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## Dutch subtitled telecast airs on pan-European satellite

By Yvonne Kors-Hermans  
NIEUWEGEIN, Netherlands—  
The first *World Tomorrow* telecast subtitled in Dutch aired on Super Channel Aug. 6.

*Yvonne Kors-Hermans is an administrative assistant in the Dutch Office.*

The program, "Inside the Spirit World," was the first of four programs to be shown on the pan-European satellite station.

Calling the airing a "milestone for the Dutch area," Bram de Bree, regional director for Dutch-speaking areas, said the program will "test the effectiveness of Dutch titles over the standard English version."

*The World Tomorrow*, which has been appearing on Super Channel on Sundays since the summer of 1988, draws its response from 16

countries in Eastern and Western Europe.

Although much of Super Channel's broadcasting is in English, its main audiences are in the Netherlands and Switzerland. The highest response to the program comes from the Netherlands.

Subtitles were added to the Dutch telecast by Hoek and Sonepouse, a Dutch video company near Amsterdam.

Jan Zijdeveld and Yvonne Kors-Hermans from the Dutch Office, and Ruth Devine from the British Office, assisted in the project.

Mr. Zijdeveld, an editor and translator, described Hoek and Sonepouse's work as high quality and professional.

The company is experienced with the complexities of translation and subtitling in European languages, according to Mr. de Bree, and provided efficient and helpful service at reasonable cost.

"Inside the Spirit World" aired in the typically unresponsive summer season and did not include the subtitled of the final literature offer or a phone number.

Nevertheless, 82 people from the Netherlands and 11 from Belgium wrote in for the Dutch literature.

The second program, "Inside the New Europe," brought in 223 responses by the end of August. The other two programs are "Where Is God in the 20th Century?" and "The Drug Dilemma."

Mr. de Bree said, "Some people sent us thank-you cards and notes of appreciation to be able to follow the telecast in their mother tongue."



**DUTCH SUBTITLES**—The first *World Tomorrow* telecast with Dutch subtitles aired Aug. 6. Subtitles were added to the telecast by Hoek and Sonepouse, a Dutch video company. [Photo by Robbert Roos]

## Guadeloupe Feast site spared

# Hurricane lashes Caribbean

By Kerri Dowd

PASADENA—Hurricane Hugo with winds reaching 150 miles an hour thrashed and pounded Caribbean islands Sept. 17 to 20.

The hurricane left a path of destruction from Guadeloupe in the Leeward Islands to Puerto Rico.

It passed to the north of the Dominican Republic, the Turks and Caicos Islands and most of the Bahamas and headed for the U.S. mainland, where it lashed into Charleston, S.C., Sept. 21.

It was the most powerful storm to hit the region in 10 years.

In Guadeloupe five people were reported dead, with about 100 injured and 12,000 homeless when the storm charged through that island Sept. 17.

About 70 percent of roads were rendered impassable and telephone service was cut.

### Guadeloupe members safe

Brethren in Guadeloupe, however, fared well.

Evangelist Dibar Apartian, French regional director, contacted Gilbert Carbonnel, Guadeloupe pastor, who visited almost every Church member on the island.

"The members are all OK, and only some of their homes suffered a little damage," Mr. Apartian said.

Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach gave the Guadeloupe brethren a minibus about a year ago so they could attend Sabbath services.

"We don't have a garage, so we have to leave it outside," Mr.

Apartian said. "Even passersby wondered why it was left outside. But nothing happened to it. After the storm it was ready to be used again."

The eye of the storm passed over St. Francois, the Feast site in Guadeloupe.

According to a Sept. 17 Associated Press report, Ernest Moutousamy, St. Francois mayor, said: "There is nothing left of St. Francois. Aside from a few houses, almost all the rest were destroyed." Several tourist hotels also suffered serious damage.

But again God intervened. "Everything around the Feast site was almost destroyed except the Villages Vacances France (VVF) buildings where we plan to meet for the Feast," Mr. Apartian said.

"The brethren will stay in little bungalows, which are practically intact. It's truly a miracle, considering the damage done on the island," Mr. Apartian said, and added that "twice the management of the place told Mr. Carbonnel, 'We have been protected because the Church of God will soon be keeping the Feast of Tabernacles.'"

Miracle followed miracle in Guadeloupe. "The members there thank everyone because they know that God's people were praying," Mr. Apartian said.

France flew hundreds of rescue workers to Guadeloupe Sept. 18.

### Damage in Puerto Rico

In Puerto Rico people in flood-

prone areas were evacuated, and National Guardsmen and volunteers drove through San Juan giving emergency instructions over loudspeakers. Cruise ships were reported.

When the storm hit there Sept. 18 cars were overturned, chunks of concrete were blown into the streets and more than 50 airplanes at the airport were destroyed.

Evangelist Stan Bass, Caribbean regional director, reported Sept. 19 that office employees are fine, and he had received no reports of injuries to any of the Church members.

Communications with Puerto Rico are limited. Electricity was knocked out by the storm. Thirty-five communities were still without power Sept. 21.

Additional information on the effects of the hurricane on brethren in Puerto Rico, other areas administered by the Caribbean Office and the Charleston area is scheduled to appear in the Oct. 10 *Worldwide News*.

### Damage reports

News sources reported two deaths on Antigua. Montserrat reported six deaths, and about 10,000 of its 12,000 people are homeless and without food or fresh water. The airport was destroyed, but a British frigate rushed supplies.

St. Christopher (St. Kitts) reported damage but no deaths. Dominica also suffered damage from wind and rain.

St. Croix and St. Thomas in the U.S. Virgin Islands were also hard hit. Damage was also reported in the British Virgin Islands.

At presstime damages were still being assessed, and an accurate death toll was not available, although as many as three dozen deaths were reported.

Hugo is the eighth named storm of the Caribbean hurricane season, which runs from June to November. It is the worst storm to hit Puerto Rico since 1956.

Hugo was downgraded to a tropical storm Sept. 22 after leveling dozens of buildings in Charleston.

Iris, which trailed Hugo with winds of up to 70 miles an hour, dissipated.

## PERSONAL FROM

*Joseph W. Tkach*

Dear Brethren:

Feast fever is growing as we are now only a few weeks away from the 1989 fall Holy Days!

I am pleased to report that income has risen in the last few days to a 3.5 percent increase over last year. This is much ap-

praying and preparing personally for these coming offerings!

Each year the Feast of Tabernacles should serve as a kind of spiritual rejuvenation for God's people. It is an exciting time, not only because of the direct spiritual aspect of worship, but also because of the fellowship and sharing of experiences with others of like mind and

**We must never get so embroiled in 'doing the Work' that we forget the importance of basic Christian living in our day-to-day relationships with others.**

preciated, as I know so many brethren have been doing what they can to help.

If the Holy Day offerings are strong, they may help us end the year somewhat over a 3 percent increase. (We are trying to cut back to a 3 percent increase to stay within income.) I hope we are all

devotion.

### A happier world

The Feast reminds us of a time yet future when the evil effects of hatred, selfish pride and greed will no longer run uncontrolled to suffocate human happiness, peace and joy. It will be a time when God will take a direct hand in the governments of mankind, ultimately bringing all nations under the personal, on-the-scene rulership of Jesus Christ.

Nations will no longer learn war. Instead, humanity's creative attention and expertise can be turned without distraction to the production of that which benefits others.

Fair and just business practices will become the norm. Honesty, fair-mindedness, hard work, kindness and gentleness will be respected qualities.

All forms of education will emphasize these qualities, as well as that of self-control in food and drink, sexual behavior and personal relationships.

That's another reason the Feast

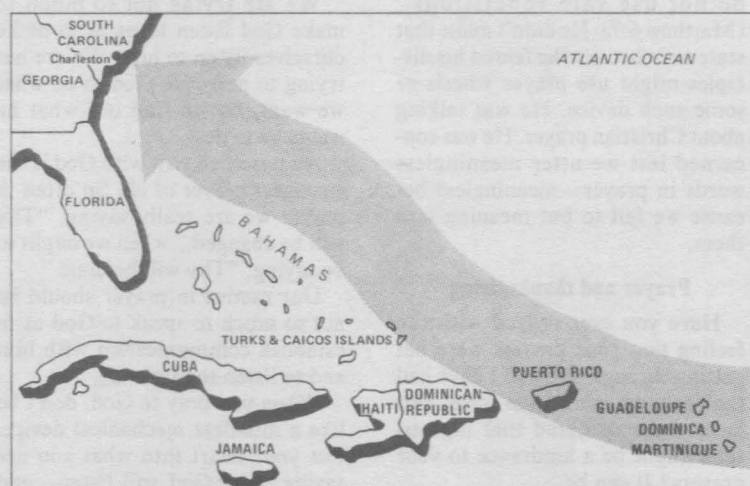
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HURRICANE HUGO

# German question back on world agenda

PASADENA—In May, when the liberalizing government of Hungary began to dismantle the segment of the Iron Curtain along its frontier with Austria, few foresaw what would occur four months down the road.

"What few expected," wrote Serge Schmemmann in the *New York Times*, "was that the gap in what was once known as the Iron Curtain would touch off an extraordinary chain of events: the flight of thousands of East Germans, Hungary's rejection of a 20-year pact with East Germany and ultimately the revival of the most fateful question hanging over Europe, the reunification of Germany."

The mass departure of young East Germans through Hungary highlights growing dissatisfaction with life in the German Democratic Republic, considered the most prosperous nation among the communist states of Eastern Europe.

But East Germans for years have been able to watch West German television. Many in the past few years have been allowed to travel to

## WORLDWATCH

By Gene H. Hogberg



the Federal Republic. They know what they lack in comparison to their free and wealthy kinfolk.

The reemergence of a refugee crisis—the most serious since the Berlin Wall was erected in 1961—could not have come at a more inopportune time for East Germany.

The leadership in East Berlin had been planning a big celebration for Oct. 7 to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the founding of the German Democratic Republic. Worse yet, Communist Party leader Erich Honecker is gravely ill.

The crisis, moreover, shows the unusual nature—some say artificiality—of the East German state.

The German Democratic Republic

initially the Soviet occupation zone—was launched about five months after Britain, France and the United States turned their occupation zones into the democratic Federal Republic.

For 40 years the two German states have gone their separate, and initially hostile, ways. In the last 20 years however, relations between the two Germanies have approached normalcy.

In return for economic benefits from the Federal Republic—\$3.5 billion a year in the past few years—East Germany relaxed living conditions for its citizens and liberalized travel arrangements.

Thousands are permitted to emi-

separably tied together in God's Word. Read what Paul wrote to the Philippians: "Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known unto God" (Philippians 4:6).

I once overheard a child trying to quote this verse. She began, "Be thankful for nothing and anxious for everything." She stopped abruptly and thought and said, "That doesn't sound right. I'd better start over again."

This young girl's mistake illustrates a mistake too many of us make. We attempt to pray "thankful for nothing." After she had paused and thought, she quoted the verse accurately.

Then I thought, if only we would pause and reflect on the many blessings and gifts God has granted us, we could pray more effectively.

David exclaimed in Psalm 62:8 that we should trust in God at all times. And "pour out your heart before Him," he wrote. Heartfelt, spontaneous, intense—that's the kind of communication God wants to have with us.

This applies not only to private worship and prayer, but to public worship as well. Ask yourself if, during the opening and closing prayers at Sabbath services, you concentrate on what is being said. Or is your mind (and therefore, your heart) elsewhere?

If so, merely joining in the "amen" at the end is futile. You may be better off not saying "amen" at all in that case, since saying "amen" affirms you agree with what you have heard. We should not say "amen" unless we mean it.

Daily prayers, when established as a habit, become an unbreakable lifeline.

Our attitude in prayer should be that we may be filled with an ever-growing knowledge of the will of God. Our great goal should be to know the will of God.

We are trying not so much to make God listen to us as to make ourselves listen to him. We are not trying to persuade God to do what we want, but to find out what he wants us to do.

An unselfish visit with God is the strongest prayer of all. So often in prayer we are really saying, "Thy will be changed," when we ought to be saying, "Thy will be done."

Our motive in prayer should be not so much to speak to God as to establish communication with him and to listen to him.

When you pray to God, don't be like a mindless mechanical device. Put your heart into what you are saying. And God will listen—and communicate back to you.

grate legally to West Germany—60,000 so far this year, about three times the number choosing the more publicized Hungarian option.

East Germany benefits by having customs-free access to the Common Market. Bonn pressured its partners to affix a protocol to the Treaty of Rome calling its imports from East Germany inter-German commerce, not subject to EC tariffs.

Without help from the Federal Republic, the German Democratic Republic would probably not enjoy the economic position it does.

Politically, however, the relationship between the two German states is a different matter. The two governments still refuse to officially recognize each other.

In Bonn's view, Germans in both states belong to one nation. That is why East German refugees are automatically granted West German citizenship. Reunification, says Bonn, can come about only through freely held elections in both states.

East Germany, in turn, refuses to extend recognition to Bonn because West Germany will not recognize its sovereignty.

Nevertheless, both governments maintain a *Vertretung*, or permanent mission, in the other's capital, staffed much like an embassy.

Throughout this 40-year period, the supreme stated objective of the

Federal Republic has remained national reunification. But this goal always seemed distant.

Now, however, the refugee crisis, coupled with the cracking of East bloc solidarity by Hungary and Poland, plus reforms and troubles in the Soviet Union, brings the unification issue—the German question—abruptly forward.

The Sept. 2 *Independent* in Britain put it bluntly: "The suddenly thinkable future is of a 75-million-strong German superpower straddling Europe."

East Germany, meanwhile, is more isolated than ever. Its dilemma: It cannot hold onto its people without economic and political reform. But in doing so it would reform itself out of existence.

East German officials know this. Otto Rheinhard, vice chancellor of the East German Academy of Sciences and a member of the East Berlin Communist Party Central Committee, said that East Germany "is only conceivable as . . . a socialist [communist] alternative to the Federal Republic. What right would a capitalist Democratic Republic have to exist alongside a capitalist Federal Republic? None of course."

The foundations of the postwar order in Europe are crumbling. It just may be that the eastern half of Germany, held captive for four decades in a now-shattering East bloc, may be pried loose sooner than anyone thinks.

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## Just between friends

By Dexter H. Faulkner

## 'This is a recording'

Has this happened to you? You pick up the phone and dial the number of the person you want to call. You hear a few rings. Then the sound of a voice.

But, your hopes are quickly dampened. What you hear is a recorded message. You counted on communicating with a real human being. What you got was a machine.

Or maybe you have experienced this: You call Directory Assistance for information. A real person answers and asks you the city and party you wish to reach. You respond.

Then and there two-way communication ends. A recording takes over and gives the number you requested. If an additional question comes to your mind you might as well pose it to the kitchen sink. The fleeting contact you had with a real person has been cut off.

There is no chance for civility. No thank-you. No good-bye. Just an abrupt switch from animate to inanimate. And, having received the number you desire, you put down the phone knowing that that brief contact you had with a fellow human being will remain uncompleted.

But there's now a further intrusion of technology. Your phone rings. You rush over to answer it. You say hello and listen to the voice at the other end. After no more than two or three syllables you realize it is a recorded message, usually trying to sell you something.

Disappointing. Even irritating. You expected to hear from a genuine person. Instead you have been interrupted by a faceless, lifeless mechanism—a machine with no appreciation of your feelings or even that you are listening. Who can blame you if you just hang up?

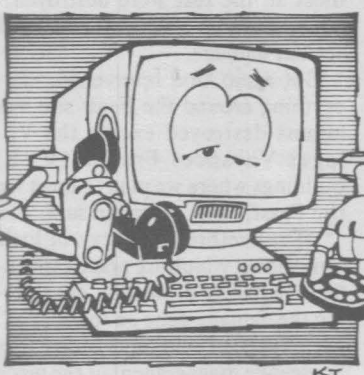
The marvelous technological ability to record and play back the human voice does have its useful applications. But being a satisfactory substitute for a spontaneous, personal, one-on-one communication is not one of them.

### From the heart

God loves to communicate with

his children. Listening to our prayers is one of his favorite activities. "The prayer of the upright is His delight" (Proverbs 15:8, New King James throughout).

It is difficult to conceive of the pleasure and excitement he feels when one of his begotten children calls out to him. "For the eyes of the



Lord are on the righteous, and his ears are open to their prayers" (1 Peter 3:12).

When they address him, his ears pick up. He listens attentively, expectantly.

Can you imagine his disappointment when the conversation switches to a recording—a lifeless, meaningless repetition of words?

Maybe for some of us God says to himself when we pray, "Oh, oh. Here comes another recording."

Jesus said, "But when you pray, do not use vain repetitions" (Matthew 6:7). He didn't make that statement because he feared his disciples might use prayer wheels or some such device. He was talking about Christian prayer. He was concerned lest we utter meaningless words in prayer—meaningless because we fail to put meaning into them.

### Prayer and thanksgiving

Have you ever prayed with the feeling that your prayers were not getting through to God? I have had that happen more than once. But have you considered that ingratitude might be a hindrance to your prayers? It can be.

Prayer and thanksgiving are in-



## European Diary

By John Ross Schroeder

## Wales village recalls Britain's war victims

HAY-ON-WYE, Wales—Twice in this century this Welsh border town (population 1,200) sent its young men into battle. Thirty perished in World War I and 28 in World War II.

Their mainly Welsh names (such as Williams and Jones) are inscribed on a block of gray stone that commemorates their sacrifice.

The town war memorial is lit brightly every evening. Pedestrians may pause and reflect on the hideousness of these bloody life-taking conflicts. A reminder of the futility of war.

Here in the Wye Valley the Welsh scenery is breathtaking. A camera cannot capture the charm and tranquility of the rolling hills, the checkerboard fields and the occasional home in the meadows.

Yet young men, not only from the green hills of Wales, but from the villages and hamlets throughout Britain, left their homes to fight and sometimes be slain in towns and hills and valleys on the European Continent.

### A fitting reminder

It is appropriate that these men—often in the flower of manhood—should be remembered in town squares and even in the smallest villages in Britain.

Fifty-eight men are a lot to lose for a town the size of Hay-on-Wye. There is no such memorial to the comparatively few men who were killed in battle in the somewhat larger rural Texas town where I grew up. Nor are there in neighboring towns.

Americans are struck by the presence of these town war memorials in Britain. These two great cataclysms were felt so much more sharply here.

Years ago I accompanied the late

journalist (and friend of this Work), Terence Prittie, to Jerusalem. Mr. Prittie advised me to go to the British war cemetery.

### Painful experience

My American experience had not prepared me for what I saw—row upon row of graves of men who died in the Middle East during the Great War (1914-1918). Most poignant to me were the ones inscribed, "known only to God."

At least these unknown men are remembered in the hamlets, villages, towns and cities of the British Isles.

At the enormous Jerusalem cemetery were buried men from Australia, New Zealand, Canada and South Africa.

Though I did not know any of these men or their relatives (they were killed 20 years before my birth), the emotional experience broke my composure.

Some of the cemeteries in Europe are full of American war dead. The two brothers, Britain and the United States, have stuck together in times of supreme crisis.

But what about those who fought and bled and died on the other side? The Germans, the Japanese, the Italians—the bereavement was every bit as difficult for their relatives. Just as many tears were shed.

War is a tragedy for supposed winners and apparent losers.

And we know that the war perils of the future are potentially far greater than the past. So much so that Norman Cousins remarked:

"The great danger is that the mistakes of the past will go unrecognized. Human beings can survive anything but ignored and unredeemed tragedy."

Hence, these town war memorials can serve an enormous purpose.

# General's widow to students: You are our future leaders

By Kerri Dowd

PASADENA—Kitty Bradley, widow of five-star Gen. Omar Bradley, spoke to Ambassador College students, faculty members, Imperial Schools students and guests in the Ambassador Auditorium Sept. 12.

Gen. Bradley, who died in 1981, was the first chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff (1949-1953). He spoke at Ambassador College in 1977.

Mrs. Bradley has written articles, books and motion picture and television scripts. She is a member of the Writers Guild of America.

Mrs. Bradley was instrumental in establishing the Omar Bradley Foundation and Museum and the Omar Bradley Fellowships in Mathematics and Military History at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, N.Y.

Chancellor Joseph W. Tkach introduced Mrs. Bradley as "a very special lady and a great friend of Ambassador College" and as a woman who "remains intensely active in serving and sharing."

"That is why she is here with us today—to share with you the les-

sons of history and principles of leadership that we can all apply in our daily lives," he said.

"Ambassador College has not and never will glorify war," Mr. Tkach said. "And I think you would be surprised to know that Gen. Bradley did not either."

Mrs. Bradley said her late husband would have wanted her to speak at Ambassador College and wish the students well.

"My husband wore the uniform of our country for 69 years . . ." Mrs. Bradley said. "From the moment I met Omar Bradley, my heart has stood at attention every time I looked at him. My heart still stands at attention whenever I am with him at Arlington [National Cemetery]."

Mrs. Bradley talked of Gen. Bradley's war experiences and the wisdom and humor that was reflected in his thoughts. She focused her talk on the subject of leadership.

After pointing out some of the qualities of Generals George Marshall, Dwight Eisenhower, George Patton and Douglas MacArthur, Mrs. Bradley said: "These are some of the leaders who now belong to

history. You are our leaders of the future.

"Your own leadership may well become an umbrella of courage for those of us whom you protect. The way you lead us and live your lives will weave your own rich thread into the tapestry of our country."

After she finished speaking, she fielded questions from the audience.

"I was just wondering what your husband would consider to be the most memorable or high event in his life?" one student asked.

"Me!" Mrs. Bradley responded. "And D-day."

Mrs. Bradley attended a luncheon in her honor in the Ambassador Auditorium. Other guests included Pasadena Mayor William Thomson and Jess Hughston, vice mayor.



**FIVE-STAR GENERAL**—Kitty Bradley, widow of Gen. Omar Bradley, and Chancellor Joseph W. Tkach display a portrait of Gen. Bradley that Mrs. Bradley gave to Mr. Tkach. [Photo by Warren Watson]

## Also conducts service in Portugal

# Director visits South America

By David Walker

PASADENA—Evangelist Leon Walker, regional director for the Church in Spanish-speaking areas, and his wife, Reba, completed a trip to Colombia, Venezuela, Portugal and England Sept. 8.

The Walkers arrived in Bogota, Colombia, Aug. 20, two days after the assassination of Colombian presidential candidate, Sen. Luis Carlos Galan.

Even though violence has increased dramatically in Medellin, there was no outward evidence of tension in Bogota, said Mr. Walker.

"In fact, you would not realize that anything unusual was going on in the country if you did not read the newspapers or see reports on television," he said.

Mr. Walker spent three days with the Colombian ministry making final plans for the Feast of Tabernacles, which will take place again this year near Santa Marta.

From Colombia the Walkers flew

to Caracas, Venezuela, Aug. 23, where they spent a few days with pastor Salvador Barragan.

Mr. Barragan had just trans-

ferred to Venezuela from Mexico and is assuming his duties as pastor of the Caracas and Barquisimeto churches.

Mr. Walker gave the sermon Aug. 26 in Caracas and attended a barbecue for the church at the home of Jorge Salazar.

From Venezuela the Walkers traveled to Lisbon, Portugal, Aug. 28. This was the first time they visited Portugal since Mr. Walker began directing the Spanish area of the Work.

Sept. 2 was a momentous occasion. "As far as is known, it marked the first time ever that a Church of God service was held in Portugal," Mr. Walker said.

There were 28 people in attendance, which included members not only from Portugal, but also from the United States, Spain, South Africa and Australia.

It is hoped that services can be conducted in Lisbon from time to time in the future.

The Walkers last stop was in England Sept. 3, where Mr. Walker met with printing personnel. The European edition of *La Pura Verdad* is printed in England.



**LEON & REBA WALKER**

ferred to Venezuela from Mexico and is assuming his duties as pastor of the Caracas and Barquisimeto churches.

Mr. Walker gave the sermon

## Words of Gen. Omar Bradley

(as related by Kitty Bradley)

- We have grasped the mystery of the atom and rejected the Sermon on the Mount.
- Our knowledge of science clearly has outstripped our capacity to control it.
- Our forests and gardens cannot be bought. They must be cultivated by toil and nourished by the sweat of those who would keep them.
- Man is stumbling blindly through a spiritual darkness while toying with the precarious secrets of life and death.
- Bravery is the capacity to perform properly even when scared half to death.
- No man can justly claim the integrity of his human rights until he first respects the equal rights of all others.
- If one man tells you you are a jackass, it might not mean much; but if five men tell you you are a jackass, it is time to go out and buy yourself a saddle.
- Only the dead have seen the end of war. Men fought and died here [Normandy] on the beaches so that the living too may see the end of war.

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# On assignment: Writer covers Voyager

PASADENA—"For the past eight days Voyager 2 carried the eyes of man farther than they had ever gone before," said Ronald Toth, an editorial assistant for *The Plain Truth*.

Mr. Toth was part of the press team at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) here covering the progress of Voyager 2 as that satellite passed Neptune Aug. 21 to 29.

He was also on hand when Vice

President Dan Quayle gave a news conference at JPL Aug. 25.

Voyager 2 sent back pictures of the storms in Neptune's atmosphere, cloud shadows, six new moons, several new rings and Triton, one of Neptune's moons.

Voyager 2 passed closest to Neptune Aug. 24. Mr. Toth was there when area and national news stations broadcast photographs.

"Just around 3:30 a.m., the first

close-up pictures of Triton came in," Mr. Toth said. "After the second picture we all gasped at the clarity."

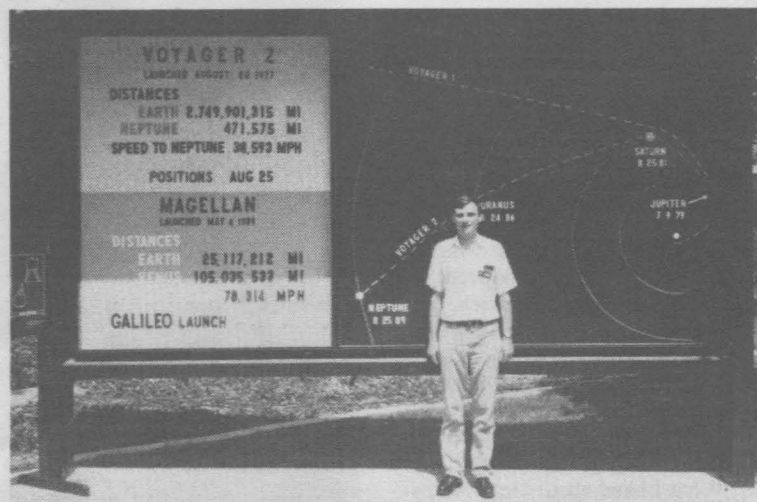
At 6 a.m. Aug. 25 the journalists had to clear the building so the Secret Service could prepare the area for Mr. Quayle's visit. The Vice President spoke at 8:30 a.m., and gave a news conference at 9:30.

Mr. Toth said: "This was Voyager's last and most exciting stop. Since we knew little of Neptune, all the information was new. If we ever go back, the next encounter will be

planned on the basis of Voyager's findings."

The Church's Television Department taped transmissions from the Voyager space probe Aug. 24 and 25.

JPL provided the Television Department with the coordinates of the satellite signal. The signal was fed to the Ambassador Auditorium for public viewing, and relayed from the Auditorium to the television studio, where it was recorded. Usable footage will be saved for future use.



**PROBING SPACE**—Ronald Toth, *Plain Truth* editorial assistant, covered the Voyager 2 rendezvous with Neptune at Pasadena's Jet Propulsion Laboratory Aug. 21 to 29. The routes of Voyager 1 and Voyager 2 are pictured on the chart behind Mr. Toth.

## Germany

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Indications are that the other major nations in Europe are not quite ready for the eventuality of a larger, even more economically dominant Germany in the heart of Europe.

This could accelerate plans for expanded European unity, bringing Eastern nations such as Poland and Hungary into the process to balance and dilute the German factor.

German officials, wary of their neighbors' concerns, maintain that German reunification should not be achieved outside that of greater Eu-

ropean reunification.

The final "vote" on German reunification still lies with Moscow. Continued deterioration of the Soviet economy, wrote Michael H. Haltzel in the Sept. 17 *Los Angeles Times*, "might induce the Kremlin to cut its huge obligations in Eastern Europe—if appropriate security arrangements could be made."

"Might a neutral, drastically disarmed, reunified Germany provide such a security guaranty—particularly if it pledged to rescue the Soviet economy?"

"Farfetched? You bet. But last year how many were predicting a non-Communist Polish government? Stay tuned."

## Singles adopt 91-year-old: friendship a two-way street

By Clifton Worthing

PASADENA—Why does a 91-year-old woman choose to live in Pasadena, a city with air pollution?

*Clifton Worthing, a 1989 Ambassador College graduate, is a former staff writer for The Worldwide News.*

For Rose Horan, a member who attends the Imperial A.M. church, part of the answer lies with a group of singles who have befriended her.

"I always have liked young people," said Mrs. Horan. "They can come and talk, and we have some fun. We laugh a lot."

A group of men and women from the Imperial A.M. church regularly visit Mrs. Horan. "About 10 people have kind of adopted her," said Donald Goodrich, one of the people who visits Mrs. Horan. "We try to involve her in our activities when she is up to it."

The friendship they have with Mrs. Horan is a two-way street according to James Reyer, Imperial A.M. pastor. "It's a kind of mutual admiration society.

"They treat her with respect and look after her like a mother," Mr. Reyer continued. "She looks after them as her family. She's always been a strong woman with strong convictions. They have drawn a lot of strength from her."

Mrs. Horan, a widow since 1965, lives alone in a second-story studio apartment. She spends much of her spare time reading and enjoys going for walks. But it's her group of young friends she appreciates most.

"When you are living alone you really don't care who comes in, even if they only stay for a few minutes, because it breaks the monotony," Mrs. Horan said.

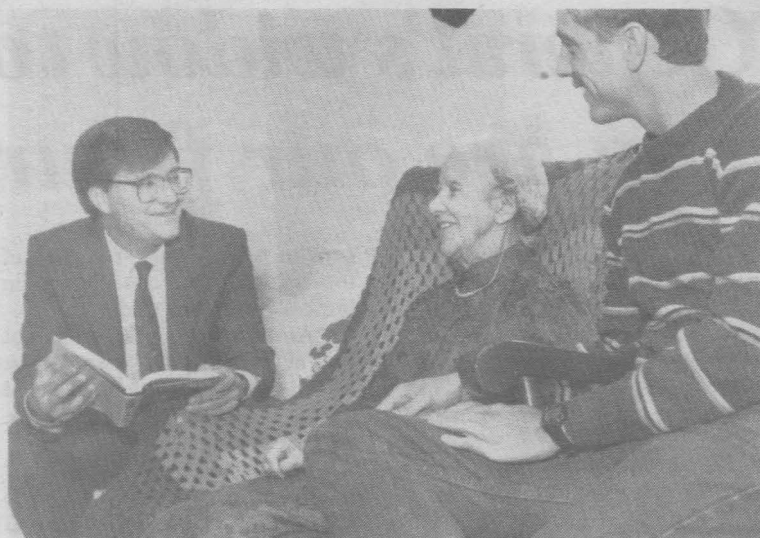
This is where the men and women have contributed the most. They take time out of their schedules to visit Mrs. Horan. Most of them see Mrs. Horan on the Sabbath and try to call on her at least once during the week to chat and take her for a walk or to shop. They drop by during their lunch hours, after work and on weekends.

In 1987 some of them took Mrs. Horan back to Canada to her home in Prince Edward Island for the Feast of Tabernacles. In 1988 some

took her to Rapid City, S.D.

"She likes young people so much it naturally draws me to her," said Lana Walker, one of Mrs. Horan's regular visitors. "I got to know her because she was very visible at services with so many people surrounding her."

Said Mr. Reyer: "What these young people and others like them are doing exemplifies what Mr. [Joseph] Tkach has been teaching us. They are a good example of family care. It's a secure feeling to know we are taking care of each other."



**MUTUAL ADMIRATION SOCIETY**—Randy Martens (left) and Jeff Maehr, singles who attend the Pasadena Imperial A.M. church, visit Rose Horan, 91, regularly at her apartment. [Photo by Barry Stahl]

### 'All in a day's work'

## Member pilots plane to safety

By Renee Ordway

BANGOR, Maine—A pilot who landed his single-engine airplane on Interstate 95 on Sunday afternoon [July 15] was uninjured and said the impromptu landing was "all in a day's work."

A. Clark Woodard, 57, of Pitts-

burgh, Pa., took off in a newly rebuilt Cessna 210 from Bangor International Airport at about 3:30 p.m. He was in the air for about five minutes and was flying at about 3,000 feet when he radioed the tower and said he was losing oil pressure.

Woodard decided to try to make it back to the runway, but when his engine started to "make some noises" and the oil pressure monitor bottomed out, he decided he had better look for a closer place to land.

Woodard managed to avoid the vehicles on the highway, flying over the Hogan Road overpass and taxiing underneath the Chase Road overpass, which are less than one mile apart.

Richard Greenside of Randolph, Mass., was driving on Hogan Road when he saw the plane flying very low and spilling oil "all over my car," he said.

"He's very lucky. Anyone that was driving near here was pretty lucky, too. He landed pretty good," said Greenside.

Woodard said he was not concerned about hitting the Chase Road overpass, and said he landed in plenty of time. He said his biggest concern was traffic on the road. "I didn't want to cause an accident," said Woodard.

There were no injuries during the incident, and Trooper Peter Stewart of the Maine State Police said the biggest problem was traffic control.

"I've been out here all day and the traffic has been very heavy. I don't know how he happened to come down when there was a break in traffic. He was very lucky. The only real problem now is curious motorists," said Stewart.

Woodard, an international delivery pilot, said the plane's engine was new and had logged only eight hours of flying time. He had just picked up the plane in Harrisburg, Pa., and was destined for Canada and then Norway.

He said he was not sure what happened to the engine, but thought that an oil line to the turbocharger might have let loose.

Despite the perilous situation, Woodard said he was not scared as he was going down. He said he was "a little bit concerned" about where he could put the plane down without doing too much damage.

"Now that it's over, my mouth is a little dry, but I really had quite a bit of control. In this business you have to be prepared for something like this and you have to keep your head," he said.

### Collects movie memorabilia

## Western fan friend to many

By Paul Monteith

PASADENA—A movie poster advertising *Tumbling Tumbleweeds* starring Gene Autry, the singing cowboy, hung on the gym wall—part of the decorations for the student barn dance last spring at Ambassador College.

The poster, one of several, was an enlargement of an original owned by Stanley Martin. Mr. Martin, a member since 1966, attends the Auditorium P.M. church.

A keen follower of Western movies in general, Mr. Martin has been a fan of Gene Autry "ever since the 1935 movie *Tumbling Tumbleweeds*." The two men became friends in 1947 when Gene Autry was starring in a rodeo at Madison Square Garden in New York.

In town for the rodeo, Mr. Martin and other members of the Gene Autry Friendship Club were on a bus tour of the city and Gene Autry came along and introduced himself to the members.

"After the rodeo he came to the hotel, where members were staying, and that's how I got to meet him," Mr. Martin said.

"After that I hung out back of the rodeo, where the horses and riders were, and when Gene Autry came along he would take me back to his dressing room," recalled Mr. Martin. "After that we met every winter when he went on tour."

Mr. Martin's interest in Western movies took him to many of the major movie studios in Southern California, and among others Mr. Martin has met former President Ronald Reagan and his wife, Nancy, Tex Ritter, Gary Cooper, Bob Hope, Elvis Presley, Sean Connery, Burt Reynolds, and Clint Eastwood, then part of the cast for the television series *Rawhide*.

### Avid Photographer

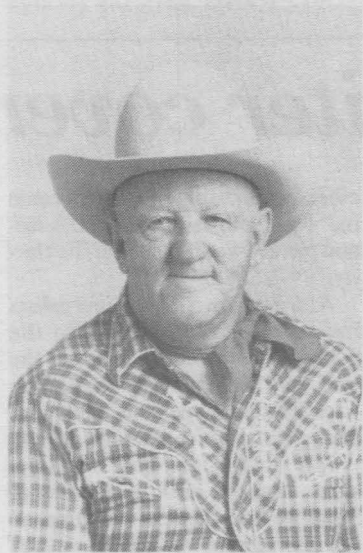
Another hobby of Mr. Martin is photography. His wallet houses a small collection of prized photographs that he has taken, or had taken, of him standing beside movie personalities, many of them autographed.

On his apartment wall is a picture

of himself and John Wayne at the Moulin Rouge Theatre in Hollywood and another of him beside Gene Autry.

In addition to the photographs, Mr. Martin has, over the past 12 years, collected Western movie memorabilia from the period between 1940 and 1960—the golden age of Western movies.

When author David Rothel was writing a book about Gene Autry, Mr. Martin donated several photographs—including one of Mr. Autry receiving his star on Hollywood Boulevard.



**WESTERN FAN**—Stanley Martin, a member who attends the Pasadena Auditorium P.M. church, has met several Western movie stars, including former U.S. President Ronald Reagan and his wife, Nancy, Gene Autry, Tex Ritter and Bob Hope. [Photo by Barry Stahl]

He has also donated several items to the Gene Autry Western Heritage Museum in Los Angeles, Calif. The museum traces the history of the West, from the time of the 16th century Spanish conquistadores to the present.

Picking up a .22 Colt pistol "made to look like the .45 Colt used in the movies," Mr. Martin spun the gun around his finger, and then demonstrated several different

ways a cowboy might draw his gun.

"One time a friend and I went down to Red Rock Canyon for some gun practice," he said. "When we got there a movie crew was filming a stagecoach scene with Frank Sinatra and Dean Martin." Red Rock



**ORIGINAL POSTER**—As a hobby Stanley Martin has collected posters, photographs and other Western movie memorabilia. [Photo by Warren Watson]

Canyon, he explained, was a location regularly used for shooting Westerns in Southern California.

### Modern Westerns

Even though he rarely visits movie studios today, the movie director's cry, "lights, camera, action," is never far away. The apartment building in which Mr. Martin lives is often used by producers of television series and movies, because of the "building's historic and scenic qualities."

"I don't recognize any of the new TV personalities," Mr. Martin said. "And I don't watch the modern Westerns, they're too violent."

"What I liked about Gene Autry was his singing. He had a good personality, he was always smiling and he was always friendly to me. I knew him well years ago and I still see him once in awhile."



**UNUSUAL TRAFFIC**—A. Clark Woodard, a Church member who runs an airplane delivery service, made an emergency landing July 15 on Interstate 95 near Bangor, Maine, when his plane lost oil pressure. [Photo courtesy of the Bangor Daily News.]

## German language program: AC students live like locals

By Karen McCutchan

BONN, West Germany—Ten Ambassador College students and graduates took part in the German Language Summer Program (GLSP) June 21 to July 26.

*Karen McCutchan is a senior at Ambassador College in Pasadena.*

Under the direction of Thomas Root, instructor in German at Am-

bassador College, we studied German in the Bonn Office.

Mr. Root gave us assignments about our impressions of West Germany. He wanted us to live the life of a German, staying in German hotels and eating at German restaurants.

We soaked up the culture further by touring Cologne Cathedral, Beethoven's birthplace, Hessen Park, Bundestag (parliament), Heidelberg and Burg Eltz. We took a boat ride on the Rhine River and

saw an operetta by Mozart.

For the second part of the program we each stayed with families for a week and a half. Beth Rule, a 1989 Pasadena graduate, and I, stayed with a woman, Anne Stick, on a farm near Hamburg.

When Beth and I arrived by train at the town of Itzehoe, Mrs. Stick greeted us with open arms.

Mrs. Stick has a daughter who lives on a dairy farm about six miles away. Senior Darren Allgeyer stayed with her. Sometimes we would get together to milk cows.

Mrs. Stick took us on a boat ride in Hamburg, a tour around the government buildings and to the Baltic Sea. Some nights we would just sit and talk—about college, the past, the future. Even though there was a language barrier, we understood each other well.

Other students and graduates who participated in the program are Anne Douglas, Todd Ford, Kevin Graham, Jennifer Pairitz, Toshia Peters, Paul Warren and Forrest Worthen.



**GERMAN PROJECT**—German summer program participants are from left, back row: Paul Warren, Sabina Mueller (Bonn Office employee), Darren Allgeyer and Forrest Worthen. Front row: Toshia Peters, Karen McCutchan, Jennifer Pairitz, Sylvia Root, Thomas Root, program director, Beth Rule and Kevin Graham.

## Syrian project unearths child's skeleton, pottery

By David Webb

EL HASEKE, Syria—Eight Ambassador College students participated in a Syrian archaeological dig June 1 to June 28. They assisted a team of seven from the University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA) at Tell Ziyadah.

*David Webb is a 1989 graduate of Ambassador College in Pasadena.*

The excavation site was changed from the usual site of Tell Mozan because the government is planning to dam up and flood Tell Ziyadah, burying thousands of years of history. The dig is a three-year salvage project.

The goal was to dig below a meter thick layer of volcanic ash that blanketed the area millennia ago. This ash preserved a strata of pre-Flood civilization.

An industrial site complete with spindles and dyes was unearthed as well as the most complete pottery

kiln discovered in this time period (about 3,000 to 4,000 B.C.) in this area. Only two others exist, one in Iraq and one in Turkey.

A child's skeleton surrounded by shell jewelry and placed inside a pot was also discovered. This dated to about 3,000 B.C. A small piece of gold, potsherds and stone tools were also uncovered.

The team worked during early morning hours to avoid temperatures that reached more than 120 degrees Fahrenheit (49 Celsius).

While in Syria the students experienced Islamic culture. They ate Syrian food, bartered with the merchants and lived among the villagers in a rented apartment.

Participants in the dig were Laura Gault, Helen Lobpreis, Daniel Reedy and David Webb from Pasadena, and, for the first time, four Big Sandy students, Stephen Allen, Sharon Carrillo, Mike Rochelle and Stephanie Smith. They were supervised by Russell and Phyllis Duke, faculty members in Big Sandy.



**SYRIAN DIGGERS**—Syrian archaeological dig participants are from left, back row: Daniel Reedy, Michael Rochelle, director Russell Duke, David Webb and Stephen Allen. Front row: Stephanie Smith, Laura Gault, Phyllis Duke, Sharon Carrillo and Helen Lobpreis.

## Biblical land becomes reality

By Laura Gault

JERUSALEM, Israel—Seventeen Ambassador College students and 34 other Church members, including six ministers, took part in a three-week tour of Israel that began July 3. Richard Paige, associate professor of history at Ambassador College in Big Sandy, led the tour.

*Laura Gault is a senior at Ambassador College in Pasadena.*

We traveled the length of the country from Dan in the north to

the Red Sea in the south. We spanned its width from the Mediterranean in the west to the West Bank in the east.

We swam in the Sea of Galilee, floated in the Dead Sea and snorkeled in the Red Sea. We drove through the rolling hills of Tiberias and the harsh lands of the Judean desert. We explored the shops and streets of Jerusalem.

Among this maze of activity, one memory persistently returns and that was our visit to Masada, the Herodian fortress set on a mountain rising out of the Judean desert. It

was a vital link in the security system of Israel as it held a commanding view of the Dead Sea and surrounding area.

At the time of the fall of Jerusalem in A.D. 69, a band of 970 Jews fled from the city and took refuge for 2½ years in the abandoned fortress. They committed suicide the night before the Roman army stormed the fortress rather than become slaves of the Romans.

It was a striking and inspiring experience as we more fully understood the reality of events in this land.

## Spirit surmounts language barriers

# Student recounts France trip

By Heather Carman

ANGERS, France—As the train rolled past green fields and villages, I thought about the six weeks ahead—11 days with a French family, five days in Paris, five days in Normandy and three weeks at the French Summer Educational Program (SEP).

*Heather Carman is a senior at Ambassador College in Pasadena. Eleven Ambassador College students participated in the French language summer program and Summer Educational Program (SEP) June 5 to July 30.*

After four hours of travel I arrived in Angers. Jacques Le Houedec, pastor of the Angers church, greeted me at the train station, drove me to a two-story condominium in the suburb of Monplaisir and introduced me to Kathi Bernier, wife and mother of the family I would be staying with.

While showing me around their three-bedroom home, Mrs. Bernier talked of her three sons, Olivier, the baby, Vincent and Sebastien. Vincent, 8, attended a neighborhood primary school, and Sebastien, 12, traveled to middle school by bus. Mr. Bernier is an engineer for France Telecom.

We had homemade pizza and ice cream for dinner that evening. Later I discovered that breakfast usually included coffee, hot choco-

late or tea and traditional crusty French bread.

Lunch began with a cold salad, followed by a meat dish, then cheese. French bread was served throughout the meal. Dessert was usually a piece of fresh fruit. Dinner followed the same pattern, but with yogurt and *fromage blanc* (similar to sour cream) for dessert.

During my stay with the Berniers, we walked through the grounds of a castle seized by the Nazis during World War II and a fortress in the middle of Angers. We also visited Mr. Bernier's parents' farm near Angers.

I learned that speaking in a foreign language can be a delicate matter. At first I only understood about two words in each sentence. Occasionally they were even the key words. When they weren't, I was in trouble.

If someone asked me a question, I used what I call the "hit or miss"

method of speaking French. I could either ask the other person to repeat the question, and reveal my lack of comprehension, or I could fake it.

One morning Mr. Bernier asked, "Do you like *foie*?" I like French food so I was sure I would like *foie*. At lunch I discovered, much to my disappointment, that I said I liked liver. After about a week of similar situations, I began to respond correctly.

God's spirit is a unifying factor. At Sabbath services it struck me that although people around me did not speak English, they all believed the same things I had been taught.

Ambassador students who participated in the French summer program are Christopher Bolzern, Elizabeth Brown, Laura Filipovic, Judith Halford, Christopher Hoban, Reinhard Klett, Christiana Mbome, Fernando Pla, Laura Wilson and Bruce Wynn.

## Church Administration announces ordinations

PASADENA—Church Administration announced the following ordinations.

Bryan Hoyt, pastor of the Salem and Albany, Ore., churches, was raised in rank to pastor on the Sabbath, Aug. 26

Allan Barr, pastor of the Miami, Fla., North and South churches, was raised in rank to pastor on the Sabbath, Sept. 2.

Dennis Milner, pastor of the San Angelo and Abilene, Tex., churches, was ordained a preaching

elder Sept. 9.

Clifford Rabe of the Johannesburg, South Africa, West church, was ordained a local church elder on the Sabbath, July 22.

Chander Sangha of the Southampton, England, church, was ordained a local church elder on the Sabbath, March 11.

Donald Wood, a deacon in the El Dorado, Ark., church, was ordained a local church elder on the Sabbath, Aug. 5.

## Nondiscriminatory Policy to Students

Ambassador College admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational programs, and athletics and other school administered programs.



## PERSONAL

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is such a happy and exciting time for God's people. During the Feast we spend most of our time with people who are striving to treat one another in these positive and uplifting ways—ways that reflect the nature and character of God.

Consequently, we are motivated to work harder to live God's way ourselves, because the positive examples of others have that effect on people in whom Christ lives.

I have written before about the importance of the personal examples of true Christians as a vital part of proclaiming the gospel. Jesus said, "By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another" (John 13:35, New King James).

Christians stand out as different because of what is inside them. Through his Spirit, God works in us "to will and to do for His good purpose" (Philippians 2:13, NKJ). Love is the foundation and cornerstone of Jesus' teaching and example, and his love is expressed through us as he lives in us.

### More than 'doing the Work'

True Christianity is indeed a way of life. We must never get so embroiled in "doing the Work" that we forget the importance of basic Christian living in our day-to-day relationships with others.

Sometimes we can kid ourselves that we are truly close to God when our relationships with others demonstrate that we are not re-

sponding to the Holy Spirit in us.

As we prepare for the coming Holy Days, let's review our personal commitment to God's calling. Let's be sure we are putting the emphasis we should on the real substance of that calling—Jesus Christ in us—and not on just an outward show. Jesus was not a mere well-wisher. He put his love into action. It was real love, as ours must be if he lives in us.

Thank you again for your prayers for the income level, and for all of us in Pasadena.

## Pasadena evangelist speaks

# Singles gather in U.S. capital

By Michael Williams and Kathryn Myers

WASHINGTON, D.C.—"A resounding success!" was how pastor Richard Frankel described Capital Experience II, the second biennial singles event here, Sept. 1 to 4.

*Michael Williams is president of the Washington, D.C., singles club, and Kathryn Myers is an assistant to evangelist Ronald Kelly.*

About 300 singles attended the event at Loews L'Enfant Plaza, a deluxe hotel in the nation's capital.

Sixty-five church areas, mainly from the East Coast, were represented, with visitors from as far away as Portland, Ore.

The weekend's activities began with registration Friday afternoon,

## Inspirational British motorway

# Youth pens poetry for prizes

BROUGHTON, England—Busy roads are rarely a source of inspiration for poets. But 8-year-old James Mitchell was inspired to put into verse his ride home from Sabbath services on the M6 Motorway.

James attends the Northampton, England, church with his parents,

Graham and Margaret Mitchell. Dr. Mitchell is a local church elder.

James entered his poem, *Going Home on the M6*, in the annual W.H. Smith Young Writers' Competition—a national contest for children aged 6 to 16. There were 29,000 entries, and James was one

of 33 to win a prize. Ted Hughes, poet laureate, headed the panel of judges.

An award ceremony for the winners and their families took place July 7 at the National Theatre in London. Several of the winning entries, including James' poem, were read by Richard O'Callaghan, an actor appearing at the National.

James' poem also appeared in *The Sunday Times* of London, and will be published by Macmillan in a book titled *Young Words*. Articles appeared in three area newspapers, and James was interviewed on radio. He used his award money to buy a mountain bike like the ones used at the Summer Educational Program (SEP) in Scotland.

James' poem is reprinted below with permission from W.H. Smith.

### Going Home on the M6

The lights on the motorway  
Are like long orange strings.  
It looks as though I could pick them  
up  
And tie them in a knot.  
A big boot is the motorway  
Laced up with lights,  
Tramping over the fields  
Leaving big, muddy footprints.  
When the sky gets dark  
And you have been travelling  
And you are sticky,  
It feels like the old day is dirty.  
It needs taking off and washing,  
So we can put a new clean one on  
instead.

Sept. 1. Area singles welcomed the arriving guests.

Sabbath morning, evangelist Ronald Kelly, editor of the Church's booklets, conducted a forum. Mr. Kelly presented a questionnaire to the group, concerning the needs of singles.

"Since I have been invited to several singles activities in the past three or four years," Mr. Kelly said, "I thought this would be a good occasion for the ministry to receive input on how to better serve the singles."

"The information received can be used to incorporate material for future articles and literature and to better address the needs of singles in these singles seminars."

In the afternoon Mr. Kelly gave a sermon titled "Living in an End-time Attitude." He said Christians

must conduct their lives in the same manner whether Christ returns in one year or in 100 years.

Saturday evening the singles attended a dinner dance in the hotel's ballroom.

Sunday morning the group toured national monuments, the Smithsonian museums and the White House.

Sunday night the group attended a patriotic musical performance of the National Symphony Orchestra on the steps of the U.S. Capitol Building.

Diane Justice of Greensboro, N.C., said, "It was the best time I've had in 11 years."

David Fish of Steubenville, Ohio, commented, "Having Mr. Kelly as the keynote speaker made the weekend outstanding."

## PAGES FROM THE FAMILY ALBUM

"And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or lands, for my name's sake, shall receive a hundredfold, and inherit everlasting life." (Matthew 19:29, New King James)

## Costa Rica

By Kerri Dowd

Sixty baptized members of the Worldwide Church of God live in Costa Rica, a country with 2.7 million people.

Costa Rica is bordered by Panama on the southeast and Nicaragua on the north. The Caribbean Sea is to the east, and the Pacific Ocean is to the south and west.

The country features a central range of mountains that include about 60 volcanoes, some of which are active. San Jose, the capital, is in the largest valley between these mountains.

Costa Rica is a green country, where national parks and wildlife preserves cover more than 11 percent of the country.

It is a bridge for flora and fauna between Central and South America. Some species are unique, and biologists come from other coun-

tries to study them.

More than 8,000 plant species, including 1,200 varieties of orchids, can be found in Costa Rica.

Brethren meet for services in San Jose. Mauricio Perez, pastor of the church, is assisted by one deacon, Jose Manuel Biamonte. Mr. Biamonte is an agronomist for the Costa Rican government.

In spite of Costa Rica being an agricultural country, the Church members are not farmers. They are engineers and businessmen. One man is a lawyer, another is a doctor and several members are self-employed.

One member imports coal from the United States. Another runs a sewing business. One sells roast chicken; one sells jewelry; one is a university professor.

### Costa Rican church history

Most of the members learned of the Church through *La Pura Verdad* (Spanish *Plain Truth*) or from other members. The area was first visited by Herbert Cisneros, pastor of the Guatemala City, Guatemala, and San Salvador, El Salvador, churches. Mr. Cisneros established the San Jose congregation eight years ago.

Armenia Sanchez, 70, is the old-

est and longest-time member in San Jose. She has been a member since 1970. Her son heard about *La Pura Verdad* while he was in the United States and told her about it.

"Life is very simple in Costa Rica," Mr. Perez said. "Most don't have cars, but there is good bus service."

For recreation, people talk, go to



**SERVING THE FLOCK**—Mauricio Perez, San Jose, Costa Rica, pastor, is assisted by Jose Manuel Biamonte, the area's only deacon. Mr. Biamonte is pictured with his wife, Elsie, and daughter, Karina.

the pools or the beach and participate in sports. The church has potlucks, sporting activities, children's parties and outings to places of interest and folkloric dance performances.



**CAKE BREAK**—Like their counterparts around the world, Costa Rican children enjoy cake and ice cream at a party.

As the church grows, more activities are conducted for the youths. Singles and teens practice folkloric dances during the year and perform at the Feast. They performed for Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach when he visited in 1988.

Brethren attend the Feast in San Jose. A few members from Panama join them.

Although some members don't have enough money to cover Feast expenses, those with excess Festival funds help. Few can transfer to other areas.

### An isolated group

There is little opportunity to fellowship with congregations in other countries. To do that "we have to go up the mountains and down the mountains and down the mountains and up..." Mr. Perez said.

In that regard Costa Rican brethren have a sense of isolation. This is especially true of older brethren who traveled in the past to other Feast sites. "It is not so easy to

travel now, and they miss that aspect," said Mr. Perez.

Inflation is high, although it is better this year, Mr. Perez said.

Marriages have grown stronger as the brethren have matured in the Church.

"The economic condition of the brethren reflects that of the country," Mr. Perez said. "The members are not rich and not poor, but stable. Costa Rica is the most stable country in the region."

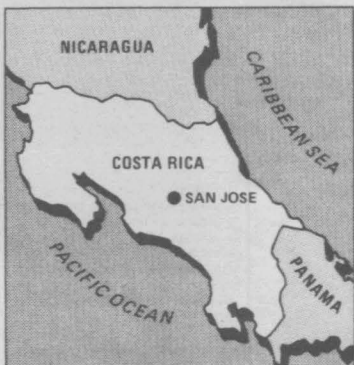
Brethren own their homes—usually small homes of wood or brick. Most have telephones and televi-

Mr. Perez said of the Costa Rican members: "The brethren are growing steadily, and they are happy." sions.

### Costa Rica

Attendance	130
Local church elders	0
Deacons	1
Deaconesses	0
Teens	9
Children under 12	15
Singles	30
Over 60s	3
Spokesman Clubs	1
Graduate Clubs	0

## WE ARE ONE FAMILY



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

CHICAGO, Ill.—Six staff members from Church Administration's Deaf Program in Pasadena traveled here Sept. 1 for a get-together and workshop for Chicago West ministers and signers.

The group, **Selmer and Iris Hegvold, David and Sally Barnett, Ted Landis and Jill Murray**, stayed with Church members. Mr. Hegvold is director of the Church's Deaf Program.

Sabbath morning, Sept. 2, after introducing the staff to the signers, Mr. Hegvold reviewed the objectives of the visit.

Workshop participants ate sandwiches and snacks and fellowshiped with members arriving early for the 2 p.m. services.

**Darwin Kirchner**, a deaf member who attends the Rockford, Ill., church, gave the opening prayer in sign language. The prayer was voiced by **Larry Kreuscher** of Kenosha, Wis., whose wife, **Stacey**, is deaf.

Special Sabbath music, a tape of "The Holy City," was signed by Mrs. Murray.

Mr. Barnett, a deaf deacon, gave the sermonette in sign language. Mr. Landis, seated in the front row with a lapel microphone, voiced for Mr. Barnett.

Mr. Hegvold gave the sermon. Activities Saturday concluded with an evening of food, skits, mime and fellowship.

Sunday, Sept. 3, Chicago West deaf program volunteers and deaf members and interpreters from other Chicago area churches, met for all-day sessions.

Topics included note taking, challenges of deaf members coming into the Church and a question-and-answer session.

Activities concluded with a barbecue, and the Deaf Program staff returned to Pasadena Sept. 4.

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PASADENA—Media Planning & Promotion, in conjunction with Ambassador College Career Services, designed a brochure for high-school-aged Church youths titled, "Is There Life After High School?"

The brochure emphasizes the importance of going to college, examines the shift by employers toward liberal arts majors and shows how an Ambassador education can help.

The brochure will be made available in two ways. It will be available during the Feast at Ambassador College booths, and it will be part of a direct-mail package sent to Church youths who are juniors and seniors in high school.

**Terry Warren** was creative director of the project. **Doug Russell** was art director, and **Gary Fakhoury** wrote the copy.

Another brochure is planned for the spring and will be distributed to corporations. It will serve as a tool in helping potential employers become aware of Ambassador College graduates, according to **Jeb Egbert**, director of Career Services.

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MIAMI, Fla.—Nine hundred forty-nine Miami North and South and Boca Raton, Fla., brethren celebrated the 25th anniversary of the church here Aug. 12 and 13.

**Joseph Tkach Jr.**, associate director of Church Administration for the United States, was guest speaker. Other guests were **Frederick Kellers**, Miami pastor from 1973 to 1977, and his wife, **Lucretia**; and **Al Kersha**, Miami pastor from 1978 to 1985.

Anniversary activities included a dinner dance Saturday evening, Aug. 12, and a Sunday picnic at

which an anniversary cake was cut. The first service in Miami took place Aug. 15, 1964.

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PASADENA—Imperial Schools began the 1989-90 academic year Sept. 5. Four hundred eleven students are enrolled in kindergarten through 12th grade.

This year's student body includes 16 new students, six of whom are international—from Zimbabwe, Sri Lanka, Malaysia and Italy.

"All of them are coping well," said **Joseph Locke**, Imperial Schools superintendent.

The parents of the international students are either attending Ambassador College or receiving additional ministerial training in area churches.

**Lorraine Fakhoury** rejoined the faculty to teach fourth grade. Miss Fakhoury taught at Imperial until 1974, when the schools closed and she went to work in the public school system.

Band is offered this year to fifth-through eighth-grade students who already know how to play an instrument. **Travis Riddle**, an Ambassador College senior, is band director.

Near the end of last school year the Success Through Accepting Responsibility (STAR) program began in the elementary school.

The goal of the program "is to provide a systematic approach for instructing students in basic values in order to be successful in life," said **Robert Cote**, Imperial Schools vice principal.

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ORR, Minn.—The Summer Educational Program (SEP) opened its doors to deaf campers during the third session of camp here, July 21 to Aug. 9.

**Cara Barnett, Robin Johnson and Mike Parisi**, along with their interpreters, campers **Chad Barnett** and **Pandi Reitz**, received awards for

outstanding effort and participation.

"I was prepared to face many frustrations," wrote 18-year-old **Cara** from Pasadena. "After several days, however, I saw that communicating was not the problem I thought it would be. All the staff and campers really put forth their best effort to make me feel a part of the SEP fun."

**Mike**, a 17-year-old from Boston, Mass., agreed. "It was easy to communicate with them by using my voice and sometimes writing on a piece of paper," he said.

**Mike** and **Robin** taught their dorm how to finger spell. By the end of camp they could communicate in basic sign language.

Camp director **Kermit Nelson** plans to continue the deaf program. "If the number of applicants increases, we will make every effort to accommodate them all at camp," he said.

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EL DORADO, Ark.—**Robin Taylor**, who attends Sabbath services here, received a Future Homemakers of America (FHA) Gold Star Award during the association's national leadership meeting in July in Anaheim, Calif.



ROBIN TAYLOR

The Star Award (Student Taking Action for Recognition) honors young women and men who excel in homemaking categories such as family communications, community service projects and food service.



"That also he should gather together in one the children of God that were scattered abroad." (John 11:52)

BOREHAMWOOD, England—The Jos, Nigeria, church was moved in June from a centrally located conference center to a quieter part of town.

*The following report was received from the British Office, where evangelist Frank Brown serves as regional director for Britain, Scandinavia, the Middle East and East and West Africa.*

A frenzy of activity has spread all over the country since the military government in May lifted a ban on politics.

Travel is more dangerous, and hotel bookings and meeting halls are hard to obtain. Please remember God's Work there in your prayers.

#### Singles in Nigeria

In Owerri, the fifth wedding in the last six months took place in June.

Singles face a problem in eastern

Nigeria. Even though God seems to be calling some single women into the Church, it has not become easier for marriages to take place.

Nonmember parents of female members expect high dowries and the fulfillment of certain cultural requirements before giving their daughters in marriage.

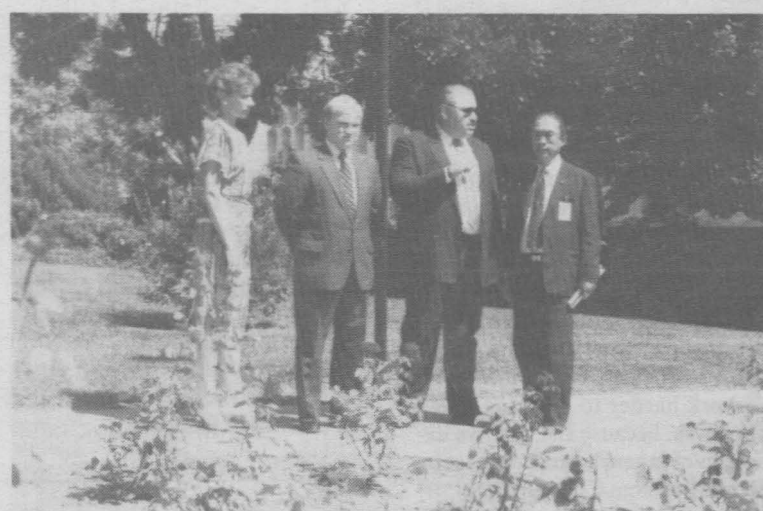
Women reared to look upon their physical families as their only source of support go through a mental struggle in trying to decide whether to marry in cases where cultural requirements are unreasonable or impossible to meet.

#### African students

Emmanuel and Monica Sogbo and Catherine Njeri arrived in Pasadena to attend Ambassador College.

The Sogbos are Ghanaians who lived in Nigeria. Miss Njeri is a Kenyan.

Returning to college as a junior, after spending the summer in Kenya, is **Kimani Ndungu**, bringing to nine the number of East and



**VISITING DIGNITARY**—**Pratheep Sochiratana** (right), former consul general of Thailand in Los Angeles, now Thai ambassador to Brazil, Venezuela and Colombia, toured the Pasadena Ambassador College campus Aug. 9. With the ambassador are (from right) **Leon Sexton**, a ministerial trainee in the Mojave and Bakersfield, Calif., churches, who is involved with Ambassador Foundation projects in Asia; **Raymond Epperson**, a foundation employee; and **Mr. Sexton's wife, Gloria**. [Photo by Mike Bedford]

**Robin's** category was the junior job interview. Contestants developed a resume and a job application form, participated in an interview and wrote a follow-up letter.

Criteria for judging included performance, personal qualities, knowledge of job requirements and quality of developed materials.

FHA comprises more than 280,000 home economics students. Of these, 750 were chosen to compete at the national convention.

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PASADENA—The list of Feast of Tabernacles guest speakers published in the Sept. 11 *Worldwide News* should have included **Charles Bryce** as a speaker in Amman, Jordan.

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PASADENA—The announcement of the ordinations of **George Efthymoulos** and **Aldrin Mandimika**, which appeared in the Sept. 11 *Worldwide News*, was mistakenly attributed to the Borehamwood, England, Office.

Mr. Efthymoulos, who pastors the Bulawayo, Zimbabwe, church, and Mr. Mandimika, pastor of the Harare, Zimbabwe, and Lusaka, Zambia, churches, serve in the area administered by the Cape Town,

West African students in Ambassador College.

#### Church in Ghana

Because of certain activities of some church organizations in Ghana, several have been closed and all others have been required to re-register.

We are in the process of reregistering the Church and ask members to pray that God would grant us success.

Emmanuel and Margaret Okai, who graduated from Ambassador College in May, returned to Ghana. Mr. Okai is employed as a ministerial trainee and office manager.

#### Baptism in Tanzania

June 25 **Owen Willis**, pastor of the Nairobi and Kibirichia, Kenya, and **Blantyre, Malawi**, churches, baptized a prospective member in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.

The number of members in Tanzania is seven men and two women.

#### Ugandan brethren

Low rainfall in Uganda makes farming difficult. In July the coming harvest season looked poor.

Members and prospective members have been affected by illnesses striking the area. None are gravely ill, however.

Despite these conditions the members remain positive and cheerful.

They are eagerly looking forward to keeping the Feast together in Tororo this year, as national stability is making it possible.

South Africa, Office.

The ordinations took place July 30 at a conference attended by evangelist **Frank Brown**, British regional director, and his wife, **Sharon**; and evangelist **Leslie McCullough**, South African regional director, and his wife, **Marion**.

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PASADENA—Ambassador College Career Services began the 1989-90 academic year with a goal-setting seminar for freshman students Aug. 30 and a career path seminar Sept. 13.

Other seminars will cover resume writing and interviewing techniques, according to **Jeb Egbert**, Career Services director.

"We have a fairly full schedule of seminars for the year," Mr. Egbert said. "Ambassador College should become a means to an end, as opposed to an end in itself, and in the physical sense that means selecting a career. We are here to help students do that."

Mr. Egbert said the college plans to establish a network with the ministry worldwide. "We will be sending them a form through the Pastor General's Report," he said.

The forms should supply specific information about jobs and general information about the job market in each area. The forms will be two-plied, with one copy for Pasadena and one for Big Sandy.

Mr. Egbert also indicated that the college hopes to make available to the student body an aptitude test titled *Structure of Intellect*.

"This test draws a correlation between students' aptitudes and potential career opportunities."

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