

PIN-POINT FACTS ABOUT
The RADIO CHURCH OF GOD

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RECOGNITION: Recognized by United States government and state of California as an established church. Official non-profit income tax exemption status.

CHURCHES: Established churches over the United States; in California, Oregon, Washington, Colorado, Texas, Missouri. All are pastored by ordained ministers of the Church, and under government of headquarters Church in Pasadena. Establishment of additional churches in middle-west and east, and in Great Britain is planned. Members and a national following in Britain. The Church recently constructed a tabernacle near Gladewater, Texas, largest building in county, for nationally-attended festivals three times annually.

SCHOOLS: The Church founded, in 1947, Ambassador College in Pasadena, California, liberal arts co-ed institution, maintaining highest academic standards. In connection is the Graduate School of Theology. The Church operates an elementary and high school in Texas plans a similar school for children of members at Pasadena in the fall of 1955, ---other similar schools over the country are to follow.

ORDINATION: Ministers are fully ordained and graduated from Ambassador College with degrees of A.B., M.A. in Theology, or B.D. President and Directing Pastor, Herbert W. Armstrong, the voice of The WORLD TOMORROW program, was ordained by the presbytery of the Oregon Conference, Church of God, in 1931.

DOCTRINE: Non-denominational, follows no sectarian creed, accepts the whole Bible without interpretation, believes and proclaims identical truths enunciated and practises lived by Jesus Christ, preaching the same Gospel He preached---a Gospel of LOVE to God and neighbor---a message of rationalism, common sense, and understanding---totally and unalterably non-proselyting.

SCOPE OF ACTIVITY: This Church carries on one of the most powerful programs of evangelism on earth today---world-wide. Establishing this year a branch in London, beginning publication of British and European edition of its world-circulated magazine, The Plain Truth.

BROADCASTING: "The World Tomorrow" program is world wide, purchasing more than 4,000,000 watts of radio power per week---including ABC Radio Net-work transcontinental, with 4 stations in Alaska, 1 in Honolulu; such additional NBC and CBS stations as WLW, KDKA, WRVA; Sunday thru Friday night half-hour programs on WLS, WWVA, and others; the Sunday half-hour program on Radio Luxembourg, the four 100,000-watt bands of Radio Ceylon, and Voice of Free China, Formosa. *

PUBLICATIONS: The Plain Truth, world-wide, circulation 92,000 monthly, sent free to radio listeners---one sample copy first, year's free subscription if coupon comes back, renewed by request annually---list kept live; The Good News, national church organ, members only; Ambassador College Bible Correspondence Course, enrollment over 10,000, after three months to continue; numerous booklets and pamphlets,

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attractively printed (no cheap "tracts"). * PERSONAL EVANGELISM: Ordained ministers and advanced theological students sent on tours of personal evangelism Coast to Coast, and throughout Britain and Europe annually.

THE PROGRAM: Now in 22nd year of continuous broadcasting. Arouses and holds intense listener-interest, thought-provoking, non-controversial, scriptural---makes Bible plain, interesting---dignified yet dynamic and powerful with ring of deep sincerity. NO REQUEST FOR MONEY---EVER! Will not permit even the customary announcers: "You are invited to send your contributions," etc. etc.

FINANCING POLICY: Income received entirely from tithes and free-will offerings of members and interested listeners. No money-appeal over the air, no direct or indirect appeal for contributions in literature sent free to listeners. Listeners are accepted as "Co-Workers" only after voluntary contributions have been received twice without solicitation within six-month period, or listener states plainly the desire to become regular contributor. A special monthly "Co-Worker" letter is sent to this "Co-Worker" list.

HISTORY: This Church was founded by Jesus Christ, A.D. 31. The inspired name for the Church, stated 12 times in the New Testament, is The Church of God, often with the qualifying descriptive identification, as "The Church of God at Corinth." We pick up the modern history of this Church in the "Advent" movement of 1843 and 1844. Following this a small number, under the name "Church of God," began publication of "The Advent Review." Later a publishing house was established in Stanberry, Mo., publishing "The Bible Advocate." In 1927 Herbert W. Armstrong came among these people, contributed lead-articles for "The Bible Advocate," preached before their churches in Oregon. In 1931 he was ordained by the Oregon Conference of the Church. The Church at Eugene, Oregon, was organized under his ministry, and the radio broadcasting begun by the Church January, 1934---continuous without interruption since. In 1946 the members incorporated under the name "Radio Church of God," since that name had become nationally known thru the broadcast. In 1947 the head-quarters were moved to Pasadena, California. Ambassador College was founded in that year.