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TO U.S.A. And Back In Thirty Days!

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At 7:05 P.M., 19 May, Miss Lorelle Simon and the entire family of yours truly, lifted off the runway of Sydney's Mascot airport aboard a Qantas Boeing 707 on the first leg of a round-trip holiday to the U.S.

At Fiji we transferred to a TEAL Electra destined for Tahiti, arriving at Papeete high noon, still on Sunday. We were able to spend 2½ bright, sunny days there. Noteworthy was the accommodation provided, in the form of modern native styled bamboo walled, thatched roofed bungaloes, fully equipped with all modern conveniences -- including a larger and more modern frig than the one back home in Sydney.



Leaving Tahiti, Wednesday morning, we were in Los Angeles 7 hours and 4500 miles later by way of a non-stop Air France DC8 flight. Here we were greeted by many old and familiar faces. We spent a total of 2½ weeks visiting family members and friends at Pasadena and Continued on Page 3

Office Opens In GENEVA, SWITZ.

Jesus Christ, the LIVING HEAD of this Work, "closed the door" on the plans to establish a French office for His Work in Paris, France. Instead, He revealed that an earlier, original plan to open the offices in GENEVA, Switzerland, was right.

The office site selected by God's servants, in Geneva, the one liked best out of several possible sites, is a "package deal," including a flat as living accommodations for the office help.

We should truly be thankful that God does lead His servants and is able to open and close doors as He knows best, for the fulfillment of His Work.

U.S.A. Baptism Tour Reports

Three major baptismal tours are presently under-way in the United States. As is done each summer, ministers and leading ministerial assistants leave Ambassador College in Pasadena, California on nation-wide tours baptising those who have come to full repentance and are willing to surrender unconditionally to God.

The most recent reports from these tours are encouraging and we know you members rejoice in the additions to this world-wide BODY of Christ.

Yet, early in the tours progress reports are: Mr. Frank McCrady, assisted by Mr. Paul Flatt, reporting from Hollandale, Mississippi on June 23rd, had baptised 23 out of the 42 they had met. They stated that the tour has Continued on Page 3



NINETY - EIGHT ATTEND FIRST WEEKLY SERVICE

Saturday, June 22nd, 1963, to most Queenslanders was just another day, but to the handful of God's Elect present, it was a day long awaited. This day marked the beginning of the Church of God in Brisbane... so far as is known, the first Sabbath service of God's true Church in the history of Queensland.

Despite the fact that Sabbath morning had dawned rather bleak, cloudy and wet, the atmosphere inside the hall in National House on Ann Street was one of warmth and friendly greetings as the time approached 10:00 A.M.

Promptly on the dot, at 10:00 A.M., Miss Judy Payne, who had accompanied Mr. and Mrs. C. Wayne Cole to Brisbane for the opening service, stepped to the piano and the service began with the singing of the rousing song "Onward Christian Soldiers." A few minutes later, Mr. Cole was forcibly pointing out the theme of his sermon in a sk- Continued on Page 2



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MELBOURNE BAPTISMS!

The City Baths in Melbourne has been the scene of recent baptism services of eight more members in God's only local Church in Victoria. On Sunday, 19th of May, Mr. Winner baptised four young men who had been attending services for sometime. Later, on the 16th of June, four more, this time ladies, were baptised as a prerequisite to receiving God's Holy Spirit and membership into the Church of God.

MR. JEFFERY FOLEY, though one of the youngest to be baptised, has had a long acquaintance with God's Work. When he was still at primary school Jeff was attracted by any offers of free literature and remembers being quite impressed with the offer of a free subscription to The PLAIN TRUTH. Although he did not at that time take advantage of the offer, he has been a subscriber since first hearing the broadcast in 1961. Now, at eighteen years of age, Jeff is able to say, "I'm glad to have found God's truth."

MR. LESLIE MORLEY'S baptism follows that of his wife, who came into the Church about a year ago. Mr. Morley was holding three different jobs when his wife first came to the Church; a milk roundsman and a part time Jockey on Wednesdays and Saturdays. He saw so little of his wife that it was some time before he realised that she went to Church on Saturdays and wanted him to give up his Saturday work. Since tithing, Mr. Morley has a regular weekday job in a government office and earns more money there, in less time, than

he did as a "three-job man."

MR. HEIKKI MURTO came from Finland about eight years ago with his parents, brother and young sister. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Murto and Heikki's brother Esko were baptised a few months ago and we are very joyful that the whole family should now be in God's Church. Heikki once worked on a Swedish cargo ship but after some further schooling in Melbourne he is now employed at the American firm of Caterpillar.

Another new member is MR. PETER REILLY, a married man with four children. He has been listening to the broadcasts since early 1962 and his conversion has involved changing both his job and his domicile. Mr. Reilly says he was particularly impressed when his attention was drawn to Ezekiel 33: 32. He was able to understand that unless he followed God's commandments he was among those "that hear your words, but do them not." The earlier words of the verse: "you are unto them as a very lovely song of one that has a pleasant voice, and can play well on an instrument;" also seemed fitting to Mr. Armstrong's message.

Many will have heard of the preponderance of young men in the Melbourne congregation and will understand how happy we are to welcome twins, MINNIE and YHONNIE KLAAYSEN, into God's Church. These two young ladies have been attending the Melbourne services for over a year, their mother having been baptised last April 7th. Those who attended the last Feast of Tabernacles in Blackheath may remember having met the Klaaysens. Minnie works as a machinist and Yhonnie as a Milliner.

MRS. NELLIE COLLINS was also among those privileged to be baptised recently. Mrs. Collins has been with the Church for about fifteen months and first learned of the truth by listening to The WORLD TOMORROW broadcasts. Before coming to a knowledge of God's laws, she and her husband worked seven days a week at their own business in Sydney. Mrs. Collins now works with a garment manufacturer in Melbourne.

Last, but certainly not least, we introduce to you MRS. DAVID THOMAS. Mrs. Thomas lives nearly two hundred miles from Melbourne, near Bairnsdale. Because of the distance from the Church the Thomases are unable to attend regular services but have been able to listen to the radio broadcasts from a station in Tasmania. Mrs. Thomas is also privileged to visit the Church on the feast days.

The Melbourne Church extends a hearty welcome to these latest members as blessed additions to the BODY of Christ.

New Employee In Sydney Office

Miss Leonie Schultz, at home in Toowoomba, Queensland, received a letter from Mr. C. Wayne Cole recently, informing her that she had been accepted for employment in the office of God's Work in North Sydney. Three days later, at 6:00 P.M. on June 29th she boarded a Pioneer Coach in Brisbane, bound for Sydney.

Leonie arrived in Sydney, Sunday, June 30th and began work the following morning in the Mailing Department.

Miss Schultz commented that a few months ago she would never have thought such an opportunity would be granted to her and the blessing and responsibility was only beginning to become clear to her. The office staff extends a HEARTY WELCOME, LEONIE!



SERVICE

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ing... "Why is there a need for a church in Brisbane?" He continued in stressing the need for members in God's Church to apply themselves in overcoming and related some of the heart-rending, inextricable conditions of this world in which 10,000 people die from starvation DAILY! "Do you have enough concern and sincere compassion," Mr. Cole asked, "to want to submit your will in unconditional surrender to God NOW that you might be ready to reign with Jesus Christ in the World Tomorrow in teaching humanity the only real, happy, abundant WAY of life?" "Brethren, you NEED this Church," Mr. Cole concluded!

Thus, the third Church of God in Australia began with 98 people in attendance!

NOTICE:

The Church of God News is your paper. We welcome articles or bits of news you can contribute. Due to lack of space, if your article does not appear please accept our regrets, and be sure to look for it as it may appear in later issues.

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been very successful so far with no problems or trouble at all.

Messrs. Sherwin McMichael and Roy Page, writing from Middlesboro, Kentucky on June 22nd, had baptised 19 out of 48 counseled. They report that they are continually impressed that those who are ready, are really ready to be baptised.

The tour being conducted by Messrs. Dave Albert and Walter Sharp, wrote from Brookings, South Dakota on June 23rd, that they had baptised 60 out of 92 they had visited. These men report that, "the people continue to be repentant and ready for baptism in most cases."

Let us all rejoice with this fruit being born and pray for the continued success of these baptismal tours.

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one hundred miles north in Bakersfield.

Highlights of the Pasadena stay included Ambassador College graduation exercises, weddings and a memorable day of Pentecost observed with 2600 brethren in Pasadena's Civic Auditorium.

Next, the itinerary called for a trip to the Pacific Northwest to visit family members in the state of Washington.

The proximity of Washington to Canada,
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NEW OFFICERS FOR MELBOURNE CLUB

Co-ordinator of the Melbourne Spokesman Club, Mr. Bill Winner, announced at the Club session of June 15th the names of men to be office-bearers for the next six months. Mr. Winner expressed his complete satisfaction with the outgoing officers (whose names are in brackets below) and stated that the only reason for the change was to give other spokesmen a chance for service as leaders. He stressed that he had chosen those who by their fruits had shown most growth in the last few months. The Constitution of Ambassador and Spokesman Clubs provides for replacement of officers every six months provided that enough thoroughly qualified men are available. The names and offices of the new officers are as follows:

President: David Neil
(George Thomson)
Vice President: Colin Batt
(Dennis Gover)
Secretary: Gordon Ames
(Robert Lumsden)
Sergeant-at-Arms: Ron Rees
(Colin Batt)
Treasurer: Harry Simmons
(Maurice Kernot)

BITS 'n PIECES

Again, this month, Bits 'n Pieces takes pleasure in introducing those who have recently begun attending Sabbath Services in Sydney! Eight more are added to the roster and, on behalf of the Church, The Church of God News extends to each one a "heartly-handshake" and warm welcome!

● From the Cronulla area we welcome Mr. Alan J. Denniss, who for sometime has been a steady Co-Worker in God's Work. Mr. Denniss works for an industrial chemical company manufacturing paints and waterproofing solutions.

● Another regular and faithful Co-Worker, Mr. P. E. Parnell, is from Sutherland. We are sure Mr. Parnell, who is now retired, greatly appreciates the blessing of being called into God's TRUE Church.

● The number continues to climb as we introduce the Doug Turnbull family of South Windsor. Mr. Turnbull works for a food processing plant and is also a part time taxi-cab driver. The Turnbulls attend with their two children.

● Another man in the single status is Mr. Brian Evielle from Concord. Mr. Evielle does research work for Westinghouse Company. He is also attending school two nights weekly.

● To Mrs. Sylvia King, from Gladesville, we say, "glad to have you along." Mrs. King is employed at the Bread Research Institute of Australia.

● Miss Jessie Emmett, telephonist and executive secretary in the North Sydney office of God's Work, was recently blessed in enjoying the hospitality and fellowship of the Melbourne Church. Miss Emmett flew to Melbourne where she was a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Winner from Friday evening, May 31 through Pentecost, June 3rd. Miss Emmett greatly enjoyed her visit with Mr. and Mrs. Winner and with the Melbourne brethren.

● Another of the members from the Sydney congregation who was privileged to attend Pentecost services in Melbourne was Mr. Leonid Kaagjarv. Mr. Kaagjarv confessed that he had wanted to make the trip to Melbourne for sometime but the opportunity did not seem to present itself previously.

● Mr. and Mrs. Frank Simpkins and daughter, Marilyn Sue, have recently found new residence in Castlecrag, a suburb on the North Shore. Termination of the lease held on their home in East Killara was the reason for the move. They are all pleased with the new location. The address is, 23 The

Rampart; the telephone number is 95-4923.

● Also on the move recently, have been Mr. and Mrs. Don Abraham and family. Due to the recent sale of the block of flats in which the Abrahams were living and the desire of the new owner to live in the flat occupied by the Abrahams, a move was inevitable. They were pleased to find a comfortable home in Lane Cove providing ample space and a most inviting garden area as a playground for the children.

● Mr. and Mrs. Glyn Davies happily announce the arrival of their third child. Their "new" son was born shortly after 6 P.M. Thursday, June 27. He weighed a healthy 8 lbs. 7 ozs. Mr. Davies expressed a great THRILL in being granted the privilege of seeing the birth of this child and was thankful for God's continual intervention. Sincere congratulations to the Davies -- all FIVE of them!

● Mr. and Mrs. R. J. McGuigan of Ipswich, Queensland joyfully announce the birth of their fourth child. Melissa Anne made her debut on 15 June, weighing in at a healthy 9 lbs. 15 ozs.! At last report, all are happy and doing well. The McGuigans gratefully reported that God intervened for them in many ways in once more bringing about the "miracle" of birth. Congratulations Mr. and Mrs. McGuigan and family!

● Miss May Stanley's absence from the Church services during recent weeks, due to illness, has been noticed but she has not been forgotten. Her home has been the object of hard labour for Sunday work parties. Under the able direction of Mr. Huse, willing batchelors have been renovating furniture, painting the eaves and window frames, and tending lawn. Future parties will be tackling the job of painting the fence and eventually the interior rooms. Some of the feminine set, as well, have lent a willing hand -- the result -- happy, productive days of fellowship and good, hard work.

● You readers will remember the picture of Mrs. Leroy Cole and daughter in the last issue of the Church of God News. We wish to offer our apologies for the absence of any account of the birth of the baby and herewith give you the "vital statistics."

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Cole's daughter, Julie Ellen, was born the 5th of May at 2:05 A.M. She weighed in at a healthy 7 pounds, 2 ounces. When asked how it feels to be a father, Mr. Cole replied, "It's worth all the effort."

● Recently, four of the Americans from the offices in Sydney tried their

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MISS LORELLE SIMON GOES TO CANADA

Miss Lorelle Simon enjoyed her recent month's holiday "at home" in the United States and was looking forward to the return to her friends and position in Australia. However, a telephone call from Mr. Albert Portune, the Business Controller at Headquarters in Pasadena, suddenly changed Lorelle's plans just a few days before boarding her return flight to Australia.

Lorelle was offered a position in the Canadian Office at Vancouver, B.C. and advised that it would be better for her to take advantage of this new opportunity.

Though Lorelle will be missed by all in God's Work in Australia, we rejoice with her in her new and interesting assignment.

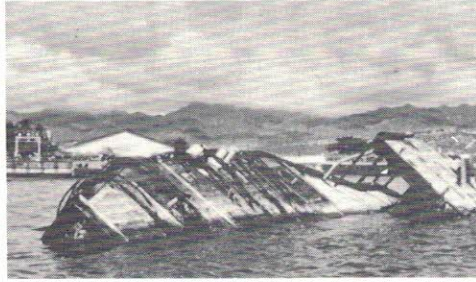
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hand at hauling in the "big ones" from the Tasman Sea, a few miles outside Sydney Harbour. Messrs. L. Cole, Huse, Faulkner and Myers sat a weary nine hours on the hard planks of the little launch as it tossed and rolled with what the weatherman termed a "smooth" sea. They were successful, however in proving their "stability" as sailors and their fishing skill, having pulled in about 40 pounds of fresh fish among them. They recommend the sport and plan to go again. A bit of advice if you go -- take a cushion!

ACROSS

5. Who was the ruler over the newly created earth before human life?
6. God's ___ is located in the third heaven.
8. The ___ when God first created the great universe.
10. What is the time machine?
11. Day in which dry land appeared?
12. From what was Eve made?
13. God made herbs yielding ___.
15. Who was the first woman?
16. Each day is 24 hours ___.
17. Satan is man's ___.
18. God is not one person but a ___.

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afforded an excellent opportunity to pay a visit to the Canadian office located in Vancouver, B.C. While I was able to surprise Mr. Dean Wilson and the Canadian staff, by walking in unannounced, they had a go at me by ungently breaking the news that Miss Simon had just forsaken Sydney for Vancouver.

During the homeward journey we stopped for a 3-day stay in Hawaii. Aside from viewing the "menagerie" on Waikiki Beach, we visited the eastern half of the Island with its "extinct" volcanic craters. A launch trip from Honolulu to Pearl Harbour accompanied by a blow by blow recounting of the events of Dec. 7, 1941, brought back hazy memories of World War II days. The rusting hulks of the battleships Utah and Arizona still carrying the 1800 men who went down with them served as grim reminders of the reality of war.

Back on board a Qantas jet, we were thankful to safely touch down just 12 hours later on the tarmac of Sydney airport, bringing to a close an eventful 30 days.

Tour Through GLASS WORKS

Though the exact date of the discovery of glass is not known, it is believed an ancient beach-comber was startled by lightning striking the sand near him and to his amazement the sand was fused into what is known today as glass.

A "re-discovery" of glass occurred on Monday night, 1st July, when 29 members of the Sydney Spokesman's Club converged upon A.C.I. Glass Works at Waterloo. With sharpened minds and attentive ears, and impromptu speeches coming up, they bombarded their guides with probing questions.

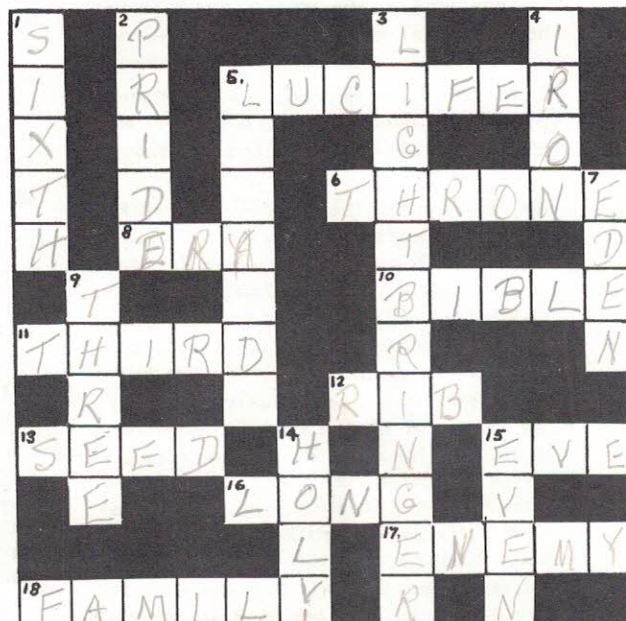
In this, as in most modern industry, automation is most evident. The huge automatic rotary moulds can turn a blob of molten glass into many varied forms and sizes, from tiny pill bottles to giant gallon size bottles or a variety of delicate tumblers.

Throughout the moulding cycle which is usually done in several stages, the temperature of the mould and item is kept constant at approximately 1,100° F. From the mould a mechanical hand places it on a conveyor which passes through a lehr (annealing ovens) slowly reducing the temperature from 1,100° F to ambient temperature. This process can take from 2-4 hours depending on the quality and type of glass.

A factory the size of A.C.I. will mould about 352 tons of glass a day. The largest single order for A.C.I. is beer bottles and in N.S.W. alone 365,000 gross (52,560,000), are produced annually.

The members expressed their thanks for this field trip, enriching their ever-increasing fund of knowledge.

CHILDREN'S CROSSWORD VOL. 1 OF BIBLE STORY



DOWN

1. On what day was man created?
2. What caused Lucifer's fall?
3. What is the meaning of Lucifer?
4. One of the well-known minerals God created.
5. A type of creature created by God before Lucifer's rebellion.
7. God planted a garden in ___.
9. There are ___ heavens.
14. The Sabbath is ___ time.
15. The day begins at ___.