

## College honors 30th graduating class

**By James Capo**  
PASADENA — Members of the 30th graduating class of Ambassador College received their degrees May 12 in the graduation ceremony in the lower gardens of the Pasadena campus. For the 35 who received their bachelor of arts degrees and the seven who received masters, it was a culmination of several hard and often trying years during which the campus was closed at Big Sandy, Tex., and

night before graduation, with slides and a running commentary of Ambassador's recent history.

### 'Go forth to serve'

The graduation ceremony was opened by Deputy Chancellor Raymond F. McNair giving the invocation and address of welcome. Outgoing student body president David Myers then gave the discourse, in which he recalled for the seniors a motto inscribed in the wall of his old former school, "Enter to Learn, Go Forth to Serve."

"Fellow graduating seniors," Mr. Myers said, "we have completed the first half. . . We have been given the most valuable knowledge on the face of the earth." Relating how Jesus Christ told His disciples that the greatest among them would be servant of all, Mr. Myers encouraged those graduating to now do the second half of the motto, to go forth to serve, because "knowledge that is not put to use is of no value at all."

The Ambassador Chorale, under the direction of John D. Schroeder, performed "Let There Be Peace on Earth" and the "Hallelujah Chorus" before evangelist Herman Hoeh delivered the commencement address.

"We [Ambassador College] provide education for life," he said, explaining that we need to put to the test, and make known, that type of education. Mr. Hoeh explained that others will know that education through the character of the students, through the opportunities the students have to project that education wherever they go.

### God-given opportunities

Relating how Ambassador students are involved in projects in Israel and Thailand, helping us to "better understand the mistakes and accomplishments of our ancestors" through archaeology and participating in "education for survival" of Cambodian refugees, Mr. Hoeh said, "It is unique that an institution as small as this should have the privilege [of participating in such projects] . . . This is not something that we have achieved ourselves. . ."

Mr. Hoeh said God has opened up these opportunities, it being His will that we should "convey the nature of education for life, fundamentally expressed in character. All other forms of learning are ultimately dependent upon that fundamental area."

It is the "overinstructed and undereducated" who will discover that they were aiming only at this world, Mr. Hoeh said. The ultimate test of education is that we survive in the future.

Following the commencement address, the Watson Wice Incentive Award for scholarship and Christian service was awarded to Richard Micheal Bennett, and the conferring of degrees commenced.

In a separate ceremony May 13 in the Fine Art Recital Hall, 12 received a Diploma in Biblical Studies and the Certificate of the Ministry was awarded to three men.

### Degrees conferred

According to the Registrar's Of-



**DEPUTY CHANCELLOR AWARDS DIPLOMAS** — Deputy Chancellor Raymond F. McNair, representing Herbert W. Armstrong, founder and chancellor of Ambassador College, presents a bachelor of arts diploma to graduate Lori Richardson May 12. (Photo by Roland Rees)

fice, those who graduated with a bachelor's degree are: Christopher C. Beam, Thomas M. Chaffee, Derrick Jason Coker, James Frederick Frick Jr., Julie Ann Gallagher, Gary Sheldon Glasford, Ronald Anthony Guizado, Brian Keith Gulliver, M. Warner Hall, William Frederick Hail, James G. Herst, Ronald Edward Ion, Diane Linda Kinder, Michael P. Kroll, Keith Francis MacDonald, Alan Benjamin Maggio Jr., Pamela Lynn Mehnert, Douglas Barry Moody, Patricia Fisk Moody, Philippa Moss, Jeffrey Allan Morris, David James Myers, Shane Schaible Ramsey, Jessie Ray Reynolds, Phillip Mark Rice, Lori Anne Richardson, Daniel J. Samson, Deborah Kay Saylor, Richard George Stodola Jr., Edward Lee Strickland Jr., William Michael

Tessman, Wayne Roger Turgeon, April Dare Waybright, Bryan David Weeks and B. Kim Wenzel.

Those who graduated with a master of arts are: Thomas Michael Damour, Joseph P. Kasowski, Charles E. Knowlton, Ronald W. Laughland, Randy L. Redel, Malcolm Richard Tofts and Ronald James Phillip Wroblewski.

Those receiving the Diploma in Biblical Studies were: Chris Anderson, Les Buckley, Benjamin Faulkner Jr., Greg Gaetzman, Edward Hayworth, Mark Knaack, Gaye Noble, Rosalyn Ina Theresa Verwater, Yvonne B. M. Verwater, Brian W. Warner, Gladys Whyte and Oleh J. Zajac.

Certificates of the Ministry were awarded to Ronald Duskins, James Kale and Norman A. Myers.

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receivership was imposed on the Church, threatening the college's existence. But it was also during a time when Chancellor Herbert W. Armstrong set about returning Ambassador to the original standards and ideals of God's college.

About half of those receiving bachelors degrees began their Ambassador careers at the former sister-campus in Big Sandy, coming to Pasadena when the college merged in 1977. The story of those students was told at the Graduation Ball, sponsored by the junior class the

## Senate supports bill

The California State Senate passed the Perris Bill No. 1493 by a vote of 21 to 1 May 15. The following article was written before the Senate action. Church attorney Ralph K. Helge, reached by phone at the Los Angeles, Calif., International Airport upon his return from consultations with legislative officials at the State Capitol, commented, "By the Senate's actions in passing this bill removing all civil power from the attorney general, they have implicitly recognized the truth of our charge of political corruption."

The Legal Office of Rader, Helge and Gerson stated that the bill must also be passed by the California General Assembly and signed by the governor before it becomes state law.

Mr. Kotora pointed out that the actions of the attorney general are "flagrant violations" of the rights granted by the First and Fourteenth Amendments to the Constitution.



**MINISTERS SPEAKS** — Joe Kotora addresses rally in front of California State Capitol Building.

Sacramento Church pastor Joel Lillengren also addressed the assembly on the need to "awaken from apathy and . . . stand up for our religious freedom." In a later interview with *The Worldwide News*, Mr. Lillengren stated that a "climate of terrible indifference" regarding the defense of constitutional rights exists in Sacramento, as "people are not aware of the implications of the attorney general's actions."

Several members of the media covered the rally, including Sacramento television and radio outlets, radio station KFVB of Los Angeles, Calif., and various newspapers. An article appeared in the Sunday edition of the Sacramento *Bee* May 11 concerning the impact of the proposed bill, stating "The matter [concerning the powers of the California attorney general] . . . is

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**SACRAMENTO, Calif.** — "Except as the [California] attorney general is empowered to act in the enforcement of the criminal laws of this state . . . [he] . . . shall have no powers with respect to religious corporations."

So reads proposed Senate Bill No. 1493 before the California legislature. On May 12, 150 Church members gathered with other representatives of religious bodies here at the State Capitol of California to show their support of the proposed bill.

While Church members distributed copies of the "State vs. Church" reprint, local elder Joe Kotora of Ministerial Services in Pasadena spoke before the assembly of politicians, interested citizens and members of the media concerning the attempted seizure of the Church's offices in Pasadena. According to a report filed by Ambassador College graduate Lon Lacey of Sacramento, Mr. Kotora explained to the group how the actions by the California attorney general are part of a continuing attempt to control church affairs.

## SEP's tuition lowered to help more experience summer camp

**By Michael Snyder**  
PASADENA — Tuition for the 1980 Summer Educational Program [SEP] at Orr, Minn., was cut from \$300 to \$175 for each of the two four-week sessions, according to Kevin Dean of the Work's Public Information Office. "If a family is sending two teenagers, the tuition will drop further to \$150 per individual," he stated.

The move to lower tuition costs for the four-week sessions is to allow as many teenagers as possible to benefit from the newly revised program at Orr this year. The sessions will feature a "new dimension," reports Mr. Dean, since Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong has directed that emphasis be placed on "skill and character-building" at the Church-owned camp on the shores of Lake Pelican. The recreation program of SEP will be "integrated with an educational element focusing on God's truth."

Water-skiing, canoeing and other traditional activities at Orr will be coupled with Bible baseball and Bible Bowl tournaments, as well as special films, lectures and presentations. "Mr. Armstrong has long been

an advocate of the 'give' way of life," relates Mr. Dean. The lowered tuition costs should enable "as many teenagers as possible" to take advantage of the new program.

An important aspect of the 1980 sessions will be the active involvement of God's ministry. Mr. Dean stated that Mr. Armstrong is planning to speak at both sessions and evangelists Stanley R. Rader, Joe Tkach, Ellis LaRavia and Raymond McNair will visit the Orr facility to meet and talk with the SEP participants. Pastors from the U.S. field ministry were assigned to help with the administration and operation of the camp. Several Ambassador College students and faculty members will serve as counselors and activities directors. Mr. Dean noted that the program will "reflect the true values and high standards that Mr. Armstrong has been restoring in Ambassador College."

To help the campers develop an "attitude of striving for excellence," negotiations have been opened to bring well-known professional athletes to both sessions of the camp. Mr. Dean indicated that official an-

nouncements would be forthcoming. "We're working with members of pro football teams, waterskiing champions and other outstanding people to coordinate their schedules with the session dates at Orr."

In addition to the planned educational aspect, many of the traditional activities of past years will again be featured at the Minnesota facility. Water sports will play a big role, as well as basketball, volleyball and other team sports. "Sportsmanship, fair play and personal growth" will be emphasized, according to Mr. Dean. He also stated that awards for excellence in events will again be a part of the program, with teamwork and cooperation stressed.

Parents are urged to send in their teenagers' applications as soon as possible to take advantage of the new tuition rates. According to the National YOU Office, openings in both sessions are available. The sessions are scheduled as follows: June 17-July 13, first session; July 17-August 13, second session. Mr. Dean stated that the appropriate refunds will be made to those who have already paid the tuition costs.

# Pastor reflects on wife's death

Arthur Suckling, pastor of three churches in England, lost his wife of 12 years to cancer Sept. 25, 1979. To help others cope and grow, Mr. Suckling reflected on his trials in a sermon. The following article is excerpted from that sermon for the benefit of our readers worldwide.

## By Arthur Suckling

Not so many years ago a gentleman named Ronald Higgins wrote an article for *The Observer* about the world committing suicide. His book, *The Seventh Enemy*, was a follow-up to that article.

He went through the population explosion, starvation, the consumption of mineral resources, the degradation of the environment, nuclear potential and science and technology — six big areas.

He also wrote about the seventh area, which he named "the human

factor." He said that if the world collapses it will be because of this seventh enemy — inner apathy and moral problems.

I think he was correct. When you read a book like that, it makes you realize how close his conclusions are to those the Church holds.

There are diseases and illnesses in the world and we have sickness, suffering and unhappiness in the Church of God. So what's the difference between the suffering in the world and the problems we have among our brethren in the Church? There is a vital difference!

### My wife's death

I'd like to illustrate that difference by what the doctor said to me June 28, 1979. At 4:10 that afternoon he told me my wife was going to die. At that time he, as it were, delivered a death sentence, although I knew that God could intervene at any time. He said that my wife had malignant melanoma, and that she would have

only four or five months to live, a deplorable situation.

But, when we as members of God's Church are confronted with unpleasant facts, we have something to draw on the rest of the world doesn't. The doctor said to me: "You're lucky. You have a faith to believe in." He knew that I was a minister of the Worldwide Church of God. He knew that I believed in God. Therefore he saw me as fortunate. He has seen people faced with like situations crack and crumble because they had no future to look forward to.

That is the difference between sufferings in the Church and sufferings in the world. We have a faith, a God and a future. I get a great deal of comfort from that truth. That understanding is priceless.

### Why me?

That critical period was a time of reevaluation for me. It was a time when I naturally asked myself: "Why? Why did God permit this to happen to me? Here are two children, 7 and 10 years old, now without their mother. Here I am with a single parent family."

Ask yourself the question, "Why?" What is the sense behind this particular trial? My answer was, quite honestly, "I don't know!" So I started looking into the Bible for examples, for reasons, for justification if you like.

Out of that study came a vital principle. It is this: We may not understand why we are going through a particular trial, but we can have confidence that God is going to do the best thing for us to get us into His Kingdom.

As I continued studying, I looked at some biblical examples. If you look into the Bible you will begin to see that we are not any different from other human beings in that sense.

Notice Daniel 3:14-18, paraphrased: "And Nebuchadnezzar said to them, 'Is it true, Shadrach, Meshach and Abed-nego, that you do not serve my gods or worship the golden image that I have set up? Now if you are ready, when you hear

the sound of the horn, pipe, lyre, harp, trigon, bagpipe and every kind of music, to fall down and worship the image that I have made, well and good. If you do not worship, you shall be immediately cast into the fiery furnace, and who is the God who shall deliver you out of my hands?"

That was a real trial. But these three young men were not going to compromise. So they said, "King Nebuchadnezzar, we have no need even to answer you in this matter." Why didn't they need to answer? They were facing certain death! The anticipation was not pleasant. They could have asked themselves, "Why us?" but they replied instead: "If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and He will deliver us out of your hand, O king. But, if not, be it known to you, O king, that we will not worship your gods nor serve the golden image that you have set up."

They could have looked at God and asked Him why He had allowed them to be put in that situation (surely He didn't want them to be so frightened). But instead they trusted God even in the face of imminent death.

### Job's big trial

Take a look at the well-known example of a righteous man who had a big blind spot — his self-righteousness. In a very short period of time, Job went from serenity, happiness and righteousness to a man bereft of almost everything he had. All of his servants were slain; then all of his sheep were destroyed and he lost all of his camels. Then on top of this horrific economic disaster, he lost all of his children as well.

We talk about a stress factor in a person's life. How much stress do you think Job went through? I imagine his ordeal would go off the end of any stress scale. The only thing remaining was his wife, and from the way she reacted, she was no help at all.

But notice a key point. "In all this Job sinned not, nor charged God foolishly" (Job 1:22). So many people turn around and say: "God, you aren't fair. Why did you allow this to happen?" Just because times are rough and you are confronted with a

wretched situation, that doesn't mean God isn't dealing with you or has abandoned you.

Notice Job 9:17: "For he breaketh me with a tempest, and multiplieth my wounds without cause." We know Job's blind spot. We know that Job felt indignant about this. He felt that he wasn't being dealt with fairly. Verse 20: "If I justify myself, mine own mouth shall condemn me: if I say, I am perfect, it shall also prove me perverse." Job found himself in a dilemma. Job's conclusion was that God destroys the perfect and the wicked. This is not an erroneous conclusion. God does allow both the righteous and the unrighteous to die.

Notice now Job 13:15: "Though he slay me, will I trust in him: but I will maintain mine own ways before him." Job did have the Achilles' heel problem here. He was going to maintain his own righteousness. He didn't feel he was being dealt with fairly and as a consequence he was going to stick to his guns unto death.

But Job's attitude changed later. "I know that thou canst do every thing, and that no thought can be withholden from thee" (Job 42:2). Job knew that God could monitor all his thoughts. So many times we forget this. Our very thought patterns must be brought into line with God's thoughts.

Job continued: "Who is he that hideth counsel without knowledge? therefore have I uttered that I understood not [we all have that problem from time to time]; things too wonderful for me, which I knew not. Hear, I beseech thee, and I will speak: I will demand of thee, and declare thou unto me. I have heard of thee by the hearing of the ear: but now mine eye seeth thee. Wherefore I abhor myself, and repent in dust and ashes" (verses 3-6).

Job came to the place where he realized what real repentance was. He evaluated himself in the light of God's Word and realized that he was nothing but a burned-out hunk of junk.

### Suffering develops character

As we look at these examples of Job and of Shadrach, Meshach and Abed-nego we can see the end justifies the means. God was right in

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# Just one more thing

## By Dexter H. Faulkner

"Son, could you lend me 50 bucks?"

This may not be an unusual request in these days of high inflation. After all, many teenagers are "in the money."

It's comparatively new, this teenage affluence. My wife and I can remember the day when most young people had little money of their own. But today it is not unusual for the high school or secondary school contingent to have cars, buy their own clothes and even travel to Europe with teenage groups.

As to the effect of this comparative wealth on our young people, there seems to be mixed emotions. Some people feel teenagers have too much money today, that they don't know how to handle it and are often wasteful.

As a concerned parent I ask myself, what can be done about it? Should my teenagers be taught the value of money in the schools? Or is this my responsibility?

After a little research, I found that both schools and some parents are having a word with young people on the subject.

Some schools are doing so with modernized consumer-education courses. Some of them even instruct teenagers in how to buy a car, how to finance it and how to operate it economically.

Teenagers are interested in clothes. They want to look sharp and yet not spend all their money on them. Special consumer-buying courses include tips on this, too.

How much should be spent on recreation, on sports, etc.? Pupils are asked to add up their spending in this area and decide what part of their incomes should be devoted to leisure-time activities as compared with other needs. If your children's school has such a program, that's good, but it is not enough. There are also spiritual principles involved in the handling of money that Christian parents need to teach their young sons and daughters. To be sure your young people are getting a good foundation, both economically and spiritually, why not start your own home education program in the proper use of money?

Start early and in a businesslike way. You will have to do your homework. Proverbs is especially full of helpful instructional material for sound money management. Following are a few points that I have found helpful in teaching my children money management.

• First determine your child's monetary needs. Discuss them with the youngster, making sure he understands how and why you arrived at

the specific sum you decide is proper. Be fair, consider all his needs and allot enough to adequately cover them.

• Promise this amount on a regular basis and keep that promise. Rules should not be ironclad, but the child should understand that he has to live within the given allowance. This is an ideal time to teach the principle of tithing. First tithe, putting God first and the giving principle. The second tithe, looking forward to the Holy Days, and most of all, the meaning of the Feast of Tabernacles when God commands us to enjoy what we have saved. Plus the explanation of the third-tithe blessing.

• It is not wise to give him or her a bonus for good behavior or good grades in school or to pay extra for regular household chores. These should be performed as a part of family responsibility.

• Encourage your children to keep track of their expenditures and income — a good habit to form early.

• The child should be allowed to make his or her own spending decisions. This is where young people learn responsibility. Of course, they will make mistakes, but don't we all? Better to learn these lessons with a limited amount of money under parental supervision. It does not mean that you never offer advice or make observations on how the money was spent, but only that you do not make those decisions for him or her.

• Once the amount of the allowance is established the child should not be given more money just because he or she has spent all he or she had.

• If the child asks for a raise, give it thoughtful consideration — discuss it! This is an ideal time to communicate!

• As children grow older take time to have family instruction on how to make a workable budget, how to write a check, open a bank account, read a contract before you sign it, fill out income tax forms, apply for credit or a bank loan. All these items are important parental responsibilities. Don't assume your youngsters are taught all this information in their schools. If wrongly taught or never understood, it could mean economic disaster for them in adult life.

Learning to budget, save, plan ahead and spend wisely all contribute to the child's ability to learn how to make good decisions.

A final word, brethren. As Christian parents, we need to manage our own finances carefully. Children are apt to pick up their parents' habits, good or bad.

In the next issue I hope to explain why I had to ask my son to lend me 50 bucks.

# Widow a link for brethren worldwide

## By Hugh Mauck

PASADENA — Mary Floy Mauck, 88, died shortly after noon April 21.

Mrs. Mauck had been a widow 49 years and outlived two of her three children, seven of her eight brothers and sisters and many of her nieces and nephews. Yet she had a spiritual family that extended around the world, God fulfilling for her His promise to provide "an hundredfold" brethren, sisters and children in this life, and in the world to come eternal life (Mark 10:30).

Mrs. Mauck was baptized in early 1955, shortly after God opened the doors for His Church to begin preaching the Gospel in Europe. During those days Richard David Armstrong was assigned to work in England. Mrs. Mauck, single and alone, began corresponding with him to keep him informed of the Church's growth in America. He in turn wrote to her about the news in England and Europe, which she passed on to other members through letters, cards and phone conversations.

In those early years the Work had no formal means (such as the *WN* today) of communicating news of the Work to the ministry and members around the world.

Word soon got around that Mrs. Mauck was well-informed and a good letter writer, with the ability to make her correspondence interesting. She had a love for writing, a keen interest in what others wrote her and, perhaps more important, the time to devote herself fully to

providing links between the Work's offices worldwide.

As word continued to spread, more and more ministers, along with many members, began to request that she write to them. And so, having obtained Herbert W. Armstrong's approval, Mrs. Mauck began a unique spiritual service, sustaining the scattered ministry and members with information and encouragement.

For almost a quarter of a century she pounded out letters on her aging portable typewriter, till her eyes dimmed and her fingers got too stiff to control. For about the past three years she wrote by hand. And although she had to curtail much of her correspondence, she continued writing until the day she died.

After the birth of *The Worldwide News*, ministerial bulletins and other forms of official Church communication, the need for Mrs. Mauck to correspond was not as great. But by that time, she had made hundreds of friends around the world, who kept in touch with other friends through her.

Hundreds of ministers and Ambassador College students and faculty members would visit her, intending to cheer up a lonely widow. Instead, to their amazement, they found themselves being cheered up and entertained by Mrs. Mauck's quick wit and inspired by her biblical knowledge.

Mrs. Mauck's memory remained sharp until just hours before she died. She told me several months ago that she felt she had lived long

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# FORUM

WITH STANLEY R. RADER

This issue's "Forum" is excerpted from comments made by Stanley R. Rader, the Work's treasurer and general counsel to Herbert W. Armstrong, in Pasadena May 6. Mr. Rader's address covers various aspects of the present state of the Church.

I'm very happy to be here today. It's been a long time since I've been in Pasadena for any length of time. As you know I've been away almost 10 weeks. And I guess much has happened here and there are probably many questions that you have to ask. I just want to make a few announcements to you and go right to your question-and-answer session.

This is a new ad that will be appearing hopefully around the country [see ad, page 6]. "83 Million Americans versus California's Attorney General. Who do you think is right?" Now, in the past, we've had to speak for ourselves. Everything that we have said by way of public utterance in advertisements of this type, we had said. But this time we have taken excerpts of the transcript proceedings of a press conference March 7, 1980, in Washington, D.C., at the United Methodist Building. This was the time when these major religious organizations and churches announced that they were filing on our behalf amicus briefs with the Supreme Court to back up our writ of certiorari.

We have the comments of Dean Kelley who represents the National Council of Churches. We have Leo Pfeffer who is one of the leading experts in the entire field of constitutional law as it relates to the First Amendment and the freedom of religion in particular and then Mr. Tribe, Professor [Laurence] Tribe of Harvard Law School, our own counsel, prepared the brief. And I think you'll find it a compelling statement. We hope to place this immediately in the Los Angeles [Calif.] Times, the [Pasadena] Star-News, Washington Post and New York Times. And Mr. Armstrong has told me to get it placed in Time magazine around the world. So I have to go to work on that. And we'll step up our efforts in this area. It's a good advertisement, for many reasons. It's quite detailed, and I think it will impress those people who read it. I don't think they could miss it. It's a very powerful headline.

I also have saved this announcement for my being able to tell you in person. Remember back in April of 1979 some of you watched Mike Wallace on 60 Minutes, and he had attacked Mr. Rader as being investigated by the Criminal Tax Division of the Internal Revenue Service. Well, we knew for some time that the investigation had been terminated, with the Internal Revenue Service withdrawing, and I wanted to be able to tell you that today personally. And it's official. The letter has been received. What we all knew was true, anyway, has simply been now something that the Internal Revenue Service also realizes, that I, and I don't think any other member of the Church, to my knowledge, have ever been guilty of any infraction of the Internal Revenue Code, no less criminally.

But we know that there have been false informers for years. And they just simply gave the Internal Revenue Service, as they did before to the Customs Service, false information about us. And they had to spend a great deal of time running down the facts.

But I had always known the Internal Revenue Service would deal with people in accordance with the ground rules. That is with accordance to the law. I've dealt with them off and on for 30 years myself representing other clients. And they did not in any way change my opinion as a result of

this 15-month investigation. They were not like the people from the attorney general's office who will lie when they think it's necessary. They'll invent when necessary, in their opinion, and they will malign and slander.

And it was not the Internal Revenue Service, by the way, that announced they were conducting an investigation. That's against the rules also. But it was the Honorable Judge [Steven] Weisman and people like that who breached the confidence of

quiet confidence, supreme confidence.

And I feel that this battle between the State of California on one hand trying to destroy this Church, and the Church and its brethren worldwide defending, I think, without a doubt, it will go down in the annals of constitutional law in such story form, by the time it's through, that as long as there are books dealing with things in this world, people will not forget it. It will be something like the Peter Zenger trial, which had to do with freedom of the press in the early days of our revolution. Besides the fact that people will understand that God is a living God, and that Christ is sitting with Him, I think all of those things will be more meaningful for people in the future because they will see the way we come out of this struggle despite the fact that we are dealing with people who will lie and invent. When our own government officials will lie and invent where they think it necessary, and will slander and defame where it isn't even necessary, we are living in a much different age than most of the people

ident for political corruption only scratches the surface when you get down to what Mr. Helge is referring to in his comments. You should read them very carefully. And I'm still hoping that there will be reporters, a hungry one who will get in there and dig. Woodward and Bernstein were very, very hungry.

All you have to do is put Pacht together with Chodos, together with Tapper, and just take it forward. You see all the rules have been violated. The conspiracy and the collusion are there. And then all you have to do is take Pacht, [Julius] Title, and [Thomas] Johnson and [Robert] Weil and put them together. They're all protecting one another, desperately covering one another.

But if someone starts with that story, or they could start with Weisman. How does an ex-justice who never made more than "y" number of dollars in his whole life, how does he come to get involved in a situation where, if everything worked out as Judge Pacht wanted it to when he said, "Unless those people came in

amaze me in so many different ways. How many of you saw a teletype this week starring Henry Fonda based upon the Gideon trial? Did anybody see that? About the man who was sentenced to prison and did not have the benefit of counsel even though he asked for it. Mr. Armstrong watched it very carefully. And he said, "It's amazing, isn't it Stan, how political the whole process is of the Supreme Court?" You see, no one cared about Gideon. No one cared that this man had been incarcerated without a fair trial. When they were weighing the pros and cons they were worried about the political factors. How much money is this going to cost the state? How much money is it going to cost other states? How many people are in prison in Florida already who were there improperly? Five thousand. That's terrible. You let 5,000 people get out who don't belong there, or who arguably don't because their rights have been invaded, that's going to make the whole system look bad. So Gideon's fate was determined not so much by the merits of the case as it might affect Gideon. But they were affected by the politics.

That's why, when I spoke in China the first time, I pointed out that there is no issue in this country the way it's presently constituted that is not settled ultimately in the courts. So you've got an awful lot of power out there in the courts. And if that power is even a little bit corrupted, you've got a very evil thing.

But Mr. Armstrong has always taught us that there is no justice in this world. And you know what he says the Bible tells us about judges. So with that as a reminder, basically, to read Mr. Helge's comments carefully. They're very compelling. He has been on the firing line here the last couple of months while I was away. And what he said is very cogent. It is very convincing. It is very conclusive. I'm hoping, we're going to circulate it widely and maybe a reporter somewhere will get to work. Because it could be a Pulitzer Prize as I've said from the outset for the reporter willing to do the job. And we'll help them. And we'll give him all the facts he needs. We cooperated with anybody who had a right to have the information and was not trying to destroy this Church in the process.

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the Internal Revenue Service and it got to Mike Wallace.

But again you will probably notice no effort on behalf of 60 Minutes to undo the damage that they did by their gratuitous statement. All of you might write and ask them to give us a postscript. But it would surprise me if they did. I will personally send a letter to that effect just for the record.

But it's good in a way that it happened because now we have another agency of the government that knows the difference between false witness and something that is not false. And they also know that we cooperated fully with them. They abided by the rules, so we not only abided by the rules, but we waived all our constitutional rights. As a matter of fact I gave them information they would never otherwise be able to get. So they all know that, and eventually maybe the word will filter out to other agencies that these people like [Earl] Timmons and the like continue to write. They just simply peddle false information. And it's made me very mindful as I read the Bible how often the words false witness pop up. You go through the gospels, as you go through the book of Acts, go through the Bible, Old Testament as well, you'll see "false witness, false witness, false witness" coming up over and over again.

It takes on new meaning for me every time I read it, and we now know more about what persecution means, and how persecution and false witness goes together. But we do have God on our side and He will protect us. I thought I'd tell you that personally so that we know at least one problem is now gone by the wayside.

Mr. [Ralph] Helge, while I was away, I understand gave a sermon or a sermonette in Church that brought you up to date on the lawsuit [see article, page 4]. Those are very good comments. He covers the whole spectrum of the lawsuit, exactly where we stand now and what other things we have to be mindful of. I cannot stress too much, these will be the words that I think we will not only remember, but I think that people all over the world will ultimately remember and come to understand.

The most confident, the most optimistic words in the whole Bible, I think — that's my own opinion — are found in Mark 13:31 when Christ said, "Heaven and earth shall pass away; but my words shall not pass away." I can't find any other statement anywhere in the Bible that remotely compares to that in terms of

in this country are yet willing to recognize."

As Mr. Armstrong said, those helicopters that failed in Iran, failed because of an act of God. And no one here yet in this country, except maybe the few of us who have been called, no one wants to recognize that we have in this world defied God for too long.

I'm still hopeful that just as there were a Bernstein and Woodward who came to the surface and brought to the light political and governmental corruption at the time of the Watergate affair, we will find some reporter with some guts to dig, and he will uncover, I think in the final analysis, a bigger story. Because there was only one Nixon. But this pattern is rife. This pattern is from state to state, from municipality to municipality. Getting rid of one pres-

out there," he would have earned \$400 thousand in the first year, an associate in his office would have earned the same amount of money, and that associate's daughter would have earned almost that much money. It's a beautiful story, isn't it. Those are your real dollar numbers, dollar amounts. Those are the ones that would turn on the public.

But nobody wants to write it yet. Because the minute you do, you start to undermine the confidence of the people in the judiciary. And I can show you case after case after case where the people in power, the establishment, have stated directly and indirectly it is better to let injustice go uncorrected than to expose the evil. Because the judiciary is that bastion, you might say. It has not yet been exposed for what it is.

Mr. Armstrong never ceases to

## Canadian Work surges ahead

By Leslie L. McCullough  
VANCOUVER, B.C. — The Work in Canada is enjoying record-breaking increases, with no indication that the trend has reached its peak. Terms such as "booming, soaring, sky-rocketing" or "fantastic, incredible and unbelievable" are often misused and construed as exaggerations. Unfortunately, no other way describes what is happening to God's Work in Canada in 1980.

### A surge in growth

Under the vigorous leadership of Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong, God is continuing to bless the Canadian Work, and the surge in growth is generating optimism for the future.

Canadian donation mail for the January-March period is up 8.6 percent over 1979, regular mail is up 48 percent and advertisement response is up a whopping 4,495 percent. How do you measure or describe a 4,000-percent increase without using the adjectives listed above?

In the last three months *The Plain Truth* mailing list doubled from last year, each issue carrying timely, hard-hitting articles by Mr. Armstrong. Out of 124,854 advertisement responses received, 95,000 are for *The Plain Truth*.

### 'PT' coverage good

The *PT* newsstand program, which carries Mr. Armstrong's personal and lead articles as well as

other important material, is approaching a monthly distribution mark of 400,000 issues. We hope to reach the half-million-issue-monthly figure before the year is out with several new outlets. We also hope to boost the regular *Plain Truth* subscription list to 300,000 copies. Since Canada has about seven million households, this will give us good coverage using only the print medium.

But the printed page is only part of God's Work in Canada. The nationwide CKO radio network is providing an increasingly effective means of preaching Christ's Gospel through Mr. Armstrong. For the first time in months, the Vancouver Office is receiving many letters from enthusiastic listeners to *The World Tomorrow* broadcast. Contracts for the television broadcast featuring Mr. Armstrong are being prepared, which will provide 12 outlets for the next 52 weeks.

The Spring Holy Days are another indication of the state of God's Work in Canada. Nationwide attendance was up 7 percent over 1979, with a 24-25 percent increase in Holy Day offerings. Canadian pastors report an increasing number of visit requests from new people, and the Church brethren here are expressing a fresh wave of enthusiasm for the Work. People are concerned about the climactic headlines in their daily papers, and the churches are waxing strong behind Mr. Armstrong.

Perhaps these trends can all be

summed up in a paraphrase of the Merrill Lynch stockbrokers advertisement, "Canadians are bullish on the Worldwide Church of God."

### WANT YOUR PHOTOS RETURNED?

If you want your photos from "Local Church News," "Announcements," "The baby coupon or feature articles returned, please include a self-addressed stamped envelope with the pictures. Write your name and address on the back of each photo with a felt-tip pen or use a gummed label, as the pressure from writing with a pen or pencil frequently damages the image in the reverse side. We also recommend including a piece of cardboard roughly equal in size to the inside dimensions of the return envelope for protection of your photos in the mail. These steps will greatly reduce expenses and time on our part and insure that your photos are returned undamaged. We thank you in advance for your cooperation.

# Members hear attorney rebut retraction by local TV station

The following article is taken from a sermonette given in the Auditorium P.M. church in Pasadena April 12 by Ralph Helge, attorney for the Church.

What I wanted to speak to you about today was something that just occurred here, in fact, is occurring. We had the opportunity to go on TV to rebut some of the false charges that have been laid against us, against the Church and some of its leaders. We went on TV with a documentary. As soon as that documentary was shown, they immediately received a few letters. Only a few, but the few that came worked a great change. They carried great power and great persuasion. There was a letter from Judge [Jerry] Pacht. There was a letter from Lawrence Tapper as the deputy attorney general of California. There was a letter from [Hillel] Chodos, a letter from his brother, a letter from Judge [Steven] Weisman. That's all it took to all of a sudden have this station change its colors. I don't know if they're going to give me equal time on the TV station, but with the help of God's power we're having a little equal time right here.

So I'm just going to touch upon some items said by the TV station in their retraction. In this case the television show is taking about four pages of doubled typed script, and maybe five to six minutes each night to go ahead and repeat their apologies. I'm going to touch upon some of the things they're saying and some of the facts they are leaving out.

They say, "The action sought the appointment of a receiver for temporary protection of Church assets." They don't tell the public that the suit was intended to change the structure of the Church from hierarchical to congregational. They don't say that they [the State] also used to replace the board of directors that is comprised of all the Church leaders. They didn't say that the case itself is attempting to confirm that the state owns all the Church assets in California.

They said, "The hearing in Judge Pacht's chambers, which resulted in the judge's appointment of a temporary receiver, was proper." But, again, they didn't say anything about the hearing that occurred before the lawsuit was filed. They didn't talk about the fact that they didn't file the lawsuit till Judge Pacht said, "I will sign your order," until he gave them a guarantee.

What happened to all the rules they've got on judge's bias, that say if the court gives advice ahead of time, or if the court is biased, he shouldn't sit in any further hearings? But he did come back for the hearing that they try to refer to as being "proper" here. Do you think it's proper to go before a judge without the other side being there, and without the lawsuit even being filed?

Then they say, "Although prior notice of the hearing is usually required . . . There are cases that say if you're going to infringe upon somebody's constitutional rights, it is required; not sometimes or 'usually.'" And if you're going to take over an entire church and run it, own it, I will say that that's kind of the epitome of a First Amendment right.

Then, they go on to say that, "of course, this is allowed in emergency situations," this "no-notice" hearing where they sneak in clandestinely like some undercover covert CIA agents. They say it is "allowed in emergency situations."

And when they talked about document shredding, why didn't the TV station also say that the court found no evidence of document shredding? Why didn't the station talk about one of the biggest law

firms in the nation, perhaps in the world, and the fact that they had total control of our document center? I personally sat next to Judge Weisman when an agent from the accountants for the receiver came in, and he said, "Yes, they do have all of the accounting safeguards."

They didn't talk about the fact that [Earl] Timmons signed an affirmation in which he said, Well, I heard some things — they didn't call him to the stand. They didn't put in here that this emergency situation was in fact a sham and a farce.

They didn't talk about Big Sandy [Tex.]. They didn't say that what they said in the papers — in two days Big Sandy's going to be sold, that that was a lie, because the sale wasn't going through for 20 or 30 days more. They didn't say they could have filed a piece of paper called a *Lis pendens* in Big Sandy and stymied the sale. They said, it was an emergency; we had to take over the entire Church.

And they didn't say that when they got to court they admitted that they had no evidence of Big Sandy being worth \$30 million, that it was a damnable lie they put in the papers! That's what the court says, "That's the cruncher." They didn't say not only was it not worth \$30 million, but the receiver tried to sell it for the same purchase price the Church was trying to sell it for, to show the falsity, the allegation there.

When they talked about an emergency situation, they didn't say that we put men on the stand who traced the sale of every parcel of property that we sold and showed appraisals for it and how the money went from the buyer into an escrow and into the Church account, so that all this "emergency situation" was just so much falderol.

Then they go on to say, ". . . and it's really not true as the Church suggested . . ." We didn't suggest anything, we said it! ". . . that Judge Pacht did not pay sufficient attention to crucial documents." Let's take Judge Pacht's own words, shall we? "I read the Declarations pretty carefully. I have barely skimmed through some of the others. And the financial matters," and isn't this the key? "And the financial matters I glanced at." He's got some omissions, but that's basically it. "I glanced at." "I haven't digested those in any form." That's his words. They couldn't find any evidence.

They said, "It's noteworthy that the California Commission on Judicial Performance, who judges judges, determined unequivocally that Judge Pacht conducted the hearing properly." Again, they didn't talk about the clandestine hearing. They didn't talk about the collaboration hearing. Nor did they say that the Judicial Commission did not in any way contact us to say, do you have any more facts? No! Not one word before they came out with their decision!

They didn't tell them, it's all conducted in secrecy . . . The Judicial Commission, with especially Chodos, were up criticizing the Supreme Court of California because the Supreme Court didn't make its stinking processes in public. The very thing that these hypocrites condemned they're guilty of! And they didn't tell us that the Judicial Commission is comprised of certain men, and two of those men are Chodos and Pacht, the very men accused! That was the group that sat and judged the conduct of Pacht and Chodos!

Now it says, "We know of no evidence of any person suppressing the transcript." What they don't say is that we were referred to Allan Browne, who made many phone calls when the suit began, saying, "Is there a transcript?" And he was told, "No, no, no!" They don't tell you that! They say, "We know of no evidence . . ." Do you know why

they don't know of any evidence? They put blinders on, that's why. They didn't call the other attorneys either, who heard certain things about suppressions.

Why didn't they say that when the Church called upon Judge Pacht and said, "Will you give a deposition?," he said: "No! I refuse to. I have nothing to add." And the court didn't make him, of course. And when we took the deposition of the court reporter, she refused to answer certain questions about what transpired between her and the judge.

They say that, "the appointment of a receiver has been the subject of several appeals." That is an absolute, bald-faced, unequivocal lie. We have never had an appeal in which that factor was considered. We have one appeal pending now that is going to be heard on this point — hasn't been heard yet.

They say, "The courts have apparently decided that there is indeed evidence to support the actions taken on behalf of the state." I tell you, that is false! When you take a writ up you say, Court, will you consider this? And the court said, We refused to consider the evidence.

They said in the conclusion, in this point, "We have no reason to believe that the attorney general . . . improperly came into possession of Church documents." Perhaps he didn't talk to some of the dissidents who I talked to who admitted that people were receiving Church documents from certain employees. They apparently didn't talk about all the documents that the attorney general has — over 800. I didn't give him those documents as secretary! I know others around here who have authority over documents didn't give them to them. How did they get them? Don't tell me they got them lawfully! How did they get those documents that were attached to their complaint? Confidential internal documents. Not that they were wrongful records that were wrong-

Why don't the TV stations say that they have said that Mr. Armstrong, Mr. Rader, myself and the other defendants in that action cannot take the attorney general in on deposition; we cannot find out about the wrongs they've done; we cannot call Mr. Chodos in; we cannot call Mr. Pacht in; that the court has barred us from getting to those truths! So if they say they have no evidence, why don't they bring out the reason why! We've got evidence! If they want more, we can get it, but we're barred from getting it.

The State is always attempting to gain more power. We as individuals, our protection against the state, against the government, lies in what? It lies in the Constitution. The Constitution says, Government, you can't do this to these people. Government, you have no right to do that. The people who get into government, who get into power, they're always trying to circumvent the Constitution that restricts their authority. The State wants to circumvent, to irradiate those rights so they can have more power. That's why you get this constant battle of cases coming out.

Who protects us then? It's the judges. But in this case what do we have? We have a cadre of judges who are not going to do anything, because of the brotherhood of judges. They're going to do everything, on the other hand, to protect one of their brothers. Now, I'm not saying they're no good men. There are some good judges down there — there are! There are some good judges, but they are caught up into the system. They can't rebel and cast and go contrary to the entire system.

So who protects us from the judges? The Judicial Commission, right? But, as we learned, the Judicial Commission is dominated and controlled by some of the very men who are being accused! And some attorneys were supposed to have investigated this matter for the TV station. But what about this combination of judges in the state — how much influence do you think that they exert, maybe not even intentionally, over lawyers? You come to your own conclusions.

So virtually all the forces that influence these TV stations are our opponents. I say it's awesome and

over. That's one thing we should pray about. In the same time, we've got to make sure we learn the lesson God wants us to learn from this trial. Let us learn the lesson, as we pray for these things to happen, that there is no real justice in this world, there is no real peace in this world, there is no real happiness, and there's not going to be!

My little girl last night was crying a little because we were talking about the persecution, the fleeing, that's going to come. And she said, "Well, how can it be a happy time when there we are in a place of safety, and people around us are being killed?" And I had to explain, that's happening today! It happens every day of your life! It happens every day of my life!

Horrors are going on all over this world, but we don't quite appreciate them unless we can read that Bible and understand it. We sit here with all the things that we have, and we forget about others. But we've got to believe what's preached in this Church. We've got to believe the Bible, to realize that there is no real peace, there is no real happiness in this world for the world itself, and no real justice overall, until the Kingdom of God comes and takes over this earth, and is a government ruled by Spirit beings. Then, and only then, are we going to achieve that. So we've got to not only pray for it, but we've got to live for that as well.

We've also got to have another thing in mind — that is God's will. We always say in our prayers, God's will be done. Right? Well, what is God's will in this? Is it God's will that this is the commencement of the beginning of the end? I'm not saying it is, I'm only asking the question, that I — believe me — do not purport to know. But in Acts it does talk about the Church having been scattered at that time. Right? If you read in Hebrews 11 it tells you about people who were persecuted and scattered and fleeing. They were being persecuted constantly and continuously. It says, ". . . of whom the world was not even worthy . . ." When you read about that long list of persecution, you come to the point that it brings tears to your eyes. The world wasn't worthy of the people

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fully kept — they were proper records! But they were our internal confidential records. We didn't give them those! How did they get those? Don't tell me there was no suggestion that they didn't have evidence that the property came into their possession improperly.

There's rules about receiving stolen property. It's a crime if you do it knowingly. They will arrest you and prosecute you. But the AG can receive stolen documents! Who prosecutes the man who's supposed to prosecute? No one! They have placed themselves above the law.

They didn't talk about the perjury committed at the court against us. When we took it down to the appropriate authorities they said: Oh no, we're not going to prosecute the government's witnesses. We're going to investigate the Church instead. Perhaps that's why they could find no improprieties — they didn't look too hard.

They said, "There is no evidence to know . . ." They said, "There's no reason to believe . . ." But why didn't they say that when I served them over a hundred interrogatories to the government? The court said, "No," the government doesn't have to answer. The government's not going to have to condemn itself. They can keep their wrongdoing totally secret. Why don't the TV stations say that?

frightening, but confirming. To me it confirms the Bible, that this is Satan's world, that it's Satan's government, it's his system, and that in the long run and over the long haul, not counting a few exceptions, there is no justice.

You know, history shows it's a never-ending circle with each generation. And man keeps thinking that if we can just change the structure of our government some way, if we can just do that we're going to have happiness, we're going to have peace.

They think it's in the form of government rather than — what? People who are filled with God's Holy Spirit! That's what they don't see, but that's what God tells us, and that's what this case is confirming in part. Man keeps thinking if you change the structure you're going to get happiness. That's false. The Bible tells us — and I tell you from this case, I now am ready to confirm and believe it with all my heart and my soul. Mr. Armstrong was right! It confirms that no government of man has or is ever going to work successfully for the benefit of the people that it governs.

Now, in this insight, what is our physical and legal hope? Our physical and our legal hope is that the State Supreme Court, or the U.S. Supreme, hopefully far enough away from the corrupt influence of this power, will hear the case. Will hear it, and will reverse it, and it will be

they were killing. It also tells us that when we're persecuted in one city to go to another. Is that time here now?

When I see what is happening in the courts and elsewhere, I just want to admonish you. I want to warn you — I want to plead with you. Don't lose faith in your leaders! Don't lose faith in your Church because of this case! And don't lose faith in God if arrests and indictments come forth. Again, I'm not saying they are, but I'm saying if they do. You know, manacles, as you read back in the Bible, were good enough for Paul. We've got to make sure that we're not going to be too good for the manacles in case our time has come.

But I'll tell you there is a corrupt, political and judicial power that must crush us — it has too! It's gotten so involved in this matter, I'm telling you it's going to take a miracle from God to have it end peacefully.

If you're watching the newspapers, and you're watching TV, world events are deteriorating, and they're deteriorating rapidly. This case is only one small aspect of that whole. There's nothing more that I can say than what's been preached to you by Mr. Herbert Armstrong, and by all his ministers, for years and years. There's nothing more that I can add. Luke 21:36, Hebrews 10:25. I can't add to those things.

Watch and pray, and do not forsake the assembling of yourselves together



# Church vs. State case updated

The following article was taken from attorney for the Church Ralph Helge's script for the Pastor General's Hotline tape of April 9.

This is Ralph Helge saying greetings. I am speaking on the Pastor General's Hotline.

I have about three or four minutes to summarize what is unquestionably one of the greatest state and church constitutional law cases in the history of this nation. So I'm going to give you just a brief rundown of where the case is at this time.

In the Superior Court of California, in the Trial Court, the court has continued to bar the discovery, that is, prevent the discovery by the defendants, by the Church, of the wrongdoing conducted by the State of California. We are prevented, therefore, from exposing the political and judicial corruption that has occurred in this case. Indeed, we may well be prevented from ever finding out and disclosing to the public what actually has happened, because by this time I feel assured that the evidence has either been so altered or so suppressed they will never really find out the facts of what went on behind the scenes, other than that which we know of to this date.

Now, the attorney general has also attempted to hold Mr. Armstrong, Mr. Rader, myself, and others in contempt of court for failing to abide by certain court orders. Their thrust was so erroneous and so unfounded and ungrounded that the court refused to grant it. The court even told them during the hearing, go back and research it and then come back to the court and see if you have a grounds. The attorney general did come back and admitted in his pleadings that he had no grounds to hold us in contempt of court. The court then has instructed the attorney general again to go back and redraft his pleadings. So that is what he is in the process of doing now. That's the pleadings insofar as trying to hold us in contempt of court or have the court impose other sanctions against us. Now, some of these sanctions, of course, could be the striking of the answers, the holding of us in contempt of court, the imposition of fines, penalties of that nature.

The Superior Court judge has also instructed the attorney general to get together with one of our attorneys, Allan Browne, and to arrive at dates. Dates at which the information that they have demanded would be turned over. Now, this is contingent upon the Supreme Court acting upon certain petitions that are pending before it. That's the United States Supreme Court decides to hear the matters, then the court is not going to require the turnover of these documents. However, if the U.S. Supreme Court decides not to hear the matter at this time, then the court is going to have everything set to impose sanctions or penalties upon the Church.

Now, insofar as the appeals are concerned in the state courts, we do have before the State Appellate Court an appeal pending that concerns the appointment of the receiver. Now, all the times prior to this, things were taken up by writs, and a writ means, in effect, that the court does not have to hear it and that is what has been denied in the past. In other words, never has the court, in the past, sat down, read and heard the evidence and the facts regarding the receiver. I express this because just last night on TV, they erroneously said that many courts had heard the facts about the receiver and more or less turned us down. That is untrue. Now for the first time an appeal is going up on that point and the court must hear it.

Now in the federal courts, we have had cases there that have been dismissed. They've been dismissed on the grounds that the attorney general

has immunity. Not that we were wrong or the State was right. But they have plead an absolute immunity in what they do. In other words, regardless of what wrong the State has committed, under certain federal court decisions, that you cannot sue the State or its agents. What they are saying, in effect, they can give a madman a gun and let him go out and you can do nothing but hide, in an attempt to protect yourself. So those matters have not been fully again heard by the federal court but have been dismissed. They are now pending in the Federal Court of Appeals. That is where the case is at this time, and we are at this time preparing briefs to be heard in the Federal Court of Appeals on this question.

Now in the U.S. Supreme Court there is a petition pending there, a petition which is in effect asking the court, please hear this question in which the State Trial Court has instructed us to turn over innumerable documents to the State, confidential documents. Documents of Church minutes that go back for 20 to 30 years. Minutes that the State has contended never existed because they say the board has never met, and even in the face of these lies by the State, they still came in and requested these documents as well as a great deal of confidential information about members. Members in the field, a membership list and other such items that the Church is resisting and not desirous of giving to them so as to protect First Amendment freedoms in this country. Now this petition in the U.S. Supreme Court has been prepared by Laurence Tribe, from Harvard University, who is a constitutional law expert. He has told me, he said, there is no question but what your case will ultimately be resolved in your favor. He, of course, is looking at it from a physical standpoint. He feels that all the law and all the facts are in our favor, but as he himself stated, the question is, what damage can the State do to you before the Supreme Court does get around to acting simply by virtue of the way the system is structured?

Now it's interesting to note that on this Supreme Court petition, there has been filed a friend of the court petition — two or three of them in fact. Behind these petitions are a group of 10 to 12 churches that comprise over 80 million people, over 80 million people. Now that is the largest friend of the court brief that has ever been filed by any private individual other than the United States Attorney General. Now that goes to show what we have said from the very outset, that the position taken by the State of California is so absolutely oppressive and erroneous that the entire church population in the United States has come forward to contest exactly what the State of California here is now attempting to advocate in order to protect the wrongful way in which they have come in and attempted to take over the Worldwide Church of God, Ambassador College and the Ambassador International Cultural Foundation.

Now there's one thing that must be understood, that all these matters in the State case are like a huge picture puzzle. You know the individual pieces that I've explained, in and of themselves, really don't mean too much. They really don't. You've got to see the overall picture and the overall picture here is that the Church, Mr. Armstrong and Mr. Rader are facing more than just an opponent. It is more than just the case, more than just the simple opponent. We are defending ourselves against the State of California, the State. One of the most powerful states in this union: We are defending ourselves against the attorney general, one of the most powerful political units in the state of California. We are defending ourselves against a cadre of judges in the Superior and

the Appellate Courts as well. We are defending ourselves against politically powerful private attorneys, all of which were caught in a despicable conduct. Caught red-handed. It's all documented. As one outside group said, it would be unbelievable if it were not substantiated in the record. Hence, you see what we're defending ourselves against?

We're actually defending ourselves against something now, that it behooves all of that group to join together in a political and judicial alliance for their mutual defense. They are defending themselves, they are defending an entire system. They are defending their own political careers, their own reputations and they have an intense defense because for them it is a matter of survival. For a Christian or other religiously minded person, he can look forward to a life hereafter. To a political life, there is no life hereafter and hence, self-preservation, believe me, brings forth an intense defense. And it's one that permeates the entire system.

You know, ordinarily, when the

State comes in to oppress, you have the judges as your line of defense. That is the balance. The judges come in and protect, and every Supreme Court case that has come down against other churches or other religious matters, believe me, has language and facts in our favor. Every single one of them. You see, the only problem here is then when this matter was, you might say, the genesis of this matter in the corrupt manner in which it got involved, involved judges, hence, the judges cannot act our protectors they ordinarily would.

But then who overlooks the judges? The Judicial Commission overlooks the judges. Well, then, why don't they step in? They were called upon but the fact is that they are dominated by the figures involved in this case. Two of the most influential figures on there were involved in this case. Hence, they are not going to condemn themselves so they are of no value or benefit to us.

Now our attorneys, without question, are better qualified beyond a doubt. But I'll tell you, we are defending ourselves against absolute political and judicial corruption. A system that is steeped in it. It's one in fact, as Mr. Armstrong has said, inspired by Satan. It's a system that Mr. Armstrong had said from the outset and taught for

years, is an unjust system dominated by men who on the exterior are righteous but on the inside are rotten and deceitful. Like a whitewashed sepulcher and that applies not only to those who would falsely advocate a false god but also to those involved in politics.

In other words, there is one thing that Mr. Rader and I have talked about and it's the fact that Mr. Armstrong in his analysis of this political system is absolutely right. We now have to concede that without question.

Now the real and ultimate question in this matter is, what is God's will? Now if the question is one of asserting our will, then we're going to prevail. If the question is one of determination, then we are going to prevail. If the question is one of faith, we are going to prevail.

On the other hand, is the question, is this now the time of persecution, or, is this now the time to be brought before kings and rulers, not invited, not going by invitation, but brought before them? That's really the question and if that is the question, then the question for ourselves is, are we individually spiritually strong enough to withstand the persecution that's coming?

# Members give ready testimony in Nova Scotia court hearings

By Colin Wilkins

HALIFAX, N.S. — Have you wondered how you personally would ever be able to fulfill I Peter 3:15, "... be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear"? A number of Halifax brethren were able to March 5-14 in a dramatic and unusual way.

Two dissident ministers were disfellowshipped and dismissed from God's ministry a little more than a year ago for spreading contrary doctrines. They brought a lawsuit against God's Church alleging they were improperly dismissed. After some time, the case was heard before the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia, with the hearings lasting six days.

After listening to extensive arguments and presentations by the dissident exministers and Canadian regional assistants Colin Wilkins and Richard Pinelli, Justice Doane Hallett spoke for two hours regarding his decision. The result was a "very favorable" victory for God's Church with the major complaint "thrown out of court" and a token settlement awarded on a minor technicality.

The most significant factor in the court case was not only the vindication of God's Church and God's ministers, but the manner in which Christ used the Canadian legal system. Before the trial was over, the proceedings had served as a forum for providing a witness of the message about the coming Kingdom of God before distinguished members of Nova Scotia's Supreme Court.

Several moments during the proceedings are unforgettable. Imagine a Supreme Court Justice reading from Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong's book, *The Incredible Human Potential*, while the attorneys and officials remain silent; or when the judge remarked about the need to wind up the proceedings of the day as "... the Sabbath is coming on, and we don't work on that day."

I personally experienced the fulfillment of Christ's promise in Matthew 10:19-20 ("But when they deliver you up, take no thought how or what ye shall speak: for it shall be given ye in that same hour what ye shall speak") during two long, grueling hours of cross-examination on the witness stand. Members of the Halifax congregation experienced it also. Member Carter Myers was being cross-examined by the

dissidents' attorney when the judge interrupted to query: "Tell me, just exactly what does your Church [the Worldwide Church of God] teach about the Kingdom of God which is different from other churches?" After a moment of reflection, Mr. Myers presented the judge with a clear exposition of the true Gospel of the Kingdom. As the trial progressed, we felt that we were beginning to fulfill Matthew 10:18, where Christ warned His disciples that they would be brought before government officials "... for a testimony against them and the Gentiles."

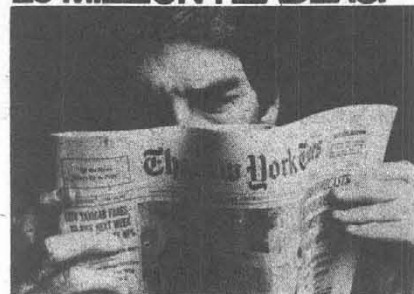
As a result of the testimony by Mr. Myers and seven other members of the Halifax congregation, the judge was able to form an impression of God's people and their personal

commitment to His way of life. At the conclusion of the proceedings, Judge Hallett, remarked that "The members of this Church [the Worldwide Church of God] are probably more devoted than are the members of the mainline groups of Christianity."

The Supreme Court Justice added this statement: "The members of the Worldwide Church of God live a total way of life, and they believe that they must be qualified as fit to rule in the coming Kingdom of God on earth."

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The aggregate constituency represented by these religious associations is more than 80 million Americans. That is more people than have ever before been represented by any brief presented to the Supreme Court of the United States by anyone other than the attorney general of the United States, who speaks for all Americans.

What was their cause? What single unifying factor brought these 83 million Americans to this point?

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"This conference is held to draw attention to a Friends of the Court brief in the U.S. Supreme Court. It is sponsored by the National Council of Churches and several other national religious bodies who are the Friends of the Court in this brief. We do not often hold press conferences in connection with legal briefs, but this one is unusual in that it expresses alarm about a case that arose in California but is going surprisingly unnoticed in the rest of the country.

"Over a year ago, the state of California took over a Church, the Worldwide Church of God, by placing it in receivership. This was done on a complaint by a handful of dissident members that the leadership of the Church was using its assets for their own personal aggrandizement.

The attorney general of California went into court and obtained an order authorizing the appointment of a receiver. On Jan. 3, 1979, the receiver took over the Church's headquarters in Pasadena, Calif. He fired Church employees and hired armed guards, accountants and others, to occupy the Church's offices, paying them and himself at \$150 an hour out of the Church's assets he was appointed to conserve.

"For almost two months, they had the run of the place, carting off records to the attorney general's office with no receipts to the Church for what was taken. The receiver stopped payment on all outstanding checks that had been written by the Church, destroying its hitherto exemplary credit rating. He cabled its ministers forbidding them to send money for the Church to anyone but him.

"At length, that receivership was suspended by the members posting a \$3.4 million stay bond, many of them putting up their homes as surety. Still seeking evidence to support sweeping charges of criminal conduct, the attorney general is now pressing a disclosure order against them, demanding virtually every scrap of correspondence in the last 10 years. That order has been appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court, and it is on that matter that this brief has been lodged.

"Our support of the appeal is not an endorsement of the Worldwide Church of God or its leadership. But we feel that if fraud or defalcation had occurred, there are adequate criminal laws under which the attorney general could have proceeded.

"What we are really alarmed about is not the single case, appalling as it is, but the theory on which the attorney general is proceeding and on which he says he has relied in other Church cases:

"That the contributions made by a Church, even by its own members alone rather than by the general public, create a charitable trust which the State has the right and obligation to oversee. Thus the Church can have no private interest adverse to the State and doesn't even really need an attorney to defend its interests before the court since it is, in his view, little more than a ward of the State.

"That doctrine is so much at variance with the U.S. Constitution and everything the Supreme Court has said about it that it is hard to believe that it has been enunciated in the United States rather than in Iran, or China or the Soviet Union."

LAO PFEFFER,  
Attorney for Amici Curiae

"Those who join in this brief differ among themselves as to the appropriate, or the most appropriate way to worship or express the ecclesiastical structures of the associations: Some are hierarchical and some are congregational. Their legal structures also differ: Some are incorporated, some are incorporated under religious corporation laws, some are corporations sole, and some, like the Worldwide Church of God, are organized under general corporation statutes.

"What unites them in the submission of this brief, is a conviction that when the technicalities of statutes designed to regulate ordinary corporate activities are used and abused as instrumentalities to destroy a religious association which may be in governmental disfavor at a particular time, the result is a threat to the security of all religions. A religion favored today may be disfavored tomorrow and no religion is secure unless all religions are secure. Religious freedom is the precious heritage of all. Because they feel that the actions of the attorney general of California threaten that heritage and their own security, these associations join in the brief which

we have submitted to the United States Supreme Court.

"Basically, in this unfortunate litigation, the attorney general of California has declared that Churches and religious organizations are public charitable trusts accountable to the State. He claims that all Church or Synagogue property is to be treated as public property rather than being owned by the Church or the Synagogue or its members and is therefore subject to supervision, regulation and control of the State, just like public schools or public parks. He bases this claim with an inherent power originating in the common law of England long before the First Amendment became part of our Constitution.

He claims that this power has been reinforced by the California legislature and authorizes him to supervise, manage and control a Synagogue or Church on the theory that it is a ward of the State and that its affairs and operations are subject to unlimited and continuing control by the State, acting through its attorney general.

"The actions of the attorney general violate the First Amendment's ban on laws respecting an establishment of religion, because it constitutes impermissible state participation in religious affairs, because its purpose and primary effect are to restrict religion and because its action results in excessive government entanglement with religion. The action of the attorney general also violates the First Amendment's guarantee of the free exercise of religion because the State of California has not established the existence of an interest sufficiently compelling to justify infringement upon the congregants' rights to determine how and by whom their affairs shall be governed and their voluntary contributions expended."

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LAURENCE H. TRIBE,  
Professor, Harvard Law School

"The repeated position of the attorney general of California is that he has an absolute right to know everything within the possession of the Church, and on the basis of whatever is discovered, to decide what, if anything to do. His position: That on the basis of what he discovers he has a right to permanently remove the Church's officers, to banish them from ever holding any position of trust, public or private, in the state of California; to restructure the Church from a hierarchical to a congregational form and to seek other relief as is consistent with the State's conception of how the Church should be run."

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**CHURCH SPEAKS OUT** — Church treasurer Stanley R. Rader presented the above advertisement to Church employees in an employee forum May 6 (see "Forum," page 3). The full-page newspaper ad ap-

peared in the May 8 Los Angeles, Calif., *Times* and the May 12 Pasadena *Star-News*. The ad was also submitted for publication in the New York, N.Y., *Times*, Washington, D.C., *Post* and the Sacramento, Calif., *Bee*.





# LOCAL CHURCH NEWS

## CHURCH ACTIVITIES

By the light of the full moon, several families pitched tents April 3 to enjoy a long weekend of fun and fellowship during the Days of Unleavened Bread. Eighty people attended the camp-out at Whangateau, 50 miles north of AUCKLAND, New Zealand. The next day, Friday, all played volleyball and softball. Then a spit-roasted sheep and goat were served. The dessert was in the form of spiritual nourishment — a Bible study given by minister Bill Sidney, who also conducted Sabbath services the next day. Saturday evening, the children enjoyed playing with balloons and games. All those who attended look forward to the next camp-out. *Jane Logan*.



**NORWEGIAN SANDWICH DISPLAY** — Spokesman Club President Terry Lundberg shows Minneapolis, Minn., Spokesman Club members how Norwegians take pride in preparing their food April 16. (See "Club Meetings," this page.) [Photo by Jim Steinle]

It was the year 2001 for the BINGHAMTON-CORNING, N.Y., YOU April 12. Everyone came dressed in their favorite costumes of the 21st century. A Bible study took place before the party. Deacon Richard Furney spoke about "Is it legal to go steady?" After the study, everyone donned their costumes and made dinner for themselves and chaperones Mr. and Mrs. Mark Borgna and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Carl. It was a late night of dancing, playing games and other activities. Curfew was midnight.

Then on Sunday, a fun-talent show was on the agenda. Members sang, told jokes, did commercials and other routines. After the show, there was a track practice and lunch was prepared. It was a fun-filled weekend that was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone. *Gloria Stevens*.

"Age is no barrier to service in God's Church and in the Work of God." This was the theme of a "Fifties and Over" seminar given by pastor David Noller April 20 in BRISBANE, Australia. About four dozen members attended the seminar at Mr. Noller's home. Mr. Noller reminded his guests of some of the ways in which they could contribute to the Work. He pointed out that although the elderly should be respected as leaders they needed to work at earning that respect. Examples and principles were given from both the Old and New Testaments. Also, Mr. Noller outlined how the Seniors' Club would be organized for the next six months. A lively discussion ensued on the types of activities in which they wished to participate. *Clive Baker*.

More than 40 people met for the first meeting of the CAMBRIDGE, England, church April 19. Members from the surrounding area of East Anglia have been attending fortnightly Bible

studies for several years. Because the congregation has increased over the last few years, there are now enough local brethren to warrant regular Sabbath services.

Edward Smith delivered a sermon on the identity of God's Church and its purpose, pointing out that even the smaller members of the spiritual body have an important role to play. "It is not the Church's aim to attract as many people as possible," he said, "but now that a church has been established in this area, we should pray for growth and welcome anyone new attending as a result of requests for visits by local subscribers to *The Plain Truth*. Mrs. Smith accompanied the services' hymns and performed special music. The church will meet every two weeks. *Tim Davies*.

The CHILLIWACK, B.C., congregation and friends closed their winter social activities with a potluck supper and pie-baking competition April 12.

the end of the *World Tomorrow* broadcast offered additional publicity. *Steve Golden*.

Fifty members of the KENOSHA, Wis., church enjoyed an evening of bowling April 12. The highest score was about 150. After exercising unused muscles, most of the weary and happy bowlers retired to a clubhouse for snacks, games and friendly conversation. The group relished fellowship so much that they were reluctant to leave, even at 1:30 a.m. *Connie McClure*.

The Night to Be Much Observed was kept by the MOUNT POCONO, Pa., brethren at the Mayfair Supper Club. The meal was a smorgasbord with unleavened dessert made by Church member Kurt Felten. A freak snowstorm prevented some of the brethren from being there. It is hoped all the local brethren can keep the evening together next year. *Margie Storm*.

The NASSAU, Bahamas, church had its annual kite contest at Highbury Park April 13. The contestants were between the ages of 4 and 19 years. First prize was awarded to the person with the prettiest homemade kite. The winner was 14-year-old Yvette Harper. Eleven-year-old Dario Rolle won second prize for the highest flying kite, 15-year-old Charlene Moss won third prize for the longest flying kite and a consolation prize was awarded to 9-year-old Stephen Mather for having the largest kite. The prizes were provided by the Spokesman Club. *Desmond Curling*.

The PASCO, Wash., church played host to brethren from the YAKIMA and QUINCY, churches, April 7. The 128 members who attended enjoyed a delicious prime rib and fried chicken buffet garnished with ample supplies of vegetables and fruit salads and unleavened cheese cake. After dinner, YOU members joined the adults for dancing. Those not inclined to dancing enjoyed fellowship with friends in the beautiful surroundings of the Holiday Inn's Lewis and Clark Room. All agreed the evening had added something to the Spring Holy Days. *Dennis R. Leap*.

The SAN DIEGO, Calif., church talent blossomed forth at the "Spring Sing," a variety show at Penasquitos Elementary School April 12. Duane Bechtold, who introduced the acts, and choir director Jim Walker combined efforts to put the show together. Among the many numbers was a presentation of "On a Clear Day," by PASADENA soloist Sallee Toms.

Nancy Parker prepared and managed the slide presentation, which accompanied special numbers by the church choir. Pianist Margaret Walker and guitarist Frank Espinoza were accompanists throughout the show. John McMullin Jr., managed the sound equipment and doubled as photographer. The children's choir presented special numbers under the direction of Richard Dalton. *Susan Karoska*.

Music was provided by Al Neighbour and his musicians from the VANCOUVER, B.C., church. Following the difficult pie judging, the pies were auctioned by Mr. Neighbour. He gained good prices and much fun for everybody. The funds will be used in church socials and youth activities. Many shared their purchases, and then the event closed with a sing-along. *Al Hankey*.

About 30 members of the CORNING, N.Y., church attended a leadership seminar conducted by pastor Britton Taylor at the Ramada Inn March 9. The topic for the first session was setting goals and self-motivation. Local elder Lawson Price conducted the second session; "qualities of leadership in the business world" was his subject. After a luncheon, Mr. Taylor discussed Christian leadership in the local church. This was followed by a question-and-answer period. Everyone agreed that the seminar was very inspiring and all look forward to another possible seminar in the future. *Nancy Sylor*.

The DETROIT, Mich., EAST public Bible lectures April 11 and 12 attracted 89 new people, many of whom stayed to ask questions. The lectures consisted of an introduction by minister Randy D'Allesandro explaining what the Worldwide Church of God is and the Work it is doing. Pastor Earl Williams followed with the main message. For Friday night's lecture, Mr. Williams focused on prophetic events concerning America in relation to the return of Jesus Christ. Sabbath morning he described who and what God is and His plan for mankind. Helping to make the lecture successful was a choir made up of members from five local churches.

Letters sent from Pasadena announced the lectures to local *Plain Truth* subscribers. Inserts in newsstand magazines and spot announcements at



**PLANTATION TOUR** — Members of the Baton Rouge, La., Women's Club pose under 280-year-old live oak trees at Oak Alley Plantation. (See "Club Meetings," this page.)

Members of the ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., church enjoyed a 17-mile canoe trip down the Alafia River, located east of TAMPA, Fla., April 20. About midway along the trip, the group of 57 enjoyed a riverbank picnic lunch atop a grassy knoll alongside the river. The narrow, challenging river, with its numerous white water shoals and its natural canopy of overhanging oak, cypress and cabbage palm trees, provided a very relaxing change of pace for all. *Lavene L. Vorel*.

In WICHITA, Kan., 225 Church members gathered at the Cottillon Ballroom for a social April 13. Music was by the popular Newt Graber band. The occasion was used to honor Mr. and Mrs. Ray Schelleger with a cake, a card of congratulations and a money gift on their 65th wedding anniversary.

The occasion was also used to thank minister Jerold Aust and family before they move to their new assignment in Portland, Ore. The congregation presented the Austs with an electric fondue, a card table and chairs, a set of Adam Clarke's commentaries, a letter opener and — to Mr. Aust's joy — a deer rifle complete with scope, leather sling, ammunition and leather carrying case. These gifts showed appreciation for the years of the Austs' leadership and service to the Wichita church. *Jack Williams*.

## CLUB MEETINGS

Twelve inches of rain didn't dampen the spirits of the BATON ROUGE, La., Women's Club on April 13. Despite flooded roads and the threat of bad weather, the group toured two antebellum homes on the famous river road between Baton Rouge and New Orleans, La. The historic Homas House was the group's first stop. The three-stop

white-columned mansion was built between 1800-1840 and was headquarters at one time for the largest sugar-producing plantation in America. It has been featured in many famous magazines and films.

After a sack lunch, the club made its way down the winding Mississippi River to Oak Alley mansion near Vacherie, La. Oak Alley was completed in 1839. The mansion is graced by 28 Doric columns, each eight feet in circumference.

The club was particularly impressed by the double row of magnificent live oak trees that frame the entrance to the mansion. The trees are 280 years old and are 15 to 29 feet in circumference. The branches interlace to form a canopy from the Mississippi River to the mansion. *Robert D. Vernon*.

The Ladies Clubs from the CINCINNATI, Ohio, NORTH and EAST congregations met for a combined meeting and brunch April 13. Jean Pulliam led the more than 100 women present in table topics. Hostess Dolores Witham introduced Carol Boeckley, Betty Welton, Debbie Valerius and Myrtle Grant, who gave icebreakers.

Pastor Reinhold Fuesell introduced Jack Pakozdi, the new pastor of Cincinnati North. Mary Dowd presented Mr. and Mrs. Fuesell with an anniversary clock as a departing gift from the club. Lastly, Mr. Fuesell gave an overview of topics covered in club this year. Included were developing talents, working on being more bold in a positive manner and working out one's own salvation under the authority of God's government. *Vonda Partin*.

A combined meeting of the NORTH and SOUTH LONDON, England, Ladies Clubs took place April 16. Gentlemen guests were invited to the evening of friendship and fellowship. A light meal was provided with refreshments. Speeches were given on safety in the home and at work. *Margaret French*.

The MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Spokesman Club recently met twice within a week. In the April 16 meeting, club president Terry Lundberg, a Norwegian, surprised the members by handing out Norwegian flags and badges made by the Lundberg children. Also, Norwegian sandwiches and delicacies along with travel folders, pictures and maps of Norway were displayed. After Mr. Lundberg gave a short discourse on the eating habits of Norwegians, club members were invited to partake of the beautifully prepared food.

On April 20 the club met with their families at a gun club in Elk River, Minn. Speeches were given out-of-doors. Then, in a trap shoot, even the children participated. Alonzo Gjesvold and Ed Franzen tied in breaking the most clay pigeons. Some of the women were wondering how best to prepare the clay pigeons. *James R. Steinle*.

THE MONCTON, ST. JOHN and FREDERICTON, N.B., Spokesman Clubs had a Ladies' Night April 19. The meeting was attended by 68 members and guests. After dinner, Alan Hart led an entertaining table topics session. Toastmaster Stephen MacLellan introduced speakers Jim Noseworthy, Eric Vautour and Ron Foster. Evaluators included Cecil Hall, Brent White and Robert Jokela. The overall evaluator was pastor Philip Shields. The meeting was followed by a delightful evening of dancing. *Stephen MacLellan*.

The PHOENIX, Ariz., Women's Club enjoyed a tea in honor of the teenage girls in the church April 20. The get-acquainted theme was accentuated by a "Who am I?" questionnaire that each girl completed. The guest speaker was Church member Jim Patterson. *He* (See CHURCH NEWS, page 9)



**SPRING SING** — Accompanists Frank Espinoza and Margaret Walker express satisfaction at one of the numbers at the San Diego, Calif., church variety show April 12. (See "Church Activities," this page.) [Photo by Susan Karoska]



# CHURCH NEWS

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pointed out that cosmetics can hinder the skin by clogging the pores whereas skin care treatment can help to replenish moisture. The door prizes were won by Sharon and Christa Rath and Beth Meidinger. Phyllis Davies.

The Women's Club of RICHMOND, Va., played host at a senior citizens' dinner April 12. The meal consisted of beef stew, spinach salad and cakes and pies. The guests enjoyed the break in routine provided by this meal and fellowship. *Chip Brockmeier.*

The Spokesman Club of VIENNA, Austria, enjoyed an end-of-the-season dinner in the elegant Schoenbrunn Hotel April 12. After table topics and the speeches, pastor Alfred Hellemann evaluated the club and gave encouragement about the summer break. The final club meeting, with the graduation of eight members, took place in the exclusive Cafe Winkler April 19. After dinner, the table topics were led by a former club member, minister Winfried Fritz. Following the speeches, Mr. Hellemann closed the meeting with words of optimism and handed out the diplomas. Dancing followed. *Denise Fekete.*

The WICHITA, Kan., Spokesman Clubs combined for a Ladies' Night April 16. Director Jerold Aust introduced the officers of both clubs to the audience and commended them for their year's work. From Keith Gordon's vocal exercises to the last speaker excellence permeated the meeting. Humor was infectious. Topics were timely and stimulating, response was spirited and speeches and evaluations were helpful. Mr. Aust presented the Certificate of Merit to Dr. Randy Fahrenholtz, who graduated from club. After the meeting ended, Mr. Aust, who is being transferred to Portland, Ore., was given a standing ovation as thanks for his outstanding leadership. *Jack Williams.*

The WOLLONGONG, Australia, Spokeswoman and Spokesman Clubs combined for a sale at the local open-

air market April 20. They sold secondhand goods donated by Church members. One innovation was a table offering free samples of the Work's literature. Many people stopped to take one of everything offered. Minister Clive Leske commented, "The response was very good and the cost small because we were here anyway for the club." The only expense to the Church was the cost of the books, the most popular of which were *The Ten Commandments* and *The United States and British Commonwealth in Prophecy*. *Ian C. Ryan.*

## SINGLES SCENE

Continuous sunshine prevailed as singles from six countries assembled in LEICESTER, England, at one of the University of Leicester's residence halls April 3-6.

On Friday morning there was squash, horseback riding, tennis, a car tour and a hike to Bradgate Park, once home of Lady Jane Grey, the nine-day Queen of England. Bible study that evening was conducted by pastor Paul Suckling. Evangelist Frank Brown set the theme for the weekend in his Sabbath sermon, "The Goal of the Kingdom." He explained how to achieve short-term, medium-term and, more importantly, long-term goals. The activity for the evening was a square dance to the music of Harmony, a group of entertainers mainly from the NORTH LONDON, England, church. On Sunday morning a panel of ministers including Mr. Brown, Mr. Suckling, Francis Bergen and Owen Willis fielded questions.

The weekend exceeded most people's expectations and will be the first of many similar activities. United Singles, under whose auspices the event was organized, has nearly 300 members in the United Kingdom and Ireland. Its purpose is to



**FAREWELL**—Mr. and Mrs. Jerold Aust receive the farewells of the Wichita, Kan., church at their social April 13. Mr. and Mrs. Aust are moving to a new assignment in Portland, Ore. (See "Church Activities," page 8.) [Photo by Jack Williams]

enable single, widowed and divorced people in the Church to meet informally and benefit from ministerial guidance on specific issues relevant to their needs. *Martin Keen.*

An inflation-fighter party for TORONTO, Ont., singles took place April 19. Brethren from surrounding church areas also came and joined in the fellowship and dancing. Richard and Vanessa Gomez were the disc jockeys. Nibbles and munchies were provided throughout the evening. *Carola M. Finch.*

## YOUTH ACTIVITIES

The ATHENS, Ga., YOU sponsored a district spring dance April 5. Teens from ATLANTA and ROME, Ga., and CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., attended. Before the dance, there was a YOU Day Sabbath service. Tracey Deter, Athens YOU president, gave a sermonette about obeying the Fifth Commandment. Tim Schmidt and Jerry Wil-

The BUFFALO, N.Y., YOU sponsored their second annual variety show April 12. The show attracted nearly 300 spectators, who watched 23 diversified acts ranging from comedy to singing. The first performer was Alvin Dey with his rendition of a political speech complete with lofty promises, ambiguous phrases and comical clichés. Vocals by Ginny Regeord, Janine and Gail Biegalski, Karen Karpenic and Dave Mitchell followed. The ballet of Linda Natello, the Buffalo Hillbilly Band and the magic of David Kraft capped a successful evening of entertainment. The audience especially enjoyed the violin playing of the young but talented Steve and Jackie Bierer. Plans are already being made for an even more successful show next year. *Don Turgeon.*

The HARRISBURG, Pa., YOU enjoyed a fun-filled weekend in the Blue Ridge mountains April 12-13. The days were filled with hiking, volleyball and rifle and pistol shooting, and the evenings featured card playing, listening to music, and, on Saturday evening, a YOU meeting. Thanks are due to Mr. and Mrs. Greene for allowing their cabin to be used for this event. *Chris Krow.*

The IOWA CITY, Iowa, YOU sponsored a bowling night April 12. The 49 people present, ranging in age from 1 to 93, enjoyed an entertaining evening. If bowling was not one's game, then indoor miniature golf, pool or pinball machines were available. *George Bush-lack.*

The NORFOLK, Va., YOU sponsored a costume party April 12. A prize was awarded to Marylee Belanga for being the best dressed girl and to Frank Amendalara for being the best dressed young man. Debbie Amendalara organized the activity. *Carolyn Beauchemin.*

# Festival information updates

PASADENA — The Festival Information Office has released a housing list for the Johnson City, Tenn., Festival site. According to the Festival Office, all housing establishments within driving distance of the site facility. Housing in Kingsport, Tenn., is about 17 miles from Johnson City, and establishments in Bristol (both Tennessee and Virginia) are about 20 to 25 miles from the site. To receive the following rates, the Festival housing form must be mailed to: Freedom Hall Civic Center, Box 3826, Liberty Bell Boulevard, Johnson City, Tenn., 37601. Sales tax for the area is unknown.

Bel-Air Motel, Bristol, Va.: unknown.

Crest Motel, Bristol, Va.: single, \$17; double, \$19; extra person, \$2.

Econo Travel Motor Hotel, Bristol, Va.: double, \$25; extra person, \$4.

Holiday Inn, Bristol, Tenn.: single, \$26; double, \$36.

Heart of Bristol Motor Inn, Bristol, Va.: double, \$25; extra person, \$4.

Holiday Inn, Bristol, Tenn.: single, \$26; double, \$36.

Holiday Inn South, Bristol, Tenn.: single, \$26; double, \$36.

Holiday Inn, Bristol, Va.: single, \$26; double, \$36.

Howard Johnson, Bristol, Va.: two persons, \$32; extra person, \$6.

Howard Terrace Motor Court, Bristol, Va.: unknown.

Parkway Motor Inn, Bristol, Va.: unknown.

Bristol Motor Inn, Bristol, Va.: two persons, \$21; extra person, \$3.

Robert E. Lee Motel, Bristol, Va.: unknown.

Sandman Motel, Bristol, Va.: single, \$20; extra person, \$2.

Shamrock Motorlodge, Bristol, Va.: two persons, \$17; three per-

sons, \$21; extra person, \$2.

Siesta Motel, Bristol, Va.: single, \$19; double, \$21; extra person, \$3.

Skyland Motel, Bristol, Va.: single, \$17; double, \$21; extra person, \$2.

Stardust Motel, Bristol, Va.: one person, \$17; two persons, \$19.

Tri-State Motel, Bluff City, Tenn.: unknown.

Twin City Motel, Bristol, Tenn.: single, \$20; double, \$23.

Briscoe's Motor Inn, Bristol, Tenn.: single, \$26; double, \$36.

Camara Inn, Kingsport, Tenn.: single, \$26; double, \$35.

Cleek's Motel, Kingsport, Tenn.: unknown.

Greenland Inn Motel, Church Hill, Tenn.: single, \$18; double, \$22.

Holiday Inn, Kingsport, Tenn.: single, \$26; double, \$36; extra person, \$5.

Model City Motel, Kingsport, Tenn.: unknown.

Ramada Inn, Kingsport, Tenn.: flat rate, \$31.

Scott Motel, Gate City, Va.: one person, \$15; two persons, \$18; extra person, \$2.

Skelton's Motel, Church Hill, Tenn.: \$5-6 per night, camping only, no housing.

Tennessee Motor Lodge, Kingsport, Tenn.: single, \$22; double, \$27; extra person, \$5.

Trade Winds Motel, Gate City, Va.: one person, \$16; extra person, \$2.

Anchor Motel, Bristol, Va.: unknown.

Beacon Motel, Bristol, Va.: unknown.

For the Lake of the Ozarks, Mo., Festival site the phone number of the Orchid Motel establishment should be corrected to (314) 365-2680.

The Orlando, Fla., Feast site seating capacity was expanded from 2,500 to 4,000, according to the Festival Information Office here. This


expansion will allow an additional 1,500 brethren to transfer into the site. Additional housing was obtained to accommodate the increase at the following establishments: Days Lodge, \$36; Kissimmee Red Carpet (Larson's Lodge), \$29; Hilton Inn Gateway, \$34; Howard Johnson's, \$30; Ramada Inn Southwest, \$34; Regency Inn, \$34; and Sheraton Lakeside, \$22-\$25. These rooms will be held until June 30. Interested persons should make their reservations through the Convention Bureau listed in the April 7 WN.

## Festival in Mexico

PASADENA — The Feast site in Mexico can only accept 150 transfers for the 1980 Feast of Tabernacles, and these will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis, said Leon Walker, head of the Spanish Work. Brethren desiring to transfer to Mexico for the 1980 Feast must speak Spanish fluently, as no English translation will be available.

Transfers will be approved only if the individuals have sufficient funds, as the Spanish Work is not able to assist transfers financially. Mr. Walker also states that after U.S. members receive approval from the Festival Operations Office, a separate application must be obtained from the Mexican site and returned to the Work's Office in Mexico City.

After members have sent their applications through the Tucson data processing center and received transfer approval from the Festival Office, they should write to the following address: La Iglesia de Dios Universal, Apdo. Postal 5-595, Mexico 5DF, Mexico.



## The 10th Annual Police-Citizens Awards Luncheon

April 30, 1980  
International Room  
Pasadena Hilton Hotel

*"No police department can function apart from the people which it serves, and all people must be as much a part of the police department as any of its police officers, for it is only through the continuous efforts of us all that we can enjoy the rewards of a stable community."*

... Robert H. McGowan  
Pasadena Police Chief

**COLLEGE PARTICIPATES** — Ambassador College joined in sponsoring the Annual Pasadena Police-Citizens Awards Luncheon April 30. The annual luncheon honors Pasadena citizens and police officers who have risked their lives in apprehending criminals or rescuing accident victims. The event was organized by the Pasadena Chamber of Commerce, of which both Ambassador College and the Ambassador International Cultural Foundation are members.

## SENATE

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not just a California case but one example of the growing intrusion of the government, both state and federal, into the affairs of religious bodies." The author, Glen A. Holman of the director of the Office of State Affairs of the California Church Council, continued: "... if the church [speaking of the views of the various religious organizations] wants to pay

its minister a salary of \$200,000 a year or if the Roman Catholic Church wants to buy a [Boeing] 707 [jet] for the pope, that is the business of the churches, and there's no compelling reason for the state to get entangled."

Concerning the bill to limit the attorney general's powers, Mr. Holman concluded, "The issue of the separation of the church and state is clearly before the California legislature — and it is time they made sure the wall of separation is not crumbling."

# FOCUS ON YOUTH

## YOUTH SAVES WOMAN'S LIFE BY QUICK ACTION

FORT WAYNE, Ind. — Thomas Aungst, 16, was watching his newspaper route Dec. 13 when a woman came running, crying for help from a house that had just left. Reaching quickly, Tom ran inside and found the mother, 87-year-old Bessie Cramer, lying on the floor. She had suffered a stroke.

Tom went to the phone to call for assistance, and with the woman, a friend of Mrs. Cramer's, reached a doctor. Because of the friend's near hysteria, Tom explained the situation to the doctor. The doctor arrived, helped Mrs. Cramer to bed, saying she had a mild seizure, and then left.

But Tom waited another 15 minutes and decided to call the Emergency Medical Station. They arrived almost immediately and took the woman to the hospital. On the way, she stopped breathing but was revived by the crew, her life saved by Tom's concern and quick action.



THOMAS AUNGST

The woman had had a seizure the previous evening that left her unable to move or speak, and was found on the floor by the friend who alerted Tom.

Tom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Aungst Sr., then residents of Albion, Ind. The family has since moved to Florida where they attend services at the Tampa church.

## YOU BOWLING FINALS

PASADENA — The Youth Opportunities United (YOU) Office here announced the winners of the 1979-80 YOU Bowling Competition, held between Dec. 1, 1979, and Feb. 28, 1980. Each church area with a YOU chapter and members wishing to participate in the competition held a roll-off at a time that was convenient for them between the official dates, and the YOU coordinator signed the score sheets and mailed them to the main office in Pasadena. The top seven scorers in the junior and senior boys' and girls' divisions were chosen to receive trophies. Highest individual games in each division were given special recognition, and trophies were also awarded to the five top-scoring teams.

The YOU Office announced that participation in the bowling competition this year was the greatest ever. Following are the names, church areas, total scores of the winners and highest individual game scorers.

**Senior boys:** Richard Woodall, Tampa, Fla., 565; David Mitchell, Buffalo, N.Y., 561; Don Goethals, Tacoma, Wash., 561; Greg Lewis, Union, N.J., 551; Bill Woodall, Tampa, 544; Albert Buehler, Long Island, N.Y., 532; and Ricky Mars, Russellville, Ark., 531. Highest individual game scorer was Richard Woodall with 212 points.

**Senior girls:** Nancy Millington, Albany, N.Y., 489; Brenda Peterson, Lakeland, Fla., 479; Shelly Goethals, Tacoma, 439; Kathy Krol, Mount Pocono, Pa., 434; Leslie Ellis, Grand Rapids, Mich., 427;

Teresa Peterson, Lakeland, 421; and Vickie Oswalt, Elkhart, Ind., 405. Highest individual game scorer was Nancy Millington with 209 points.

**Junior boys:** Bill Davies, Cleveland, Ohio, 508; Darren Allgeyer, Long Island, 502; Scott Klink, Union, 484; Eric Nieman, San Jose, Calif., 477; David Garden, Wichita, Kan., 458; David De Hond, Lakeland, 447; and Todd Oswalt, Elkhart, 431. Highest individual game scorer was Bill Davies with 194 points.

**Junior girls:** Sarah Worthen, Big Sandy, Tex., 434; Michelle Krol, Mount Pocono, 428; Michelle Wierenga, Grand Rapids, 399; Jerilyn Murphy, Wichita, 399; Penny Gordon, Orlando, Fla., 382; Cindy Woodall, Tampa, 353; and Ann Spieker, Watertown, S.D., 340. Highest individual game scorer was Michelle Krol with 168 points.

**Team scores:** Tampa, 1846; Grand Rapids, 1805; Wichita, 1706; Wheeling, W.Va., 1705; and Knoxville, Tenn., 1593.

## SEP IN SCOTLAND AGAIN THIS YEAR

RADLETT, England — The Summer Educational Program (SEP) for youths in the United Kingdom and Europe is again scheduled for this summer on the shores of Loch Lomond, Scotland, between July 25 and Aug. 15, reports Paul Suckling, overall coordinator for YOU in England.

"We are looking forward to another exciting summer and hope to have 200 or more young people from the U.K. and Europe," said Mr. Suckling. Some 19 Ambassador College students from Pasadena were selected to work as staff members for the Scotland program. Mr. Suckling said, "We can accept up to 20 campers from America, aged between 12 and 18, and their application forms must be in as soon as possible."

Interested campers from the United States should send their applications to Mr. Suckling at the Work's British Office, Ambassador College Press, Box 111, St. Albans, Herts. AL2 2EG, England.

Mr. Suckling also said that three campers from past years at SEP won the Silver Award for foil fencing given by the National Fencing Association of the United Kingdom last summer. The campers had trained under Graham Mitchell, fencing instructor at the summer camp and a minister in God's Church. They are Andreas Drosdeck, Petra Wilms and Chris Harris. "They came up to a very high standard," said Mr. Suckling. "We are thrilled that this is the result of several years' hard work and diligent teaching and work done at SEP under the coaching of Mr. Mitchell."

## GOOD SPORTS

PASADENA — In the April 21 "Focus on Youth" column, the cheerleading sportsmanship award to the Garden Grove, Calif., girls was inadvertently left out of the YOU National Finals article. Our apologies to the Garden Grove cheerleading squad.



GARDEN GROVE CHEERLEADING SQUAD

## YOU PHOTO CONTEST AND GOLF COMPETITION

PASADENA — Entries are now being taken for the 1979-80 YOU Photo Contest. YOU members should see their Local YOU Coordinators for complete details as soon as possible. Deadline for entry is June 15.

Also, the YOU Golf Competition has been underway for one month. Deadline for entry is June 30.

## YOUTHS HONORED

BOISE, Idaho — Tony Stith, 14, was given a certificate of recognition and was awarded a trophy for being one of the hardest working and most improved players on the Meridian Junior High-school basketball team. The presentation was made at a banquet in honor of the 8th-grade team. Tony attends the Boise church and is an active YOU member.

CINCINNATI, Ohio — Cindy Harrod, 17, of the Cincinnati North church, a senior commercial art student at Scarlet Oaks Career Development campus, won first place in a contest to design a mural that will give a new look to the 53-foot-tall Cincinnati Water Works tower.

She was also awarded \$100 for the design, which will be painted sometime in late summer or early fall.



CINDY HARROD

Cindy, an industrious and serious artist, and a straight-A student, has completed her first commission for a hospital, where she designed the window shades for the newborn nursery. She plans to follow commercial art as a career.

FARGO, N.D. — Neil R. Syllie, 9, was chosen the grand prize winner in a poster and essay contest sponsored by the National Wildlife Federation Feb. 4. About 1,300 6- to 12-year-old contestants had to imagine and describe a natural area in their town and then come up with a campaign to save that area from development. The campaign was to include drawing a large poster and thinking up a slogan.

Neil, who likes rock hunting and tobogganing, imagined an old, four-acre horse pasture bordered by willow trees that is a stopping place for migrating birds and a nesting ground for ducks. His slogan was "Animals Need Homes Too!" It won him an all-expenses paid vacation with his parents to National Wildlife Federation's Summit in Colorado's Rocky Mountains in July.

Neil attends the Fargo church with his parents, Paul and Sandra Syllie, his two sisters and his brother.

BILOELA, Australia — John Black, 15, was chosen as school captain of the Mundubbera State High School in Queensland, Australia, for the 1980 school year. As school captain, John will be assisting both the headmaster and his fellow students in school affairs. John attends the Biloeela church in central Queensland with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ian Black, and his five brothers and sisters. John's interests include cricket and politics. He regularly corresponds

with one of the members of the Queensland Parliament.

RUSTON, La. — Jay Frasier, 14, a freshman at Ruston High School, has received three awards for his project on "The Einsteinian Theory of Relativity." At the school's science fair Feb. 29, Jay was awarded first place for his project in



JAY FRASIER

the physics category and was awarded a trophy as overall winner in the Junior Division of Physical Sciences. At the regional science fair at Louisiana Tech University in Ruston March 14 and 15, Jay was awarded a Certificate of Outstanding Achievement by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) in "Recognition of Creative Scientific Endeavor in Aerospace Research." Jay attends the Monroe, La., church with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Frasier, and a number of other relatives and is also active in the YOU.

GREENSBORO, N.C. — Maurice Parks, 17-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Parks of the Greensboro church was given the Daughters of American Revolution (DAR) Good Citizen Award and became the first male from his high school to receive this award. Nominees are selected on the basis of their dependability, scholarship, patriotism, good citizenship, leadership and service. Maurice is a senior at Eastern Randolph High School, in the top 10 of his class, academically. He has won a history award, is a member of the Science Club, president of the Beta Club, editor of the yearbook, and was a junior marshal at his school's 1979 graduation ceremony.

Maurice also attended the Statewide Student Governor's School for math and was selected as the second vice president of the school. Maurice is the president of the Greensboro YOU chapter, and is a member of the Blazer basketball team. For the future, he plans to attend Harvard University in Cambridge, Mass., and major in accounting.

SAN DIEGO, Calif. — Anita Diane Jager, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adam D. Jager of the San Diego church, was recently selected Gymnast of the Year for Helix High School in La Mesa, Calif., where she is a senior. In the school's gymnastic tournament, she won first place on the vault and bars and second place on the beam. Anita is also a member of the three-girl gymnast team that took the championship in the overall competition of the tournament. Their final score total was the highest for the school in more than 10 years. Anita won several trophies and a plaque, and a large trophy was awarded to the school in honor of the team.

GREENSBORO, N.C. — Cindy Averett, 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Averett of the Greensboro church, was selected to "Who's Who Among American High School Students." Cindy, a YOU member and cheerleader on the Greensboro Blazerettes, is an honor roll student at Southern Guilford High School where she is a senior. Presently employed by a law firm, Cindy plans to further her education toward becoming a legal secretary.





# 1980 AMBASSADOR GRADUATION

**COMMENCEMENT** — Clockwise from top left: Dave Myers, Ambassador College student body president, delivers his discourse; Pam Mehnert receives her bachelor of arts degree from Deputy Chancellor Raymond F. McNair; Evangelist Herman Hoeh gives the commencement address; the Ambassador Chorale performs Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus"; Phil Rice, student body vice president, is congratulated by Kathy Killebrew as fellow graduating senior Dan Samson looks on; commencement monitor Nancy Dickinson is all smiles for the graduates; Ross Jutsum leads the Ambassador College Band in "Pomp and Circumstance"; Pam Mehnert shows her diploma to physical education instructor Marsha Whitley; Barbara Hogberg and Dorothy Eckert pause for a moment during the day's events. [Photos by Roland Rees and Michael Snyder]



## NEWS OF PEOPLE, PLACES & EVENTS IN THE WORLDWIDE CHURCH OF GOD

PASADENA — *The Plain Truth* United States newsstand program has produced more than 400,000 subscriber responses since its inception in mid-1975, according to *PT* newsstand distribution manager **John LaBissoniere**.

Speaking at a luncheon meeting of 25 Los Angeles, Calif., area *PT* newsstand representatives, Mr. LaBissoniere stated that from the 400,000 figure, more than 3,500 have become donors to God's Work. Co-workers associating themselves with the Church as a result of the program numbered 1,004 and '94 were baptized after making initial contact with the Church through the newsstand *PT*.

The U.S. *PT* distribution manager also pointed out that 40 to 50 percent of new *PT* subscribers come through the program.

Auditorium P.M. assistant pastor **Robin Webber** also addressed the group, stating that brethren involved in the newsstand program were "directly a link in the preaching of the Gospel." He paraphrased I Corinthians 3:6, relating: "The *Plain Truth* plants, our ministers water and God gives the increase."

Gonzalez pastors the Bogota, Colombia, church.

Mr. Matthews also reports that the ordination of **Philip Shields** to preaching elder Nov. 24, 1979, was not previously announced. Mr. Shields was raised in rank by **Colin Wilkins** and is pastor of the Fredrickson, St. John and Moncton, N.B., churches.

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PASADENA — Ambassador College will offer several new continuing education classes this summer for Church members and employees, according to Dr. **William Stenger** of the college registrar's office here.

Survey-type courses on Church doctrine, Hebrew, mass communications, the epistles of Paul and other biblical and practical topics will be offered May through August. The classes are being offered to Church area residents on an experimental basis and will be expanded or modified as interest in the program requires.

Faculty members **David Albert, John Beaver, Mark Kaplan, Richard Walther, Mary Hegvold, Wes White** and **Sidney Hegvold** will serve as instructors for the class-

### FEAST REMINDERS

1. If you desire to transfer to another Feast site, please submit your Festival application to Tucson as soon as possible.
2. Return all applications to Tucson as quickly as possible. Remember to include the title of your second title with the application if you have not already submitted it.
3. Carefully follow the instructions for making your housing arrangements for each Feast site. Do not submit housing requests to the Feast Office.
4. The Feast Office requests that you do not plan to attend multiple Feast sites during the Feast of Tabernacles. This makes it difficult for planning purposes and detracts from keeping the Feast in the appropriate manner God desires.
5. If you need assistance in any way in making your Feast plans for 1980 contact your church pastor or Festival adviser.

PASADENA — **Rod Matthews** of the International Office of Ministerial Services has released the names of men recently ordained and raised in rank in God's ministry. In the Philippines, **Medardo Maninang** was ordained a local elder fulltime in the ministry. Ordained as local church elders not in the employ of the Work were **Napoleon Acebran, Dionisio Caticillar** and **Aurelio Mandap**.

In Canada, **Dennis O'Neil** was ordained a local church elder for the London, Ont., church. **Alan Tattersall** was also ordained a local church elder, serving in Liverpool, England.

Raised in rank to preaching elder by Spanish regional director **Leon Walker** was **Pablo Gonzalez**. Mr.

es along with their other duties.

The continuing education classes offer graduated units upon completion and do not apply to an academic degree from Ambassador. Dr. Stenger's office reports that no tuition charges will be required and students will only pay a "nominal" registration fee on the first day of class.

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PASADENA — A new, permanent Festival bumper sticker will be mailed to United States members and co-workers attending the Feast of Tabernacles, according to Festival Operations head Dr. **William Kessler**. The emblem will facilitate parking at the Feast and also identify Church members' vehicles year round.



**AICF PERFORMERS** — The Ambassador International Cultural Foundation's [AICF] "Great Performer Subscription Series" will feature Conductor **Eugene Ormandy** and the Philadelphia Orchestra May 28, left. Right, opera soprano **Leontyne Price** performed in the Ambassador Auditorium May 15. These performances close the 1979-80 series. (See "Update," this page.)

The sticker will be rectangular and feature a bright gold-colored image of the Worldwide Church of God and Ambassador College seal on a color-coded reflective surface.

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PASADENA — Fall enrollment at Ambassador College for the 1980-81 academic year is "nearly full," according to **Raymond F. McNair**, Ambassador College deputy chancellor. Mr. McNair reports that "we expect to only be able to accept one out of every three who apply to enter." The deputy chancellor notes that the college registrar's office is no longer sending out application forms for the 1980 fall term because of the high level of response.

Students attending Ambassador College are afforded several advantages not available at other institutions. Mr. McNair points out that several students will be traveling to Europe and Israel this summer to take part in archaeological excavations, while another group will work in the Kingdom of Thailand to help Cambodian, Laotian and Vietnamese refugees. This summer, Ambassador College students will also serve as counselors and activities staffers at the Church's Summer Educational Program (SEP) sites in Minnesota and Scotland, and four undergraduate men will work as summer ministerial trainees [see *WN*, May 5].

Mr. McNair also reports that about 50 Japanese students will again be studying English, American history and culture on the Ambassador campus this summer in a continuation of a program started by the Ambassador International Cultural Foundation [AICF] in 1975. The deputy chancellor notes that the program was made possible by contacts through Pastor General **Herbert W. Armstrong** in the nation of Japan.

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PASADENA — Two of the world's "most prominent musical stars" will be performing under the auspices of the Ambassador Interna-

tional Cultural Foundation [AICF] during the month of May, according to **Wayne Shilkret**, AICF performing arts manager. Conductor **Eugene Ormandy** and the Philadelphia Orchestra will perform in the Pasadena Civic Auditorium May 28, and opera soprano **Leontyne Price** appeared for the first time in the Ambassador Auditorium May 15.

The Ormandy concert will be presented in the Civic Auditorium facility to accommodate the "large demand for seating," according to Mr. Shilkret. He also notes that Maestro Ormandy, now completing 44 years as music director of the Philadelphia Orchestra, has "specifically requested" a concert date with the orchestra in the Ambassador Auditorium during the 1980-81 season. He related that Maestro Ormandy desired to conduct in the Auditorium and the 1980-81 appearance of Mr. Ormandy will be the only Southern

California performance during that year.

The performances by the Philadelphia Orchestra and soprano Price will bring the AICF's "Great Performer Subscription Series" to a close for the 1979-80 season.

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PASADENA — More than 44 percent of the United States Festival applications have been received and processed by the Data Processing Center here, according to Dr. **William Kessler** of the Festival Operations Office.

Dr. Kessler reports that problems with the new system of transferring and making reservations are minimal. He states that if present trends continue, "most, if not all, transfers [in the United States] will be approved." All members and co-workers are urged to send in their applications and title of the title "as soon as possible" to enable final arrangements at all U.S. sites to be completed.

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PASADENA — Members desiring to change their transfer requests should submit a second Festival application, according to Dr. **William Kessler** of the Festival Operations Office. Members and co-workers should get a new application from their Festival adviser. He will write the words *transfer change* underneath the site code box.

Dr. Kessler reports that members should not mail their applications to Pasadena, as all applications must be routed through the Tucson data center for processing.

The Festival Office also asks that brethren plan their Feast carefully to avoid transfer changes, which cause extra work for the Festival staff. Dr. Kessler noted that all requests will be accommodated when possible, but all applications must have the local pastor's signature.

## Pastor General OK's PT, book promotion

PASADENA — Two new plans to help promote *The Plain Truth* magazine and distribute **Herbert W. Armstrong's** Everest House books were approved by the pastor general and are being implemented, according to Publishing Services.

Attractively designed cardholders with postcards offering a six-month free subscription to *The Plain Truth* magazine are being sent to all U.S. pastors. Brethren in the United States can participate by working with their pastors in placing the cardholders on public bulletin boards.

"Some of the major national magazines, including *Time*, *Newsweek* and *U.S. News & World Report*, have used this method with a good deal of success," reports **Boyd Leeson**, circulation manager for *The Plain Truth*.

"Brethren just obtain permission to install the cardholders and then keep them filled," said Mr. Leeson. "The test results we have using this method indicate promise in helping to raise the circulation of *The Plain Truth*."

Members can also become involved in distributing copies of Mr. Armstrong's books, *The Incredible Human Potential* and *Tomorrow... What It Will Be Like*, to their libraries, according to the circulation manager.

"Many public and college libraries have a request system whereby patrons of the library can suggest the purchase of a particular book," he said. "If three or four members request the library obtain a copy of Mr. Armstrong's books, there is a good chance they will order it." Mr. Leeson also noted that it doesn't cost the Work any money, yet provides an effective means to help distribute Mr. Armstrong's material. If the library

cannot purchase the books because of a limited budget, brethren may arrange for a donation of the books through the local church.

"Precautions should be taken to insure that the books don't end up on the 'for sale' shelf or in some dark, forgotten storage bin," warns Mr. Leeson.

Program details and instructions have been mailed to all U.S. pastors, and members can contact them for additional information about these new programs. "We hope that many pastors and co-workers will take this opportunity to get involved," states the *PT* circulation manager, "as it affords a great deal of 'ground support' for Mr. Armstrong and the Work."



**'PT' POSTCARDS** — Cardholders put together by Publishing Services were mailed to all United States pastors as part of a program to encourage *Plain Truth* subscriptions. [Photo by Roland Rees]

## HWA postpones ministers' conference

PASADENA — Pastor General **Herbert W. Armstrong** has directed that the 1980 Ministerial Conference scheduled for June be delayed until next year, according to Ministerial Services head **Joseph Tkach Sr.** He states that Mr. Armstrong is "extremely pleased" with the direction of the Church worldwide and felt that the new Ministerial Refreshing Program to begin in July would make a full-scale conference unnecessary at this time.

The Ministerial Refreshing Program will replace the old sabbatical tenure and will bring small groups of ministers and their wives to Pasadena at intervals throughout the year. The ministers will be afforded three weeks of lectures, seminars and fel-

lowship before returning to their congregations. Mr. Tkach states that this new program, coupled with the "proven effectiveness" of the weekly *Pastor General's Report* in reaching individual ministers, caused Mr. Armstrong to reevaluate the need for the conference in June.

Of special note, relates the evangelist, is "Mr. Armstrong's confidence in the ministry... reflected in his decision to delay a conference until later."

Mr. Tkach says that the decision will be "disappointing for many who were anticipating the conference and the time of fellowshiping together," but notes that the funds earmarked for use at the conference

will be put into other areas of God's Work, thus furthering the great commission.

The Ministerial Services director also reports that the decision frees up additional time for Mr. Armstrong's "heavy schedule" this summer. The pastor general is planning to fly to Israel and Egypt for meetings with Israeli Prime Minister **Menachem Begin**, Egyptian President **Anwar Sadat** and other dignitaries. Mr. Armstrong is also scheduled to speak at both sessions of the 1980 Summer Educational Program [SEP] in Orr, Minn. [see SEP, page 1]. In addition to his daily administrative duties and tasks, Mr. Armstrong will be preparing for a campaign in the Philippines this fall [see *WN*, April 7].