

Christ's Apostle in the Philippines

By Stanley R. Rader

MANILA — Christ's apostle will be leaving Manila today [Jan. 29] having delivered to the Filipino people a message of hope — in fact, their heritage.

Just a few short weeks prior to the impending visit of Pope John Paul II, Christ's apostle has delivered the *TRUE GOSPEL* to thousands of Filipinos — eager to hear the *Truth* that has been suppressed for some 1,900 years.

Culminating his two-week visit to Manila was Herbert W. Armstrong's two personal appearances at the Philippine International Convention Center (PICC). Christ's apostle delivered two powerful messages before capacity houses on Jan. 24 and 25.

Every day Christ's apostle was tracked by the local television and press — and not a negative vibration was to be heard or seen.

Mr. Armstrong's first appearance was before an SRO (standing room only) crowd at Adamson University, where Mr. Armstrong spoke for approximately one hour on the spiritual values that *alone* would give to university students everywhere the opportunity to live happy and abundant lives.

Next, Christ's apostle was the keynote speaker before the Philippine Constitution Association — 750 guests and members, including the chief justice of the supreme court and many cabinet members, heard Mr. Armstrong proclaim the only way to world peace. During the evening, Mr. Armstrong and I were made lifetime members of the association, which was responsible for the 1973 constitutional changes and, under the strong leadership of President Ferdinand Marcos, the lifting of martial law on Jan. 17, 1981.

The following day Mr. Armstrong spoke for one hour before the combined Rotary Clubs of Greater Manila — again, he stressed that only the intervention of Jesus Christ — who will return soon to rule — as a King and High Priest — will prevent mankind from destroying itself.

In the evening, Minister of Labor Blas Ople hosted Mr. Armstrong at a private dinner party. Also present were the minister of agrarian reform [Conrado Estrella], minister of the budget and the minister of justice, as well as various directors of other ministries and selected assemblymen.

The minister of agrarian reform was so impressed with Mr. Armstrong's post-dinner comments that



CARRYING THE GOSPEL — Clockwise from upper left: After addressing the combined Rotary Clubs of Greater Manila, Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong receives a plaque of appreciation from Fidas G. Reina, chapter president of the Rotary Club of Quezon City; Mr. Armstrong and personal assistant Stanley R. Rader en route to a Philconsa (Philippine Constitution Association) meeting, where Mr. Armstrong spoke; Mr. Armstrong answers questions at a Jan. 15 press conference upon his arrival

he invited him to speak a few days later before 450 of his own employees at a specially convened conclave.

The minister of agrarian reform requested that Christ's apostle deliver a *spiritual message* — you can bet he did — with his inimitable power.

On the Friday before the first public appearance, Mr. Armstrong and I were received by President Marcos in a 45-minute televised interview. I will not spoil the surprise in store for you by telling you what was said, because you will be able to see all after our television film has been developed and edited.

at the Manila airport; the pastor general addresses the Adamson University student body Jan. 19; Mr. Armstrong and Mr. Rader meet in private audience with Philippine President Ferdinand E. Marcos Jan. 23; a billboard advertising Mr. Armstrong's two-night campaign; the pastor general meets with brethren after speaking to the combined Manila churches Jan. 17. Center: Mr. Armstrong's meeting with President Marcos was featured in a leading newspaper Jan. 24. [Photos by Larry Omasta]

Mr. Armstrong's picture appeared the next day, Saturday, Jan. 24 — the first day of his personal appearance — on the first page in all newspapers in Manila, above the center fold.

A short meeting took place at the palace with Mrs. [Imelda] Marcos. She will of course be present tonight

at the special benefit performance of *The Sea Wolf* — proceeds of which will go to local charities selected by the first lady. The British ambassador will be present and the Colombian ambassador will be one of the co-hosts.

Hundreds of calls have been (See APOSTLE, page 4)

HWA honors ministers for 25 years of service

PASADENA — Five men were awarded plaques of merit from Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong denoting more than a quarter century of service in the ministry of Jesus Christ, during recent sessions of the Ministerial Refreshing Program, according to evangelist Joe Tkach of Ministerial Services.

Dean Blackwell, Jim Friddle, Burk McNair, George A. Meeker Jr., and Norman A. Smith were presented plaques by Mr. Tkach on behalf of Mr. Armstrong.

"These men have touched the lives of many people in God's Church," Mr. Tkach related. "Their combined years of dedicated service represent more than a century as ordained ministers in service to God, God's Church and God's apostle. Their examples in pioneering many aspects of the Philadelphia era of God's Church under Mr. Armstrong are to be looked up to."

Mr. Tkach praised the wives of the ministers, stating: "A minister's wife performs an extremely impor-

tant role in her husband's ministry. The dedicated wives of these men deserve equal credit for years of service to both their husbands and the congregations they serve together."

The following are biographical sketches of the ministers:

Dean C. Blackwell, 49, was baptized in October, 1952, and married Maxine Tankersley shortly after his ordination in June, 1953. A 1954 graduate of Ambassador College in Pasadena, Mr. Blackwell says that "the Church is my adult life."

He has raised up and pastored several churches, including those in Big Sandy, Tex., South Bend and Indianapolis, Ind., and others.

He served on the faculty of the Big Sandy campus and currently teaches at the Pasadena campus.

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LONG OVERDUE ANNOUNCEMENT

By Herbert W. Armstrong

This is a belated and long overdue acknowledgment of outstanding service to God's Church and His Work by a faithful, competent and honored servant, Virginia Kinston, serving in the Executive Office as secretary to Treasurer Stanley R. Rader, performed a truly heroic self-sacrificing service on Jan. 3, 1979, the day the court-appointed "receiver," with armed deputies invaded the headquarters complex of the

Church in Pasadena.

At even the risk of her own life, before armed men, she held them off until word could be gotten to our attorneys. Since then her secretarial performance has been impeccable, and has exemplified outstanding professional capabilities. I know her to be a woman of highest moral and ethical integrity and professional in her abilities.

The whole Church owes her a debt of gratitude.

Qadhafi Arab empire expands; 'Green Book' guides conquests

PASADENA—A dramatic thrust by Libya's unpredictable, mercurial leader, Col. Muammar Qadhafi, is unsettling leaders in Africa as well as the Western world, which is dependent upon African resources.

Late last year Mr. Qadhafi intervened in the civil war in Chad, dispatching 4,000 troops, tanks and Soviet-built MiG-23 fighters. Chad lies to the immediate south of Libya. Mr. Qadhafi took advantage of a power vacuum created when France decided not to help either side in the civil war raging in its former Saharan colony, and pulled out its 1,200-man force.

Not long afterward, President Goukouni Oueddei—the winner of Chad's power struggle—announced "full unity" between Libya and Chad.

Expansionist ambitions

Radical Libya's southward thrust may only be the first step in Mr. Qadhafi's expansionist ambitions. It is widely believed that he will use Chad as a springboard in an attempt to infiltrate and destabilize the entire sub-Saharan region. Most of the countries in the area have large Moslem populations, considered susceptible to Mr. Qadhafi's wild-fire propaganda.

Especially troublesome is the indication that Mr. Qadhafi's strategy was planned in concert with Soviet and East German assistance. Libya's leader is by no means in Moscow's hip pocket. Nevertheless, the Communists stand to gain by

any destabilization in the region.

Egypt and Sudan are especially concerned. Sudan is caught in a pincer between Soviet-backed Ethiopia to the east and Chad to the west. A stable Sudan, controlling the headwaters of the Nile, is absolutely essential to Egypt's security.

Nigeria, too, is worried. About 40 percent of its population is Moslem, considered subject to Libyan radicalism.

The United States is not uninterested in Mr. Qadhafi's attempt to create a pan-Islamic "Greater Libya." Libya is America's third most important source of imported oil. And Nigeria, now threatened by the Qadhafi foray, is the second largest source.

France, taken aback by Mr. Qadhafi's move, has since dispatched troops to bolster French units stationed in the Central African Republic, the Ivory Coast, Gabon and Senegal.

In response, Col. Qadhafi backedtracked on making a formal announcement of a Libya-Chad merger. But, Libyan troops remain in Chad.

Friend of Idi Amin

Col. Qadhafi is a dangerous person, a throwback to radical imperialists, largely missing on the world scene in the post World War II period. His hatred of both the United States and its Mideast patron, Israel, knows no bounds.

Mr. Qadhafi consented to an interview one year ago with Italy's Oriana Fallaci (perhaps the world's

top interviewer). In the interview, published in *The New York Times Magazine* Dec. 16, 1979, Mr. Qadhafi unleashed his rantings and was caught in one untruth after another.

He denied the well-known fact that he offered asylum to Uganda's deposed President Idi Amin. Defending Mr. Amin, Mr. Qadhafi countered that "all the news about Amin is false, false and artificial, the result of Zionist propaganda."

WORLDWATCH

BY GENE H. HOGBERG



Mr. Qadhafi then went on to defend the deposed ruler of the Central African Empire, Jean-Bedel Bokassa, a man so evil he even roasted and ate schoolchildren who disobeyed his commands.

The interview concluded with an excursion into the theater of the absurd, including Mr. Qadhafi's explanation of his "new gospel."

Fallaci: Colonel, since you don't consider yourself a dictator, and not even a president... tell me, what are you?

Qadhafi: I am the leader of the revolution. How evident that you did not read my Green Book.

Fallaci: On the contrary, I read it. It doesn't take very long, you know,

15 minutes at the most. It's so small. My powder compact is bigger than your little Green Book... How long did it take (to write it)?

Qadhafi: Many years. Before finding the definite solution, I had to meditate a great deal on the history of humanity, on the conflicts of the past and of the present.

Fallaci: And how did you come to the conclusion that democracy is a dictatorial system, that parliament is a fraud, elections a mockery? There are a lot of things in that little book I don't understand.

Qadhafi: Because you did not study it well, and you did not try to understand what *Jamahiriya* [meaning "congress of the people"] is. You have to stay here in Libya to study how a country works when there is no government, no parlia-

ment, no representation, no strikes, and everything is *Jamahiriya*.

Fallaci: ... Who elects the representatives?

Qadhafi: Nobody! In the *Jamahiriya*, nobody is elected. There are no elections, there is no representation... You are not even ready to understand the new era, the era of the masses. First there was the monarchy, right? Then men's struggle led to the republic with its governments and its presidents, correct? Now humanity has passed to another stage and created *Jamahiriya*, which is the final solution.

Fallaci: I want to know what hap-

pens to me if I refuse this *Jamahiriya*.

Qadhafi: But you cannot refuse it. *Jamahiriya* is the destiny of the world. The authority of the people is the final stage. The day of the revolution has inevitably arrived, thanks to the Green Book. In the whole world. And the masses will seize power, and their guide will be the Green Book...

Fallaci: Colonel, Colonel, tell me: Is there any place for freedom in all this?

Qadhafi: Freedom? What freedom, real freedom. The only true, real freedom. Why do you ask such a thing? ... The Green Book is the guide to the emancipation of man. The Green Book is the gospel. The new gospel. The gospel of the new era, the era of the masses.

Fallaci: You're not very humble, are you?

Qadhafi: No, I'm not humble. Because I can resist the attacks of the entire world and because the Green Book has resolved the problems of humanity and of society.

Fallaci: Well, then, you're a kind of messiah. The new messiah.

Qadhafi: I don't see myself in those terms. But the Green Book is the new gospel, I repeat. In your gospel it's written, "In the beginning there was the word." The Green Book is the word... the Third World only needs my Green Book. My word.

Fallaci: Colonel, may I ask one last question?

Qadhafi: Sure, but be brief...

Fallaci: Do you believe in God?

Qadhafi: Of course, why do you ask me such a question?

Fallaci: Because I thought that you were God.

Commenting on the interview a columnist for the *National Review* said, "Wait till he gets his bomb."



Just one more thing

By Dexter H. Faulkner

A friend's daughter was watching her mother wash dishes one night and commented on how many times she had seen her do this, along with her other household tasks. "Mom," she asked, "don't you ever get tired of washing dishes?"

"I'm not doing dishes, I'm building a home," she said.

Our children are learning from us daily.

A significant amount of that learning occurs at home in informal conversations and situations. Even though the parent may not be aware, he or she is "teaching," and the child is learning.

As Christian parents we mustn't minimize the benefit of everyday learning experiences with our children. For example, taking time to show your very young child the different shapes of vegetables or fruits is the foundation for his or her learning to observe similarities and differences.

Do you realize how intensely your young child hungers to learn? I recall a personal experience a few years back. We decided one night to view some of our family slides. As I began to set up the projector, my oldest son Nathan asked, "Dad, can I operate the projector?" Then Matt, our youngest, asked if he could, too.

My first inner reaction was that I should operate it. It would be easier, less risky, less complicated. However, a second, wiser response occurred when I realized that it would be more profitable for them if, with my instruction, they could operate the machine. The second thought won out!

If you have taken the time to teach children about physical

things, they will listen when you teach a spiritual example.

Our children learn from us. They learn the Bible to study and the boys' blanket and toys. She would sit them in the chairs and explain to them even as toddlers that this was a quiet time just like church. Later they could play quietly and nap on the blanket.

Sometimes it would seem like it just wasn't working. But, in this training time, if one wouldn't be quiet she would pick him up and leave the room. After a short talk and a quick swat, they would go and sit down. Sometime it seemed it was up and down for the whole half hour.

But when Sabbath came, we knew it was well worth the effort. She didn't make this a daily ordeal for our sons either. The boys enjoyed "helping" her set up the chairs, running and getting the Sabbath basket and picking out the toys for that day.

Another tool we used was listening to the broadcast or recorded sermons during this time. They were accustomed to hearing someone talk when they were to be quiet. Even when they took a nap, they didn't have to have absolute quiet in order to fall asleep. This was also an excellent opportunity for their mother to study and review.

Much more could be said about teaching and being an example to our children. However, whether physical or spiritual examples are used, the necessity of parental involvement cannot be overemphasized.

Too many parents are relying on others to fulfill this God-given responsibility. Again, whether we refer to physical or spiritual teachings, Deuteronomy 6:1-9 and Proverbs 22:6 are strong reminders that we, the parents, are held responsible by God—our Father—for the teaching and training of our children.

Each day my wife "played church." She put three kitchen chairs side by side in the living

room. She placed a special Sabbath blanket on the floor while the boys were still young enough to take naps. There were "quiet toys" to go with the blanket.

At the same time every day she would sit down in "church," have her Bible to study and the boys' blanket and toys. She would sit them in the chairs and explain to them even as toddlers that this was a quiet time just like church. Later they could play quietly and nap on the blanket.

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Letters TO THE EDITOR

HWA on target about music

Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong's article on the front page of *The Worldwide News* [Dec. 22]—"How the Beatles Changed the Culture of the Western World"—backs up my thoughts about it.

Yvonne Wayne
North Island, New Zealand

W/N provides service

I would like to extend my appreciation to you and all the staff for your service to us. If the *W/N* consisted of only the lead article by Mr. Armstrong, that would be more than enough.

Thank you for your labor of love.
Perry Raddant
Morrisville, N.C.

Supports Mr. Rader

I read today in *The Worldwide News* Mr. Armstrong's article on Mr. Rader. I certainly stand behind the both of them. The proofs are certainly there to see that our great God is using Mr. Rader in the greatest ways—God is working through that man!

Robert Lege
Morse, La.

Importance of prayer

I had sometimes thought that I didn't play a big part in God's Work—but I've realized that praying is a big part in the Work. If that's all I can do now, then I'll do it with fervor and all my heart—for I've experienced God's answered prayer in my life recently.

Carolyn Schumaker
Mattoon, Ill.

Appreciates paper

I don't know what to say or add to tell you... but I am going to say it anyway—keep up the good work; may God continue to bless you and all who share in writing *The Worldwide News*. We really do appreciate the *W/N*.

Ernestine Coward
Kingsport, Tenn.

Enjoys "International Desk"

I have found Mr. Rod Matthews' "International Desk" an invaluable means of maintaining an update file of developments and progress in God's worldwide Work.

Many thanks to you and your staff for the service you provide.

Rob Lees
Pietmaritzburg, South Africa

Enjoys "Postmark"

I was just reading "Postmark" in *The Worldwide News* and there before my very eyes the title "Soil Builders." A great little letter with helpful hints. Is there any chance of having a section or an article every now and then on organics?

David Crow
Essex, England

The *Worldwide News* would appreciate help from readers with experience in this field. Similar material will be printed in the "Postmark" column as we receive it.

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Ministers

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The father of four children, Mr. Blackwell was ordained an evangelist by Mr. Armstrong in January, 1965. He has completed his thesis and course work for a master's degree in theology and has traveled extensively throughout Europe and the Middle East.

He counts history among his many interests and maintains a 4,000-volume library of old and rare books.

Mr. Blackwell lectures in the Ministerial Refreshing Program and has been a guest lecturer at colleges in Texas, including the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth. The evangelist serves in the Auditorium P.M. congregation in Pasadena.

James L. Friddle, 56, was baptized in April, 1952. He married Marjorie Dennis six months before his ordination by Mr. Armstrong in January, 1956. A 1955 graduate of Ambassador College in Pasadena, Mr. Friddle was raised to the rank of pastor by Mr. Armstrong in January, 1964.

The father of four children, Mr. Friddle was the 1954-55 senior class president at Ambassador, worked in the Personal Correspondence area and taught at Imperial Schools in 1955.

He has since pastored several churches, including congregations in Big Sandy, Minden, La., Dallas, Tex., Portland, Ore., Tacoma and Seattle, Wash., Pittsburgh, Pa. He and his wife serve the Nashville, Tenn., church.

Burk McNair, 49, was baptized before the 1949 Feast of Tabernacles and ordained a preaching elder by Mr. Armstrong six months after his graduation from Ambassador College in 1954.

Mr. McNair and his wife Sue celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary June 11, 1978 (*The Good*

News, Nov. 6, 1978). Half a year later, Mr. McNair was ordained an evangelist at the 1979 Ministerial Conference by Mr. Armstrong (*WN*, Feb. 5, 1979).

The McNairs have served several churches, including congregations in Tacoma, Wash., Corpus Christi and San Antonio, Tex., Denver, Colo., Portland and Eugene, Ore., Nashville, Tenn., and Indianapolis, Ind.

Mr. McNair enjoys photography, archery and gardening in his spare time and plans to take up painting when time permits. Mr. McNair is an avid reader of biography and history.

The McNairs have three children and attended the 1980 Feast of Tabernacles in Jerusalem. They now serve the Houston, Tex., West congregation of God's Church.

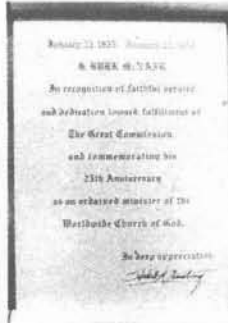
George A. Meeker Jr., 50, was baptized in February, 1951, and graduated from the Pasadena campus of Ambassador College in 1954 after serving as its student body president. He helped establish the British Office of God's Work with Richard Armstrong and was ordained a preaching elder in 1955 by Herbert W. Armstrong.

A veteran of several early baptizing tours in the United States, Canada and Britain, Mr. Meeker was married to Karen Kunkel in November, 1960. Mr. Meeker has pastored churches in Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin, Missouri and Michigan.

Mr. and Mrs. Meeker serve the Springfield, Mo., church. The Meekers and their three children attended the last two Feast of Tabernacles in Jerusalem, Israel.

Norman A. Smith, 50, was ordained a pastor by Mr. Armstrong five years after his baptism in October, 1950. He married Charlene Glover in October, 1953.

Mr. Smith was the manager of the Work's radio studio from 1952 to 1967, and was responsible for recording *The World Tomorrow* broadcast. When the Work expand-



MINISTERS HONORED — Pictured is one plaque of merit typical of five from Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong that Pasadena evangelist Joe Tkach recently awarded to ministers and evangelists for 25-plus years of service to God's Work. Some shown with their wives, the men are clockwise from upper left: Norman Smith, pastor of the San Diego, Calif., church, and his wife Charlene; Burk McNair, pastor of the Houston, Tex., West congregation, with his wife Sue; Dean Blackwell, who serves in the Auditorium P.M. congregation in Pasadena; George Meeker Jr., pastor of the Springfield, Mo., church; and James Friddle, pastor of the Nashville, Tenn., church, and his wife Marjorie. [Photos by Tom Hanson, Scott Smith and Warren Watson]

ed into television, Mr. Smith served as the director of the Media Division from 1968 to 1976.

Ordained an evangelist in 1957 by Mr. Armstrong, Mr. Smith was graduated *summa cum laude* with a master's degree from West Coast University in Los Angeles, Calif., in 1976. He received his bachelor's

degree from Ambassador in 1954.

The father of three children, Mr. Smith counts reading, target shooting and gardening among his many interests. The Smiths serve the San

Diego, Calif., congregation.

Evangelists Herman L. Hoeh, Raymond F. McNair and Roderick C. Meredith were awarded plaques for 25 years of service in 1978.

675 brethren celebrate Fresno's 25th anniversary

FRESNO, Calif. — Greeted by drab, uninviting surroundings, 35 members gathered for the first Church services here in the old Labor Temple Jan. 28, 1956, according to pastor Alton B. "Don" Billingsley. A quarter of a century passed, and Jan. 31, approximately 675 persons met in the Fresno Convention Center to commemorate the church's 25th anniversary.

Norman Smith, now pastor of the San Diego, Calif., church, gave the sermon on that first Sabbath. He gave the sermonette at the 25th anniversary service, after which evangelist Herman L. Hoeh from Pasadena delivered the sermon.

Following the sermon, brethren listened to a tape sent by Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong from Southeast Asia. "If I were in Tucson, I would have come to be with you all in Fresno," said Mr. Armstrong on cassette.

"Not many people were dry-eyed when he talked about the tragic death of his son, Richard D. Armstrong," noted Mr. Billingsley, Fresno pastor since 1975. Mr. Billingsley was in the 1958 car accident that claimed the life of Richard Armstrong, Fresno's first regular pastor.

After services Jan. 31, 450 brethren enjoyed a filet mignon dinner, socialized and danced to music by the Royal Ambassador Band.

"The social was a smashing success," said Mr. Billingsley. "Fresno is really the grandmother of the valley churches."

Citing some Fresno church his-

tory, Mr. Billingsley noted, "Every Sabbath between 1956 and 1960, ministers and Ambassador College students would drive over 200 miles from Pasadena to Fresno because Fresno had no pastor then."

"They would drive to Roeding Park or eat lunch at the E.J. Flower residence before services," Mr. Billingsley continued. "After services



FRESNO ANNIVERSARY — Thirteen of the original members of the Fresno, Calif., church assemble with evangelists Norman Smith and Herman Hoeh during the church's 25th anniversary Jan. 31. From Left: Lena Dahl, Anna Cumbie, Charlene Smith, Mr. Smith, Sarah Wiebe, Isabella Hoeh, Nettie Routson, Edith Robertson, Mr. Hoeh, Eva Metcalf, John Saylor, Annabell Saylor, Anna Flowers, Eula Long, Clara Jones, Jack Robertson and Marvin Jones. [Photo by Mark Stainthorpe]

the Herbert Andersons or the Bert Halls would often offer sumptuous dinners and overnight lodging to the visitors from headquarters."

Following the 1960 Feast, Ronald Kelly began pastoring the Sacramento, Calif., church and copastoring Fresno, then pastored by Mr. Hoeh.

Other ministers and associate pastors since then included Alvin R. Dennis, Herb Teigen, Mitchell Knapp, Randy Schreiber, Delfino Sandoval and Ted Herlofson.

Four California churches have grown from the Fresno congregation. They are Oakland, Bakersfield, Modesto and Visalia.

The author is a 1975 graduate of Ambassador College in Big Sandy, Tex., who attends services in Amarillo, Tex.

By Sammy O'Dell

AMARILLO, Tex. — As many as 80 teams from 23 congregations met here Dec. 26 through 28 for the seventh annual Amarillo invitational basketball tournament. "It may be the largest of its type in the world," stated Jim O'Brien, pastor of the church here.

With four courts in use simultaneously in the West Texas State University Activity Center, Church and Youth Opportunities United (YOU) teams participated in basketball, volleyball and cheerleading.

The weekend also featured Bible seminars, a Bible bowl and a singles' Bible study.

A YOU Bible bowl took place Friday night with Jan Gully as master of ceremonies, and Texoma, Tex., emerging as the winner. That same evening, Leroy Neff, an evangelist from Pasadena, conducted a regular Bible study, while Wichita, Kan., pastor Judd Kirk gave a singles' Bible study.

Sabbath morning, Denver, Colo., pastor Ron Kelly and Big Sandy and Tyler, Tex., pastor Don Ward conducted two marriage seminars.

Other seminars and studies were given by the following ministers: Keith Walden, Lubbock and Midland, Tex.; Kelley Barfield, Liberal and Scott City, Kan.; Roy Dove, San Angelo, Tex.; Russell Duke, Kansas City, Kan.; East; David Carley, Lawton and Ada, Okla.; Tom Tullis, Wichita; Norvel Pyle, Big Sandy; Greg Sargent, San Antonio, Tex.; Arnold Clauson, Oklahoma City, Okla.; and Gerald Witte, Texoma.

80 teams vie in tourney

Following the afternoon sermon by Mr. Neff to 1,126 brethren, more basketball and volleyball games were played. That same evening Jim Maddy and Dale Pack organized a family square dance contest, which Lubbock won.

Division finals ended the next day with Big Sandy winning the men's A division and Dallas, Tex., coming in second. Texoma won the men's B division and Big Sandy II finished second.

Wichita was victorious in the boys' A division with a win over the Oklahoma City teens. In the boys' B division, Texoma was first and Big Sandy second.

Texoma also wrapped up the girls' basketball title with Big Sandy placing second. The San Antonio peewee team won its division, and Big Sandy came in second.

In YOU volleyball, Big Sandy emerged victorious, followed by Albuquerque, N.M. Oklahoma City defeated Wichita in the women's volleyball championship. Kansas City beat Amarillo in mixed volleyball competition.

Cheerleading results saw Wichita A in first place, followed by Big Sandy A, Denver A and Big Sandy B.

The volleyball team-spirit trophy went to Wichita, and the Lawton-Ada team won the same for basketball. An overall trophy for scoring the most points in all activities was awarded to Big Sandy with 35 points, narrowly edging out the Texoma congregation with 34.5 points.

No technical fouls for misconduct, bad attitudes or any other reason were called throughout the entire tournament.

One basketball referee commented, "I hate to call a foul on the Church people because they take it so well."

70 youths ski Austrian slopes

By Linda Thomsen

RADFELD, Austria — In this tiny Tirolean village nestled in the snow-covered Alps, more than 70 members of Youth Opportunities United (YOU) congregated for winter camp. The camp took place Dec. 21 through 31.

Young people from West Germany, Austria and Switzerland, along with visitors from Denmark, Scotland, England, Canada, South Africa and the United States, used their semester breaks to enjoy a gamut of winter sports ranging from traditional Alpine slope skiing and ice-skating to cross-country skiing and tobogganing.

YOU members in the German-

speaking areas live far apart. By making the most of their time together, they quickly settle into a warm family atmosphere.

An American visitor noticed the friendliness. "I've met so many people. It's like three Feasts put together," said Scott Zhorne, a YOU member from Longview, Tex., temporarily living in Hilden, West Germany. "I'm definitely coming back next year if money permits."

The older YOU members watched over the younger ones, teaching them to ski and making sure they didn't get stuck in snowdrifts. Visiting parents joined most

activities, adding an extra measure of family fun.

Youth-oriented Bible studies were presented by local ministers, along with a Sabbath service attended by many of the nearby Austrian members.

Other activities included an evening sleigh ride, a Tirolean folk evening, a trip to Innsbruck, Austria, and a dance.

An additional Bible study was followed by a rousing sing-along led by Winfried Fritz, a local elder in the Bonn and Dusseldorf, West Germany, churches, and a native Austrian. The sing-along provided a wonderful way of saying *auf Wiedersehen* ("until next time").



AUSTRIAN HOLIDAY — YOU members enjoy winter camp Dec. 21 through 31 in Radfeld, Austria. From left: ski instructor Heinz Effenberg, Isabelle Wahlen, Sonja Kaserer, Norbert Klus and Meike Hellemann. [Photo by Wolfgang Thomsen]

Member survives truck accident

TAMPA, Fla. — Pulling 74,000 gallons of diesel fuel on his Phillips Petroleum semitrailer Dec. 11, at 1:30 a.m., Church member Charles R. Eubanks was halfway through his second run of the night from Tampa, when a car appeared suddenly in the path of his truck.

Reacting quickly, Mr. Eubanks swerved to avoid the approaching car. The truck jackknifed and Mr. Eubanks felt the vehicle skid and lurch over on its back.

The truck's interior light came on, enabling Mr. Eubanks to see the truck cab being crushed and compacted around him as it overturned. Finally, after what seemed like years, the fuel-laden vehicle came to a stop.

Reached by phone at his Tampa

home, Mr. Eubanks said, "I feel that God intervened miraculously to save my life, as well as the lives of those in the automobile."

After the truck came to a stop, Mr. Eubanks escaped through a hole in the windshield. The engine was stuck at halfspeed, so he gingerly stepped across the remains of the hood to avoid belts and moving parts.

Lucky breaks?

Mr. Eubanks suffered only minor cuts, bruises and a lacerated ear. Recalling his thoughts, the 40-year-old driver said, "Halfway through the accident, I remember thinking: 'I'm not going to live through this,' so I must have been getting beat up pretty badly."

He said he was glad he wasn't hauling gasoline, because it is much more flammable than diesel fuel. The absence of huge showers of sparks prevented the truck's fuel load from catching fire.

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Apostle

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received from local people, and by Sunday more than 1,000 essays had been received from high school and college students who have been invited to enter a contest on the meaning of Mr. Armstrong's message to them. The minister of culture will award the prizes next

month — three for high school students and three for college students.

We have received new invitations to address other groups as a result of this most recent and successful visit. Hopefully in March, on our way to Australia, if our schedule permits, we shall return.

All of us here in Mr. Armstrong's party, Mrs. Armstrong, my wife, Joseph Kotora, John Kinston,

Henry Cornwall, Mary Ellen Dahlgren, as well as the television crew, feel especially blessed to have been able to participate daily and to witness with our own eyes all of the exciting events that unfolded before us.

Yes, Christ's apostle has certainly begun 1981 with a running start — 1981, which should be the biggest year yet in the history of the Work.

FOCUS ON YOUTH

CHICAGO, Ill. — A painting of mountains at sunrise won Tracy Lynn Dumas first prize in the District 19 Humanities Fair, Dec. 10. The fair took place at the Robert A. Black School.



TRACY DUMAS

Tracy, 9, attends the McDade Classical School for accelerated children, sings in the school choir and takes piano, clarinet and ballet lessons. She is a Little Cheerleader in the Chicago Southside church, where she and her parents, Eugene and Juanita Dumas, attend.

GRANTSVILLE, Utah — "I am thankful for food, and Thanksgiving. If God wasn't here we would not be here, and that is why all of us should be thankful."

Ten-year-old William Swanson, a fifth-grader at Grantsville Elementary School, wrote a paper on Thanksgiving, entitled "Thanksgiving Story." On Nov. 27 his essay appeared in the *Tooele, Utah, Transcript* along with three other children's essays. William's teacher found

his essay the most outstanding and sent it to the paper's "Profiles" column.

William attends services with his parents, William and Judy Swanson, in Salt Lake City, Utah, where Mr. Swanson is the pastor.

MUNDUBBERA, Australia — Margaret Black was named Dux of the School for 1980 (the top academic student) at the Gayndah State High School.

Margaret, a senior, chose a book on famous and successful people for her prize. She plans to pursue a degree in social work at Queensland University.

She attends the outlying Biloela Bible study with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ian Black, and her brothers and sisters.



ROBIN CORBIN

MURFREESBORO, Tenn. — Robin Corbin, 17, a senior at Smyrna High School, was named to *Who's Who Among American High School Students 1979-1980*.

Robin is a member of the Vica Club, Beta Club and Drama Club and maintains a 3.0 grade-point

average. He also served as treasurer, secretary and vice president of the Murfreesboro YOU.

Robin plans to major in engineering at Tennessee Technological University in Cookeville, Tenn.



BECKY FOOTE

COFFEYVILLE, Kan. — "Congratulations to a fine young woman for a job well done," heralded the Coffeyville *Journal* in December as Becky Foote was named the paper's Carrier of the Month.

"Service is most important. I do the very best I can for my customers," commented Becky, who won a \$50 savings bond.

Becky, 12, is a member of the YOU here and attends services with her parents Herschel and Carolyn Foote.

NEW YORK, N.Y. — G. Roger Brandon, 16, was elected to the Eugene C. Hoyt chapter of the National Honor Society.

In junior high school Roger lettered in wrestling and track, in

ninth grade he broke the school discus record with a throw of 121 feet.

Roger maintained honor grades in high school and lettered in swimming, track and winter track. In spite of not attending practices on the Sabbath, Roger became a member of the varsity and leaders' clubs.

Roger was a member of the YOU basketball and track team and won several individual and team gold medals on the regional level. He was a camper for two years at the Summer Educational Program in Orr, Minn.

Roger is the son of Shaw Brandon and Dartha Lee Cunningham.



ROGER BRANDON

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. — Loraine Merrill, 13, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Merrill of Colorado Springs, Colo., participated in the Parade of the Rockies, which opened the annual Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo featuring Hollywood stars and

professional state and world champion rodeo performers.

Loraine is an honor student, a student council member and eighth-grade secretary at Russell Junior High School. Dancing is one of her many hobbies, and she has appeared in a television commercial.

Loraine attends the Colorado Springs church and is a YOU member.



JON RUSHING

SALEM, Ore. — Jon Rushing, 15, led the Keizer Little League All-Stars in district and state playoff action last summer. He averaged 14 strikeouts a game in the regular season. Keizer won the state championship even though John was unable to play the last game because it was on the Sabbath.

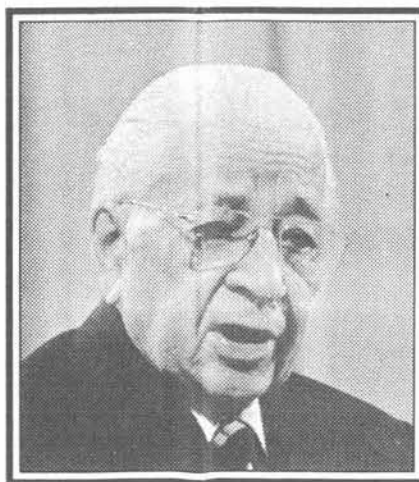
John was the most valuable player as a freshman on the McNary High School junior varsity team. He is an active YOU member and attends the Salem church with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Dan Miller.

A Voice Cries Out: Arab Oil, Israel and the U.S.

-Peace Out of Conflict??

THE HOT SPOT of world news recently has been the Middle East. It has involved the 52 U.S. hostages in Iran. It has involved Arab oil. And it has involved the Arab-Israeli struggle.

Could it be that out of this embroiling caldron of Middle East emotions and historic hatreds is beginning to emerge a new vision



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involved in the Camp David talks.

Prominent Egyptian leaders and editors abroad were assassinated following this initial peace gesture. Sadat's life was threatened.

After receiving military aid from the Soviet Union, President Sadat had canceled this program and ordered Soviet military aides out of Egypt. Since 1977 Mr. Sadat and Egypt were left with the sole partnership among nations of the United States.

Then came the Camp David peace talks. Mr. Begin joined Mr. Sadat in participating. It is not easy to give an

could be that out of this embroiling caldron of Middle East emotions and historic hatreds is beginning to emerge a new vision of world peace and happy abundance?

In a world whose No. 1 problem now is human survival—in a world of competitive preparations for a world war of nuclear weapons, chemical warfare, poison gas and nerve gas—a war capable of erasing all life from this planet, it's already a bit late for us all to become intensely concerned.

I repeat again and again, there has to be a CAUSE for every effect. There is a basic CAUSE for mankind's problems man is incapable of solving. There is, conversely, a way that could CAUSE peace, universal prosperity and well-being!

Very recently I returned from personal conferences with Prime Minister Menachem Begin in Jerusalem, and President Anwar el-Sadat in Cairo. Could it be possible these two Middle East leaders have started something with President Carter at the Camp David conferences that finally show the world the way to CAUSE PEACE?

And not only Middle East peace, but world peace?

The Egyptian president gave me details of his proposed \$70 million World Peace Center to be erected at the base of Mt. Sinai, symbolic of peace between nations and between religions. Religious antagonisms have caused many wars through world history. His new peace center will consist of a walled-in complex including a mosque, a synagogue and a church, emblematic of peace between the three major religions predominant in the three nations

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I repeat, there is one root cause of wars not only, but all this world's seemingly unsolvable troubles and evils. I term it, for brevity, the way of "GET"—self-centeredness, and hostile competition leading to strife, violence, war and destruction. The opposite way I term "GIVE"—cooperation, helping, sharing, outgoing concern for the good and rights of others.

Where emotional hostility has prevailed down through the centuries, only vision, willingness to sacrifice ("GIVE") and personal courage in leadership could start the way toward peace.

While she was prime minister of Israel, Golda Meir said to me in her executive office: "I wish Arab heads of state would be willing to sit on the other side of the table with me in friendship and peace. There is so much we could do for their peoples. Our scientists and technicians could help them and their peoples to so much more prosperity and abundance."

On November 20, 1977, President Sadat had the vision and the courage to take the unheard-of, unprecedented step to DECLARE PEACE—instead of war—toward Israel. On that date this leader, braving personal and political risk seldom if ever taken by a world leader, went to Jerusalem and addressed the Israeli Knesset in a gesture toward peace.

Egypt had fought Israel in four wars within 30 years. It was an incredible demonstration of personal courage. Egypt was the acknowledged leader of the Arab world. The headquarters of the Arab League was in Cairo.

the United States.

Then came the Camp David peace talks. Mr. Begin joined Mr. Sadat in participating. It is not easy to give up something one has gained. But Mr. Begin gave large portions of the Sinai Peninsula back to Egypt. Now these men are looking toward resolving the touchy question of autonomy of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip.

And President Sadat plans his World Peace Center emblematic of cooperation in peace at the base of Mt. Sinai.

It is all a BEGINNING of the way of "GIVE"—of cooperation instead of hostility. I for one commend and give honor publicly to these men making a beginning in a harsh world of "GET" to the one and only way to peace—that of "GIVE." I am not naive enough to expect all leaders and all peoples to follow in that way.

We have in this world the way that leads to the ecstasy of winning and the agony of defeat. Too many still think they enjoy the "ecstasy," and are willing to risk the "agony." I hope these pages are causing some to THINK!

Because, agree or disagree, this voice is sounding the warning. If we mortal humans don't, it is very soon now going to be done to us! That unseen "Strong Hand from Someplace" is going to intervene in world affairs and force a stubborn humanity to enjoy peace, happiness and universal abundance—His way, the way of "GIVE."



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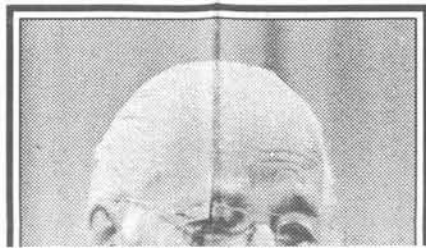
I suggest you read my cover story in *Quest/81*, on newsstands about March 20, on the Middle East controversy, its origin and President Sadat's planned World Peace Center. *Quest/81* is quite generally regarded now as No. 1 in the quality magazine field—a publication advocating "the pursuit of excellence."

A Voice Cries Out:

**An Open Letter
to**

President Reagan

A Heartfelt Message of Encouragement



MR. PRESIDENT: You've assumed the most important office in the world on a landslide vote—a virtual mandate.

I know something of the stupendous problems with which you now must grapple. I have discussed world and national difficulties with heads of state on all continents. I know something of how difficult, knotty and often impossible of human solution are the conditions you now face—greater than those confronting any other head of state.

In late December the question blared forth in the media whether, on inauguration, you should declare an economic emergency. But, as you know, we are now deep in much more than an economic emergency. We're in a social emergency, a moral and spiritual emergency, foreign and international emergencies and the frightening LIFE-AND-DEATH emergency of human extinction. Never before since mankind inhabited the earth have weapons of mass destruction existed that can erase humanity from this planet. You have taken over the helm at a time when problems and troubles exceed in difficulty and complexity those faced by any President before you.

If ever a President needed the help of this great people he leads, it is now. Some are asking, can you turn the United States around? They look to problems of inflation, unemployment, energy, taxes, budget, business, defense. But those are materialistic problems. In the materialistic area we have fared better than we realize. This nation has



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led the world in materialistic advancement. In fields of science and technology, business and industry, knowledge production (our educational system has become almost wholly materialistic), our progress has been awesome. We have sent men to the moon and safely returned them. We've sent unmanned spacecraft to send back mind-boggling close-up photographs of Jupiter, Saturn and the Martian surface. We've produced computers and the most marvelous instruments.

But we can't seem to solve troubles between husbands and wives, parents and children, groups and factions, nation and nation. Our nation is in trouble. The whole world is in trouble! And those troubles and evils, however we may characterize them, are spiritual in nature. In every case, it seems, the individual, the group, the faction, the nation, is seeking only self-interest. *It's all in the way we live!*

I've said repeatedly in these page messages there is an unseen spiritual LAW in relentless motion—the law I simplify by the term “GIVE.” It's as inexorable as the law of gravity. Break it, and it breaks you! This nation has been breaking that law, and our beloved country is being broken by it! That law is A WAY OF LIFE—that of cooperating, helping, serving, sharing—of outflowing LOVE! But our people, and the whole world, are living the diametric opposite way transgressing that invisible spiri-

tual law—the way I term “GET.” We've been actuated by self-centeredness, vanity, covetousness, envy, competition, hostility, violence, war.

The other day I had a personal meeting with Prime Minister Zenko Suzuki of Japan, in Tokyo. He recently called on the Japanese people to continue working hard, and to remain united to protect the peace and the democracy of Japan. Loyalty to country and faithful hard work on the job are spiritual values that are paying off in Japan.

It is vital that our beloved country remain loyal AND UNITED! Not divided in the home, in the factory, in the office. It took a war for Franklin D. Roosevelt to unite us in one common accord. We need desperately now to be united in PEACE—in what we can do for our country, not what it can do for us!

You, Mr. President, cannot of yourself solve this nation's problems and rid it of its evils. That can be done only if WE, THE PEOPLE, STAND BEHIND YOU not only, but CHANGE OUR WAY OF LIFE FROM “GET” to “GIVE.”

During the campaign you mentioned that we are a nation founded under God. God is LOVE manifested! He set in relentless motion the spiritual LAW that will CAUSE peace, happiness, abundant well-being for all—if we, the people, will turn to it! THAT'S HOW THIS COUNTRY NEEDS TO BE TURNED AROUND. Lead us in that way, Mr. Reagan, and God help us to follow you in it. I, with countless others, shall be praying for you in that.

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LOCAL CHURCH NEWS

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

The ALBANY, N.Y., church braved biting wind and cold Dec. 25 to have a hearty social at the American Legion Club in Green Island, N.Y. A potluck and games were enjoyed by the brethren.

William H. Langlois.
Brethren in ASHEVILLE, N.C., had a Western dance and chili supper after Sabbath services Jan. 3. Love Moore played the guitar and Ben Anders played fiddle. A talent show featured Diane Jacques on the accordion, Patricia Painter and Patricia Stepp on piano and flute,

drinking contest and a sing-along. Mark Hardway.

Six pioneer students of Ambassador College who attend services in BIG SANDY, Tex., had a breakfast get-together Jan. 4 to celebrate 25 to 30 years of loyalty to Ambassador College. Present were Elise Herrmann, Della Landwehr, Sondra Manteufel, Freia Smith, Margaret Smith and Kay Dry. Kay Dry.

Members of the BIRMINGHAM, England, congregation and their children visited Chipperfields Circus Jan. 10. While tigers and Russian bears performed balancing and jumping routines, girls performed acrobatic feats. Monkeys and dogs thrilled the children with jumping and tumbling acts; a fire-eater spit fire plumes from his mouth; and a



MEDIEVAL MARVELS — Lyle Holub as Henry VIII and Jean Ann Holub as Catherine were winners in the Iowa City, Iowa, costume parade Dec. 20. (See "Church Activities," this page.)

Mary Ruth Bouldin and Dinah Bouldin singing a duet, Jean Shirlen singing and playing guitar, the Tershansy family who sang and Linda McCaff playing guitar with her daughter Teresa. Steve Tershansy.

The ATHENS and GAINESVILLE, Ga., churches had their long-awaited International Night Dec. 28. Six booths were featured, each with a distinctively international flavor. Brethren sampled various dishes from Africa, Germany, Israel, Italy, Scotland and Mexico. One booth focused on the international Work. Members were entertained by singers, musicians and a children's choir. Prizes were awarded for the most original costumes, and loads of goodies were auctioned off. Joseph M. Hague.

More than 200 brethren celebrated the 10th anniversary of the AUSTIN, Tex., church Dec. 20. Roy Holladay, Chicago, Ill., pastor, and Larry Neff, Tucson pastor, the first ministers in the area, sent taped congratulatory messages. Austin's current minister Harold Rhodes read Herbert W. Armstrong's letter proclaiming the beginning of the Austin church in December, 1970. Brethren listened to Mr. Armstrong's tape on I Corinthians 12 and heard special music by Nick Osborne and Bill Beebe. Before services a potluck brunch was served. John Jarrett.

The BELLE VERNON, Pa., church had a family social Jan. 3. After a potluck, everyone participated in carnival games and then watched a skit entitled *Those Amazingly Incredible Real People and Animals*. This TV show spoof featured a Bible story, singing teddy bears, a fashion show, a root-beer-

trapeze artist hung by her toes 20 feet in the air without safety nets. Paul Roberts.

The CEBU, Philippines, church had a going away party at the home of minister Jose F. Raduban for Colin Adair, Philippine regional director, and his family Dec. 7. After their 10-year stay in the Philippines the Adairs will be reassigned to Vancouver, B.C., to assist Bob Fahcy, the regional director there. The evening was filled with songs and folk dances by YOU and Performers Club members. Antilla T. Tambis.

The CHICAGO, Ill., combined choir celebrated the 55th wedding anniversary of Julian and Marian Oakley Dec. 14. Mr. Oakley, 79, a retired salesman, has been a member of God's Church for 24 years. Charles Halliari, choir director and organizer of the surprise party, said he appreciated Mr. Oakley's dedication and loyalty. A potluck luncheon gave members a chance to fellowship and congratulate the honored couple. Rich Cygan.

The CLEVELAND, Ohio, WEST church had a square dance Dec. 28. Caller Walter Buehner started with simple steps and then worked into the more intricate calls as the dance moved along. The YOU girls performed a song they composed, and then everyone joined in a sing-along. Carl Craven.

HULL, England, brethren celebrated the arrival of pastor David Magowan into the area with a social Dec. 20. Entertainment, under the direction of Mike Burrows, included Jose Womack singing with guitar accompaniment and Simon Scrwens on the clarinet. Richard Whiting led a sing-along. Brian Massingham.

IOWA CITY, Iowa, brethren were joined by several from Davenport, Iowa, for a social Dec. 20. Planned by Iowa City YOU members, the evening culminated several weeks of preparation, as 67 costumed entrants paraded before the audience in hopes of being awarded "best costume." Winners were Lyle and Jean Ann Holub as Henry VIII and Catherine, Lori Tenold as Peter Pan and Bobbi Wiles as Little Bo Peep. A lunch counter provided hot dogs, fruit and beverages. The evening concluded with comedy movies shown by Clyde Douglas. Vern Tenold.

A new church in JASPER, Ala., was started Jan. 3 by pastor Kenneth Martin. Attendance far exceeded original projections, so plans were made to move to a larger facility. Assorted foods and desserts were shared during the fellowship period that followed Mr. Martin's sermon. Kenneth Martin.

The KENT, Wash., church enjoyed food and fellowship at a potluck and variety show Dec. 20. Many brethren performed medleys from the musicals *Oklahoma* and *My Fair Lady*. Dances, routines, solos, duets and skits were emceed by Howard Davis. Gale Ullrick.

The KINGSFORD, Tenn., church choir presented the musical *Wait for Me, Rachel* Dec. 20. Written and composed by Church member Mary Lou Wells, the tale of Jacob starred Brent Fielder as Jacob, Hal Salmon as Laban, Grace King as Rachel and Gail Ford as Leah. Other participants included Coy Wells, Jennifer Green, Ray King, Claire Horn, Melody King, Sylvie King, Gordon Widener, Susan Fielder, Stevie King. Sets were provided by Melvin Scott and Mr. and Mrs. Keith Von Cannon. The choreographer was Jennifer Green. Susan Fielder and Claire Horne were accompanists; Mrs. Wells was director; and Ahne Elkins provided direction assistance. Musical arrangements were done by Sue Owen Fox. Susan Fielder.

The KITCHENER, Ont., church had its first social of the winter Dec. 27. With the theme "International Night" the evening began with a meal. Decorations included national flags made by the brethren. A flag identification contest was won by Linda Hodgins. Costume winners were Daniel Szafranski, Rebecca Jennings, Sue Faw, Jim Leach, Ron Leach and the Bruce Mantle family. Lyle Simons was emcee of the talent show that followed. Maxine and John Leitch entertained the younger set. Wendy Reis.

LENOIR and BOONE, N.C., brethren met at the Lenoir Moose Lodge for an evening of games, dancing, a talent show and a potluck Dec. 21. Recorded music and dancing was provided by emcee Tom Fox. Ethel Grater.

Approximately 60 children of the MELBOURNE and VICTORIA, Australia, churches enjoyed a summer camp in Reefton, Australia, Jan. 4-10. It was organized by deacon Doug Lewis. The weather was ideal for swimming, shooting, kayaking, abseiling, trampoline, bush walking, square dancing and orienteering. Indoor activities included arts and crafts, a quiz evening, Bible plays and a fun show. A Bible lesson was presented each morning by Charlotte Whiting, wife of minister Peter Whiting, who supervised the camp. Neil Barnett.



JACOB'S STORY — Leah (Gail Ford) overhears Jacob (Brent Fielder) tell Laban (Hal Salmon) he loves Rachel, during the musical *Wait for Me, Rachel*, presented by the Kingsport, Tenn., church choir Dec. 20. (See "Church Activities," this page.)

The PASCO, YAKIMA and QUINCY, Wash., churches enjoyed a costume social Dec. 25 at the Pasco Masonic Temple. The activities began with a children's carnival in the afternoon. Later a potluck dinner was served, followed by a talent and fun show. The highlight of the show was 82-year-old Hazel Stoffer singing "Sweet Afton," a song she sang at a talent show when she was 11 years old. After the fun show, members of the Active Service Club awarded prizes for costumes in the categories of child, YOU, single and married couple. The day ended with a cakewalk and dance. Dennis R. Leap.



COOKIE DECORATING — Children in the San Diego, Calif., church decorate cookies Dec. 29 for the church's weekly kaffeeklatsch at the home of Nancy Parker. (Photo by Susan Karoska)

The PLYMOUTH, England, church had a musical evening at Saltash Dec. 13. The Seth Cardew String and Wind Ensemble, Francis Rowe, Claire Kelam, the children's choir, John Collins, the church choir and others presented a varied program of popular and light classical music. Wine and refreshments were served. Casey Jones was master of ceremonies. John Collins.

Philip Jewell of the PLYMOUTH, England, church presented slides of a six-week expedition to Norway. Philip was a member of a team from the British Schools Exploring Society, and his account of the Arctic expedition gave an insight into the scientific work undertaken and the rugged terrain in northern Norway.

Ten people from Plymouth participated in a five-mile hike, picnic lunch and rock climb Dec. 21. The event was organized by Frank Steer. John Collins.

Brethren and visitors celebrated the 10th anniversary of the RAPID CITY, S.D., church Jan. 4. Originally encompassing 650,000 square miles, serving brethren in South Dakota, Nebraska, Wyoming, Montana and North Dakota, the Rapid City church is now one of six in the area. Victor Kubik, pastor of the Paducah, Ky., church, and once a ministerial trainee in Rapid City, was on hand for the celebration, which included a meal and dance. Also attending was Bill

Swanson, a minister in Salt Lake City, Utah, who served the Rapid City area for more than three years. Doug Johansen.

The READING, England, church enjoyed a day of fellowship Dec. 21 at the home of Bob Loxton. Activities included trout fishing and a combined nature quiz and hike through the surrounding woods and countryside, after which prizes were awarded to adult and children winners. A barbecue took place at dusk, as brethren sat around an open fire and enjoyed beefburgers, jacket potatoes, assorted cakes and wine provided by members of the Ladies' Club. P. Ralph.



Good food, snow and lots of fun highlighted the second annual ROCHESTER, N.Y., Young Adults Group winter retreat Jan. 1 to 4 at the Bayberry Scout Camp in Geneva, N.Y. Activities included hiking, ice skating, a slide show and a game of picture charades. The wilderness provided an opportunity for Bible study and quiet relaxation. Al Baroddy.

The church in SAVANNAH, Ga., began Jan. 3 with 124 persons attending. Services began at 9:30 a.m. at the Silk Hope Community Center. The sermon was given by Roosevelt Smith, and pastor Mike Hechel delivered the sermon. A potluck after services was followed by a Bible study given by Mr. Hechel. Sheryl Brown.

The January social for the SIOUX FALLS, S.D., brethren and visitors took place Jan. 3. A potluck was followed by an evening of games, contests and treats for the youngsters. The teenagers played basketball and volleyball, while the adults played bongo and practiced square dancing. Nadine Van Laeck.

Approximately 150 brethren of the SPRINGFIELD, Mo., church met Jan. 3 for a Mexican potluck and fun show. Thirty-three people of all ages performed comedy skits, a pantomime, a humorous reading and music. Don Mitchell was emcee, and the activity was coordinated by John Groth. Polly Rose.

Nearly 250 brethren from the ST. ALBANS, BOREHAMWOOD and LUTON, England, churches enjoyed a dance and social at Borehamwood's Allum Hall. Taped music was provided for the first half of the evening, and a band from the London, England, churches performed during the second half. Paul Suckling, pastor of the St. Albans church, presented a slide show of the construction of the Ambassador Auditorium in Pasadena. Bill Allan.

More than 100 members from the SYDNEY, Australia, area took part in a camp-out over the Christmas period at McMasters Beach, 60 miles north of Sydney. The camp, organized by Tom and Shirley Middlemiss, featured activities ranging from bush walks and swimming to canoeing and a trip to Old Sydney. On the Sabbath of Dec. 27, Gavin Cullen, pastor of Sydney's Beverly Hills church, conducted a Bible study, and that evening many children took part in a Bible-study quiz. The children presented several short plays about Biblical characters. Joan Best.

Brethren from TORONTO, Ont., and many surrounding churches gathered to hear Gene Hogberg. Plain Truth news (See CHURCH NEWS, page 10)

CHURCH NEWS

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editor, explain significant trends in world news. Mr. Hogberg was in Toronto to attend the American Association for the Advancement of Science convention and to study the current Canadian constitutional crisis. *John Pippy.*

More than 600 TORONTO, Ont., brethren met Dec. 27 to bid farewell to Toronto West pastor Tom Ecker, his wife Susan and their son Ryan. Mr. Ecker will serve in the Vancouver, B.C., church. The brethren, who presented various gifts to the Eckers, expressed their appreciation at a potluck supper following services. *John Pippy.*

WHEELING, W. Va., members greeted new pastor Shorty Fuessel with a potluck after Sabbath services Jan. 3. Mrs. William Fozard made a special appearance as Kiwi the wonder bird in a variety show that followed. Other contestants included Jeff Fozard, as Kermit the Frog, who sang "Rainbow Connection." The show concluded with an Ark animals contest, where children 4 to 7 and 8 to 12 sported handmade costumes of animals, birds and insects. Prizes were awarded in each age group for most unusual, most comical and most realistic outfits. *Don Pickenpaugh.*

Graham Hawkins was ordained a local elder in the WIMBLEDON, England, church Jan. 3. Following Sabbath services a square dance, home-cooked food and fellowship made for an enjoyable evening. *Margaret French.*

A WISCONSIN DELLS, Wis., church social Jan. 3 brought Genghis Khan, Blackbeard, the Three Blind Mice, Paul Bunyan and many other characters to the Dells Grade School Cafeteria, which was decorated in a medieval motif complete with castle and dungeon. Billed as the "King of Costume Ball" the evening began with a stew dinner and was filled with many games and dances for adults and children. The dungeon was a busy place where anyone could press charges against someone else. Church pastor Mitchell Knapp was the first to serve time, for assault and battery, i.e., hitting between the eyes with his sermons. *John Torgerson.*

CLUB MEETINGS

The BRISBANE, Australia, Seniors' Club met at Len Smith's Rumpus Room Jan. 14 for a Bible question-and-answer session. The quiz was won by Olwin Waterman. Two new members were welcomed to the group. *Olwin Waterman.*

The BUFFALO, N.Y., Spokesman Club organized a fund-raising football game Dec. 30 between the All-Pro team, comprised of television celebrities and professional soccer and hockey players, and the Silver Wheels team, a group of mentally and physically handicapped young men who play modified football games against local clubs and organizations. Spokesman Club and Buffalo Church members participated in the event. The final score was Silver Wheels, 36, All-Pro, 16. During halftime the Ambassador Foundation presented a check to the Silver Wheels. *Daniel Strauss.*

The CONCORD, N.H., and MONTPELIER, Vt., Spokesman Clubs had a combined meeting and ladies' night Dec. 28. Pastor and club director Dan Rogers served drinks, while the ladies set up a buffet meal. The president of the Concord club, Gary Densmore, led a lively topics session, and speakers for the night were Tony Limanni, Jim Herrick and Phil Bell from Concord, Roger Kendall, president of the Montpelier club, and Jeff Glover. Following the speeches everyone danced to the sounds of the Gary Densmore trio. *Al Denson.*

The CHICAGO, Ill., NORTHWEST Women's Club Dec. 21 featured Silvia Bernal demonstrating the art of Cuban and Mexican cooking. Members sampled the dishes and were given copies of the recipes. The meeting featured a book report by June Wiese on *Confessions of a Medical Heretic* and a topics session led by Donna Jilek. *Susan Frederick.*

The CHICAGO, Ill., WEST Women's Club met Jan. 4. President Millie Preitman led the meeting, and the current fund-raising project was discussed. Jan Kolodziej led table topics, and Sylvia Efimov gave her icebreaker. A slide presentation of England was narrated by Kay Bernardo. *Shari Regnier.*

The CINCINNATI, Ohio, NORTH

Ladies' Club had its monthly meeting Jan. 4. Ann Harrod was hostess and challenged members to learn a new hobby each month to develop hidden talents. Joan Henchey, Gerri Moore and Janet Treadway gave icebreakers. Mary Dowd spoke on her son Jeff's six-month trip to Hull, England, as an international exchange student. Pastor Jack Pakozdi spoke on emotions, giving five rules for self-counseling. *Vonda Partin.*

The HARRISBURG, Pa., Spokesman Club had a breakfast meeting and extended invitations to their wives and other guests Dec. 28. The ladies participated in the table-topics session, followed by speeches given by Carl Rumbaugh, Roswell Watts, Tom Diemert and Jerry Wechter. *Linda Miller and Helen Cottingham.*

The JOPLIN, Mo., Ladies' Club had a style show and tea for about 100 guests, under the direction of Carol Szymkowiak. The 29 stylists ranged from 3-year-old Tonya Pendergraft to teenagers and ladies who had sewn their own garments. *Rosemary Cameron.*

The KALAMAZOO, Mich., Spokesman Club had a ladies' night Jan. 3, with 45 members and guests in attendance. After dinner Mark Jones led table topics, and toastmaster Lewis Olsen Jr. introduced speakers Fred Nance, Ray Clark, Don Cahow, Tim Cochran and Max Rambow. Kalamazoo pastor Kenneth Williams named Mr. Rambow the most effective speaker and Mr. Cochran



INDIAN TURNED COWBOY — John Elder, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Elder, trades his feather for a cowboy hat at a costume social Dec. 25 in Pasco, Wash. (See "Church Activities," page 9.) [Photo by Rex Sexton]

most improved speaker. *Al Smulke.*

The KITCHENER, Ont., Women's Club enjoyed a lively topics session by Audrey Miller and Joyce Simons Dec. 16. Later that evening director Liz Johnson interviewed club members Mary Wagler, Carmel Jennings and Ann Druar, who acted as though they were Naomi, Ruth and Sarah, respectively. *Clara de Vlught.*

The Young Adults Club in MOBILE, Ala., sponsored its second annual variety show Dec. 15. The audience was entertained by songs and skits and joined in a sing-along. Anthony Kimmons was emcee. Officers for the club are Mobile pastor Steve Moody, president; Mr. Kimmons, vice president; Robin Thacker, treasurer; and Priscilla Bookman, secretary. *Laura E. Moore.*

The Candles and Lace Homemaking Club in PALMER, Alaska, met Jan. 4 at the Emery residence to learn basic tips on grooming. Several demonstrations were given including honey and oatmeal facials, proper hair care and good posture. Members of the club are Jessica Emery, Wendy and Mandy Eckman, Melissa Griswold, Charlyn McClure, Tara Orchard and Teresa Wilcox. *Linda Orchard.*

SINGLES SCENE

Twenty singles from AUCKLAND, New Zealand, spent four days at Sapphire Springs Camp beginning Dec. 31. The group canoed and sailed near Mount Maunganui, walked into the Kaimai ranges and enjoyed a Friday evening barbeque and hymn-along. The campers had lunch by a lake in McLaren Falls Park following Sabbath services. The camp-out ended Sunday with a white-water trip down the Wairoa River. *Jim D. Smith.*

Singles from IRELAND, SCOTLAND and ENGLAND assembled at the Kinnahalla Youth Hostel in Hilltown, Northern Ireland, for a United Singles get-together Dec. 24 to 28. A highlight



CELEBRATION — Three ministers cut a cake at the celebration of the 10th anniversary of the Rapid City, S.D., church. From left are Bill Swanson, a minister in the Salt Lake City, Utah, church; Steve Buchanan, Rapid City pastor; and Victor Kubik, pastor of the Paducah, Ky., church. Mr. Swanson and Mr. Kubik formerly served in the Rapid City area. (See "Church Activities," page 9.)

of the event was a four-hour hike across the mountains of Mourne. Other activities included pony trekking in snow-covered Castletown and roller skating in Newcastle, Northern Ireland. Hugh Carton, a local elder from the Ballymena, Northern Ireland, church, conducted a Bible study on the Sabbath. The event was rounded off with charades, dancing and a sing-along Saturday evening. *Audrey Foreman and Raymond Jordan.*

A division: St. Paul, in the YOU B category; and Des Moines in YOU girls' competition. The Minneapolis North and Rochester cheerleading squads performed during the games. *Jane Ramberg.*

The SAN JOSE, Calif., division I basketball team defeated Northbay, Calif., 64-51 Dec. 28. Doug Burkes on the drums, accompanied by Neil Wymer, and a group of San Jose mothers called The Mamas kept up the spirit. *Robin Merritt.*

The WASHINGTON, D.C., girls' volleyball team was invited to a volleyball tournament in Union, N.J., Dec. 28. Six teams participated including Union; Washington; Montvale, N.J.; Bethlehem, Pa.; and Long Island and Brooklyn-Queens, N.Y. In the round-robin tournament, each team played every other team twice, for a total of 10 games. Teams with the most points played each other. Results were Long Island, first; Washington, second; and Bethlehem, third. *Marcy Flincinski.*

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

The ATHENS and GAINESVILLE, Ga., YOU officers had a luncheon for widows after services Jan. 10. Entertainment and socializing during the event allowed YOU members to serve senior citizens. *Melinda Hopper.*

A YOU group from the BRIDGE-TOWN, Barbados, church hiked to Batts Rock Dec. 24 for a cookout after camping overnight at Good Shepherd School the night before. Twenty-five YOU members, six counselors, and the YOU coordinator enjoyed a variety of dishes they cooked. *Juliet Feney.*

FLORENCE, S.C., YOU members roasted weiners and marshmallows at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Prosser Jan. 3. The evening included shooting fireworks, building a bonfire and discussing

people are diligently studying their Bibles. *Vicki Hart.*

HALIFAX, Nova Scotia, YOU members played host to teens from New Brunswick churches for three days of activities including two dances, roller skating, a movie and a shopping trip. *Luana Rudolph.*

A HARRISBURG, Pa., YOU roller-skating party took place Jan. 4 at the Fountainblu skating rink. Skating races were won by Mark Duttera, Steve Duttera, Lyn Cox, Lynita Halbleib and Mike Herb. *Pam Brubaker.*

YOU members from HOUSTON, Tex., played host to a district basketball weekend Dec. 26 to 28. Houston won first place in the men's division; Houston West won the boys' A division; Houston North won the boys' B competition; and Austin, Tex., claimed first in the girls' division. All peewee basketball teams were awarded ribbons as well. Other events included a Friday night Bible study by Houston North pastor John Ogwyn, a family sock hop, and a YOU Bible bowl with Corpus Christi, Tex., edging out Houston North 10-9. *Doris Rogers.*

The LANSING, Mich., YOU played host to 10 churches for three days of activities including basketball and volleyball, Bible baseball and lectures about dating, drugs and the role of youths in the Church. After Sabbath services Dec. 27 more Bible baseball and basketball games were played. That night youths danced and fellowshiped. *Laurie Joseph.*

The NEWCASTLE, England, YOU had a potluck Dec. 20 in John and Sue Brown's home. Beach games, a barbeque and tennis on the following day rounded out a fun-filled weekend. *Ian Hogg.*

The NORTH BAY-SUDBURY, Ont., YOU chapter had its annual wood-cutting bee at Sturgeon Falls Nov. 2. YOU and Church members cut and split wood in the morning and enjoyed chili afterward in the home of Dennis Schmucker. *Shelley Donaghey.*



HARMONIZING — A children's choir performs under the direction of Mrs. Bryon Wetmore at a variety show Dec. 20 in Kent, Wash. (See "Church Activities," page 9.)

future YOU activities with Florence pastor Paul Kieffer. *Debra Prosser.*

The new year for GREENSBORO, N.C., YOU members began with a steak dinner Jan. 3. Afterward YOU President Maurice Parks spoke to the 61 young people and presented gifts on behalf of YOU to Mr. and Mrs. Bob League, Greensboro pastor and Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Orban, assistant pastor. Responses in a Bible question-and-answer session proved that the young

NOTTINGHAM, STOKE, BIRMINGHAM and NORTHAMPTON, England, YOU members had a four-day campout in the gardens of pastor Barry Bourne Dec. 20 to 24. Assisted by Sam and Loris Gray, Mr. Bourne and the 14 young people enjoyed roller skating, basketball, horseshoe riding, dancing, a fireworks display, a barbeque and singing. Jane Gale won the darts tournament and Gordon McLaren narrowly

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SPORTS

The MONTGOMERY, Ala., YOU basketball team, along with cheerleaders and spectators, took part in a tournament in Gadsden, Ala., Dec. 21. Participating churches were Gadsden, Huntsville and Birmingham. Ala.; Tupelo, Miss.; and Atlanta, Ga. *Don Moss.*

The NASHVILLE, Tenn., church played host to basketball teams from Huntsville, Ala.; Murfreesboro and Knoxville, Tenn.; and Evansville, Ind., for a tournament Dec. 28. Knoxville and Nashville men's teams, Huntsville's YOU A team and Knoxville's YOU B team were winners in their respective divisions. *Maury Hutchison.*

The ST. PAUL, Minn., YOU played host to a basketball tournament Dec. 26 to 28. A potluck followed Sabbath services, and in the afternoon a Bible bowl was played with St. Paul winning first and Rochester, Minn., second. Saturday night brethren watched movies and danced. Basketball winners the next day were St. Paul in the men's division; Des Moines, Iowa, in the women's category; Minneapolis, Minn., South in the YOU

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHS

BENNER, Timothy and Terry (Spanitz), of Bethlehem, Pa., twin girl and boy, Jocelyn Lee and Jared Timothy, Jan. 5, 5:01 and 5:10 a.m., 8 pounds 5 ounces and 7 pounds 5 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

BOSWELL, Jack and Linda (Strickland), of Montgomery, Ala., boy, David Andrew, Dec. 5, 3:27 p.m., 7 pounds 15 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

CAN, Michael and Rhonda (Moody), of Oklahoma City, Okla., boy, Daniel Levi, Jan. 1, 1 p.m., 8 pounds 8 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

CHAMBERS, Norman and Carolyn (Fisher), of Melbourne, Australia, girl, Georgina Ruth, Dec. 15, 2:18 a.m., 7 pounds 9 ounces, now 2 girls.

CHAMBERS, David and Debbie (Rains), of Salem, Ore., girl, Jessica Johene, Jan. 5, 9:13 a.m., 7 pounds 3 ounces, first child.

CLAGGETT, David and Patricia (Blum), of Tulsa, Okla., boy, Bradley Wayne, Sept. 4, 6:45 a.m., 8 pounds, now 2 boys.

CLEVENGER, Jerry and Peggy (Stokes), of Lenoir, N.C., girl, Jessica Elaine, Dec. 12, 8:14 a.m., 10 pounds 1 ounce, now 3 girls.

CORBETT, Robert and Judy (Johnson), of Shreveport, La., girl, Angela Rebecca, Dec. 16, 7:45 a.m., 8 pounds 3 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

DeLONG, Larry and Maureen (Harris), of Lehighridge, Alta., boy, Eric Ryan, Dec. 27, 2:35 p.m., 8 pounds 15 ounces, now 2 boys.

DYCK, Peter and Helen (Dickson), of Winnipeg, Man., girl, Carle Janice Petra, Oct. 3, 7:40 a.m., 7 pounds 11 ounces, now 1 boy, 3 girls.

FANNESTOCK, Kenneth and Karen (Sterling), of Harrisburg, Pa., boy, Eugene Gregory, Dec. 20, 7:01 p.m., 9 pounds 5 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

FONTANES, Joe and Judy (Smith), of Garden Grove, Calif., boy, Justin Eric, Dec. 30, 7 pounds 1 ounce, now 4 boys.

HAUSEN, Alan and Lillian (Prischak), of Cleveland, Ohio, boy, Joseph Timothy, Jan. 14, 4:22 p.m., 8 pounds 14 ounces, now 4 boys.

HERKINEN, Gary and Judith, of Eau Claire, Wis., boy, Frank David, Dec. 16, 3:54 p.m., 8 pounds 11 ounces, now 2 boys.

JAMESON, Ronald and Paulette (Knutson), of Greenville, S.C., girl, Darlene Eliamae, Jan. 12, 1:21 p.m., 8 pounds 1 ounce, now 4 girls.

JONES, Tom and Dawn (Fint), of Gladewater, Tex., boy, Justin Thomas, Nov. 16, 1:45 a.m., 8 pounds, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

KING, Raymond and Margaret, of Bell Island, Md., boy, David Leonard, Nov. 15, 6 a.m., 9 pounds 1 ounce, now 2 boys.

LABELLE, Ivan and Monique (Cote), of Montreal, Que., boy, Pierre-Marie, Nov. 10, 5:07 a.m., 8 pounds 14 ounces, first child.

LIND, Gordon and Sandra (Owens), of Portland, Ore., boy, Justin Alan, Jan. 3, 7:23 p.m., 8 pounds 3 ounces, now 2 boys.

MADDEN, William and Carrie (King), of Monroe, La., boy, Daniel Bryant, Jan. 13, 7:32 p.m., 8 pounds 15 ounces, now 3 boys.

McANALLY, Brian and Kim (Meister), of Tucson, boy, Jason Lee, Jan. 9, 2 a.m., 8 pounds 15 ounces, first child.

MITCHELL, Graham and Maggie (McLachlan), of Northampton, England, boy, James Graham, Jan. 1, 2:13 a.m., 7 pounds 5 ounces, first child.

MOORE, Everette and Annie, of Lufkin, Tex., boy, Basil Everette, Nov. 23, 8:12 p.m., 8 pounds 3 ounces, now 2 boys.

MOTTIN, Ken and Patty (McCloud), of Grand Island, Neb., boy, Brandon Wade, Dec. 5, 11:28 a.m., 8 pounds 3 ounces, first child.

MUSALO, Richard and Dolores, of Centereach, N.Y., girl, Susan Nicole, Dec. 29, 10 p.m., 7 pounds 10 ounces, first child.

PANEBIANCO, James and Cheryl (Vates), of Jacksonville, Fla., boy, Justin Lee, Oct. 1, 1:15 p.m., 8 pounds 4 ounces, now 2 boys.

PARRA, Joe and Ursula (Lynde), of Phoenix, Ariz., girl, Leona Marie, Jan. 2, 12:26 p.m., 7 pounds 8 ounces, first child.

PAYNE, Mark and Elizabeth (McCracken), of Wheeling, W.Va., boy, Mark Anthony Jr., Dec. 8, 6:33 p.m., 8 pounds 2 ounces, first child.

PITMAN, James and Mary (Collins), of Mesa, Ariz., girl, Anita Jean, Jan. 9, 12:15 p.m., 8 pounds, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

POLLAK, Wayne and Barbara (Dunbar), of Binghamton, N.Y., boy, James Layton, Dec. 19, 11:51 p.m., 8 pounds, now 2 boys, 2 girls.

RODER, Larry and Jeanne (Evers), of Gadsden, Ala., girl, Lindsey Brianna, Nov. 18, 3:25 a.m., 9 pounds 4 ounces, now 3 girls.

ROEMHOLD, Terry and Vicki (Hendrix), of Greenville, S.C., girl, Rachel Carol, Oct. 24, 8:48 p.m., 8 pounds 12 ounces, now 1 boy, 3 girls.

SHAW, Rick and Julie (Arnold), of Paris, Ill., girl, Elissa Amber, Dec. 13, 1:40 p.m., 8 pounds 14 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

SKOOG, Eric and Margie, of Minneapolis, Minn., boy, Joel Arnold, Jan. 7, 7:50 a.m., 8 pounds 13 ounces, now 4 boys, 3 girls.

SIRTH, Arthur and Irene (Fackler), of Lorain, Ohio, girl, Shewna Marie, Dec. 5, 5:35 p.m., 5 pounds 15 ounces, first child.

SMITH, David and Sandra (Charter), of Reading, England, boy, Jonathan Thomas, Nov. 18, 12:22 p.m., 7 pounds 2 ounces, first child.

SOJVE, Edmund and Marianne (Broughton), of Detroit, Mich., boy, James Edmund, Jan. 4, 10:36 a.m., 9 pounds 7 ounces, first child.

SPANN, Byron and Spring (Aikman), of Mobile, Ala., boy, Brian Scott, Dec. 18, 4:26 p.m., 7 pounds 2 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

STANGCZAK, Rick and Carrie (Brown), of Arlington Heights, Ill., girl, Crystal Lynn, Oct. 13, 12:33 p.m., 8 pounds 15 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

TAIBL, Tony and Monica (Hendershot), of Melbourne, Fla., girl, Melissa Sue, Dec. 15, 2:39 a.m., 7 pounds 14 ounces, first child.

TERRY, Alfred and Ruth (Hamilton), of Belle Vernon, Pa., girl, Anna Danielle, Dec. 27, 6:08 a.m., 8 pounds 6 ounces, now 2 girls.

VETSCH, Bob and Evelyn, of Grande Prairie, Alta., boy, Murray Robert, Jan. 8, 11 p.m., 8 pounds 8 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

WHITE, Anthony and Donna (White), of Athens, Ga., boy, Anthony Chad, Jan. 5, 5:44 a.m., 8 pounds 3 ounces, first child.

WILSON, Matt and Terri (Lee), of Vancouver, B.C., boy, Matthew Ray, Oct. 31, 3:11 a.m., 7 pounds 7 ounces, now 2 boys.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Woodward of the Las Cruces, N.M., Church and Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Mikolaj of Chicago, Ill., are pleased to announce the engagement of their children, Carol Ann and David Alexander. The wedding will take place Feb. 28 in Las Cruces.

Dolores Leonard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dominic Leonard of German, Pa., is engaged to Kenneth James Morgan of Clark Summit, Pa., son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Charles Morgan.

Mr. and Mrs. James Dewey of Pittsburgh, Pa., are pleased to announce the engagement and forthcoming wedding of their daughter Pamela Sue to David James Myers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Myers of Pasadena. The wedding will take place May 20 in Pasadena.

WEDDINGS

MR. AND MRS. TERRY COLE
Terry David Cole and Teresa Yuonne Mayberry were united in marriage Sept. 21. Thomas Oakley, a minister in the Hampton and Trenton, N.J., churches, performed the ceremony. Best man was Jeffrey Nissen, and matron of honor was Lisa Nissen, the bride's sister. The couple reside in Indian Mills, N.J.

MR. AND MRS. J. KLEYMANN
Joseph Anthony Kleymann and Mary Frances Wray Johnson were married Sept. 21. Gary Pendergraft, a minister in the Denver, Colo., church, performed the ceremony. Cheryl Fastano, the bride's sister, was the matron of honor. The best man was Blake Kleymann, the groom's brother. The couple live in Denver.

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BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

We'd like to let the readers of *The Worldwide News* know about your new baby as soon as it arrives. Just fill out this coupon and send it to the address given as soon as possible after the baby is born.

Our coupon babies this issue are Michael Keith Meister (left), son of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Meister, and Amanda Suzanne Hudson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Hudson, all of Houston, Tex.

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*Including newborn

Mrs. Scramlin is survived by her husband Frank, five sons and two daughters.

LONDON — Florence Brown, 92, died Dec. 28 following two strokes. She had been a member of God's Church since the early 1960s. Since 1975 her physical health had prevented her from attending services.

NOTTINGHAM, England — Ethel Daubney, 82, a blind Church member confined to a wheelchair, died Jan. 4.

Despite steadily deteriorating physical conditions and severe arthritis pain, Mrs. Daubney insisted on attending services to hear God's Word.

Funeral services were conducted by Nottingham pastor Barry Bourne. Mrs. Daubney is survived by a grandchild, Colin R. Sweet.

PARAGOULD, Ark. — Isaac Abel Brashers, 75, died Jan. 5, John W. Cafourek, a minister in the Cape Girardeau, Mo., church, conducted funeral services.

Mr. Brashers is survived by his wife Nettie, one son and two daughters.

PORTLAND, Ore. — Arben R. Ely, 83, a longtime member, died of pneumonia Dec. 28 after suffering declining health for several years. Jim Haeffle, pastor of the Portland East church, conducted funeral services.

Mr. Ely is survived by his brother Rosco, two children and four grandchildren.

SHERIDAN, Wyo. — Polly F. Spracklen, 79, died Dec. 27 in her home after a lengthy illness. A retired teacher of 42 years in Montana and Wyoming,

Miss Spracklen died in the home in which she was born.

Funeral services were conducted by Gene Watkins, pastor of the Sheridan church. Interment was in the Mt. Hope Cemetery in Big Horn, Wyo. She is survived by four nieces and nine nephews.

WICHITA FALLS, Tex. — Mary A. Peterson, 69, a member of God's Church for 26 years, died of cancer Jan. 18. Greg Sargent, pastor of the San Antonio, Tex., church, conducted funeral services in Kerrville, Tex.

Mrs. Peterson is survived by her husband Henry, two sons, Ray and Henry Jr.; two daughters, who are members of the Church, Verma M. Ensey and Dolores F. Schroeder, "Local Church News" editor for *The Worldwide News*; 11 grandchildren; six sisters, four of whom are in God's Church; and six brothers.

VICTORIA, B.C. — Mrs. Winifred Webb, 65, died Dec. 22 after a prolonged illness. She had been a member of the Victoria church for 13 years. Funeral services were performed in Duncan, B.C., by Victoria pastor Bill Rabey.

WICHITA, Kan. — Darrel Nicholson, 86, died Jan. 3 after a long illness. He was injured in an automobile accident during the Feast of Tabernacles at Lake of the Ozarks, Mo., and never fully recovered.

Funeral services were conducted by Tom Tullis, associate pastor of the Wichita church. Burial was in Dexter, Kan., Mr. Nicholson's birthplace. Mr. Nicholson is survived by one sister, Maurine Brown of Fullerton, Calif.

bath services the next day in San Antonio, Jo Gail Fry.

WINNIPEG, Man. **EAST YOU** activities got underway for another year Dec. 14 when a group visited the Nuclear Research Plant at Pinawa, Man., where they viewed films and were taken on a tour of the plant. On Dec. 24 the YOU members gathered at Saints Roller Rink for three hours of roller skating. Upcoming activities were then discussed over lunch. *Doug Aime.*

POLICY ON ANNOUNCEMENTS

From time to time we receive requests from our readers asking us to run ads helping them to contact brethren for various reasons, primarily from single members wishing to contact singles in other areas.

Years ago we instituted a "Personal" column and published the names and addresses of persons desiring to contact other brethren. This practice led to complaints from our members of receiving unwanted mail and solicitation, some from dissidents.

As you may remember, we then went to a code system. It became a time-consuming and costly burden, forcing us to add extra personnel.

Some time ago we ran a survey of our Church pastors' feelings about the value of "Personals." They were overwhelmingly in favor of the decision to cancel this section.

Therefore, we have limited the "Personal" column to the type of announcements that do not require the addresses of the brethren to be listed.

We will run engagement, wedding, birth, anniversary and obituary notices, and announcements of the Church and Work, such as those regarding the Feast of Tabernacles.

CHURCH NEWS

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defeated Ruth Devine to capture first place in the rifle shoot. *Ron McLaren.*

Thirty-four YOU members from the OMAHA and LINCOLN, Neb., churches took to the woods Dec. 26 for a three-day retreat at a Salvation Army camp complete with fireplace and kitchen. Members enjoyed a Bible bowl, chili supper and a sock hop. Stacks of pancakes served by Carl Nielsen were preliminary to a gigantic potluck at noon. Mr. and Mrs. Cal Bone, Joan and Tina Quette and Mr. and Mrs. Norm Otto kept things moving, and Mr. and Mrs. David Otto celebrated their anniversary during the outing. *Jodi Thomas.*

Thirty-five PRESCOTT, FLAGSTAFF and CAMP VERDE, Ariz., YOU members went to Tucson Dec. 26. Tucson beat Prescott 37-31 in a basketball game that night. Sunday morning YOU members visited Stanwall Farms, saw a horse show given by ranch managers, rode horses and played volleyball and football. *Wendy Keller.*

WACO, Tex., YOU members visited San Antonio, Tex., and Mexico during

the December school break. Thirty young people and adults toured the Alamo, the Hemisfair Tower and carnival and the Riverwalk in San Antonio. The group traveled to Laredo Tex., and Nuevo Laredo, Mexico. They attended Sab-

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



COORDINATORS MEET — Richard Frankel enjoys a moment with Colin Adair from the Canadian Office during the Festival coordinators' meetings on the Ambassador College campus in Pasadena. More than 45 coordinators, business managers and support personnel gathered here Feb. 3 and 4 to discuss plans for the 1981 Feast of Tabernacles. Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong will release site information later in the spring, according to members of the Festival coordinating team serving under him. [Photo by Michael Snyder]

MONTREAL, Que. — Evangelist **Dibar Apartian**, director of God's Work in French-speaking areas, conducted a ministerial conference here Jan. 30.

At a combined Sabbath service the next day, with 541 brethren from the Montreal A.M. and P.M., Sherbrooke and Trois-Rivieres churches, Mr. Apartian raised **Donat Picard** to the rank of preaching elder. Mr. Picard will pastor the Montreal churches.

Colin Wilkins, who has served in the French ministry for 18 years, will return to his homeland to pastor the Glasgow, Scotland, church, according to Mr. Apartian.

Mr. Apartian found the Montreal brethren to be warm and friendly and solidly behind Pastor General **Herbert W. Armstrong**.

Mr. Apartian and **Robert Fahey**, regional director for the English-speaking churches in Canada, are working in close harmony to serve the churches here, Mr. Apartian said.

On his return trip to Los Angeles, Calif., Mr. Apartian said he was surprised and delighted to see a stewardess who is a baptized member of God's Church, whom he had met in Paris eight years ago. She has never missed a Feast or Sabbath service because of her job, he said.

Accident

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After seeing the smashed truck, his wife Shirley said, "You must have had four guardian angels that night." Mr. Eubanks added, "One would have been enough."

Mr. Eubanks was anointed at the hospital by Tampa pastor **Ron Lohr**, and most of his cuts and the ear laceration healed soon after.

Not the first time

Mr. Eubanks previously enjoyed protection from God in June, 1973, he said, when a pair of hijackers forced him to empty his load of gasoline [W/N, Aug. 19, 1974].

Despite being held at gunpoint and being chained, Mr. Eubanks wasn't worried then. "I was confident in knowing that whatever happened, I had extra protection."

Enlightening experience

Mr. Eubanks said the threat of truck accidents is part of the job. "I wish people could ride in the right seat of a professional rig for two eight-hour shifts sometime," he said. "I can be surprised at all the terrible driving we see."

The driver of the vehicle that struck Mr. Eubanks' truck was cited for improper driving, according to the police accident report.

BONN, West Germany — More than 30,000 new subscribers were added to the *Klar und Wahr* (German-language *Plain Truth*) circulation in 1980, stated regional director **Frank Schnee**.

He attributed part of the success to a spring and fall advertising campaign in which ads were placed in major German newspapers and magazines, including *Der Spiegel*

and the national daily *Die Zeit*.

Also noteworthy, according to Mr. Schnee, was the acceptance of *Plain Truth* advertising on 1.5 million train schedules distributed on standard express and Trans-European Express trains. He reported that more than 3,000 subscriptions were received from the December effort.

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ST. LOUIS, Mo. — More than 9,000 *Plain Truth* subscription cards were distributed in less than two months through an innovative idea by local Church members, said **Virgil Petcu**, a deacon in the St. Louis North congregation and coordinator of the newsstand and *PT* cardholder programs here.

Henry and Ethel Butler, a retired couple, came up with an idea to place the cardholders in bus shelters throughout the city. Mr. Petcu asked the Butlers to get permission from the bus company, which subsequently granted approval.

Several cardholders were taped inside the shelters, and distribution jumped from 200 cards a month to several thousand. "Our response was just tremendous," Mr. Petcu stated. "We concentrated the cardholders in downtown shelters where there is a lot of traffic and people."

The coordinator reported that the effort is being expanded to include the St. Louis South congregation, which will begin distributing cardholders when a 20,000-card order from Pasadena arrives.

"This is an excellent example of what can be done with a little ingenuity in a local church area," stated **Boyd Lesson**, U.S. *Plain Truth* circulation manager. "This effort by



PROJECT CONTINUES — Ambassador College graduate **Terry Dozier** teaches English and Western culture to a group of refugees at the Ban Thong Camp in Thailand as part of the Ambassador College Educational Program in Thailand (ACEPT). Now in its second session, the program was termed a major success by Deputy Chancellor **Raymond F. McNair**. [Photo by John A. Halford]

thousands of brethren helps build a strong reading public of *The Plain Truth*, giving Mr. [Herbert] Armstrong a larger audience."

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PASADENA — Opera soprano **Renata Scotto's** return to the Ambassador Auditorium Jan. 28 was well-received, according to Los Angeles, Calif., newspaper critics.

Playing to a full house, Ms. Scotto's performance featured two encores, according to the Los Angeles Times. **Mark Swed** of the Los Angeles *Herald-Examiner*

reported that Ms. Scotto's singing was "often radiant." He added that "Scotto's soprano is still a magnificent instrument."

Richard Stiles of the Pasadena *Star-News* praised the soprano, stating that she was "more attractive and appealing than ever."

The performance was part of the Ambassador Foundation's "Great Performer Series," which includes flutist **Jean-Pierre Rampal**, mime **Marcel Marceau**, the National Chinese Opera Theatre and the Philadelphia Orchestra with **Eugene Ormandy** conducting.



INTERNATIONAL DESK

BY ROD MATTHEWS

PASADENA — God's Work is well established in the Caribbean, but the members scattered across the islands are not living in a "tropical paradise."

Gilbert Carbonnel, our pastor in the French-speaking island of Martinique writes: "Here, all is calm for the time being, but it's the calmness of a dormant volcano. Like everywhere else, unemployment is rising and it's the young who are the most affected."

"They are without work and worried about the future, therefore vulnerable to the propositions of those who say: 'Let's upset everything, what do we have to lose? Maybe something good will come out of it.'"

"On the other hand, the elderly, on the whole, don't really want to attempt independence because social security in Martinique, although leaving much to be desired, is far superior to that of neighboring islands of the Caribbean."

The atmosphere is also explosive in nearby Guadeloupe, where attacks continue despite the reassurances of the president.

In Haiti, political difficulties have put Radio Haiti, which carried *The World Tomorrow* broadcast, off the air. However, **Lionel Estivil**, ministerial trainee there, told us: "Last week, I was in the south of the country. I arranged with the Cayes Radio director to begin broadcasting our program again, which had been stopped previously. In the past, they played one broadcast per week for \$20 per month. In the new arrangement, which took effect on Jan. 1, 1981, they are broadcasting our program each day except Sundays, for \$60 per month. I think we've made a very good bargain."

French summary

At the end of 1980, more than 37,000 new subscribers had been added to the *La Pure Verite* (French

Plain Truth) mailing list, about two thirds of them in Canada. Eighty-four French-speaking people were baptized last year, with 65 of them from outside Canada, and 535 students completed 12 lessons of the Correspondence Course.

Australia

Last year finished with encouraging figures — income for year up 27 percent, mail up 9 percent, and more than 300,000 booklets and articles were mailed out.

In January, **David Hulme** arrived from the Canadian Office to assist in media and advertising. While in Australia, Mr. Hulme was assisting regional director **Bob Morton** in setting up a newsstand edition of *The Plain Truth*.

Over the past weeks Mr. Hulme has traveled extensively throughout Australia and is involving the local pastors in developing and maintaining the newsstand program.

As he visits each church area, he speaks at Sabbath services and conducts Bible studies, explaining to members our media and advertising plans for 1981, and how they can participate.

The groundwork also is being laid to air **Herbert W. Armstrong's** radio and television programs. Newspapers and magazine advertising is planned.

VIP visit

Roy McCarthy, regional director in southern Africa, reports that Nov. 20, five of the office personnel, including evangelist **Gerald Waterhouse**, visited the Honorable **H. H. Smit**, a cabinet minister. They showed him the Young Ambassadors Feast film, which he watched intently and commented on favorably.

Dr. McCarthy presented him with a copy of the 1980 *Envoy*. He stood looking at a photograph of Mr. Armstrong and said, "A remarkable man!"

God continues to bless His Work in southern Africa. Income was up 24 percent in 1980. More than 120,000 copies of *The Plain Truth* are printed each month in South Africa, with 16,000 going to Zimbabwe. Of the remainder, 40,000

are for South African newsstands.

A film of Mr. Armstrong's sermon at Tucson on the Last Great Day of the 1980 Feast, was sent to all overseas areas, so they could view the message United States and Canadian members saw by microwave. It had quite an impact on a number of churches in South Africa.

Personnel on move

Bernard and Linda Hongerlout arrived in Pasadena where he will be a translator for the French Department. Mr. Hongerlout formally worked in the Montreal, Que., (French) church.

Bernard Andrist, pastor of the Geneva, Switzerland, church and manager of the Geneva Office, will leave soon for a three-week baptizing tour of French-speaking countries in Africa.

Trevor Cherry was ordained a local elder Jan. 10. He serves in the Calgary, Alta., church and was formerly a ministerial trainee.

Gerald Waterhouse returned to the United States after a tour of overseas churches lasting about six months. On Jan. 24, he concluded his European tour with a service in Paris. He previously spent an intensive week speaking to churches throughout Germany, Switzerland and Austria.

Church attendance in Canada topped 9,000 in December. Many new visit requests were received, and 319 people were baptized in 1980.

German Office manager **John Karlson** and his family visited the lone member in Poland, **Viktor Przybyla**. News that they were suffering food shortages caused by the labor unrest prompted our Swiss brethren to take up a collection for them. Food was purchased and taken to Poland by the Karlsons.

The Karlsons arrived safely back in Bonn Jan. 2, to report that Viktor and his family are managing to get by, thanks in part to the help and concern of brethren in Western Europe.

Graham Hawkins was ordained a local church elder in the South London church by regional director **Frank Brown** and pastor **Robin Jones** Jan. 3.



SURVIVES SMASH-UP — Standing by the twisted remains of his company truck, **Charles Eubanks** credits God with preserving his life. The truck sustained \$30,000 in damages. [Photo by Shirley Eubanks]