

Pastor general tapes program on Church history for Festival

By Michael A. Snyder
PASADENA — Festival films scheduled to be shown at the 1983 Feast of Tabernacles are in production, according to Larry Omasta, director of Media Services here, July 1.

Films include an opening night message from Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong, a Young Ambassadors film and a new *Behind the Work* film.

"In this year's *Behind the Work* film, Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong brings a vital message of encouragement to the brethren worldwide," Mr. Omastasaids.

Taping session

Mr. Armstrong taped the 80-minute segment in the Work's studios here June 21.

"The taping was a very powerful experience for those on the other side of the cameras,"

Mr. Omasta said. "This message is more of Mr. Armstrong sitting down and conversing one on one with the brethren."

"In this 50th anniversary year of the Philadelphia era of God's Church, Mr. Armstrong recounts the history of the Church's transition from the Sardis era. He also explains the purpose of the true Church and why the Church is a necessary instrument in fulfilling God's plan on earth today," he continued.

"This is going to be a very inspiring film," said John Halford, a pastor-rank minister working in Media Services here. "Mr. Armstrong recounts a story that only he can tell," he said.

Background footage

Mr. Halford went to Newport, R.I., on the east coast of the United States to film footage to illustrate the

history of the Church.

"We researched and filmed footage of the first Sabbath-keeping churches in the United States from the late 1700s," Mr. Halford said.

"A surprising amount of material remains to tell the story of brethren keeping the Sabbath day in the midst of persecution," he continued.

"For the Festival entertainment film for 1983, the Young Ambassadors will take you on a 'Sentimental Journey' — presenting many of the best songs of (See HISTORY, page 4)



READER'S DIGEST ADS — Selected international editions of the June Reader's Digest carry Plain Truth advertisements written by Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong and translated into French, Italian and Spanish. About 11 million readers worldwide received copies. [Photo by Warren Watson]

Church advertises Plain Truth in international Reader's Digest

PASADENA — God's Church is again running advertisements for *The Plain Truth* in international editions of *Reader's Digest*, according to David Hulme, director of media purchasing for the Church.

"So far we have received a fine response in several editions," he said. The first ad written by Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong offering *The Plain Truth* appeared in the June edition of *Reader's Digest*. It was distributed to about 11 million readers in Australia, New Zealand, Japan, Canada, the United Kingdom, France, Switzerland, Belgium, Spain, Italy, Norway, Denmark and Sweden.

"This represents a tremendous open door for the international areas to increase the circulation of *The Plain Truth*, Mr. Hulme said. "Arcae overseas don't usually have the openings for electronic media that the United States enjoys, so opportunities like this are very valuable." Mr. Hulme added that *Reader's*

Digest is important in other ways: "The *Reader's Digest* audience is family oriented, conservative and can appreciate the content of *The Plain Truth*. Mr. Armstrong is concerned about the quality of magazine that the Church advertises in, and *Reader's Digest* generally meets his very high standards."

Reader's Digest has 40 editions published in 16 languages and is distributed monthly to more than 31 million worldwide.

The Church first began advertising in *Reader's Digest* in 1968, according to Roger Lippross, production director for Publishing Services here.

"It was tremendously successful worldwide," he said. "Millions of *Plain Truths*, and copies of the booklets *Why Were You Born?*, *Hippies, Hypocrisy and Happiness* [a discontinued booklet], and *The Seven Laws of Success* were sent to people responding."

Response was so great in India in

the original campaign that Mr. Armstrong wrote another *Reader's Digest* advertisement entitled "You Swamped Us!" Mr. Lippross added that "we were nearly overwhelmed by their response and Mr. Armstrong urged them to be patient until we could catch up with the demand for the publications."

"Even today offices of the Work receive responses from the original *Reader's Digest* ads, as people will go through the magazine and discover the coupon," he continued.

"We expect a similar response this time," Mr. Hulme said. *Plain Truth* ads will also appear in the Mexico and South Africa editions in July.

The Church ceased advertising in *Reader's Digest* in 1972. The advertising agency Batten, Barton, Durstine and Osborn (BBDO) laid the groundwork for the 1983 campaign, Mr. Hulme said. BBDO has been retained by the Church for media buying since 1980.

Work upgrades coverage in electronic media area

PASADENA — God's Church continues to add and upgrade television and radio coverage for *The World Tomorrow* featuring Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong, according to David Hulme, director of media purchasing for the Church.

The following stations were added since January:



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Vatican gains new power in Polish 'deal'

PASADENA — As the dust settles in Poland, the most concrete short-term result of Pope John Paul II's dramatic trip, it turns out, is an enhanced position for the Roman Catholic Church there. The two meetings between the pope and Premier Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski and more important, high-level Vatican-Warsaw negotiations undertaken weeks, and in some cases months, before the pope's trip, ensured this outcome.

The Solidarity labor union movement, though publicly praised by the pope, has apparently been left to wither on the vine. Its charismatic leader, Lech Walesa, is in limbo. The church, which was eclipsed as the moral force in Poland by the meteoric rise of Solidarity, is once more back in the saddle — "the only alternative centre of authority to a dictatorial regime," reported the June 25 lead editorial in *The Economist* of Britain.

In his column in the June 27 *New York Times*, William Safire elaborated on the "deal" the pope apparently cut with Poland's Communist rulers.

"Pope John Paul II," wrote Mr. Safire, "has surprised and disappointed Lech Walesa, arrogated to himself the spirit of Polish nationalism, and apparently cut a deal with General Jaruzelski to guarantee the Vatican's opposition to any uprising in return for an end to martial law."

"Soon after that, the newspaper published by the Vatican, *L'Osservatore Romano*, in a front-page editorial, announced that Mr. Walesa had 'lost his battle . . . Sometimes the sac-

rifice of uncomfortable people is necessary so a higher good can be born for the community."

The writer of the Vatican paper's editorial, a veteran deputy editor, was asked to resign the next day, causing Mr. Safire to add that "for the church . . . Lech Walesa is not totally controllable and seems to have become an embarrassment. Archbishops and editors will accept disciplines; labor leaders may not, which may be why the pope seeks to make himself the exclusive symbol of Polish freedom . . ."

Infusion of aid

What was the deal reached between the Vatican and Poland's Communist authorities? It is now known that the two sides agreed, before Pope John Paul II's homecoming, to establish a church-funded foundation to channel millions of Western dollars into loans and grants to boost the depressed Polish economy, especially agriculture.

Another agreement that arose from the pope's trip, Vatican sources admitted, was that the church would work with the government to create a new trade union founded along the lines of Solidarity, but most probably with a different name and led by someone other than Mr. Walesa.

Regarding the first, and perhaps major, facet of the deal, the country's Communist rulers have agreed in principle on an unprecedented church-controlled foundation to channel a minimum of \$2 billion worth of Western equipment and supplies to Polish farmers. The existence of such a foundation, controlled by an

agency outside of the government, is believed to be a first in any Soviet bloc country.

The foundation would use money raised by churches in Western Europe, the United States and Canada to buy machinery, seed and other

per, *The Guardian*. She took note in the paper's June 24 edition of the Catholic Church's growing political role — and of the pope's political astuteness:

"The visit has shown that a large part of the Polish nation regards the

WORLDWATCH

By Gene H. Hogberg



means of agricultural production either unavailable or in short supply in Poland.

In the June 29 *Los Angeles Times*, Canadian political science professor Bohdan R. Bociurkiw observed who the real winner was in this round of the Church-State struggle in Poland:

"The main beneficiary of the visit is likely to be the Roman Catholic Church of Poland . . . The pope, on the strength of his immense authority and popularity, has prepared the ground for a major compromise between the Church and State. This would involve the lifting of martial law and the granting of some concessions to the arrested and hunted leaders of Solidarity."

"These steps would be offered in return for greater church involvement in the resolution of the State's political, economic and diplomatic problems."

Hella Pick covered the pope's trip on-the-spot for the British newspa-

per as its natural moral leader. Also, despite the Vatican's protestations, it is evident that the pope expects the Church to play a major political role — in sharp contrast to the views he has expressed about political activism amongst priests in Latin America.



Just one more thing

By Dexter H. Faulkner

How's your credibility?

Gen. Douglas MacArthur left Corregidor on a dark and desperate day, March 11, 1942. The Pacific theater of war was a threatening and bleak arena. One island after another was buffeted into complete submission. The enemy marched into the Philippines as confident and precise as a band marching down Colorado Boulevard in the Rose Parade. Surrender was inevitable.

The brilliant and bold soldier, Gen. MacArthur, had only three words for his comrades as he stepped into the escape boat destined for Australia: "I shall return."

Upon arriving in the port of Adelaide nine days later, the 62-year-old military statesman closed his remarks with these words, "I came through and I shall return."

A little more than 2½ years later, on Oct. 20, 1944, to be exact, he stood once again on Philippine soil after landing safely at Leyte island, and this is what he said: "This is the voice of freedom, Gen. MacArthur speaking. People of the Philippines: I HAVE RETURNED!"

Gen. MacArthur kept his word. His word was as good as his bond. Regardless of the odds against him, including the strong pressures and power of enemy strategy, he was bound and determined to make his promise good. An inspiring example to recall.

This rare breed of man is almost extinct in the 1980s. Whether an executive or an apprentice, a student or a teacher, a blue collar or white, rare indeed are those who keep their word. Even in the Church of God this problem rears its ugly head.

The prevalence of the problem in this society has caused the coining of a term painfully familiar: credibility

gap. The dictionary says that something is "credible" if it is "capable of being believed, trustworthy." To refer to a "gap" in such, suggests a "break or a reason for doubt."

Too often jurors have reason to doubt the testimony of witnesses on the stand. Parents, likewise, have reason at times to doubt their children's word (and vice versa). Citizens frequently doubt the promises of leaders, and the credibility of an employee's word is questioned by the employer. Creditors can no longer believe a debtor's verbal promise to pay, and many a mate has ample reason to doubt the word of his or her spouse. Sad but true. This is a terrible dilemma!

Precious few do what they say they will do without a reminder, a warning or a threat. Unfortunately, this is true even among members of God's Church.

Let's see what the scriptures have to say about keeping our word: "Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to his neighbor, for we are all members of one body" (Ephesians 4:25, New International Version).

"And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him" (Colossians 3:17, NIV).

"Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth" (1 John 3:18, NIV).

"Lord, who may abide in Your tabernacle? Who may dwell in Your holy hill? He who walks uprightly, And works righteousness, And speaks the truth in his heart" (Psalm 15:1-2, Revised Authorized Version).

"It is better not to vow than to vow and not pay (Ecclesiastes 5:5, RAV).

"If a man vows a vow to the Lord, or swears an oath to bind himself by some agreement, he shall not break his word; he shall do according to all that proceeds out of his mouth" (Numbers 30:2, RAV).

Let's ask ourselves a question: Judging ourselves on this matter of keeping our word, are we bridging or widening the credibility gap? Are we encouraging or discouraging others? Do we keep our word? Let's help by answering five familiar situations.

- When we reply, "Yes, I will pray for you" — do we?
- When we tell people they can depend on us to help them out "no matter what" — can they?
- When we say we'll be there at such and such a time — are we?
- When we obligate ourselves to pay a debt on time — do we?

What about the two most important contracts we make in our lives? Our marriage vows — have we reviewed them lately? Remember when we said "I do"! Most important, do we remember at our baptism the covenant we made with God? Do we review the conditions periodically to see if we are keeping our word?

Granted, no one's perfect yet. But if we fail, do we own up to it? Do we quickly admit our failure to the person to whom we made a promise and refuse to rationalize around it? Even God?

If we do we are rare . . . a growing Christian, a person of genuine integrity. And one who is an example and an encouragement to others.

Keeping our word is important to our Christian growth. We must not neglect it in our everyday activities, and we need to teach our children the importance of keeping their word.

I know another One who promised He would return. He too, will keep His word. In fact, He has never broken one promise. There's no credibility gap with Him. He will return. "For the Son of Man will come in the glory of His Father with His angels, and then He will reward each according to his works" (Matthew 16:27, RAV). That's a promise we can count on!

European Diary

By John Ross Schroeder

Disillusioned dissenters

NORMANDY, France — The peaceful calm of a quiet Normandy backwater belies the political unrest plaguing France. The little town of Falaise, population 8,133, is a comforting reminder that most Frenchmen do not take to the streets in protest.

Nevertheless, Paris has once again been described as a "city under siege." Lyons, Bordeaux and a dozen other cities are in much the same fix. Demonstrators have taken to the streets — reminiscent of stu-

dent and worker demonstrations in 1968.

The voices of dissent have risen early in President Francois Mitterrand's term of office. It's an old story. A vocal minority of frustrated Frenchmen are disillusioned with the unhappy effects of government policy.

French businessman (and Worldwide Church of God member) Rene Vera has seen a 20 percent decline in his business since the new government took office. His experience is not untypical.

Only two years ago a hopeful and optimistic Mr. Mitterrand assumed the reigns of office as the first bona fide socialist president in 25 years. But, he has been forced to take the kind of rigid austerity measures that only a stern, hard-nosed, cost-cutting businessman could ever be comfortable with. As a result, students, farmers, doctors and shopkeepers have taken their grievances into the streets in a series of protests often ending in violence.

This world was in a bad recession. But massive government spending was not the answer. Economic laws (See DISSENT, page 12)

Letters TO THE EDITOR

Buckle up

I was a member of a volunteer rescue squad in Virginia prior to moving to Texas for a total of six years. Too many people die needlessly on the highways because they didn't take the few seconds it takes to "buckle up."

Many, many thousands of people would be alive today if they would buckle up. Many more thousands would tell you that he or she would not be disabled or crippled if they would have buckled up . . .

I know too many people in God's Church who sit on their seat belts. I try to tell them, but they will not listen. Just recently, at a ladies' night Spokesman Club meeting, one of my fellow spokesmen gave a speech about the safety in wearing seat belts . . .

We have to do our part in being safe and being safety minded. God certainly expects that in us.

Larry Hoke
Houston, Tex.

Daily prayers

I feel that I am a winner all the time cause I gain more insights and knowledge every time I finish reading all the articles in the paper. This happens too when I attend the Sabbath services. I never walk away feeling a lesser person but a better informed, a more knowledgeable person . . .

To all the staff . . . you are all in my daily prayers.

Mrs. A.R. Sabater
Midlothian, Va.

Tasty fruits

I gladly take the opportunity to thank you and your staff very much for the numerous, outstanding, tasty fruits, you produce in the form of articles in (See LETTERS, page 4)

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SATAN HASN'T GIVEN UP ON MAKEUP

By Herbert W. Armstrong
In November, 1981 — a year and a half ago — I wrote an article with the heading: "How Subtly Satan Used Makeup to Start the Church Off the Track."

Ministers preached on it from pulpits over the world. Most women in the Church did "come out from among them" of the world, and ceased painting colored dirt on their faces.

But not all. Some youths at summer camps have told us their mothers wear cosmetics during the week, when seen by the world, but take it off on Sabbaths when they attend church services.

In this article I intend to make it PLAIN once and for all!

Brethren, WHAT is the Church? WHY is it? Do we not understand that we are the "Called-Out ones?" This world is NOT God's world. It is SATAN'S world started by the first man, Adam. But the one true Church is the embryo of God's world, started by the second Adam, Jesus Christ.

Jesus did not come to reform, change or convert Satan's world. He said, "No man can come to me, except the Father which sent me draw him" (John 6:44). He said to those of us God has called, "Come out from among them (of the world) and be ye separate."

This world started in SIN. It is the transgression of the law, and the law is God's spiritual law. It is summed up in the one word, LOVE.

It is expanded into the great commandments, love to GOD, and love to neighbor. These in turn were expanded into the Ten Commandments — the first four expressing the principle of love toward God, the last six the principle of love toward neighbor.

Jesus magnified the law — expanded it further, in principle. Under the Old Testament, a man had not committed adultery until the actual literal act. But in the New, Jesus said a man who even lusted after a woman had committed adultery in his heart!

In II Corinthians 3:6, it is written that we must obey the law according to the SPIRIT — that is, the principle or intent of the law — not according to the specific letter.

Today, I'm afraid, some look at SIN through Old Testament eyes. Unless there is a literal, specific, "Thus saith the Lord, Thou shalt NOT," then they say, "Isn't it OK?"

If you look at it that way, you really mean that you want to do Satan's way, and follow the world — that you only want to follow God's way so far as you are compelled.

WHY does God's true Church regard smoking tobacco as a SIN? No specific scripture says "Thou shalt not smoke."

When I was converted and baptized, and first received God's Holy Spirit, I asked

myself, "Is smoking wrong?" The Bible says nothing about it. But I knew the law of God is the PRINCIPLE OF LOVE.

I asked myself, "WHY do I smoke?" Does it express love to God? Definitely it is not "a sweet-smelling savor" in His nostrils. Did smoking express love toward neighbor? Perhaps someone might enjoy breathing it secondhanded, but many

women's faces today if they would quit trying to CHANGE the way God designed them!

This alone ought to be all any truly converted woman, led by the Holy Spirit, should need to show her she is SINNING when she changes her face with changed eye brows and cosmetics. And you women who have been trying to deceive the Church by taking it off for church services while you

answer to the SIN question.

As I write, and THINK on this subject, I am convinced that few understand — even in God's true Church — the TRUTH on this SIN question.

A great deal of Protestantism has rubbed off on our people in God's Church. Neither the Catholics nor Protestants teach God's commandments. Rather, they teach that the law was abol-

a few years ago, in England: "Mrs. Hunting is not pretty, Mr. Armstrong — SHE'S BEAUTIFUL!" Mrs. Hunting didn't wear makeup. The one who spoke did! She saw the inward beauty of the HEART in Mrs. Hunting. Through Paul, God asks, "Do ye look on things after the outward appearance?" (II Corinthians 10:7). God shows that real beauty is inward, of the heart — that is a right and godly spirit or attitude of mind.

God warns us all: "Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves." (II Corinthians 13:5).

The specific texts

A few years ago, liberals who no longer are in God's Church attacked certain specific scriptures mentioned in our booklet on makeup, published in 1964. They attempted to show by their reasoning that these texts at least allowed the use of makeup.

The attitude was, "We want to be like the world, and if there is no specific 'thou shalt not,' isn't it OK?"

Following is a brief comment on each of these passages.

Isaiah 3:16:

King James Version: "Moreover the Lord saith, Because the daughters of Zion are haughty, and walk with stretched forth necks and wanton eyes, walking and mincing as they go, and making a tinkling with their feet;"

Moffat translation: "The Eternal also said: Since they are so haughty, the daughters of Zion, holding their heads high as they walk, and ogling with their eyes, walking with their mincing steps, their anklets jingling."

Revised Standard Version: "The Lord said: Because the daughters of Zion are haughty

"Love toward and worship of God in itself is the principle of humility, not self-glory or vanity or coveting. It is love toward neighbor in the spirit of outgoing concern for neighbor's welfare and good — of cooperation, serving, helping, sharing."

would find it objectionable and obnoxious. And I knew it was harmful to my health in my lungs, even though no one knew as yet it caused lung cancer.

Therefore it violated God's law of LOVE toward God and toward man. Therefore it is SIN! I stopped what little smoking I had been doing.

That same PRINCIPLE applies to makeup. WHY do women do it?

When I applied this principle of God's law to myself in 1927 I few women indeed smoked — except harlots. Today cosmetics and makeup apply to women rather than men — but the PRINCIPLE is the same.

Do women "change" (make up) their faces to please God? On the contrary God's Word shows it is displeasing to him! Does makeup show LOVE toward other people. Or do they paint it on to be like the world — to be one with the world? They do it because of VANITY, the root of all sin. They do it to AVOID appearing to have "come out of the world, and being separate." They do it to avoid criticism by the world.

How did SIN start?

The cherub Lucifer was set by God on the throne of the earth. He is still there. He was perfect in his ways until iniquity was found in him (Ezekiel 28:15).

WHY did sin start in him? God said of him, "Thine heart was lifted up BECAUSE OF THY BEAUTY, thou hast corrupted thy wisdom because of thy brightness" (verse 17). How many of women professing to be God's women in His Church are corrupting their wisdom by allowing vanity, the root of sin, to lead them into perverted REASONING to try to justify SIN?

How did SIN start among the human race? It was when the first woman strayed away from her husband's subjection and listened to Satan that she "saw that the (forbidden) tree was . . . pleasant to the eyes" (Genesis 3:6) that she led her husband and all humanity into SIN! Did mother Eve put on makeup? I think she would have, if she had possessed a mirror. IF THERE WERE NO LOOKING GLASSES NO WOMEN WOULD PUT ON MAKEUP!

GOD designed and formed mother Eve's face, and I for one believe it was BEAUTIFUL without makeup — and so would be

wear it weekdays before the world of Satan, are only adding to your sin!

The Church is not going to police you. BUT YOU ARE BEING JUDGED, NOW! THE WOMEN OF THE WORLD ARE NOT BEING JUDGED AS YET. JUDGMENT HAS BEGUN WITH THE HOUSE OF GOD, THE CHURCH. WE IN THE CHURCH ARE DECIDING OUR ETERNITY NOW. WE ARE THE FIRST-FRUIT. WE ARE THE EMBRYO OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD! WE ARE TO BE DIFFERENT FROM THE WORLD! IT IS GOD THROUGH CHRIST WHO IS JUDGING US RIGHT NOW, ONCE FOR ALL ETERNITY!

Before examining specific texts on the subject of makeup, let me summarize the PRINCIPLE involved — not only on makeup but on any or all subjects of what is right and what is wrong.

God's law defines the WAY of human conduct — first of all, in relation to God, and secondly to human neighbor. LAW simply means the rules of conduct. THE RULES of a basketball, baseball or football game might be called the LAWS of those games — the

ished. If there is no law, then there is no sin, "for where no law is, there is no transgression" (Romans 4:15), and "sin is not imputed where there is no law" (Romans 5:13) and "sin IS the transgression of the law" (I John 3:4). But the law of God is SPIRITUAL (Romans 7:14).

God looks on the heart. But "the heart" as used in the biblical sense refers to the attitude, the intent or purpose. Sin results from a wrong attitude, intent, desire, which is an attitude of mind. Yet sin is also an act. It is the act of yielding to an attitude, desire or purpose CONTRARY to LOVE toward God or toward human.

Vanity violates "love toward and worship of God." It is desire or intent, or attitude of SELF-glorification. SELF wants to glorify itself, not God. VANITY is the root of SIN.

Brethren, this month I shall enter the 92nd year of my life in this age. I have to realize that I am only a heartbeat away from the end of this life. For your sake

"Do you hunger and thirst after God's righteousness, or after the ways of this world? Are you concerned with what God thinks of you, or what the world thinks — which?"

rules that regulate performance.

God's LAW is stated in the one word, LOVE. The word LOVE is a PRINCIPLE, and in principle it is opposite to the word LUST. It is LOVE toward others. First of all, LOVE toward God, in love, worship and obedience. Secondly it is love toward other humans. It cannot be vanity, because vanity is toward self and puts SELF before God.

Love toward and worship of God in itself is the PRINCIPLE of humility, not self-glory or vanity or coveting. It is love toward neighbor in the spirit of outgoing CONCERN for neighbor's welfare and good — of cooperation, serving, helping, sharing. It also may be love toward self in the sense or principle of concern for the physical and mental and spiritual welfare of the body and mind, which is the temple of God's Holy Spirit.

YOU CAN APPLY THAT PRINCIPLE TO ANY QUESTION OF HUMAN CONDUCT. It is the real

and the Work's sake I hope God will allow me continued heartbeats. But I have to look at the state of God's Church realistically. I think I see these things more soberly than formerly — perhaps more soberly than many of you.

Ask yourselves, "Do I really hunger and thirst after God's righteousness?" or after being like the world, whose god is Satan?

How many are like the woman who had been baptized only a few months and came to me, saying: "I've just inherited some money. Tell me, how much of it do I have to tithe to God? I don't want to tithe any more than I have to, but I want to get into God's Kingdom."

Do you hunger and thirst after God's righteousness, or after the ways of this world? Are you concerned with what GOD thinks of you, or what the world thinks — WHICH?

And, after all, a woman who is not a Church member said to me

and walk with outstretched necks, glancing wantonly with their eyes, mincing along as they go, tinkling with their feet."

New International Version: "The Lord says, 'The women of Zion are haughty, walking along with outstretched necks, flirting with their eyes, tripping along with mincing steps, with ornaments jingling on their ankles.'"

Two different commentaries, Adam Clarke and the *Critical and Experimental Commentary*, say the Hebrew original indicates "setting off the eyes with paint" as quoted from the latter. Some former liberal ministers, in an effort to allow cosmetics, disagreed with the commentaries. However, behavior does accompany use of makeup, and eye makeup does draw attention to the eyes. And all translations show this passage to be using the eyes wantonly, ogling or flirting with the eyes. Wanton means unchaste, lewd, licentious.

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MAKEUP

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tious, immoral (see dictionary).

The passage in Isaiah definitely shows a modern use of the eyes in such a manner, not in the "meek and quiet spirit" of New Testament teaching. It shows the *spirit*, or *attitude*, which transgresses the *principle* of God's spiritual law.

Therefore, God's Church must rule that, even as cigarette smoking is sin, so is use of cosmetics.

Women have written me about "good grooming." The Church surely teaches good grooming, but that does not mean following the world's life-style. Good grooming does not require changing the appearance of the face from the way God designed it. It would include proper arranging of the hair, and clothing, but not painting faces.

Next passage, Ezekiel 23:40: "And furthermore, that ye have sent for men to come from far, unto whom a messenger was sent; and, lo, they came: for whom thou didst wash thyself, paintedst thy eyes, and deckedst thyself with ornaments."

The liberals tried to say that bathing and certain ornaments of dress are all OK, therefore they claimed the painting was OK. True, whether a woman was going to receive even Jesus Christ in His lifetime, or, on the other hand a paramour, she would bathe and even possibly wear some jewelry, but she would not paint her face.

In this passage God is speak-

ing of ancient Israel as His adulterous wife, preparing for false licentious lovers. She is here pictured in the role of a harlot attracting men as a harlot. Even though a virtuous woman would bathe herself and wear jewelry, this is picturing a harlot woman luring a licentious lover.

Jeremiah 4:30: Again speaking of adulterous Israel: "And when thou art spoiled, what wilt thou do? Though thou clovest thyself with crimson, though thou deckest thee with ornaments of gold, though thou rentest thy face with painting, etc." Nowhere does the Bible show face painting except on a harlot or evil woman, even though it does show gold and jewelry on virtuous women.

II Kings 9:30: "And when Jehu was come to Jezreel, Jezebel heard of it; and she painted her face, and tired her head, and looked out at a window." Here, again, Jezebel was one of the evil women of the Bible, and she was acting in the spirit of a harlot to attract a man. Such scriptures certainly do NOT say virtuous women of God ought to follow harlots and paint their faces.

Job 42:14: Job named one of his daughters "Keren-happuch" (Revised Standard Version). The King James has it the same. But liberals on the temporary "doctrinal committee" tried to translate that Hebrew word into the English "eye makeup." They were in error.

The same Hebrew word *happuch* is used in Isaiah 54:11 in the sentence, "I will build you with stones of turquoise" (New International Version). A footnote on this Hebrew word says:

"The meaning of the Hebrew for this word (turquoise) is uncertain." Also the Hebrew word appears in I Chronicles 29:2: "turquoise, stones of various colors" — speaking of materials for building Solomon's temple. The Revised Standard has (Isaiah 54:11) "set your stones in antimony." "Antimony, colored stones," in I Chronicles 29:2.

The King James has it, for Isaiah 54:11: "I will lay the stones with fair colors," and in I Chronicles 29:2, "glistering stones, and of divers colours."

The Hebrew word used in Job cannot be translated "eye paint" as liberals tried to do to justify the use of makeup.

There is NO scripture which in any manner shows makeup or face-changing — whether by paint or plucking and changing eyebrows — to be approved or such example by a virtuous woman. Every reference is connected with evil women and with evil purpose.

After all, SIN is not the thing, but the ATTITUDE and the USE of the thing in response to a wrong attitude.

SIN is violation of God's spiritual LAW. And that violation always is an ATTITUDE and intention contrary to LOVE toward God and neighbor, and/or the acting upon such attitude or intention.

We live in a world swayed and influenced completely by Satan, the god of this world. The world has its "life-styles." They are basically contrary to God's way of life — which is LOVE toward God and toward neighbor, and toward self only in the sense of preserving health of mind and

body as the temple of the Holy Spirit.

Some women have mistakenly used the term "good grooming" to include and to justify painting colored dirt on the face and plucking eyebrows and painting in false ones. That is no part of "good grooming."

Let me explain "good grooming" from God's point of view. In my book *The Missing Dimension in Sex* on page 30 [page 25 in paperback] is an example of God's "good grooming."

"Notice the expression, 'The ETERNAL God . . . clothed them.' The Hebrew word God inspired Moses to write here, for 'clothed,' is *labash*. It does not mean to cover shamefulness — to hide nakedness — or any such meaning.

"The Hebrew word meaning to conceal nakedness is *kasah*. But the word Moses was inspired to write, *labash*, means, rather, the donning of apparel, raiment. It refers rather to outer garments than underclothing. It implies the idea of adorning, or decorating, or displaying, rather than concealing or covering over, or hiding."

This adorning by God did not cover the face. Good grooming is a term that does not refer to face changing, but to a clean face, modestly but well-arranged hair, and proper attire, or clothing. Webster's dictionary defines "groom" as "to make neat or attractive (an impeccably groomed woman)." This, of course is from the world's concept of grooming. However, "to make neat" might apply to hair or clothing, but not to the face. And God's teaching on grooming is modesty and meekness,

not worldly show or vanity.

The human face expresses human character and attitude. God intended it to be beautiful, but a beauty that comes from within, especially the eyes. God made the human face so designed that, if the inner attitude is godly, it will be beautiful. Of David, a man after God's own heart, He says, "He was of a fair countenance." Of Abigail, "She was a woman of good understanding and a beautiful countenance." There was no makeup. The Bible speaks of other virtuous women with beautiful faces, but no makeup. It speaks of harlots and evil women using makeup for evil and seductive motives.

God has called those in His Church out of the world, out of its life-styles, into God's ways to please HIM, not to please or be like the world.

Each must look down deeply into his or her heart — the inner attitude, desire and motive. Do we hunger and thirst for God's righteousness, or to follow the world's life-styles?

If we are in truth a member of God's Church, we have come out from among those of the world, hungering and thirsting for God's WAY OF LIFE.

God's Church can come to no other decision than that changing the face God designed and gave, and following the world in makeup is SIN, and will certainly lead to DEATH in the LAKE OF FIRE!

I am personally grateful to God that all but a very few of those we regard as members *have* "come out from among" the artificial ways of this world. I thank God for you!

Letters TO THE EDITOR

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each and every issue of the one and only *Worldwide News*.

L.J. Hoos
Goes, Netherlands
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Brethren unhurt

We are glad to hear that even though there are very bad weather conditions around the country, none of the brethren were injured or suffered a great deal of loss.

We certainly appreciate *The World-*

wide News as it keeps us informed about the Work and our brethren.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Warden
Crete, Ill.
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Special thanks

I always wanted to write to *The Worldwide News* with the request that you convey my most sincere gratitude to God's Church worldwide, but especially to the members of North London and St. Petersburg [Fla.] for their prayers on my behalf when I fell ill in Miami [Fla.] last Feast of Tabernacles.

The concern and interest shown by Mr. Jackson, Mr. Bob Jones, Mr. Al Kersha, Mr. Knockle and all the members contributed to my recovery and safe

return to England.

It was their prayers, and God's mercy, why I am alive today; and for that my family and I will be always grateful.

Truly the Church is one Body, and when any member suffers so does the whole Church.

F.A. Holder
Walthamstow, England
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From New Zealand

I have just been listening to Mr. H.W. Armstrong on Radio Pacific (a much clearer station here than Radio Manawatu) about his Asian tour, to Japan, Philippines, Tokyo, etc. It was very exciting to hear of the honours conferred on him.

W. Barber
Waipukurau, New Zealand

Vatican

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ing — and startling.

"The pope," wrote William Pfaff in the June 27 *Los Angeles Times*, "has undertaken the liberation of Eastern Europe. It is not too much to describe what he has begun with his second visit to Poland in those words. This audacious program involves serious risks, but also displays an intelligence, an understanding of history and a powerful will that are all but invisible among Western statesmen" (emphasis ours).

"The pope," continued Mr. Pfaff, "believes that the unity and fervor of Poland's Catholics, insisting on religious autonomy and freedom to organize their lives in common, can provide a first step in the moral reanimation of the other churches of the East, and then of the West. He has addressed himself to all Europeans [last November in Spain]: 'I, bishop of Rome and pastor of the universal church . . . utter to you, old Europe, a cry filled with love: Recover your-

selves, be yourselves, discover your origins, give life to your roots.'

"The pope is on the offensive," continued Mr. Pfaff. "The pope's playing permanence against the temporal. The church will be here, and Poland as well, for as long as anyone can foresee. Communism's, and the Soviet Union's, domination of Poland and of the rest of Eastern Europe is provisional, an episode in history. It will inevitably end. The Soviet Union will eventually fall back from territories where it has failed to demonstrate its cultural force, the power of its ideas . . . That is what the pope is doing. It is a remarkable spectacle."

Poland, unlike other countries of Europe, has not lost its roots. It has been fervently Catholic for 1,000 years. As such, it serves as the breeding ground and the advancing wedge in Europe of a new (but old) third force, "universal nationalism," the biblically prophesied revival of the Holy Roman Empire.

A political vacuum does not yet exist in Europe, which is still divided between the Soviet and U.S. spheres of interest. But it will come, and will be filled by the political authority of the prophesied church-state power.

With its deal in Poland the Vatican is setting the stage for opening a political breach in Europe between East and West. In the future, it might help engineer a far bigger deal — this time not with Warsaw, but with Moscow, for the liberation of Eastern Europe.

In order to give its approval, Moscow would in turn likely demand the neutralization of Western Europe, cutting its ties to the United States.

Under such an arrangement, West Germany would be able to reunite with East Germany, since the latter would be geographically cut off from Moscow anyway if Poland were cut free.

And a reunited Germany would be the political dynamo of a new Europe. Truly awesome forces have been set in motion by the pope's second visit to his Polish homeland.



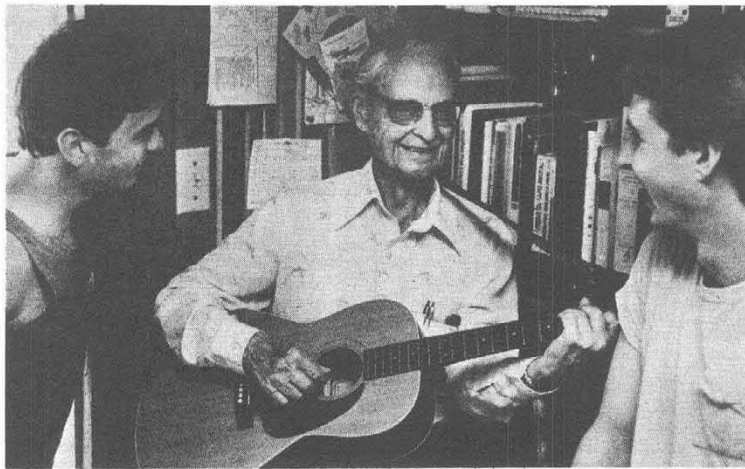
FEAST FOOTAGE — Cameraman Russ Alsbrook videotapes the gravestones of Sabbath-keepers from the late 1700s in Newport, R.I., with engineer Mark Streapy. The videotape is scheduled to be used in the 1983 *Behind the Work* Festival film, in which Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong explains the history and purpose of God's Church. [Photo by John Halford]

History

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the Festival shows from the last three years," Mr. Omasta said.

"Hosts Dave and Pam Myers will guide you on this musical tour down memory lane with special appearances by many of the Young Ambassadors, including Big Beak," he continued.

Mr. Myers, a local elder in Albany, N.Y., and Springfield, Mass., appeared in the first Festival film in 1980 as the on-camera host. He returned to Pasadena this month with his wife, Pam, to tape new footage for the 1983 film. Mrs. Myers was also in the original film.



CAPPING OFF THE DAY — Walter Capps, 88, a member of the Big Sandy church, strums a guitar for Big Sandy Ambassador College students Troy Todd (left) and Dean Ames. Mr. Todd and Mr. Ames graduated from Ambassador College in May. [Photo by Dominick Furlano]

His congeniality boosts morale of college 'kids'

By Sandi Borax
PASADENA — "I decided to come out and visit my kids," said Walter Capps, 88, of his trip from Big Sandy to visit the Pasadena Ambassador College campus March 16 to April 6. His "kids" include students and graduates of both Ambassador Colleges.

A group of former Big Sandy students paid for Mr. Capps' flight here from Texas for a visit, as they had also done in the spring of 1981.

Mr. Capps was born the ninth of 12 children, near Wichita Falls, Tex., Dec. 12, 1894. His parents were children when Abraham Lincoln was President (1861-1865).

In the mid-1960s Mr. Capps began to be dissatisfied with the Methodist Church and quit attending. Several months later he tuned in to *The World Tomorrow* and has been "tuned in ever since," he explained. He was baptized in 1968, at the age of 73.

Mr. Capps moved to Big Sandy after the 1971 Feast of Tabernacles. Two years later he volunteered his help in the Big Sandy press, labeling, sorting and preparing *The Worldwide News* for mailing. He also helped with the landscaping of Hillcrest Manor, a housing development where he lives.

Mr. Capps carries his 88 years well. He likes to ask people to guess his age, and if they guess between 65 and 75 his expression falls and he asks, "Do I really look that old?"

Mr. Capps enjoys being around young people.

"The thing that makes me most unhappy is to see young people going the wrong way with drugs or drinking or idleness." He has no children of his own. "Maybe that's why I love the students so much," he said.

He considered the reopening of the Big Sandy campus in August, 1981, a special personal blessing. He spent much of his time with the students before it was closed in 1977, inviting them to his house, visiting them—even nursing sick ones back to health at his home.

Charles Singleton, a 1978 Pasadena graduate living in Pasadena, said he became close to Mr. Capps through the rides to Longview, Tex., about 20 miles from the campus, when Mr. Capps would take one or two students to dinner on the weekend.

"Pa" or "Grandpa," as he is often called, encourages the students with his bear hugs and visits to the dorms about once a week.

"If I could I'd take a van load out every weekend, just so they could get a break — get refreshed from the week," Mr. Capps said.

He likes to talk with the landscapers while they work outside, and to visit the dormitories and chat with the students in the lounges. "Never in the studies, though," he emphasized, "the kids come to college to study and learn, not to talk to me."

95 year old attends Feasts, Sabbath services

Slave's daughter recounts past

By Vance Stinson
CEDAR BLUFF, Ala. — Some say that elderly people cannot learn new things. Sibley Perkins, 95, proved that view untrue by becoming a member of the Worldwide Church of God at age 81.

Vance Stinson is a member of the Gadsden, Ala., church.

The daughter of a former slave, Mrs. Perkins was born in northeastern Alabama Nov. 17, 1887. Her father, Paty Clark, who was a slave until age 5, insisted that his son and two daughters go to school.

To pay a teacher \$20 a month, Mr. Clark tried to persuade other black men with families to donate for a fund to pay a teacher. But, they were happy if they could just put food on the table. Failing to raise the money, Mr. Clark sold his cattle and moved to Huntsville, Ala., where his children could go to school.

Mrs. Perkins was 6 when she started school. Her brother, who was not yet of school age, often attended with her so their mother could work to help pay for the schooling.

They stayed in Huntsville until Mrs. Perkins was 18. Then, she began teaching school in a Baptist church. In 1907 she married Robert Russel, who died of pneumonia four years later. Her second husband, Miles McCluskey, died after 15 years of marriage.

She married Revener E. Perkins in 1931.

Mrs. Perkins became a nurse and maid at age 72, helping the sick and disabled. She began listening to *The World Tomorrow* in 1965. After hearing the program she wrote for and studied Church literature and was baptized in March, 1969. In 1975 Mr. Perkins became a member of God's Church. He died in 1979 at age 90.

In July, 1982, Mrs. Perkins visited Pasadena and toured the Ambassador College campus. Comparing the campus to the Garden of Eden, Mrs. Perkins said, "I thought it was just wonderful; it was just beautiful."



SIBLEY PERKINS

Of her nine children four are living. Her son, Robert Russel, stays with her in Cedar Bluff.

Despite rheumatism and physical impairments because of age, Mrs. Perkins attends Sabbath services regularly. She also attends the Feast of Tabernacles. She said, "I don't remember missing a one because they told me how I would have to save . . . my second tithe to go down there."

Youth holds to Sabbath conviction

Gymnast wins four gold medals

By Danny Joe
TACOMA, Wash. — In 1980 10-year-old Rachel Kirishian was told that she could not compete in gymnastics for Puget Sound School of Gymnastics because almost all of the meets took place on Saturdays.

Danny Joe is a member of the Tacoma, Wash., church.

Undaunted, Rachel persevered and on May 1 of this year won four gold medals and the all-around title for 12- to 14-year-olds at the Class III Washington state gymnastics championships.

In most gymnastics meets compulsories (mandatory routines selected by judges) are performed on Saturdays. Sundays are reserved for optionals (routines chosen individually by each gymnast).



RACHEL KIRISHIAN

Rachel continued studying gymnastics at the school after being told she could not compete. She was con-

tent with just learning gymnastics. Her coach saw potential and requested that Rachel be allowed to compete on Sundays.

Meanwhile, the school's head coach formed a secondary team and Rachel was asked to be on it.

The request was approved, but Rachel would have to perform both compulsory and optional routines on Sundays.

Her first competition was in November, 1982. In December, her second meet, she was rated on par with her teammates. Then on March 3 of this year, her third meet, Rachel surpassed her teammates.

At the state meet at Franklin Pierce High School gymnasium she won gold medals on the balance beam, uneven parallel bars and vault and sixth place in floor exercises, the same four events as those at the women's Olympic competitions. Rachel's combined score of 67.05 was enough to earn her the best all-around title and a fourth gold medal.

"Because Rachel performed both compulsories and optionals on Sunday, most people thought she couldn't perform as well as the others," said Mignon Kirishian, Rachel's mother. "I think it's a remarkable witness that competing on the Sabbath is not essential."

Says Mrs. Kirishian, "Rachel applies the principle of using competition for improving one's own abilities, not simply to get into the winner's circle."

Rachel now looks forward to training for the junior nationals competition in late fall.

Though her training schedule requires 14 hours a week, Rachel still maintains an A average in school and is entering a program for gifted students next fall.

She attends the Kent, Wash., church with her parents, Arthur Kirishian, a local church elder, and Mrs. Kirishian.

Inventor's idea makes seawater drinkable

By Tony Knight
ESCONDIDO, Calif. — An Escondido inventor has brought the water industry one step closer to its long-standing dream of converting sea water into drinking water.

This article, submitted by Susan Karoska of the San Diego, Calif., church, is reprinted by permission of the Escondido, Calif., Times-Advocate. John P. Petrek lives in Escondido and is a member of the San Diego church.

John P. Petrek, a nuclear engineer by trade, said he used little more than a hand drill and a radial arm saw to build the solar-powered distillation machine in his Green Avenue backyard.

In these times of scarce water

supplies and skyrocketing water costs, Petrek's invention could provide the key to this arid county's water future.

Local water officials have said any inventor who could turn the county's conveniently located, virtually unlimited supply of sea water into the drinkable variety would have the world beating a path to his door.

Humble though its backyard beginnings may have been, the machine so impressed lawyers from the San Diego Patent Law Association that they named Petrek their inventor of the year.

Using conventional solar heating technology and a patented method to get water to slide down the back of an inclined surface in a thin sheet, Petrek and his partner, Clifford M. Cantrell, may have done just that.

"This model cost about \$500," said Petrek, standing next to the 10-foot-high solar panel that rotates to keep its face to the sun.

"We think he's got a very good idea," said Freling E. Baker, president of the association.

The machine has also captured the imagination of the county's committee for water independence, and the idea soon may be presented to directors of the San Diego County Water Authority, who have been looking into desalination technologies.

Of course, the key to getting the water authority's attention, is to make distilled water at a cost that is competitive with that of water imported from the Colorado River. Petrek admits that at an estimated \$3,000 per acre-foot, his "machine-made" drinking water is far from

cheap. (An acre-foot is 326,900 gallons.)

But the fact that the process uses free solar power is a breakthrough. Exorbitant energy costs have been the prohibiting factor in other seawater distilling methods examined by authority experts.

"On the large scale, this thing might be expensive," Petrek conceded. He said a smaller version might be attractive in someplace like the Virgin Islands, where water is very scarce and very expensive.

However, Petrek said his so-called "multiple-effect thin-film diffusion distillation process" could yet prove an economic winner in San Diego County. In essence, the only major cost to the system is for the materials, because the energy is free.

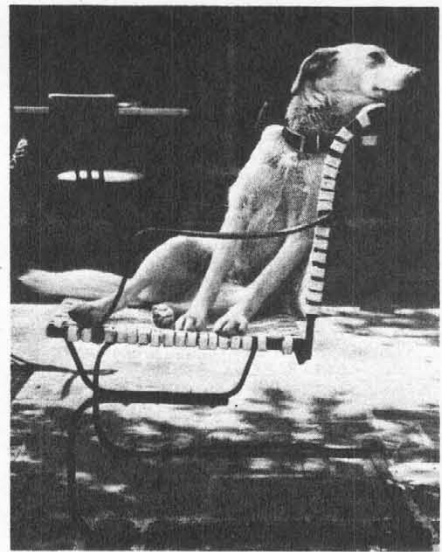
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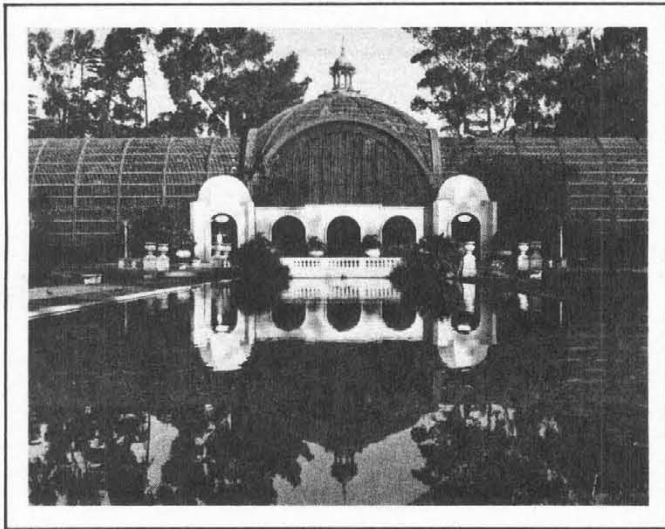
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BEST HUMAN INTEREST (B&W): LYNETTE WEBB



MOST HUMOROUS (COLOR): SUSAN THOMAS



BEST GENERAL INTEREST (B&W): SHAWN BAKER
BEST ALL-ROUND FOR BLACK AND WHITE

1983 YOU PHOTO CONTEST

PASADENA — Deanna Schow, 19, of Port Orchard, Wash., captured best overall color photograph, and Shawn Baker, 18, of Leucadia, Calif., took best overall black and white in the 1983 Youth Opportunities United (YOU) Photo Contest.

Deanna, who submitted the best overall black and white photos in the 1981 and 1982 YOU Photo Contests, also placed first in the general subject and portrait categories for color photographs.

Shawn placed first in the general subject category for black and white photographs and in the nature category for color photos.

The best overall awards were chosen from the winning photos in all categories June 1 in the Editorial Services conference room here. Judges were Warren Watson, director of the Church's Photography Department, and staff photographers G.A. Belluche Jr., Craig Clark and Nathan Faulkner.

"The entries were impressive,"

Mr. Watson said. "The main drawback for the contestants was that many entered photos in the wrong category." He cited one sunset photo that was placed in the portrait category, stating that "if it had been entered in the nature category, it probably would have placed much higher."

Mr. Belluche agreed, saying that the majority of the entries were "pretty good," but that contestants needed "to pay more attention to categories."

Mr. Watson encouraged those who plan to enter the 1984 YOU Photo Contest to begin improving their skills now. "Everyone can benefit by reading some books on photography and composition from his local library," he said. "You can learn a great deal about shooting photos by looking at professional photographs and reading how the photos were taken."

"Photography is a lifetime learning experience," Mr. Watson



BEST PORTRAIT (COLOR): DEANNA SCHOW



MOST UNUSUAL (COLOR): GOLDIE LEWIS



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The categories and first, second and third place contestants are as follows:

Human interest (color): Lila Docken, 17, Napa, Calif.; Chad Oakes, 14, Calgary, Alta.; Nancy Shaeffer, 14, Bismarck, N.D.

Human interest (black and white): Lynette Webb, 18, Statesville, N.C.; Phillip Jerold Aust, 17, San Diego, Calif.

Nature (color): Shawn Baker, 18, Leucadia, Calif.; Laura Scardino, 14, Williamstown, N.J.; Susan Thomas, 17, Waco, Tex.

Nature (black and white): Chad Oakes, 14, Calgary, Alta.; Malisa Jones, 19, Carthage, Tex.

Humor (color): Susan Thomas, 17, Waco, Tex.; Peter Falk, 19, Marathon, Wis.; Cheryl A. King, 17, Oxnard, Calif.

Humor (black and white): Goldie Lewis, 19, Lodi, Calif.

Unusual (color): Goldie Lewis, 19, Lodi, Calif.; Bob Baxter, 17, Warburg, Alta.; Susan Thomas, 17, Waco, Tex.

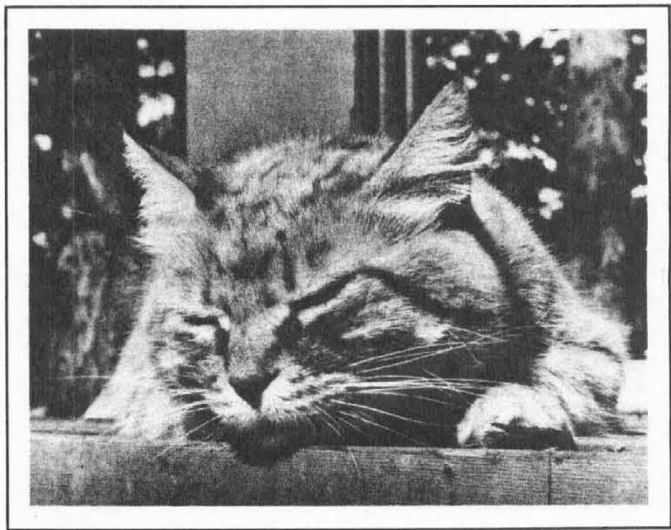
Unusual (black and white): Philip Jerold Aust, 17, San Diego, Calif.; Shawn Baker, 18, Leucadia, Calif.; Lynette Webb, 18, Statesville, N.C.

Portrait (color): Deanna Schow, 19, Port Orchard, Wash.; Malisa Jones, 19, Carthage, Tex.; Cheryl A. King, 17, Oxnard, Calif.

Action (color): Teena Dillman, 18, Wellsville, Pa.; Terry W. Harms, 18, Newton, Kan.; Michael Kazmer, 14, Hartland, Wis.

General subject (color): Deanna Schow (also best overall color photograph), 19, Port Orchard, Wash.; Bob Baxter, 17, Warburg, Alta.; Jim Watters Jr., 17, Neenah, Wis.

General subject (black and white): Shawn Baker (also best overall black and white photograph), 18, Leucadia, Calif.; Philip Jerold Aust, 17, San Diego, Calif.



**BEST GENERAL SUBJECT (COLOR): DEANNA SCHOW
BEST ALL-ROUND FOR COLOR**



BEST NATURE (COLOR): SHAWN BAKER



BEST NATURE (B&W): CHAD OAKES

LOCAL CHURCH NEWS

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Melvin Rhodes and his family left ACCRA, Ghana, for Britain May 25 after five years in the country, where he pastored the churches in West Africa. The Ghanaian churches presented gifts to the minister and his family as a token of their appreciation. *Francis Jeffrey Hweo.*

The ALBANY, N.Y., church had its annual square dance May 29 at the American Legion hall in Green Island, N.Y. The evening began with tacos, chicken and salad. Dessert included an anniversary cake in honor of Mr. and Mrs. David Myers and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Nelson. Decorations for the hall were provided by Kathy Englehardt. *Greg Dely.*

About 325 people from the Banning, Glendora, Riverside and San Bernardino, Calif., church areas attended a pancake breakfast and sports day organized by the BANNING and SAN BERNARDINO Spokesman Clubs. The event took place June 5 at Lake Perris State Park. After pancakes, scrambled eggs, beef sausage and hash browns, family oriented activities and sports provided exercise. Jim Peoples, pastor of the Banning, Glendora and San Bernardino churches, presented prizes after a day of activities such as baseball, volleyball, horseshoes, chess and a water-balloon toss for the youngsters. *Harry Wiedenhaus.*

Seven women who attended Ambassador College in the 1950s, who live in the BIG SANDY area, had a breakfast reunion May 29. Those attending were Elise Bernard Herrmann (1951-1953), Billie Sanders McNair (1951-1954), Freia Fiddle Smith (1952-1956), Kay Campros Dry (1953-1957), Margaret Holmes Smith (1954-1956), Sondra Barton Manteufel (1955-1958) and Della Home Landwehr (1955-1959). They recalled incidents of college days and the impact that Ambassador College and being taught personally by Herbert W. Armstrong has had on their lives. *Kay Dry.*

Afternoon services for the BINGHAMTON, N.Y., church were followed by a potluck buffet dinner May 28. After the meal members attended an off-Broadway production of the musical *Oklahoma* at the Binghamton Forum. YES members and senior citizens attended the performance free because of a successful year of fund raising. *Eleanor Lukoski.*

May 28 the CHARLESTON, S.C., church had a Sabbath social. Each month one of the deacons coordinates activities or entertainment for these events. This month's social was coordinated by Sinclair Frazier. With the assistance of Ralph Hannah the *Today* show was presented, patterned after a television talk show with news commentary. The news stories told of re-education and restoration of the earth and the end of the present world. Reports came from Germany, India, Egypt and Africa. The program also included a bass solo, "The Holy City," several poems and stories. *Kenneth Jackson.*

The CLEVELAND, Ohio, WEST church had a horse show at Brecksville Stables in Brecksville, Ohio, for the Cleveland West activity fund June 5. Linda and Hal Henderson were the main organizers of the show. *Renee Williams.*

The DUBLIN, Ireland, church enjoyed a potpourri of games at its picnic May 29 at the aristocratic home and park of 19th-century patriot Charles Stuart Parnell. As well as the usual soccer and rounders, tug-of-war, wheelbarrow racing, sack races and piggyback races were offered. *Henry Cooper.*

The EUREKA, Calif., church had its first rummage sale June 5 at the Eureka Flea Market. The group collected \$285 for church activities and expenses and for a donation to the Work. *Kathleen Buck.*

The HAZARD and PIKEVILLE, Ky., brethren attended a combined formal dance at the National Guard Armory in Prestonsburg, Ky., June 5. Pastor Warren Heaton III demonstrated the box step and the two step, while Mark Wells and Kathy Sirls provided the music. *Debby Bailey.*

The IOWA CITY, Iowa, church met June 5 at Mercer Park for its annual picnic. A potluck took place at noon. Activities included relays, races, a macaroni-guessing contest, volleyball, softball, badminton, tug-of-war and a water-balloon toss. *Geraldine Tenold.*

The KNOXVILLE, Tenn., church en-

joyed its fourth annual weekend camp-out at Pickett State Park in the Cumberland Mountains Memorial Day weekend, May 27 to 29. The setting provided a break for 165 brethren. A potluck and meals prepared and served by the women and teenagers helped make the outing a success. Sabbath services were followed by Bible games for YES children and Bible baseball for YOU members and adults. A night of games and activities followed. *Thomas M. Whetsel.*

June 5 the MONROE, La., church enjoyed the first picnic of the season at Kirol Park. The brethren fellowshiped among the tree-studded hills, nature trails and gardens. The park's name is an acronym for the Kiwanis, Rotary and Lion's clubs. A potluck lunch was sandwiched between family oriented softball and volleyball games, egg races and water-balloon throws. The younger children enjoyed slides, swings, merry-go-rounds and bouncing toys. About 150 brethren attended. *Joyce Brown.*

June 12 the MUNCIE and RICHMOND, Ind., churches had a combined picnic at Henry County Memorial Park in New Castle, Ind. The fare included chicken and hamburgers. Brethren played soccer, softball and cards and pitched horseshoes. Some enjoyed paddleboats on the park pond. Two clowns entertained the younger set. More than 120 attended. *Ed S. Rudicel.*

Evangelist Raymond F. McNair, Pasadena Ambassador College deputy chancellor, and his wife Eva visited the NORFOLK, Va., church for Pentecost. Mr. McNair spoke to the Norfolk brethren on the Sabbath before Pentecost and visited with the members at a reception afterward.

On Pentecost he spoke to the combined Norfolk and Richmond, Va., congregations in the afternoon. Mr. McNair ordained Pat Pryke a deaconess, assisted by Edward Faulk and Ken Gesse, pastors of the Norfolk and Richmond churches. On the following Sabbath, May 28, Gene Hogberg, *Plain Truth* world news editor, spoke to the Norfolk church. Mr. Hogberg was in Williamsburg, Va., to attend the Summit '07 Industrialized Nations. He traveled to Richmond to speak to the members there on Sabbath afternoon. *Mr. and Mrs. William Pryke.*

Thirty-nine NOTTINGHAM, England, members and friends joined for a day of thrills and fun June 5 on the grounds of Alton Towers, home of the Earls of Shrewsbury, set in the hilly country near the town of Derby June 5. Activities included a 360-degree film projection. Some enjoyed a walk in the gardens. The activity was arranged by local elder Bob Devine. *Ron McLaren.*

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., brethren donated items for the June 12 "Gigantic Yard Sale." Fund-raising coordinator Larry Nensiel acquired the use of a portion of the City of Moore Shopping Center parking lot for the sale. Brethren brought household items to Moore weeks before the sale. Volunteers worked on committees to organize and conduct the sale, which lasted from setup at 5:30 a.m. to late afternoon. According to Mr. Nensiel the sale brought \$1,100. The money will be added to the church activity fund. *Michael Crist.*

Mingus Mountain campground was the setting for the PRESCOTT, Ariz., annual church picnic June 12. Activities included softball, flag football, volleyball and horseshoes for the adults, while the children enjoyed a softball game of their own and a costume contest. Brian Snitker won the contest for his rendition of Huckleberry Finn. The group ate chili dogs, watermelon and ice cream for lunch. *Dick L. Herrold.*

June 11, after Sabbath services, more than 125 brethren from the RICHMOND, Va., church attended a picnic in Bryan Park. It was a bring your own and eat your own affair. *Chip Brockmeier.*

The ROLLA, Mo., church had its annual picnic at St. James City Park June 12 with 85 people in attendance. Barbecued chicken along with other potluck items were enjoyed. Family activities included softball, volleyball and swimming, with tug-of-war, an apple bob and a turtle race for the children. *Johanna Wells.*

The Borehamwood, St. Albans and Luton, England, churches joined Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Cardy for the celebration of their diamond wedding anniversary June 19 in ST. ALBANS. The evening began with a dinner after welcoming the Cardys to their seats. After the meal evangelist Frank Brown proposed a toast to the Cardys and introduced Mr. Cardy. Mr. Cardy spoke about the early years of marriage 60 years ago.

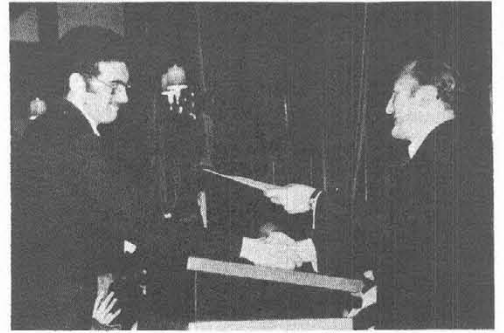
The children of the three churches performed entertainment. Dawn McGarvey did an Irish jig; Bronwen Silcox played the violin, accompanied on piano by Ruth Ramsey; Sarah-Jane Suckling and Suzie Bothwell performed a tap dance; Zoe Bothwell and Clair Robertson sang a duet; and the children's choir sang "Grandma, We Love You." The floor was cleared for the dance, and the Ambassador Dance Band began with "The Anniversary Waltz," led on the floor by Mr. and Mrs. Cardy.

Adult entertainment began with a baton twirling performance by Edie Weaner. Vocal solos were performed by John Duffy, Shirley Hulme and Brian Varney. Miss Weaner twirled again, this time including double-flip and lighted batons. *Edie Weaner.*

The regional director of God's Work in Canada, Colin Adair, was the guest speaker June 4 for services in ST. JOHN, N.B., marking the 10th anniversary of God's Church in New Brunswick. More than 230 people from New Brunswick and Maine gathered at the University of New Brunswick for the anniversary ceremonies.

Eighty people assembled in Saint John June 2, 1973, to start the first Church of God congregation in that area. The first service was conducted by Steven Botha who was the pastor in Halifax, N.S., at that time. Later, Philip Shields pastored the church in New Brunswick and is now pastoring the churches in Cornwall, Ont., and Plattsburgh, N.Y. One year ago Gary Moore, formerly the pastor of Cornwall, came to pastor the churches in New Brunswick. Services are conducted weekly in Fredericton and every other week in St. John and Moncton.

Special music June 4 consisted of a



GRADUATION — Director Paul Suckling, right, presents a certificate of merit to Keith Jones at the Borehamwood and St. Albans, England, Spokesman Club ladies' night and graduation June 13. (See "Club Meetings," this page.) (Photo by Edie Weaner)

vocal solo, "The Holy City," by Ron Savoy accompanied by Tamara Moore on piano. After services Mr. and Mrs. Adair cut the first piece of a two-layer, decorated anniversary cake baked by Mrs. Ernest Whittaker. The cake was baked in eight sections displaying icing in the shape of the province and large enough to serve 400 people. *Richard Duplain.*

The annual carnival of the ST. LOUIS, Mo., churches occurred June 12 at Grant's Shelter in Jefferson Barracks Park. There were games for all ages from ticktacktoe to the fish pond. There were clowns (Melvin Dorsey and Melvin Harris), a country store and a food concession. Barbara Ehlen guessed how many beans were in a jelly-bean jar, and Vi Boewer guessed how much wire was used in a display. At different intervals a melodrama was acted out by Elise Heberer, Bob Nevin, Bill Osia, Hurvie White and Theresa Zefo. Raffles were won by Joey Walton and Tom Ehlen. The attendance prize, a handmade clock in the shape of a barn, was won by Flavius Adkins, was won by Ann Posavac. *Bill and Betty Stough Sr.*

The SARASOTA, Fla., church had a potluck picnic June 12 at Oscar Scherer State Park. Children took part in sack races, a water-balloon toss and dunking for apples; while the adults enjoyed volleyball, horseshoes and canoeing. Ninety brethren, including some from the Fort Myers, Fla., church, topped the day off with homemade ice cream. *Helen Walworth.*

The SAVANNAH, Ga., church had a picnic May 29 at the home of Marshall and Mary Key. Members of the Charleston, S.C., church also attended. The Savannah YOU sponsored a fish-fry dinner for the about 100 in attendance. Activities included swimming, canoeing, horseshoes, badminton, YES games and an original adaptation of *Robin Hood*. Participants included Dick Lipscomb, Alex Leffek, Ron Garrett, Wayne Robertson, Chan Lipscomb, Frances Lipscomb, Scott Pendergraft, Sherie Brown, Beth Ford, Jean Anderson, Brenda Anderson, D.J. Garrett, Marsha Key and members of the audience. *Sherie Brown.*

The STOKES ON TRENT, England, church had an activity at the Oakengates Leisure Center May 29. The evening was arranged by Phil and Diane Davies. An

indoor swimming pool, badminton courts and table tennis gave members an opportunity to exercise their athletic talents. Yvonne Conway and Rosalind McLean reached a total of 33 lengths of the pool in preparation for a sponsored swim to aid YOU. Harry Goodwin, 76, displayed table tennis skill and expert coaching. Cold drinks and sandwiches were served to bring an end to the evening. *Heather McCarty.*

Twenty-seven members of the UNION, N.J., church took their first hike of the year to Eagle Rock Lookout May 29. Torney Van Acker led the group into the low-hanging clouds while Ken Strang brought up the rear. Once on top the group picnicked on a rocky ledge overlooking Green Pond just barely visible through the clouds. On the trail home Angela Furlano, Kim Warden, Michele Jones and Sylvie Van Acker struck up a few tunes. The last stop of the day was for hot chocolate. *Torney Van Acker.*

CLUB MEETINGS

The AKRON, Ohio, Spokesman and Graduate clubs met for the last time this year at Balaun's Restaurant in Fairlawn June 2. The ladies' night started at 6:30 with cocktails and dinner. Aubrey Edwards gave topics. Dessert was served during the break, (hefta speeches) were given by Bob Schenfield, James Hilton, Melvin Hershberger and Allen Parry. Director Mike Swagerty gave closing comments. Diplomats were given to the six graduates: Paul Blake, Dave Doudna, Richard Kennedy, Mr. Schenfield, Ron Tenney and Joseph Zachariah. *Lori M. Orosz.*

Fifteen ASHEVILLE, N.C., Graduate Spokesman Club members and their wives met for a breakfast meeting at the Vera Cruz Restaurant June 5. The first half of the meeting began with Richard Stillwell and Egan Williams presenting a news report followed by Glenn Peavy giving his point of view editorial. A book report was given by Leon Stepp, and Steve Ferencik gave a scriptural explanation.

After breakfast was served, the second portion began with two church history icebreakers given by the two newest graduate members, Hezekiah Bradley and Dean Williams. A speech was also given by David Rollins, and the final speaker of the meeting was David Cole who gave a sermonette. *Kathy B. Williams.*

The AUSTIN, Tex., Spokesman Club honored three men at its annual graduation meeting and ladies' night June 5. After a buffet dinner at the Sheraton Crest Hotel the club enjoyed a topic session and two speeches. David Buchanan, Glenn Crider and Fred Redd were presented diplomas by the club's director, Harold Rhodes. *John Jarrett.*

The BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Spokesman Club had graduation ceremonies at the Fifth Quarter Steak House for 20 members June 4. Kenneth Martin and Robert Collins, director and co-director, presented certificates. Mr. Martin said the club is well blessed and balanced for its diversity of talent and range of members' ages. *Andrew V. Murphee.*

The BOREHAMWOOD and ST. ALBANS, England, Spokesman Club has its ladies' night at the Edgewarebury Hotel June 13. After a three-course meal was served, President Winston Bothwell opened the meeting. Tabletopics were given by Eric Pratt, and the toastmaster was Cliff Neil. The Most Improved Speaker was John Robertson, and the Most Effective Speech was given by Peter

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MEMORIES — Seven Big Sandy area women who attended Pasadena Ambassador College in the 1950s reminisce about their Ambassador College days May 29. (See "Church Activities," this page.)

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Woolford. Other speeches were given by Brian Templeman, Charles Sculley and Colin Philis.

Assistant director George Delap evaluated the speakers and was given the Most Helpful Evaluation cup in appreciation for his help throughout the year. Director Paul Suckling then discussed three reasons for club: to develop personality, to have true Christian fellowship and to learn more about God's government. Brian Hickson and Keith Jones were presented graduation certificates. Officers for next year were announced: Mr. Robertson, president; George Henderson, vice president; Mr. Neil, secretary; Roger Fowler, treasurer; and Mr. Jones, sergeant at arms. *Edie Weaver.*

The Hilton Inns South in Greenwood Village was the location for the final combined meeting of the three DENVER, Colo., Spokesman Clubs June 4. A total of 161 members, their wives and guests dined on roast beef in white wine sauce, broccoli and boiled potatoes with chocolate mousse for dessert. James Reyer, pastor of the Denver church and director of the Graduate Club, presided over the final meeting. Ralph Swift, toastmaster, presented Keith Center, Roger Korthuis, Lynn Hamell and Sieve Myers for speeches. A videotape presentation showing club members at their humorous best was presented. Twenty minutes in length, it was narrated by Mr. Reyer and ministers Norm Myers and Gerald Schnarnerberger. *Michael Grovak.*

The ENID, Okla., Spokesman Club had its final ladies' night May 28. Forty-four members and guests dined on breast of chicken and beef teriyaki. Flowers were donated by James Goodman. The topics session was conducted by Lee Campbell, and the first-half evaluation was given by associate pastor Charles Holladay. Toastmaster Jay Tompkins introduced Steve Heidrich, Most Effective Speech; Lee Evans, Most Improved Speaker; Ray Hedrich; Gerald Iiams; and Mike Meyer. Frank Shipley gave the Most Helpful Evaluation. The overall evaluation was given by pastor Arnold Clauson. *Albert R. Taffs.*

Members of the EUGENE, Ore., Spokesman Club, their wives and guests attended a year-end meeting and brunch at the Red Lion Motor Inn June 5. Following opening comments by President Dave Mello, Ed Lazor led tabletopics. The group then enjoyed the multiple-course brunch followed by the speaking session. Toastmaster Tim Rhay introduced the speakers: Vince Benson, Jack Scruggs, Don Bittle, Eldridge Mitchell and Abe Stores. The overall evaluation and closing comments were given by club director Leonard Schreiber, who admonished members to strengthen their family relationships during the summer. *Tim and Lin Rhay.*

The EVERETT, Wash., Spokesman Club had its last meeting of the club year June 5 at the Everett Pacific Hotel. A prime-rib dinner was served before the meeting. John Stiles was toastmaster, and toastmaster Jack Linge introduced Ken Emmer, Bill Zimmerman and John Petrisor for speeches. After the topics session members and guests were entertained by a barbershop quartet, two skits and a women's trio. Club President Warren Larson concluded the evening by presenting a gift certificate from all the members to pastor and director Richard Duncan. *Rod Kleitz.*

The GADSDEN, Ala., Spokesman Club had its annual ladies' night June 9. The toastmaster for the evening was Hugh Simmons. Speeches were presented by Benny Butler, Desi Dubois, Arthur Ryan, Paul McWhorter and Clifford Duncan.

After a steak dinner and the speeches, couples enjoyed dancing. A 22nd anniversary cake was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Gerald DeForge by pastor Steve Smith. *Lana DeForge.*

Far above the twinkling city lights at the Orange County Mining Company restaurant the GARDEN GROVE, Calif., A and B Spokesman Clubs and Graduate Club gathered for their last meetings of the 1982-83 club year June 5 and 6. The program consisted of business and officers' reports after a steak dinner. Four graduating members were honored: David Matson, James Terry, Kevin Kirschner and Russell Hendee. *Louis Davies and Ken Hygh.*

The LOUISVILLE, Ky., Spokesman Club had its annual graduation dinner June 5. Sixty-six people attended including wives, dates and other guests. James Crawley and John Swartz received graduation certificates from pastor Roger

Abels. Club members and guests dined at the Executive Inn where prime rib was served. At the close of the meeting Charles Uterback, a local elder, roasts the club officers. Mr. Abels followed with a roast of the speakers and then concluded with an exhortation to enjoy humor and the lighter side of life. *Robert Adcock.*

The combined MIAMI, Fla., Spokesman and Leadership clubs' graduation dinner meeting took place at the Coral Gables, Fla., Holiday Inn June 12. Presiding officer Johnny Hendricks introduced James Stewart, whose theme for tabletopics was "Signs of the Times."

The five speakers: Alan Marcellus, Claude Adsie, Melvin Nesbitt, Robert Volkers and Ted Ralv were introduced by toastmaster Allan Jones. After the speeches gifts of appreciation were presented to pastor Al Kersha and local elder Bill Pearson, after which Mr. Kersha awarded certificates to graduates Bill Hodge, Mr. Volkers and Mr. Marcellus. *Louetta S. Jones.*

Joe Kelly's Restaurant was the scene for the OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., Spokesman Club ladies' night graduation May 31. David Brancey presided over the meeting. He reviewed the club's accomplishments for the year, including construction of a portable lectern and carrying case, construction of an equipment case and painting of a widow's house. Larry Nensiel conducted the tabletopics session. Toastmaster Mike Crist introduced the speakers with summaries of their roasts. The speakers were George Thomas, Larry Stevens, John Abrell, Jim Fire and Keith McCroomb. Director Arnold Clauson presented certificates of merit to graduates Mr. Brancey, Mr. Nensiel and Mr. Crist. *Mike Crist.*

June 2 the PEORIA, Ill., Spokesman Club had a dinner meeting in honor of this year's graduates at Vonochens Old Place. Fifty-five attended including wives and dates. Pastor Jess Ernest was toastmaster, followed by Dominic Ilerera as toastmaster introducing three speeches. Sergeant at arms Roland Manion and treasurer Sam Garcia presented Mr. Ernest and associate pastor Gary Smith plaques showing the club's appreciation. Graduates are Carl Lawson, David Keyster, Bill Smith, Tom Thacker, President Mike Stanczak and Bill Keefer. *David Davison.*

More than 50 brethren attended the RICHMOND, Va., Spokesman Club graduation dinner June 4. Director Kenneth Giese and assistant director Ray Harrison were given engraved Cross pens from the club. Two members were presented graduation certificates: Jim Davenport and Marion Shores. The Most Improved Speaker was Mr. Shores, the Most Effective Speeches were given by Mr. Davenport and Bruce Waymack, and Rick Bailey gave the Most Helpful Evaluation. After the awards presentation, the men and their dates danced. *Chip Brockmeier.*

The 1982-83 SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Spokesman Club came to an end June 4. Graduation took place at the El Tropicana Hotel with 92 members and guests present. The special guest speaker, Jack Elliott, was the original director of the Ambassador Clubs.

The club began with vocal exercises by Shawn McChesney followed by topics on health and safety given by David Orth. Pastor Greg Sargent evaluated the first half. Hector Diaz, toastmaster, introduced speakers Tom Callahan, Jerry Stock, Joe Cochran, Art Raynes and Ken Sims. After an evaluation by Mr. Sargent, Mr. Elliott joined Mr. Sargent in handing



COMMENCEMENT — Oklahoma City, Okla., Spokesman Club graduates receive diplomas May 31. Pictured are (from left), director Arnold Clauson and graduates David Brancey, Larry Nensiel and Michael Crist. (See "Club Meetings," this page.)



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY — Canadian regional director Colin Adair and his wife Margaret cut the first piece of cake at the 10th anniversary celebration of the church in New Brunswick June 4. Gary Moore, pastor of the St. John, Fredericton and Moncton, N.B., churches, his wife, Tamara, and daughter Rachael look on. (See "Church Activities," page 8.) (Photo by Richard Duplain)

out the certificates of merit to the six graduates: Mr. Cochran, president; Harvey Frenzel, vice president; Mr. McChesney; Mr. Orth, secretary; Mr. Stock; and Mr. Sims, treasurer. Mr. Sargent then announced next year's officers: Mr. Callahan, president; Willie Johnson, vice president; Mark Powell, secretary; Art Whittaker, treasurer; and Rick Barta, sergeant at arms. Mr. Elliott then gave a history of Spokesman Club. *David Orth.*

A room in the Atlantis Restaurant on Mission Bay featuring an 11-foot aviary and an aquarium was the setting for the SAN DIEGO, Calif., Spokesman Club's final ladies' night of the year June 5. Topics were presented by Bob McElwee, and toastmaster for the evening was Doug Roff. *Skip Miller.*

The SARNIA, Ont., Spokesman Club was host to the London, Ont., club June 5 at the Guildwood Inn. Richard Wilding, director of both clubs, called the meeting to order. After the main meeting, at which the graduates of each club spoke, Mr. Wilding presented certificates of merit to R. Joseph, T. Kennedy, J. Meade, G. Vandervies and A. Van Hende. A buffet dinner and dance followed. *Gretta Peterson.*

May 29 the SHREVEPORT, La., Spokesman Clubs finished the season with a combined ladies' night dinner at the Holiday Inn North. Chairman for the evening was Nolen Barber, Bill Jones was toastmaster and Peter Arnold was toastmaster. Awards went to Loye Sandell, Most Helpful Evaluation; Lester Washington, Most Improved Speaker; Gary Green, Most Effective Speech. Other speakers were George Bobo, Martin Carson and Ed Shanklin. The men who qualified for completion certificates were honored June 4 at Sabbath services. They are: Charles Austin, Troy Booher, Mr. Barber, John Brinson, Bob Corbitt, Bill Gay, Gary Palmer, Larry Petty, Lyle Timmins, Elmer Turner and Morris Williams. *Bill Gay.*

The SUDBURY and NORTH BAY, Ont., combined Spokesman Club cele-

brated the end of the club year May 29 at the Pinewood Park Motor Inn in North Bay. Awards were presented to Malcolm Crawford, Most Helpful Evaluation; John Forster, Most Improved Speaker; and Raymond Donaghy, Most Effective Speech. After a meal the evening was completed by a formal dance punctuated by a game of Family Feud. *Paul Gauthier.*

The TAMPA, Fla., combined Spokesman and Graduate clubs enjoyed a ladies' night June 12 at the Hyatt Regency. The activities began with a meal served to about 80 members, wives and guests. The meeting was then brought to order by club director Ronald A. Lohr. Topicmaster was Mike Blencoe who was evaluated by assistant director Bill Royer.

Don O'Neal served as toastmaster for the speakers: Bob Pino, Mike Maynard, Mark Maynard, Greg Quick and Dick Clark. Awards were given to Mr. Pino for Most Improved Speaker, Bill Encinosa for Most Helpful Evaluation and Mr. Clark for Most Effective Speech. Certificates were then awarded to 10 graduates. Graduates are David J. Colby, Dominic Commisso, Charles R. Eubanks, Mario Fuegos, William J. Jeffers III, Mark D. Maynard, Michael D. Maynard, Mr. O'Neal, Mr. Pino and Jose E. Rodriguez. *Phillip J. Brooks.*

The TRENTON and VINELAND, N.J., Spokesman Club had its 1983 graduation banquet June 12. More than 120 people dined on prime rib and roast chicken at the American Legion Post 294 in Pemberton, N.J. The guests enjoyed a program including a topics session and seven humorous speeches. Assignments including topicmaster, toastmaster and speakers were handled by this year's graduates. After dinner, club director Vince Panella presented certificates to Terry D. Cole, Bill Hier, Don Landin, Raymond Moats, Anthony Patterson, Robert Patterson Jr., Mark Rusinko, John Seddon and Mark Smith. The evening ended with dancing and fellowship. *T.D. Cole.*

The concluding meeting of the YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio and MERCER, Pa., Spokesman Club was a ladies' night June 13. Sixty-eight people took part in the evening at the Living Room Restaurant in Niles, Ohio. Topics were led by Carl Coe. Toastmaster Dennis Kuhns introduced five speakers and evaluators. Larry Ballard gave the Most Effective Speech, Doug Johnston was the Most Improved Speaker and both Jim Guy and Mark Roberts were awarded the Most Helpful Evaluation trophy. Director and pastor Eugene Noel announced officers for the next club year and presented graduation certificates of merit to Green DeEulio, George Dunkle, David Protivnak and Dan Shenton. *Dan Shenton.*

SENIOR ACTIVITIES

The Silver Ambassadors of GARDEN GROVE, Calif., toured the Landmark

San Antonio Winery in Los Angeles, Calif., June 12. The 28 members sampled wine before having lunch in the winery's cafeteria. A strolling musical group complemented the decor. *Jane Stanwood.*

A luncheon for senior citizens in the OCALA, Fla., church took place at the home of Jim and Hazel Evans June 5. Twenty-six seniors, associate pastor Stephen Brown and local elder Jack Terison ate fried mullin and chicken. *Terrie Payne.*

SINGLES SCENE

Singles from the BALLYMENA and BELFAST, Northern Ireland, churches attended a camp at Sam Moorhead's farm June 4 and 5. The singles attended Sabbath services in Ballymena, after which they went for a walk in Glenariff forest park. In the evening they enjoyed a *ceilidh* (an Irish dance). Sunday, the group climbed Mt. Slemish. The day concluded with a sing-along and barbecue. *Greg Gault.*

May 31 the Belfast singles, along with pastor John Jewell, attended an international soccer match in the British Championship series between Northern Ireland and Wales, at Windsor Park Stadium. *Morris McCabe.*

Services Unlimited, the singles' club of the OLYMPIA, Wash., church, entertained the senior citizens Over-Fifty Club May 29. The two groups met at the Tumwater Mobile Home Estates Recreation Hall, where a luncheon was served. Piano selections were played by Mary Ellen Ormiston and Theresa Boedeker and games were provided. Mary Lou Benight won a box of stationery for guessing the number of beans in a jar. The afternoon ended with a group sing-along accompanied by Ernest Nolan on guitar. *Montez Myers.*

Nearly 150 Pacific Northwest singles went to Camp Wascoville 40 miles (about 64 kilometers) east of SEATTLE, Wash., May 13 to 15. Singles came from Washington, Oregon, Montana, Idaho, California, Nevada and two Canadian provinces, British Columbia and Alberta. Sermons, Bible studies and discussions were conducted by four Northwest pastors.

Evangelist Dennis Luker, pastor of the Seattle church, led the opening Bible study on Friday evening with the theme of Christian leadership. Sermons and studies were oriented toward relating biblical principles to singles in God's Church. Specific topics included assessing conversion, identifying fear, dating methods, marriage preparation, sex, true love and Christian leadership qualities.

Rain inhibited most outdoor activities, but enhanced the opportunity for fireside fellowship and singing. A Saturday night square dance and ballroom dance was the major activity. *Kerry Mance and Gary Zink.*

WINNIPEG, Man., singles and young married couples enjoyed an outdoor bar- (See CHURCH NEWS, page 10)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHS

ASHLEY, Andy and Jean (Pate), of Big Sandy, girl, Carolyn Bethany, May 22, 7:10 p.m., 7 pounds 12 ounces, first child.

BERLIN, Thomas and Evelyn (Crosk), of Berkeley, Mich., boy, Justin Joseph, June 5, 5:19 a.m., 8 pounds 11 ounces, now 2 boys.

CHESTER, Dennis and Sheryl (Edge), of Gainesville, Ga., girl, Jessica Marie, March 7, 12:09 p.m., 7 pounds, first child.

CHRISTOPHERSEN, Palle and Gerda (Zonneveld), of Aarhus, Denmark, girl, Tabitha Irene, May 15, 3:40 p.m., 2 1/2 kilograms, now 2 girls.

CREED, Dan and Janice (Jenkins), of Bismarck, N.D., girl, Courtney Danielle, May 15, 8 p.m., now 1 boy, 1 girl.

DAVSON, Montgomery and Avril (Greene), of Baltimore Md., girl, April Renee, May 5, 8:45 a.m., 8 pounds 7 1/2 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

DEBAKKER, Robert and Linda (MacLeod), of Johannesburg, South Africa, boy, Brendon James, May 14, 9 p.m., 7 pounds 1 ounce, first child.

DEMPSTER, Alan and Karen (Worgan), of Manchester, England, girl, Laura Karan, May 23, 2:45 a.m., 6 pounds 14 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

DOUGLAS, John and Linda (Courtney), of Corsicana, Texas, girl, Jonathan Wade, June 8, 8:21 p.m., 9 pounds 1 ounce, first child.

FREDRIKSON, Charles and Linda (Price), of Fort Worth, Tex., boy, Andrew Henry, June 9, 5:47 a.m., 8 pounds 5 1/2 ounces, now 2 boys.

GAREY, Dale and Lynn (Jacobs), of Mount Pocomo, Pa., girl, Amanda Marie, June 10, 7 pounds 8 ounces, first child.

GODFREY, Peter and Sandra (Hinton), of Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, boy, John Peter, June 14, 10:23 a.m., 8 pounds 3 ounces, first child.

HARROLD, Ronald and Yvette (Williams), of Chicago, Ill., boy, Ronald Keith, March 13, 11:26 a.m., 8 pounds 1 1/2 ounces, first child.

HRABAK, Richard and Barbara (Bishop), of Iowa City, Iowa, boy, Aaron Scott, June 8, 8:17 p.m., 8 pounds 6 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

KEMP, Ryan and Jayne (Frazier), of Monroe, La., girl, Audra Michelle, May 29, 4:59 a.m., 6 pounds 8 1/2 ounces, first child.

KNOTT, Jim and Reia (Kelley), of Kent Wash., boy, Kevin Lee, May 28, 9:31 p.m., 9 pounds 15 ounces, now 2 boys.

LETTER, Alan and Claudia (Elija), of Pasadena, boy, Kevin James, May 10, 9 a.m., 7 pounds 1 ounce, now 3 boys.

MALWITZ, Wade and Sherris (Arnold), of Minneapolis, Minn., girl, Stacia Eba, May 25, 3:10 p.m., 9 pounds 2 ounces, first child.

MARCUM, David and Shirley (Vogor), of Morro Bay, Calif., boy, Nathan Grant, June 16, 2:46 a.m., 8 pounds 13 ounces, first child.

McALPINE, Mark and Patricia (St. Croix), of Kingston, Ont., girl, Jessica Elise, May 28, 12:30 a.m., 7 pounds 8 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

McGEE, Gene and Cynthia (Kreppan), of Gainesville, Fla., girl, Allasa Rose, June 10, 8:08 a.m., 8 pounds 5 ounces, first child.

MCHALE, Bruce and Anita (Neal), of Tulsa, Okla., girl, Abigail Aileen, June 3, 4 p.m., 9 pounds 11 ounces, first child.

MOUNT, Richard and Donna (Hoffman), of Histon, Iowa, girl, Amber Marie, April 23, 5:41 a.m., 7 pounds 11 1/2 ounces, first child.

PRATT, Rick and Linda (Wilham), of Cincinnati, Ohio, girl, Andrea Michelle, May 19, 5:05 a.m., 8 pounds 5 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

REGAZZOLI, Bob and Kathy (Pattin), of Perth, Australia, boy, Mark Robert, June 11, 4:57 a.m., 7 pounds 14 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

ROBERTSON, John and Karen (Rock), of Fayetteville, N.C., boy, William Michael, May 30, 10:25 a.m., 8 pounds 12 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

SCOTT, Alexander and Julia (King), of St. Albans, England, boy, Daniel Alexander, March 25, 12:10 p.m., 7 pounds, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

SHAW, Cebern and Elizabeth (Enis), of Lancaster, Tex., boy, William Cebern, June 11, 7:08 p.m., 7 pounds, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

SKINNER, Phillip and Debra (Hoffman), of Phoenix, Ariz., girl, Amber Nicole, May 10, 8:20 a.m., 7 pounds 12 ounces, now 5 boys, 1 girl.

TAMBE, Iimar and Alta (Hallor), of Melbourne, Australia, boy, Thomas, May 23, 7:36 p.m., 9 pounds 1 1/2 ounces, now 2 boys.

TENTY, Pieter and Debbie (Wolf), of Fresno, Calif., boy, Eric Jordan, April 12, 11:19 p.m., 8 pounds 6 ounces, now 2 boys.

WETTSTEIN, Brian and Gloria (Tomon), of Wausau, Wis., boy, Jeremiah Lee, May 19, 8:30 a.m., 8 pounds 1 ounce, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

WHIDDEN, David and Carolyn (Canada), of Fort Myers, Fla., boy, James Daniel, May 23, 9 pounds 15 1/2 ounces, now 3 boys.

WRIGHT, Alan and Patricia (Green), of Nottingham, England, girl, Chloe, May 27, 5:35 p.m., 7 pounds 14 1/2 ounces, now 2 boys, 2 girls.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. James E. Reyer of Denver, Colo., are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter Lori to Dennis Sexton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thurston Sexton of Raperville, Ohio. An Aug. 28 wedding is planned in Pasadena.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Olson of the Mason City, Iowa, church take pleasure in announcing the engagement of their daughter Lisa Claire to Carl Ross of Indianola, Iowa. An August wedding is planned in Ankeny, Iowa. Mr. Ross and Miss Olson both attend the Des Moines, Iowa, church.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rittenbaugh are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Diane to Randy McIver. A Sept. 3 wedding is planned in Dallas, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry R. O'Connor of Altoona, Iowa, are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter Ellen Kay to Andrew Clinton Burdette, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer F. Burdette of Poca, W. Va. A Sept. 18 wedding is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh M. Coston of Fort McKavett, Tex., are delighted to announce the engagement of their daughter Julie Anne to Murray P. Athans, son of Wilena Athans of Fort Worth, Tex. An Aug. 14

wedding is planned in Fort McKavett. The couple will reside in Tucson, Ariz.

WEDDINGS



MR. AND MRS. KENT LADING

Peggy Lu Stizler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth H. Stizler, and Kent Leroy Lading of Pasadena were united in marriage May 29, Carlton Smith, pastor of the San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara, Calif., churches, performed the ceremony. Fred Gilreath was the best man, and Susan Stizler, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. The couple live in Pasadena.



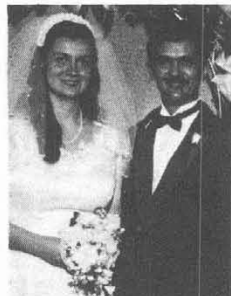
MR. AND MRS. ROBIN ASTBURY

Barbara Thornton and Robin Astbury were married May 28 in the Ambassador Room of the Embassy Motel in Canberra, Australia. Rod King, pastor of the Canberra and Wollongong, Australia, churches, officiated. Roland Sernig served as best man, and Marilee Sernig was matron of honor. The couple reside in Everett, a suburb of Canberra.



MR. AND MRS. CHARLES DYCK

Donna C. Almqvist, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Almqvist, and Charles D. Dyck, son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Dyck, were united in marriage April 17. The ceremony was performed in Yorkton, Sask., by Dennis Lawrence, pastor of the Yorkton and Dauphin, Sask., churches.



MR. AND MRS. MARK MENDIOLA

Mark Mendiola and Barbara Ann were united in marriage May 15 at the Littletree Inn in Pocatello, Idaho. Randy Schreiber, pastor of the Blackfoot and Tain Falls, Idaho, churches, performed the ceremony. Joe Mendiola of Seattle, Wash., brother of the groom, served as best man. Debbie Cashman of Vancouver, Wash., sister of the bride, was matron of honor. The couple reside in Pocatello.

Kimber Lee Collins and Phephy Ezra Trahan were united in marriage June 9 in Lafayette, La. Dennis Doucet, associate pastor of the Lafayette church, performed the ceremony. The couple will make their home in Morse, La. They both attend the Lafayette church.

ANNIVERSARIES

To Johanne, my beloved: The greatest blessing that God brought upon us after 10 years of knowing each other is that we were called in the truth together, and the second greatest is the love that God granted our marriage. After the happiest 10 years of my life you are still *ma petite pas possible*. Happy eighth anniversary. Your husband, Raynald.

Happy wedding anniversary to Mr. and Mrs. Aurelio Mandap Sr. Their 25th year. May you have more to come you wonderful people of Minelin, Pangampang, Philippines. Affectionately yours, Mr. and Mrs. Loreto Tison.

Bob: Happy first anniversary. Thanks for all the TLC. Love, Cookie.

Dear Jeffrey: I knew I loved you very much the day I married you. That was sure. But one year later I find I love you even more! Wow! Happy first anniversary, handsome husband! Donna.

It's been great having a wonderful husband like you Ralph. It's a total of four years of marriage June 30, Love, your wife, Lola.

Dearest Kerry: If our first two years together (replete with moves) are any indication I think we've got something rather special here. Thanks for being in there my homemaker, student, wife. Happy anniversary. Will.

Obituaries

REPUBLIC, Pa. — Louise Bogol, 52, died April 5 after a lengthy battle with cancer. Mrs. Bogol was a member of the Belle Vernon, Pa., congregation and was baptized November, 1965.

She is survived by her husband, Steve; two sons, Steve and Daniel; and two daughters, Linda Cohen and Patty Gaugler, a member of the Harrisburg, Pa., congregation.

CLARKSBURG, W. Va. — Ferne Shaver, 81, died May 23 after a lengthy illness.

She is survived by one son, Gerald Farrand of Miami, Fla., and one daughter, Evelyn Cummings of Hamlet, N.C., four grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

TACOMA, Wash. — Nancy Lois Goethals, 48, wife of Gilbert Goethals, local elder here, died June 9 of cancer after a long illness.

Graveside services were conducted in Enumclaw, Wash., June 13 by Richard Duncan, pastor of the Everett and Sedro-Woolley, Wash., churches.

Mrs. Goethals was baptized in December, 1957. She served with her husband in the ministry for 16 years.

She is also survived by three sons, David, Ronald and Donald; and three daughters, Theresa Hermanson, Julie Erickson and Shelly.

KENNER, La. — Ray H. Edsall, 32, died in a traffic accident May 6. He attended the New Orleans, La.; Rochester, N. Y.; and Pasadena, Calif., churches.

Survivors include his mother, Celia L. of Hallsville, Mo., a member of God's Church; three brothers, Ben of Hallsville, Don of Houston, Tex., and Bob of Kirksville, Mo., a member of God's Church; one sister, Ginger Kays of Battle Creek, Mich.; three nephews; and two nieces.

Joe Dobson, pastor of the Lake of the Ozarks, Mo., church, conducted services in Columbia, Mo.

Weddings Made of Gold

WATSEKA, Ill. — Glenn and Evelyn Hall celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary June 26 at their daughter and son-in-law's clubhouse in Bourbonnais, Ill.

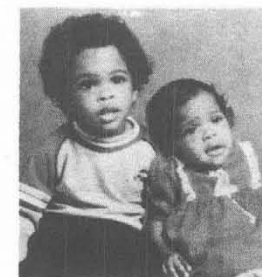
The Halls have been members of the Church since 1963 and attend the Chicago, Ill., Southeast church. Their daughter Donna is also a member of the Church.



MR. AND MRS. ALVIS MOORE

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PLAINFIELD, Ohio — Della LoBue, 74, died June 4 after a long illness.

Survivors include her husband, Joseph, whom she married April 19, 1975; two brothers, William and Robert; two half-sisters, Barbara Flynn and Martha Miller; and a half-brother, John Allen Taylor Jr.; four stepbrothers; and three stepdaughters.

Services were conducted June 8 by John Foster, pastor of the Canton, Ohio, church.

PEORIA, Ill. — Louise M. Kahler, 89, died June 7. She was born March 3, 1894.

Mrs. Kahler is survived by one son, Dick, of Havana, Ill., seven grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren and one brother. Mrs. Kahler was a member of God's Church since Oct. 23, 1963.

Funeral services were conducted by Jess Ernest, pastor, and Gary Smith, assistant pastor, of the Peoria church June 9.

PASCO, Wash. — Ray Clarke, 80, a member of the Pasco church since November, 1970, died March 7 after a prolonged illness.

Survivors include his wife, Ethel L., a member of the Pasco church; three sons, Ray Jr. of Portland, Ore.; Robert G. of Kenosha, Wis.; and Joe of Santa Monica, Calif., a member of God's Church; and one daughter, Joan Cline of Renton, Wash., also a member.

Services were conducted by Gerald Flurry, pastor of the Pasco, Quincy, Tonasket and Yakima, Wash., churches.

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becue at the home of Paul Linchan, associate pastor of the Winniepee East church, and his wife Jan, May 23. Barbecued chicken and hamburgers along with a variety of salads and desserts were served to the 75 in attendance. In keeping with the Victoria Day holiday celebrations, Mr. Linchan provided a fireworks display after sunset. *Teri Castro*.

SPORTS

The CALGARY, Alta., NORTH and SOUTH churches were hosts June 5 to 233 YOU contestants from 10 Alberta churches for the sixth annual regional track and field meet. Gold, silver and bronze medallions were presented for each event. Regional and national records were broken.

At the end of the meet Neil Earle, Alberta YOU coordinator, presented trophies. The Division A trophy was won by Calgary North with 388 points, and the Division B trophy was won by Edmonton South with 156 points. Outstanding athlete awards for a combination of athletic ability and sportsmanship were presented to Courtney Mottram of Calgary South and Kathy Takacs of Edmonton North, both in the junior girls' class; Paul Bohren of Lethbridge for the junior boys' class; Cindy Sreen of Red Deer for the senior girls; and Patrick Tanner of Edmonton North for the senior boys. Doug Smith, pastor of the Edmonton churches, was meet director. *James S. Baldwin*.

The NASHVILLE, Tenn., YOU track team placed third at the district YOU track meet in Knoxville, Tenn., May 1. Eight team members placed first and went on to represent Nashville at the regional meet in Atlanta, Ga., May 15. They are David Covington, senior division, 1-mile run; Kim Ellithorpe, senior division, 100-meter low hurdles; Kevin Bishop, junior division, 1- and 2-mile runs; Ricky Davis, junior division, 400-meter dash; Ann Dee Davis, junior division, 2-mile run and 800-meter relay; and Ginny Milner, Kim Burnette and Sheila Burnette, junior division, 800-meter relay. Kim Ellithorpe and Ricky Davis placed second in their events at the regional meet *Mary Hutchison*.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., played host to the District 46 YOU track meet June 5 at Florissant Valley Community College. Participants from Belleville and Mount Vernon, Ill.; Lake of the Ozarks, Rolla and St. Louis, Mo., and Evansville, Ind., competed. Winners were eligible to go on to Des Moines, Iowa, for the regional meet. *Ed Kofinkerman*.

Damascus, Syria: City abounds in biblical history, traditions

By Keith W. Stump
DAMASCUS, Syria — Religion is important to the predominantly Moslem population of Damascus. The city abounds in mosques, some dating back more than a millennium. And virtually anywhere a visitor turns, someone is pointing out a reputed biblical or Koranic "holy site."

Plain Truth senior writer Keith Stump returned June 23 from the Middle East, where he gathered information for coming articles in the Work's publications.

Damascus has had plenty of time to accumulate such traditions. Many historians believe it to be the world's oldest continuously inhabited city. Damascus is the head of Syria, wrote the prophet Isaiah (Isaiah 7:8). And Damascus was ancient even in Isaiah's day.

Damascus is still the head, or capital, of Syria. Since ancient times the city has been a major crossroads for camel caravans. It became a major cradle of Islamic culture, and as such continues to be held in great esteem throughout the Arab world.

The Arabs have many names for this extraordinary city: the Pearl of the East, the Mother of Cities, Bride of the Desert, Gateway to God, the City of Many Pillars and the Star of the Wind, among others.

In Moslem tradition, Damascus is believed to have been the original

Garden of Eden. God is said to have fashioned Adam from the clay of the Barada River. The Barada begins westward in the Anti-Lebanon Mountains and its cool waters flow east through Damascus, giving life and fertility to what otherwise would be a forsaken desert.

Here, too, Cain is said to have slain Abel (Habil in Arabic). On a precipitous peak above the Barada, about 15 miles (24 kilometers) northwest of Damascus, stands the reputed tomb of Abel. At its foot is the village of Abila — its name testifying to this ancient tradition.

A nunnery north of Damascus — the Convent de Notre Dame de Seidnaya — reputedly stands where Noah planted the first vine after the Flood (Genesis 9:20). The first century Jewish historian Josephus says Damascus was founded by a great-grandson of Noah — Uz, the son of Shem's son Aram. Later, says Josephus, the patriarch Abraham reigned for a time at Damascus.

Early Moslem historians, however, believed Damascus to have been founded by Damschak, a slave of Abraham given to him by Nimrod. (The people of Damascus still call a self-willed man a "Nimrood.")

The village of Burzeh, a few miles to the north of Damascus, is said by Arabs to have been the birthplace of Abraham (whom the Arabs call Ibrahim or al-Khaleel, "The Beloved of God"). At the entrance to a ravine above Burzeh, say the Syrians, Abraham turned back after

the slaughter of the four kings who had pillaged Sodom (Genesis 14:15-16).

The first mention of Damascus in the Bible is in Genesis 14:15, where Hobab (Burzeh?) is said to be "on the left hand [north] of Damascus." The next chapter (15:2) notes that Abraham's steward was "Eliczer of Damascus."

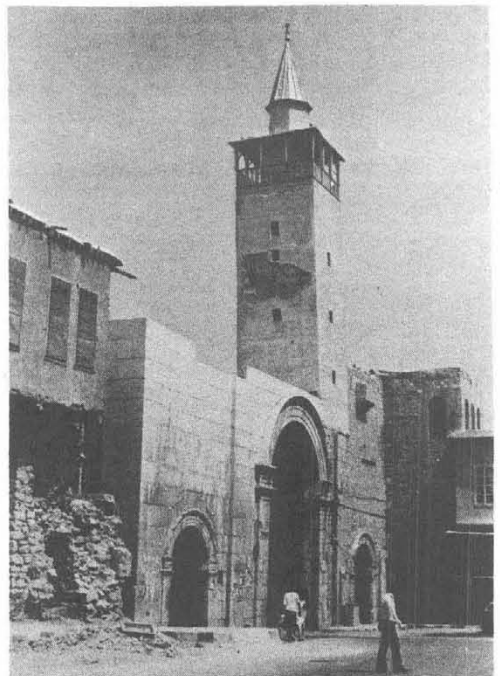
The Bible speaks a great deal about Damascus in the days of David and the kings of Israel and Judah. For a time, David was master of much of the territory of Syria. Numerous kings of Damascus are named in the books of Kings and Chronicles, including Rezin and the various Ben-hadads.

Naaman, commander of the armies of Ben-hadad II, was instructed by Elisha to wash seven times in the Jordan River for cleansing of leprosy (II Kings 5:10). Naaman complained, asking whether the "Abana and Pharpar, rivers of Damascus" are not better than all the waters of Israel (verse 12).

The Abana is today's Barada, the "Cool River," known to the Greeks as Chrysorhoas, or "Golden River." The Pharpar ("swift") is the Awaj, south of Damascus.

The village of Djobar, two miles east of Damascus, is said to be where Elijah invested Elisha (I Kings 19:19). The same village is traditionally where Elisha conferred with Hazael (II Kings 8:7-14).

In the New Testament, Damascus is mentioned frequently in con-



ANCIENT TRADITION — Some Moslems believe Jesus will descend in the last days to this tower by Charki Gate in Damascus. The gate is also the entrance to the Biblical street called Straight (Acts 9:10-11).

nection with the life of the apostle Paul. A few miles south of Damascus, on a hill by the road to Jerusalem, stands a Christian shrine. The hill is known to the Syrians as Kawkab, meaning "Celestial Light." This is the traditional spot where Saul of Tarsus was blinded on his way to Damascus (Acts 9).

Also found in Damascus are the traditional locations of the tomb of

Ananias and the house of Judas. Ananias was a Christian disciple in Damascus who was blinded by God to go to the street called Straight and enquire at the house of Judas for the blinded Saul (Acts 9:10-11). The street called Straight is today a main thoroughfare of Old Damascus, lined with souks, or bazaars.

Paul was later let down from the (See **DAMASCUS**, page 12)

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YOUTH ACTIVITIES

The **JACKSONVILLE, Fla.**, YOU had its third annual yard sale June 12. The sale, organized by Mr. and Mrs. Owen Totts, raised more than \$1,100 for the coming YOU activity year. *Sharon Shiver.*

The **MAIDSTONE, England**, YOU and pastor John Meakin set off on an overnight canoe trip along the River Medway May 29. The trip was organized by YOU coordinator Mike Anderson. His wife Betty prepared stew and apple pie for the evening meal. The route covered 38 miles (about 60 kilometers), and passed through towns and dockyards. Ten locks were negotiated. John Tate and Joanne Urganhart accidentally attempted to take a shortcut through a sluice gate. *Louise Frohn.*

The **MINNEAPOLIS and ST. PAUL, Minn.**, churches sponsored a regional formal prom for 215 YOU members and parents in Minneapolis June 5. Teens from Fargo, N.D.; and Brainerd, Grand Rapids, Rochester, Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minn., enjoyed a dinner, entertainment and dancing. Decorations were designed by Mr. and Mrs. Errol Wade.

In a grand march, 17 graduating seniors were honored after which Steve and Telly Ouellette sang "The Desiderata." A banquet and entertainment by Rita Ranney, Ileana Tinsley, Linda Smiley, Jennifer Smiley and Phil Bauer followed. Music for the dance was provided by the Minneapolis churches' Silver Chariot band. *Victor Kubik.*

The **ORLANDO, Fla.**, YOU was host for the central Florida senior prom May 28. The dance was in honor of YOU members graduating from high school. Afternoon services and a potluck took place before the prom. Sixty YOU members from grades 9 through 12 attended the dance. Music was provided by an area disc jockey. The next day, the teenagers went to the Wet 'n' Wild amusement park. *Edward L. Strickland.*

Members of the Candles and Lace

Homemaking Club (girls 13 to 18) of the **PALMER, Alaska**, church met June 9 to learn about wardrobe. Color, line, texture and design were discussed as well as how to dress tastefully and appropriately. Then the girls analyzed each other and cut pictures out of pattern books. Handouts explaining how to organize and coordinate a wardrobe and what to look for when shopping were given out for those wanting to follow up on the subject. June 7 was the first meeting of the Silk and Satin Homemaking Club for girls 9 to 12. The girls tested Muffin Tin Cookery. Each girl prepared a five course minimal consisting of meat loaf, dressing, corn, scalloped potatoes and apple cobbler. These were baked simultaneously in muffin tins. The third club is the Busy Betsys Club for 5 to 8 year olds. Each club has its own logo, which appears on membership cards designed by Brenda Bauer. *Linda Orchard.*

Twenty-nine **PIKEVILLE, Ky.**, YOU members and adults participated in a hike and camp-out May 29 and 30 at Skaggs Gap, Va. Hoyt Mullins, a deacon whose ancestors helped settle the area, led the crew up the mountain. The braver ones scaled the cliffs to reach the peak. That night, a cliff overhang provided shelter from a spring storm. *Debby Bailey.*

The **SASKATOON, Sask.**, church was host for the biregional YOU track meet June 4 and 5. The Sabbath began with a brunch at the Saskatoon Inn for YOU track participants and ministers, coaches, officials and their families before a hymn sing. Six hundred seventy-eight brethren from northwestern Ontario, Manitoba and Saskatchewan attended afternoon services at the hotel. After services a Bible bowl took place at the Walter Murray Collegiate Auditorium conducted by Terrence Roth and won by the Regina, Sask., team. That evening Saskatoon singles and young married couples served a sandwich buffet.

YOU members from Brandon, Man., North Battleford, Sask., Prince Albert Sask., Tisdale, Sask., Regina, Sask., Winnipeg, Man., East, Winnipeg West, Yorkton, Sask., Dauphin, Man., and Saskatoon participated in the track meet at Griffith Stadium. Twenty-eight records were set, 11 in field events and 17 on the track. Fifty-five athletes qualified to represent the district at the national meet in Calgary, Alta., July 17. Saskatoon took

the Division I championship and the Yorkton-Dauphin team was the Division II winner. Outstanding athletes were Tammy Levitt, with Donna Yurkiw and Tracy Davis receiving honorable mention for the junior girls; Dean Watt, junior boys; Arla Yeomans, senior girls; and Mark Hofer, senior boys. The sportsmanship trophy was awarded to Saskatoon. Meet director was Doug Johnson, Regina pastor, announcer was Mr. Roth, Prince Albert and Tisdale pastor, honorary coach was Larry Staig, and Florence Rossiter, 91, was honorary YOU member, who donated a javelin to the Saskatoon team. *Edie Clemens.*

YOU members and parents from **SPOKANE, Wash.**, sponsored a dance in honor of graduating high school seniors June 5. Short Notice, a church band, performed for the 100 who attended. Entertainment included a Beach Boys medley by the Five Swivel Rockers, composed mainly of YOU members.

Dan Deiminger introduced the seven graduates telling a most embarrassing story about each. Graduates present were Terry Beal, Cecile Kofol (from the Las Vegas, Nev., church), Stacy Hanson, Mark Gervin, Penny Pichette, Sara Repp and Jennifer McGraw. Pastor Roger Foster and his wife, Janice, congratulated the graduates and presented a corsage to each. *Rod Hall.*

June 4 and 5, 175 YOU members from the British Columbia churches gathered in **VICTORIA, B.C.**, for the regional track meet. Activities began with a Sabbath service geared toward the teenagers. Glen Weber, pastor of the Prince George church, gave a sermonette on the right attitude toward sports, and George Patrickson, a minister in the Vancouver church, spoke on resisting the wrong kind of peer pressure. Afterward the teens joined in a hymn sing then enjoyed a barbecue at Beacon Hill Park arranged by pastor Bill Rabey and the Victoria church. Sunday's track meet took place at the University of Victoria. The teens broke 20 track and field records. Trophies were awarded to the outstanding athletes in each age group. These were won by David Campbell, senior boys; Samantha Moss, senior girls; Andrew Wilkie, junior boys; and Marcia Makortoff and Sandy Zidak, junior girls. *Donald Mears.*

About 125 people attended the **WASHINGTON, D.C.**, YES graduation June 11 with a lakeside potluck dinner. Pastor Richard Frankel conducted a Bible bowl and asked the children questions covered by their YES lessons. He then surprised the parents by asking them the same questions. *Bonnie Fairchild.*

Inventor

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The costs are large, Petrek said, because a large area is needed to collect the sun's rays, and the machine can only work when the sun is out. If waste heat from an electrical power plant was used in the same process, Petrek said, distilled sea water could be produced for less than \$300 an acre-foot. That is close to what some Valley Center farmers are paying now.

Petrek has made two other distillation machines that use the same thin-film diffusion process and different energy sources. One uses an emersion heating element similar to that used in a coffee percolator.

All the machines use the special panels developed by Petrek and his

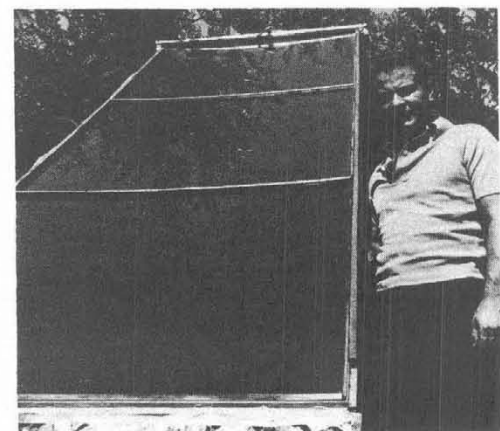
former boss, Cantrell. The two were working on breeder reactors in Richland, Wash., when they began talking about the thin-film process.

"We had been talking about different thin-film ideas," Mr. Petrek recalled. "I finally said, 'Why don't we try and put something together?'"

While he was working on the engineering problem back in 1977, Petrek got another job with G.A. Technologies in La Jolla [Calif.]. He moved his family to Escondido, and began work on G.A.'s gas-cooled, graphite reactor.

All along, he continued working on his special distiller, and he and Cantrell finally got the machine patented this year. He said they are now ready to go to the market place.

"I think we just need some refinements here and there," he said.



INVENTOR OF THE YEAR — John Petrek, a member of the San Diego, Calif., church, displays his solar seawater distillation device patented after seven years' work. (Photo by Susan Karoska)

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

UPDATE

PASADENA — Returning here June 23 from a weeklong trip to Italy, **Carn Catherwood**, regional director of the Work in Italian-speaking areas, spoke of the potential for spreading God's truth in Italy, during an interview June 29.

Mr. Catherwood spent the first four days of his trip in Rome sorting out postal problems, most of which have been resolved, he said.

He also contacted most members living in southern Italy. The baptism of the first Italian since *La Pura Veritas* began circulation in mid-1982 took place. There are 24 Church members in Italy.

Mr. Catherwood said that the liberal trend of Roman Catholicism is failing to provide answers for some Italians.

"Many are disenchanted with Roman Catholicism," he said, "yet still need to know the basic questions like 'Why was I born?', 'What's going on in the world?' and 'Where are we going?' And *The Plain Truth* answers those questions."

June 18 Mr. Catherwood conducted Sabbath services in Catania,

Sicily, with about 30 in attendance.

PASADENA — Ten Ambassador College students, faculty member **Ralph Levy**, and **Steve and Terry Pelfrey** left for Beijing (Peking), China, July 4 to study the Chinese language, according to evangelist **Ellis La Ravia**, vice president of the Ambassador Foundation.

Students **Robert Burbach**, **Gary Campbell**, **Laura Diaz**, **Eric Evans**, **George Hague**, **Becky Harden**, **Sherri Means**, **Joel Rissing**, **Kathy Sarfert** and **Robert Walker** will study Mandarin Chinese for six weeks at the University of Beijing and then tour the People's Republic of China for two weeks before returning to Pasadena.

The program was arranged through the Ambassador Foundation, with **Richard Liu**, executive director of the Chinese-Canadian Cultural Association, and **John Dyck**, a Church member and executive director of the McPherson Foundation in Victoria, B.C.

"Mr. [Herbert] Armstrong has already been received in the

prayer hall of this same mosque.)

An even older Moslem tradition says Jesus will descend to the minaret at the Roman Charki Gate, a bit farther to the east. This, of course, is at odds with the biblical statement that Jesus will return to the Mount of Olives in Jerusalem.

The Bible also contains numerous prophecies about the future of Damascus and Syria. Among them are Isaiah 17:1-3; Jeremiah 49:23-27; and Amos 1:3-5.

Centuries ago, the Moslem historian **Istakhri** wrote in a similar vein: "The destiny of Damascus is full of violence and rebellion, such is the influence of its star, which is in the sign of the Lion, and when it is in the ascendant, the people of Damascus revolt against their governors."

Damascus is an important city in the turbulent Middle East. It is certain to play a crucial role in coming events here.

Damascus

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wall of Damascus in a basket by the disciples to escape capture (Acts 9:25). The descent was made near the Kaysan Gate, which is today a Christian shrine. It was also to Damascus that Paul returned after his stay in Arabia (Galatians 1:17).

Unrealized by most Christians, many Arabs expect the return of Jesus Christ as Messiah in the last days. They believe that Jesus will alight on the summit of a minaret — called the Tower of Jesus — at the southeast corner of the Great Omayyad Mosque of Damascus. (The reputed tomb of John the Baptist, by the way, is found in the

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could not be broken without horrific results.

Inflation did not come down; the balance of payments got worse; the French franc began to falter. This necessitated a loan from the European Economic Community to help shore up a flagging trade deficit. The loan's size was unprecedented in EEC history.

Another socialist dream is coming to an end. Pessimism is rife up and down the shores and borders of the Fifth Republic. French politicians of all parties fear even more serious trouble by autumn because of a projected rise in unemployment.

Philip Short, a British Broadcasting Corp. journalist, labeled France as "The New Sick Man of Europe" in a May 19 article in *The Listener*. He also wrote that "the credibility of the regime, essential to recovery, is in tatters." As nearly always, French politicians get low marks from the public in terms of their promises and performance.

Neither socialist nor capitalist planners have been able to create a new world void of economic and social evils. The utopian ideals of socioeconomic visionaries are in practical ruins. The dark world of disillusionment is constantly before us.

This is not God's world. Utopia will not come until "the kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ, and he shall reign for ever and ever" (Revelation 11:15).



CHINA TRIP — Ambassador College students, faculty member **Ralph Levy** (third from left) and **Steve and Terry Pelfrey** (far left) take time out for a photo July 4 before leaving the Pasadena campus for an eight-week stay in the People's Republic of China, where they will study Mandarin Chinese and tour the country. (See "Updates," this page.) [Photo by Warren Watson]

People's Republic of China, so when this opportunity came up, it seemed like a good opportunity to continue building a friendly relationship with the world's most populous nation," said **John Halford**, a pastor-rank minister assisting in the program.

PASADENA — Evangelist **LeRoy Neff**, Church treasurer, and **Alton "Don" Billingsley**, pastor of the Baton Rouge and Lafayette, La., churches, received plaques for 25 years of service as ordained ministers.

The plaques were presented to the men at the ministerial dinners during the Ministerial Refreshing Program. Mr. Neff received his plaque June 7, and Mr. Billingsley received his June 21.

The plaques read: "In recognition of faithful service and dedication toward fulfillment of the Great Commission, and commemorating his 25th Anniversary as an ordained minister of the Worldwide Church of God."

Pastor General **Herbert W. Armstrong** ordained Mr. Neff and Mr. Billingsley June 7, 1958.

PASADENA — The Smith-Hemion production company taped *That's Television Entertainment* June 23 in the Ambassador Auditorium here, according to evangelist **Ellis La Ravia**, vice president of the

Ambassador Foundation. The special will be aired January, 1984, on the NBC-TV (National Broadcasting Co.) network.

Appearing on stage in the Auditorium were entertainers **Steve Allen**, **Dick Clark**, **Marie Osmond**, **Ben Vereen**, **Dinah Shore** and others.

"The production traces the history of music as it has appeared on television over the past 35 or so years," Mr. La Ravia said.

Pastor General **Herbert W. Armstrong** attended the taping session. The net proceeds of ticket sales will be used in the Ambassador Foundation's Gold Medal concert series, a series that "serves to introduce outstanding new musical talent to a large audience on world-class stages," Mr. La Ravia said.

PASADENA — About 100 members from the Imperial, Spanish and Auditorium A.M. and P.M. churches attended a *Plain Truth* newsstand distributors seminar and potluck here June 29, according to **Raul Ramos**, who helped organize the seminar under **Selmer Hegvold**, pastor of the Imperial church.

The seminar, which took place in the Ambassador College academic center, featured a slide presentation by **Boyd Leeson**, U.S. *Plain Truth* circulation manager, a talk by **John LaBissoniere**, U.S. newsstand distribution manager, and a question-

same period in 1982.

New Zealand

The Auckland, New Zealand, Office reports that income for May was the second highest monthly total ever received by God's Work there — and a 44.1 percent increase over May last year. There was a reason for this. Because of declining trends in income over past months, Peter Nathan, regional director, asked brethren to fast, and God indeed answered quickly and dramatically.

The number of co-workers jumped by 42 in May, the first substantial increase for months. Mail was up 82 percent over May, 1982, and donation mail was up 35 percent. New visit requests received since January are up 50 percent.

India

In southern India, the *World Tomorrow* broadcast from Radio Ceylon is heard clearly. This has undoubtedly contributed to the contacts being made there. Mohan Jayasekera, pastor of the Sri Lankan church and responsible for southern India, saw 37 new people in the past three months, six of whom are good prospective members.

Indian government figures indicate that radio has the potential of reaching about 83 percent of the population, whereas television could only reach 17 percent.

The brethren in southern India are impressed by the powerful content of the program.



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PASADENA — After five years of service to the churches in Ghana, Mr. and Mrs. **Melvin Rhodes** returned to England May 25.

Mr. Rhodes was assigned to Ghana in May, 1978, to pastor the congregations in Accra and Kumasi. He also visited scattered members elsewhere in West Africa — in Liberia and English-language members in Cameroon. Mr. Rhodes replaced **Abner Washington**, who pastors the Los Angeles, Calif., church.

During that time the churches grew to an attendance of 175 in Accra and 45 in Kumasi. Through-out Ghana there are 112 members. The dedicated service Mr. and Mrs. Rhodes provided is greatly appreciated.

Mr. Rhodes will continue to visit Ghana on a regular basis, to provide more regular contact from the British Regional Office, and to assist in the settling in of the new minister, **Josef Forson**, and his wife **Gloria**. Local elder **Steve LeBlanc** will serve in Ghana until the end of this year.

The Rhodeses resettled in Taunton in the west country of England, where Mr. Rhodes will assist **David Bedford** as associate pastor of the

Taunton church and the Tiverton and Truro outlying Bible studies.

Jamaica

Growth of the Work in Jamaica is hard to keep up with, according to **Charles Fleming**, pastor of the Jamaican churches. June 5 and 6, Stan Bass, regional director for the English-speaking Caribbean, conducted two *Plain Truth* readers' lectures in Kingston. The 178 in attendance included 86 new people who heard the first night's lecture on the topic, "Are We Living in the Last Days?"

That same week, torrential rains started breaking the long drought in Jamaica that necessitated severe water restrictions in Kingston and other towns. It was answered prayer for many, but at the same time reduced the attendance at the lecture Monday evening June 6. Still, more than 20 new people braved the weather.

June 11, at the end of that week, the Kingston church broke all attendance records with 213 in attendance. Incoming mail for the first five months of 1983 in Jamaica is up 101 percent over the

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