For the second observance in New Zealand, the Festival of Tabernacles will be again held in Taupo. This is both a central location for most of God's people and very much a scenic and invigorating environment for the observance, which pictures a soon coming Millennium. The Festival will begin with the orientation service, Wednesday evening, 14th October. You should plan to be settled in your accommodation Wednesday afternoon ready for the first annual Sabbath and first meeting. We will be using the Taupo Memorial Hall for services throughout and accommodating ourselves in the various motels and lodgings available in the town centre.

How to reach Taupo:

Taupo lies 200 miles south of Auckland by means of an excellent road system. Luxury landliner buses depart Auckland daily at 8:00 a.m. arriving at 1:40 p.m. N.A.C. Airways has Fokker Friendships on daily service from Auckland departing 7:30 a.m. arriving Taupo 9:00 a.m., and from Taupo 5:00 p.m. arriving Auckland 6:30 p.m. Any travel agent could arrange this for you.

Accommodation:

A list of restaurants is enclosed for your information. Motel/hotel lists and town map are available from the Festival office. Houses and cottages are available through Taupo real estate agents. The Wairakei Hotel also has cottages 5 miles from Taupo.

Activities:

A film evening, family-night get-together, and talent show are planned for the evening activities. During the afternoons organised games and sports will be available as well as the general scenic attractions abounding in the area. A <u>used clothing</u> department will be available this year and should any of you wish to contribute to this you are quite welcome to do so. It should be clothing or articles in good repair, properly cleaned, etc. This department is for the benefit of those who are less priviledged among our brethren and this will be available during one of the free afternoons.

If you are able to contribute to the talent show please advise us promptly. Any ideas or suggestions would also be helpful towards making it a memorable and successful evening.

And finally, if you have any queries or questions about the Festival observance or your personal planning do not hesitate to contact us. We will be pleased to assist in anyway we can.