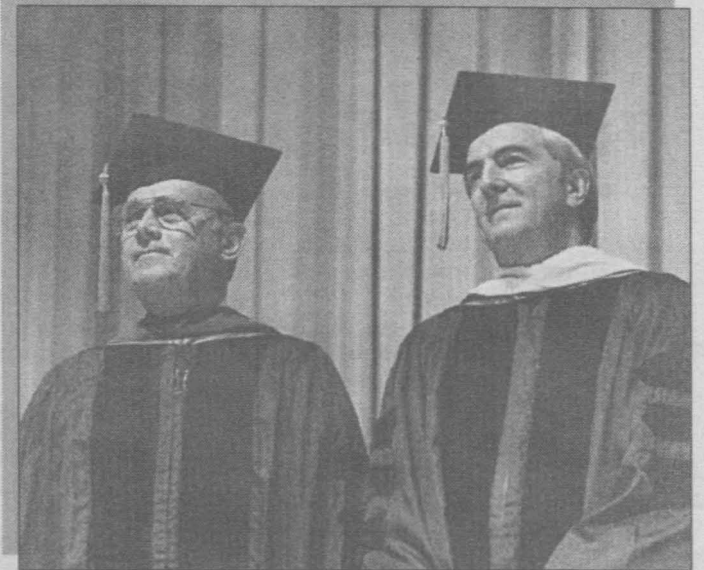




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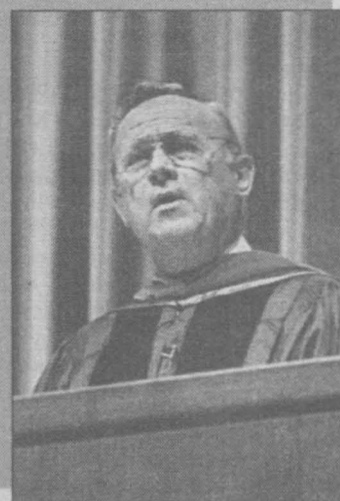


Chancellor Tkach and President Donald Ward

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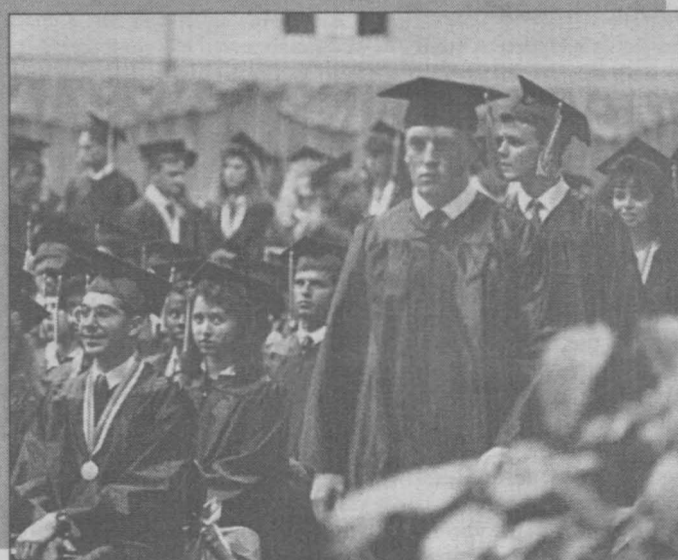
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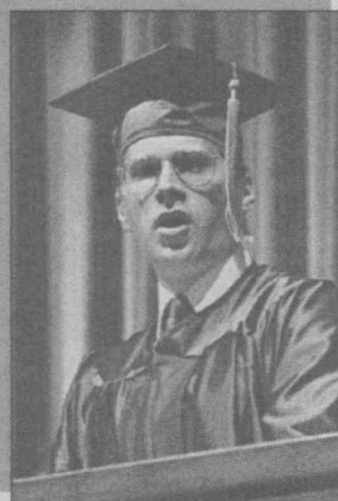
Chancellor Tkach delivers commencement address to audience of 3,400 graduates, family and friends in Big Sandy.



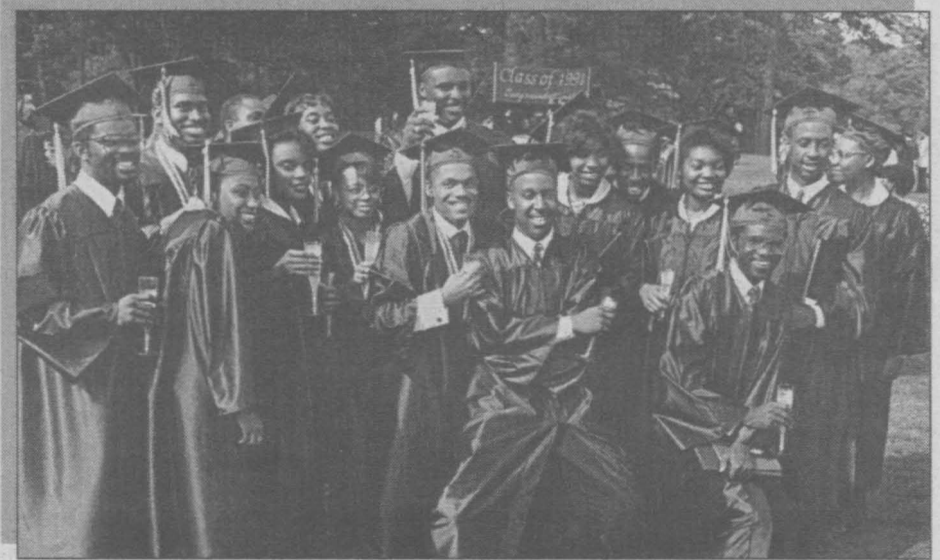
Chancellor Joseph W. Tkach and Michael Germano, dean of academic affairs, congratulate Ambassador graduates.



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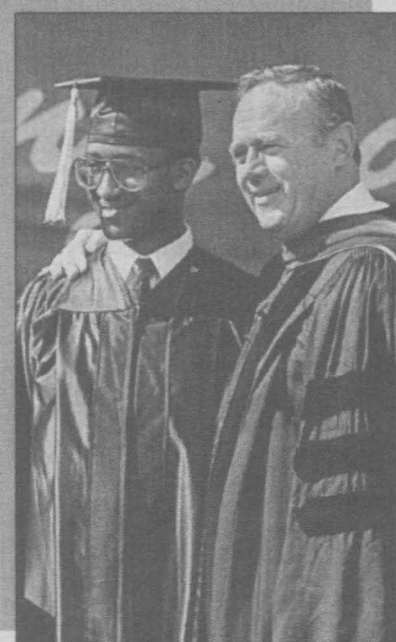
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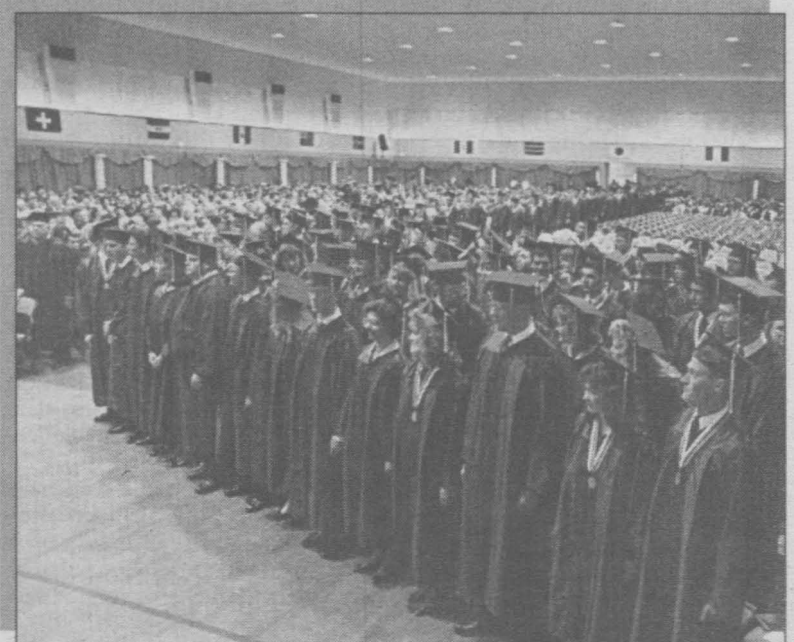
Happy graduates



Ambassador College Field House Auditorium



Kimani Ndungu, and Chancellor Tkach



Ambassador College Class of 1991

Church headquarters institutes water conservation program

By Paul Monteith

PASADENA—Water consumption must be reduced by 10 percent from 1989 levels, the City Council told residents, businesses and corporations here May 20. The council also approved a plan that requires high volume users to pay more for their water.

Aware of the growing need to conserve water, Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach asked for the formulation of a water conservation policy for the entire Pasadena facility in February.

Mr. Tkach takes an active role in the every day operations of the headquarters facilities. He accompanies Landscape personnel on tours of the grounds providing advice and direction. He is concerned not only with the beauty of the grounds, but with the safety of employees and visitors, as well as the conservation of resources.

The Church owns 52 acres of land here, 32 acres of which comprise the former Ambassador College campus with its gardens and lawns. Responsible for the upkeep of those grounds is Ron Grassmann, Landscape Department manager.

"The drought brought to our attention the need to have someone focus on water conservation," Mr. Grassmann said. To meet that need, Chris Finlay, floriculture supervisor in Landscape, was appointed water conservationist, with Carlos Garcia, an irrigationist, assisting him.

Mr. Finlay and Mr. Garcia took water-auditing classes and an exam set by the Irrigation Association to receive certification as landscape irrigation auditors in April.

Irrigation

Mr. Finlay is auditing each sprinkler system "to make sure that it has uniformity of water distribution," Mr. Grassmann said.

Sprinkler system technology that may help cut "irrigation to the bone while not sacrificing plant quality" is also being reviewed, said Mr. Finlay.

"But that technology is of no value if the irrigation system is not applying water uniformly, which is why Landscape is examining its sprinklers," he explained.

Systems that are not up to standards will be upgraded, and "once we have done that then we can start to think about using some of the available technology

to further reduce the use of water on the grounds.

Guidelines

The Landscape Department has also received water conservation guidelines from Rebecca Fisher, a landscape conservation specialist with the Pasadena Water & Power Department.

"Rebecca has been on our grounds and has given us guidelines, some of which we are starting to implement," Mr. Grassmann said. "Nothing mandatory at the moment, but just basic water conservation suggestions."

Said Mr. Finlay: "Rebecca and the Water & Power Department already feel that we are setting an example to Pasadena in terms of our concern and that we do have a water conservation policy."

Among her recommendations for the Church grounds is that "we reduce lawn areas that are not used for recreation or leisure activities," Mr. Grassmann said. "We will replace some lawns, or small area lawns, with more water-thrift-type plant materials."

"In some areas we have taken out Mondo grass [a form of ground cover], which doesn't do well in the sun, and replaced it with junipers. In some other areas we have replaced the ivy ground cover with bark," which not only cuts down on water but also on maintenance, he said.

Water-loving azaleas in areas with southern exposure will be put in areas of northern exposure, where it is cooler and where they will require less water, added Mr. Finlay.

Ground cover

Rebecca Fisher also advised Landscape to replace the dichondra lawns with plant material that uses less water.

Back in the 1960s "when Mr. Armstrong wanted dichondra for the campus, it was the No. 1 ground cover used in Southern California," Mr. Finlay said.

Although the dichondra's high water use alone would have caused its demise in this semiarid area, there were other factors affecting its continued use.

"In the late '70s, disease and pests moved in and made it harder for people to maintain," Mr. Grassmann said.

Another contributing factor was the loss of student labor when the College moved to Big Sandy. With a smaller work crew Land-

scape could no longer provide the manpower and time needed to maintain the dichondra.

Except for a border area around the Ambassador Auditorium, the dichondra is being replaced by fescue, a type of grass.

"In our situation fescue will not require as much water as dichondra and will reduce water use by 10 to 20 percent," Mr. Grassmann said.

Conserving and preserving

While Landscape looks at ways to conserve water it is also being "careful to maintain the historical and cultural image of the grounds," he continued.

There is a school of thought, added Mr. Finlay, that says "we should just pull things out and put in cactus or other desert-type plants." But conservationists studying xeriscaping—the technique of water-efficient landscaping—have found that "a lot of the plants grown in this area could do with less water than people put on them."

"Even we could probably use less water irrigating than we do at present. So we may be replacing less of our plants than you might think," he said.

Presently there are no regulations against the use of water for decorative streams, fountains or pools that use recirculated water. "Unless the air is dry or there is a wind blowing," Mr. Grassmann said, "more water evaporates from turf and ground cover than from



IRRIGATION AUDIT—Chris Finlay (left), water conservationist, measures the precipitation rate and the uniformity of water distribution from a sprinkler system at Church headquarters. Assisting him is Dale Coker, Landscape projects assistant. [Photo by G.A. Belluche Jr.]

open water such as the reflecting pool around the Auditorium.

"If the drought continues and there are further water cutbacks, then the reflecting pool and streams would be affected."

Severe water cutbacks would also mean that "we would have to let some turfed areas die so that we can hold on to others," Mr. Finlay said. Lawns would be the cheapest to let go and the easiest to grow back, added Mr. Grassmann.

March rains not enough

"At the present time, even a month like Miracle March, in which precipitation statewide averaged nearly three times normal, has not been enough to reverse the effects of five years of drought," said Mr. Finlay.

"Water officials are saying that it will take three years of normal rainfall to put us back to normal."

However, the March rains did buy us "precious time to implement water conservation measures with the minimum of disruption," said Mr. Grassmann.

Had the March rains not come "we probably would have seen 50 percent cuts by the end of the summer," Mr. Finlay remarked. Then "we would definitely have had to sacrifice some of our lawns. March saved us and now we can proceed more reasonably and prepare for further water cutbacks, when they come, whether in December or some time down the road."

"Projections show that by the year 2000 even normal rainfall will fail to supply our needs because of a growing population and increased environmental needs. Therefore, it looks like utilizing what water we do have to the maximum will become a way of life."

15 minute program to air in Europe in 1992

New telecast format approved

By Bill Palmer

PASADENA—A 15-minute version of the *World Tomorrow* telecast will begin airing in Europe next January, according to Ray Wright, director of Media Planning & Promotion (MP&P).

Late in May Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach gave the Television Department the go-ahead for a series of 15-minute European telecasts.

Bill Palmer is on the staff of The Plain Truth.

Unlike the U.S. market, the European market allows syndication of 15-minute programs, according to Mr. Wright. In the United States, the smallest available time slot is 30 minutes.

MP&P and Church Administration International had been looking for ways to make the most out of the European television budget. Distributing a 15-minute program is one way to stretch that budget.

MP&P, Television and Church Administration International considered the 15-minute concept with two questions in mind: Would a 15-minute version of *The World Tomorrow* be marketable in Europe? and Would such a program be feasible from a production standpoint?

The answer to both questions was yes, so Television produced a 15-minute pilot program from the 30-minute U.S. telecast titled "Broken Planet." Mr. Tkach liked the 15-minute version and approved production.

Interpartners Inc., the Church's time-buying agency in Europe, then reviewed the program and said it was marketable.

Eventually the European programs could be lip syncs, or lip synchronizations. A lip sync is a

translation in which the words are closely matched to the movement of the original speaker's lips, even though he is speaking in a different language.

The French, German and Italian versions of the telecast are currently 30-minute voice-overs. (A voice-over is a program in which a translation soundtrack is added to the original. Unlike a lip sync, the viewer can hear both languages.)

The Dutch version is subtitled. (Because English is required of all Dutch students, the Dutch prefer to have English programs subtitled so students may follow along and hone their language skills.)

MP&P and Church Administration International began looking at the idea of lip syncing about a year ago. At that time Baker Lovick, the Church's television time-buying agency in Canada,

suggested the French-Canadian version of *The World Tomorrow* be lip synced.

After demonstrating how closely a translation could be matched to the speaker's lip movements, the agency explained that audience acceptance of lip syncs is greater than audience acceptance of voice-overs or subtitled programs.

The quality of lip syncs impressed MP&P, Television and French Department personnel, who began working with evangelist Larry Salyer, director of Church Administration International, to determine whether *The World Tomorrow* could be lip synced.

The Television Department completed a pilot lip synced program. If this test program meets expectations, a French lip synced version of the telecast could begin airing when the new season begins.

Back to the Ozarks?

PASADENA—Festival Administration announced that the Church is considering returning to Lake of the Ozarks, Mo., for the Feast of Tabernacles as early as the fall of 1992. Church officials have been negotiating with Ozark authorities for several months.

The Feast site there was sold to a private corporation in 1985. Since that time the Feast has been conducted in Tulsa, Okla., Kansas City, Mo., and this year will be conducted in Hot Springs, Ark. Meanwhile, the former Church property has been acquired by Columbia College, which plans to use the convention building as a site for events such as the Festival.

"The site at Lake of the Ozarks would not replace the new Hot Springs site, which we expect to work well, but would supplement our sites in the Midwest," said Mark McCulley, Festival Administration manager.

Housing arrangements and the contract for the meeting space are being negotiated. "Many members would be surprised if they could see the amount of development that has occurred at Lake of the Ozarks in the last five years," commented Mr. McCulley. "If all the negotiations work out as we hope, we will have a very pleasant site for the Feast. Members' prayers for the success of our preparations would be appreciated."

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physical and material possessions, these individuals lost or smashed the spiritual compass that would lead them to the proper balance of profit-making and also helping others.

They talk about peace in a world that does not fully understand the definition of the word *peace*—because they are not acquainted with their Creator. In order to have peace, we are to love God with all our might, with all our soul and with all our being.

And the second commandment is like the first—that we should love our neighbor as ourselves. This is the definition of godly peace: love toward our neighbor and guiding and directing our lives based on precepts that come from God's word.

Individuals in the world today choose instead to hurt and to steal from the works of others. And, sad to say, we must now all pay the price for this enormous and treacherous sin.

It is just as Admiral H.G. Rickover, a man who devoted much of his life to the study and promotion of *sound* education, declared before a congressional committee: "The human values that make for the civilized life are not created or preserved without continuous effort."

If the 56 founding fathers who signed the Declaration of Independence were to be resurrected today, I wonder if their reaction would be, "We died for *this*?!" Shortly after the 56 individuals signed the Declaration of Independence, many met with violent death.

Ambassador's vision

The human values that make for civilized life are not created or preserved without continuous effort. Ambassador *has* this vision. Ours is not an empty aphorism.

When we say we are here to recapture true values, we realize, accept and champion that there are indeed true values at large—something many others foolishly deny, to their hurt and folly. But the mere knowledge of true values is hardly sufficient.

The 19th-century historian Henry Brooks Adams rightly said that nothing in education is so astonishing as the amount of ignorance it accumulates in the form of inert facts. Education can be defined as what is left over after we forget what we have initially learned.

And mark this well: From an Ambassador perspective, education is of no value unless it is applied in your lives.

As chancellor and chairman of the board of regents for Ambassador College, I charge all of you graduates today to fix this solidly in your minds because of the many sacrifices that have been made on your behalf to be able to attend Ambassador College. Many people have toiled and sacrificed so you could be here today.

Allow me to illustrate how a major sacrifice takes place each year so Ambassador College can be a reality. All of you students and your families are aware of how much it costs to go to college. Each of you will have spent \$4,500 a year for college here at Ambassador, and almost \$20,000 by the time you receive your bachelor's degree.

Now when we look at it that way, that's a lot of money. But what you may not realize is that

the Church subsidizes each one of you financially to make this possible.

Because for every one of the 1,133 full-time students at Ambassador, the Worldwide Church of God will contribute \$13,000 per year for each student—costing the Church nearly \$52,000 for every graduate who receives a bachelor's degree.

That is the amount that the Worldwide Church of God underwrites for our students—to receive either an associate of arts or a bachelor's degree. And please realize that does not include the major, capital building investments we made this year.

What I would also like you students to know is that this additional \$14.5 million of support you receive does not come from an endowment, nor is it supported by federal or tax revenue. The total cost of an education at Ambassador College is similar to the cost at other state

most searching question that can be asked about a university is, "What sort of person does it produce?"

From our perspective, that is a foundational question we, as administrators, often ask ourselves, constantly evaluating the fruits of our labors: Just what kind of person does Ambassador College produce?

Judging by what I have seen, we produce an excellent caliber of educated people, who are prepared to serve, to help, and to grow, and to alleviate the suffering of mankind whenever the opportunity presents itself.

You graduates have learned the true values that we seek to capture. The Ambassador faculty has spent considerable time imparting to you the priceless gift of becoming an educated person.

But even after all this work, all this training, all this education, we cannot guarantee greatness in *any* of you. I believe that in your time

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and private institutions.

However, the major difference is that the extra costs of operating the College are borne directly from the contributions made by members of the Worldwide Church of God. Their continuing, faithful, financial sacrifice is one of the major reasons that we can even be here today.

We hope to develop some financial programs, including endowments, that will in the future mitigate the current financial burden that we now are under.

But for the present, the Church continues to provide the greatest support. The Church makes this kind of investment in its young people because, as I said at the beginning, *you* are our future. And you have a very important role to play in the not-too-distant future.

Brand Blanshard, who has served on the philosophy faculty at Michigan, Swarthmore and Yale, once expressed this about the function of a college. He said, "The

here at Ambassador, we have the opportunity to help refine, to inspire your thoughts.

We can introduce you to the truths that are eternal. But despite all our efforts and labor, we can't make you into anything you don't want to be. But we can do the next best thing.

As Alfred North Whitehead reminds us, "Education can supply the vision of greatness for those who have eyes to see with"—a takeoff on Proverbs 29:18. "Where there is no vision, [my] people [will] perish," God says.

True vision of greatness is found in the pages of God's written word. As recorded in the book of Matthew, Jesus told us, "[Whoever] wants to become great among you must be your servant."

As Moses was told by the God of Abraham—one of the greatest compliments man can receive—you are *ebed Adonai*, God's bond slave. And Jesus went on to say, "And [whoever] wants to be first

must [first] be your slave"—taken from Matthew 20:26-27 (New International Version).

This is why the Church regards as worthy its major financial commitment to all of you. In the next few minutes, you graduates will join an elite group. As graduates, you'll be associated with a group of individuals who have learned how the spiritual principles integrate in the day-to-day activities of life.

You have new knowledge and new abilities that the Church earnestly needs if it is to grow and flourish. You have been given a gift, and now you have a *major* responsibility, if not an *obligation*, to share that gift with others in your service of life.

All of us present today know that this world is filled with hurting, with pain, with anguish and with much suffering. The recent Gulf War and its dark aftermath of fleeing refugees should serve as a sobering reminder for every one of

teous examples, but committed people who do what is right even when others don't.

Formerly, most of the graduates of Ambassador College were hired directly into the Church's employ. That was the primary purpose of the College some decades ago.

Today we have an equally important task. In addition to your spiritual education in true values, you have been given top-drawer education in business administration, computer science and other fields. You are as properly, if not better, equipped to earn a living as any graduate of any other college. You have the necessary tools for success.

As you go from Ambassador today, I would like you to remember these words from William Jennings Bryan. He said that success is not searching for you; you must do the seeking. "Destiny is not a matter of chance, it is a matter of choice." God sets a choice before *all* of us, as human beings, when he brings us to the crossroads of life.

In Deuteronomy 30:19, God says, "I ... set before you life and death ... choose life, [so] that ... you and your seed may live [and have eternal life]."

Success "is not a thing to be waited for, it is a thing to be *achieved*" by your diligent effort and desire. The same holds true with education: Learning is not attained by chance; it must be sought with ardor and attended to with diligence.

So, Ambassador graduates, you have everything you need to be a success in this world. Now you must choose.

We as administrators believe that by coming to Ambassador College, you have already made the right choice. There will be many others that must be made in your lives. Now you need to put your choice into action.

Graduates, take this vision of sharing, of helping, of serving, and show this world what it really means to be a graduate of Ambassador College. Continue to grow, and you will be one of the truly "greats" in the not-too-distant future.

Be different

Graduates, you are charged to be *different*. Jesus said that if we are to follow him, we must be lights in a darkened world. A city set on a hill cannot be hid.

Graduates, you must be visible examples of the way of life you have learned here at Ambassador—not preachy or self-right-

Lessons

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dom. The people who go backward miss the boat.

Those who look for new leadership tempt God. Don't we trust God's ability to pick leaders?

Jesus said: "He who receives whomever I send receives Me" (John 13:20). There should be no doubt who God has sent to lead the Church. We must receive him, if we want to receive Christ. If we reject him, then we reject Christ.

We must accept God's servants. It's the same issue today as it was in the days of Moses, Aaron, Joshua and Caleb. The issues haven't changed. And the necessity for faith hasn't changed.

Those who question whether the Lord is among us or not should consider the work being done.

The gospel is being preached. "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you" (Matthew 28:19-20).

People are coming into the Church today who never saw a telecast by Mr. Armstrong. That is not to take anything away from Mr. Armstrong, it's just that the process

of salvation continues.

God works with different people at different times. Times change, people die and the Church moves forward. When Moses died God provided new leadership. Today we have the leadership of Mr. Tkach. The Work continues, disciples are being made and they are observing the things that Jesus commanded.

God continues to do signs and wonders among us. He's not dividing the sea and making manna come down out of the sky, but that's not his main intent.

God is making sons and daughters for his kingdom. Do we lose sight of that fact? Do we think anybody else is doing this? Or doing it better?

We've got to keep our faith in God's ability to lead the Church. We've got to have faith in the leadership that he has chosen. And we've got to continue to exercise that faith and resist the critical, negative attitudes.

Our own shortcomings

We also have our own shortcomings to face. It can be discouraging to have to acknowledge that we are still sinners.

Once again we must stand still and see the salvation of the Eternal and trust that he is willing to lead us into the kingdom. His attitude toward us is positive.

"Do not fear, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom" (Luke 12:32).

That's Christ's objective: "This is the will of the Father who sent Me, that of all He has given Me I should lose nothing" (John 6:39).

Christ does not intend to lose anyone in the Church. He wants everyone to make it. And everyone who stays with him will make it.

But if we depart from him, with the attitude of doubt, discouragement and negativism, then we will fail. Personal problems and sins can be discouraging, but we must exercise faith that God will help us through those things.

Though sinners by nature, God is changing those natures. Look unto Jesus, "the author and finisher of our faith." (Hebrews 12:2). And consider him, "who endured such hostility from sinners against Himself, lest you become weary and discouraged in your souls" (verse 3).

When we become weary we need to look to Jesus to get us through and to give us the joy that enabled him to endure the cross and disregard the shame.

Ask God, as David did in Psalm 51, to restore unto us the joy of his salvation. Sometimes the joy gets away. Not every day as a Christian is a joyful day, and on those less-than-joyful days we need to have

God restore the joy of his salvation.

Paul tells us that God will give us the will to endure with faithful confidence. "For it is God who works in you both to will and to do for His good pleasure" (Philippians 2:13).

God can supply the willingness to change our attitude, and what seemed impossible when we were in a negative attitude, now seems straightforward. God changes our attitude and guides us in the right direction.

God didn't call us to destroy us. He called us to help us attain the kingdom. And that's what he is going to do if we keep the faith.

Paul said he could do all things through Christ who strengthened him (Philippians 4:13). That is a positive "can-do" attitude. That's what we need to persevere through trials. And we need to recover more of this can-do, positive, attitude.

Like Joshua we've got to believe that we can take the land. God is with us. We can enter the kingdom. It's going to be ours. That's the attitude that God admires and rewards.

Believe and trust in God. He's going to bring us into his kingdom. Keep a positive attitude, don't grow weary and faint and become discouraged. Exercise faith and remember what the apostle Paul said to the brethren: "The just shall live by faith."

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

UPDATE

PASADENA—*Plain Truth* writers **John Halford** and **Christina Kuo** visited the Superconducting Super Collider Laboratory (SSC), in De Soto, Tex., May 23.

The super collider is a high energy subatomic particle accelerator that will be built to learn more about the nature of matter and energy, according to Mr. Halford. Scientists working on the project hope to recreate conditions at the moment of creation of the universe, what is commonly called the Big Bang.

Russ Wiley, director of external affairs for SSC, invited the two writers to tour the laboratory after reading Mr. Halford's article, "Speeding Atoms Collide in Texas," in the May-June issue of *Youth 91*, and the "Groping in the Light" booklet, which Mr. Halford and Miss Kuo worked on together.

"Mr. Wiley thought the Church had a balanced approach between religion and science," said Miss Kuo. "He said the booklet helped him get a better perspective of what God is all about."

Mr. Wiley ordered 100 copies each of the "Groping in the Light" booklet and the May-June *Youth 91* to share with the SSC staff. He said his co-workers have given both publications "rave reviews."

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PASADENA—"Brethren need to be informed about a clarification to the procedure regarding their form of payment when making an airline reservation with Delta or United for the Feast," said **Frank Fish**, manager of WCG Travel.

"When making a Feast reservation using the Delta or United convention desk and convention number, you must specify whether you will be paying by check or credit card," Mr. Fish said.

"The reservation record must contain a notation of the method of payment in order for WCG Travel to receive the record and produce the tickets."

If you are paying by credit card, the WCG Travel ticketing system established with Delta and United requires you to give your credit card number when making the reservation.

It is not necessary to call WCG Travel when you are using the convention desk and are paying by credit card. Upon receipt of your reservation record WCG Travel will print your tickets and mail them to you along with a 4 percent rebate check. This can be accomplished with the one phone call you make to Delta or United provided the method of payment is recorded. Please note that this system does not apply to other airlines.

For additional explanation please read page 5 of the 1991 Travel Programs brochure.

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PASADENA—Presenter **Richard Ames** and Television Department employees **Keith Stump**, **Joe Costantino**, **Don Conard** and **Gary Werings** visited Egypt April 26 to May 14 to tape a two-part *World Tomorrow* series on the Exodus.

The group filmed in the Cairo area, Luxor (Thebes), archaeological sites in the Nile Delta (Goshen), and the area where the Israelites would have crossed the Red Sea. The conclusion of the

series was taped at Mt. Sinai.

"This trip was a first for us," said Mr. Stump. "Never before have we taped a program completely on location."

The series will focus on the lessons learned from the Exodus, and is scheduled to air next Passover season.

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PASADENA—The Festival Office announced that **Carl Dayhoff** will be the special music coordinator at the site in St. Petersburg, Fla., in addition to directing the choir.

Those interested in performing should call Mr. Dayhoff at 1-813-549-4072, or write to him at 1105 S.E. 30th St., Cape Coral, Fla., 33904.

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BIG SANDY—The Spanish Office announced that English translation will be available at the Feast site in Humacao, Puerto Rico.

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PASADENA—The Television Department needs volunteers to work as video projector operators at the Feast of Tabernacles in Pasadena this fall.

Duties include operating a pro-

jector during the Feast and working with an engineer from the Television Department should any problems occur.

The Television Department prefers people with experience in video production or a strong background in engineering and electronics.

Training will take place in Pasadena the day before the Feast, Sept. 22, and work will begin the second day of the Feast, Sept. 24.

Those interested should call **Steve Bergstrom** at 1-818-304-6190, or send a letter outlining their qualifications to Ambassador Television, 300 W. Green St., Pasadena, Calif., 91129.

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BAY CITY, Mich—**Anna Gingerich**, a member here, celebrated her 100th birthday March 28.

Mrs. Gingerich received congratulatory notes from President **George Bush**, Michigan Governor **John Engler** and Pastor General **Joseph W. Tkach**.

The Midland, Mich., church presented her with a card depicting current events of the day of her birth.

Mrs. Gingerich has been a member since 1956.

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BOREHAMWOOD, England—**Roy Oestensen**, Norwegian translation editor, and **Shirley Buik**, assistant editor, passed the Institute of Linguists Diploma in Translation examinations for Norwegian.

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New Stations

Station/Location	Air Time	Contract Period
WVTM Birmingham, Ala.	Sunday, 6:30 a.m.	May 12, 1991 to May 10, 1992
WJOL Peoria, Ill.	Sunday, 9:30 a.m.	May 19, 1991 to May 10, 1992

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KTSS Seattle, Wash.	Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.
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the letters *Dip. Trans.* after their names and can apply for membership in the Institute of Linguists.

"We felt it would be good to take the diploma examination because neither of us held a formal professional qualification directly related to the work we are doing of producing the Church's literature in Norwegian, although we both had experience and other qualifications as translators," Mr. Oestensen said.

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PASADENA—Ambassador Foundation sponsored the American debut of one of the Soviet Union's most distinguished pianists, **Irina Smorodinova**, in two concerts at the Ambassador Auditorium, May 23 and 30.

Ms. Smorodinova's long-delayed American debut may be attributed to the relaxed climate created by glasnost, which enabled her for the first time to obtain a visa for performances in the United States.

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CROYDON, England—The church here celebrated its 10th anniversary at Sabbath services April 13.

John Meakin, pastor of the Llanelli, Wales, and Bristol, England, churches, who pastored the Croydon church for nine years, gave the sermon.

The celebration included refreshments and a display of photographs covering the history of the Croydon church.

isters, and plans for the future.

We also visited John and Santosh Noah. Mr. Noah, a deacon, is recovering from a heart attack.

Vast area to administer

Like Mr. D'Costa, Mr. Zachariah has three outlying churches to visit each quarter, located in Bombay, where 35 people attend, Delhi, 20, and Goa, 12. He also visits four members in the remote northeastern states on the Myanmar (Burma) border once each year.

In addition, he and Mr. D'Costa stay in touch with about 16 other scattered and isolated members.

One of the difficulties the office faces is the lack of a telephone. While a phone has been applied for and the request has been put on an "urgent" list, it will probably be 12 months before a connection is available.

Sri Lanka

From India we traveled to Colombo, Sri Lanka, April 17, where we met **Mohan Jayasakera**, pastor of the Colombo church.

The island has a population of 16 million people. Three quarters of the people are of Sinhalese ancestry, with 20 percent being Tamil. These two cultures have clashed over the years over political differences.

Members in Sri Lanka are in no danger because most disturbances are in the remote northern areas. The Ambassador Foundation project also is safe from such danger.

We toured the Colombo Office and met the office staff, **Rohan Periera** and **Victor Fernando**.

Mr. Jayasakera drove us to the Waterfield Institute, a school for high school graduates, which has been operated by the Foundation since 1985.

Program director **Dave Clark** gave us a tour of the institute. The next morning we returned to Colombo and that evening Mr. Jayasakera and his wife, **Nihara**, were hosts for a get-together with the Ambassador College students teaching at Waterfield.

On the Sabbath, April 20, more than 140 gathered in the Colombo Office, which also serves as the

congregation's meeting hall.

Malaysia

From Sri Lanka we traveled to Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, April 21, where we met pastor **Yong Chin Gee**, his wife, **Yuet Siam**, and local church elder **Low Mong Chai** and his wife, **Susan**.

Mr. Yong and Mr. Low gave us a tour of the church suboffice and the site of the proposed new meeting hall for the Malaysian church.

"The ministers and members face many challenges those of us in countries like Australia and the United States simply don't even consider," Mr. Matthews said. "It is inspiring to see their faith and commitment and to realize that God is calling people from all walks of life and all parts of the world."

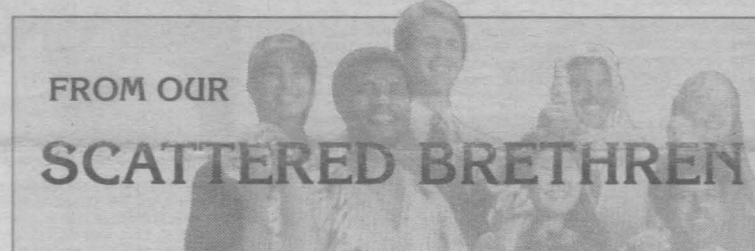


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FROM OUR SCATTERED BRETHREN

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

By **Aub Warren**

PASADENA—Regional director **Rodney Matthews** and I visited three regional suboffices, toured the new Feast site in India and met with ministers and members in India, Sri Lanka and Malaysia during a two-week trip in April.

This report was filed by Aub Warren, who accompanied regional director Rod Matthews on his trip to India, Sri Lanka and Malaysia.

In Madras, India, we met pastor **Joe D'Costa**, and the three of us flew to Bangalore. While there we visited the Feast site and met with Hyderabad pastor **Daniel Zachariah** and four members.

Mr. D'Costa visits Bangalore every three months, and about 13 people attend services. The other two months of each quarter he visits **Tiruchirappalli (Trichy)**, where 22 people attend, and **Kochi**, with an attendance of 35.

Madras

Mr. Matthews conducted a Bible study and delivered a sermon to 40 members and families in Madras April 13.

During the service **Jesuiddo Benjamin** was ordained a deacon. To attend services, one man traveled 130 kilometers (80 miles).

The Madras members, like brethren in other parts of the country, face many difficulties. For example, Saturday is a normal and official work day, which makes it hard for members to get suitable employment, despite having the qualifications.

Those who are employed face

continual battles to have the Sabbath off, often having to use vacation time to do so. They would appreciate the prayers of brethren for favor in finding and holding stable employment.

Hyderabad

After the Sabbath we flew to Hyderabad to visit the suboffice, which is in the sister city of Secunderabad.

The location of the office proved a blessing when, last year, curfews were imposed upon Hyderabad, but not Secunderabad, because of political rioting and violence. Nearly all of the members in the area live in Secunderabad.

The office also serves as a meeting hall for the 32 members and families in Hyderabad and Secunderabad. Twenty-nine people met for a Bible study Sunday night April 14.

Mr. Zachariah manages the suboffice. The suboffice handles mail from Indian members, co-workers and *Plain Truth* readers, coordinates distribution of literature and provides support for the regional office. While we were there the electrical power went off, which is a daily and (almost) predictably regular occurrence in Hyderabad.

Ralph Roach assists Mr. Zachariah in the office. When we visited the post office we learned that Mr. Roach is known by the postal staff as "Worldwide!"

Mr. Matthews reviewed office procedures and discussed ways the regional office could help Mr. D'Costa and Mr. Zachariah with local concerns. He also discussed various matters of administration, issues facing the members and min-