home-made ice cream and cookies. All present had such a wonderful time another outing will be in the offing. Who knows, maybe a ball game for the ladies next time?

Pray for Our Far-Away Brethren

Donna L. Henry

Do you realize when we retire at night our brethren in South Africa, Australia, and the Philippine Islands are going to work and proving what is that acceptable will of God? (Rom. 12:2). On the other hand, when we are having our noon meal, they are sleeping. Realizing this, let's pray, not only for their protection, but that they will have sweet sleep, while we are proving God's way works. Let's also pray before retiring, that they have a very fruitful day. This will not only get our minds off ourselves, but will help us realize the scope of God's work.

LEAD US

I have grumbled and complained about the broadcast over KRLD being changed to 6:45 because of baseball games. I have even missed a few programs and grumbled some more. Even to my brethren. But suddenly, as I was hurrying through my bath to catch the broadcast, I thought of all the baseball fans that God may have caused to accidentally tune in early enough to catch His warning words in these last days. We need to be nearer to the source of all Wisdom. (I Kings 3:7-9) and (Prov. 8). Lead us down all the paths of Your righteousness — O God!

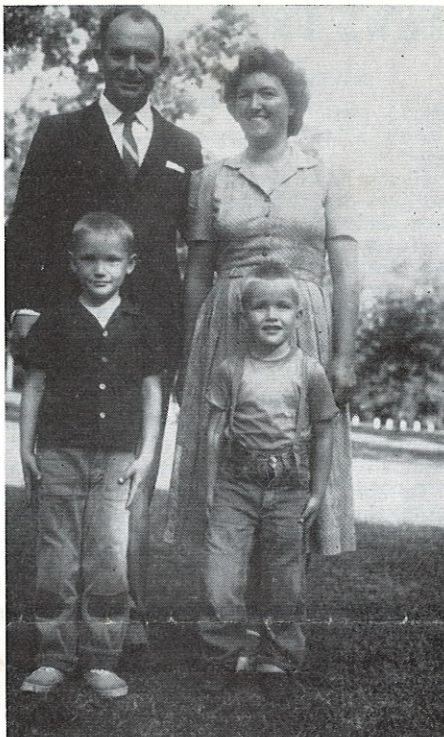
THE FRUIT OF THE VINE

Have you had special guests over for dinner lately? (Our brethren are very special). If so, I hope you took the suggestion in the last article and served a good wine.

Much can be said about good wines, and which wine is most appropriate to serve with various meals. The following outline will help you make a wise selection next time.

TYPE	WINE	SERVE WITH
Appetizer Wines	Pale Dry Cocktail Sherry	Canapes, before Dinner Cocktails
Red Table Wines	Claret Burgundy Rose	Steak, Roast Heartier foods & Cheese Most any food
White Table Wines	Sauterne Rhine Wine	Chicken, Lamb, Veal Fish, Lighter food
Dessert Wines	Port (Sweet) Tawny Port (med. Sweet)	Pies, Cakes or Cheese & Nuts
Sparkling Wines	Champagne Sparkling Burgundy	With any meal

A good rule of thumb to follow is: All red wine should be served at cool room temperature, while white wines, champagne and sparkling burgundy are to be served chilled.



Greetings! And Welcome to the Church of God, Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Campbell and your two sons — Michael, five, and Roger, three. The Campbell's address is Rt. No. 2, Box 68, Springtown, Texas. Mr. Campbell's occupation is Air Traffic Controller - Federal Aviation Agency - Carter Field.

In addition to his work at Carter Field, Mr. Campbell has a number of chickens to care for, plus milking a few cows each day. Mr. Campbell is known as our milk, butter, and egg man here at the Dallas Church. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell were baptized eleven months ago at the Y.M.C.A. in Dallas. Their zeal and enthusiasm is shown by their presence at all church functions. Mr. Campbell is looking forward to being a member of the Spokesman's Club and Mrs. Campbell a member of the Homemaking Class.

Let us all greet the Campbells with a warm and loving handshake.

ETIQUETTE

It is surprising just how often the Bible speaks of right etiquette and good manners. Right principles of good conduct should be practiced by every Christian. It is one of the manifold ways in which God's law is fulfilled. The correct purpose of etiquette is to create a kindly interest in, and a loving consideration for others. Just another way of saying — love your neighbor. The popular rules of etiquette are secondary to this basic purpose.

Our table manners should be based on two principles: That the food is not as important as the company, and that the food must be consumed unobtrusively and with no mannerisms that might offend others. When you are a guest, never refuse a portion of what is being served, except for definite diet or health reasons; do not say "I don't like that." Of course, if the food is unclean, you should refuse it gracefully with a simple "No, thank you."

If you are attending a large banquet type dinner, it is not necessary to wait until everyone has been served to begin eating. After the blessing has been asked, you may begin to eat when those around you have been served. However, at a small gathering, it is best to wait until everyone can begin to eat at the same time. If there is a definite host or hostess, you wait for them to begin. Usually at a family type dinner, the food is already on the table, and the food is passed from one to the other. So that everything can be done in order and without confusion, the food is passed one way, normally to the right.

We must remember that etiquette is important to us only in that it is a method of performing God's work or allows us to accomplish his will in a way that does not offend. On many past occasions, many of us have found ourselves in some awkward social situation because we did not know the appropriate conduct we should follow.

The knowledge that God stresses good manners should inspire each of us to make a diligent search to see how we can improve ourselves and copy the life of Jesus as an example in courtesy. The most important point in etiquette is to be courteous — see I Peter 3:8, and courtesy is magnified in almost every book of the Bible.

We know that the world looks to Emily Post as the creator of etiquette in the same way they look to Newton as the creator of gravity. Actually, Newton did not create gravity nor did Emily Post create courtesy. All she did was write down a set of rules for the world to follow in their relationship to gain something from one another. God created the laws of graciousness and good manners and these are the principles we are to follow in adding courtesy to our character.

COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS

By Ellen McIver

Do you get discouraged at times, because of your troubles and trials? Why not sit down and count the blessings God has bestowed upon you. More than likely you will push aside the troubles you can't do anything about and praise God for his many blessings and for the trials too. Trials do build character in us. Doing this helps us to think more on God's ways than on our own.