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## INSPIRING FEAST OF TABERNACLES -- 1964 !!

The GREATEST and MOST INSPIRING FESTIVAL in the entire known history of God's Work in Australia commenced on Sunday evening, September 20!

An attitude of thrilling expectancy permeated the atmosphere at Blackheath, sharpened by the knowledge that this year, for the FIRST TIME, we would be meeting in GOD'S TABERNACLE.

Glorious sunshine bathed the Blackheath area as members of the Church of God began arriving at the tabernacle for registration. The attitude of unity, happiness and joy which was to manifest itself throughout the whole festival

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Mr. Gerald D. Waterhouse

### *Suprise Visit From Mr. Gerald Waterhouse*

The Sydney Church has been privileged to receive a visit from Mr. Gerald D. Waterhouse, Evangelist and Regional Director of God's Work in South Africa!

A telegram received by Mr. C. Wayne Cole advised of Mr. Waterhouse's scheduled arrival on Wednesday night, October 28, following a flight of 27

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## More Men Ordained in Ministry of Christ

FESTIVAL ORDINATIONS ADD POWER TO GOD'S WORK! As it turned out, there were eight ordinations during the Feast of Tabernacles this year! Mr. Richard Plache was elevated to Pastor rank; Messrs. Bob Steep, Jim Kunz, Richard Pinelli, Richard Rice and Roy Holladay were elevated to become Preaching Elders; and Jack Pyle and Bill Swanson were ordained as Local Elders.

Let's be sure to realise that God works powerfully through offices which He

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## MORE LOCAL CHURCHES

The Church of God is a growing Church! It is leaping ahead! Not only has it grown in its capacity to proclaim the true Gospel in new areas of the world as a witness by means of the recently acquired time on the additional 14 powerful radio stations in America, but also in its ability to "feed the flock," the members of the Church of God, by the raising up of 10 new Churches or

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### HALL and TIME SCHEDULE for Sabbath Services:

November 14, Saturday 2:00 P.M. Anzac House  
November 21, Saturday 2:00 P.M. Anzac House  
November 27, FRIDAY 7:30 P.M. Dispensary Hall  
December 5, Saturday 2:00 P.M. Dispensary Hall  
December 12, Saturday 2:00 P.M. Anzac House  
December 19, Saturday 2:00 P.M. Anzac House  
December 26, Saturday 2:00 P.M. Anzac House

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## *Semi-Annual Returns Flood Mail Receiving Office*

A recent Portfolio front page article reported, "The greatest deluge of mail ever is flooding Mail Receiving Department. Literally thousands upon thousands of Semi-annual Letter responses are being processed to supply the largest demand ever for a single book in the history of God's Church! This long-awaited book--**GOD SPEAKS OUT on The New Morality**-- is a great step forward for the work of God. It is the first real **BOOK** we have offered -- and the first **BOOK** we have ever published and printed ourselves."

October 8, Pasadena Headquarters received over 45,000 returns for the Semi-annual Letter alone. By the end of the following week the number of requests leaped skyward to the staggering figure of 100,000, exactly half the number of copies slated for the first edition!

October 23, the Mail Receiving Department's weekly summary announced, "The big news this week is that we have smashed the old monthly letter record set in June 1962, when we received 171,519 letters. That record was broken on October 20, with mail still pouring in and ten days left to apply on the new record already set this month. The

letter count as this is being written (Thursday) stands at 184,000."

The closing October summary accurately concludes that the letter record of June, 1962, "will be smashed by a 50,000 margin. Total returns to the Semi-annual Letter are about 154,000 now."

Here in North Sydney our Mail Reading Department reports 26,000 Semi-annual Letters mailed out. As of November 5 we have had 6,569 returns.

The 200,000 first edition supply is all but exhausted. Don't delay requesting your copy!

## **Guy Ames - Helen Beecher Married! First Wedding in God's Tabernacle!**

As the Feast of Tabernacles and Last Great Day ended, a new life began for Mr. Guy Ames and the former Miss Helen Beecher!

Mr. Ames, who is the director of God's office in Manila, the Philippines, was married to Miss Beecher, formerly an employee in our offices at North Sydney, following the conclusion of the Last Great Day on September 28.

Having met during the Feast of Taber-



nacles 1963, Guy and Helen corresponded with one another throughout the past year. They became officially engaged upon his arrival in Sydney prior to this Feast.

The majority of God's people remained for the brief yet inspiring sermon.

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## **FESTIVAL** — Continued from Page 1

was very much in evidence right from the beginning.

This year a **RECORD** number of **812** assembled at Blackheath, coming from **EVERY STATE** of the Commonwealth including the island state of Tasmania (excluding the Northern Territory), as

well as New Zealand and the Philippines!

One of the outstanding factors of this year's feast was the large representation from Western Australia! It was good to see a number of people present, who were contacted for the first time during the baptising/visiting tour taken this year!

Many of these had not so much as

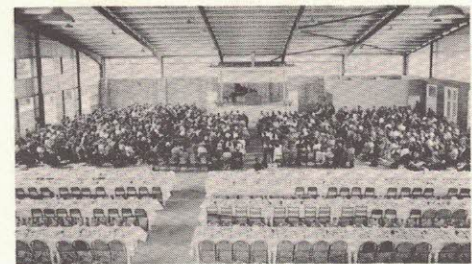


heard of the festival before the tour, but nevertheless made the effort to be present because they recognised the **NEED** to assemble together with God's people during this Holy Convocation.

This year also saw another record broken. For the **FIRST TIME** in the present era of God's Church in Australia, there were **SIX MINISTERS** present at the feast. They were Mr. C. Wayne Cole, regional director of God's Work in Southeast Asia, Mr. William D. Winner, pastor of the Melbourne Church, Mr. Roy Page, pastor of the Brisbane Church, and Messrs. Frank Simpkins, Clarence O. Huse and Don Abraham. The previous record was four ministers established at the Festival of Tabernacles, 1962.

Many people commented on the high degree of **INSPIRATION** which God gave His ministers this year. It seems that this feast will be remembered more for this than for any other single factor.

The pattern was set on the first night of the feast when Mr. Cole walked out onto the stage for the first time, to welcome everyone to the festival. It con-



tinued throughout the entire period.

During the afternoon service on the first Holy Day, Mr. Cole conducted a very moving dedicatory service. After reading from Solomon's prayer dedicating the temple he had built to God's service (II Chron. 6), Mr. Cole introduced to the congregation the leading men who had been responsible for directing the construction of the tabernacle, including the architect Mr.

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# BITS 'n PIECES

For a few days immediately following the Feast of Tabernacles, a number of members from outlying areas took the opportunity while being in the vicinity to take a tour thru the North Sydney Office. Tours were conducted thru the offices and Ambascos Press. If you have never seen the offices, you are welcome to make arrangements to have one of the staff members show you around next time you're in the area. Simply contact the receptionist.

● The September 28 issue of PIX magazine contains an article about the Radio Church of God. The article is part of a series on religions in Australia. A special advance supply of that issue was delivered to the Tabernacle itself and made available to any who wished to purchase a copy. This was done because the supply at the newsagent was booked out by local residents.

● As there is still much work to be done on the Tabernacle Building and grounds in Blackheath, Sydney members have been asked to donate one Sunday out of each month for such work.

● Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Dawes, after having lived in their caravan on the Tabernacle grounds for about four months in order to help with the construction of the Tabernacle, have now returned to their home near Brisbane. One Church's loss is another's gain...

● The Chiles family are united once again. Mr. Peter Chiles' wife and two children shifted to Sydney just shortly before the Feast. BITS reported the arrival of Mr. Chiles recently. We hope you all enjoy life on this side of the continent!

● Following is an extract from a letter from Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Gosling of Broken Hill: "God blest us with a beautiful baby on the 17th September, after 14½ years, 8 lb. 5 oz., 22 inches long. We have named him Andrew Maxwell. Mr. and Mrs. Gosling have asked us to extend their thanks to all of God's people who prayed on their behalf. Congratulations to the Gosling family!

● Mr. Page has cheerfully made the startling announcement that they have a further addition to the family. "Bits" hastens to add, however, that this addition is a "sausage dog" of rather generous proportions!

● The culinary talents of Mr. Barry Dawes were very amply demonstrated by the five course marriage banquet he prepared for the 53 guests celebrating the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Ames. The banquet was prepared by Mr. Dawes and his assistants in the kitchen at the

Tabernacle. The auditorium of the Tabernacle was used as the banquet hall. Our special compliments to the Chef for a job "well-done"!

● The Sydney congregation was happy to see Mr. Clive Leske back at services. Mr. Leske had been sick for some weeks, but is now well on the road to recovery.

● Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dixon of Bic-  
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People with time to spare usually spend it with someone who hasn't.

## MR. WATERHOUSE

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hours from "Jo'burg" (Johannesburg), South Africa.

Mr. Waterhouse was the first Regional Director of the Work in Australasia, and was used by Christ to establish His office in the "land down under" back in 1959. He remained here for a little over two years, leaving for another posting in December, 1961.

Mr. Waterhouse has been Regional Director of the Work in South Africa since its establishment last year, having been responsible also for raising up God's office on the "Dark Continent." For some time prior to this posting, Mr. Waterhouse was used by Christ as  
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## COUPLE WED IN BRISBANE

Another building block was placed in the steady progression of God's Church in Brisbane at 1:00 p.m. on August 20.

At that time Mr. Barry Kenavan and Miss Sue deMey were joined together as



husband and wife, in a ceremony conducted by Mr. C. Wayne Cole assisted by Mr. Roy Page and Mrs. Page, in  
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## ORDINATIONS

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designed and fills. As God's Work grows, more and more men are called, trained and ordained to offices through which the Gospel is preached and the flock is fed.

The size of Christ's governmental, teaching body is one direct indicator of the present and expected growth of God's Work. Ordination is not for the purpose of personal elevation or decoration. God calls, trains and ordains men according to the need in this great awesome Work of His where Christ said the harvest is plenteous and the labourers few. More ministers mean more over-all growth.

In 1952 there was ONE minister -- Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong. Today there are more than 120 ministers. In 1970 it is estimated that there will be about 400 ministers! This is Christ's expanding Work! The harvest is going to INCREASE!

All of us should express heartfelt gratitude to God for these men and the offices in which He has placed them. We should be truly thankful, and ready to express our thanks, that they have yielded ever more fully to Christ. And we should all certainly continue praying that God will use each of them ever more powerfully in His service! Also, remember their wives and families. Pray for their wives and for all the inspiration and added service a family under God can add to these offices.

## Sydney Clubs Fishing Excursion

You have probably heard the expression "experience is without price," and agree with the principle when looking in retrospect. Retrospect, because on Sunday November 1, there were some who would have regarded the phrase as inept and rather trite.

That was the big day when the com-

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Have you ever heard of LLANFAIRPWLLGWYNGYLLGOGERYCHYRNDROBWLLLLANTYSILIOGOGOGCH? Do you know how to spell LLANFAIRPWLLGWYNGYLLGOGERYCHYRNDROBWLLLLANTYSILIOGOGOGCH?

With the view of improving the education of our readers, we wish to inform one and all that LLANFAIRPWLLGWYNGYLLGOGERYCHYRNDROBWLLLLANTYSILIOGOGOGCH is spelt LLANFAIRPWLLGWYNGYLLGOGERYCHYRNDROBWLLLLANTYSILIOGOGOGCH! (LLANFAIRPWLLGWYNGYLLGOGERYCHYRNDROBWLLLLANTYSILIOGOGOGCH is a small village in Wales!) How do you pronounce it? You figure that one out for yourself!!



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 Harry O. Smith, the Business Office Manager, Mr. Gene R. Hughes, Mr. Trevor M. Higgins and Mr. Barry E. Dawes.

Following this, Mr. Cole offered a prayer of gratitude and thankfulness to the Almighty for His constant guidance, direction and intervention throughout the months of construction. He then dedicated the tabernacle to God's use and service.

The many inspiring sermons and sermons given throughout the festival covered many topics including such subjects as, Can you earn salvation? Learning to use God's Law, Man's feeling of superiority, and, What is heresy? as well as sermons explaining the meaning of the Passover and God's Holy Days.

Mr. Cole preached a powerful and stirring sermon on the Last Great Day, urging the brethren to "lay hold on Eternal Life" (I Tim. 6:19).

On the Last Great Day a total of 63 babies and young children were prayed for by God's ministers, who asked God to bless and protect them throughout their lives.

Following is a brief summary of some of the many activities conducted throughout the festival:

**BAPTISMS . . .**

As usual, Festival activities included baptism counselling and baptismal services. God added the exact same number to His Church this time as last Feast of Tabernacles -- FORTY-EIGHT! Considering the encouraging results from three baptismal tours taken before the Feast, forty-eight is a fine number.

At various free times throughout the days preceding the baptismal services, persons desiring counsel were to be seen waiting or being escorted to and from counselling rooms where the most important step which can be taken in this life was being discussed. Hundreds of questions were resolved and firm decisions made having to do with life now, and for eternity.

A final, general counselling on the day of the baptismal service impressed upon the minds of those to be baptised the seriousness and significance of baptism and that there is NO TURNING BACK. The doctrine of the laying on of hands was also expounded at this time.

A convoy of buses and private cars then transported those to be baptised, volunteer assistants and onlookers to Parklands Private Hotel swimming pool which was again utilised for baptisms this year. A sizeable number of those

attending the Festival were on hand to observe this serious, sobering, thought-provoking service. An added note of sobriety was contributed to the service by the icy-cold water in the pool. This was definitely a test to some truly picturing their willingness to bury themselves.

Tears flowed and expressions of joy and appreciation were freely exchanged following the laying on of hands and extending "the right hand of fellowship" back at God's tabernacle. This part of the festival, over which there is much rejoicing in heaven, adds even more to the warmth, seriousness and joy of the season.

Much could be said of these important doctrines of God's Church as they directly tie in with the meaning and purpose of the Festivals. But it is certain that the attitude and lives of God's own begotten children show forth, in a way words cannot, the meaning and significance of being properly baptised and receiving the very spirit, mind and attitude of Almighty God, eternal life abiding in us. Pray earnestly for the 48 new brethren of yours upon whom judgment now rests.



**GET ACQUAINTED DANCE. . .**

"A time to dance..." and "get acquainted" was the theme of the dance held on the evening of 21 September, 1964, when about 350 to 400 people went to the Community Centre Hall to show their joy and happiness in a dance.

The hall was decorated with crepe paper-streamers, while balloons and silver musical notes on the drapes added to the atmosphere needed for an enjoyable evening.

Coffee or tea and biscuits served at candle-lit tables decorated with pine cones and pine boughs, was an added inspiration to all present to get acquainted with their new brothers and sisters.

A short programme of musical items was also arranged, with a variety of vocal and instrumental numbers and the added humour of a skit performed

by two of the members.

At eleven o'clock that night when the final dance was over, it was evident from the happy, smiling faces and the genuine feeling of friendly warmth of the brethren one for another, that they had enjoyed a happy and profitable evening.



**FUN SHOW. . .**

"Welcome to the Fun Show 1964!" This greeting emblazoned across a large canvas back-drop, welcomed everyone to the FUN SHOW this year!

It has been said that the Fun Show gets better and better each year, and this year was no exception! Performing before a full house, the artists were at their sparkling best!

Lively acts from the three Church areas included a lion hunt in which the audience was invited to participate, a skit about the proverbial radio "dial-twister," a novelty song from the Melbourne Choir, and a selection of "ever-green" favourites from the Sydney



Quartet. The Brisbane Church also provided its share of instrumental and vocal acts.

Comedy and laughter sprinkled throughout with a balance of good "side-splitting" skits together with a number of more serious acts, provided the theme for the 1964 Fun Show.

Those participating certainly enjoyed entertaining, while the whole audience



roared with laughter and heartily enjoyed the opportunity of sharing in a good balance of laughter, joy and song!



#### GAMES AFTERNOON. . .

Cloudy, windy weather with steady rain during the morning service caused many to anticipate an unpleasant afternoon, but a pleasant surprise and blessing awaited God's people when the time came at 2:30 p.m. on Friday, September 25, for the players and onlookers (children and adults from 4 to 104), to start their games and other activities.

The clouds hadn't lifted, but broken sunshine kept the weather from being unbearably cold. Also, the rain had stopped and the wind moderated by the time the games commenced. In fact, the lack of strong sunshine turned out to be a real blessing, because no one was seriously sunburned!

The zealous and energetic who participated in the activities had a "rip-roaring" time all afternoon. Volleyball and softball provided for many the much needed physical exercise, while the younger ones built some first-class sand-castles, sang songs and held other children's games and races.

The boys zipped through a " $\frac{1}{4}$ -mile-dash" around the playing field, capping off their activities with a muscle-stretching "tug-o-war."

In short, in every direction young and old were exuberantly enjoying the outing!

Tired, happy and hungry, all made



their way back to the tabernacle by Combi-bus or by foot, to prepare themselves for the most popular activity at that time -- DINNER!

All agreed that the afternoon's activities only whetted their appetites for

next year's games-afternoon. See YOU there!

In addition to the above activities, there were many individual and group hikes and sight-seeing excursions, as well as friendly fellowship between the brethren in their own homes and apartments.

Everyone agreed that the 8-days went all too soon, and all are looking forward to returning to Blackheath for the Feast of Tabernacles 1965, when we hope to see YOU there!



## Brisbane Church Meets in New Hall!

New faces are beginning to appear in the Brisbane congregation, and three early "buds" have appeared on the vine with the promise of growth to come.

Firstly... God has withdrawn His name from Bryce's building in Ann Street, and placed it on the W.C.T.U. convention room, downstairs in Willard House, 82 Ann Street. The first service was held there on October 10, with 131 in attendance!

This is a much better location in every way and has seating accommodation for 200. Although it is below street level there is an attractive and spacious vestibule at its entrance, and a sunken garden of a most pleasing appearance at its rear in the toilet area. The garden is viewed through plate glass and has the added advantage of providing additional light.

The room is well appointed and modern in general concept. It is complete with P.A. system and air-conditioning and, unlike the old address, there is little or no intrusion of outside noise.

Although the dais is a little low in conformity with the ceiling, it is nevertheless adequate and the piano provided is of quite acceptable tone. Needless to say, the Brisbane brethren are all delighted.

Secondly... On Wednesday, 14 Octo-

ber, at 7:30 P. M., Bible Studies commenced with 87 attending.

Also we were all most happy to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Alan R. Dalton from the Melbourne congregation, and understand that they are looking forward to remaining with us.

Thirdly... Brisbane is favoured with the inauguration of a Spokesman's Club, to commence on a Monday evening at a location yet to be determined. Of this, more anon.

The most underdeveloped territory in the world probably lies under your own hat.

## BRISBANE WEDDING

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pleasant rustic surroundings at Mrs. Pam Nielsen's home at Sunnybank. The ceremony was witnessed by over 50 friends and relatives.

The weather was "made to order" as was also the very attractive gown (patterned on the empress style), of snow white linen with embroidered flowers of the same material, cascading down the front from the bodice to the hem and highlighted by a bouquet of red roses.

With the more serious aspect over, the proceedings took a lighter turn with the serving of punch a'la (Mc) Couston, followed by nuts (assorted) and fruit salad with cream.

Barry had been baptised on the previous Monday week and Sue somewhat earlier at Cash's Crossing.

All three Churches in Australia have now been blessed with their first wedding!

Congratulations and very best wishes from us all, Barry and Sue!

## Mr. WATERHOUSE

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Local Director of His Work in another foreign office, this time in the Philippines.

Mr. Waterhouse's stay in Australia was only brief, but it was much appreciated by Mr. Cole and all the Sydney Brethren, who were privileged to hear him speak at two Sabbath services and at one Bible study. The Brisbane brethren also had an opportunity to hear Mr. Waterhouse preach when both he and Mr. Cole flew up there Sabbath, November 7 (Sabbath services in Sydney were held on Friday night that week).

All of God's people extend sincere greetings to you, Mr. Waterhouse, and express pleasure at seeing and hearing from you again.

May God be with you in the work He has given you to do, guiding and directing you as you serve in this Greatest Work on earth!



# LETTERS OF GRATITUDE

With the Feast of Tabernacles over, all those privileged to attend have returned to their homes.

Following are a number of extracts taken from a few of the letters of appreciation written by some of the members:

"This is to express my real appreciation for the tremendous amount of preparation and work that you and the ministers and members of the Church in the Sydney area put in prior to the Feast of Tabernacles.

"I was thrilled with the splendid Tabernacle in its lovely setting - it was all far beyond my expectations.

"A great deal of thought must have gone into the preparation - nothing seemed to have been forgotten. And that is saying something considering the pressure that people were working under due to the time limit.

"The food was delicious and more than adequate. Two hot meals per day really is feasting.

"But undoubtedly the most valuable aspect was the spiritual help and instruction given from the pulpit. I had thought I knew most of the major truths and yet I was quite astonished to learn some simple things I just hadn't realised before.

"Altogether the Feast was a great blessing and I greatly hope to be commanded to attend again next year."

South Yarra, Victoria

"My family and myself ask you to accept our thanks for all what you Sydney people have done, ministers, deacons, church members.

"For your hard, fast and everywhere organised work - which gave us 'Bush people' opportunity to be able to really enjoy the Feast - and to learn how proper work has to be done."

Sebastopol, Victoria

"You may be receiving many letters saying just how much the Feast was enjoyed and appreciated by the Brethren.

"I would like to add my word of thanks to you, and the many, who worked so willingly before and during the Feast to make it the inspiration it was to me.

"I know it will not be easy in every case to apply the teachings to my daily living, however the challenge is there, and with the help of God's Holy Spirit I will strive to overcome.

"Growing out of my ways into God's ways.

"The opportunity to visit the office and workshop and see 1st hand how the work was carried out was indeed appreciated. Mr. C. Huse very graciously conducted the tour."

Toowoomba, Queensland

"Having recently returned from the keeping of God's Feast of Tabernacles in Blackheath, I would 'vote' it as the most inspiring yet. The new Tabernacle was something to be really thrilled about as well as the joy of meeting so many new brethren and fellowshiping again with those of former years."

Cabramatta, New South Wales

"Arrived home Wednesday night after the feast, very weary and with a heavy cold; which has caused me considerable discomfort, but after several nights rest, and an easy day today, I am getting back to my usual self. We found things in order at home . . . and on the farm, we were a little concerned at going away from the farm, as we were right in the middle of harvesting the winter crop of pineapples, which must be picked to a close colour standard, a shortage of labour, or bad management could result in a serious loss within a few days, but we realised, it was not our place to question, but to obey in keeping the feast and the Holy Days, and we were blest with extra

helpwhile away which enabled the harvesting to go to schedule. You may be interested to know that for the six loading days, that is when fruit can be loaded on rail for the cannery, our men picked and consigned over 50 tons of pineapples.

"This is no mean effort and we are proving by these physical blessings as well as spiritual blessings, that God honours those who are willing to obey Him."

Beerwah, Queensland

"Just a few words of thanks to you, and those that have worked and served at the Feast.

"I cannot express the joy of having again been present at one of God's Holy Days. The love and fellowship was better by far than last year.

"The sermons and sermonettes were as God says, meat in due season.

"We thank those who showed to us where our faults were and what to do about it, also our responsibilities towards God's Work.

"So again thank you from the bottom of our hearts, for making this Feast the best ever yet."

Liverpool, New South Wales

"May I express my grateful thanks for the wonderful sermons preached. I am very happy to say it is doing me the world of good. I just haven't stopped thanking God yet for the most wonderful time we have enjoyed. I have thanked him also for the correction we received in the sermons given. Now I am working hard to be a doer. Thank you, and all the other ministers for everything. I just haven't stopped praising. I hope God won't get tired of hearing it."

Tawa, Wellington, New Zealand

"I would like to thank you very very much for all you have done for us during the past year. You must have made many sacrifices and Mrs. Cole also.

"I look back on the last Passover - to me it will always be a memory; then on to the Feast of Tabernacles and live once again the inspiration you were when God finally made His Will known - to watch the progress of the building of the Tabernacle - to say a special 'thank you' for allowing us ladies to help even in our small small way and then to finally 'Come up to keep the Feast - in God's own Tabernacle' is something that can never again happen here.

"I would like humbly to thank God for His many blessings and to thank you and all God's ministers in Australia, to thank you collectively and individually for the helpful sermons and all you did in so many ways."

Blacktown, New South Wales

"Today my wife and I arrived home from the Feast, safe and sound. Having witnessed the love and concern that the ministers of the Church have towards the members I know you will be pleased to hear of this safe arrival home. The lengthy trip home gave us time to read our notes and recapture the spirit of the eight days. . . .

"Having attended our first Feast of Tabernacles we now really feel that we are members of the true vine. . . .

"I won't endeavour to describe in detail the incredible amount of knowledge, inspiration, enjoyment, etc., that we gained at the Festival in fact I don't think I could describe it."

Bicton, Western Australia

"May we take this last opportunity to say thank you for the abundance of clothing received from the clothing fund and also two or three other members of the congregation. It is very deeply appreciated. Seems like we might need a wardrobe to take it all home.

"We have all had a thoroughly enjoyable time at the Festival, and the time has gone all too quickly."

Katoomba, New South Wales

"I would like to say a very warm 'Thank you' to Mr. Cole and all the Brethren from God's Church, who made it possible for the building to be so far completed, through their hard work at Blackheath, site of Tabernacle.

"What a wonderful sight the Tabernacle

made as our bus pulled into the parking area, and the added thrill each morning as we entered the grounds, to see this beautiful building.

"To say thank you to all God's ministers who preached such fine sermons, we were blest by being in the body of the Church to have had the privilege of hearing these sermons, and the fellowship with the other brethren.

"For the great Blessing and wonderful opportunity to have been asked to help setting tables. Yes, it was a very simple work to have done, but I received joy and happiness, because I was asked to do something, it made one feel wanted and happy. Thank you. . . .

"Fellowship was very noticeable, at the tables this year, showing love and friendship.

"Also made friends with people rather Brethren from the Sydney Church. Strange we go to Blackheath to find all this."

Wollongong, New South Wales

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### Bible Studies!

Read this information and take another look -- the map you received with the July, 1964 GOOD NEWS is now a little out of date!

The members of nine previous "no Church" areas have, in the weeks since July, received this joyous opening statement in a letter from Mr. Armstrong: "Here is GOOD NEWS! We are now able to begin holding regular Sabbath services in (your area). . .!! Words heralding the answer to the prayers of many hundreds of people!

Three of the new Churches began in the month of August.

Two were started on August 15 in the state of Florida. Mr. Kenneth Swisher is the pastor of both. Mr. Swisher is able to feed the newly organised flock in Lakeland, Florida each Sabbath morning and the people of the new Miami, Florida Church of God in the afternoon. Florida is the southeastern most corner of the continent -- the area jutting out into the Atlantic Ocean.

Just across the northern border of the land of Manasseh, August 22nd saw the beginning of another Church for the peoples of Ephraimitish stock. The new Church now meets regularly each Sabbath in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Mr. Gary Antion is the regular pastor to that Church of the Canadian brethren. You'll find Toronto located on the north shore of Lake Ontario.

The month of October saw the beginning of no less than 5 new Churches of God in the land of Manasseh.

The Church in Duluth, Minnesota was begun on October 10. Mr. Sherwin McMichael is its regular pastor. Minnesota is the second state west of Lake Michigan. Also on the same date the Nashville, Tennessee Church of God was started. The regular pastor there is Mr. Bob Steep. You will notice there was already a Bible study being conducted in Nashville. Tennessee is the third state down from the tip of Lake



Michigan.

Two Churches were initiated on October 17. One is in the northeast of the continent at Buffalo, New York where the pastor is Mr. Gary Antion, while the other is located half way across the continent in Omaha, Nebraska. Mr. Glen White is the pastor there. You will notice from your map that the members in Omaha were already being nourished by means of a regular Bible study.

Now they also have the benefit of full sermons every Sabbath.

Jumping one state to the southeast and one Sabbath later, the Church at Columbia, Missouri got its start on October 24. The Church at Columbia is ministered by Mr. Hal Baird.

Now in going to the northwest area of the states, in fact, the most northwest state south of the Canadian border we can pinpoint the location of the new Church started on October 30. Notice here that this would be the evening portion of the Sabbath. The location is Spokane, Washington. Notice also that this area previously had a regular Bible study. Mr. Bill McDowell is ministering to the Church in Spokane.

And now the month of November is apparently keeping pace. A new Bible study was scheduled to begin on November 8. Mr. Arthur Mokarow, pastor of God's Churches in Detroit, Michigan, and Toledo, Ohio, will be conducting this new Bible study in Saginaw, Michigan.

So there we have nine new Churches and one new Bible study being started in the past three months. Hundreds more of God's people are being fed the pure Word of God week after week. Do you rejoice with these people and will you remember to pray for them and their pastors? If your heart is really in God's Work and you are watching where Jesus Christ is working, you will.

Remember it is possible that God will see fit to start new Churches in Australia based on the enthusiasm you show for what He is doing for others!

The amount of heat leaking away from the earth every year is enough to melt one pound of ice per square foot for the entire area of the globe.

## TABERNACLE WEDDING

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vice held in our new tabernacle. After two musical selections sung by Miss Jessie Emmett, the bride and groom made their entrance.

The bride wore a street-length satin sheath with appliqued lace flowers on the front and back of the skirt. Her shoulder-length veil was caught at the

forehead by a white rose. The attendants were Mr. Bill Myers, and the bride's sister, Miss Jean Beecher, who wore a yellow sheath and carried a yellow bouquet of gladioli.

After the ceremony, the crowd of witnesses gathered around the happy couple to express their congratulations. Mr. and Mrs. Ames began their married life in Mr. Ames' home in Manila.

All in God's Church express their joy at this union, Guy and Helen. May God bless your new life together!

If you wish to impart knowledge, you must first get it!

**FISHING TRIP** -Continued from Page 3  
bined Sydney Spokesman Clubs' deep sea fishing trip was appreciated by some, enjoyed by a few, and endured by the many!! It was a very exuberant and smiling group of about forty men who boarded the three trawler type vessels at Rose Bay around 6:30 a.m. The trip was blessed with ideal weather -- a beautiful morning, warm and clear with the slightest of breezes. The 30-minute run across Rose Bay and out to the Heads was very pleasant in the early morning, and everyone felt a great sense of well-being. But once the skippers pointed their boats through the channel to the open seas, it was noticed immediately that the vessels had decidedly anti-social tendencies!

The days of wooden ships and iron men have not quite passed, and the spokesmen were determined not to be defeated! True, some were defying the boats and the heaving swells in a rather peculiar manner (like leaning at right angles over the rail with ODD expressions on their faces), while others chose a pacifist type warfare, lying on the rolling decks looking upward, pallid of complexion and seeming to mutter strange incantations! Nevertheless, determination, drive and perseverance were the order for the day!

Despite the casualties (which numbered about ninety percent!), possibly fifteen dozen fish were caught, ranging from about one-half pound to twenty-two pounds in weight.

It is only fitting that those indomitable characters who doggedly refused to succumb to the wiles of the "cruel sea" should be mentioned in despatches. On boat one Mr. Harley Porter stood alone. Boat number two had two survivors, Mr. George Wilson and Mr. J. Vander Wende. And on boat three Mr. C. Huse, and Mr. Benden Heyer remained unconquered. Nevertheless, we landlubbers have gained vital knowledge! We know now why we were created with feet instead of fins.

## Melbourne Couple Killed in Road Accident

It is with deep regret that we must advise our readers of the death of a member of the Church of God, Mr. Phillip Shrimpton, and his wife, Barbara (who also attended services and would probably have been baptised in the near future).

Mr. and Mrs. Shrimpton were returning home from Sabbath services on October 31 when they were killed in a car accident. A car driven by a nineteen-year-old youth, approaching them from the opposite direction, had a blowout.

The car literally left the road completely -- leaping into the air -- and came crashing down on the Shrimptons, killing them instantly.

Mr. and Mrs. Shrimpton's two small children were in the back seat and so escaped death, though they were seriously injured. Both are expected to live, and will be cared for by near relatives.

The Church of God News extends sympathy to the bereaved relatives and friends in their sorrow, rejoicing in the sure knowledge that the time is at hand when "all that are in the graves shall hear His voice, and shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life..." (John 5:28-29).

## BITS

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ton, Western Australia, send Greetings to all the brethren, and asked "Bits" to say "Farewell!" on their behalf to all those they could not see personally before their departure from Blackheath. They had a safe trip home and are now looking forward to the Festival of Tabernacles, 1965!

● At least one more "Aussie" is now attending Ambassador College in Bricket Wood! Jeff Savidge of Sydney, having applied for entrance rather late and after having attended the Feast at Blackheath, flew to England to take his place as a student at Ambassador. We wish him every success!

● Last Sabbath saw the Brisbane attendance figures boosted to 135 at the expense of the Sydney congregation, by a very welcome visit from Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lightbody and children, and Mr. D. Anderson who was in town on business.

● Mrs. Burchill, Miss Violet Aumann and Miss Jessie Emmett, all of Sydney, report a very fine outing during the "Six-Hour-Day" weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Lennon in the Goulburn area.

● Jennifer Strudwick (quite young herself) now has a brother, namely, one Jeremy Strudwick who, being expected, arrived at 8:30 p.m. on the 3rd of November weighing 8 lbs. 7 ozs. His parents are both doing well.



