

# PASTOR GENERAL'S REPORT

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Dear Ministers,

This is the last issue of the "Pastor General's Report" you will receive before this year's Feast of Tabernacles. I want to take this opportunity to encourage each of you to make this the best Feast ever! This year we are one year closer to the actual fulfillment of the fall Holy Days. One year closer to the return of Jesus Christ, to the binding of Satan the devil, to the establishment of the Kingdom of God on earth and the commencement of the thousand-year reign of Christ, with His saints, over all nations! Let's prepare well mentally, physically and spiritually for our God-given task of inspiring, teaching and encouraging God's elect at this most important time of year.

Let your enthusiasm for the Feast and its wonderful meaning be infectious. You, in a sense, are God's "spark plugs." Your example of righteous, God-filled zeal for keeping the Feast will be a great source of inspiration for the brethren. The Feast is a time to rejoice! To rejoice within our own families and within the family of God. It is a time to share our blessings, our food and our earnest conversation with one another in the Body of Christ. And of course, it is a time for you ministers to be able to spend some time with one another as you are not often able to during the course of the year--a time for iron to sharpen iron.

As I mentioned a couple of issues ago, be sure to pray for one another's sermonettes and sermons, as well as for the Festival coordinators, songleaders and all the various department personnel who see to it that the Feast runs in a smooth, organized manner. God's army is a team. We all have our part to play and we need to support each other. Remind the brethren in your local congregations about these principles and the need to follow instructions and cooperate so that the Feast of Tabernacles will fulfill God's instruction in I Corinthians 14:33.

As you are aware, Mr. Ellis La Ravia was recently granted a leave of absence. This has made necessary the appointment of certain new administrative responsibilities of which I feel you ministers need to be made aware. Mr. David Hulme has been appointed Vice-President of Ambassador

Foundation. Mr. Aaron Dean will be assisting him in the area of domestic projects and activities. Mr. Joseph Locke has been named Foundation Vice-President for international projects and activities. The operation of the Festival Office has been placed under Mr. Larry Salyer in the Church Administration department, with Mr. Mark McCulley continuing as immediate Festival Office supervisor. The Fleet Administration department, under Mr. Dean May, also now reports to Church Administration.

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I felt it would be helpful for you ministers to know these changes to facilitate your needs here at Headquarters. Upon his return to active duty, Mr. La Ravia will be assigned to new responsibilities within the Work.

We are continuing to carefully analyze each of the new "World Tomorrow" programs in order to work toward maximum effectiveness. I think you will notice that as the new season wears on, the programs will increase even more in the overall impact--visually, as well as in scripting and delivery. God has surely blessed the TV crew, the three presenters and the combined effort of the Editorial and Publishing areas to rapidly produce and print the meaningful literature to back up the program.

God's Work has grown very large. It does take a coordinated family effort, powered by the binding, unifying and miracle-working energy of God's Holy Spirit to make it work! Let's pull together as God's family to fulfill all His will for us.

Have a wonderful Feast!

With deep love, in Jesus' name,

*Joseph W. Tkach*

P.S. In the upcoming "Worldwide News" I am announcing a major new phase of the Work in Europe! The door has opened for the "World Tomorrow" to begin airing on a leading European satellite and cable channel! The first program, "Why Russia Will Not Attack America," was aired September 21 and is already bringing in a fine mail response. Thank you for your prayers in this regard. Be sure to read the full details in the October 6 issue of the "Worldwide News."

FROM CHURCH ADMINISTRATION

PRAYER REQUEST; NOTICES; TO BE READ; ANNOUNCEMENTS;  
INTERNATIONAL NEWS--Australia, Germany, United Kingdom;  
FLEET ADMINISTRATION

Everything continues to move very swiftly in Pasadena and in God's Work worldwide. I suppose I shouldn't say "everything," as we are still experiencing delays in the visa process for Mr. McCullough, Mr. Fahey and Mr. Morton. We would appreciate your prayers for favor in the eyes of the respective countries. As the nations of the world become more and more suspicious of each other it will no doubt become more difficult for us to do the Work in traditional ways. Here at Headquarters we must continually watch developments and be prepared to adopt effective new means of preaching the Gospel and feeding the flock. And let me say that Mr. Tkach has energetically taken the lead in reviewing every area of the Work to find ways to make us more efficient and productive.

Mr. Tkach has continued to hold luncheons almost daily at the Herbert W. Armstrong Memorial Hall with the staff of various departments. I can say from experience that these luncheons have been very effective forums for discussing the growth and needs of all phases of the Work. Additionally, of course, these luncheons afford employees the opportunity to get better acquainted with Mr. Tkach personally. This factor will obviously lead to better communication and understanding throughout the ranks at Headquarters and thus build the unity and strength of "God's army" worldwide. Mr. Tkach's warmth and openness with all employees also serves as a regular reminder that we are to become a family, as those of us here so often hear him say.

He seems never to forget to thank the servers, kitchen staff and others for their efforts behind the scenes. I hope all of us can learn from Mr. Tkach's example in this and really be diligent in our encouragement of our brethren as we "provoke unto love and to good works."

We had a most enjoyable experience on Thursday, September 25, as several of us were invited to share with the Spanish Department a lunch in the Student Center clubrooms in honor of the 30th anniversary of the Work in the Spanish language.

It was truly inspiring to review some of the photos, statistics and accounts of the early challenges of the Spanish Department. Surely God has set before us a remarkable open door and granted growth not even imagined in 1956.

As this is the last issue of the "Pastor General's Report" before the fall Holy Days, I want to again call your attention to the importance of the Holy Day offerings. Frankly, I'm a bit disappointed that some of us seem to get defensive when the subject of offerings comes up. These special offerings should be seen as great opportunities to express our zeal for God's Work and our gratefulness for having a part in it. Have we really taught our flocks the truth so often repeated by Mr. Armstrong that God has drafted us to proclaim His message? We are not called only to salvation. Rather, salvation is a result of becoming like God and fulfilling His will! Especially during these fall Holy Days when we are anticipating and typifying God's government over this whole earth, our hearts should be moved to participate enthusiastically in preparing the way for Christ's return. Do not be ashamed to stir up God's people to give as generously as they are able. Graphically show them the ongoing great need in the Work. Giving an offering to God is one more way of rejoicing before Him during this Festival season.

Remind them of the tremendous work that has been done by frail human instruments and the wonderful blessing that God promises to those who are faithful. We must have the attitude of Christ when he said, "My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to finish his work" (John 4:34). By far the bulk of the income of this Work comes from the members themselves, and the Holy Day offerings make up a good percentage of it. As you can see from "The Worldwide News" and Mr. Tkach's letters, God continues to open new doors and He expects us to walk through them. We are collectively doing everything possible on this end to hold up Mr. Tkach's hands and carry on. We appreciate your continued dedication and

service to God's people. Please pray for Mr. Tkach as he presses forward in faith.

I do pray that all of you have a most inspiring Holy Day season. I hope to keep Atonement in San Francisco and the first half of the Feast in Eugene before returning to Pasadena. Please feel free to contact me directly in Eugene or through the Telecommunications (formerly Communications) area in Pasadena. Should you be unable to reach me, please contact Mr. Robin Webber in Pasadena and he will relay information to me.

Have a great Feast!

**Prayer Request** Mr. Dennis Van Deventer requests your urgent prayers on behalf of his wife Sylvia. Her condition has continued to deteriorate and she experiences frequent lapses of unconsciousness. Let's continue to seek God's will and intervention in our prayers for the Van Deventer family. We should also remember to ask for God's intervention for Mrs. Leonard Schreiber and Mrs. James Reyer.

**Note to all Pastors** Mr. Tkach has requested we keep him informed of unusual situations that may occur which involve our members. Obviously, this will require the church pastors to exercise some judgment. Mr. Tkach would like to be able to send a card or note of encouragement in a timely manner. The key, of course, is to have an awareness of the situation as quickly as possible. The following are two examples to illustrate the type of unusual situations in which Mr. Tkach is interested:

--Recently, a Church member accidentally backed his automobile over his 1-year-old son, killing him instantly.

--In another church area, the 4-year-old daughter of a deacon and deaconess suddenly became ill and died within 24 hours.

The situation may not always be a tragic death; however, we emphasize that the pastor should exercise good judgment and call Church Administration.

**TO ALL U.S. CHURCH PASTORS  
(Not to be read in services)**

The FM receivers for the Hard of Hearing and Spanish Translation at the Feast of Tabernacles have now been shipped to all church areas requesting them. It is now too late to order additional units. We have, however, sent each festival coordinator two spare receivers for emergencies. These units are not for loan, but will be sold on a first come/first serve basis. Please do not inform your members of this before you are at the Feast, and even then only if it is an emergency. We want to avoid members counting on these spare units.

TO BE READ IN ALL CHURCHES

Feast of Tabernacles

Europe

Members who will be in France before, during or after the Feast and who are not E.E.C. citizens will need a visitors visa--even if they will only be in France for one day. We suggest that all members traveling overseas for the Feast make sure that they have the visas they require.

British Isles, Eire, Denmark and Switzerland

If you are coming to the British Isles, Eire, Denmark or Switzerland for the Feast, please bring a Bible Hymnal with you.

PLEASE ANNOUNCE IN ALL CHURCHES IN THE U.S. AND CANADA

Parking in Tucson

On the first night of the Feast of Tabernacles, parking will be especially tight in Tucson due to another event scheduled in a building near the Arena. Please remember to carpool if possible. Also, be sure you have your bumper sticker in place on the front bumper of your automobile. You will not be allowed to park in the Community Center parking lots without it.

International News

From Australia We are pleased with the increasing number of viewers responding to the "World Tomorrow" telecast. By the end of August, 10,542 people in Australia had telephoned or written for literature offered on the program. This is a 59.7 percent increase over the same period last year.

Programs outlining Bible prophecy continue to generate the highest responses overall. However, the response to the telecast, "STD--Our Modern Plague," was one of our highest on record. We received a number of WATS line calls from concerned parents who looked forward to receiving the TV brochure "Sexually Transmissible Diseases" for the education of their children.

Telecasts dealing with man's destiny, how to be successful and God's law usually generate fewer responses. However, these produce a higher number of visit requests.

Seventy percent of the Australian "Plain Truth" renewable mailing list now consists of "prime" subscribers--those who have renewed their subscription at least once. From this solid base of "Plain Truth" readers a steady flow of requests is being received for subscriptions to the "Good News" magazine--up 22.3 percent year-to-date.

Considerable interest is also being shown in the "Bible Correspondence Course." In August, 1985, we had 3,147 students in Australia actively studying the lessons. By the end of August, 1986, the number had grown to 5,461 students--a 73.5 percent increase over last year.

This interest in the Church's "meatier" publications, plus the "World Tomorrow" program, is resulting in a fine increase in the number of visit requests being received. By the end of August, the number of visit requests in Australia had risen by 46.2 percent over the same period in 1985.

In August Mr. Morton visited our Summer Educational Program in Southeast Asia and reported the campers were excited and enthusiastic over their SEP experience, having learned a great deal more about God's way of life and how to cooperate with one another.

Mr. Morton said that a highlight of the camp was the scuba diving taught by one of our members, a licensed instructor who regularly runs classes on the subject. The instructor mentioned the children in God's Church are more disciplined, more easily instructed and more willing to learn than groups with whom he normally deals. Quite a number of the children reached a high level of scuba-diving proficiency.

The Sydney area recently experienced its worst flooding in memory. Some suburbs received 17½ inches of rain within a 48 hour period, making it the wettest August on record.

Several people lost their lives, but our members were spared from injury, although several individuals and families suffered property damage. Two members in the Sydney North church area and one member in the Sydney South church area were flooded out of their homes. A prospective member living in a caravan park lost all of his possessions and had to be rescued by the Special Emergency Services. Fortunately, these Church brethren seriously affected by the flood were insured for property damage.

(Submitted by Robert Morton, Regional Director)

**From Germany** At the beginning of August the 1986 Ambassador College German Summer Program was completed. Fourteen students took part in a rich 10-week program of language study, which included some traveling to study the local culture and become acquainted with the churches in the German-speaking area. Five were on the Family Program. The office staff and nearby Church members appreciated the opportunity to have one last

get-together with this fine group of students at a farewell party August 5. After a buffet dinner at our home, the students, office staff and Church members walked to a nearby hall for a dance, in which students performed with the live band. I feel that this year we had the most fruitful Summer Program yet. This is the best way of finding Ambassador-trained manpower for God's Work in the German-speaking area.

On the weekend of the 8th and 9th of August my wife and I drove to Hamburg, where I spoke on the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the Hamburg church. After services the members presented my wife Esther and me with a pillow and patchwork quilt. The quilt was made up of individual squares made by the members. A buffet lunch followed this presentation. Several Danish members who had attended the very first service in Hamburg 20 years ago were also present.

That same day I flew on to Vienna to meet Mr. Tom Lapacka (pastor of the Basel & Zurich, Switzerland, and Stuttgart, West Germany, churches) who had been the guest speaker in Vienna that day. Mr. Lapacka and most of the Vienna church brethren met me at the airport and I had time to talk with them in an airport cafe. Mr. Lapacka and I then went on to visit the family of prospective members in Czechoslovakia. The main problem at the moment is language since none of the family is very fluent in German and they do not speak English.

Another event this month was the wedding of two of our office employees. Data Processing employee Norbert Schneider and Festival Secretary Sherri Means were married on August 24. Both Norbert and Sherri are graduates of Ambassador College and will continue to work in the Bonn office.

On August 25 we were very happy to welcome Ambassador College graduate Karin Stick as a full-time employee in the Bonn Office Editorial Department. Karin, who is a native German, recently returned from the U.S. after graduation.

Since August was a vacation month, the normal incoming mail was slow. However, the month-to-date donation mail income was up an encouraging 11.2 percent and the year-to-date increase stood at 8.6 percent by the end of the month.

(Submitted by Frank Schnee, Regional Director)

**Update from London Office** During the last week of August, the East and West African ministry met at Elstree House to be updated by Mr. Frank Brown, Regional Director, and Mr. David Stirk, Business Manager for East and West Africa, and to discuss the various problems experienced in the African regions.

Mr. Brown's home was the venue for a very successful and relaxed get-together on the evening of Tuesday, August 26. This was held indoors, due to inclement weather, and provided a welcome opportunity for some U.K. office personnel to fellowship with the visiting ministers.

Mr. Lateef Edalere, minister for Nigeria, reports that nine new members were baptized in Lagos during July. During the same month, he received requests from two different groups of people, both asking for someone to

come to teach them, acknowledging we are the Church of God. Each group came into being as a result of readers of the Church's literature deciding to band themselves together. One group is made up of over 4,000 people!

In Owerri, 400 miles to the west of Lagos, spokesmen with wives and guests attended the annual Ladies Day. This took place at the Concorde Hotel and was a very uplifting and rewarding occasion for all concerned. The special get-together was immediately followed by the baptism of 18 new members. This fruit was the result of monthly Bible studies that had been held in Owerri over a one-year period. At least 40 others will be ready for baptism before the Feast of Tabernacles.

Mr. Edalere is pleased to state that, in spite of the country's economic troubles, the "brethren are growing happier daily."

In England, a full-page color advertisement for the "Plain Truth" magazine appeared on August 31 in the SUNDAY TIMES color supplement. The Sunday Times is a highly respected national newspaper, with one and a quarter million readers. More than 9,000 reply cards have already been received and more subscription requests are expected to come into Elstree House over the next few days. Since it's well more than two years since we last advertised in the SUNDAY TIMES, we are very excited by the opportunity to use it again.

A further breakthrough has come with the opening up of air time to the "World Tomorrow" broadcast on a Dublin radio station. The station, with the cheerful title of "Sunshine Radio," is centered on Dublin City and reaches into several of the neighboring counties. Our program first aired on August 10, and can be heard every Sunday at 5:30 a.m. After a three month trial, we are hoping for an improved time slot. Most unexpectedly, one listener has written to us from Burnley, Lancashire, on the English mainland!

Two more towns in England--Cambridge and Northampton--have been added to the newsstand program. Five or six shops in each town are displaying the "Plain Truth." About 2,500 copies of the October issue will be distributed among this new audience. The newsstand program in Britain and Southern Ireland now comprises 21 towns and cities, and more than 124,000 magazines were distributed during the month of August.

Ambassador Press, Radlett, England, has taken on the printing of "Die Gute Nachricht," the German-language "Good News." This is printed compatibly with the French- and Dutch-language editions, making the whole project more cost-effective. After special sorting, 28,000 copies of "Die Gute Nachricht" are trucked to Germany and fed directly into the German postal system, together with the usual consignment of "Plain Truth" magazines ("Klar und Wahr").

Mail income for August was just 5.4 percent up on the same month last year. This is several percentage points lower than we had hoped for. This had the effect of lowering the year-to-date income to plus 6.5 percent, which is some 2 percent lower than our budgeted figure.

(Submitted by Frank Brown, Regional Director)



From Fleet Administration

**Jump Starts** Many men have asked whether or not it is all right to jump start computer-equipped automobiles. This controversy has been around ever since computers started showing up on cars in mid-1980. We hope to set the record straight. It is all right to jump start any computer-equipped vehicle if the following procedure is followed:

1. Position the vehicle with the good battery close enough so the cables will reach, but don't let the two vehicles touch.
2. Attach the positive ends (red) of the jumper cables to the positive terminals (red) of both batteries.
3. Attach one negative (black) end of the jumper cable to a heavy bracket on the vehicle with the dead battery (such as the air conditioner bracket or the alternator bracket). Make sure the cable will not get caught in any moving part on the engine when the engine starts.
4. Attach the other negative end of the cable to the negative terminal of the good battery.
5. Start the engine of the vehicle with the good battery and let it run for several minutes above idle speed.
6. Start the vehicle with the dead battery.
7. Reverse the above sequence to remove the jumper cables.  
NOTE: It is very important to remove the negative cable from the vehicle with the good battery FIRST.

(Submitted by Dean May, Department Manager)

Due to lack of space, we will not include the "Question and Answer" section in this issue.

--Larry Salyer, Director of Church Administration

EDITORIAL SERVICES

"PLAIN TRUTH" PLANNING MEETING; NEW TV BROCHURES;  
"GOOD NEWS" TOPS ONE MILLION; "WORLDWIDE NEWS" TRAVELS AT FEAST;

**"Plain Truth" Planning Meeting** As mentioned in a past report the January "Plain Truth" looks back and focuses on the hot spots of 1986. In our February planning session, writers were assigned to look forward and show what will be news in 1987. The direction in world economics will be addressed, as well as our changing weather patterns. The problem of illiteracy, the swing to the right in religion, nuclear waste disposal and other concerns for 1987 and beyond will be featured as well. We won't necessarily define solutions for each area, because some things won't be solved until God steps in to change them, but we can analyze and forecast the direction and possible solutions along the way.

While Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach was in Editorial Services last week for a demonstration of our graphics computer, he viewed layouts of the January "Plain Truth." You'll find this first issue of 1987 loaded with colorful graphics and interesting to-the-point articles that summarize and highlight 1986.

Our letters show readers like our straightforward manner of writing. One former drug addict wrote that "The Plain Truth" helped him break his drug addiction. A Moslem wrote and said that the articles dealing with the Muslim religion do "full justice to the subject."

**New TV Brochures** Our new TV brochures on drugs and alcohol abuse are in page-proof stage now. "Conquering Drug Abuse" is a comprehensive, up-to-date look at the drug problem that includes a short, illustrated, personal-experience article from "The Plain Truth," titled "I've Lived in Two Worlds."

Along with many well-illustrated charts and graphs, "Conquering Alcohol Abuse" is a combination of updated versions of several articles: the title article--"Conquering Alcohol Abuse"--"Alcoholism Is Treatable," "Alcohol--What the Bible Really Says," "Coping with Stress...Without Alcohol or Drugs" and informative boxes. These publications are attractively designed and should make quite an impression on our viewers, as well as give them positive help in dealing with these widespread problems.

**"Good News" Tops One Million** We mentioned before that "The Good News" was pushing the one-million circulation mark. Now, combined international and U.S. circulation has topped the one-million mark! English "Good News" statistics show a circulation figure of 970,000, while combined international subscribers--French, German, Spanish and Dutch--stand at 99,103.

We have received so many positive comments on the two-part series "Just What Is the Holy Spirit?" by Bernard W. Schnippert in the August and September "GNs" that we are turning these articles into a reprint. We plan to run some of those comments from readers in our "Letters" section in "The Good News."

**"Worldwide News" Travels at Feast** "The Worldwide News" staff is wrapping up work on the October 6 issue. Some members may receive this issue before the Feast, but many will find it in their mail boxes when they return home. "Worldwide News" staff members plan to attend the Feast in five U.S. states and four other countries.

We're getting many positive comments from members on Mr. Tkach's "Personals" and coverage of his visits to Church areas and regional offices. One member thanked him for being "down-to-earth" and having "grit and determination." The members seem especially thankful to "The Worldwide News" for keeping them in touch with brethren around the world and for our "Iron Sharpens Iron" and other columns.

By the way, I'll be speaking at the Feast in Anchorage, Alaska, and Victoria, B.C., this year. If you happen to be at those sites and have any comments or suggestions about the publications, please be sure to look

me up. And for all of you, have a most joyful and uplifting 1986 Feast of Tabernacles!

--Dexter Faulkner, Editorial Services

### MEDIA SERVICES

Greetings once again from the Television Studios. The response to the remaining summer reruns of the "World Tomorrow" television program has been truly outstanding.

Here is the weekend response for the last two telecasts of August: "Is There a Real Hellfire?" drew 35,626 calls (for its initial airing--38,089); and "Mystery of the Ages" drew 41,043 (for its initial airing--35,288).

This is the first time this year that a rerun during the summer months pulled in more phone calls for the weekend than it did when aired during the regular season. When "Mystery of the Ages" first aired, it was on Mother's Day--a day when more phone calls are made than any other time and more phone circuits are loaded to capacity, causing massive busy-out signals all across the country. One could certainly get the feeling that the "Mystery of the Ages" book will continue to pull a tremendous response when advertised on other programming in the future.

The first two new fall season programs for September have already aired. "The State of the World" drew 29,745 calls and "Superpower Confrontation?" drew 41,209 calls for the second weekend--the third-highest telephone response for the telecast to date!

People's comments concerning the new set and new program format have been truly encouraging.

In case there isn't another opportunity to "talk" to you again before the Feast, I want to ask you to encourage the brethren to remember to pray for the television program, especially during the Feast, and that the telecast will continue to be an effective tool in God's hands.

Here is the schedule of "The World Tomorrow" that will air in October 1986:

OCT 4-5

#### **THE SHATTERED FAMILY**

The family is the basic building block of civilization. Yet today strife, divorce and violence are destroying this vital foundation as never before. David Hulme examines the condition of the family in our modern society and shows from the Bible what God says are the solutions to this most critical problem.

LIT OFFERED: Love, Marriage and Sex; PT

OCT 11-12

#### **THE KEY TO BIBLE PROPHECY**

In the last two centuries, the British Empire and United States have risen to levels of greatness unprecedented in history. But few realize that their destinies were

foretold long ago in the Bible. David Hulme shows that the identity of these nations is the key to unlocking end-time Bible prophecies.

LIT OFFERED: United States and Britain in Prophecy; PT

OCT 18-19

**WHY DOES GOD ALLOW SUFFERING?**

Despite great progress in this modern age, most of mankind is still trapped in an endless cycle of suffering, tragedy and death. If God is all-powerful and all-loving, why doesn't He do something to help? Richard Ames shows from the Bible the answer to this age-old and perplexing question.

LIT OFFERED: Why Does God Allow Suffering?; PT

OCT 25-26

**THE 21ST CENTURY**

What will life be like beyond the year 2000? Will it be a shining world of wondrous technology, as some predict, or a barren wasteland, the result of man's destructiveness, as others warn? Richard Ames shows how Bible prophecy accurately reveals the surprising truth of what the future holds.

LIT OFFERED: The Wonderful World Tomorrow; PT

Have a very profitable and enjoyable Feast.

--Larry Omasta, Media Services

MAIL PROCESSING UPDATE

RESPONSES TO NEW TELECASTS; HDO INFORMATION CALLS; "AUTOBIOGRAPHY" FOR U.S. MINISTERS; MPC KEEPS PACE DURING FEAST; "WORLDWIDE NEWS"--A VALUABLE TOOL; "MYSTERY OF THE AGES" DISTRIBUTION; TITHE MISSPELLED 345 WAYS

**Responses to New Telecasts** The fall season of "The World Tomorrow" program has had a strong beginning. Since the telecast began airing with the new set, we have received the following weekend responses:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Response</u>
Sept. 6-7	Mr. Hulme	The State of the World	29,745
Sep. 13-14	Mr. Hulme	Superpower Confrontation?	41,209*
Sep. 20-21	Dr. Albert	What Is Man?	20,077

\*Third-highest weekend response, not including the special tribute telecast to Mr. Armstrong last January.

**HDO Information Calls** We would like to remind you of the change in the time for calling in the amount of Holy Day offerings for the Feast of Trumpets this year. Normally, offerings and attendance counts are called in the day following a Holy Day. This year, however, Trumpets falls on a

weekly Sabbath. Since Sunday is the heaviest day for response to the telecast, we are asking that you RELAY INFORMATION CONCERNING THE TRUMPETS OFFERING ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 6. Operators will be available between 6 a.m. and 12 noon California time.

ATONEMENT INFORMATION SHOULD BE CALLED IN TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14.

**Autobiography for U.S. Ministers** The "Autobiography of Herbert W. Armstrong, Volume I" will be distributed at all U.S. Feast sites this year. Ministers can pick up their copy at the hospitality room during the Feast. Please be sure to turn in your claim check, which was included with your Holy Day envelopes. U.S. ministers transferring to overseas sites will automatically have their books mailed to their home address.

International ministers may also pick up their copy at the Feast if the books arrive at the site on time. In some cases, the books will arrive after the Feast due to shipping arrangements. International ministers who do not receive the "Autobiography" at the Festival site may expect to obtain it through their regional offices.

**MPC Keeps Pace During Feast** During the Feast of Tabernacles break, it is imperative that a certain amount of work be done in Mail Processing. Even though we make every effort to eliminate the inventory of work on hand before the Feast, we will still receive heavy volumes of mail and phone calls during this period. Approximately 80,000 telephone calls and 430,000 pieces of mail will need to be handled.

A major part of our work during the Feast is processing and banking Holy Day offerings from the Feast of Trumpets and the Day of Atonement. In addition, the staff must pick up mail at the post office, open letters with money, bank the money, handle urgent items (anointed cloths, emergency counseling, etc.) and organize the regular mail for efficient terminal entry after the Feast.

In order to accomplish all of this, we keep a highly trained staff in Pasadena who work part time to do these urgent tasks. They work about six hours during the day and have two afternoons off. The hours are arranged so that everyone can attend services and have the opportunity to participate in evening activities.

Employees who work during the Feast are assigned on a rotation basis so that no one works two Festivals in a row. Through careful organization, teamwork and cooperation, a vital part of God's Work is carried on during the Feast of Tabernacles.

**"Worldwide News"--A Valuable Tool** "The Worldwide News" continues to be a profitable study aid for members. One man recently wrote to say that he clips out the articles from the "Iron Sharpens Iron" section and pastes them in a scrapbook for later use. Others comment on the encouragement and inspiration they receive from Mr. Tkach's "Personal" and Mr. Faulkner's column.

We also receive a number of letters from members who say the news about the international Work and brethren in foreign areas gives them more to pray about:

"I appreciate hearing news of the brethren around the world as we can really pray for them, also the sick and afflicted."

"I read 'The Worldwide News' so I can pray about the needs of the Church and know what is going on all over the world."

"'The Worldwide News' causes me to count my blessings to have been born in the United States. When I read the danger that our brethren are in, it brings to home the fact that this is very much Satan's world."

**"Mystery of the Ages" Distribution** Since October 1985, a total of 1,030,469 copies of "Mystery of the Ages" have been sent out in the United States. A copy was given to each head of household at the 1985 Feast of Tabernacles, and 56,000 co-workers were mailed a copy after the Feast.

A breakdown of the distribution by subscriber status, as of August 25, is as follows:

<u>File Status</u>	<u>Copies Sent</u>
Members	46,708
Co-Workers	62,939
Donors	46,315
Prime Subscribers	702,188
New Subscribers	133,873
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U.S. Totals	<u>1,030,469</u>

**Tithe Misspelled 345 Ways** Since the words "tithe" and "tithing" are unfamiliar terms to many of our new subscribers, they are frequently misspelled. In fact, we have noted 345 versions of these two simple words. Although we cannot include all of these misspellings in one report, we have listed a few of the more colorful varieties:

"I am at this time unable to send in any thighs right now. But when I get back to Virginia, hopefully my financial state will be much better."

"I will be glad to tide just as soon as I can."

"Thank you for the information about tidding to God. I have never heard it the way you put it before."

"I am enclosing a check for my thighs for the month of May."

"Enclosed is my first tich. Wish it could be more at the moment."

Some of the other variant spellings of the word "tithe" are tade, teeth, thesis, tites, tiles, tying, thyns, thits, tises, titbie, titahs, titem, tithee and tikes.

--Richard Rice, Mail Processing Center

ON THE WORLD SCENECRISIS IN THE SOUTHWEST PACIFIC: U.S. AND AUSTRALIA DRIFT APART;  
"THIRD WORLD" AUSTRALIA; SINGAPORE'S CONCERNS

"We have heard a voice of trembling; of fear and not of peace.... Alas for that day is great so that none is like it; and it is a time of Jacob's trouble...." (Jeremiah 30:5,7). World events indicate that this time in prophecy approaches inexorably. The modern-day nations of Jacob, specifically the United States, Britain and the old "white" Commonwealth are beset with international crises. And unlike World Wars I and II, when the American, British, Canadian, Australian, New Zealand and South African military forces fought side by side on far-flung battlefronts, today the countries of the English-speaking first world are as often as not pitted against one another.

The present British government, for example, is virtually isolated within the Commonwealth over the South African sanctions issue. Not only are the newer Commonwealth nations, as expected, in opposition to Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, but also arrayed against her are the governments of Australia, New Zealand and Canada. In fact, one of Mrs. Thatcher's deepest ideological foes is the former Australian Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser, a passionate advocate of sanctions.

Until very recently, it was three "Jacobean" powers linked together in a cornerstone alliance that has preserved the peace in the vital region of the Southwest Pacific. Now the 35-year-old ANZUS pact--Australia, New Zealand and the U.S.--is all but dead. This comes at a time when the U.S. has linked its fortunes to Asia. America's bilateral trade with Asia, Australia and New Zealand more than tripled in the past decade, reaching \$202 billion in 1985. It also comes at a time when the Soviets--sensing a power vacuum developing--are determined to play a greater role in the Pacific.

The New Zealand government, which announced in February 1985 that it would no longer permit U.S. nuclear-armed and -powered ships to make port calls, was not invited to the August 11 ANZUS meeting in San Francisco, leaving the U.S. and Australia as sole survivors. "We part as friends," said U.S. Secretary of State George Schultz, "but we part--on security matters." And now what's left of ANZUS is under severe strain. The Australian government, reeling under the combined impact of a huge trade deficit and recessionary prices for its principal exports, is livid over U.S. efforts to sell subsidized surpluses of wheat to the Soviet Union and sugar to China. The Australians warn that loss of these key markets means they would have to cut back on arms purchases from the U.S. At the same time, the nature of Australia's defense commitment is under serious review in Canberra. The Australians indicate they want to seriously pare back contributions to regional defense.

The government of the nearby city-state of Singapore, a Commonwealth member sitting astride one of the most strategic seagates in the world, is deeply concerned over three developments: 1) the crumbling of the ANZUS alliance and the spread of "nuclear-free zones," fostered by the Soviets and embraced, by a dozen or more small Pacific island nations; 2) the

uncertainty of events in the Philippines, both as to the future of the irreplaceable U.S. bases and the rising strength of the Communist rebels; and 3) the steady growth of Soviet power in the Pacific, from its burgeoning Pacific Fleet (now at least 410 vessels, including 30 nuclear-armed submarines) to its "angling" for fishing rights among the mini-states of the Western Pacific. (Though the Russian presence is still slight, the fear is, adds Australia's Malcolm Fraser: "It will start as a fish-processing facility. But that will have some refueling facilities, which will require repair facilities and, in turn, an airfield. Then, it is a base.")

In the Philippines, the year 1991--the end of the current leases on Clark Air Base and Subic Naval Base--looms threateningly over the horizon. In fact, Philippine and U.S. negotiators are expected to begin discussing a possible renewal agreement in 1988. A new treaty may be subject to a referendum in the Philippines, in which anti-U.S. left-wing nationalists (who want the Philippines to be declared "nuclear-free") will certainly campaign more noisily than those who wish, for security and economic reasons, the bases to remain. Let's look at these developments in detail. First of all we present excerpts from an article in the August 25 issue of THE WALL STREET JOURNAL. It was written by Peter Samuel, Washington correspondent for THE AUSTRALIAN, a national daily:

Little New Zealand is known in the U.S. as an errant ally.... But there's a far more serious alliance problem developing with Australia. Unlike the dispute with New Zealand, which focuses on a single issue, the U.S. problem with Australia is based on several differences.... If the U.S. and New Zealand can be said to be having a fiery divorce, the U.S. and Australia are quietly drifting apart.

Australians have traditionally fought alongside Americans in war. They fought in Korea and Vietnam, and in both world wars. Throughout its history, Australian defense policy has been based on the assumption that its fate is inextricably bound with that of the broader Western community. No more. In the name of self-reliance, Australia is moving toward a concept of an "independent" defense force that is at odds with its established role in joint operations with the U.S. and allies in the Pacific. Michael O'Connor, president of the Australian Defense Association, has written that Australia's new defense policy is so out of line with U.S. interests that it "constitutes a de facto withdrawal from ANZUS"...

Australia is cutting its defense-force capabilities and declaring that it will not provide defense assistance beyond Papua New Guinea and its own island possessions of Cocos and Norfolk. It is deliberately forswearing a regional role, and is discarding long-established cooperative arrangements with nearby southeast Asian countries (especially Singapore and Malaysia) and the South Pacific.

This change is reflected in a report to Parliament in June by Australian Defense Department consultant Paul Dibb. The report



asserts a complacent view of Australia's defense needs in its statement that "Australia is one of the most secure countries in the world.... We would receive at least 10 years' warning of a substantial military threat." Even more disturbing is the Dobb report's extremely limited view of Australia's role in the defense alliance. Joint U.S.-Australian communications facilities and permission for visits of U.S. warships and B-52s "are a sufficient tangible contribution to the alliance," it says. Furthermore, the report assumes that the U.S. alone will contain the Soviets and that Australia need not continue to shape its forces for joint operations with the U.S. "There is no requirement for Australia to become involved in United States contingency planning," it says....

Modest but versatile aircraft carriers and amphibious units have been abandoned and the number of frigates is scheduled to decline from 13 to nine through attrition. F-111 strike bombers will be denied a needed upgrade, meaning that the country will lose a strike force of considerable deterrent value. The Australian army--the doughty "diggers" of international fame at Gallipoli, Verdun and on the Kokoda Trail--is to suffer most drastically if plans go through to mothball most of its armor and artillery. The army will be reduced to a light mobile militia trained to thwart terrorist or guerrilla skirmishes.

Australia...[is holding a] strong line against several key elements of U.S. strategic policy, in particular the Strategic Defense Initiative and nuclear-weapons testing. Canberra has barred cooperation in SDI research and said that no U.S. satellite ground stations in Australia may be used in its support. In the United Nations and elsewhere, Australian representatives regularly call for an immediate, comprehensive ban on nuclear testing. Australia has also joined the movement for a nuclear-free zone in the South Pacific. The Hawke government has emphatically ruled out any new U.S. bases in Australia, though the U.S. would be hard pressed to protect forces in the region if its Philippine bases are lost.

U.S. Navy ship visits to Australia have declined sharply from 73 in 1982 to 55 this year. The Australian defense minister has reportedly asked for fewer visits.... The U.S. needs to look carefully at the current direction of Australian defense policy, making sure the New Zealand episode isn't repeated. Some official candor might well stop the rot.

**U.S. and Australia Drift Apart** To the Dobb report assertion that Australia would have a 10-year warning of a military threat, one recalls that Darwin, Northern Australia, was bombed only about two months after Pearl Harbor. Muddled history or not, the U.S.-Australia relationship is wearing thin. While he was in San Francisco for the ANZUS conference, Australia's Minister for Foreign Affairs Bill Hayden delivered a frank address to the city's Commonwealth Club. In it he said:

Now, Australia and the United States have reached a stage in their alliance of quite extraordinary significance.... What exactly is the value of the alliance to both its partners? How firm is the friendship which underpins the alliance and gives it its strength? How consistent is the community of interest which gives the alliance its staying power? In all my years in public life in Australia I do not recall such questioning across such a social range on an issue which has been so beyond doubt....

In strategic terms--particularly in the context of the security of the Pacific and Indian oceans--Australia is substantially and crucially important to the effectiveness of the Western community of nations and, in particular, to the U.S. role in that community. But Australia is also an ally that pulls its weight and pays its way.... We do not demand aid from the U.S. of any sort--military or civil. The connection does give Australia access to defense technology of unmatched sophistication. But...we pay good money for it--more than \$1 billion a year....

Manageability of the alliance is threatened when one partner takes action which damages the fundamental interests of its alliance colleagues. This brings me to the most pressing issue between Australia and the United States at the moment: the trade issue.... Our ability to sell our agricultural products that has produced our ability to buy your aircraft is being undermined by the unashamed protectionism of the Farm Bill. A few weeks ago Secretary of State George Shultz told Prime Minister Lange that New Zealand would remain a friend but not an ally. Now the Congress is telling Australia it is an ally but not a friend....

The shock just delivered to us--and from such a source--has already made Australians put the alliance on the weighing scales. The outrage of Australians at the Farm Bill...has been expressed across the spectrum.... Ralph Hunt, deputy leader of our most conservative political party, has said, "There is a growing feeling of anger and bitterness developing in our country at a level that I cannot remember before amongst conservative-voting and conservative-thinking people that have always been pro-American in the past." Furthermore, farmers in the rural areas of Australia are reacting to the U.S. trade policies so furiously that they are demanding the joint facilities be reviewed. Their voice will be added to those who have never been convinced that the benefit of alliance has been worth the price.

**"Third World" Australia** The U.S. farm legislation simply could not have come at a worse time for Australia. In a radio interview on May 15, Paul Keating, Treasurer of Australia, made the following comments:

We are running a current account deficit.... What that means is that we are importing about \$A12 billion more than we are

exporting, on an annual basis.... We are doing that because in the 1970s and early 1980s our manufacturing structure was destroyed and therefore we don't satisfy enough of our local needs by local production. We satisfy too much of it by imports.... And the other reason is that the exports that we normally sell--wheat, wool, sugar, copper, lead, zinc, iron ore, coke and coal--the prices of them are as bad as they have ever been.... In fact they are as low in real terms [as] in any time since the Depression....

We took the view in the 1970s...that "she'll be right. This is the lucky country, we can dig up another mound of rock and someone will buy it from us, or we can sell a bit of wheat and a bit of wool and we will just sort of muddle through." Well the fact is, nobody wants to buy the things we sell at those prices anymore. We are selling more coal and more iron ore and more of the agricultural products of late, by volume, than we have for years. But the prices are so bad that the earnings are down.... In the 1970s...we became an agrarian economy...we became a Third World economy, selling raw materials and food and we let the sophisticated industrial side fall apart.... [Sounds like trends in the U.S., too!]

We must let Australians know truthfully, honestly, earnestly, just what sort of an international hole Australia is in.... If this Government cannot get...manufacturing going again and keep moderate wage outcomes and a sensible economic policy, then Australia is basically done for. We will just end up being a third-rate economy.... Then...you are a banana republic....

Mr. Keating took considerable flak for his "banana republic" remark. But an editorial in THE AUSTRALIAN (May 30) defended the Treasurer:

Mr. Keating's comments about a banana republic were much too close to the mark.... The salient economic features of a banana republic are a weak private sector, heavy government spending and dependence on bananas.... Business will...invest if it has faith in the Government's economic management of Australia, and faith that it can expect some cooperation and realism from the unions.... The [government-trade unions] accord has not delivered wage restraint, and it is time we stopped pretending otherwise.

Britain's FINANCIAL TIMES (June 5) also commented on "Rough Water Ahead" for Australia:

In just 19 months' time, Australia celebrates the 200th anniversary of its first foreign settlement.... But this most urbanised of people, dwelling so securely on the sun-baked rim of a sparse South Sea island the size of Western Europe, now faces enormous challenges.... If this seems a surprise, it is worth remembering that Australia has now slipped out of the top ten in the world economic league. Indeed, there is no shortage of Australians warning that their country is now truly on the

slide. The nation, they say, has been living beyond its means for too long. They point to crime, corruption and drug abuse, to cloistered unenterprising businessmen and bloody-minded trade unions...and to complacency and willful ignorance borne of peace and isolation.

In another article in the same issue of THE FINANCIAL TIMES, it was reported that:

In recent times, the citizens have been warned by a leading industrialist that they risk becoming the poor white trash of Asia.... [This and other] dire warnings appear to be received with a good deal of arm's-length scepticism, however. Australia has, after all, been in deep holes before, in both the 1930s and 1960s, and something has always turned up--hence the nickname "Lucky Country." But the something has been an upturn in commodity prices, or the discovery of new deposits of mineral wealth for which the world was clamouring....

**Singapore's Concerns** The government of Singapore, by contrast, takes a no-nonsense approach to security matters in the Southwest Pacific. Recently, Singapore's Prime Minister Lee Kwan-yew lectured a group of visiting New Zealanders on the dangers of Wellington's "no-nukes" policies. The May 5 issue of INSIGHT magazine reported that, despite New Zealand's stand, "Lee said regional security would not be harmed as long as Australia maintained its defense link with the United States."

In a July 12 speech in San Francisco, Singapore's Defense Minister Lee Hsien Loong described the birth pains of independent Singapore, "the communist-inspired rioting and mayhem" which nearly destroyed its inception, the political leadership of Prime Minister Lee Kwan-yew and his associates which put the tiny nation on a firm foundation, Singapore's subsequent economic boom and, finally, the recession of 1985 and the government's austerity measures to combat it. At the end of his speech the Defense Minister was asked for his assessment of the growing Soviet presence in the Western Pacific. He answered that the Soviets

...are very interested in the region. What saves us as Southeast Asian non-communist and non-aligned nations is that the Americans are also there, at Clark Air Force Base and Subic Bay in the Philippines, showing a strategic interest in the region, maintaining a watch.... At the equilibrium point of the influences of two superpowers, there is a knife edge on which small countries can balance. That is what we hope the U.S. will maintain.

Both Singapore and neighboring Indonesia are wary of Philippine President Corazon Aquino's primary emphasis on persuasion and reconciliation as the method to defuse the Communist rebellion under way in the Philippines. (She has said that she is not opposed to force, but only as a last resort.) On her first international trip, which was to Indonesia, President Suharto bluntly counselled her to "crush Communism" before it got a foothold. He told Mrs. Aquino that he had 20 years of experience in battling communism.

Prime Minister Lee, according to accounts in the new book "The Tiger and the Trojan Horse" (reviewed in the September 23 WALL STREET JOURNAL by Arthur Waldron) had to fight tooth-and-nail for Singapore's freedom in a bitter seven-year struggle with the Communists, who attempted to undermine his People's Action Party. The Communist plan was to take control of the PAP covertly, win on its non-communist platform and show their true colors only when firmly in power--the same tactics the Sandinistas have used in coming out on top of the Nicaraguan revolution. Reviewer Waldron commented in this way:

The story points up the dilemmas that resisting communism poses.... Defeating the communists had a cost: Although in form a parliamentary democracy, and by Asian standards rather open, Singapore is tightly run, and its government is regularly criticized by human-rights groups.... But the PAP would argue that democratic means alone would not have done the job. The communists were ruthless, and the people were afraid of them.... So the PAP felt justified in employing police repression [specifically, temporary detention without trial].... It is at this point that many Westerners part company: For them, the liberal end does not justify the illiberal means. But...there are times, Mr. Lee might argue, when, paradoxically, "to be liberal would be to be illiberal--to allow tyranny to take over in the name of freedom."

--Gene Hogberg, News Bureau

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Goals Addressed: 1. Trunk strength 2. Standing balance 3. ambulation	
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