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CAN WE FELLOWSHIP THE DISFELLOWSHIPED?

By **Herbert W. Armstrong**
Are some of us trying to be more kind, merciful and considerate even than GOD? Are we actually

disobeying God in our soft, fence-straddling approach toward certain others? To those disfellowshipped

from the Church, Christ will say, "Depart from me..." (Matthew 7:23). There have been those disfellowshipped for cause and who have tended to want to "hang around" the Ambassador College campus and God's Church — attend basketball games, fraternize with members, enjoy what is here to be enjoyed. They seem never to cease wanting to "GET" all they can from the Church. Yet they usually will spread false rumors against the Church, or in other ways speak against it.

One thing characteristic, it has been noticed, concerning many disfellowshipped, they continue to have MORE INTEREST IN THE CHURCH than even many members. They seek diligently every bit of news or information about Church activities. They

seek every method to obtain our literature — to know "what's going on."

Why? They seek every bit of information to twist and turn against God's Church, God's people and God's Work. They seek it because in their hearts they know they are wrong, and they seek self-justification by finding grounds by misrepresenting facts to falsely ACCUSE and CONDEMN the Church of God!

Instead of seeking justification of their sinning past by the blood of Christ, they seek SELF-justification by persecution against, and false ACCUSATION of the Body of CHRIST!

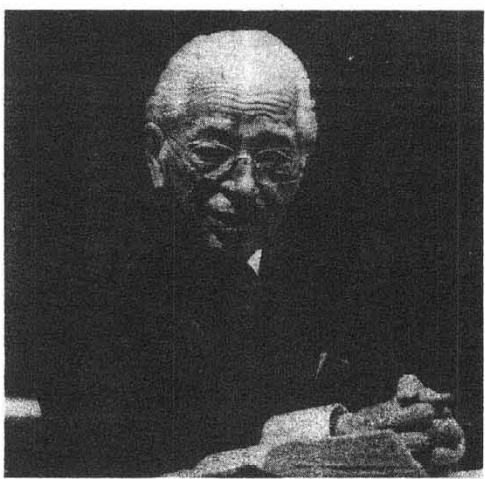
Some time ago, without my knowledge and without my authority, someone started a category called "inactive members." It now appears this was done to benefit some who had been DISFELLOWSHIPED for cause.

There never has been any official or recognized category called "inactive members." Such nonexistent category is officially declared nonexistent. Those who prior to that were disfellowshipped are STILL DISFELLOWSHIPED.

Now what does the Word of God teach God's Church in this regard? Those who had become baptized and received as members, but who, for offenses, had been disfellowshipped, we are to "AVOID THEM" (Romans 16:17).

Again, "Now we COMMAND YOU, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye withdraw yourselves from every brother that walketh disorderly," and, "if any man obey not our word by this epistle, note that man, and have no company with him..." (II Thessalonians 3:6, 14).

We may have reason to have (See FELLOWSHIP, page 5)



BIBLE STUDY — Herbert W. Armstrong expounds the book of James April 23 in the Ambassador Auditorium. The service was one of several conducted by Mr. Armstrong during the Spring Festival. (Photo by Nathan Faulkner)

Pastor general conducts Passover, four services

PASADENA — Battling a sore throat and a mild case of the Asian flu, Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong delivered three sermons, conducted Passover services for the Auditorium P.M. church and gave a Bible study during the Days of Unleavened Bread.

After addressing Ambassador College student body forums April 9 and 14, Mr. Armstrong conducted April 17 Passover services for about 900 members in the Ambassador College gym. The pastor general spoke briefly about faith and reminded the group of the seriousness of the occasion.

Prophecy sermon

The following afternoon Mr. Armstrong spoke to the Auditorium P.M. and Imperial congregations, this time on prophecy. Expounding Revelation 12, Mr. Armstrong traced the history and purpose of the Church.

The pastor general took the afternoon service on the first Holy Day, following a record offering for the Pasadena area, according to evangelist Joseph Tkach. Mr. Armstrong addressed an overflow crowd of 2,750, some of whom watched on close-circuit television from the college gym, said Robin Webber, the assistant pastor of the Auditorium P.M. congregation.

Mr. Armstrong explained the meaning and significance of each

the relevance of the Days of Unleavened Bread.

Later in the week Mr. Armstrong surprised 1,100 brethren gathered in the Auditorium by taking the April 23 Bible study, reported Mr. Webber. Two Bible studies were scheduled for the Days of Unleavened Bread, with evangelist Herman L. Hoeh speaking April 21.

The pastor general spoke to the assembly on the book of James and related it to the Days of Unleavened Bread. He exhorted those present to "come out of the world."

As an example, Mr. Armstrong went through a Sunday edition of the Los Angeles Times. Tacking each section of the paper, he showed how newspapers report on the interests of the world instead of the interest of God.

New York trip

Following his April 23 Bible study, Mr. Armstrong left the next morning with assistant Robert Fahey for New York. He was met there by pastors Frank McCrady, Jr., Leslie Schmedes, Ed Faulk and deacon Bill Lubon at the New York Regency Hotel for a brief meeting, according to Mr. McCrady.

The next day, the final day of Unleavened Bread was a "day that will not soon be forgotten by the New York brethren," said Mr. McCrady.

Robert Fahey conducted the

PASADENA — Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong approved six Ambassador College seniors to serve as ministerial trainees. Evangelist Joseph Tkach announced their names in a college assembly here April 30.

The new trainees and the areas they will serve are: James Capo, Glendale and Reseda, Calif.; Steve Elliott, Washington, D.C.; Ben Faulkner, Pasadena Auditorium P.M.; John Knaack, Monroe, La.; Dennis Milner, Pasadena Auditorium A.M.; and Doug Peitz, Garden Grove, Calif.

Mr. Tkach also said eight local elders, all graduates of Ambassador College, will be hired into the full-time ministry as assistant pastors. They are: Rick Baumgartner, Houston, Tex.; North; Val Burgett, Belleville and Mount Vernon, Ill.; John Dobritch, Belle Vernon, Pa., and Clarksburg, W.Va.; David Dobson, Memphis and Nashville, Tenn.; Tom Fitzpatrick, New York City, N.Y.; area churches; Dennis Johnson, Glendora and San Bernardino, Calif.; Steve Walden, Corpus Christi, Harlingen and Victoria, Tex.; Dan White, Shreveport, La., Texarkana, Tex., and Mena, Ark.

John Borax, a local elder attending Ambassador College, will also join the full-time ministry in the Auditorium P.M. congregation.

Before announcing the trainees, Mr. Tkach commented on the role of Ambassador College. He referred to Mr. Armstrong's three forums (April 9, 14 and 28), when Mr. Armstrong traced the history and purposes of Ambassador College.

Despite much persecution and hardships "God gave Mr. Armstrong the wisdom to overcome all those obstacles," Mr. Tkach said. "You [the students] aren't sitting here by accident," he continued. "It

great deal of hard work... to build this college."

The evangelist quoted John 6:44, 65, stating that "God drew most of the students to 'the priceless opportunity of attending the West Point of God's Work.'"

He illustrated the building of the spiritual temple, pointing out that the students could be a part of the "precision building" that God is

developing.

"God is in the process of putting together the greatest team in the history of man," Mr. Tkach continued. He urged the students to become leaders in spiritual principles by practicing them.

He said their main job is a support function. "We're all working together to assist Mr. Armstrong in completing the commission."

Professionals respond to Wall Street Journal ads

PASADENA — Doctors, lawyers, businessmen with graduate degrees, corporate executives and people from all walks of life are requesting literature offered in Herbert W. Armstrong's Wall Street Journal advertisements.

According to the Mail Processing Center, thousands of professionals have written or called for copies of *The Wonderful World Tomorrow*, *The United States and Britain in Prophecy*, *The Plain Truth* and other literature.

After submitting 27 ads to the eastern and western editions of *The Wall Street Journal*, Mr. Armstrong is beginning a series in the midwestern and southern editions in the United States. *Plain Truth* managing editor Dexter Faulkner said the pastor general plans to include many of the previously published ads that are not time bound.

Many of the literature requests included comments on Mr. Armstrong's message. One elected official in an Eastern state wrote, "Your ad was very worthwhile reading and

with Business and Industry".

Several professionals were impressed with Mr. Armstrong's explanation of "give" and "get." A dentist from Florida wrote: "I would feel privileged to receive whatever literature you have... expounding your principles."

An attorney from New Jersey noted: "I share the sentiments expressed in your messages and would like very much to receive the literature... Let me thank you personally for keeping the Word of God alive in the halls of mammon."

A South African visiting the United States called the Work's Wide Area Telephone Service (WATS) lines to express his appreciation.

An individual from Hawaii termed the pastor general's comments the most "profound public statements I've heard in some time."

And finally, several individuals from advertising agencies wrote of their appreciation, and one regional manager of *The Wall Street Journal* wrote for a copy of *The Wonder-*

U.S. strategy provokes Allied skepticism

PASADENA — While Americans in general applaud the Reagan administration's new show of strength in world affairs, the perspective is quite different among some key U.S. allies. In the long run, the United States could end up seriously isolated in the world.

Washington hasn't had an easy time, for example, convincing the more left-of-center governments in Western Europe of the need to make El Salvador a test case against further Soviet-Cuban encroachments in Central America. The Social Democratic parties don't see the struggle in the same light and generally have supported leftist "popular front" guerrillas in Nicaragua, El Salvador and elsewhere in their struggle to topple rightist military governments.

South Africa, too, could develop into a divisive issue separating the United States from key political and economic partners. While the Reagan administration claims that it is only trying to restore a balance in its relationship to both Black Africa and white-ruled South Africa, critics are complaining of what they claim is Washington's new "tilt" toward Pretoria.

U.S. debacle in Mideast?

It is in the Middle East and Persian Gulf that the greatest doubts persist about the new U.S. "act tough" posture. Allied foreign policy planners in Europe worry that the United States could be more of a

threat to Western vital interests in the oil-rich region than the Soviet Union.

They are especially wary of Washington's determination to deploy military forces in or near the gulf to insure uninterrupted oil supplies in the event of a Soviet threat to these lifelines.

The United States has obtained permission to use and upgrade military facilities in Somalia, Kenya and Oman. The largest base in the region is under construction on the British island of Diego Garcia in the Indian Ocean. The United States also hopes, according to *Newsweek* magazine, to help Saudi Arabia "overbuild and overstock" an airbase at Dhahran on the country's Persian Gulf coast.

Still another facility is of the hush-hush variety. America will spend, pending congressional approval, up to \$400 million over a four or five year period upgrading the Egyptian airfield and port at Ras Banas on the Red Sea opposite a Saudi Arabian oil terminal. It is closer to key Mideast oil installations and transport routes than any other planned facility, including Masira Island off Oman.

Ras Banas will house no U.S. combat troops. It will essentially be a prestaging facility equipped with oil storage tanks and prepositioned military gear. Runways will be expanded for jet transports, so the facility may be used as a staging area for entrance into other parts of the

Mideast. The Ras Banas base issue is so sensitive in upper circles in Egypt that U.S. use of it will be on an "informal" basis, a virtual "handshake deal" with President Anwar Sadat.

Another controversial proposal would have the United States contribute troops to a U.N. peacekeeping force in the buffer zone to be created in the eastern Sinai when the Israelis complete their withdrawal from Egyptian territory in April, 1982.

Fear of U.S. blunder

The growing fear in Western Europe is that a more visible American presence could somehow "destabilize" the region. Worst yet, it is feared that Washington might use its presence not for the principal intended purpose — keeping the Soviets at bay — but might be tempted to intervene indiscriminately in local issues (such as on the side of the Saudi royal family if its rule is threatened).

The *Sunday Telegraph's* Peregrine Worsthorpe (acclaimed as Britain's top journalist in 1980) notes that there is "sober doubt about American capacity to use conventional armed forces discriminately in an area about which they know little, without stirring up the sleeping dogs, which might other wise continue to be dormant."

Adding to doubt over U.S. wisdom is the cold fact of U.S. military defeats and blunders since the Ko-

rean War stalemate; the Bay of Pigs fiasco; the agonizing defeat in Vietnam; the failure of the rescue operation in Iran. These failures hardly inspire confidence.

And now, if the United States is unsuccessful in propping up the moderate government of its choice in El Salvador — right in its own backyard — how could it be deemed trustworthy to keep the Soviets off the oil taps of the Middle East?

WORLDWATCH

BY GENE H. HOGBERG



"Precisely because the stakes are so momentous," adds Mr. Worsthorpe, "mistakes have to be avoided at all costs . . . The Persian Gulf is a vital West European interest, incomparably more so than Cuba, say, or Vietnam. A Bay of Pigs type blunder there really would be the end of us. Of course, it would be well-intentioned, aimed at preserving Western civilization, but then so was the American intervention in Vietnam. The unwelcome truth is that few in Western Europe have any confidence in the American ability to undertake that kind of job without doing more harm than good."

Because of these increasing doubts, there is a growing mood in Western Europe to "accommodate" the Soviet Union in any threat from the latter to the Middle East, rather than relying on U.S. power and its uncertain consequences. It's not exactly the old "better Red than dead" syndrome, writer Worsthorpe observes, rather one of "better Red than bankrupt."

Because of the oil fear, he notes in his March 1 *Sunday Telegraph* commentary, "a truly formidable neutralist virus is beginning to spread."

The mood of what one observer

called Europe's "incipient neutralization . . . born of three decades of peace and prosperity" is growing steadily across Western Europe. Leaders on the continent are finding it difficult to maintain, much less increase, defense spending in the wake of declining economic fortunes and widespread demands for increased social spending.

Fatal split?

The United States and Europe are coming to a parting of the ways. Washington is planning to spend heavily on defense to offset the startling Soviet-Warsaw Pact growth in weapons.

It wants Western Europeans to get more excited about its own defense as well. But the allies, with the exception of France and Italy, are dragging their feet.

How serious is the Atlantic rift becoming? It's obvious that it is past the superficial stage. The West German newspaper, *Bonner Rudschau*, reported that the conflict between U.S. and European viewpoints, which arose in Bonn, West Germany, at the recent NATO nuclear planning group meeting, forebode "perhaps the beginning of a fatal split."

The influential national newspaper *Die Welt* contended that "the Atlantic Alliance is in danger of falling out over basic questions of material interest."

Europeans are divided, confused more than ever before over their future. "Many politicians say Europe must speak with one voice," says W.F. van Eekelen, a Dutch defense official. "But if you ask what the voice should say, there is no answer."

Europe still is waiting for the voice, or voices, to tell it where it should go. Either these leaders step forth — and Bible prophecy predicts they will — or Western Europe slides into a neutralized Russian bear hug.



Just one more thing

By Dexter H. Faulkner

"What's the point of talking, you don't listen to me anyway." Ever heard or said this statement before? I have.

It starts out ever so innocently. A husband tunes in a sporting event and tunes out his wife's attempts to be heard.

A wife gets so wrapped up in her daily problems she barely listens as her husband talks about his own.

Before long, without realizing how it came about, a deadly silence starts to grow between them.

The plain truth is, listening, like marriage, is a partnership; a shared responsibility between the person speaking and the person listening. And if the listener doesn't show genuine interest and sensitivity to what's being said, the speaker will stop talking. And communication will fade.

Daily conversation or dialogue is a key ingredient to a successful marriage.

In our personal and business lives we are constantly trying to communicate with the people around us. Notice I said "trying."

During the past 23 years of my efforts to be an effective husband-communicator, I have made numerous mistakes and have observed others doing the same, as we attempt to make each other understand.

Those experiences have given me a compelling desire to put down on paper the points I consider to be most critical in successful marriage communications.

I find most of us are just plain lazy when it comes to communicating. We may work hard at our professions, but if we have developed sloppy habits or poor attitudes in communicating to our mates — or to others, we aren't solving anything. We're only creating additional problems.

Consider the following aids to

successful conversation. Select several to put to work in your marriage relationship. Keep your communication alive and healthy.

Experience a walk-talk communication. Exercise plus dialogue refreshes the body, mind and marriage. Hand in hand, share the day, happy moments or personal concerns.

Begin an appreciation marathon. Sincerely and lovingly tell each other how much you appreciate each other and what specifically is beautiful or wonderful about the other as you walk together, eat together, relax in bed or share a beautiful spot in nature.

Candidly list each of your mutual needs and discuss them. (You may not know your mate as well as you think.) Set goals for meeting these needs by writing them down. Check back frequently to see if needs are being met. When conflict arises, discuss it and try to work it out in a mature way. Sometimes compromise is necessary, or alternate solutions need to be tried.

Try a confession session. You goofed, did wrong, "wiped out" emotionally. You'd like to blame everyone else but yourself. This is a powerful love-building time. Learn to say "I'm sorry" and mean it.

Use "I'm upset" dialogue. You are getting angry. You're about to lose your temper! Hold it! Think calmly, then speak. "Sweetie, I love you dearly, but what you are doing is making me angry. I really don't want to be angry at you. Will you help me?"

Enjoy some pillow talk. Before going to sleep, chat about the good events of the day. Set ground rules: No problems are to be discussed.

No subject of this nature would be complete without consulting God's Word. The Bible has a lot to say about applied communications. Over the years I have found the fol-

lowing basic marriage communication guidelines invaluable. They are all tried and proven.

- Be a ready listener and do not answer until your spouse has finished talking. Proverbs 18:13; James 1:19.

- Be slow to speak. Think first. Speak in such a way that your mate can understand and accept what you say. Proverbs 15:23,28.

- Speak the truth always, but do it in love and consideration. Do not exaggerate. Ephesians 4:15,25; Colossians 3:9.

- Do not use silence to frustrate your spouse. Explain why you are hesitant to talk at this time.

- Don't allow yourself to become involved in quarrels. It is possible to disagree without quarreling. Quarreling only tears down. Proverbs 17:14, Romans 13:13, Ephesians 4:26,31.

- When you are in the wrong, admit it and ask for forgiveness. James 5:16. When your mate confesses a mistake to you, be forgiving. Be sure it is *forgotten* and not brought up again. Proverbs 17:9, Ephesians 4:32, Colossians 3:13.

- Do not respond in anger. Use a soft and kind response. Proverbs 14:29; 15:1.

- Avoid nagging. This applies to both male and female. Proverbs 10:19; 17:9.

- Do not blame or criticize. Instead try to encourage and edify. 1 Thessalonians 5:11. If your spouse verbally attacks, criticizes or blames you, do not respond in the same manner. Romans 12:17, 21.

- Try to understand your mate's opinion. Make allowances for differences. Be concerned about his or her interests. Ephesians 4:2.

We all are familiar with the statement, "It's not what you say, but how you say it!" Mark Twain once remarked that the difference between the right word and the almost right word is the difference between lightning and lightning bug.

Love doesn't come automatically in marriage, but love matures in marriage as two people work to communicate. When was the last time you really talked with your spouse?

Letters TO THE EDITOR

Special edition

It is difficult to find the words to express how deeply thankful we are for the work you have turned every phase of the Work and us too, back to Christ, that we have God's blessing again.

We are so thankful for the unbelievable inspiration and example you set in the schedule you keep. And for the experience it must be for the brethren who are now able to hear you in person during the Sabbath visits to Church areas you are making.

Thank you for the special issue of *The Worldwide News* and for keeping each and every member informed about what is going on in the organization and in the Work. We are so proud to be part of such planning, organization and implementation and to be informed by you personally. *The Worldwide News* is vital to us in the same way your letters are, because of the articles you write for every issue.

Mary Hill

Anchorage, Alaska

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Just finished the special edition *The Worldwide News*. It's a masterpiece of masterpieces.

I tried to digest every word, no man without God's help could go at your pace. I had to take breaks before I finished reading it.

Mrs. Robert L. Holland

Atlanta, Ga.,

Really enjoyed the special edition *Worldwide News*. Very impressed with the organizational chart and think the idea of an Advisory Council is right.

Jerre Rohe

Albuquerque, N. M.

South African report

I got such a kick out of Harold Jackson's report about the South African congregation of Seventh-day Adventists who ended up becoming an entire Church of God congregation after their leader came in contact with some of our literature.

Michael E. Brandenburg

Pleasant Plain, Ohio

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Thousands of letters receive personal attention by writers

By John Curry
PASADENA — Herbert W. Armstrong's first radio broadcast in 1934 prompted listeners to write or phone the station manager. As response to his broadcasts continued, Mr. Armstrong and his wife Loma personally answered each letter that required special attention.

As the Work grew and stations were added, so did the volume of mail. According to Richard Rice, director of the Mail Processing Center, it became impossible for Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong to read and answer each letter. So, in the early years of Ambassador College, Mr. Armstrong started a Letter Answering Department using some of the students he had taught.

Volume of mail

The Mail Processing Center now receives multiple thousands of letters daily, reported Mr. Rice. Of this volume, several hundred require special attention, according to Clarence Huse, a minister who supervises the Personal Correspondence Department (PCD) under Mr. Rice.

Each week PCD answers nearly 500 letters, ranging from personal problems to doctrinal questions and points of curiosity, noted Mr. Huse. "What may appear as basic biblical truths to us are new and profound to new people."

The letters are referred to a team of eight writers, all Ambassador graduates, having more than a century of combined experience in PCD, he said.

Supporting the ministry

"Each letter is given personal attention and answered in a way we feel will uphold Mr. Armstrong's teachings," stated Mr. Huse.

"Sometimes we can answer the person's questions with Church literature, or we can use material previously developed by the department," he said. But often, he noted, the reply must be written "from scratch."

Questions concerning Church doctrine are answered by referring the person to material written by



PCD PERSONNEL — Clockwise from above: Val Aspenns and David Hunsberger (right) discuss reply to a question from an interested reader; Clarence Huse, supervisor of the department; Hernan Herrera goes over final draft of a letter with senior writer Bill Myers. Not pictured is writer Carol Miller. [Photos by Scott Smith]

Mr. Armstrong, said Mr. Huse.

Mr. Armstrong's personal mail

The pastor general receives thousands of letters annually with personal comments. Of these letters, many are sent to Mr. Armstrong in their entirety or are compiled in reports to him, according to Mr. Huse.

Personal letters to Mr. Armstrong are given priority handling by senior writers, and those containing thoughtful comments from members are acknowledged and forwarded to Mr. Armstrong.

Why PCD?

Many people want personal contact in the form of correspondence with the Church, said Mr. Huse. They prefer the comfortable anonymity of letters until they decide whether they want to continue with

God's Church.

How does the department view its purpose? "We're just a support function to God's apostle and the field ministry," noted Mr. Huse.



Evangelist visits South America

PASADENA — Evangelist Leon Walker returned here with his wife Reba April 26 after a 25-day tour of Brazil, Argentina, Chile and Peru.

In what he described as a "routine" trip, Mr. Walker brought news of Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong and God's Work to members and ministers in those countries. "I was somewhat more of a personal representative of Mr. Armstrong on this trip," he said, "as I brought a 16-mm. film of Mr.

Armstrong's March 7 sermon in Pasadena."

Since few members speak English, Mr. Walker also brought a Spanish-language translation on cassette to accompany Mr. Armstrong's sermon. "The members were thrilled to see Mr. Armstrong and were impressed with his vitality and power," he noted.

Mr. Walker's trip began in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, where he had three days of sermons and Bible studies with the seven baptized members

and interested people there. "Because of no facilities, I did not show the film there," he reported.

He continued to Bahia Blanca, Argentina, where a large church meets. "The members were delighted to see and hear Mr. Armstrong," the evangelist stated.

"The basic purpose of my trip to these countries was to meet with the ministers," Mr. Walker stated. "I feel it's very important for them to have close contact with Pasadena, so we can maintain total harmony."

Mr. Walker reported that he tried to spend three to four days with each minister, "talking most of the day about God's Work and answering their questions."

The evangelist also talked about problems faced by the ministry. "Our minister in Argentina, Luis Chavez, is responsible for a very large area. When he needs to visit someone in Uruguay, he has to travel [the equivalent of] the distance between Washington, D.C., and Indianapolis, Ind." Travel like this takes much time, he said.

Mr. Walker traveled from Argentina to Santiago, Chile, where he kept the Passover and the first Holy Day of Unleavened Bread. After spending a few days with Fillidor Illesca and Mario Seigle, ministers in Chile, Mr. Walker continued to Lima, Peru, where he conducted services for the last Holy Day.

He said he also met with Pablo Gonzalez, a minister from Colombia, who traveled down from that country. "We discussed advertising and promotion plans for *La Pura Verdad* (Spanish Plain Truth) as well as other matters of importance," he said.

After showing the film in Peru, Mr. Walker sent it to Colombia, where it will later be passed on to Mexico and Central America. "Eventually, most of the brethren will see the film," the evangelist reported. He also noted that extra copies of the Spanish translation are being sent to members unable to view the film.

Passover

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offering and delivered the morning sermon to 4,000 people from 12 churches in five states, he said. "His sermon 'Who is the Boss?' was very inspiring and right down the line about how God works through human leaders," Mr. McCrady related. He showed how Jesus Christ is the "boss" of the Church and His servant is Mr. Armstrong, he added.

That afternoon, the pastor general was welcomed with a "thunderous ovation," Mr. McCrady reported. "He spoke with great power for an hour and a half. He talked about the Holy Days, showing how God cut man off from eternal life, but how man cut himself off from God."

After the sermon in the Grand Ballroom of the New York Hilton Hotel, Mr. Armstrong conducted a 1½ hour meeting for 22 ministers and wives.

"He was very warm and encouraging," Mr. McCrady said. "He exhorted us to deleaven our lives spiritually and to remember that there is no time to waste in getting our job done."

Mr. Armstrong left for Pasadena aboard the Work's G-II about 6 p.m., Mr. McCrady said.

Traveling speakers

Several ministers were sent out

from Pasadena during the Holy Days, according to Ministerial Services. The ministers and their schedules were:

- Raymond McNair, Passover, Medford, Ore., first Holy Day, Tacoma, Wash.; Rod Matthews, Passover, Chico, Calif., first Holy Day, Reno, Nev.; Richard Ames, Passover, Phoenix, Ariz., first Holy Day, Prescott, Ariz., last Holy Day Lawton and Ada, Okla.; Dean Blackwell, Passover, Rapid City, S.D., first Holy Day, Cheyenne, Wyo., last Holy Day, Eugene, Ore.
- Greg Albrecht, Passover, Wichita, Kan., first Holy Day, Garden City, Kan., last Holy Day, Pasco, Wash.; Richard Rice, Passover, Atlanta, Ga., first Holy Day, Anniston, Ala., last Holy Day, Nashville and Cookeville, Tenn.; Arthur Suckling, Passover, Moultrie, Ga., first Holy Day, Jacksonville, Fla., last Holy Day, Albuquerque, N.M.
- Herman L. Hoeh, Passover, Asheville, N.C., first Holy Day, Lenoir, N.C., last Holy Day, Grand Junction, Colo.; Leroy Neff, Passover, Houston, Tex., first Holy Day, Shreveport, La., last Holy Day, Louisville, Ky.; Harold Jackson, Passover, Rochester, N.Y., first Holy Day, Buffalo, N.Y., last Holy Day, Baltimore, Md.
- John Halford, Passover and first Holy Day, Port-au-Prince, Haiti, last Holy Day, Roswell, N.M.; David Albert, last Holy Day, Kansas City, Kan.; and Doug Horchak, last Holy Day, Saginaw, Mich.

festival update

PASADENA — The Festival Office released the following:

- United States and Canadian brethren planning to transfer within those two countries do not need to write either the Pasadena or Vancouver, B.C., offices.
- Canadian and American brethren should record their transfer requests on the computer print-outs sent from the respective Festival Offices.

This policy was established to ease transfers between the two countries. However, please note that this policy applies only to brethren living in the United States or Canada. Members and co-workers outside these countries who plan to transfer into the United States or Canada must write a letter of intent to either the Pasadena or Vancouver office.

- Brethren keeping the Feast in Cape Cod, Mass., please note the following changes:

Deposits for hotels and cottages are \$35 except for the following: Blue Water Resort, \$100; Dunfey Hyannis Hotel, \$68; Hyannis Regency, \$50; Lighthouse Inn and Mayflower Motel, amount of two nights' stay; Red Jacket Motor

Inn, \$100; Riviera Beach Motor Inn, \$100; Sheraton Regal Inn, amount of two nights' stay; Windrift Motel, one-third total amount; Yarmouth Seaside Village, \$50; Cap'n Gladcliff Motel, one-half total amount; Cavalier Motor Lodge, one-third total amount; Green Harbor Village, \$100; and Radio City Resort, one-fourth total amount.

Rates previously published for efficiencies and cottages in the April 6 W/N Festival Planner are not for single occupancy only. Rates include a wide range of facilities with charges normally based on the type of room.

Children of certain ages may stay free of charge at the Candlelight Motor Lodge, Howard Johnson's, Lewis Bay Lodge, Snug Harbor Motor Lodge and the Town House Motor Inn.

- Another realtor has been added to the establishments at Squaw Valley, Calif. Brethren can rent homes during the Feast from \$250 to \$350 and condominiums for \$350 at Mariani Development Co., Box 185, Homewood, Calif., 95718. Please call (916) 525-7042 for facility and rate information.

Refreshing program ministers in Pasadena



THIRD SESSION — AUG. 17 TO SEPT. 4



FOURTH SESSION — OCT. 12 TO OCT. 31



SEVENTH SESSION — JAN. 11 TO JAN. 30



NINTH SESSION — MARCH 8 TO MARCH 27



TENTH SESSION — APRIL 27 TO MAY 14

FOCUS ON YOUTH

BOWLING CONTEST

PASADENA — Results of the national YOU bowling contest are in. The event attracted 224 individual entries and 25 teams from the continental United States and the Bahamas.

A list of winners and total scores for three consecutive games follow:

Senior boys' division — first place, Greg Day, Tigard, Ore. (597); second place, Ricky Mars, Ozark, Ark. (552); and third place, Albert Buehler Jr., North Babylon, N.Y. (551). The highest game was bowled by Sterlyn Cartwright of San Antonio, Tex. (234).

Junior boys' division — first place, David Buckley, Jenison, Mich. (549); second place, Fred Masone Jr., Lindenhurst, N.Y. (462); third place, Neal Parker, Tuscaloosa, Ala. (436); and highest game, Charles Richard of Springfield, Va., and David Buckley, who both bowled 189.

Senior girls' division — first place, Leslie Ellis, Spring Lake, Mich. (425); second place, Sarah Worthen, Big Sandy, Tex. (420); third place, Tania McChesney, San Antonio (395); and highest game, Sarah Worthen (166).

Junior girls' division — first place, Toni Meadville, Big Sandy (439); second place, Michelle Wierenga, Jenison, Mich. (430); third place, Michelle Krol of Honesdale, Pa. (406); and highest game, Toni

Meadville (180).

National team winners — first place, representing Grand Rapids, Mich., with a total score of 1742, Lintner Ellis, Gerald Munger, David Buckley and Robert Burch; second place, Knoxville, Tenn., 1727, Alvis Carr, Richard Seiber, David Earney and Mitchell Sweat; third place, San Antonio, 1677, Sterlyn Cartwright, Jim Bald, Tania McChesney and Calvin Williams.

Next year's contest is scheduled to run from Dec. 1, 1981, to Feb. 28, 1982.

YOU MEMBER PREVENTS SUICIDE

AUCKLAND, New Zealand — Pauline Ridland, a 17-year-old member of Youth Opportunities United here, prevented a suicide as she walked along Auckland's main street after work Feb. 9.

Standing on the sidewalk was a woman swaying to and fro, looking rather dazed. Suddenly, the woman took a large knife out of her bag and started to cut her own throat.

Pauline acted instantly, as if by reflex. She grabbed the woman's wrist and the knife clattered to the pavement.

The street was crowded with pedestrians and shoppers, but they just walked on by, apart from one man who came to Pauline's aid.

He was shocked by the blood streaming down the woman's

dress, and in a panicky voice asked if he could do anything.

Pauline told him to watch the woman while she rushed into a shop to call an ambulance. Paramedics took her to the hospital, along with the man who came to Pauline's aid. He too had to stay overnight in the hospital, suffering from shock.

"You're a real heroine!" one of the ambulance personnel told Pauline, commending her quick and effective action. He commented that many lives are lost because most passersby just don't want to get involved.

Pauline was later informed that the woman, under influence of drugs at the time of the incident, later recovered and regretted her foolishness. She asked that her thanks be passed on to the person who had saved her life.

Pauline attends the Auckland North church with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ridland.

YOUTHS HONORED

EDENTON, N.C. — Patricia Hill, 17, daughter of James and Edna Hill, was selected to the 1979-80 *Who's Who Among American High School Students*. She is a senior at John A. Holmes High School. She has been a member of Future Business Leaders of America for two years. Patricia is a member of the Norfolk, N.C., YOU.

ST. LOUIS, Mo. — Sandy

Rodgers, 17, daughter of Roy and Marie Rodgers, was selected to the 1980-81 *Who's Who Among American High School Students*. Sandy is an active cheerleader at Wentville High School and attends the St. Louis church.

BATTLE CREEK, Mich. — Emmanuel Andrews was selected to the 1980-81 *Who's Who Among American High School Students*. Emmanuel is the Kalamazoo, Mich., YOU vice president and plays on the YOU basketball team.

MASON CITY, Iowa — Linda Shanks, 15, was one of the two sophomores at Nora Springs-Rock Falls Community High School selected for membership in the National Honor Society. She carried a 4.0 grade point average during her sophomore year and was president of her freshman class. Linda, with her parents Earl and Margaret Shanks, attends services in Mason City.

MICHIGAN CITY, Ind. — Matthew Bielski, 14, son of Lloyd and Nancy Bielski, was selected for membership in the National Junior Honor Society at Krueger Junior High School. Selection is based on academics, leadership, character and service. Matt is a YOU member.

DALLAS, N.C. — "Outstanding in pen and ink drawings, acrylic painting and pottery" is how North Gaston High School art teacher Al

Harris described Gary Tedder. Gary, 17, who hails from Charlotte, N.C., captured first and second place honors for two-dimensional art and honorable recognition for three-dimensional art in the 1981 Gaston County Art Guild's student art show.

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. — Yvonne Dilts took first place among fourth-grade entries and also in the intermediate division (grades four through six) at her school's science fair Jan. 30. For her project Yvonne prepared samples of audiotapes and videotapes to show how magnetic tape works. Yvonne attends the Colorado Springs church.

AINSWORTH, Neb. — Marie Phillips, 17, was crowned Miss High School Rodeo in Mitchell, Neb., at the Nebraska High School Rodeo finals. At that time she was first in goat tying and tied for first in breakaway calf roping for the 1981 calf-roping season. Marie is a senior at Rock County High School and attends the Grand Island and North Platte, Neb., churches.

PARKIN, Ark. — Matthew Forrester, 12, received a Superior rating at the annual regional music festival in Wynne, Ark. His performance comprised "Musette" by Johann Sebastian Bach and "Rodeo Roundup" by Edna Mae Burnam. Matthew attends the Memphis, Tenn., church.

Auto hurls 4 year old 30 feet; X rays reveal no major damage

BATTLE CREEK, Mich. — Keith and Sandy Hillman stood breathlessly over the limp body of their 4-year-old daughter Nicole. They had just watched their young daughter tumble through the air after being struck by a car traveling 40 miles an hour.

According to Kalamazoo, Mich., pastor Ken Williams, God "performed a miracle," as X rays showed no broken bones, severe head injuries or internal damage.

Church member Alan Smikle was walking with the Hillmans April 4 when he watched Nicole dart across the road. She didn't make it.

With a thud similar "to the sound of a falling tree," Nicole was hit so hard her shoes and socks flew off, said Mr. Smikle. "The driver of the car thought she was dead before he got the car stopped," reported Mr. Williams.



NICOLE HILLMAN

After being hit, Nicole was hurled 30 feet into the air, coming to rest in a ditch, according to several witnesses.

"Upon racing to Nicole's side, her father and I sensed no movement," Mr. Smikle said. "It was only seconds later — seeming like hours — that Nicole began to cry. We could only pray silently."

Nicole was rushed to Leila Hospital's trauma center in Battle Creek, where tests indicated internal bleeding. There she was anointed by local elder Glen Keelley.

Hours later, X rays revealed no broken bones or internal damage, much to the surprise of attending doctors, said Mr. Williams. To be safe, the doctors kept Nicole hospitalized for a few days.

"One doctor kept telling Nicole, 'You're a very lucky little girl,'" added Mr. Williams. "He didn't know where the luck came from."

"One week later, Nicole was playing with other children," the Kalamazoo pastor stated. She looked as if "she simply fell off her bicycle," Mr. Smikle said.

"Even the driver of the car was awestruck," Mr. Williams commented.

Varied cultures flavor Ambassador education

By John Curry

PASADENA — Twenty percent of the 1980-81 Ambassador College student body is non-American, according to the Admissions Office.

Since Chancellor Herbert W. Armstrong gained approval in 1956 from the U.S. Immigration Service to admit foreign students, hundreds of international students have attended Ambassador College.

International flavor

Today 19 countries are represented on the Pasadena campus.

Students come from such widely separated areas as Sweden, New Zealand, Malaysia and Canada.

"This cosmopolitan makeup of the student body permits students of different ethnic and national backgrounds to get to know each other," said Deputy Chancellor Raymond F. McNair. "In this way, Ambassador students can learn more about others — their cultures, customs and the way they live."

Scholarships available

"Ambassador College favors (See CULTURES, page 7)

CAN WE FELLOWSHIP THE DISFELLOWSHIPED?

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conversation or to eat with those of the world, but NOT with Church members or disfellowshipped ones who "walk disorderly."

We read: "I wrote unto you in an epistle not to company with fornicators; yet not altogether with the fornicators of this world, or with the covetous, or extortioners, or with idolaters; for then must ye needs go out of the world. But now I have written unto you not to keep company, if any man that is [or has been?] called a brother [Moffatt: "any so-called brother"] be a fornicator, or covetous, or an idolater, or a railer, or a drunkard, or an extortioner; with such an one no to eat" (1 Corinthians 5:9-11).

There have even been some, who have called themselves members and have been called such, who have been apparently preparing and recording "evidence" (improperly as brothers) to take before the courts of this world against Church members. The very next chapter, three verses later, begins, "DARE any of you, having a matter against another, go to law before the unjust, and not before the saints?"

God is far more strict in all such matters within the Church than we have sometimes been

inclined to be.

Since we are to AVOID THEM entirely, that means not only that we must not go to them, but they must not be allowed to come into God's Church or on the Ambassador College campus.

We may, personally, very much dislike to appear to be harsh. But expelled members have always in the past sought to come on our property and enjoy its privileges when they had abused the right to such privileges.

We MUST NOT appear to try to be more kind than God. Christ will say, "Depart from me!" WE MUST NOT COMPROMISE! GOD DOES NOT! Rather than compromise with His law a trillionth of an inch, "GOD GAVE His only begotten Son."

But we should PRAY for such former members. Jesus said to pray even for our enemies. I do pray for all such. I pray God will BLESS THEM — with whatever He in His supreme wisdom knows is BEST FOR THEM — even though that may be severe PUNISHMENT!

God punishes every son whom He loves. God's punishment is NEVER REVENGE or desire to hurt and enjoy their suffering. It is always CORRECTIVE! It is for the purpose of HELPING them of BLESSING them! God still does

it in LOVE for the one punished!

But what about those former members who just of their own accord "dropped out?" I think we have to go to Jesus' parable of the sower and the seed. Jesus showed that a few — or it may be many — endure only for a little while. It is those who "ENDURE UNTO THE END" who shall be saved and born into God's Kingdom.

Perhaps those who lost interest and dropped out were never converted in the first place. God shows us no reason to avoid them, but we should not closely fellowship with any unless or until they are being led by God's Holy Spirit and show the fruits of God's Spirit within them.

What about disfellowshipped relatives — or even close, such as father, mother, son, daughter, brother, sister, etc.? I covered that in an article in the April, 1980, *Good News*, "Which Family Comes First?"

I showed you that we are to withdraw ourselves from every BROTHER — or sister — son or daughter, etc. If it is a father or mother, we must still HONOR them, even in withdrawn fellowship.

Let us realize the JUSTICE of God's way, and that it is, truly, more just than the way that may seem right to a man.



30-YEAR MEMBER — Mary Smith, baptized by Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong in 1951, holds a redwood plaque presented to her by Boise, Idaho, pastor Jeff McGowan.

Church honors Boise member

The following article was written by Judy L. McGowan, wife of Boise, Idaho, pastor Jeff McGowan.

plaque made by Boise Church member Joel Iruata.

Baptized 30 years ago by Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong, Mrs. Smith, 82, first listened to the broadcast in the late '40s when it was produced in Portland, Ore. Mrs. Smith and her husband Clarence became co-workers immediately.

Mrs. Smith was born in Juneau, Alaska, in 1898 and came to Seattle, Wash., at age 18 to get a business education. When she and her husband settled in Cascade, Idaho, in 1942, they operated a service station.

When work slowed down in March, 1951, they decided to go to Pasadena to "check out Mr. Armstrong and see if he was really what he claimed to be," said Mrs. Smith.

They met Mr. Armstrong and his

wife Loma and were not disappointed. Mr. Armstrong counseled with them and baptized them the same day.

Mrs. Smith still remembers Mr. Armstrong's advice, "Be sure this is the true Church and don't go out even if I do or if I fall short." Mrs. Smith has followed that advice through many years and many difficult times.

She recalls those years when people questioned why there should be an Ambassador College. Mrs. Smith said, "I learned the thing to do was to wait and the answer always came to show why decisions were made and how God was leading Mr. Armstrong."

In 1953, just two years after his baptism, Mr. Smith died. Mr. and Mrs. Smith had been married for 34 years. Mrs. Smith ran the service station alone for seven more years and with God's help and blessings paid off all debts. She made enough money to buy a 10-acre farm outside Middleton, Idaho, where she lives today.

Lone member in Japan writes to keep in touch

By Norman Shoaf

ABIKO, Japan — "I am more or less used to being alone. But then I understand that nobody is really alone, that God is everywhere and close to everybody who seeks Him," said Catherine Okano, the only resident Church member in Japan.

How does it feel to be the only member of God's Church in a whole nation? "Actually I do not know how it really feels to be among many brethren," she noted. "I can only guess it from the Feast times and the few times when I can participate in services in Switzerland [where she visits her recently baptized family every year]. It must be wonderful."

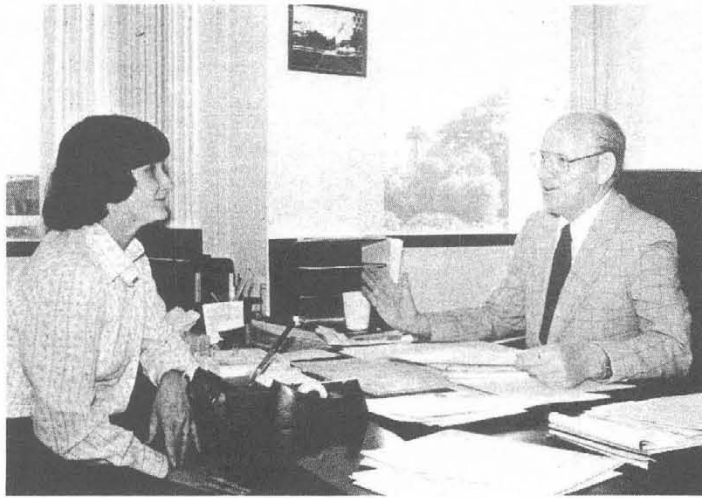
Mrs. Okano came into contact with God's Work through her younger brother, Eric Ronchetti, a 1979 Ambassador College grad-

uate, who introduced her to *The Plain Truth* and *The Good News* during one of her visits to Switzerland. She was baptized in 1974.

Since then, she has attended the Feast of Tabernacles in West Germany, the Philippines and Malaysia. But she isn't completely cut off from other brethren during the rest of the year. She stays in touch "mostly by correspondence," she said. "I write to many brethren in many countries. We help each other, encourage and comfort each other during trials, and we enjoy good times."

"Then I receive all the Church literature, which keeps me well informed of things," she added. "Sometimes I even get visitors from abroad. It is a special moment when

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SECOND LANGUAGE — Clockwise from left: Coordinator Gerrie Leimbach translates services for deaf brethren during the Days of Unleavened Bread; Mrs. Leimbach and program director Selmer Hegvold discuss plans; Mrs. Leimbach "converses" electronically with another deaf member through the Work's Tele-Typewriter (TTY). [Photos by Scott Smith and Michael Snyder]

Church works to reduce barriers facing deaf brethren worldwide

By Michael Snyder

PASADENA — Can you imagine living in a foreign country, unable to speak or read the language? How would you react if the natives thought you were mentally deficient because you couldn't communicate?

In many respects, this is what 66 deaf brethren and co-workers face

every day of their lives. "There is a tremendous barrier facing deaf people today," said Selmer Hegvold, who directs the Church's deaf program under Joseph Tkach of Ministerial Services.

Born into a society built around people who can hear, the deaf must overcome problems of communication and discrimination. "Some deaf people don't want to attend services simply because our Church is a 'hearing' church," reported Gerrie Leimbach, a coordinator of the program. "Even though they have some knowledge of the truth, they're afraid the hearing brethren won't understand their problems."

Mrs. Leimbach noted that most deaf people in the United States use American Sign Language (ASL) to communicate. "ASL is a completely different language than English," she stated. "It is as different from English as is the French language."

A different language

"ASL is a spatial language," Mr. Hegvold said. "The manner in which you perform the various signs indicates punctuation, emotion — it's a very complex and subtle language."

"Much of ASL is facial expression," added Mrs. Leimbach, who translates Bible studies and services in Pasadena. "And that's part of the problem with hearing people." Deaf brethren watch peoples' faces for reaction, she noted.

"When a hearing person is approached by a deaf person, the hearing person's face usually shows fear or a feeling of discomfort. That's the same as another hearing person saying, 'You are a very strange person — please go away.'"

"And it's a pity more hearing brethren of God's Church don't understand this," Mr. Hegvold said. Mr. Hegvold lost part of his hearing in World War II, and understands much of what deaf brethren face, Mrs. Leimbach noted.

"Unfortunately, deaf brethren are looked down upon," Mrs. Leimbach related. "The deaf don't want to be treated like children — they are intelligent, caring people and fully capable of being active members of God's Church."

Active program

The Church's deaf program was instituted to assist pastors in helping the deaf. Mr. Hegvold and Mrs.

Leimbach help coordinate the training of translators, as well as mailing a letter to deaf members, co-workers and translators about every six weeks.

"These people hunger for God's truth and most have difficulty understanding much of the Church's literature," Mr. Hegvold related.

The deaf generally have a reading comprehension level of fourth or fifth grade, he said. "Not because they're not smart," he added, "but because English is their second language."

Special phone network

To help deaf brethren order literature and communicate with other deaf brethren, Ministerial Services maintains a Tele-Typewriter (TTY), a special electronic typewriter that transmits messages through the phone.

"Deaf brethren will call us and then we contact the local minister through a regular phone for appointments and other needs," Mrs. Leimbach stated. The TTY was bought with funds from a now-disbanded deaf awareness club at Ambassador College, she added.

"The college is helping us in other ways," Mr. Hegvold said. "Dave Barnett, a deaf member with a master's degree, is going to teach a continuing education course in ASL this summer at Ambassador." He reported that there are 20 translators in the Church now who volunteer to translate services in Pasadena and other places.

Church involvement

"The deaf are beginning to get very involved with local churches," Mr. Hegvold reported. "We have a deaf graduate of Ambassador College named John Hemingway, and others have attended the college."

"It could be that the small group of deaf brethren now in the Church will play a very large role in helping the formerly deaf in the Millennium," said Mr. Hegvold. "I would hope that now we hearing members could help our deaf brethren by fellowshiping with them more."

Deaf brethren who want more information about the deaf program can write Mr. Hegvold at Ministerial Services, 300 W. Green St., Pasadena, Calif. 91123, U.S.A. The TTY number and deaf letter will be sent upon request.



BASIC INSTRUCTION — Clockwise from lower left: Translator Amy Jordan "listens" intently while members practice signing; deaf member David Barnett teaches new signs to translators and members interested in learning American Sign Language (ASL); Mr. Barnett illustrates the emotion needed to properly convey a message. [Photos by Michael Snyder]

Dutch Festival features countryside atmosphere

By **Johan Wilms**
UTRECHT, Netherlands — Rolling green hills, fresh air and the opportunity to fellowship with European brethren — these await members transferring to the Hunzenbergen resort for the Feast. And it costs only \$141 (61 British pounds), excluding air fare and meals.

European visit

If you've always wanted to visit Europe, this year's Festival provides an excellent opportunity. God's Work in the Netherlands is opening space for 75 to 80 transfers from outside the country.

The resort features large wooded areas and fields of heather. Many brethren take daily walks on the trails and paths. A heated swimming pool, volleyball courts, tennis courts, a full-size soccer field and much more are available. If you're travel oriented, West Germany is minutes away by car or train. Bicycles, baby carriers and pushcarts are available for rental.

Generally, although nearby hotels are available, most brethren stay in comfortable bungalows at the resort. Each bungalow can accommodate six people, although, at the Feast, each is normally occupied by three adults. The three-bedroom

bungalows feature both bunk and single beds, with a lounge and a kitchen.

A full array of silverware and cutlery, a gas stove, running hot and cold water and full bathroom facilities are included in the rental price. Supermarkets and restaurants are conveniently nearby.

English translations

Simultaneous English translations from Dutch will again be featured, using professional translators. Last year brethren heard both the opening and first Holy Day sermons by Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong. This year a live transmission may be possible.

A Church talent show, hiking, bicycling, soccer and a special *diner dansant* (dinner and dance) are but a few of the many activities planned for the 1981 Feast.

If you would like to transfer to the Netherlands, please airmail your request for an application as soon as possible to: Ambassador College, Box 333, 3500 AH, Utrecht, Netherlands. Space will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis.



CATHERINE OKANO

Member

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 brethren traveling through Japan visit me."
 Mrs. Okano has attended every

one of Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong's *Plain Truth* lectures in Japan, except one that took place while she was in Switzerland.

She met her husband Hirao in 1966 and the couple now have three children, Misa Carina, 11; Miwa Andrea, 10; and Megumi Katharina, 7.

Mrs. Okano enjoys sewing, knitting, embroidery, painting, drawing, cooking, gardening, swimming and tennis.

"Two afternoons every week I teach English to primary school children and one morning a week I teach adults," she said. "It is a good balance to housework. I started working soon after my baptism because I wanted to be able to contribute a little financially to the Work."

Commenting about being the only resident baptized member in Japan, Mrs. Okano stated: "In times of trouble or sickness, it is hard to be alone. But God promises not to try us more than we can bear and He always provides an exit. It is hard, but on the other hand it is very good training. It makes one strong."

Varied cultures

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international students when it comes to giving scholarships and grants — knowing that a number of these students will later be able to go back to their native countries and serve in offices and local churches," said Mr. McNair.

Twenty one-year tuition scholarships as well as scholarships from Youth Opportunities United (YOU) are also available for international students according to the Financial Aids Office.

Culture shock

Once in college, students often face cultural and language difficulties. English is a second language for many students.

Luciano Cozzi from Italy began learning English 1½ years before coming to Ambassador. He noted: "It's a completely different world. There is an enormous difference in dimensions — streets, houses, everything is larger."

For Mauricio Perez of Colombia, dating is much different. "In Colombia," he said, "dating is a very serious matter. You cannot date widely — we are more formal there."

While in college, students often serve in departments serving international areas of God's Work. Martine Savard, a French-speaking Canadian, works in the French Department. Mario Hernandez of Colombia is a translator for the Church's Spanish Department.

Fruits of the international program are evident today, according to John Halford, who serves as international student adviser. Many international graduates now serve in God's ministry and offices in the Work, he said.

Human Potential book taped; free to visually handicapped

PASADENA — *The Incredible Human Potential* by Herbert W. Armstrong is available on cassette tape from the Work's Educational Services for the Handicapped.

Garland Snuffer, supervisor of the service, said the eight-hour tape is available only to blind or visually handicapped brethren. Mr. Snuffer noted that all of the Work's booklets are available to the visually handicapped from the service in Pasadena. Also, brethren can request tapes of *The Plain Truth* and *Good*

News magazines, and the Ambassador College Correspondence Course.

Tapes of lesson 13 of the Correspondence Course will be available soon, he stated. The handicapped service is taping Mr. Armstrong's *Wonderful World Tomorrow* book and will release it shortly.

Visually handicapped brethren who want tapes of the Work's literature may write: Worldwide Church of God, Educational Services for the Handicapped, Box 111, Pasadena,

Calif., 91123.

The Incredible Human Potential and *The Wonderful World Tomorrow—What It Will Be Like*, both by Mr. Armstrong, are also available from Recordings for the Blind, 215 E. 58th St., New York, N.Y., 10022. The telephone number is (212) 751-0860.

"We found brethren were having to complete several forms and such, certifying their need, so we recorded it ourselves to save them time," said Mr. Snuffer.

Children's Corner

FIRST THINGS FIRST

By Vivian Pettijohn

Debbie squirmed on the train seat next to her father:

"Daddy, how much farther to San Diego? I'm tired of sitting, and I want to see Mommy! She's been gone a whole week, taking care of Aunt Frances and the new baby!"

Dad laughed and stroked her hair.

"Now it hasn't been such a very long ride from Los Angeles. I had hoped that since you are now 5 years old, some of your wiggles might be gone. But I guess they're all still there!"

Debbie's 7-year-old brother Chris, suddenly sat up straight and tried to look more grown up. He pointed to a paragraph in a *Good News* article his father was reading.

"Daddy, I know all the words in this paragraph, but I don't quite understand what it means by 'putting first things first.'"

Dad looked out the train window as he answered.

"Well, it means deciding what one thing is *most* important to you. And it means putting second something that isn't as important."

Dad pointed out the window.

"See all those cars in line at the railroad crossing," he said, "waiting for our train to pass? Each driver had to decide which of two things had to come first — either to be safe and wait for the train to pass — putting *safety* first, or to put *hurrying* first — and taking a big

chance at not being safe — by driving around the crossing gates. These drivers all decided to put safety first — as the thing that was most important to them. See what I mean?"

"I guess I understand," Chris said, nodding slowly.

Debbie stopped squirming and became serious.

"Daddy, I don't understand. Can you explain it some more?"

"Sure, honey," Dad said, patting her arm. "Let's try another example. Remember last month when Chris was saving *all* his money to buy a football? That was so important to him that it came first. He wanted that ball more than anything else! But, Chris, what did I have to remind you of then — that had to do with putting first things first?"

Chris smiled sheepishly. "Oh, yes. You reminded me that out of my allowance and the money I earned, I owed one tenth to God first before I spent any money on anything else."

"Right!" said Dad, smiling. "Anytime we put anything else ahead of God we break an important law about putting God first. Debbie, what is that important law you are memorizing right now that *tells* us to put God first?"

Debbie looked puzzled.

"Oh, I know," she said with a grin. "The First Commandment! It says, 'Thou shalt have no other gods before me.'" Then she frowned. "But a foot-

ball isn't a god, is it?"

Dad nodded. "It *can* be! Now, can either of you think of other ways we need to put God first, besides in spending our money?"

Both Chris and Debbie got very quiet as they looked out the window. Then Chris spoke up.

"We put God first at mealtime when we thank Him for our food before we eat it."

"I know one, too," said Debbie. "Before we go to sleep at night we stop and talk to God first. We thank Him for all He has done for us that day and ask Him to protect us through the night."

Dad was pleased. "You're both right. And I'm proud of you because you *are* learning to put first things first. That means you're also learning to put God first, just as He commanded us to do in the First Commandment. And it makes Him happy when we obey Him."

The train slowed to a stop. Suddenly Debbie exclaimed: "There's Mommy! Are we there *already*?"

Dad and Chris laughed and Dad said:

"Yes, we are. Now, first things first, remember? And what we need to put first right *now* is to give your mother some big hugs! Let's go."

Next month's story is about the Second Commandment. If you haven't already memorized this commandment, can you learn it before then?

God's Commandments

God's First Commandment is hidden in the puzzle below. Look at each word on the list, then find it in the puzzle. Circle the word and check it off. Words may be up and down, on a slant or backward, but all are in a straight line. Some puzzle letters are used more than once. One word has been found for you.

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Word list

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| SHALT | GODS |
| HAVE | BEFORE |
| NO | ME |

LOCAL CHURCH NEWS

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

ALBANY, Ore., brethren had a week-end of activities March 27 through 29. Friday the YOU had a car wash at a shopping center parking lot. The group then enjoyed a yearly carnival. On the Sabbath, 18 children from 4 to 12 years old performed special music, singing "Old Jonah." Sunday morning the Ambassador Women's Club, led by Susan Wheeler, sponsored a rummage sale. Coinciding with the sale was a paper drive. YOU members worked side by side with Church members to collect 8,411 pounds of paper. *Susan Wheeler.*

The **ANDERSON and RICHMOND, Ind.**, annual formal dance took place March 21 at the Holiday Inn. A band provided the music, including a segment from the '50s. *Garvin Greene.*

The **BASHLDON, England**, church had an activities evening Feb. 28. YOU members led by Irene Francis, Melanie Kunisset and Sarah Brown organized the event, which included catered food and activities such as table tennis, darts, Chinese checkers and chess. Members of the Ipswich, England, YOU attended the event. *Peter R. Sheppard.*

BETHLEHEM, Pa., brethren enjoyed a cold-dish supper and bowling March 28. After supper more than 90 adults and children bowled. Joe Teresavage showed films to the young people. *Gordon S. Long.*

Families of the **BRAINERD, Minn.**, church prepared a dish from the country of their origin for an international potluck March 14. A week later the brethren had a social at the YMCA. The men played basketball against the YOU boys, and the ladies brushed up on volleyball skills. The youngsters enjoyed swimming. A concession stand sponsored by the YOU served a light meal. *Linda McAllister.*

The **BRISBANE, Australia**, church had a square dance April 4. All age groups were represented, and the brethren

and family performances. Four-year-old Maria Romero recited a poem written by YES instructor Lou Cope, and Jeffrey Miller, also 4, recited the Ten Commandments. *Scott Crawford.*

A new church congregation was raised up in **EUREKA, Calif.**, March 28 with 63 in attendance. Pastor Marc Segall gave the sermon, and his brother Stuart of the Coos Bay, Ore., church gave the sermonette. Services will be conducted once a month in Eureka. *Kathleen Buck.*

The **FLORENCE, Ala.**, brethren had a square dance March 28. A professional caller gave instructions, and after much practice they learned several dances. The YOU sold refreshments. *Jan Carolyn Old.*

The junior choir of **GARDEN GROVE, Calif.**, presented *The Rainbow Express*, a short musical about Noah, March 28. Robert Maw starred as Noah and was accompanied by Mark Salcedo

on the piano. With the addition of some adult voices, the choir sang as the younger children, dressed in animal costumes, boarded the ark. Assisting director Dan Salcedo were Mike Nakashima, Lou Davies and Knute Josifek. Other activities included a potluck, followed by the presentation of Junior YOU sports

Members of the **LONDON, England, SOUTH** church saw a slide show of the German YOU skiing trip to Austria last December, after services March 7. The show was produced by Keith Stevenson, who went on the trip. *Keith Stevenson.*

Members of the **MERIDEN, Conn.**, church dined and danced at Beechwood Manor in North Haven, Conn., March 22. Cocktails were followed by a meal of chicken, halibut or prime rib. Music was provided by The Mix Company. *Larry Woodridge.*

Sixty members of the **MIAMI** and

effort and imagination in their food preparation for the Days of Unleavened Bread. Carol Weston and Laura Tomich gave ideas on how to put spark and a gourmet appeal into meals. In a cooking lab, several unleavened bread recipes were made. Demonstrations and talks were given on subjects ranging from packing unleavened sack lunches to setting a pretty table. Everyone brought an unleavened dish, with the recipe attached, for a potluck lunch. The recipes were collected for use in a cookbook of unleavened recipes and festival entertaining ideas being compiled by the ladies. *Laura Tomich.*

The **MISSOULA, Mont.**, congregation had a social March 21. A dance with a variety of music was sponsored by the YOU. A talent show was presented later that evening that included guitars, banjos, harmonicas and country singing. *Loni Abbey.*

The **MONTGOMERY, Ala.**, basketball team and cheerleaders were honored at services March 28. Awards were presented by pastor Paul Kruis. The team won the district 33 tournament, and the cheerleaders rated Superior. *Don Moss.*

The **NEW ORLEANS, La.**, church had a semiformal dance with an international theme March 14 at the Terrytown Lions Home in Gretna, La. European, Oriental, African, Latin and tropical island delicacies were served throughout the evening. Music was provided by the Gary Brown and Feelings Band, which played a variety of dance music. The evening was planned by the Fellowship Activity Planning Committee. *Maurice Ledet.*

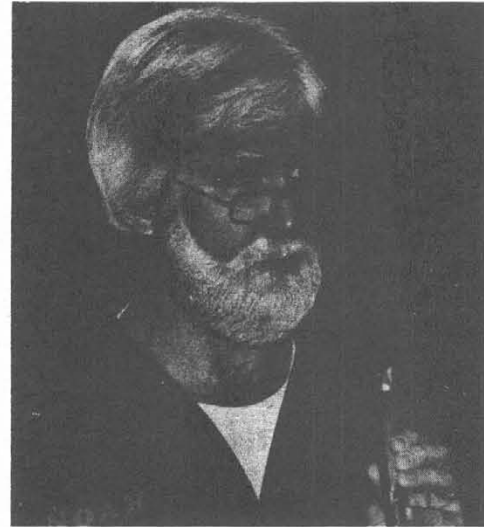
A wine and cheese buffet for the **ORPINGTON, England**, church took place March 21. The children provided entertainment with instrumentals, dances, poetry and songs. The program was organized by Viv and Andy Patey. *Barbara Bearman and Mary Swain.*

POPLAR BLUFF, Mo., brethren, joined by several from Cape Girardeau, Mo., met April 1 to hear evangelist Gerald Waterhouse speak. *Linda Boyce.*

PROVIDENCE, R.I., members enjoyed a family night March 14 sponsored by the Women's Club. A potluck was followed by a puppet show and an auction of YOU services. *Kathleen Herd.*

Brethren of the **RICHMOND, Va.**, church attended the second annual talent show March 28. Each family brought a potluck meal. Entertainment featured piano pieces, songs, dances, instrumentals, poetry recital and a comedy skit. *Chip Brockmeier.*

After Sabbath services April 4 **ROANOK, Va.**, brethren enjoyed a lunch of Joe Puckett's homemade chili at a nearby recreation center. Minister Robert Persky conducted a *Plain Truth* distributors meeting. Newsstand coordinator is Jack Farmer. As the Sabbath ended, Mike and Sherry Kinzie decorated the center for a square dance. The children were entertained by movies. The day's (See CHURCH NEWS, page 9)



NOAH — Robert Maw stars as Noah in *The Rainbow Express*, performed by the Junior Choir of Garden Grove, Calif., March 28. (See "Church Activities," this page.) [Photo by Knute Josifek]

awards by coordinator Curtis Price. *Knute Josifek.*

The **GAYLORD, Mich.**, and **SAULT STE. MARIE, Ont.**, churches celebrated the 10th anniversary of the Gaylord church March 28. Speakers were pastor Gary King and previous pastor Gerald Weston. Dancing, the cutting of the anniversary cake and entertainment followed an international potluck. The children enjoyed games, prizes, movies and cake and punch. *J. Sumner.*

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., brethren enjoyed a family social March 14. A family Bible bowl and Bible baseball were featured while a potluck was prepared. Family pictures were taken for the church album. Children 6 to 13 years old presented a musical recital. A movie and dance completed the event. *Bill Miller.*

The **HAGERSTOWN and CUMBERLAND, Md.**, and **WINCHESTER, Va.**, churches had a social and spaghetti dinner March 28 to honor the YOU for their excellent spirit and attitude during the recent basketball and cheerleading season. *Gary Demarest.*

An afternoon social for the widows of the **HOUSTON, Tex.**, **NORTH** church took place March 22 at Doss Park. Flower arrangements were provided by Merdell Turner, and place cards were hand printed by Wynn Tate. Following a potluck, the group enjoyed table games. The event was coordinated by pastor John Ogwyn and Jesse Turner. *Joe Krispinsky.*

IOWA CITY, Iowa, members enjoyed a potluck March 21. A talent show included skits, dance routines and vocal and instrumental numbers. YOU members presented the acts they will perform at the district YOU contest. *David H. Malcomson Jr.*

The church in **LAKE OF THE OZARKS, Mo.**, enjoyed an international potluck and costume dance March 21. Prizes were given in various age categories. Ted Duke was the disc jockey. Laurel and Hardy movies and games were provided for the youngsters. Cookies and punch were served. *Donna Roberts.*

The brethren of **LAUREL and WILMINGTON, Del.**, had combined services and a potluck at the Square Club in Dover, Del., March 21. A fashion show entitled "The Joy of Sewing" was coordinated by Ann Hampton, with Deirdre Cunningham and Lynn Shinton as MCs. Additional entertainment included a dance and baton number by Stacy Rutter; vocal solos by Lisa Handley, Michael Barnes and Jim Owen; and a tap dance by Virginia Starke to the song "On a Clear Day" sung by Susan Greene. *T.W. Davis.*



COSTUME WINNERS — Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Jays (left) and Mr. and Mrs. Randy Webster and daughter Jennifer model costumes that earned them prizes at the Canton, Ohio, costume party March 14. (See "Church Activities," this page.) [Photo by Richard Nicholson]

ren enjoyed fruit juice, tea, coffee and a light supper later in the evening. *Doug Hohhouse.*

A family costume party for the **CANTON, Ohio**, church took place March 14. Bill Hobbs, leader of the Baloney Bros. Band, was master of ceremonies. Entertainment included a song and dance routine by Shylinda and Rashaun Nicholson, Gina Jett singing "Zippity Doo-Dah," a dance routine by YOU members David Kooztz and Sherri Louden, a humorous skit by Richard Nicholson and Martin Rini, a recital by Walter Hawk, rattlesnake handling by Herschel Dunham, William Brooks on the banjo and a skit by John Summers. Highlight of the evening was comedy by Barry Richey, Sherri Louden and George Rusnik. Costume prizes were awarded to Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Jays, Mr. and Mrs. Randy Webster and daughter Jennifer, Dave Ballard and Brian Hayman. *Frank A. Richards.*



POETRY — Louise Rising recites a poem at an Orpington, England, church social March 21. (See "Church Activities," this page.)

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activities were coordinated by Leon Stiglich. *John Bass.*

The ROCHESTER, N.Y., church heard guest speaker Frank McCrady March 22. Mr. McCrady, pastor of the Manhattan and Long Island, N.Y., churches, spoke on the blessing of God's government. He was filling in for pastor Dave Pack, who was attending the Ministerial Refreshing Program. *Jake Harold.*

Members of the ROSWELL, N.M., church enjoyed a Mexican dinner prepared by the ladies March 21. Afterward, the evening was filled with dancing and singing to the accompaniment of the church band. Entertainment included songs, dances and instrumental pieces. Frankie Winkler, 84, sang a song she wrote years ago while living on a ranch in the area. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Lovato performed a series of Mexican dances. Costume prizes were given to Mr. and Mrs. Lovato, as best dressed couple, and Suzanne Patterson and Steven Lovato, who shared the children's prize. The evening ended with Beverly Reak and Robin Norman singing "Let There Be Peace on Earth." *Betty Klough.*

The churches near ST. ALBANS, England, had a combined square dance and social March 14. About 150 brethren attended. Bill Wilson was master of ceremonies for an entertainment session that included Alex Scott, Mike Hurst and George and Sueann Henderson. In an adjacent room the children had a party followed by *The Muppet Movie*. *Bill Allan.*

The ST. LOUIS, Mo., chorale closed the winter season with a chili supper March 28. The past year's activities included performances of a musical variety show for the combined St. Louis churches, the Cape Girardeau, Mo., church and area nursing homes, and a potluck where Wil Malone presented slides of the musical. *Jamye Ruth Chambers.*

The 10th anniversary of the ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., church was celebrated by more than 400 brethren and visitors March 14. Ron Wallen, pastor during the first two years of the church and now pastor of the Hattiesburg and Meridian, Miss., churches, gave the sermon. Other events included a potluck and a special program with pastor Bob Jones as master of ceremonies. The youth chorale performed and Lavene Vorel recapped the history of the Church in Florida. That evening The Downbeats of Rhythm provided dance music. Midway through the dance Pete Person acted as master of ceremonies for a talent show with acts ranging from the St. Petersburg Country Band to vocals, a flute solo and a comedy routine. *Lavene L. Vorel.*

Members of the SAN ANTONIO, Tex., church had a garage sale March 29 that earned \$4,040 to be used as an offering for the Work, to increase church activity funds and to contribute to Boy Scout Troop 455's summer camp fund. *Mary Norrod.*

The SAN JOSE, Calif., Youth Choir presented special music March 21. Directed by Dave Ball, the youths sang "Climb Every Mountain," accompanied by John Campos on the piano. The junior and senior youths included Judi Lenarwick, Julie Cole, Sharon Moody, Cris Moody, Donna Lopez, Alva Alvarez, Jeff Shamus, Kurk Demetrov and Bill Brass. *Robin Merritt.*

Members of the SHETLAND ISLES church had Sabbath services March 21 in the home of Norman and Evelyn Leask. A meal was served after the Sabbath, prepared by Mrs. Leask with the help of the ladies. Gifts were presented to minister John Meakin and his wife in appreciation of their services. Games and singing, organized by Peter Harmer and Alan McIvor, followed. The evening closed with a "mind-reading" demonstration by Mr. and Mrs. Meakin. *Jim Robertson.*

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., brethren enjoyed a chicken meal prepared and served by the ladies March 28. The Young Ambassadors Feast film was followed by a basketball game between the Springfield Blue Jays and the Connecticut Spartans, which the Connecticut team won. *Lou Marino.*

A concert for the TORONTO, Ont., WEST brethren took place March 28. Judy Faulkner organized the event, which included Irene McGuigan's World Tomorrow Children Singers; and the Notables, a quartet of Bill and Dan McBride, Gord Donnelly and Bob Rawnsley. Also performing were Bob

Cary's Dixieland Jazz Band with pastor George Lee on drums, Bob Cary on trumpet, Larry Crawford on trombone, Bob Rawnsley on clarinet, Rolly D'Eon on bass guitar and Lynn Burrows on piano; the vocal duet of Dan and Evelyn McBride, with Mr. McBride on guitar; and the Musicians Concert Choir with George Merritt. John Pippy was master of ceremonies. *Bill Moore.*

The UNION, N.J., church enjoyed a potluck and square dance March 28 at David Brearley High School in Kenilworth, N.J. More than 250 brethren enjoyed the food and dancing to the calls of a professional caller. *Dennis R. Pisapia.*

The WAUSAU, Wis., church had its spring social March 14. A potluck was served after services in the hall of John Muir Junior High. Crepe paper flowers made by Rosie Holtz decorated the hall. A sing-along took place after supper. Music was provided by Tom Geiger on guitar and Craig Ritchie on banjo. Two clowns, Audrey Doescher and Patti Laessig, made a surprise appearance and gave a short presentation. Games and movies were provided for the youngsters. Bunko, cards and a silent auction concluded the activities for everyone except the singles, who went dancing and had a day of games and fellowship at Marathon Park on Sunday, followed by a barbecue supper. *Patti Laessig.*

CLUB MEETINGS

The BERMUDA Women's Club presented a spring fashion show March 28 at the Mount St. Agnes Auditorium in Hamilton. The 300 people who attended



STRUMMING — Jeremy Bushlack, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Bushlack of the Iowa City, Iowa, church, performs a guitar solo at a church talent show March 21. (See "Church Activities," page 8.) [Photo by David Malcomson]

broused through *The Plain Truth* and other literature. Bermuda's leading stores provided most of the clothes, and others were handmade. Stage scenes added to the presentation of casual to evening attire. Most of the Bermuda brethren helped in the project. *Senior Pulley.*

The BINGHAMTON, N.Y., Women's Club had its final meeting of the season March 22. Sally Trapp helped the women see a lighter side to housekeeping, and Elberta Lehto stressed the



WIDOWS' SOCIAL — Widows of the Houston, Tex., North church attend an afternoon social March 22. (See "Church Activities," page 8.)

importance of women learning to speak before others. Linda Furney led table topics. Pat Hubbell expressed her feelings about club in a poem. Britton Taylor gave a lecture on "Understanding Your Husband." *Pat Hubbell.*

Rinda Pack played host to the CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., Young Adults' Club for a barbecue lunch March 29. Club members contributed trimmings, while Sue Pack prepared the meat. Club sponsors Mr. and Mrs. Grady Penny joined the group for the get-together. *Barb Keeps.*

The Women's Club of CHICAGO, Ill., WEST had a meeting April 5. President Millie Prettyman led the meeting, and a family picnic and several summer projects were discussed. Table topics were presented by Betty Dean, and Pat Jerrolds gave her icebreaker. *Paula Ales*

lecture on communication. *Vonda Parlin.*

The DETROIT WEST and ANN ARBOR, Mich., Spokesman clubs had a ladies' night March 14. The speakers were the club officers: Boyd Legins, Klaus Steinke, Richard Cobble, Tony Guiffre and Karl Harbeck. The first half of the meeting was evaluated by associate pastor Maceo Hampton and the second half by pastor Jerold Aust. *Steve Holsey.*

HAMILTON, Ont., Women's Club members made quilts this winter to give to the four mothers-to-be in the church. *M. Denece.*

The Women's Club of HARRISBURG, Pa., met March 19. President Rosie Massie opened the meeting, which centered around nutrition, meal planning, budgeting and economy. Helen Drayton spoke on menu planning, and Gene Scott showed how to effectively economize and still provide nourishing meals. Club director Diane Rosenthal showed how nourishing meals can be obtained from many sources. Vern Brown gave her icebreaker. *Pam Brubaker.*

The Jubilee Club of HARRISBURG, Pa., sponsored a "Salute to the Fifties" evening March 28. After a potluck, a show entitled "Life Begins at Fifty" began. Doris Harris, assisted by Anna Hurley, Anna Harten, Mary Jane Matter and Arlene Gladwell, coordinated the entertainment, which was a panorama of youth to older age, including songs and some mimes. The evening ended with a sing-along. *Pam Brubaker.*

The Women's Club of INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., played host to the women of the church for a brunch March 22 at Lake Nora Arms Clubhouse. Each woman brought the recipe for the dish she prepared for a recipe exchange. In the afternoon director Vernon Hargrove conducted a Bible study on Proverbs 31. A question-and-answer session followed. *Jayne Schumaker.*

The JACKSON, Miss., Spokesman Club sponsored a ladies' night March 21. Topicmaster was George Kurts Jr., and toastmaster was Orville Ashcraft. James McCraw was named the Most Improved Speaker and James Quarles the Most Effective Speaker. Peter Boone was awarded the Most Helpful Evaluator trophy. Director Robert Peoples closed the meeting with comments on how the ladies can help their husbands. *Ann Quarles.*

Seven members of the KINGSTON, Jamaica, Spokesman Club took a tour of Coates Bros. Ltd., printing-ink manufacturers, March 10. Lincoln Harris was their guide, and one aspect of the ink-making process was demonstrated by club member Albert Daley, senior machine operator at the firm. *Cleveland Gustard.*

The KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Spokesman Club played host to the Medford, Ore., Spokesman Club in a combined meeting March 14. The meeting was opened by Klamath Falls director Fred Davis, who also led in the vocal exercises. Topicmaster was Robin Chester, and Dale Woods was toastmaster. Speakers for the evening were Paul Sapp, Norman Wolff, Dwayne Gates, Scott Cana, Robert Kirby and Harold Feathers. Evaluators were Lee Bailey, Bill Brown, George Newton, Scott Cana and Neal Canada. *Roy Manley.*

Ladies of the LAUREL, Del., Women's Club had a dinner meeting for men March 29. Minister Arnold Hampton is director and his wife Ann is assistant director. Officers are Linda Handley, president; Phyllis Higgins, vice president; and Barbara Culp, secretary and treasurer. The theme was "Variety is the Spice of Life," with Janet Frank as hostess and Beth Wallace as table-topics hostess. Speeches were given by Mrs. Culp, Mrs. Handley, Lynn Shenton and Mrs. Higgins. A gift was presented to Jim Isfeld in appreciation for his help in setting up the club. *(See CHURCH NEWS, page 10)*

CHECKLIST FOR CHURCH NEWS WRITERS

Since "Local Church News" is such a great way for you to let others know what's happening in your area, here are a few helpful suggestions in telling your story. You can use this as a checklist whenever you are the reporter for a big happening in your area.

1. Send articles as soon as possible after the event happens. Articles postmarked more than 14 days after the event cannot be run.
2. Include the date of the event. Articles lacking dates cannot be run.
3. Include first and last names of all persons mentioned. In *The Worldwide News* we mention the complete name in first reference and Mr., Mrs. or Miss on second reference. For example: John Doe, Mr. Doe; Jane Doe, Mrs. or Miss Doe. (Please indicate whether it is Mrs. or Miss.) If John and Jane Doe are man and wife, say John and Jane Doe, not Mr. and Mrs. John Doe. We want to know the wife's first name too. If possible, ask the persons themselves how to spell their names.
4. On names that could be male or female, take extra effort to indicate whether they are male or female. Example: Terry Smith (Is it Mr., Mrs. or Miss?)
5. Please indicate in which state or province each city in the United States or Canada mentioned is located.

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

PASADENA — Pastor General **Herbert W. Armstrong** announced in an April 28 Ambassador College forum that he planned to conduct commencement exercises in May.

Because Mr. Armstrong is scheduled to be in Australia May 18, the original commencement date, the annual spring ceremony will take place May 22, according to Deputy Chancellor **Raymond F. McNair**.

Mr. McNair noted that faculty and students are looking forward "to hearing Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong speak at this very important occasion."

The pastor general last attended Pasadena commencement exercises in 1977. *Worldwide News* managing editor **Dexter H. Faulkner** said that the *WN* will feature full photo coverage of the event.

PASADENA — Ministerial Services released the following ordinations:

Ordained a preaching elder Oct. 11, 1980, was **George Pinckney**. He was ordained by evangelist **Burk McNair** and serves the Charlotte, N.C., church.

Ordained local church elders were **Daniel Oliver** of the Portland, Ore., West, church Jan. 3, and **William M. Martin** of the Blackfoot, Idaho, church Jan. 31.

William L. Lumpkin was raised to the rank of local elder Feb. 21 by **Jim Haeffel** of the Portland, Ore., East church.

Steven K. Buchanan was raised to the rank of preaching elder Passover night by evangelist **Dean Blackwell**. Mr. Blackwell and Mr. Buchanan then raised deacon **Waldo G. Armstrong** to the rank of local church elder.

Ordained local church elders on the first day of Unleavened Bread were **Sam Butler** of the Monterey, Calif., church and **Thomas B. Faunce** of the Santa Barbara, Calif., church.

Ordained local elders on the same day were **Chester Dunlap** of the Bakersfield, Calif., church, **Preston L. Fritts** of the Michigan City, Ind., church and **Richard Hegna** of the

Big Sandy, Tex., church.

PASADENA — The 1981 Summer Educational Program (SEP) in Orr, Minn., is full, according to the Youth Opportunities United (YOU) Office here.

Nine hundred campers were accepted for the three summer sessions out of nearly 1,800 applications. Any teenagers who are accepted and find they cannot attend camp this summer, should contact the YOU Office immediately at (213) 577-5720. Any vacant spaces will be filled with campers now on a waiting list.

Minnesota state law requires that health certificates with immunization records be kept on file. The regulation board of the Minnesota Health Department will accept a religious exemption form available from pastors in lieu of medical immunization, the YOU Office said.

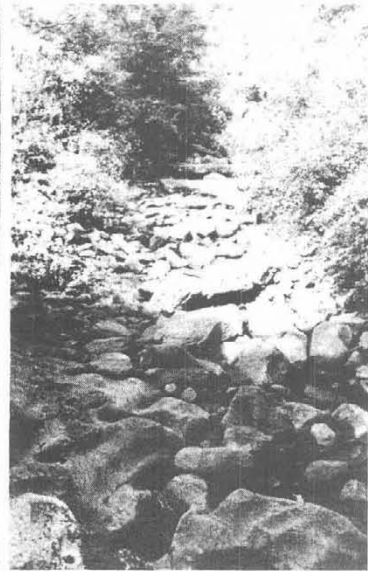
PASADENA — Ministerial Services has released additional dates of evangelist **Gerald Waterhouse's** continuing tour.

Mr. Waterhouse's schedule is: May 31, Champaign, Ill.; June 1, Peoria, Ill.; June 2, Macomb, Ill.; June 3, Davenport, Iowa; June 4, Rockford, Ill.; June 6, Elkhart and Michigan City, Ind., combined services.

June 7, combined services for all Chicago, Ill., area churches; June 9, Coldwater, Mich.; June 10, Kalamazoo, Mich.; June 11, Grand Rapids, Mich.; June 13, Lansing, Mich., morning service; June 13, Flint, Mich., afternoon service.

June 15, Gaylord, Mich.; June 16, Cadillac, Mich.; June 17, Midland, Mich.; June 18, Ann Arbor, Mich.; June 20, Detroit, Mich., combined services.

June 21, Bible study for all Cleveland, Ohio, area churches; June 22, Erie, Pa.; June 23, Buffalo, N.Y.; June 24, Rochester, N.Y.; June 25, Syracuse, N.Y.; June 26, Corning, N.Y.; June 27, Binghamton, N.Y.; June 28, Mount Pocono, Pa.; June 29, Bethlehem, Pa.; and June 30, Harrisburg, Pa.



DROUGHT STRIKES — Two photos taken eight months apart show effects of a drought crippling the eastern United States. With water reservoirs in New York and New Jersey 38 percent below capacity, officials fear an emergency unless relief comes soon. Water is rationed in some areas. (Photos by Mike Bedford)



INTERNATIONAL DESK



BY ROD MATTHEWS

PASADENA — In South America, God's Church is experiencing exceptional growth. Luis Chavez, the minister in Argentina, is also responsible for visiting in Uruguay and southern Brazil. In recent months he has counseled many prospective members in Uruguay and has baptized 21 new members in Salto. Before this there were 10 members in that country.

Central America

Herbert Cisneros, the resident minister in El Salvador, reported on his extensive travels in Central America in March: "I was able to visit Guatemala City as well as the

ing paper, and after that it will be placed at two-week intervals in papers in other cities.

Late last year the promotion was tried in the *Christchurch Star* and the *Otago Daily Times* and resulted in the addition of 11,400 new subscribers.

Canadian assistance

Excellent income for the past several months in Canada, again attributed to strong co-worker letters from Mr. Armstrong, has prompted immediate plans to boost media coverage. Arrangements have been firming up for daily radio in Newfoundland, and television coverage in the Halifax, N.S., Regina, Sask., and Winnipeg, Man., market area.

The strong financial foundation of the Work in Canada has enabled substantial assistance to be given to other areas of God's Work. After meetings in Pasadena with Leroy Neff and Joseph Tkach, the new regional director, Colin Adair, announced that Canada will again underwrite the Work in Scandinavia with \$70,000 assistance in 1981. This adds to the \$90,000 already set aside to assist the Philippines, \$50,000 for France and \$10,000 for Black Africa.

New church

Approval was given for a third church to be established in the Netherlands, in the city of Zwolle in the northeast. Public Bible lectures were conducted in Zwolle starting in March, 1980, and because they were successful, monthly meetings were continued. The first weekly service took place May 2 in a beautiful hall in one of the suburbs of Zwolle.

The Netherlands now has churches (with services in Dutch) in Tilburg (attendance 80), Bilthoven (attendance 80) and in Zwolle where attendance will be about 85. A monthly Bible study also takes place in Antwerp, Belgium.

Ordinations

Bruce Greenaway was ordained a local church elder April 4 in the Morwell, Australia, church by regional director Robert Morton.

March 28, Terry Villiers was raised in rank to preaching elder. He pastors the Bundaberg church in Queensland, Australia. Alan Bates was ordained a local elder (not employed by the Church) in Bristol, England, March 7. He will also assist in the Taunton and Exeter churches, pastored by John Jewell, as well as assisting David Bedford in Bristol.

Evangelist visits Nigeria, Ghana

LAGOS, Nigeria — Evangelist Frank Brown and his wife Sharon met with 64 Nigerian brethren to observe the Passover April 17. Attendance for the following Sabbath and first Holy Day totaled 165 brethren, 40 percent more than the previous year, he said.

Mr. Brown, who serves as the regional director for West Africa under Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong, said that the assembly was "eager to hear the latest news of the Work and information about God's apostle."

He added that Lateef Edalere, a local elder and native Nigerian, is "doing a fine job serving the Church in this sometimes arduous part of the world."

The evangelist and his wife flew to Togo following the first Holy Day to meet with Ghana pastor Melvin Rhodes and Mr. and Mrs. Owen Willis, who pastor the East Africa area. Mr. Brown said the group "enjoyed much-appreciated fellowship" and a discussion of problems faced by the Work there.

The Browns accompanied Mr. Rhodes back to Accra, Ghana, where they conducted the last Holy Day services. Mr. Brown reported that the 115 brethren gave a record offering. He also said that he had a chance to enjoy Ghanaian-style food

during a picnic for the Kumasi and Accra churches.

Mr. Brown visited the Accra Spokesman Club the following evening, and said he was impressed with the development of the speakers. The club was "not a whit" behind groups established longer, he said. The evening featured the club's first ladies' night.

Commenting on the quality of life there, the evangelist said, "Life in West Africa is by no means easy, and many of the things we in the West casually take for granted —

such as food, electric power and water — are not always readily available." Mr. Brown added that the unpredictable was a way of life there, as "military coups are not all that rare!"

Despite these hardships, he said, "God's people remain optimistic and hopeful." Mr. Brown pointed out that the brethren there are "diligent and loyally served by their local ministers — Melvin Rhodes in Ghana, Lateef Edalere in Nigeria and Owen Willis in Nairobi, Kenya, and other areas."

AC at Big Sandy needs three experienced chefs

BIG SANDY, Tex. — Ambassador College, Big Sandy, needs three chefs and/or cook-supervisors. Applicants should be experienced in a wide range of food preparation, supervision and sanitation. Responsibilities will include preparation of meals (breakfast, lunch, supper, salad and pantry work, banquet and special meals), planning and scheduling of production and supervision

of up to 20 student workers.

Submit resume including work and salary history and letter of recommendation from local minister to:

Ambassador College
Personnel Department
Box 111
Big Sandy, Tex. 75720
Attention: Food Service
Department