

HWA meets president of Israel, opens conference in England

By Aaron Dean
PASADENA — Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong returned here July 5 after completing his European and Middle Eastern trip.

Aaron Dean, a pastor-rank minister, is Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong's personal aide.

On the last portion of his trip Mr. Armstrong met with Chaim Herzog, president of Israel, and other Israeli officials; conducted Sabbath services in Jerusalem; opened the

third international editorial and publishing conference in Borehamwood, England; and spoke to campers and staff attending the second session of the Church's Summer Educational Program (SEP) in Orr, Minn.

Jerusalem meetings

Continuing his trip (see the June 18 and July 2 *Worldwide News* for coverage), Mr. Armstrong touched down at the Jerusalem airport aboard the Church's G-II jet June 23 at 1 p.m.

He was greeted there by his long-

time friends Michael and Hanna Ravid. Mr. Ravid was consul general for Israel in Los Angeles, Calif., in the late 1960s and early 1970s.

Teddy Kollek, mayor of Jerusalem, sent his apologies for not being at the airport to greet the pastor general. His message explained that his wife had talked him into taking a vacation after 10 years of continuous work, and they were in Spain.

Mr. Armstrong was driven to the Jerusalem Hilton Hotel, where he would stay for a week. In his suite were several flower arrangements from his Israeli friends.

At 9:30 a.m. June 26 Mr. Armstrong drove with Aaron Dean, his personal aide, Mr. Dean's wife, Michelle, and Mr. Armstrong's nurse, Elaine Browne, to the Israeli presidential palace for a meeting with President Herzog.

Mr. Armstrong presented the president with a piece of Steuben crystal entitled "The Kingfisher." The piece is tear shaped with a kingfisher bird etched deeply into the surface. On the president's desk was another piece of Steuben that the group recognized as "The Ice Fisherman," a limited edition.

President Herzog, son of the late Isaac Herzog (a rabbi from Ireland



PRESIDENTIAL MEETING — Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong presents a protocol gift of Steuben crystal, entitled "The Kingfisher," to Chaim Herzog (left), president of Israel, June 26. (Photo by Richard Sharvid)

who was appointed chief rabbi of Palestine), spoke excellent English. Mr. Armstrong and the president discussed the worsening problems of the Middle East.

President Herzog is a former major general, Israeli intelligence officer, Israeli representative to the United Nations and head of the Knesset (Israeli parliament). He

told Mr. Armstrong that he is the only head of state in the region who takes regular evening walks around his capital city.

He remarked that he often walks by Liberty Bell Garden, a park which was developed with assistance from the Ambassador Foundation.

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Pastor general addresses Plain Truth conference

By Dexter H. Faulkner
BOREHAMWOOD, England — "Why is *The Plain Truth* so important?" asked Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong in the opening session of an international editorial and publishing conference here July 2.

"God has had a purpose back of it and a reason — it's reaching people all over... it's been getting it [the Gospel] into their minds. They haven't done anything about it yet.

"I tell you," Mr. Armstrong explained, "when the great tribulation comes, they're going to realize that what we've been predicting — and nobody else did — has actually happened... they're going to know that the Second Coming of Christ is very near."

"The only reason for getting the Gospel to the world now, at this time, is to prepare a people for what is coming."

Mr. Armstrong sets the tone

Mr. Armstrong's address to regional directors, department heads, regional editors and assistants started the conference off in a spirit of teamwork and harmony. Conducted in the British Regional Office at Elstree House here, the July 2 to 6 conference was the third annual meeting of editorial, pub-

lishing and international administration staff. Evangelist Frank Brown, regional director of the British Office, was chairman.

Also participating were Ray Wright, director of Publishing Services; Roger Lippross, production director for Publishing Services; David Hulme, director of media purchasing; Dexter H. Faulkner, managing editor of Church publications; evangelist Herman L. Hoeh, editor of *The Plain Truth*; Randy Cole, *Plain Truth* graphics editor; Roy Oestensen, regional editor for *Den Enkle Sannhet* (Norwegian *Plain Truth*); John Ross Schroeder, senior writer and regional editor for the British *Plain Truth*; David Gunn, circulation manager for the British Regional Office; and Johan Wilms, regional editor for *De Echte Waarheid* (Dutch *Plain Truth*). Jacqui Eve was secretary for the meetings.

Other regional directors participating were evangelist Leon Walker from the Spanish area; Carn Catherwood of the Italian area; Frank Schnee from the German area; and Bram de Bree from the Dutch area.

Working together

"In a work as global in nature as (See **CONFERENCE**, page 3)



INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE — Opening the third annual publishing and editorial conference July 2 at the British Regional Office in Borehamwood, England, Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong explains the purpose of *The Plain Truth*. [Photo by Dexter Faulkner]

Mr. Armstrong speaks at SEP

By Dennis Robertson
ORR, Minn. — Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong spoke at a combined meeting of campers and staff members July 5 at the second session of the Church's Summer Educational Program (SEP).

Dennis Robertson, director of college publications in Pasadena, is director of communications at SEP in Orr, Minn., this summer.

Mr. Armstrong arrived at the Orr camp July 4 after a flight from London, England. He continued on to Pasadena July 5. (See article this page about the conclusion of Mr. Armstrong's trip.)

SEP's 20th summer of operation began June 7 with the arrival of 287 campers from the United States and Canada. Hiroyuki Yamaguchi, 14, and Taichi Yamaguchi, 16, sons of Toshio Yamaguchi, also attended the first session. Mr. Yamaguchi is secretary general of the New Liberal Club Party, a member of the Japanese Diet (parliament) and one of Mr. Armstrong's "Japanese sons."

Mr. Armstrong spoke to first-session campers by telephone hookup from Amman, Jordan, June 23. "The first- and second-session campers are the finest group of young people we've had," said Kevin Dean, director of Youth Opportunities United and camp director. "They've been respectful, courteous and extremely hard working. I'm impressed."

According to site manager Floyd Kielczewski, the camp complex, about two miles north of Orr, is in the best shape it's ever been in. Two new classrooms and two new apartment complexes for visiting ministers and other guests make it possi-

ble to train more young people.

"I've been here for 20 years and the camp has never looked or functioned better," Mr. Kielczewski said.

Jerome Merriweather, 14, a camper from Indianapolis, Ind., said what he found at camp went beyond his expectations.

"I was impressed by the variety of

activities, but the teachers' eagerness to help really stood out. They are so warm and friendly," he said.

Tonya Miller, 16, from Columbus, Ohio, said that camp has been one of the most exciting times of her life.

"My sister told me it would be lots of fun, but I never dreamed I'd (See **SEP**, page 3)

Treasurer reports finances

PASADENA — At the end of June we completed the first half of 1984. The income trend fluctuated during these six months, with monthly year-to-date increases varying from 12.4 percent to 15.5 percent over last year. Total donation income for June was up 10.6 percent, which brought the year-to-date income figure down from an increase of 15.5 percent in May to 14.5 percent.

This is a good percentage of increase for which we are grateful, though there are some unsettling trends. General contributions, or regular tithes and offerings, have been on a slightly downward trend. These contributions represent about 70 percent of income and therefore are important in the overall percentage figures.

In June they were only 7.4 percent more than the same month a year ago. At the same time, Pentecost Holy Day offerings were 19.7 percent more than last year. However, Holy Day offerings are only about 14 percent of the annual income and do not have as great an effect on the overall income.

The year-to-date income, which is still several percentage points above budget, has improved our bank reserves and cash-flow situation, but projections still indicate another difficult period in September similar to the one in the spring. This problem is further heightened by the fact that departmental expenses seem to be catching up to the budget after being held back during the spring. We hoped that the departments would not find it necessary to catch up and would therefore continue at the lower level.

It now appears that we will have to monitor our cash-flow situation carefully again on a day-to-day basis during September, unless we have an unexpected increase or a decrease in expenditures before then.

The Pentecost offering was much appreciated. The increase was not as great as during the Days of Unleavened Bread, but it was certainly an excellent one. Thank you for your part in this generous offering. *Leroy Neff, Church treasurer.*

U.S. election: end of political consensus

PASADENA—The outcome of the U.S. national elections this fall will have great bearing on the future of the world. America's allies as well as its adversaries are watching for hints of what is to come.

Will incumbent President Ronald Reagan—riding high in popularity polls—be returned to office? Or will his Democratic challenger, former Vice President Walter Mondale, prevail? If so, how would that affect America's role in the world?

Regardless of the outcome Nov. 6, political analysts say we are witnessing the end of what is called political consensus in American politics, particularly in foreign policy.

Throughout the post-World War II period, little significant difference was visible between the two major political parties, the Democrats and the Republicans, in the broad range of international relations.

American foreign policy hardly changed when the reigns of power were passed from Democrat Harry S. Truman to Republican Dwight D. Eisenhower in 1953. Even the changeover, eight years later, to the incoming Democratic administra-

tion of John F. Kennedy produced few ripples in the American perspective of world affairs.

The same cannot be said of more recent elections. Ever since the 1972 campaign a large gap has opened between the two parties in their view of foreign affairs. This widening breach in the U.S. world view became apparent with the election of Jimmy Carter in 1976.

Launching the country on a new post-Vietnam course of action, Mr. Carter urged that Third World regions were to become "depoltimized" in an anticipated "new global age." Hemispheric troubles—soon to erupt in Nicaragua and El Salvador—lay, said the President, "outside the context of the superpower relationship."

A different signal was picked up in Moscow and Havana. They could at last capitalize on the region's social and economic problems to make significant gains of their own.

In Western Europe, Mr. Carter's abrupt cancellation of the controversial but nevertheless defensive weapon, the neutron bomb, caused shock waves throughout the NATO alliance. The Carter administration

was viewed as being indecisive and unpredictable.

Mr. Reagan came into office Jan. 20, 1981, with the avowed purpose of restoring traditional national values and outlooks.

The President, a persuasive speaker, subsequently took to the television screens several times to

political scene today is that, from one election to the next, Washington's view of the world and its policies toward both friend and foe can change abruptly. The result is what Secretary of State George Shultz called "light-switch diplomacy."

The prospects of future wild swings—if not in 1984, likely 1988

WORLDWATCH

By Gene H. Hogberg



warn the American public of the dangers in the revolutions brewing in the Western Hemisphere.

Mr. Reagan's blunt talk concerning the Soviet Union disturbed some in Western Europe, who were also not convinced of his clearcut position on Central America.

'Light-switch diplomacy'

The most disturbing element to outsiders concerning the American

—in U.S. foreign policy are already evident.

Indicative of this is the position taken by Democratic presidential challenger Jesse Jackson, who is having a considerable impact upon his party's future directions.

Mr. Jackson sees the world through dramatically different lenses than President Reagan. This was revealed during his six-day tour in late June of four countries in the strife-torn Central America-Caribbean region: Panama, El Salvador, Cuba and Nicaragua.

In Panama City on the first leg of his trip, Mr. Jackson toured the



Just one more thing

By Dexter H. Faulkner

Why not communicate?

Who would you say was the greatest communicator in history? Patrick Henry, Winston Churchill, some ancient Greek philosopher?

I would choose Jesus Christ—master at conveying images through the spoken word.

Christ spoke in parables, or simple stories, about runaway boys, lost coins and seeds falling to the ground—things familiar to common people. He was a master communicator and our supreme example.

We all think we know what communication is. After all, we communicate all the time—when we nod sleepily to our spouses in the morning or when we greet the grocer, the banker or those in the car pool.

Some live with preoccupied mates—getting his or her attention isn't easy. You might look at your mate behind the Sunday paper and say, "Honey, I want to talk with you about something that's happened."

"Uh huh."

"It's leaking... in the bathroom... it's running out onto the floor."

"Uh huh."

Or—

"Hey, sweet, we are overdrawn at the bank. How is this possible?"

"Oh, I didn't know that."

Why don't we communicate more than we do? Oftentimes we just don't want to make the effort. It's easier not to bother. At other times it's simply because we don't want others telling us what to do. We want our own way. That's why we don't seek wise counsel or even ask advice about a decision we are about to make.

God says a lot to us in Proverbs about seeking wisdom and good advice. We can't do that without talking with other people. And not just talking, but asking advice and listening to it.

A young wife was talking the other day about how relieved she was that her husband took the good advice he was given by a man that he respected. She added: "I tried to tell him myself, but I could talk all day and it wouldn't make any difference. I'm so thankful that the right word at the right time from the right

person convinced him."

Husbands, do you listen to your wives? After all, you chose this woman to be your lifelong companion, the mother of your children. She knows you well and the circumstances surrounding whatever major decision you might be making. And, she's probably going to be greatly affected by your decisions.

Ask her advice and listen to it; weigh it carefully before you make a decision affecting your family. If you are headstrong and won't talk to your wife or anyone else before making many of your decisions, God won't necessarily back them. God will support your decision much more when it comes through a unified family.

Wives, remember that too. You may not always totally agree with the decision, but back up your husband's decisions the best you can. God will bless this unity of purpose.

If things haven't been going quite right for you and your family, financially, spiritually or otherwise, maybe you should analyze whether you are communicating enough. God wants unity, and He will have it. It's important that husbands and wives agree.

Another example that comes to mind happened at a ladies' night at Spokesman Club not long ago. The topicmaster has just encouraged the women to comment on a particular subject. One young woman rose and commented. As she finished, her husband jumped up and, referring to her as somewhat of a lesser intelligence, gave his more enlightened opinion on the subject.

Did he raise himself in everyone's esteem by putting down his wife? No, but he did reveal one of his own weaknesses and put a damper on everyone else's evening. The other women weren't too anxious to comment after that. And probably most felt sorry for his wife for having to put up with such an insensitive mate.

To give a more positive example, at Sabbath services a few months ago, a man in front of me left his seat to give the opening prayer. Although he wasn't a polished

speaker his words were thoughtful and sincere. When he returned to his seat, his wife, leaning toward him with a big smile, whispered, "You did great!"

Her actions communicated to me more than her appreciation for his efforts that Sabbath. I don't know that couple personally, but I'm sure she appreciates and supports her husband in many other ways daily, and he her. That warm give and take in a relationship is hard to hide.

Here are some guidelines for us to consider the next time we open our mouths to communicate, whether in marriage or with others.

- Don't monopolize the conversation. Sincerely desire to hear and learn what others can add to the subject as well. Someone once wrote, "Never hold anyone by the button or the hand in order to be heard out, but if people are unwilling to hear you, you had better hold your tongue than them."

- Don't rudely contradict. Flat contradiction is a conversation stopper. You can say: "I'm sorry, I don't quite agree," but if possible seek to find points of agreement. In that way the subject develops in interest with each person's contribution.

- Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone" (Colossians 4:6, New International Version).

- Don't abruptly change the subject. Some people, after painfully waiting for a speaker to catch his or her breath, jump into the conversation with a totally new subject. Always seeking center stage is pure vanity.

- Show an active interest in what is said by others. This brings out the best in any speaker. Prolong his or her subject, ask more about it, and he or she unfolds to bloom like a rose in the sun.

- Be careful about making dogmatic statements of opinion. "Who is wise and understanding among you? Let him show it by his good life, by deeds done in the humility that comes from wisdom" (James 3:13, NIV). Study this chapter and Proverbs for God's wisdom.

- Avoid destructive talk. Cynical comments may sound clever in conversation, but they always hurt someone. "Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that is good for necessary edification, what is that may impart grace to the hearers" (Ephesians 4:29, Revised Authorized Version).

The tongue can be a blessing, and the tongue can be a curse. Stop and think, how am I using mine—for better or for worse?

European Diary

By John Ross Schroeder



Holocaust and Israel

BOREHAMWOOD, England—Some observers have speculated that the quality of overall leadership in Israel would be much better today if the Holocaust hadn't happened.

The reasoning goes something like this: a fair number of the six million Jews who perished during World War II were professional people—doctors, lawyers, university professors—and even those without formal education possessed a keen intellect. Presumably, much of Eastern European Jewry would have emigrated to Israel after World War II.

Numbered among those observers was the first prime minister of Israel—David Ben-Gurion.

According to Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek, Mr. Ben-Gurion was

a man of "unequaled foresight." Writing about the first prime minister in his autobiography, Mayor Kollek stated: "As for the six million killed by the Nazis, he [Ben-Gurion] regretted the loss of the particularly sharp intelligence that developed among East European Jewry, especially because he knew what it would have meant for Israel if it could draw on that intellect."

"Ben-Gurion felt our political problems would have been solved if there were two million more Jews here, that their presence would have determined our history... He had never recovered from the historic

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Letters TO THE EDITOR

Worldwide members

Thank you so much for the very inspiring articles about our brethren worldwide...

We pray for our brethren every day, but not until we take the time to read about the trials they are experiencing can we truly pray for them in earnest.

We certainly look forward to future issues so that we may learn more about our brethren.

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Ware
Springdale, Ark.

Ministers' wives

I am a baptized member and would like to thank the ministers' wives for the patient and loyal way they endure their husbands' long tiring working hours. The ministers work so hard sorting out everyone's problems and then there are their own and those with children. It must be very hard to find enough time to do everything...

I do think the ministers' wives of God's Church need encouraging too.

M. C. Bourgaise
Bradford, England

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President

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The conversation then moved to a discussion of the world economic crisis. Mr. Armstrong told President Herzog that it would not be long before the world's economic system will collapse.

President Herzog discussed the strange turns international politics often take, citing as an example a speech he delivered before the General Assembly of the United Nations.

When he began speaking, the Soviet and Arab representatives walked out. This seemingly unfortunate event worked to his advantage. "Had they not," he said, "the speech would have been unnoticed."

"But because of the walkout it made front-page news," he said.

Before finishing the 45-minute conversation, President Herzog told the pastor general about some new archaeological exhibits in Jerusalem that he might wish to see, and then presented him with a copy of his book, *The Arab-Israeli Wars*.

At noon Mr. Armstrong was driven to Chez Simon, a gourmet restaurant in Jerusalem, for lunch with his Israeli friends.

In attendance with the Armstrong party were Benjamin Mazar, former president of Hebrew University; and Joseph Aviram, executive secretary of the Israeli Exploration Society. Mr. Aviram was director of the Institute of Archaeology at Hebrew University. These two men were sent to Pasadena Ambassador College by then-president Shneur Zalman Shazar in 1968 to begin preparations for Ambassador College participation in Jerusalem excavations.

Also present were Nahman Avigad, a Jerusalem archaeologist; Yigal Shilo, director of the Israeli excavations involving Ambassador College; Moshe Kol, former Israeli minister of tourism, and his wife; and Mr. and Mrs. Ravid.

At the luncheon Mr. Armstrong was presented with two books. He was given *Recent Archaeology in the Land of Israel*, which was edited by Professor Mazar and features chapters written by many archaeologists. The book is dedicated to Dr. Aviram for his work with the Israeli



FIRST MEETING — Left, Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong greets Chaim Herzog (left), president of Israel, in the Jerusalem presidential palace June 26, as Michael Ravid (center), former Israeli consul general in Los Angeles, Calif., looks on. Right, Mr. Armstrong



signs the guest book at the Bunyat Special Education Center in Amman, Jordan, as Khawla Abu Odeh, wife of Adnan Abu Odeh, Jordanian minister of the royal court, looks on. [Photos by Richard Sharvid and Richard Weber]

Exploration Society.

Mr. Armstrong was also presented a copy of *Discovering Jerusalem* by Dr. Avigad.

Preparing telecasts

After the luncheon we returned to the hotel, where Mr. Armstrong caught up on the latest news of the economic crisis featured in the current *Newsweek* as well as the *International Herald Tribune*, *Jerusalem Post* and *Wall Street Journal*.

While listening to the articles being read, the pastor general took notes to prepare for a television broadcast upon returning home.

That afternoon Mr. Kol stopped by to visit the pastor general. He discussed the International Cultural Center for Youth (ICCY) and how it is trying to encourage positive relations between Arab and Israeli youths. The Ambassador Foundation contributes financial help toward this worthy goal.

Mr. Armstrong spent Wednesday, June 27, preparing notes for additional *World Tomorrow* telecasts.

He plans to point *World Tomorrow* viewers more to the significance of economic turmoil, as these events pave the way for prophesied events. It is interesting to note that French Emperor Napoleon Bonaparte, German Chancellor and Fuehrer Adolf Hitler, and Italian Premier Benito Mussolini rose to power as a consequence of economic crises.

That evening Mr. Armstrong provided a private viewing for his Israeli friends of one of the Young Ambassadors Festival films in his Hilton suite.

Evidence of destruction

At 10 a.m., Thursday, June 28, acting on the suggestion of President Herzog, Mr. Armstrong was driven to the site of the Burnt House excavations in Jerusalem.

Excavated in January, 1970, by Professor Avigad, the ruins of a first century A.D. Jewish home bear witness to the Roman destruction of Jerusalem in A.D. 70.

The excavated remains are charred from fires set by the Romans, and the rubble and debris of the home confirm the historical accounts written by the first century Jewish historian Jose-

Marshall Plan.

Had those six million Jews survived, how many would have emigrated to Israel? We'll never know. But many observers think that if the Holocaust hadn't happened, the establishment of a Zionist state might have been delayed 10 years or perhaps indefinitely. What happened was so horrible that many forces were galvanized into immediate action.

Today the State of Israel is a lull. Neither of the two major parties shows much desire to make the political sacrifices necessary to get the nation's economic house in order. The inflation rate is almost beyond belief.

Add to that the enormous territorial and border problems, the status of Jerusalem, and the constant difficulties with immigrants from 110 nations. How do you forge a coherent nation out of a tremendous immigrant population?

Whether Israel continues to go forward largely depends on her ability to remember and be inspired by the first generation of her leaders. It does us all good to read and study the history of our founding fathers. This is especially true of relatively young nations. Seven helped shape the American nation — George Washington, Benjamin Franklin, James Madison, John Jay, Thomas Jefferson, Alexander Hamilton and John Adams. Several helped shape modern Israel — David Ben-Gurion, Levi Eshkol, Chaim Weizmann, Abba Eban, Moshe Dyan and Golda Meir. Present leadership could learn a lot from those who came before.

because they hadn't done more to assist potential Jewish escapees from Eastern Europe. U.S. President Harry S. Truman was in a mood to be persuaded to help establish a new Jewish nation. The need to establish and maintain a new nation in Palestine helped unify American Jewry into the economic and political force it is today.

Horrified by the Holocaust, Jews all over the world had that now-or-never feeling. "We might not survive if we don't act now. Our very existence is at stake."

Whatever the cause, enormous forces were mobilized. Israel was established in 1948 — just two years eight months after the end of World War II. Jewry was on the march around the world. Sympathizers helped a great deal.

In Israel itself the first generation of leaders felt they could have done more to help potential escapees from perishing in the Holocaust. They, too, experienced a strong sense of guilt. To them, the Holocaust was always just yesterday — not something that happened months or years ago.

These pioneering leaders — Mr. Ben-Gurion, Levi Eshkol, Chaim Weizmann, Abba Eban — spared no effort to build and stabilize the State of Israel. They sacrificed and went without. They worked around the clock. What Israel is today is largely because of their efforts.

True, the United States government also helped with sometimes no-strings-attached economic aid. And, of course, American Jewry has been of enormous assistance to Israel. Israel has had its own private

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impact of the six million dead. He felt that the strongest branch of the [Jewish] nation had died in the Holocaust" (*For Jerusalem — A Life by Teddy Kollek*, Random House, New York, pages 141, 145).

We will never be able to test this theory. History went the other way. Much of modern Jewry perished in the Holocaust. It seems that God supplied a first generation of great leaders to get this new nation started in a particularly hostile political environment. Among those leaders, Mr. Ben-Gurion had an unusual gift for seeing what was coming.

Continues Mayor Kollek: "How right he [Ben-Gurion] was when he packed in immigrants at the rate of 120,000, 130,000 and 200,000 a year when many of us thought, 'Let's do it slowly. Thirty thousand a year, forty thousand.'... Ben-Gurion was the only one who foresaw that time was running out, that if the Jews in Iraq and Syria did not come out then, they would never be able to get out" (op. cit., pages 144, 145).

I discussed the relationship of the Holocaust to present Israeli leadership and other questions with several in responsible positions in Israel. Contrarywise they felt that the horrors of the Holocaust had helped produce the State of Israel.

Their reasoning went something like this: The West was galvanized into action. Many felt guilty

plus and others.

There were many steps down to the excavated ruins. For health reasons, Mr. Armstrong decided not to descend the steps. He instead went to the next appointment.

Modern Israel

The group arrived at the home of Eliahu Elath, a former president of Hebrew University (1962-1968). Dr. Elath, 82, was the first Israeli ambas-

sador to the United States and was the Israeli ambassador to the United Kingdom 1950 to 1959.

He was the Jewish representative to the 1945 United Nations conference in San Francisco, Calif. Since there was no recognized state of Israel then, Dr. Elath had to meet with officials in halls and hotel lobbies.

Mr. Armstrong attended the same conference as press representative for (See **PRESIDENT**, page 11)

Conference

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ours, it is imperative that communications are carefully maintained," said Mr. Brown. "Because of the complex nature of publishing, this type of conference helps all the participants to learn from each other."

The purpose of the conference was to bring together the individuals who have major responsibilities in editing and publishing Church magazines and publications.

Throughout the world, editors, writers and publishing personnel work together on various Church publications. For example, each year the 10 issues of *The Plain Truth* must be translated into six languages from the original English. At the same time, the international *Good News*, with selected articles from the English *Good News*, *Youth 84* and *Worldwide News*, is being translated.

Since each region has different needs, certain sections of *The Plain Truth* and international *Good News* are designed to allow articles not included in the English edition to be inserted.

If not coordinated properly, these procedures can be costly and time-consuming. Thus, the editorial and publishing staffs assemble once a year to resolve continuing problems and snags, and plan for growth.

This year's meetings centered on developing new production schedules and using new computer technology in Publishing Services to speed up publication production cycles.

Good News circulation

During the conference Mr. Armstrong announced that a free subscription to either the English- or international-language editions of *The Good News* will be offered to *Plain Truth* subscribers who have renewed their *PT* subscriptions at least twice. The pastor general wrote a letter that will be mailed this month explaining the nature of the *Good News* magazine and offering the free subscription.

Mr. Wright estimated that

worldwide *Good News* circulation will probably rise from 250,000 to about 600,000 by the end of the year.

As the conference neared a close, Mr. Catherwood commented, "These meetings have had a gratifying effect of creating greater unity and a deeper understanding of each other's needs and problems."

"It is exciting to see all areas of the work moving toward greater efficiency and interoffice cohesiveness. Clearly," he concluded, "we seem to be on the edge of a new phase of unusual growth."

SEP

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experience the number of activities that they have here," Tonya said.

"I've always been scared to death of heights, but up here I've been rock climbing and even parasailing. That has really helped me build my confidence and helped me to overcome some of my fears."

"I even got to meet Mr. Armstrong, which was a dream come true. I shook his hand, and he gave me a hug and a kiss on the cheek. I was so happy I just cried."

The girls in dorm 6-G were asked to describe the SEP experience in one word. Some of their responses were: "great," "awesome," "magnificent," "fantastic," "inspiring" and "millennial."

Theresa Yoha, 14, from Monroeville, Pa., said camp was a lot more than just fun and adventure. "Perseverance, determination, teamwork, friendliness, outgoing concern — I can see these points coming through in the various activities," she said. "But at the same time, it's fun. It's all great fun."

"These campers have a lot of vision," Mr. Dean said. "They can see how camp will help them to become the leaders and teachers in tomorrow's world. I've been extremely pleased with their character development."

Mr. Dean attributed the campers' attitudes to parents taking a more active role in training and educating the young people in the Church.

The third and final session of camp ends Aug. 7.

Election

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and I have a Third World experience growing up in America... a lot of experience in suffering and exploitation."

Though he had earlier pressed Salvadoran President Duarte to include Marxist rebels in the political process, Mr. Jackson admitted he had not asked Mr. Castro to consider elections in Cuba, where there have been none for the past 25 years. "I had to respect the sovereignty of his nation," he said, "and the right of their government to operate as they see fit."

Perhaps the most significant event on Mr. Jackson's Cuban sojourn was an appearance before students at Havana University. There he received a lengthy ovation when he finished a speech by proclaiming: "Long live Cuba. Long live the United States. Long live President Castro. Long live Martin Luther King. Long live Che Guevara. Long live Patrice Lumumba. Our time has come."

Mr. Lumumba was the first premier of Zaire, and was murdered in 1961, becoming somewhat of a martyr. There is, for example, Patrice Lumumba University in Moscow, for the training of Third World students in Marxism.

Mr. Guevara was President Castro's top lieutenant in fomenting revolution throughout Latin America, and was finally hunted down and slain in Bolivia in 1967.

Before leaving Cuba with some of the freed Cubans and Americans, Mr. Jackson made a quick trip to Managua, capital of the Marxist

Sandinista government of Nicaragua (whose national anthem proclaims America as the "enemy of humanity").

While in Nicaragua, the Democratic Party contender, reported *Time* magazine, "found himself ideologically at home among the Sandinistas, claiming his solidarity with 'the mothers of the heroes and martyrs who have died for the revolution.'"

There is one big reason behind Mr. Jackson's bold ventures into his own private brand of foreign policy. He would like to be, as he told reporters, secretary of state in a Democratic administration.

America adrift

Because of the rapidly diverging views of the administration in power and of the opposition determined to unseat it, the election will have an enormous impact in America's role in the world.

How, for example, will America's allies in Europe react, should there be another dramatic swing in U.S. foreign policy outlook come January, 1985? The wrenching experiences of 1977 and 1981 are still hard to adjust to.

Former U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger expressed his own deep concerns over what he called the "crisis of confidence" in American leadership.

"I think we are almost approaching Argentine conditions in foreign policy," he said, referring to that nation's notorious deep social and political divisions.

The United States, he added, is beginning to look "incapable of mastering events. And then the question is, 'Who will emerge, a serious leader or a demagogue?'"



NEW CARPET — Right, Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong checks the new carpet being installed in the Grand Lobby of the Ambassador Auditorium with Robert Smith, interior designer for the Church, July 9. Above, workmen position the new carpet, which was handwoven at the Tai Ping carpet factory in Hong Kong. Mr. Armstrong visited the factory there Jan. 27 to inspect the carpet before it was completed (see "King of Thailand Confers Award on Pastor General at Royal Palace," *WN*, Feb. 13). The pattern on the new carpet is identical to the old except that the abstract pattern was sculpted into the new carpet; it was dyed into the old. The old carpet, still in good condition, will be installed in the Festival Administration building at Big Sandy Ambassador College. [Photos by G.A. Belluche Jr.]



FOCUS ON YOUTH

TEENS PARTICIPATE IN PARK CLEANUP

BENDIGO, Australia — An annual YOU weekend took place here May 5 and 6.

Services on the Sabbath, May 5, included the Melbourne Youth Choir, which presented special music. A potluck followed services and a fun show with a variety of musical and comedy acts was presented in the evening.

Sunday, May 6, the group participated in a service project to clean up one of the parks in town. Lunch in the park was followed by a fund-raising drive in which the teens sold candy door to door.

The money raised will go to help YOU members attend SEP in Australia this year. *David Austin.*

OUTING INCLUDES CAMPING AND CANOEING

COLUMBIA, S.C. — YOU members from Augusta, Ga., and Columbia camped and canoeed May 19 and 20.

Activities began after services, May 19. The group gathered for a meal of grilled hamburgers and hot dogs. They spent the rest of the evening in conversation and a hike to sand quarries.

Tents were set up and a lesson in canoeing technique and safety was given. Outdoor music was provided for those who wanted to dance.

At sunrise, May 20, the group packed for the canoe trip and rode in cars to a site on the Wateree River near Horatio, S.C. The canoes were launched at about 9 a.m. The trip took

about eight hours and covered 15 miles.

YOU members signed up for the canoe outing in advance, and each paid \$15 for canoe rental. *Donna Frick.*

YOU, SENIOR CITIZENS ATTEND COMBINED DANCE

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — May 19 marked the first YOU and senior citizens' dance here. About 34 youths, ages 13 to 19, and 20 seniors, 60 and older, attended.

YOU coordinator Gary Foglesong said the idea was to "create an opportunity for the two age groups to interface, where they wouldn't under normal circumstances."

After a dinner furnished by the YOU, a husband-and-wife professional dance team from Fred Astaire Dance Studios in Memphis taught the youths and seniors four dances — the foxtrot, waltz, rumba and jitterbug. The YOU covered expenses. *Manya N. Gustafson.*

WISCONSIN YOUTHS VISIT CHICAGO MUSEUM

KENOSHA, Wis. — The Boys' Club, Girls' Club and YOU combined for a trip to the Museum of Science and Industry in Chicago, Ill., May 6.

The 26 children and 17 adults separated into three groups to tour the museum.

The groups saw displays including a polarized light demonstration, an exhibit on the history of computers, an array of priceless dollhouse furnishings from fairy tales, ships through the ages, dolls from around the world, a human anatomy exhibit,

a prenatal development exhibit and examples of locomotives through history. *James Pum and Conni McClure.*

YOU BANQUET INCLUDES FOOD, TALENT, DANCING

CHICAGO, Ill. — More than 100 people attended the Chicago Southside church's first YOU banquet May 6 at the Fleetwood Community Center in Evanston, Ill. Parents were encouraged to participate.

Former YOU members and other Church members served at the banquet, catered by Church members Curtis Davis and Jimmie Williams. The meal consisted of chopped steak, baked potatoes with sour cream, carrots, rolls and butter, salad, cake and ice cream. Later, sparkling grape juice was served.

After the meal YOU members provided entertainment, which included vocal solos by Arletta and Alisa Hayes, piano solos by Tamara Adams and Tracy Dumas, a trumpet solo by Isaac Reed and a clarinet solo by JoAnna Barr.

Speeches were given by YOU members Billy Williamson, Harvell Horton and Dwayne Carr.

The Chicago Southside band played, and a number of songs were sung by Lisa Williamson and Arletta and Alisa Hayes for the dancing portion.

Also, each 1984 high school and elementary school graduate received a gift. *Barbara Williamson.*

ALABAMA TEENS ATTEND PROM

HUNTSVILLE, Ala. — One

hundred fifty-four attended a District 33 prom, at the Sheraton Inn here, Saturday evening, April 21.

The dress was tuxedos or dark suits with bow ties for the boys and long dresses for the girls.

A formal dinner of chilled melon, French onion soup, roast round of beef with bordelaise sauce, baked stuffed potato, green beans almondine, garden salad, chocolate mousse and a beverage was served on tables with light blue tablecloths and matching napkins. Centerpieces of magnolia leaves adorned the tables.

After dinner the teens danced to the music of the Birmingham, Ala., church's Satin and Steel Band. Jack Boswell took pictures. Dinner arrangements, table and other decorations and dance refreshments were planned by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas O. Cole. District 33 ministers and their wives served as chaperons.

According to Lawson J. Tuck, District 33 coordinator and pastor of the Huntsville and Florence, Ala., churches, "All the young people conducted themselves superbly and really seemed to enjoy it." *Gay Chaney.*

GEORGIA CHILDREN ATTEND YES FIELD DAY

AUGUSTA, Ga. — A YES field day took place at the Augusta Preparatory School May 20.

The afternoon began with a picnic and baseball games. Adults and children participated in team activities such as tug-of-war and relay races including a balloon sit, three-legged sack race, balloon

waddle and Frisbee toss.

Partners Keith Bailey and Joey Merritt and David Perkey and Loren Saxton II won in the water-balloon toss. Children were given prizes such as Frisbees, softballs and stationery. Merchants donated balloons, pencils and toys. *Barri Armitage.*

CALGARY TEENS VISIT WASHINGTON STATE

CALGARY, Alta. — Sixty-eight members of the Calgary North and South YOU and 17 adult chaperons led by Alan Redmond, associate pastor of the Calgary South church, traveled about 1,700 miles over spring break.

Seven vans left Calgary Tuesday, April 24, for Seattle, Wash. Wednesday, April 25, the group toured Grand Coulee Dam, an electrical generating plant and irrigation system, on the Columbia River in eastern Washington. They ate lunch in the Bavarian-style town of Leavenworth, where a Walt Disney movie was being filmed.

Thursday, April 26, the teens rode a ferry to Bremerton, Wash., and toured the U.S.S. *Missouri* docked at the Puget Sound Naval Base in Sinclair Inlet.

Friday, April 27, the group drove to Tacoma, Wash., and toured McChord Air Force Base where pilot briefers gave tours of a C-141 Starlifter and a C-130 Hercules followed by a glimpse of the F-15 fighters stationed there.

On the Sabbath, April 28, the group attended services in Seattle.

The group left for home Sunday, April 29. The six-day trip was made possible by several bottle drives over the past year. *Sylvia Baldwin.*

Feast planning: 'never-ending,' say coordinating team members

By Michael A. Snyder
PASADENA — How big is the annual Fall Festival? During the 1983 Feast of Tabernacles 90,000 brethren spent an average of \$870,000 a day for lodging and more than \$1 million on meals and recreation in the United States. According to evangelist Ellis La Ravia, Church members spend about \$2 million at each U.S. site during the eight-day Festival.

"When you consider that the average convention lasts two days and only involves about 300 people, you can begin to understand the magnitude of the planning required to conduct a successful Feast," said Mark McCulley, Festival planning coordinator.

Mr. McCulley assists evangelists Ellis La Ravia, director of Facilities Management; Joseph Tkach Sr., director of Ministerial Services; and Leroy Neff, Church treasurer; in making preparations for the annual eight-day Festival at U.S. sites.

The three evangelists are members of the Festival coordinating team under Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong. The evangelists had about 30 years experience among them as Festival coordinators at various Feast sites before they were made part of the Festival coordinating team. "This experience enables us to readily understand problems and challenges that coordinators face each year," Mr. Tkach said.

Although primarily responsible for U.S. Feast sites, the three evangelists also have international duties.

Site selection

"Feast planning and preparation is continuous," Mr. La Ravia said. "Since the Festival lasts longer than most conventions, halls and sites must be booked years in advance."

Mr. La Ravia is responsible for site selection and preparation. He explained that local elders Dwight Viehe and Jack Patterson make on-site inspections of present and potential Feast sites throughout the year. When not negotiating Festival arrangements, Mr. Viehe serves as the department manager of Campus Services in Pasadena and assists in the Imperial congregation. Mr. Patterson maintains the Church-owned site in Mount Pocono, Pa., and assists in the church there.

"The Feast is the spiritual capstone of the year and thus must reflect very high physical standards," Mr. La Ravia said. "We try to provide the finest facilities possible with acceptable housing at good rates."

He said that the collective spending power of the Church is a strong bargaining chip in negotiating for lower housing rates. About \$7 million was spent for housing at 19 U.S. sites during the 1983 Feast. Without the Church's arrangements, housing costs probably would have exceeded \$10 million, he said.

"That's why it is so important that brethren make housing arrangements with hotels and other establishments who have negotiated with the Church," the evangelist said.

Speaking schedule

Mr. Tkach is responsible for selecting the Festival site coordinators and arranging speaking schedules. Ministerial Services also compiles speaking schedules for traveling speakers both in the United States and internationally, which are then approved by Mr. Armstrong. Mr. Tkach is also responsible for selecting song leaders and other support personnel for the Holy Day transmissions where Mr. Armstrong addresses most of the Church by satellite.

Rod Matthews of Ministerial Services helps brethren make arrangements for the Feast in the Caribbean and other international sites.

Mr. Neff handles monetary matters and is responsible for the annual Festival budgets and selection of the site business managers. "Fred Stevens, who is the manager of the Church's Accounting Department, and I pick individuals here in Pasadena and in Big Sandy who have business or business-related experience," Mr. Neff said.

Early planning

The planning schedule for each Feast begins in earnest in January when U.S. coordinators and business managers assemble in Pasadena for two days of meetings. Festival planners from Canada and other countries also attend.

Coordinators meet with business managers at that time to begin planning budgets for each site. Months before the meetings, Mr. Viehe, Mr. Patterson and others investigate Feast sites and negotiate housing prices.

Coordinators receive copies of a policy manual that includes information on housing, sound systems, how to set up for the satellite transmissions and other Festival activities.

After the meeting, coordinators return to their areas to begin preparations. Activities must be arranged, including hall rental for dances and special presentations.

Final housing information is forwarded to Mr. La Ravia's office, where Mr. McCulley and others put together the annual *Festival Planner* in conjunction with Publishing Services and other departments. The *Festival Planner* contains instructions and housing information for Feast sites in the United States and Canada.

During the spring and summer, final preparations take place. John Prohs, technical supervisor for the Ambassador Auditorium, travels to the Feast sites to test sound systems and modify them if necessary.

Monthly meetings

Several times a month the three evangelists will meet together, in pairs or with others in various depart-

ments, to monitor preparations. At least once a month one or more of the three meet with Mr. Armstrong concerning Festival plans.

Ministers are notified of their speaking and counseling duties and suggestions are made for sermon and sermonette topics to ensure "hearty spiritual meat in due season," Mr. Tkach said.

Mr. Matthews helps arrange travel plans for ministers and families assigned abroad for the Festival and takes care of last-minute changes.

As the Festival approaches, Mr. McCulley and his two assistants, Laura Reimann and Ronda Perry, help coordinators finish arrangements and resolve last-minute problems.

Media Services arranges for distribution of the various Festival films, often using headquarters employees to hand deliver the 16-mm. films to sites in the United States and abroad.

Mr. Tkach remains in Pasadena during the Feast as the site coordinator and monitors the Festival as it develops.

Auditors from Arthur Anderson & Co., an external auditing firm retained by the Church, visit selected sites on the Holy Days to make spot checks on how the Holy Day offering is taken. "They observe the whole procedure from the counting of baskets to the depositing of the money," Mr. Neff said.

After the Feast is completed, planning for the next Festival begins as coordinator reports come in with recommendations for the next year.

"It's a never-ending task, but one that is exciting and challenging to be part of," said Mr. La Ravia.

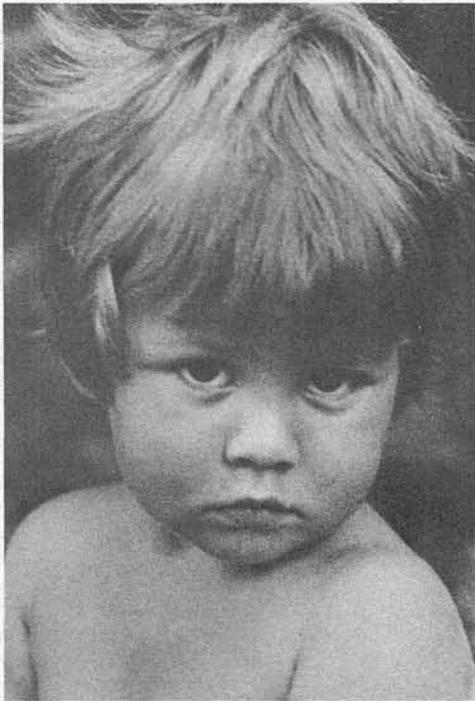


COORDINATING TEAM — Above, evangelists Leroy Neff, Church treasurer (left), and Joseph Tkach Sr., Ministerial Services director, discuss traveling speakers for the 1984 Feast. Below, evangelist Ellis La Ravia, Facilities Management director, goes over housing arrangements with Mark McCulley, Festival planning coordinator (left). [Photos by Michael Snyder]



WORKING STAFF — Clockwise from above: Jack Patterson negotiates for Feast sites east of the Mississippi River; Dwight Viehe handles sites west of the Mississippi (occasionally the two local elders' duties overlap); Rod Matthews of Ministerial Services assists ministers and members with international transfers; Mark McCulley, Festival planning coordinator, reviews U.S. Festival sites with assistants Laura Reimann (center) and Ronda Perry (left). [Photos by Nathan Faulkner, Scott Smith and Michael Snyder]

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BEST PORTRAIT (JUNIOR): DOUG MYLYMOK



BEST HUMAN INTEREST (SENIOR): PATRICK PHILLIPS



BEST HUMAN INTEREST (JUNIOR): DOUG MYLYMOK

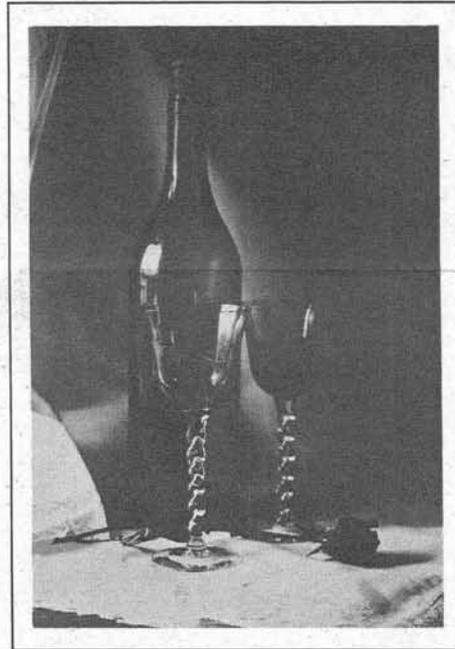
1984 YOU PHOTO CONTEST



MOST UNUSUAL (JUNIOR): CHAD OAKES



BEST ACTION (SENIOR): MARCEL SCHNEE



BEST ALL-AROUND BLACK AND WHITE: DARLINA LECKIE



BEST PORTRAIT (B&W): TED GORALCHUK



BEST GENERAL SUBJECT (SENIOR): TODD BROWN

VANCOUVER, B.C. — Marina Simons, 19, of Surrey, B.C., won the award for the Best Overall Color Photograph, and Darlina Leckie, 17, of Peterborough, Ont., won the award for Best Overall Black and White Photograph in the 1984 Youth Opportunities United (YOU) Canadian Photo Contest.

First place winners received \$50; second place, \$25; and third place, \$15.

Judges were Michael Guidolin of the Vancouver Office and Bruce Armstrong, Andrew Borm and Darlene Moss, members with photography experience. Colin Adair, regional director in Canada, was overall evaluator.

The photos were judged according to guidelines set forth in the YOU manual and in *Youth* magazine articles. These included whether the photo was entered in the proper category, originality, creativity, focus, exposure, forethought and whether the photo told a story.

Categories in which there were single entries were eliminated.

First, second and third place in the junior, senior and black and white divisions in each category are as follows:

Human interest (senior): Patrick Phillips, 16, Lethbridge, Alta.; Samantha Moss, 18, Richmond, B.C.; Douglas Mandel, 17, Edmonton, Alta.

Human interest (junior): Doug Mylymok, 15, Summerland, B.C.; Sandra Kolk, 14, Fort MacLeod, Alta.; Karen Quinn, 13, Godfrey, Ont.



BEST HUMOROUS (JUNIOR): DOUG MYLYMOK



MOST HUMOROUS (SENIOR): DOUGLAS MANDEL



MOST HUMOROUS (JUNIOR): MORGAN MILLMAN

CONTEST: CANADA

Nature (senior): Marina Simons, Surrey; Brian Sutton, 17, Calgary, Alta.; Darlina Leckie, Peterborough.

Nature (junior): Christine Guerin, 14, Grande Prairie, Alta.; Chad Oakes, 15, Calgary; Pat Arnold, 14, Comox, B.C.

Nature (black and white): Chad Oakes, Calgary; Tim Cottrill, 17, Summerland; Ted Goralchuk, 16, Winnipeg, Man.

Humorous (senior): Douglas Mandel, Edmonton; Samantha Moss, Richmond.

Humorous (junior): Morgan

Millman, 15, Westlock, Alta.; Jennifer Brown, 14, Sunset Harbour, Alta.; Elmer Ventura, 15, Coquitlam, B.C.

Unusual (junior): Chad Oakes, Calgary; K. Williamson, 14, Edmonton.

Portrait (senior): Paul Anderson, 19, Langley, B.C.; Marina Simons, Surrey.

Portrait (junior): Doug Mylymok, Summerland; Morgan Millman, Westlock; K. Williamson, Edmonton.

Portrait (black and white): Ted Goralchuk, Winnipeg; Lisa Beck-

man, 18, Winnipeg; Chad Oakes, Calgary.

Action (senior): Marcel Schnee, 17, North Battleford, Sask.; Todd Brown, 18, Sudbury, Ont.

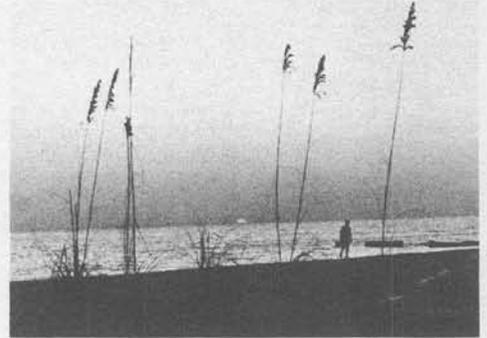
Action (junior): Ron Patrickson, 14, North Vancouver; Chad Oakes, Calgary; Naomi Fraser, 15, Nelson, B.C.

General subject (senior): Todd Brown, Sudbury; Lisa Beckman, Winnipeg; Brian Sutton, Calgary.

General subject (junior): Naomi Fraser, Nelson; Craig Raspberry, 13, Worsley, Alta.; Karen Quinn, Godfrey.



BEST NATURE (SENIOR), BEST ALL-AROUND COLOR: MARINA SIMONS



BEST NATURE (JUNIOR): CHRISTINE GUERIN



BEST GENERAL SUBJECT (JUNIOR): NAOMI FRASER



BEST NATURE (B&W): CHAD OAKES



BEST ACTION (JUNIOR): RON PATRICKSON



BEST PORTRAIT (SENIOR): PAUL ANDERSON

ACCENT ON THE LOCAL CHURCH

Events include sports, camping, dancing

PIKEVILLE, Ky., brethren played host to a formal dance June 23 at the Perry Cline Community Center. The color scheme for the evening was sky blue, pale pink, silver and white. Crepe paper streamers were strung from the walls to the center of the dance floor. A rotating mirrored ball hung in the middle.

Warren J. Heaton III, pastor of the Pikeville, Paintsville and Hazard, Ky., churches, and his wife, Marti, started the dancing by leading the first waltz. In honor of their June 6 wedding anniversary, the Heaton's were serenaded by Fred Hall who played the guitar and sang "The First Time Ever I Saw Your Face."

The Heaton's, who have been transferred to Buffalo, N.Y., were presented with a silver tea service from all three churches the next weekend on Pentecost.

The **SLIDELL, La.**, Spokesman Club was host to its first invitational softball tournament May 27 in Slidell. Teams from Slidell, Baton Rouge, Lafayette and New Orleans, La., took part. Baton Rouge captured first-place trophies for both men's and women's teams.

The Slidell Spokesman Club sold concessions including hamburgers, hot dogs, cheese nachos, soft drinks and lemonade. Profits were designated to help send an area youth to the Summer Educational Program (SEP) in Orr, Minn., this summer.

The first district family weekend took place at the Volcano Lakeview Resort in Agoncillo, Philippines, May 18 to 20 for **QUEZONCITY** and **MARIKINA**, Philippines, brethren.

The first group of Church members arrived May 18 at lunchtime and spent the afternoon swimming in a lake that is said to be the mouth of a volcano. The second group arrived in time for Bible study and a film showing the history of God's Church.

Sabbath services took place May 19 with Reynaldo Taniajura, pastor of both churches, giving a sermon on marriage and family. After a Bible bowl YOU members presented a talent show in honor of their parents.

The group took part in sports activities the morning of May 20 after a YES evaluation for children. Married men beat singles in a basketball game.

In the afternoon YOU campers from different church areas in the country started arriving for the first nationwide Summer Educational Program (SEP) and the end of the district family weekend.

After three days of family oriented activities, brethren returned home on buses.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., brethren packed up sleeping bags, toothbrushes and hiking clothes and headed for Pickett State Park for a weekend stay in tents or bunkhouses May 25 to 27. Sabbath services, meals and activities were centered in a chalet-type hall.

Brethren brought supper Friday evening, May 25, but meals through Sunday lunch were provided for a nominal fee. Volunteers supplied the necessary labor.

A going-away tribute was given in honor of the David Orban family. Mr. Orban will pastor the Pittsburgh, Pa., church. To the surprise of the Orbans, activities were abruptly halted, the lights went down and slides collected from various members of activities during the 10 years of Mr. Orban's residency were shown. In the background members of the Knoxville choir sang "Sunrise, Sunset."

Activities Saturday evening, May 26, also included children's games. Sunday brethren hiked, played games and cleaned up.

A mother and daughter fashion show was presented by the **FRESNO** and **VISALIA, Calif.**, churches May 20 with more than 200 in attendance.

The theme of the show was "It's a Small World."

Sixty-one women modeled their home-sewn fashions to soft background music, while Denise Butler, a Fresno member, narrated. After the show, a four-course dinner was served to guests by 21 volunteer singing waiters from both church areas.

After-dinner entertainment included a musical tumbling routine by YES girls, a dance routine by YOU girls and the antics of Pockets, the yellow-nosed clown.

Awards were presented to the youngest seamstress, the woman who has sewn the longest, the woman who sewed the most garments in a year and the woman who traveled the farthest.

Dolly Gordon and Shirley Crane shared their sewing expertise by assisting women with their garments.

Twenty-two **TIVERTON** and **PLYMOUTH, England**, brethren, their associate pastor, Melvin Rhodes, and his family met at Brownsham Farm May 27 for a North Devon walk that led them through the Devonshire countryside and fishing village of Clovelly tucked into a secluded corner of the cliffs.

On Clovelly's narrow, cobblestoned, stepped streets there are no motor vehicles. Provisions are still carried on donkeys or pulled on sleds because of the steep terrain. The village is comprised of old world cottages, one or two transformed into hotels, two public houses and a few shops.

Walking over rolling hills, vales and cliff tops, the groups arrived at the home of Mike and Sue Lee, organizers of the hike. Here Eileen and Janie Deakins had prepared food, including salad, wine and desserts.

The **CARDIFF, Wales, United**

Singles group organized an outing for Cardiff members May 27. After a picnic lunch at Cwmbrian boating lake, the group moved on to Llandegfedd Reservoir, where they took walks and visited a garden center. Later they returned to Cwmbrian lake for rowing and a picnic tea.

Debby Bailey, Dave Huffman, Henson Fen Santos, Valentin L. Josen and Larry G. Rimando, Howard Nitzberg, Linda Sanders, Francis Conn and Hilary Calwell.

Brethren go bush camping

Deacons, wives and children in the **JOHANNESBURG, South Africa**, church went on a camp-out May 31 to June 3 at Kruger National Park. The park is the same size as England, comprises miles of untouched African bush and is home to many varieties of wild animals including lions, leopards, cheetahs, hyenas, rhinoceroses, elephants and antelopes.

The camp-out provided brethren with spiritual instructions and fellowship. On the Sabbath, June 2, Andre van Belkum, pastor of the Johannesburg church, conducted morning and afternoon lecture sessions. The theme centered on deacons and their responsibilities to God's Church.

Evenings were spent around camp fires with bush sounds of hunting lions, howling hyenas or the call of a hoopoe. During the day sight-seeing and game viewing were organized. One group had an enraged bull elephant charge their vehicle. They eluded it, however. *Andre van Belkum.*



FORMAL AFFAIR — Warren J. Heaton III (second from right), pastor of the Pikeville, Paintsville and Hazard, Ky., churches, and his wife, Marti, receive a silver water pitcher June 3 in honor of their 13th wedding anniversary. They were serenaded by Fred Hall (right). (Photo by Robert Hunt)

Areas mark anniversaries

At 3 p.m. June 3 festivities began for **UNION, MIDDLETOWN** and **MONTVALE, N.J.**, brethren who celebrated the 20th anniversary of the original Newark, N.J., church.

At the first service of the Newark church, 336 attended at the Douglas Hotel June 6, 1954. The church went through many location changes over the years, and in 1977 its name was changed to the Union church. More than 700 members attended the celebration.

Ron Robinson, a local church elder and coordinator of the celebration, introduced some original members, including Mr. and Mrs. Carl Klink, the first baptized members of

the central New Jersey area, and Maceo Hampton, formerly a minister in the Union church and now associate pastor of the Detroit, Mich., West church.

Four tables of memorabilia outlined the changes, and included original sermon notes, pictures of early events and Ambassador College Envoys. Tables were organized by Dewitt Kepler, Fred Legg, Ed Butler and original members Torney Van-Acker, Robert Tyson and Charles Nickel.

Mr. Robinson introduced Gerald Backus, master of ceremonies for the day. Mr. Backus read and played (See **AREAS**, page 9)

Youths participate in YOU district, regional track meets

PASCO, Wash., brethren played host for the fourth annual Northwest regional YOU track-and-field meet at Edgar Brown Memorial Stadium in Pasco May 20.

More than 300 brethren and athletes from four Northwest districts were weekend guests of Pasco members. Orren Fricke assisted Pasco pastor Gerald Flurry in arranging housing for out-of-town participants.

Weekend events included a Bible study Friday night, May 18, a Sabbath sermon by Mr. Flurry titled "David, A Teen After God's Own Heart," a picnic and a dance Saturday night.

Records were set in the junior boys' 110-meter high hurdles by Cory Meyers of District 82 with a time of 19.26; 400-meter relay, Jesse Vode-

gel, David Vodegel, Tim Hendrickson and Brent Bauer, District 84, 50.02; junior girls' 1,600-meter run, Julie Melton, District 84, 6:17.35; high jump, Ruth Kloeck, District 83, 4 feet 6 inches; long jump, Sarah Parman, District 84, 14 feet 4½ inches.

Senior boys' 110-meter high hurdles, Steve Torres' of District 84, 17.24; and 1,600-meter relay, Mark Wubben, Ron Lewis, Ken Loucks and Gary Browning, District 82, 3:50.72.

SASKATOON, Sask., was the site for 216 YOU members from Brandon and Winnipeg East and West, Man.; Prince Albert, Regina West and Yorkton, Sask.; who participated in the sixth annual biregional YOU track-and-field meet June

3. Teams arrived early Friday evening, June 1.

Saturday morning the teens attended a Sabbath brunch at the Saskatoon Inn, with ministers, track officials, families and guests.

Maurice Yurkiw, Saskatoon pastor, conducted afternoon services in the hotel for 415 brethren. He pointed out young people's responsibilities and blessings in the Church of God.

More than 300 brethren also attended services at the Walter Murray Collegiate Auditorium, where Jake Friesen, a local church elder, spoke on the fruits of the Holy Spirit.

That evening the group met at the Saskatoon Forestry Farm for a picnic and fellowship. Despite cold weather and dust storms for days before the

meet, Sunday was clear at Griffiths Stadium.

Prince Albert and Tisdale, Sask., won the Division II championship, while Saskatoon took the Division I championship and the best sportsmanship trophy. Named outstanding athletes were Rachel Levitt (junior girls), Eileen Buck (senior girls), Dwight Dube (junior boys) and Ken Zacharias (senior boys). Fifty athletes from this meet qualified to represent the region at the national track meet July 8 in Vancouver, B.C.

Douglas Johnson, Regina pastor, directed the meet, while Jonathan Buck, pastor of the Brandon and Moosomin, Man., churches, was track announcer, assisted by Paul Linehan, associate pastor of the Winnipeg West church. Owen Murphy, pastor of the Bonnyville, Alta., and North Battleford and Lloydminster, Sask., churches, is YOU coordinator.

Blue skies and fair weather set the stage for this year's district track-and-field meet June 3 behind Conant Jr. High School in **APPLETON, Wis.** YOU members from eight church areas gathered on Rocket Field for the events. Waukesha, Wis., took first place in the discus, long jump, 100-, 200- and 400-meter dashes, 400- and 800-meter relays and 100-meter low hurdles in the junior and senior girls' divisions.

West Bend, Wis., captured first place in the junior girls' high jump, while first in the junior girls' shot put and 1,600-meter run went to Green Bay, Wis.

Green Bay and Appleton made their strongest showing in the senior and junior boys' competition, while in the junior and senior girls' categories it was Waukesha dominating.

Don Smythe, Edie Clemens and Bruce Luedeman.



YOU WINNERS — Left photo, Jim Robinson of Green Bay, Wis., jumps 5 feet to win the junior boys' high jump at the district meet June 3 in Appleton, Wis.; right photo, John Went (far right) of Wausau, Wis., hits the finish line first in the junior boys' 200-meter dash. (Photos by Robert G. Galle and Bruce Luedeman)

Areas

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messages from previous ministers of the area, including Robert Spence, now in St. Louis, Mo.; Richard Frankel, in Washington, D.C.; Mike Swagerty of Chicago, Ill.; and Gordon Harry of Atlanta, Ga.

Selections of special music were performed by the New Jersey choir, Union junior choir and the Middletown junior chorale. The Montvale church then presented a play titled "Don't Miss the Boat" about the building of Noah's ark. Afterward brethren had a meal of roast beef, baked potatoes and green beans, prepared and organized by Pat Klink, Dee Lewis, Dot Reis, Audrey Nickel, Myrtis Everett, Joanne Cimino and Mary Wesley.

Mr. Hampton, James Jenkins, Union and Middletown pastor, and Lloyd Briggie, Montvale pastor, then led a cake-cutting ceremony. A three-

tiered cake was made and decorated by Sandra Lekas. The evening concluded with dancing to City Lights, a band from the Manhattan, N.Y., church.

More than 230 brethren were on hand for 10th anniversary celebrations of the DENISON, Tex., church Pentecost, June 10. A photograph of original members who still attend the Denison church was taken outside the Ramada Inn where the first Sabbath services took place Pentecost, 1974.

Pastor Charles Calahan read greetings from previous pastor Gerald Witte. During morning services Ambassador College graduate Charles Melear was raised in rank to local church elder.

The church bulletin was replete with photographs of events during the past 10 years, and brethren took part in an anniversary banquet between services.

-Debbie Yavelak and Charles Calahan.

Marriage seminar conducted

More than 360 brethren, representing several Michigan churches, took part in an all-day marriage seminar at the Michigan State University Kellogg Center in EAST LANSING, Mich., Memorial Day, May 28.

After an orientation, Judd Kirk, pastor of the Wichita, Kan., church, opened the seminar with a presentation titled "The Nature and Growth of Godly Marital Love." Mr. Kirk emphasized the need for communication in marriage, augmenting his material with selected music to set the tone.

The second morning presentation, "Marital Responsibilities vs. Rights," was given by Ray Wooten, pastor of the Detroit West and Ann Arbor, Mich., churches. Mr. Wooten admonished those in the audience to focus on fulfilling their God-given responsibilities in marriage rather than demanding their rights.

After a served luncheon in the Kellogg Center's Big Ten Room, Gerald Witte, pastor of the Flint and Lansing, Mich., churches, delivered a lecture on "The Beginning Stage of the Process of a Crisis Marriage." Mr. Witte discussed the problem of the battered wife and stressed the importance of recognizing and adjusting to personality strengths and weaknesses of mates.

The final presentation, delivered by Mr. Kirk, addressed "The Three Stages of Marital Love." After describing the characteristics of each stage — enchantment, disillusionment and maturity — those in the audience were asked to decide at which stage they were in their marriages. They were encouraged to work toward a mature marital relationship in which each partner gives to the other unconditional love. Joann Whitehead and Rick Sherrod.

New Yorkers bid associate pastor farewell

The BUFFALO, N.Y., churches combined on the Sabbath, May 26, to bid farewell to associate pastor Chris Beam, his wife, Diane, and children, Ted, Bill and Elizabeth, after four years of service in the area. Mr. Beam will be associate pastor of the Asheville, N.C., and Greenville, S.C., churches.

During services Ants Nomm was ordained a local church elder and John Wilke was ordained a deacon. Afterward the Beam family was called to the stage to open gift-wrapped boxes containing cookware and a food processor. Almost 500 brethren then shared a potluck of salads, meats and desserts with

Brethren honor YOU at prom, graduation

The second annual YOU senior prom was conducted May 26 in Orlando, Fla. High school seniors and juniors from the ORLANDO, FORT PIERCE and JACKSONVILLE, Fla., churches attended. The prom was organized because most high schools conduct proms on Friday night and Church youths cannot attend.

Seniors meet for study, tea

June 7, 14 widows from the ALBUQUERQUE, N.M., area gathered in the home of Walter Dickenson, pastor of the Albuquerque and Santa Fe, N.M., churches, and his wife, Joanne, for a buffet-style meal of dishes prepared by the women.

Assisting Mrs. Dickinson, who provided beverages, was Lynn Lemler, wife of Dick Lemler, a Santa Fe deacon. The luncheon took place in the Dickinsons' shady backyard. After the meal the widows moved inside where Mr. Dickinson gave a Bible study on faith. A question-and-answer period took place afterward.

May 27, 20 young-at-heart KITCHENER, Ont., senior citizens attended a music recital and tea given in their honor at the Willowells Club. Deacons and wives served a luncheon of finger foods and beverages.

Pastor Terry Johnson began the recital with two piano solos. Henry Stryker sang "When Irish Eyes Are Smiling" and "Oh, What a Beautiful Morning." Rudy Roth presented two violin pieces and Sarah Hayward sang. Elizabeth Johnson completed the program with a piano solo. Harry Lingwood, on behalf of the seniors, expressed appreciation.

Linda Ward and Marnie Hills.

The group danced to recorded music and enjoyed refreshments. Robert Bertuzzi, Orlando pastor, recognized the six graduating seniors by announcing their names and the high school they attended.

After Sabbath services earlier in the day, brethren had a potluck. The next day, May 27, young people who were at the dance went bowling.

The WASHINGTON, Pa., church was host to a YOU District 15 graduation dinner and dance May 26. Honored at the graduation were YOU members from churches in Cambridge and Youngstown, Ohio; Wheeling, Clarksburg, Charleston, Logan, Parkersburg and Huntington, W. Va.; and Pittsburgh, Beaver Valley, McKeesport, Johnstown and Huntingdon, Pa.

The dinner, prepared by Washington and Belle Vernon brethren and consisting of salad, rigatoni, garlic bread, cookies and ice cream, took place at the Lone Pine Community

Center. Adult volunteers from Washington and Belle Vernon donated their services as waiters, waitresses and cooks and helped with setup and cleanup. Dinner music was played by Clarence Henderson of the Washington church.

The group then attended a dance at Ernie's Esquire Supper Club in McMurray, Pa., with disc jockeys Reinhold "Shorty" Fuessel, YOU district coordinator and Wheeling and Cambridge pastor, and Brent Feiock, a Wheeling YOU graduate.

Portfolios of all the graduates, compiled by Steve Schantz, Clarksburg pastor, his wife, Carol, and volunteers from the Clarksburg church, were displayed amidst decorations. Dale Crouch, a Washington photographer, took posed, prom-style photos. The event was coordinated by John Dobrich, pastor of the Washington and Belle Vernon churches.

Ed Strickland, John Varney and Dale Crouch.

Clubs conduct graduations

Eleven Spokesman Clubs conducted the 1983-84 club year and presented graduation certificates to the following members:

KANSAS CITY, Mo., NORTH and KANSAS CITY, Kan., SOUTH (June 17): Alfred Abts, Ramon Coleman, Harvey Gilley, Jim Lane and Clyde Waltermate.

TRENTON and VINELAND, N.J. (June 17): Neil Spruell.

BONN, West Germany (June 17): Jochen Linkorn, Rolf Marx and Heiner Ungoreit.

COLUMBIA, S.C. (June 17): Ron Stanley.

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (May 30): David Blackwell, Nick Bratnick, Jackie Corley, Vern Gould and William Johnson.

BATON ROUGE, La. (June 3): Lazarus McDaniel, Clinton Hunt and Michael Kuykendall.

SARNIA and LONDON, Ont. (May 27): Jim Jay (Sarnia), John Hibbs, Jesse Van Hende, Bob McKenzie, Gerald Girouard, Neil Faw, Francis Juhasz, Tom Van Hende, Jim Van Hende and John Gourlie.

BRIDGETOWN, Barbados (June 2): Noel McConnie, Glynne Drakes, Ronald Gall and Alfred Russell (A club); Sherrod Scantlebury, Austin Gill, Douglas Yarde and Henderson

Jones (B club).

The following Spokesman Clubs conducted year-end meetings and ladies' nights:

Rolla, Mo., June 6; Cebu, Philippines, June 10; and Dublin, Republic of Ireland, June 12.

Clubs attend work party

The BRISBANE, Australia, SOUTH Spokesman and Graduate clubs combined for a working bee at the Lake Moogerah, Australia, Summer Educational Program (SEP) site Sunday, June 3.

A group of 50 left the South Brisbane area Sunday morning and were greeted at the site by camp director David Noller. Working parties were organized, and women served tea, coffee and refreshments during the day. Concreting, gardening, welding, putting wire mesh around the tennis court and building a railway sleeper stairway were major projects taken on.

After the day's work, a barbecue with tea, coffee and beer was served. The group watched the sun go down with Lake Moogerah and the surrounding mountains in the background.

307 attend first Philippine SEP

By Ruel H. Guerrero
AGONCILLO, Philippines — Three hundred seven campers attended the first national Summer Educational Program (SEP) in the Philippines at Volcano Lakeview Resort on the shores of Taal Lake, May 20 to June 3. The camp was directed by Reynaldo Taniajura, pastor of the Quezon City and Bocaue, Philippines, churches.

The staff included five ministers and 56 others. Before the camp, the

staff had 10 weeks of training to ensure that this SEP would be in

Ruel H. Guerrero, a ministerial trainee in the San Pedro and Imus, Philippines, churches, was the assistant director of the Summer Educational Program (SEP) in the Philippines.

line with the SEP in Orr, Minn.

Ministers from throughout the Philippines visited and observed the

camp. A few gave forums — ice-breaker speeches with lessons intertwined to relate to the youths. Campers' questions were answered in the latter half of the forums.

Education classes were conducted by Bienvenido Macaraeg, pastor of the Cagayan de Oro, Ozamis City, Malaybalay and Butuan City churches; Edmond Macaraeg, pastor of the San Pedro and Imus churches; Pedro Melendez, associate pastor of the Manila

church; and Mr. Taniajura.

Activities were archery, basketball, cycling, canoeing, dance class, riflery, obstacle course, swimming, table tennis, volleyball and cheer-leading.

Another activity was the mountaineering trip to Taal Volcano Island. The ride on an outrigger pump boat to the island takes 30 to 45 minutes one way. The island has 32 craters. The largest crater, which last erupted in 1911, sports its own lake of sulphuric water. The main object of the expedition was the newest crater, created by a 1965 eruption.

In the evenings the camp had socials and forums, some of which

were a Bible bowl, talent show, dance night, sing-along and bonfire. May 28 the camp presented part of the talent show for Guy Ames, regional director of the Church in the Philippines, who visited the camp that day. The Bible bowl championship was conducted the same evening.

In an address to the campers, Mr. Ames mentioned that he was inspired to see how well the parents have reared their children. He encouraged the youths to reciprocate their parents' love. In essence he gave them the message of Malachi 4:6. Mr. Ames left the next morning for Manila.



PHILIPPINE SEP — Left, archers take aim June 1 at the first Summer Educational Program (SEP) in the Philippines May 20 to June 3; right, Edmond Macaraeg, pastor of the San Pedro and Imus, Philippines, churches, lectures on the seven laws of success. [Photos by Danilo Binuya]

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHS

AKERS, Billy and Donna (Proffitt), of Lynchburg, Va., girl, Jamie Leigh, May 23, 10:22 a.m., 7 pounds 8 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

BARLASS, Mark and Dorothy (Coyle), of Honolulu, Hawaii, boy, James Jesse, June 11, 4:24 p.m., 7 pounds 9 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

BERGOREN, David and Kathy (Thompson), of Selma, Calif., boy, Michael Scott, May 15, 9:12 a.m., 7 pounds 9 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

BLAKLEY, Jeff and Darlene (DeGarmo), of Cincinnati, Ohio, girl, Danielle Suzanne, June 6, 2:08 p.m., 9 pounds 3 ounces, now 3 boys, 1 girl.

BROCKS, David and Tonya (Dempsey), of Tucson, Ariz., boy, Phillip Christopher, April 12, 9:15 a.m., 7 pounds 9 ounces, now 2 boys.

BURGESS, Harry and Dawn (Krafchak), of Fort Worth, Tex., girl, Kristen Marie, March 16, 12:30 p.m., 8 pounds 8 ounces, now 2 girls.

CHRISTIAN, Jim and Jennifer (Hedrick), of Lamarque, Tex., girl, Jill Rebecca, June 9, 2:08 a.m., 8 pounds, first child.

CLARK, Jan and Debbie (Morris), of Longview, Tex., girl, Maggie Lynn, June 12, 2:31 a.m., 7 pounds 8 ounces, now 1 boy, 3 girls.

CORBIN, Albert and Debbie (Knox), of Edmond, Okla., girl, Tressa Renee, May 31, 8:07 p.m., 9 pounds, now 2 girls.

COTTRELL, Rod and Sandy (Schwindt), of Vancouver, Wash., boy, Aaron Daniel, May 25, 9:45 p.m., 7 pounds 1/2 ounces, now 2 boys.

DEVEREAUX, Paul and Esther (Wallan), of Fort Worth, Tex., girl, Chaitra Elias, Feb. 21, 10:10 a.m., 9 pounds, first child.

DISMAN, Ronald and Grace (Laddomada), of Yuba City, Calif., boy, Micah Donovan, June 11, 6:45 p.m., 5 pounds 7 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

DONOVAN, Roger and Shari (Roberts), of Midland, Tex., girl, Casey Lynn, May 31, 2:07 p.m., 8 pounds 10 1/2 ounces, first child.

GRAVES, Terry and Lori (Szabo), of Tacoma, Wash., girl, Mandy Renee, June 3, 7:37 p.m., 7 pounds 11 ounces, first child.

HALL, Doug and Vicki (Schaefer), of Sacramento, Calif., girl, Anna Lee, April 10, 8 pounds 1 ounce, now 1 boy, 3 girls.

HARPER, Thomas and Judy (Reay), of St. Albans, England, girl, Deborah Clara, May 16, 3 p.m., 6 pounds 9 ounces, first child.

HERNANDEZ, Eduardo and Maria (Orozco), of Bogota, Colombia, boy, Juan Eduardo, June 11, 7:20 p.m., 8 pounds 8 ounces, now 2 boys.

HUFFMAN, David and Sharon (Seals), of Lacombe, La., boy, Matthew David, April 8, 6:37 a.m., 6 pounds 3 ounces, first child.

KNAPP, Stephen and Brenda (Clutton), of Toronto, Ont., boy, Nathan Stephen Mark, Feb. 9, 11:07 a.m., 10 pounds 7 1/2 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

KOVACS, John Jr. and Debora (Snyder), of Springfield, Mass., girl, Katelyn Elizabeth, June 10, 12:40 p.m., 7 pounds 9 1/2 ounces, now 2 girls.

LOPEZ, Jose and Kathy (Patton), of Pasadena, girl, Shannon Marie, June 14, 12:31 a.m., 9 pounds 5 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

LOWBER, Royce and Della (Goodwin), of Lawton, Okla., girl, Cece Brooke, May 27, 10:45 p.m., 7 pounds 13 ounces, now 1 boy, 3 girls.

LYLE, Mervyn and Ethna (Dods), of Belfast, Northern Ireland, boy, Trevor Dods, May 5, 5:37 a.m., 8 pounds 10 ounces, first child.

MULL, Sammy and Lydia (Dugan), of Nairobi, Kenya, boy, David Noel, June 6, 8:20 a.m., 9 pounds 8 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

NANCE, Russ and Dianna (Stephens), of Kalamazoo, Mich., girl, Rachel Suzanne, May 17, 2:43 a.m., 7 pounds 9 ounces, now 2 girls.

NELLER, Jeff and Donna (Ward), of Big Sandy, girl, Lindsay Lail, June 5, 5:47 p.m., 7 pounds 7 ounces, first child.

OTTO, Jonathan and Debra (Cooper), of Chicago, Ill., girl, Rebecca Irene, June 17, 4:49 a.m., 8 pounds 2 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

ROCHELLE, Chris and Jo-Ann (Paterson), of Windsor, Ont., girl, Kaita Suzanne, May 30, 9:16 a.m., 8 pounds 10 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

SEARLS, Warner and Vena (Colley), of Jacksonville, Fla., boy, Joel Ryan, June 4, 9:55 p.m., 6 pounds 13 ounces, now 2 boys.

SIMONE, Dale and Patty (Brosky), of Orlando, Fla., boy, Randy Nolan, March 6, 11:44 p.m., 7 pounds 8 ounces, first child.

SMITH, Tony and Glenda (Myers), of Chattanooga, Tenn., girl, Alicia Nicole, May 25, 1:20 p.m., 8 pounds 2 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

SMITH, Scott and Debbie (Bailey), of Gladewater, Tex., boy, Blake Scott, June 23, 12:51 p.m., 8 pounds 8 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

SOLCA, David and Jane (Thomson), of Gold Coast, Australia, girl, Lauren Sigrid, May 11, 10:25 a.m., 7 pounds 6 ounces, first child.

STONESIFER, Donald and Cherie (Corbin), of Westminster, Md., girl, Stacey Renee, April 21, 12:08 a.m., 7 pounds 2 ounces, now 2 girls.

STOLJICHAN, Bernhard and Sarah (Allen), of Tulsa, Okla., girl, Jessica Elizabeth, May 20, 11:05 a.m., 7 pounds 10 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

SUMMERLIN, Forrest and Virginia (Stewart), of Marion, N.C., boy, Jared Clifton, April 18, 11 p.m., 7 pounds 5 ounces, first child.

SWEAZY, Guy and Renee (Wilkie), of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., girl, Christine Nicole, June 3, 11:04 p.m., 8 pounds 15 ounces, first child.

THOMAS, Jesse and Saonra (Chattman), of Montvale, N.J., girl, Marchetta, March 10, 12:35 a.m., 6 pounds 2 ounces, now 4 boys, 4 girls.

THOMPSON, Russell and Lola (Thompson), of Paintsville, Ky., girl, Shannon Michelle, April 3, 6:47 a.m., 7 pounds 14 ounces, now 3 girls.

TROME, Danton and Rissa (Zembrunen), of Sacramento, Calif., boy, Andrew Joseph, June 19, 8:12 p.m., 8 pounds 8 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

VACHON, Philippe and Diane (Cavette), of Bonnyville, Alta., boy, Yann William, March 24, 11:20 a.m., 8 pounds 6 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

VICKERY, Kenneth and Kathy (Pittman), of Gladewater, Tex., girl, Leigh Ann, June 11, 11 a.m., 10 pounds 1 ounce, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

WHITE, Mark and Brenda (Maxey), of Lewisburg, W.Va., girl, Christa Marie, June 1, 3:36 p.m., 7 pounds

8 1/2 ounces, now 2 girls.

WILLIAMS, Norman and Karan (Migli), of Ycatum, Tex., boy, David Allen, June 8, 11:56 p.m., 8 pounds 2 1/2 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

WILLIS, Owen and Tina (Campbell), of Nairobi, Kenya, girl, Suzanne Sophie, June 9, 11:10 p.m., 6 pounds 7 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

WILSON, Karl and Sharon (Bailey), of Tyler, Tex., girl, Jessica Jeanne, June 12, 11:24 p.m., 8 pounds 7 ounces, first child.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby D. Jones of Fort Worth, Tex., are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Melinda Carol to Greg S. Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith of Fort Worth. An Aug. 25 wedding is planned in Fort Worth.

Kermit Stover of Dewitt, Mich., would like to announce the engagement of his daughter Karen to Fred Nance, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Nance of Warrenton, Mich. A Sept. 30 wedding is planned.

Kevin Henderson and Darlene Smendzick of Winnipeg, Man., are happy to announce their engagement. The wedding will take place in Winnipeg July 22.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank R. Pierce of Houston, Tex., are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter Paula Sue to Bradley Bernard Phillips, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald E. Phillips of Topoka, Kan. An Aug. 12 wedding is planned in Big Sandy.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Adkins of Branchland, W.Va., are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Alanna Rose to Jeffrey Alan Garden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Garden of Wichita, Kan. A Sept. 2 wedding is planned in Huntington, W.Va.

WEDDINGS



MR. AND MRS. NATHAN FAULKNER
Melody Machin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Mitchell of Houston, Tex., and Nathan Faulkner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dexter Faulkner of Pasadena, are happy to announce their marriage May 20 on the Pasadena Ambassador College campus. The ceremony was performed by evangelist Ronald Kelly. Stuart Haze was the best man, and Sue Lamson was the maid of honor. The couple reside in Pasadena.



MR. AND MRS. ROBERT TAYLOR
Brenda Sue Purkapple, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Purkapple, and Robert C. Taylor, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Taylor, were united in marriage June 17 on the Pasadena Ambassador College campus. The ceremony was performed by evangelist Dean Blackwell, pastor of the Pasadena Auditorium P.M. church. Linda Christian served as the maid of honor, and Kevin Blackburn served as the best man. The couple reside in Pasadena.



MR. AND MRS. LARRY GROVE
DES MOINES, Iowa — Larry and Angelina Grove celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at a reception given by their family... at the church at the Des Moines Botanical Center June 23. The couple were baptized in May.

MR. AND MRS. ADOLFO REMO
Grace Macaraeg and Adolfo Remo were united in marriage May 5 at the Philippine Village Hotel in

Manila, Philippines. Jose Redaban, pastor of the Manila church, performed the ceremony. Olive Macaraeg, sister of the bride, was the maid of honor, and Crispin Mercado was the best man.



MR. AND MRS. S. VILLAESCUSA
Mr. and Mrs. Mervyn Ramsey of St. Albans, England, are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter Margaret Adela to Steven Villaescusa. The ceremony took place April 20 in the Italian Gardens on the Pasadena Ambassador College campus and was conducted by Donald Howe, pastor of the Pasadena Auditorium A.M. church. The matron of honor was Jacqueline Murphy, and the best man was Andrew Villaescusa. The couple reside in Pasadena.



MR. AND MRS. W. BENNINGFIELD
Cleta Devine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Devine Sr. of Calvert City, Ky., and Wayne Benningfield, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Benningfield of Sturgis, Ky., were united in marriage May 27 at Kentucky Dam Village, Ky. Fred Bailey, pastor of the Evansville, Ind., and Madisonville, Ky., churches, performed the ceremony. The bride and groom are 1983 graduates of Big Sandy Ambassador College. The couple reside at Route 1 Box 368, Sturgis, Ky., 42459.



MR. AND MRS. NATHANIEL ROMIKE
Lori Lynn Bowles, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Bowles, and Nathaniel David Romike, son of Mr. and Mrs. Adolf Romike, were united in marriage March 31 in Portland, Ore. The ceremony was performed by Nelson Haze, pastor of the Portland West church. The couple reside in Sparks, Nev.



MR. AND MRS. JOSEPH HOFER
Elske Wilms, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johan Wilms of the Netherlands, and Joseph Hofer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hofer of Regina, Sask., were united in marriage May 31. The ceremony was performed by Brian de Bree, regional director for the Church in Dutch-speaking areas.

MR. AND MRS. EDIE ROSS
COLUMBIA, S.C. — The church here surprised two couples after Sabbath services May 26 with a 50th wedding anniversary celebration. Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Ross and Mr. and

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 baby this issue is Blake Scott Smith, son of Scott and Debbie Smith of Gladewater, Tex.

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MR. AND MRS. ROY CRITCHFIELD
Roy Critchfield, 66, and Catherine Terrott, 68, were united in marriage March 25 by Oswald Engelhart, pastor of the Modesto, Calif., church, at Mr. Engelhart's home. The couple reside in Modesto.



MR. AND MRS. LEE GLOVER
Robyn Slater, daughter of Audrey Kimball of Unity, Ore., and Lee Glover, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Glover of Creswell, Ore., were united in marriage Dec. 21, 1983, in Boise, Idaho. The ceremony was performed by Jeffrey McGowan, pastor of the Ontario and Baker, Ore., and Boise churches. The couple reside in Boise.



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MR. AND MRS. TRACY CAUDILL
Priscilla Jane Martin, daughter of Elbert and Ada Martin of the Cincinnati, Ohio, East church, was united in marriage with Tracy Ernest Caudill, son of Ernest and Evelyn Caudill of the Cincinnati West (See ANNOUNCEMENTS, page 11)

Weddings Made of Gold

1971. They have two sons, a daughter and five grandchildren.



MR. AND MRS. LEGARE MCINTOSH
Mrs. Legare McIntosh shared an anniversary cake with the brethren and were presented with plaques by Keith Thomas, pastor of the Augusta, Ga., and Columbia churches. The Rosses, who live in Elgin, S.C., were married May 14, 1934. The McIntoshes, who live in Columbia, were married June 30, 1934.



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church. The ceremony was performed by Karl Beyersdorfer, pastor of the Cincinnati West church, May 26.



MRS. DOUGLAS McCALL

Gail Lynn Congdon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. K. Don Congdon of Stuart, Fla., and Douglas Stephen McCall of St. Petersburg, Fla., were united in marriage June 17 in Largo, Fla. Robert Jones, pastor of the St. Petersburg church, performed the ceremony. The matron of honor was the bride's sister Barbara Gaudet, and the best man was the groom's brother Dylan. The couple will reside in Charlotte, N.C.



MR. AND MRS. JACK RODGERS

Linda Thorne and Jack Rodgers of the Evansville, Ind., church were united in marriage May 5 in Mount Carmel, Ill. The ceremony was performed by Fred Bailey, pastor of the Madisonville, Ky., and Evansville churches.



MR. AND MRS. CHRIS KHOURI

Chris Khouri and Gill Howard were united in marriage May 27 in a garden setting at the home of Charlotte van Burenburg in Pretoria, South Africa. The ceremony was conducted by Daniel Botha, pastor of the Pretoria Churches. The couple reside at 802 Barnard St., Wingate Park, Pretoria, 0136 South Africa.

ANNIVERSARIES



MR. AND MRS. ROBERT SMITH

Congratulations Mom and Dad (Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Smith) on your 35th. June 25! We love you, Jeff.

President

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The Plain Truth. Now, nearly 40 years later, the two men met for the first time.

The warm and lively conversation covered a lot of historical ground. Mr. Armstrong became good friends with Sheik Afif Swaba, the Arab representative at the 1945 conference. Mr. Armstrong spoke of people he met at the conference.

Dr. Elath recalled his experiences as the first Israeli ambassador to the United States.

He was not originally given the title of ambassador. Instead, he bore the title of special representative of the provincial government of the National Council of Jewish People.

When Israel declared independence May 14, 1948, Dr. Elath wanted the United States to be the first country to recognize the new nation.

Since Israel did not yet have an official name, Dr. Elath did not know what to put on the document officially requesting then-President Harry Truman to recognize the nation.

The choices were narrowed down to either the State of Judea or the State of Israel.

Dr. Elath finally prepared a document asking President Truman to recognize "the Jewish state." After the request was dispatched, Dr. Elath was informed that "Israel" had been chosen as the official name. The official courier was recalled, Dr. Elath scratched out "the Jewish state" and wrote on the document "Israel." That handwritten note is still on the official document.

Drawing on research he is doing for a book about President Truman, Dr. Elath recalled the many services the U.S. President performed for Israel.

Once when Rabbi Herzog (the father of Israeli President Herzog) visited with President Truman, the President said, "Look at what I have done for Israel."

The rabbi answered, "You have done nothing."

Surprised, President Truman asked what he meant by this. The rab-

bi explained: "What you did was predestined before you were born. Like Cyrus, you did only what God had ordained" (see Isaiah 45:1-4; Ezra 1:1-2).

Dr. Elath then gave Mr. Armstrong a copy of his book, *Zionism at the U.N.* — *A Diary of the First Day*.

For lunch the Armstrong party again drove to Chez Simon. There to meet Mr. Armstrong was Justice Moshe Eizion of the Israeli Supreme Court; Ambassador Jacob Tsur and Mrs. Tsur. The ambassador served as the Israeli ambassador to Argentina when General Juan Peron was president (1946-1955) and to France when Charles de Gaulle was premier (1959-1969). Also present were Mr. and Mrs. Kol and Mr. and Mrs. Ravid.

Conversation during the meal centered on nations the group had visited, people they met in those areas and the threatening future of world conditions.

After lunch Mr. Armstrong returned to the Hilton for more office work. At 7 p.m. the group departed to visit the home of Raymond and Rhonda Clore.

Mr. Clore, a local church elder and Ambassador College graduate, works in the American foreign service at the American consulate in East Jerusalem (the Arab sector). Mrs. Clore, the former Rhonda Peterson, is the oldest sister of Rick and Brenda Peterson, who appear in the Young Ambassador Festival films.

Friday, June 29, was another work day, with only one visitor. At 3:30 p.m. Giora Ilani, a senior zoologist with the Israeli Nature Reserves Authority, visited Mr. Armstrong.

He talked about the Judean leopard, an animal thought to be extinct until one was sighted 12 years ago. Before that the last reported sighting was about 2,000 years ago.

The leopards are on the endangered species list and evidence indicates that about 20 to 25 Judean leopards still exist.

Mr. Ilani's presentation to Mr. Armstrong included a slide show prepared from photos he took during 12 years of research in the Judean desert. The show not only included biblical references to the leopard, but also

Debbie, Greg, Scott, Kevin, wives, fiancées and grandchildren.

Happy anniversary Dave and Ann Thornton on your ninth year June 27. May God continue to bless you always. Love, Karle.

Happy third anniversary July 26 to Mike and Triessa. May you be blessed with much happiness and many children in the years to come. Love, Jim and Susan.

Happy 25th anniversary Aug. 1 to Martin and Jan Fannin. Thanks for all the love and support you've always given us. May God bless you with many more happy years together. Love, Jim, Sue and Pam.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Stockton of Oklahoma City, Okla., celebrated their 25th anniversary May 26 with a party at the Midwest City, Okla., Community Center. Family and friends provided refreshments, including a surprise cake. The Stocktons opened gifts and led their guests in dancing and fellowship.

George and Alvina Dellinger celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary with an open house June 3, Indianapolis, Ind., member Thelma Dwiggins erected a five-layer chocolate and vanilla copy of their original wedding cake. Mr. and Mrs. Dellinger were married June 28, 1959, baptized Sept. 5, 1964, and ordained deacon and deaconess March 17, 1979. They have a daughter, Debra Jean of Indianapolis.

Obituaries

IOWA CITY, Iowa — Nora I. Wanamaker, 98, of Marengo, Iowa, died in her sleep June 6 at the Rose Haven Nursing Home in Marengo.

"Grandma," as she was called by brethren and friends, was baptized in 1970.

She is survived by daughters Edith Iberg of Marengo and Lois Kargas of Phoenix, Ariz.; 11 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren.

David Haver, pastor of the Iowa City, Davenport and Waterloo, Iowa, churches, conducted services at the Hoover-Valentine Funeral Home.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. — Edna A. Wohlrabe, 73, died May 19 after an illness of cancer for several years.

Mrs. Wohlrabe was one of the original members of the Minneapolis congregation, which was started on the Feast of Trumpets, 1963. She is survived by her husband, Bill, daughter Margo and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Victor Kubik, pastor of the Minneapolis South and Lake Crystal, Minn., congregations. Burial was in Mankato, Minn.

MARION, Ohio — Helen Fleming, 87, a member since 1971, died May 26. She was in a rest home for the past several years.

Mrs. Fleming is survived by her son, Harry, also a member of the Church; her daughter, Janet; three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were conducted by John Amos, a minister in the Columbus, Ohio, churches.

BALTIMORE, Md. — Joyce Ann Gladden, 52, died June 8 of a heart attack. She attended services in Baltimore since 1976.

She is survived by her son Michael, a Church member, and four brothers.

Randy Stiver, a minister in the Elkhart and Michigan City, Ind., churches, conducted the funeral service in Plymouth, Ind. Interment was in Peru, Ind.

QUEENS, N.Y. — Elsa Virchow, 96, died June 9. Miss Virchow has been a member of God's Church since 1961, and is survived by one sister.

Funeral services were conducted by Earl Williams, pastor of the Queens and Brooklyn, N.Y., churches.

KALISPELL, Mont. — Nolan Ray Storey, 55, died June 5 of a chronic heart condition.

Mr. Storey is survived by his wife, Fern, a member, son Ron and daughter Rae Ann Wilson of Tulsa, Okla.

Funeral services were conducted by Bill Quillen, pastor of the Kalispell church.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — Harriet O. Smith, 98, died of pneumonia March 27.

Mrs. Smith was baptized in 1959 at the Feast in Big Sandy, and attended the Walterboro, S.C., and Jacksonville churches.

She is survived by her son Wharton P. of Collins, Ga.; daughter Virginia S. Conant, a member in Jacksonville; eight

children; and two granddaughters.

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aguer for the British Office; Ray Wright, director of Publishing Services in Pasadena; and David Hulme, director of media purchasing.

After discussing the conference agenda and installation of computer equipment in Publishing Services, the group had lunch. After lunch they drove to the office in Elstree House to begin the conference.

Present at Elstree House were Dexter Faulkner, managing editor of Church publications; regional directors and regional editors of *The Plain Truth*; and other ministers, administrative staff and wives.

Mr. Armstrong opened the meeting and addressed the group on the goals and purposes of *The Plain Truth*. A discussion of publishing and editorial policy led by Mr. Armstrong followed. (See article by Mr. Faulkner on page 1 for additional details of the meeting.)

Tuesday, July 3, Mr. Armstrong took time to go to Wimbledon to watch the international tennis matches.

The first match scheduled in center court was Chris Evert Lloyd vs. Claudia Kohde Kilsch. It was well-played with Mrs. Evert Lloyd winning in straight sets.

Since Mr. Armstrong's eyesight has deteriorated significantly since the last time he watched a tennis match, it was virtually impossible for him to watch and follow the game. Because of this, the group elected not to stay for the other matches.

Wednesday, July 4, the group boarded the G-II for the flight to the United States. The customs agent at Bangor, Maine, wished Mr. Armstrong a happy Fourth of July, a holiday that marks the U.S. Declaration of Independence from England.

After clearing customs the group flew to Orr, Minn., site of the SEP, so Mr. Armstrong could address the second session of campers.

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grandchildren, including Lacey C. Rice, a member in the Houston, Tex., West church; 19 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted March 29 in Jacksonville by Stephen R. Brown, pastor of the Gainesville, Fla., church.

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio — Walter J. Mohler, 65, died June 6 at home after a brief illness. He was baptized in August, 1973.

Mr. Mohler is survived by his wife, Isabel F., a member of the Youngstown church; daughters Judith W. Smith, a member in Pasadena, and Elaine J. Velasquez of Glendora, Calif.; son Timothy J. of San Francisco, Calif.; and sisters Becky Puccio and Virginia Ansell.

Services were conducted by Eugene Noel, now pastor of the Milwaukee and West Bend, Wis., churches, at the Campbell Funeral Home in Chippewa, Pa. Mr. Mohler was buried in Pittsburgh, Pa.

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio — Helen Jorza, 53, a member of God's Church for 21 years, died June 23 after a brief bout with cancer.

She is survived by her daughter Kim and parents, George and Mary Jorza, members of the Youngstown church; sisters Stella DiCintio, Mary Jane Williams and Florence Colontone; and brothers Dan, Chuck and George.

Services were conducted by Eugene Noel, now pastor of the Milwaukee and West Bend, Wis., churches.

Wedding, anniversary and obituary photographs of good reproduction quality can be printed in *The Worldwide News*. We can no longer run engagement photographs.

As Mr. Armstrong drove into the camp, waving campers lined the road.

Mr. Armstrong drove around the camp with Kevin Dean, camp director and director of Youth Opportunities United (YOU), for an inspection tour.

After the tour he was driven to the newly built guest suite on Boys Point.

That evening the pastor general was joined by the ministers at SEP and the camp staff and wives for dinner.

Although it was 2 a.m. London time, Mr. Armstrong addressed the group, saying how happy he was to see the fruits of the staff's work at SEP. After dinner he went to the SEP gym to watch a basketball game.

Thursday, July 5, Mr. Armstrong joined the staff for brunch. After a rest in the guest suite he returned to the gym to address the assembled campers and staff.

In his talk he outlined what part they may play in the Kingdom of God. The talk was videotaped by Media Services.

After the talk the pastor general toured the camp and watched some of the activities. He enjoyed operating the new electronic baseball scoreboard with its programmed musical antics.

He also watched a demonstration of parasailing, a water sport where an individual is pulled behind a power boat into the air. The pastor general first saw this sport at the SEP in Scotland and asked that it be included in SEP Orr activities.

Important new activities at SEP Orr are the journalism and photography classes. Each camp session now produces its own newspaper, and the campers put together news broadcasts over KSEP, an intercom system linked throughout the camp.

At 4 p.m. Central Daylight Time (CDT), Mr. Armstrong waved goodbye to the campers and returned to the airport for the return flight to Burbank, Calif.

The flight went fast as the traveling group joined Mr. Armstrong for a hearty game. At 5:30 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time (PDT) the G-II landed at Burbank, concluding a long but successful trip.

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

UPDATE

BIG SANDY — The 1984 Summer Educational Program (SEP) began July 3 with 203 campers, 81 college and high school staff members, and 14 faculty members from Ambassador College here; according to **Kermit Nelson**, camp director.

"Events have gotten off to a great start and we're looking forward to three weeks of helping campers develop themselves physically, mentally and spiritually," Dr. Nelson said.

Dr. Nelson, director of the Physical Education Department of Ambassador College here, supervises the camp for **Kevin Dean**, camp director at the SEP in Orr, Minn., and director of Youth Opportunities United (YOU).

Pastor General **Herbert W. Armstrong** addressed the campers and staff July 12.

The Big Sandy SEP is for teenagers who have attended the Orr SEP.

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PASADENA — Seven athletes who train on the Ambassador College campus here made the U.S. Olympic team, according to **Harry Sneider**, director of executive fitness for the Church.

They are high jumper **Dwight Stones**; rowers **Ann Marden**, **Robin Reardon** and **Lisa Rhode**; cyclists **Rory O'Reilly** and **Mark Gorski**; and **Andrea Metkus** on the fencing team.

Mr. Sneider said that all the athletes except Mr. Stones have trained on and off at the college physical education facility here for three or four years. Mr. Stones has trained here since the mid-1970s.

"We were all disappointed when **Dan Ripley** [a record-holding pole vaulter who has trained at the college] didn't make the team," Mr. Sneider said. "At the Olympic level of sports, everything has to be perfect in order for you to do your best. The pressure is intense during the Olympic trials and things just didn't go well for him." Mr. Ripley appeared on the cover of the July-August *Plain Truth* and was expected to make the U.S. team.

Mr. Sneider added that the seven athletes have good prospects for winning Olympic medals. "Mark Gorski is seeded No. 1 in cycling in the world right now, and Dwight Stones and Ann Marden should be exciting to watch," he said.

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PASADENA — Housing negotiations for the Saratoga Springs, N.Y., Feast site are complete, and a brochure listing prices and locations is available from pastors in the United States and Canada, according to evangelist **Ellis La Ravia**, a member of the Festival coordinating team under Pastor General **Herbert W. Armstrong**.

Brethren outside the United States and Canada who would like the housing information should write: Worldwide Church of God, Festival Office, 300 W. Green St., Pasadena, Calif., 91129.

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PASADENA — The Feast site at Lihue, Hawaii, received 1,075 requests for transfers above its capacity of 1,600 for the 1984 Festival, said evangelist **Ellis La Ravia**, a member of the Festival coordinating team.

"We're sorry that the Church wasn't able to accommodate all the requests for transfers this year," he said. "Transfer requests vastly exceeded what we expected."

The evangelist said that the Church is looking for a larger facility to accommodate more transfers

for the 1985 Feast.

"We are also looking at the possibility of adding more sites in resort areas in the United States," Mr. La Ravia said. He explained that Church growth is pushing more U.S. sites to capacity and that the Church hopes to add another site in one of the Southern states for the 1985 Feast.

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PASADENA — The 1984 Feast site in Acapulco, Mexico, is filled and is no longer accepting transfers, according to the Spanish Department here.

The Feast site in Bonndorf, West Germany, has also reached capacity and is no longer accepting transfers, according to **Rod Matthews** of Ministerial Services here.

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PASADENA — Three hundred boys from throughout the United States took part in the Magic Johnson Boys' Basketball Camp on the Ambassador College campus July 8 to 13, according to **James Petty**, athletic director.

Mr. Petty and **Ed Googian**, head basketball coach at Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles, Calif., were camp directors. The camp was for boys ages 8 to 17.

Earvin "Magic" Johnson of the Los Angeles Lakers professional basketball team, met with Pastor General **Herbert W. Armstrong** for lunch in the campus Social Center July 10.

Mr. Johnson told campers in a July 11 forum in the Ambassador College gymnasium that basketball takes work.

"Basketball is a game you play for fun and enjoyment," Mr. Johnson said. "You don't play to make it to the pros or to get MVP [Most Valuable Player] trophies... A lot of people play basketball for the wrong reasons."

He encouraged campers to excel at schoolwork. "The average professional player plays four to 4½ years," he said. "That means he's out of basketball at about 26 years old. So if you have done poorly at school, what are you going to do?"

Mr. Petty said 200 youths were resident campers who, for \$350, stayed in Ambassador College dormitories and ate meals in the Student Center. The price for the 100 day campers was \$175.

KABC-TV news in Los Angeles aired interviews with Mr. Johnson and guest professional players **Isiah Thomas** and **Mark Aguirre**.



BASKETBALL CAMP — Earvin "Magic" Johnson of the Los Angeles (Calif.) Lakers basketball team presents an autographed basketball to Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong in the Ambassador College Social Center July 10. Mr. Johnson conducted a basketball camp on the campus July 8 to 13 (See "Update," this page). [Photo by Warren Watson]



INTERNATIONAL DESK

BY ROD MATTHEWS

PASADENA — The Church's new mailing office opened in Nairobi, Kenya, June 15. The office, which will process mail from East Africa, is in a fine facility that overlooks the city, and close to the prominent Jomo Kenyatta Conference Center.

Booklets were shipped to Nairobi from the Borehamwood, England, Office for the opening of the office there. The new office will provide a much quicker response time to literature requests from countries like Kenya, Tanzania, Malawi, Uganda and the Seychelles.

Office procedures and systems will be established with the help of **Ben Kaswaga**, who completed two years at Ambassador College in May and worked in the Mail Processing Center in Pasadena. Mr. Kaswaga is from Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.

The Church applied for a residency permit for him in Kenya, but this was refused, so after his business is concluded in Nairobi, Mr. Kaswaga will go to England and then return to Africa to standardize mail processing systems in Church offices in Accra, Ghana, and Lagos, Nigeria.

It is ultimately hoped that Mr. Kaswaga can reside in Malawi and run mailing operations there, once the Church is registered officially.

Ghana farm project

The British Office provided an update on the farm project established by the Church in Ghana to provide additional food supplies for members there. After some difficulties relating to obtaining an official lease on the property, the contract was finalized. It is a 20-year lease with an option to renew for another 20 years.

Pastor Joseph Forson reports that the first real harvest is coming to fruition. Beans, cassava, five acres of corn and other crops were planted. The entire project covers 28 acres.

Roofing sheets for the three cottages have arrived and construction can be completed. These are residences for three families who provide security and caretaker services

for the farm project. The work done by Church members at this farm and the smaller one in Kumasi, Ghana, is considered an outstanding example of self-help by certain government departments in Ghana. This farm project was featured in a slide and video presentation made to delegates at a conference of Third World countries in India.

Vanuatu

Vanuatu is a new nation west of Fiji in the Pacific that was called the New Hebrides. It was ruled jointly by Britain and France before independence in 1980. It is a nation where both English and French are spoken.

God's Church has four members in this group of islands, and they were visited by **Rex Morgan**, a French-speaking local elder working in the Auckland, New Zealand, Office. During the trip, he stayed one night with a group of seven French-speaking schoolteachers in an undeveloped

village on the remote island of Malekula. There was no electricity or running water.

Mr. Morgan played tapes of the French-language *World Tomorrow* program, *Le Monde a Venir*, and discussed Bible questions.

Newsstands are the principal way, besides word of mouth, of bringing *The Plain Truth* to the attention of the people there. English and French editions of *The Plain Truth* are distributed in Vanuatu.

Pacific

Throughout the Pacific, the scattered membership of the Church is growing. Many of these members are the only members in their areas. The Church has lone members on Guam, a U.S. territory east of the Philippines; on Yap, an island in the Caroline group now called the Federated States of Micronesia; on Kwajalein in the Marshall Islands; in the nation of Kiribati, formerly the Gilbert Islands; and on the populous nation of Taiwan.

Church members occasionally live in other Pacific areas for temporary periods of time. These are often wives of men in the military services.

In the nations that ring the Pacific, there are isolated members, such as two in Japan, three in Hong Kong, 16 in the Solomon Islands, two in Papua New Guinea, five in

Western Samoa, 19 in Tonga and 39 in Fiji.

The main need these members have is weekly fellowship with brethren since they only have sermon tapes and literature. They look forward to the Feast of Tabernacles.

Italian area

Here is a summary of activities in the Italian area. Circulation of the Italian edition of *The Plain Truth* (*La Pura Verita*) reached more than 55,000, an increase of 224 percent over May, 1983.

The membership in Italy is 15, with 23 co-workers and 178 donors. May income was up 271 percent over the same month last year. Members supply 76 percent of the income. Incoming mail for May was nearly 5,000 items, with 3,868 coming from new people.

The March *Reader's Digest* brought in 9,868 responses to date, and is approaching the 10,485 responses that the ad in November, 1983, brought. An insert card placed in *The Plain Truth* offering a personal subscription to those reading a friend's copy brought 1,689 replies so far.



NEW BOOKLET — Greg S. Smith, design consultant for Editorial Services, checks color for Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong's new booklet, *A World Held Captive*, June 25. The booklet was printed at the Graphic Arts Center in Portland, Ore., and is scheduled to be available in late July, according to **Dexter H. Faulkner**, managing editor for Church publications. [Photo by Jim West]

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