

Christ's Apostle in the Orient

By Aaron K. Dean

BEIJING, China — Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong arrived here Monday, Nov. 5, continuing a five-week trip to the Orient and Asia that began Oct. 30.

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

Since traveling from Church headquarters in Pasadena, Mr. Armstrong met privately with Deng Xiaoping, the leader of the People's Republic of China, Prince Mikasa of Japan, Japanese cabinet ministers and ambassadors from Israel, Nepal, Jordan and Bangladesh.

To begin the trip, the pastor general boarded the Church's G-III jet with evangelist Ellis La Ravia, director of Facilities Management and a vice president of the Ambassador Foundation, and his wife, Gwen; personal aide Aaron Dean; and Mr. Armstrong's nurse, Elaine Browne, Tuesday, Oct. 30.

See pages 6 and 7 for photo coverage of Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong's trip.

The G-III lifted off from the Burbank, Calif., airport at 11 a.m., Pacific Standard Time (PST), and headed north for a fuelstop in Cold Bay, Alaska.

Editing Correspondence Course

After taking off for the Narita Airport outside of Tokyo, Japan, Mr. Armstrong reviewed a draft of Lesson 20 of the Ambassador College Bible Correspondence Course. After editing a few sections, Mr. Armstrong decided to clarify a point in the lesson. When he finished editing the material, Mr. Armstrong viewed videotapes of the Young Ambassadors Festival films.

Touching down at 5 p.m. local time, Oct. 31, Mr. Armstrong learned that Prime Minister Indira Gandhi of India had been assassinated. Mr. Armstrong met with Mrs. Gandhi in 1970, and he solemnly commented at the airport that the assassination was a further illustration of escalating worldwide troubles.

Mr. Armstrong was driven to the Imperial Hotel where he took a light meal before retiring early. When he

arrived in his hotel suite, he noticed several bouquets of flowers sent to him from his Japanese friends.

The pastor general awoke the next morning, Nov. 1, to the news that three of his Japanese "sons" had been made cabinet ministers. Toshio Yamaguchi is Japan's labor minister, Tokuo Yamashita is transport minister and Keijiro Murata is the minister of international trade and industry.

Business address

After lunch Mr. Armstrong went to the Prince Hotel to address more than 1,700 upper managers of the Japan Life Co. The company, employing more than 60,000 worldwide, manufactures cookware, bedding and other products.

Company President Takayoshi Yamaguchi met Mr. Armstrong in New York before the Feast and had flown to Los Angeles, Calif., with Mr. Armstrong on the G-III a few weeks before Mr. Armstrong's trip.

After he arrived in Los Angeles, he asked a business associate if he had heard of Mr. Armstrong or Ambassador College. The associate replied, "Yes. That's the place where they not only polish the stones on the top but also on the bottom." It was interesting to hear that the Church's reputation for detail and excellence is well known in international business circles.

When the company president learned that Mr. Armstrong was planning a trip to the Orient and Southeast Asia, he asked the pastor general to address a group of his managers.

Beginning at 2:30 p.m., Mr. Armstrong delivered a 30-minute address on the seven laws of success. He stressed the application of the seventh law, having contact, guidance and continual help from God.

He explained that managers cannot have true happiness without this vital spiritual element. The world is filled with people employing only the "get" way of life, and people cannot find true happiness this way.

Mr. Yamaguchi thanked Mr. Armstrong for his address, and said he previously explained some of the laws of success to his employees, emphasizing the need to set proper goals.

After the talk the company president expressed the desire to contribute to some of the projects sponsored by the Ambassador Foundation.

At 5 p.m. Jordanian Ambassador Sa'ad Batainah visited Mr. Armstrong in the Imperial Hotel. Led by Mr. Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. La Ravia and Mr. Dean discussed the foundation-assisted Bunyat Center



BEIJING MEETING — Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong meets with Deng Xiaoping (left), China's top leader, Nov. 6, in the Great Hall of the People in Beijing. The 80-year-old Chinese leader praised the Ambassador Foundation for its efforts in promoting world peace. The visit was covered in a front-page article in *China Daily*. (Photo by Warren Watson)

for Special Education and the Al Hussein School for the Physically Handicapped in Jordan and Japanese funding of selected projects. After an hour, the ambassador left to attend a celebration of Algeria's 30th anniversary.

Before dinner, the Armstrong party was reminded of the physical forces inherent in this world when the hotel building started trembling at 5:47 p.m. during a small earthquake.

The Armstrong party went to a private room at 6:30 for a dinner with some of Mr. Armstrong's Japanese sons. Some sent their wives in their places, since the Japanese cabinet had just been formed and official duties prevented their attendance.

At 7 p.m. the Jordanian ambassador to Japan and his wife joined the group. The group ate a dinner of smoked salmon, consommé, medallions of beef, vegetables and crepes suzette à la mode. The dinner ended at 9:30 p.m.

A royal friend

Friday, Nov. 2, the group drove to the palace of Prince Mikasa, a friend of Mr. Armstrong's since 1968.

He was delighted to see the pastor general again and greeted him warmly. The prince presented Mr. Armstrong with a book cataloging artifacts in the Middle Eastern Culture Center. The catalog included items that Mr. Armstrong helped obtain from Israel. The center is partly funded by the Ambassador Foundation.

The conversation ranged through a number of topics, including Prince Mikasa's interest in American square dancing. The prince showed the group photographs of himself and the princess square dancing. Prince Mikasa is part of a square dance association that is growing in Japan.

The prince served tea and asked if Mr. Armstrong and his group could visit the museum. After Mr. Arm-

strong said yes, the prince arranged for a Sunday, Nov. 4, visit. Prince Mikasa said he would not be able to accompany the group to the museum, because he would be opening a square dance convention in southern Japan on Sunday.

At 4 p.m. Ambassador Arthur Bannayake of Sri Lanka came to Mr. Armstrong's hotel suite to discuss the pastor general's scheduled visit to Sri Lanka on this trip.

The ambassador discussed a water project involving the building of five dams. When completed, the project will provide irrigation water to areas now unproductive in Sri Lanka.

He offered any assistance Mr. Armstrong needed to complete final details of the visit and left the suite about 5 p.m.

Sabbath study

Sabbath, Nov. 3, Mr. Armstrong was visited by his traveling party and members of the G-III crew. The conversation soon turned into an informal Bible study. All appreciated the informal discussion of various biblical subjects.

At noon the group drove to the Israeli Embassy at the invitation of Ambassador Amnon Ben-Yohanan and his wife. Also present was Mr. Schnitzer, president of the Israel Diamond Exchange.

The group exchanged greetings from various mutual friends and then went to the embassy's dining room for a lunch of salad, consommé, turkey loaf, vegetables and a light dessert. The ambassador proposed a toast to Mr. Armstrong's health, and the pastor general returned the toast.

After lunch the group went to the living room, which seemed to become an informal synagogue as Mr. Schnitzer questioned Mr. Armstrong about world events. The pastor general explained to those present the

revealed cause of world evils. At 4 p.m. Mr. Armstrong and his party returned to the hotel.

That evening the group relaxed from their busy schedule and enjoyed an eight-hand game of hearts. In the final hand Mr. Dean "shot the moon," narrowly edging out the pastor general.

At 10 a.m., Sunday, Nov. 4, Mr. Armstrong was host to Ambassador Badri P. Shrestha from Nepal. The pastor general last visited that country in 1973, and the ambassador said he was happy that Mr. Armstrong planned to meet with Nepal's King Birendra Bir Bikram Shah Dev in mid-November.

The ambassador expressed his approval of various foundation projects and said he hoped that Mr. Armstrong would be able to assist Nepal.

At 11 a.m. Tufail K. Haider, charge d'affaires of the Bangladesh Embassy in Tokyo, visited Mr. Armstrong. The pastor general discussed his scheduled visit beginning Nov. 21 in that country. He related a conversation he had with Humayun Rasheed Choudhury, former Bangladesh ambassador to the United States (see *W.N.* June 4, "Pastor General Visits the White House"), who was made Bangladesh foreign minister in September. The group was surprised to learn that the foreign minister is Mr. Haider's cousin.

Mr. Armstrong hopes to help this impoverished country by starting a helpful project that could be further funded by another foundation or country with greater physical resources.

When Mr. Armstrong visited Bangladesh in 1971, the country had just gained its independence after a destructive and divisive civil war with India. During a meeting with the late President Aba Sayeed Chowdhury, (See *ORIENT*, page 3)



STUEBEN GIFT — Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong (center) presents a diplomatic gift (held by personal aide Aaron Dean, right) to Chinese leader Deng Xiaoping, Nov. 7. (Photo by Warren Watson)

Different goals for Reagan and Habsburg

PASADENA — President Ronald Reagan swept to a predictable landslide victory Nov. 6 in the United States elections.

Mr. Reagan's triumph was unusually broad based: with support from the majorities of young people, the elderly, farmers, women (destroying the myth of the gender gap), Roman Catholics (once solidly Democratic) and Protestants, Hispanic voters, a so-called interest group heavily courted by the Democratic Party, nearly went for Mr. Reagan as well.

The President carried every income group down to \$10,000—and nearly took the \$5,000 to \$10,000 bracket. Democratic challenger Walter Mondale was simply unable to counter the wave of economic well-being in the country.

More than personality

According to conservative Democrat author Ben Wattenberg, Mr. Reagan's critics are trying to explain away his victory as being attributable primarily to his engaging personality. In the Nov. 8 *Los Angeles Times*, Mr. Wattenberg wrote:

"Already we can hear the response from . . . the left side of the spectrum. It was, they say, a personal victory for Ronald Reagan. He's so amiable. Walter Mondale wasn't a good candi-

date, they tell us. Young people are too selfish these days, that's what did it . . . Reagan tricked us . . . They outspent us; it was unfair. Accidents, tricks, personal popularity—everything but substance . . .

"Now the left . . . incants its new slogan: The People Really Agreed With Us on the Issues. There is just enough truth in that for it to be thoroughly deceptive. In national politics 'issues' are subservient to 'principles,' and the voters supported Reagan's principles: strength, traditional values, merit and initiative . . ."

The election proceedings brought forth another interesting phenomenon—the attractiveness of the 73-year-old Mr. Reagan to young voters, even the college crowd. It may be hard to believe, but there is a Young Republicans chapter at the University of California, Berkeley, site of so much student radicalism in the 1960s.

Some young people are dropping out of college to go into business for themselves. Why waste time in college when the business climate is so good?

One can't help wondering how long the supposed conservative and patriotic tide in the country will last, however. One suspects not beyond the next recession or the next real war.

The nation is not likely to undergo

any serious turnaround, certainly in the social and moral arenas. This was explained by columnist Stanton Evans in the Nov. 17 issue of *Human Events*:

"Given the residual power of liberalism in our major institutions, the

gan isn't motivated just by a drive to get elected. He has this sincere desire to accomplish great works."

The President's overall goal has been to do whatever he could to return the country to what he calls "the enduring values," faith, the work eth-

WORLDWATCH

By Gene H. Hogberg



Reagan victory has settled nothing. It has created an opportunity for policy change, but not the change itself. . . . The power of the media and academic elites, the entrenched influence of economic and ideological interest groups, the very structure of the government system itself, are all arrayed on the other side, intent on stopping change and well-equipped to do so."

It will be tough for Mr. Reagan to fight such entrenched interests. Mr. Reagan, as those who know him best will attest, does not consider himself a politician.

The President's campaign spokesman, James Lake, said: "Ronald Reagan

is the central importance of the family."

Another outspoken Habsburg

Before the election, an advocate of a different goal, that of a united Europe, was asked how Americans could help achieve this end.

The man, Archduke Karl von Habsburg, replied, "By voting back into office the present administration."

Like his father, Otto von Habsburg, 23-year-old Karl is a member of the board of the International Pan-European movement. He travels widely and lectures frequently. Sept. 25 he was in Pennsylvania, delivering addresses at York College of Pennsylvania and Elizabethtown College.

"Today, 200 million Americans are protecting 470 million Europeans from 250 million Russians," Archduke Karl told the York College administration. "Combined, we could do it ourselves . . ."

"We seek a great Europe," he continued, "and people now living behind the Iron Curtain are just as much Europeans as we are. Colonization should end in Europe, just as it has in Africa and other parts of the world."

After the hourlong presentation in Elizabethtown, Archduke Karl remained to answer questions from a dozen or so inquiring individuals.

James Rosenthal, pastor of the Harrisburg, Pa., church, and Herbert N. Witmer, a Church member, heard the archduke speak. Mr. Witmer sent the following transcript.

You can look back through history and know that Charles the Fifth was your great-great-great-great-grandfather. Does that do something to your everyday thinking?

(See GOALS, page 5)



Just one more thing

By Dexter H. Faulkner

It's time to grow up

Not everybody who grows old, grows up. There is a vast difference between age and maturity. Ideally the older we are, the more mature we should be; but all too often this is not the case.

What's the result? Problems in personal lives, on our jobs, in our homes and with God's people.

As managing editor of the Church's publications, I read hundreds of letters each week from readers with problems. Many of those problems were caused by a lack of maturity in some area.

The book of James was written to help us understand and attain spiritual maturity. "Perseverance must finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything" (James 1:4, New International Version).

I like the way the Phillips translation puts it: "... and you will find you have become men of mature character"—men and women of integrity with no weak spots.

As we read the epistle of James, we discover that these Christians were having problems in their personal lives and in their Church fellowship.

Church members were competing for offices in the Church, particularly teaching offices. Many weren't living what they professed to believe.

Furthermore, the tongue was a serious problem, even to the point of creating divisions. Worldliness was another problem. Some were disobeying God's Word and were physically ill because of it.

Were their problems much different from those that beset us today? Do we not have in God's Church people who are suffering? Do we not have members who talk one way, but walk another way?

Is not worldliness—the desire to get more and give less—a serious problem? Are there not Christians

who cannot control their tongues? It seems that the apostle James was dealing with up-to-date matters.

All of these problems have a common cause: spiritual immaturity. These Christians simply were not growing up.

Take the time to read the book of James even before you continue this column. It's short and to the point and vital for your Christian growth.

Spiritual maturity is one of the greatest needs in God's Church today. Too many view God's Church as a kind of playground for infants instead of a workshop for adult education.

Let's not forget Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong's exhortation: "Brethren, there isn't much time to go. And we're students; we're studying; we're into the time of final exams coming up. Are you going to pass the grade and [qualify for] the Kingdom? Ask yourself that question, every one of you."

Paul wrote that the members were not mature enough to eat the solid spiritual food that they needed, so they had to be fed on milk (Hebrews 5:11-14).

Look at the problems James dealt with and notice that each is characteristic of little children: Showing impatience in time of trouble, James 1:1-4. Talking but not living God's way, James 2:14. Lacking control of the tongue, James 3:5. Fighting and coveting, James 4:1. Collecting material things, James 5:1.

We must ask ourselves: "How spiritually immature are we? Do we need to read and heed?"

God is looking for mature men and women to carry on His work to fulfill the commission (Matthew 24:14), and sometimes all He can find are little children who cannot even get along with each other.

As God's people we should not measure our growth by others, but daily by God's Word and Christ's perfect example. "Till we all come

to the unity of the faith and the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ" (Ephesians 4:13, Revised Authorized Version).

This is a good time to examine our own hearts and minds to see how mature we really are.

Do as Paul exhorted us in II Corinthians 13:5: "Examine yourselves as to whether you are in the faith. Prove yourselves. Do you not know yourselves, that Jesus Christ is in you?—unless indeed you are disqualified" (RAV).

Here are a few questions to assist:

- Am I becoming more patient in life's little tests and larger trials?
- Do I play around with temptation or resist with God's help from the start?
- Do I find real joy in obeying God's law, or do I merely hear and read about it? Do I live it daily?
- Are there any prejudices that hinder my growth?
- Am I able to control my tongue and my thoughts?
- Am I a peacemaker rather than a troublemaker?
- Am I close to God's ways or a friend of the world?
- Am I selfish when it comes to money? Am I a giver or a taker? Am I unfaithful in paying my bills and taxes?
- Do I always go to God in prayer when I find myself in trouble?
- Do people look to me as a spiritual example? Am I a person others seek for prayer or support?
- Do I criticize and gossip, or do I pray and put everything in God's hands? Do I pray for my enemies?

The list could go on and on, we all can add to it and should. Regular examinations like this are good for our spiritual growth and maturity.

Just because we have been a member of God's Church for five, 10 or 20 years does not guarantee that we are spiritually mature. We all have room for growth. Mature Christians are happy, useful, serving Christians, who live to encourage others and are growing and maturing daily.

Christ gives us a mandate in Matthew 5:48, "Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect" (NIV). That is, grow into complete maturity of godliness in mind and character, having reached the proper height of virtue and integrity.

Don't just grow older—grow up! Reach for perfection.

By John Ross Schroeder

European Diary



New Zealand says no

BOREHAMWOOD, England — Dexter Faulkner, managing editor of the Church's publications, and I attended a press conference Sept. 28 for David Lange, prime minister of New Zealand, at the Foreign Press Association in London. New Zealand has been in the news because of its decision to opt out of nuclear weaponry.

Soon after being swept to power Mr. Lange's government declared that no ship carrying nuclear weapons could berth at a New Zealand port.

New Zealand's security is linked

with the United States and Australia by the ANZUS defense pact created 33 years ago. Many look upon this tripartite security treaty as a U.S. guarantee to defend New Zealand against any outside aggressor.

Whether or not Washington will reassess its commitment is an open question. Some American officials feel that the ban will wreck the alliance. While visiting New Zealand, U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz said that a ban on nuclear weapons is incompatible with ANZUS.

Nonetheless, Mr. Lange made his position clear at the press conference. He said: "I tell this audience now, in case you ever again have any doubt, that there will be no nuclear weapons in New Zealand as long as I" (See NUCLEAR, page 5)

Letters TO THE EDITOR

Feast comments

Watching the film *Behind the Work* at the Feast of Tabernacles this year was a moving and inspirational experience . . .

What blessings God is pouring out on young people attending the Church's SEP [Summer Educational Program] camps. God supplies sincere dedicated teachers for teenagers of parents in the Church. How grateful these young people should be to God.

To be taught how to compete with the right attitude and to follow the seven laws of success at such a vital time in their lives is a blessing indeed.

Laurie Farrell
Launceston, Australia

We had a very wonderful Feast at Biloxi, Miss. I'll be looking forward to next year all during next year. I've found out that the more one serves at the Feast, the more one gets out of this special time. I feel more a part of the operation when I can serve. Thank you so much for pointing the truth out to us and what this very special time represents.

Donnie Gainey
Cottondale, Fla.

We have just attended our 21st Feast and it was the greatest Feast ever. God just keeps blessing His people year after year. It seemed that everyone went to the Feast with positive attitudes this year. We saw only happy faces, few complaints and very little sickness.

We would like to extend our thanks and appreciation to you, Mr. (Herbert) (See LETTERS, page 5)

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Dwight Armstrong succumbs to cancer at 80 in Washington

SEQUIM, Wash. — Dwight Leslie Armstrong, 80, composer of the music in all but 12 hymns in the Worldwide Church of God hymnal used in all congregations worldwide, died of cancer Sabbath morning, Nov. 17.

He was the youngest brother of Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong. He is survived by his wife,

Karen, daughter Deborah, and his twin sister, Mary Lucile Edmonson of Portland, Ore. Dwight was born in Des Moines, Iowa, Sept. 12, 1904.

In his early adult life he was employed in Portland. In the late 1920s or 1930, he moved to a farm near Molalla, Ore., with his father and mother, Horace Elton and Eve Wright Armstrong. He was a violinist and also

played the piano.

After the death of his father in early 1933, he continued on the farm until about 1947. After the founding of Ambassador College that year, he moved with his mother to San Gabriel, Calif.

At the time of the founding of Ambassador College in 1947, the pastor general recognized his brother



BROTHERLY VISIT — Dwight L. Armstrong (left), composer of all but 12 songs in the Church hymnal, receives a visit Sept. 21 from his brother, Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong. (Photo by Aaron Dean)



DWIGHT L. ARMSTRONG

Dwight's talent for composing music. Mr. Armstrong felt, since his conversion and entrance into the ministry, that the people of God should sing the words God inspired to be sung, such as the psalms, instead of Protestant hymns which sang primarily the praises of people rather than praises to God.

Message of Appreciation

Dear members of the Worldwide Church of God, Ambassador College students and their families:

My wife and I have been deeply moved by your many gracious and heartfelt letters of sincere appreciation for the hymns I have been privileged to compose for the Worldwide Church of God, and for your many cards, gifts and generosity in response to my brother's letter to the brethren. Words fail to properly express our hearts, thanks and gratitude. God has been most gracious, and we know He will never fail us.

Though our hearts' desire is to answer each one of you personally, with such a large response this is not possible, and so with this letter we wish to express our deepest thanks to each of you for your real concern for my state of health also.

Above all we are knowing that nothing will be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord (Romans 8:35-39).

With love in Christ,
Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Armstrong

FINAL THANK-YOU LETTER — The above letter was transmitted to *The Worldwide News* from Dwight L. Armstrong's home in Sequim, Wash., shortly before his death Sabbath morning, Nov. 17.

The pastor General proposed that Dwight devote himself and his God-given talent to composing the music for such a hymnal for God's Church. From that time Dwight devoted himself primarily to composing the music sung in God's churches around the world.

Dwight Armstrong continued composing the music for more hymns up to his final fatal illness. Even during the present year, 1984, he continued his work. Several hymns more recently composed still remain to be published in a later edition of the Church's hymnal.

During 1984 the pastor general sent a letter to the Church member-

ship telling of his brother being stricken with cancer. Several thousand letters were sent by members to Dwight telling him of their appreciation and love for his music sung in all Sabbath services.

These thousands of letters greatly moved Dwight Armstrong and probably extended his life by many days and weeks.

Dwight Armstrong's beautiful music will remain behind him to give many thousands of members inspiration and joy for years to come — and perhaps on into the wonderful world tomorrow during the coming Millennium in the Kingdom of God. His work will live on after him.

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The president asked Mr. Armstrong if he could assist.

Viewing the pathetic state of the general populace, Mr. Armstrong replied then that he could only offer the hope of the coming Kingdom of God.

Mr. Haider offered to assist with Mr. Armstrong's visit and bade Mr. Armstrong a good trip.

Returning to China

Monday, Nov. 5, the group delayed the scheduled 10 a.m. departure to Beijing because Mr. Armstrong was suffering pain in his heart.

Concerned, the group rescheduled the departure for 1 p.m. to see if Mr. Armstrong's condition improved. By 11:30 Mr. Armstrong felt he could continue and at 1 p.m. the group departed for Beijing.

After touching down at the Beijing airport at 4 p.m., Mr. Armstrong was met by an official delegation representing the two sponsoring organizations of the China visit: the Soong Ching Ling (SCL) Foundation and the Chinese People's Association for Friendship With Foreign Countries. Cars picked up the pastor general and his entourage at the airport enabling Mr. Armstrong to avoid the rigors of clearing customs and immigration.

The travelers were escorted to private quarters in the official Chinese government guest house, Diaoyutai. Attendants and private dining facilities were provided for the travelers and television crew accompanying Mr. Armstrong.

That evening Mr. Armstrong and his group were guests at a dinner in the Great Hall of the People sponsored by the SCL Foundation and the Chinese Friendship Association.

At the dinner Mr. Armstrong was presented with a rare fossil art object that had maintained remarkable form through millions of years. He also received some books and drawings from the SCL Foundation.

The pastor general presented the leaders of the SCL Foundation and the Friendship Association with gifts of antique silver.

Mr. Armstrong offered a combination toast and speech, encouraging cooperation between the nations that

were represented. He also explained the cause of evils in this world.

On the morning of Nov. 6 the group was taken to a theater where a dance performance was presented by the Nationality Song and Dance Troupe. The group, composed of many of the minority races in China, performed regional and traditional dances.

At 4 p.m. the Armstrong party arrived at the former residence of the late Madame Soong Ching Ling, now the foundation headquarters, and museum and memorial to her.

She accomplished much for the Chinese people before her death at 89 in 1981, and her work is carried on through the SCL Foundation.

She was the wife of Dr. Sun Yat-sen (1866-1925), the first president of China and leader of the revolution that overthrew the Chinese boy emperor, Hsuan-t'ung, and ended the Chinese feudal system Feb. 12, 1912. She chose to remain a widow for more than 55 years after her husband's death.

She was later named honorary chairman of China, which illustrates the respect accorded by the Chinese people for her work.

Upon arriving at the memorial Mr. Armstrong was greeted by Madame Kong and other officials of the SCL Foundation. The pastor general was given a gift and taken on a tour of the center, which features a museum with photographs of Madame Soong's childhood and adult life.

From the museum the group walked through an ornamental garden, where it was explained that the residence was a former palace of the Chinese emperors, and that the last emperor of China was born at that location.

At 5:30 p.m. the group left the SCL Foundation headquarters and returned to the guest house.

Wednesday morning, Nov. 7, Mr. Armstrong received news that Ronald Reagan, 40th President of the United States, was reelected for a second term.

Chinese leader

Following an early breakfast, the pastor general returned to the Great Hall of the People at 10 a.m., where he was greeted by the recognized leader of China, Deng Xiaoping.

The Chinese leader met Mr. Arm-

strong warmly, and after a group photograph was taken, he escorted the pastor general to a set of chairs on the far side of the room.

There Mr. Armstrong presented the 80-year-old Chinese leader with a piece of Steuben crystal named Winter Trees.

The pastor general also presented the Chinese leader with an album of photos taken during a tour of the United States by the Little Ambassadors from Shanghai sponsored by the Ambassador Foundation.

He then presented a photo album with detailed prints of the Ambassador Auditorium. Mr. Armstrong suggested to Mr. Deng that the People's Republic of China should have a high quality concert hall and cultural center, which it now lacks.

The pastor general offered to donate the blueprints of the Ambassador Auditorium if they would be helpful in such a project. He also said that he would attempt to secure additional international funding for a Chinese concert hall.

Mr. Armstrong then presented a contribution to the Chinese leader to begin the project.

Deng Xiaoping praised the Ambassador Foundation for its efforts promoting world peace, and he explained the goals of China to Mr. Armstrong.

Chinese newspapers printed an account of this meeting in English and Chinese (see article, page 5). Chinese television also reported on the pastor general's visit with China's top leader.

After lunch in the official Chinese guest house, Mr. La Ravia and Mr. Dean, as vice presidents of the SCL Foundation and the Friendship Association for preliminary discussions on how Mr. Armstrong's suggestion to Deng Xiaoping could be implemented.

At 4 p.m. the group was driven to the headquarters of the Friendship Association, where Mr. Armstrong met with Vice President Zhou Erfu. Wang Bingnan, president of the Friendship Association was in Europe during Mr. Armstrong's visit.

The Ambassador Foundation worked with this agency to bring the Peking National Acrobats, National Dance Stars of China and the Little Ambassadors From Shanghai to the

United States.

It is remarkable that the performances were scheduled during times when relations were not the best between the United States and China, and no official cultural exchanges were approved.

Mr. Armstrong expressed his appreciation for the favor shown the foundation. He spoke of cooperation to Mr. Zhou, which led into a discussion of human nature. Mr. Armstrong emphasized the need for parents to actively train their children. The conversation was well received.

At 7:30 that evening Mr. Armstrong was host to a banquet for Chinese officials who were the group's hosts during the stay in Beijing.

The dinner took place in a former palace called Yang Yuan Zhai — the Angling Palace. The palace grounds originally encompassed the entire government compound, and had waterways flowing throughout it to allow for angling (fishing), thus the name Angling Palace.

The group entered through a gate with an ornamental pagoda roof into a courtyard that had a pool and fountains in a traditional Chinese-style garden.

Inside the palace was beautifully carved woodwork that stretched from the floor to the ceiling.

The banquet table was set with antique porcelain and gold bowls that are part of the Chinese national treasury.

Guests at the dinner included top officials of the SCL Foundation and the Chinese Friendship Association and important Chinese government officials.

The menu included such Chinese dishes as goose liver in chicken soup, quail meat with pine kernels, eight-jewel rice pudding and vegetables.

The culinary highlight was a demonstration of making Chinese noodles as fine as human hair.

The chef brought out a lump of dough and began to stretch and twist it. Doubling the dough, he continued stretching and twisting it until the dough lay in thin strands.

Ten minutes later the group was served the crisp dough, which was deepfried.

After dinner and toasts made by various officials, Mr. Armstrong rose to offer a solemn toast.

Holding his glass, Mr. Armstrong

spoke of the need to properly train children, as they are the shapers of the future. He spoke of human nature and how babies develop this nature shortly after birth. He explained how humanity is unable to permanently solve its complex troubles on its own, but that humanity's problems will soon be positively resolved by a "strong unseen hand from someplace."

After the toasts, the evening ended about 9 p.m.

Shanghai trip

Thursday, Nov. 8, Mr. Armstrong and his group left Beijing at 11:30 a.m., arriving in Shanghai, China, at 1:30 p.m.

Mr. Armstrong was greeted by Mayor Wang and other Chinese officials. But Mr. Armstrong especially appreciated that some of his Chinese "grandchildren" — members of the Little Ambassadors From Shanghai — came to greet him.

The group was driven to the Jin Jiang Hotel near the Nanking Road. The guest suite, the same that President and Mrs. Reagan occupied a few months before, comprised the entire 16th floor. The hotel is an official government guest house.

At 4 p.m. the party was driven to the Soong Ching Ling memorial tomb. A wreath of flowers was placed on the tomb in honor of the work she did for Chinese children.

Mr. Armstrong returned to the guest suite and was joined by the remainder of the party for a game of hearts after dinner. This time Mr. Armstrong "shot the moon" and edged out his personal aide by "giving" the most points away on the last hand.

Friday, Nov. 9, Mayor Wang was host to a luncheon for the group in the Cypress Hotel. In the reception room Mr. Armstrong was given an embroidered tablecloth depicting Chinese buildings and scenes.

After the formal introductions, the group went to the banquet room, where unusual Chinese dishes as cold dish in pine and crane pattern, shashlik in fresh milk, minced chicken, fragrant duck long-po-style, coin-shaped beef slices and crisp cake with shredded turnip were served.

The mayor proposed a toast to Mr. Armstrong and his desire to teach the way to world peace even at age 92. Mr.

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Ministerial Refreshing Program III

Session 10, Oct. 31 to Nov. 13



Dean & Maxine Blackwell
Evangelist
Manila, Philippines



Dean & Marolyn Wilson
Evangelist
Portland, Ore., South



Bram & Geertruida de Bree
Regional director
Nieuwegein, Netherlands



Rodney & Ruth Matthews
Regional director
Manila, Philippines



Jerold & Mary Ann Aust
Associate pastor
San Diego, Calif.
and Yuma, Ariz.



Craig & Linda Bacheller
Church pastor
Melbourne and Fort Pierce, Fla.



Wilbur & Garland Berg
Associate pastor
Long Beach, Calif., East
and West



Michael & Carol Blackwell
Associate pastor
Dayton, Ohio, A.M. and P.M.



Thomas & Patricia
Blackwell
Church pastor
Harrison and Mountain View,
Ark.



Stephen & Mary Ann Brown
Associate pastor
Gainesville and Jacksonville,
Fla.



Kenneth & Lee Christopher
Local church elder
Chillicothe, Ohio



Gavin & Carol Cullen
Church pastor
Melbourne North and West
and Geelong, Australia



Fred & Beverly Davis
Church pastor
Medford and Klamath Falls, Ore.



John & Beulah Denton
Local church elder
Fort Worth, Texas, P.M.



Chester & Eva Dunlap
Local church elder
Bakersfield, Calif.



Robley & Marguerite Evans
Local church elder
Cleveland, Ohio, West



G. Jack & Kathleen Fike
Local church elder
Tampa, Fla.



Robert Jr. & Dorothy Flores
Church pastor
Corpus Christi and Harlingen,
Tex.



Wayne & Ruth Garratt
Local church elder
Melbourne, Australia, West



Carlton & Judith Green
Local elder
Pasadena Auditorium P.M.



Charles & Betty Grimm
Local church elder
Clarksburg, W. Va.



Kerry & Anne Gubb
Church pastor
Adelaide and Darwin,
Australia



Douglas & Janel Johnson
Church pastor
Regina, Sask.



Terry & Elizabeth Johnson
Church pastor
Kitchener, Ont.



Walter & Carol Johnson
Associate pastor
Waco and Austin, Tex.



Clive & Jean Leske
Local church elder
Wollongong, Australia



Bien Jr. & Zenaida Macaraog
Church pastor
Cagayan de Oro, Butuan,
Malaybalay and Ozamite,
Philippines



Marc & Carolyn Mastersson
Church pastor
Summersville and Beckley,
W. Va.



Frank Jr. & Charlene
McCrady
Church pastor
Indianapolis, Columbus and
Terre Haute, Ind.



Frank III & Sonja McCrady
Church pastor
Lakeland, Fla.



David & Sandra Mills
Church pastor
Salem and Albany, Ore.



William Mott
Local church elder
Coos Bay, Ore.



Frank & Kathleen Nette
Church pastor
East London and Port Elizabeth,
South Africa



William & Linda Rabey
Church pastor
Courtenay and Victoria, B.C.



Alan & Carolyn Redmond
Church pastor
Evansburg, Alta.



Stuart & Janice Segall
Associate pastor
Aptos and San Jose, Calif.



Peter & Heather Shenton
Church pastor
Aarhus, Denmark; Ipswich and
Norwich, England; Oslo,
Norway; and Stockholm, Sweden



Thomas & Pamela Smith
Associate pastor
Big Sandy and Tyler, Tex.



Colin & Pamela Sutcliffe
Church pastor
Christchurch and Dunedin,
New Zealand



Reynaldo & June Tanajura
Church pastor
Quezon City and Bocaue,
Philippines



William & Ruth Todd
Local church elder
Cambridge, Ohio



Gerald & Carol Weston
Church pastor
Asheville and Greenville, N.C.



Kenneth & Nancy Williams
Church pastor
Concord, N.H., and Montpelier,
Vt.

Orient

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Armstrong returned the toast and spoke of the problems facing mankind.

He explained the need to educate children and plainly stated that humanity cannot of itself bring lasting peace.

Reunion experience

At 3:30 p.m. Mr. Armstrong went to experience his personal highlight of the trip to Shanghai—a reunion with his Chinese “grandchildren.” At the Shanghai Children’s Palace he was greeted like a king.

The children attending the arts school lined the walkways with flowers and red scarves waving up and down.

As the children shouted “Warm welcome!” in Chinese, trumpeters blew a royal greeting to the pastor general.

After the arrival the pastor general was taken to a theater where the children put on another performance. The dances were precise and colorful.

A group of violinists—four boys and four girls aged 6 to 11—played a piece in remarkable unison.

The performance was videotaped by the crew from Media Services in Pasadena and may be shown in a future production.

Mr. Armstrong then addressed the children, encouraging them to work diligently. He presented the director of the institute with a gift.

As the pastor general left the cen-

ter, the children provided an equally warm farewell.

Sabbath taping

Sabbath, Nov. 10, Mr. Armstrong invited his group and the television crew to a 2:30 p.m. Bible study.

He had learned a new dimension of truth, and he asked Larry Omasta, director of Media Services, to videotape the study for possible use in a *World Tomorrow* program.

Speaking of the choice Adam made nearly 6,000 years ago, Mr. Armstrong explained how Adam had chosen self-reliance instead of relying on God. Adam, Christ’s apostle explained, chose whether he would rely on himself for knowledge or rely on divine revelation. The condition of the world today eloquently illustrates the total error of Adam’s choice.

Mr. Armstrong’s Chinese guests felt they couldn’t let the pastor general leave without one more banquet, so at 6:30 p.m. the group was invited to a farewell banquet at the Jing Jiang Club.

A formal ceremony was conducted before the dinner, in which a memorandum between the SCL Foundation, the Chinese Friendship Association and the Ambassador Foundation was signed.

The Chinese seek the cooperation of Mr. Armstrong and the foundation as proposed by the pastor general to Deng Xiaoping in Beijing. Vice presidents of the SCL Foundation and the Friendship Association signed the memorandum that invites the foundation to assist in building a Chinese cultural arts center. Mr. La Ravia, as

vice president over the Ambassador Auditorium and foundation activities on the Ambassador College campuses, signed for Mr. Armstrong and the foundation.

After the ceremony, the group walked to a banquet hall in the facility where many dignitaries and heads of state are entertained. More unusual Chinese dishes were served, including fried pigeon floss, quail egg soup with silver fungus, chestnut cream, and bamboo and vegetables.

Toasts were offered during the dinner, and Mr. Armstrong explained how world peace would come.

He emphasized that there is a Creator Being who created humans, and that this Creator Being will intervene at the last minute before His creation destroys itself.

Only then, he declared, would the real training process begin for little children, and peace and prosperity would engulf the world.

His toast was well received, although it was difficult to measure how much the guests comprehended what the pastor general said.

At 10 a.m., Sunday, Nov. 11, the Chinese treated Mr. Armstrong to another performance, this time by the Shanghai Acrobatic Troupe. The group displayed marvelous agility in diving through rows of hoops, juggling various objects and demonstrating plate-spinning routines.

One performer, Zhang Guoland, amazed the group with an unusual balancing performance. He first balanced one rod on the end of his nose, placing a fresh egg on top. He then placed two



SABBATH TAPING—Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong explains how Adam chose self-reliance to discover knowledge instead of relying on God to provide revealed knowledge. The Bible study, presented in Mr. Armstrong’s guest suite in Shanghai, China, Nov. 10, was videotaped by a Media Services television crew. [Photo by Warren Watson]

more eggs on top of the first.

The group agreed that the Chinese performers, as one person put it, “begin where other groups leave off.”

The entire hotel staff assembled to bid Mr. Armstrong farewell.

After lunch at the guest suite, Mr.

Armstrong and the group were driven to the airport, where they boarded the G-III for a flight to Hong Kong. A one-day rest stop was scheduled there before continuing to Nepal.

[Mr. Dean’s account will continue in the Dec. 10 *Worldwide News*.]

Letters TO THE EDITOR

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W. J. Armstrong, and all those who were involved in making this Feast the best ever.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Page
High Point, N.C.

I would like to thank you, and God for one of the best Feasts of Tabernacles I have ever had. I have attended God’s Church since I was eight... I was unable to attend the Feast till I had graduated from high school and could work and save my tithes. I never knew how much I missed until that Feast. I am now married and have three children who each year look forward greatly to God’s Feast days.

This year’s Feast seemed to be an extra special blessing. I have not felt so

much love and unity at one place ever. I truly felt like it was a large family gathering. Your [Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong’s] two messages by film were very greatly inspiring and your live message on the first day gave me the desire to keep going.

Virginia Cooper
Orlando, Fla.

Articles for singles

Thank you to all writers of *The Plain Truth*, *Good News* and *Worldwide News* who have spent much effort in writing those articles concentrating about single adults whom God has called.

It’s very heartwarming to know that about or over 42 percent of those employed in God’s Work worldwide are dedicated single men and women! By this fact alone, it proves to us that singles can also be very effective tools in God’s powerful hands even if we don’t have mates.

Antilla T. Tambis
Naval, Philippines

Goals

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“I am descended from him through the Maderian line, but no—I feel more empathy toward my grandfather, Karl the First, who was the last emperor of Austria.

“Incidentally, my grandmother Zita is still living. She is 93 years old, totally blind, but she has a sharp, clear mind. She has a staff of advisers who keep her up to date on the latest world news. You can sit down with her and carry on conversations about what is happening in the world today and she will know everything you’re talking about.”

Do you feel the monarchy will ever be restored to Austria?

“There was a poll taken in Austria much like your Harris Poll. Eleven percent of the people surveyed said that if they had their choice of a government they would want to live under the monarchy. Now 11 percent does not seem to be a very high figure,

but the same poll was taken in Belgium and only 1 percent of the people wanted a monarchy.”

Who then would be the emperor if that were to materialize?

“My father is 73 years old and had to renounce any pretension to the throne. I have five sisters—I am the oldest of my brothers—I would.”

You admitted that even though the Common Market is moving along very well toward unity there are a lot of border problems due to different languages and customs. If that remains a problem wouldn’t you draw upon the influence of the Catholic Church to settle such disputes since much of the market is Catholic?

“Most certainly, yes. But I take their advice when it’s good and disregard it when it’s bad.”

Are you related to the royal house of Windsor?

“Yes, through the Saxonian Line. But I do not go in for all that social activity. I must by protocol attend the weddings of the royal families in Europe, but I do not care

for all that. I would rather be out talking politics, promoting the United States of Europe.”

In their own distinctive ways, both Mr. Reagan and Archduke Karl—50 years his junior—are singlemindedly committed to their attempts to steer their own regions back to their roots of greatness.

The outspoken archduke would appear to be a person to watch on the world stage, the more so as Europe, in the words of the late Luigi Barzini, approaches “the dangerous, turbulent and violent decades ahead, possibly the most treacherous times since the fall of the Roman Empire.”

Nuclear

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am prime minister, and that is from the heart.”

Opinion polls in New Zealand indicate that the prime minister has widespread public support. A majority did not want nuclear weapons brought into New Zealand. A growing number want ANZUS renegotiated.

Yet in a speech before the United Nations General Assembly in New York only two days before, Mr. Lange said: “For our longer term protection, we rely on our membership of the Western Alliance. That membership is formally expressed in a security treaty with the United States and Australia, which, for 33 years, has been a central feature of the foreign and defense policies of successive New Zealand governments, including my own.”

Clearly there are serious divergencies of views facing the three governments concerned. In Australia there are warning signals in the wind. Dockworkers in Darwin threatened to tie up shipping in protest against the visit of a nuclear-powered submarine. The Australian government officially favors continued U.S. nuclear defense ties.

New Zealand’s antinuclear stand is but another symptom of widespread global concern over the arms race.

In his speech before the United Nations, Prime Minister Lange spoke for his native New Zealanders. Perhaps in a broader sense he spoke for a frustrated humanity. He said: “New Zealanders are

becoming increasingly worried about a contest that is centered in two capitals half a world away [Washington and Moscow]... How does it make sense continually to augment and refine an existing capacity to make the rubble bounce, and bounce and bounce again?”

“New Zealanders have felt deepening frustration at the inability of the states that hold nuclear weapons, in particular the two superpowers, to agree on practical measures to hold and reverse the process of building more and ‘better’ nuclear weapons.”

“If ordinary people everywhere can see the irrationality of that race, they ask, why cannot the superpowers see it also? And, if they can see it, why don’t they do something about it?”

The global nuclear winter concept may be the straw that breaks the camel’s back. Previously it was supposed that countries in the Southern Hemisphere, though they would suffer severely, would escape the direct physical consequences of a nuclear holocaust in the Northern Hemisphere.

A few years ago the American magazine *Commonweal* published an article entitled “Escape to New Zealand.” Survival was thought possible in the Southern Hemisphere.

Mr. Lange reacted to this nuclear winter concept in his New York speech. He continued: “Reputable scientists from East and West have told us that the global climatic and long-term biological consequences of a nuclear war would be much more severe than had been previously thought... The scientists have told us that nuclear war in the north

may generate a nuclear winter in the south as well.

“They have gone further and advised us that there is a possibility of the self-inflicted extinction of the human species... The situation we are facing is quite unlike any other with which the international community has had to grapple before.”

New Zealand is not a left-wing country. Mr. Lange’s Labor Party bears little resemblance to its counterpart in Britain. New Zealanders tend to be conservative as a people. Their opinion of nuclear weaponry is not fostered by pro-Soviet views.

Just before a television program about the potential nuclear death of Sheffield (a city in the British Midlands), journalist Angus Macpherson wrote an article for the Sept. 23 *Daily Express*. The headline read: “Think About It!” The subhead said: “Don’t pretend it doesn’t exist. It’s too important to leave to the generals, politicians and disarmers.”

The *Daily Express* is not a left-wing newspaper. (There are few British newspapers farther to the right.) There is growing global concern about nuclear weaponry. People feel boxed into a corner. As Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong put it in an ad in *The Wall Street Journal*, humanity is being held hostage by these weapons.

The only hope is in the Scriptures. Jesus Christ said to His disciples: “And if those days had not been shortened, no human being would be saved; but for the sake of the elect those days will be shortened” (Matthew 24:22, Revised Standard Version). God will prevent humanity from destroying itself.

Chinese paper reports visit of pastor general

BEIJING, China—Chinese leader Deng Xiaoping said in Beijing yesterday there was hope for world peace although the danger of war still loomed.

This article appeared on page 1 of the Nov. 8 China Daily. The article also appeared in the Chinese-language edition.

Deng stressed that only the United States and the Soviet Union had the capability to launch a large-scale war. However, neither dared to do this rashly since each was capable of destroying the other and the world.

He made his remarks yesterday at a meeting with Herbert Armstrong, president of the U.S. Ambassador Foundation.

Deng told Armstrong that it was China’s policy to safeguard world peace. The Chinese people were devoting themselves wholeheartedly to national reconstruction, which

demand stability and unity at home as well as peace and stability in the world.

Deng expressed welcome to Armstrong, who founded the non-governmental foundation in 1976 to promote friendly contacts and cultural exchanges among the people of various countries and defend children’s welfare and world peace.

Commenting that per capita income in China was little more than \$300, Deng said: “Our goal by the end of this century is to raise per capita income to \$800 to 1,000. In another 20 or 30 years China will approach the level of the advanced countries.”

Deng explained that the Chinese people were confident of quadrupling the annual gross industrial and agricultural output value by the year 2000, because industry and agriculture had increased by an annual rate of 9 to 10 percent in the last few years. And this year’s increase was expected to top 10 percent.



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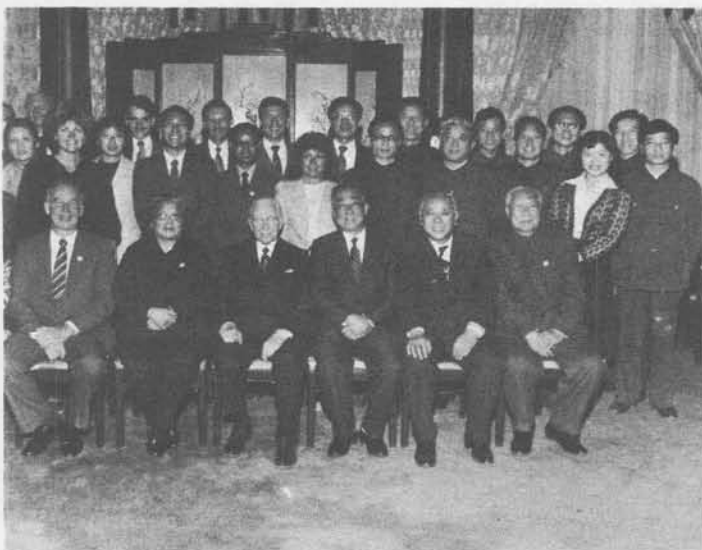
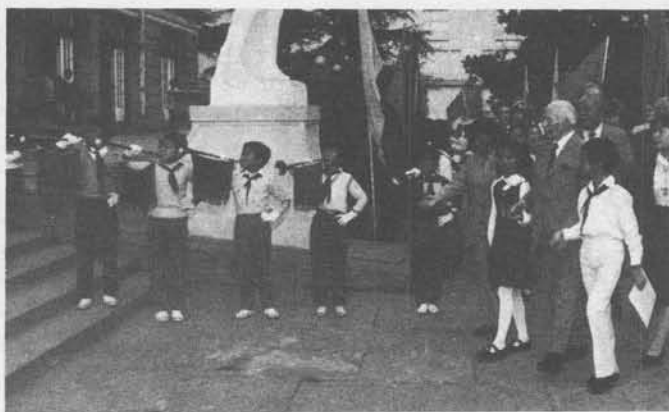
RETURN TO CHINA — Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong returned to the People's Republic of China as an invited guest of the Chinese government Nov. 5 for seven days of meetings and attending official functions. The trip, part of a scheduled five-week tour of the Orient and Asia, included a private meeting with Deng Xiaoping, China's top leader, Nov. 6 (second photo from upper left). Mr. Armstrong met with officials from the Soong Ching Ling Foundation and the





Chinese government

Chinese Friendship Association to lay a foundation for further cooperation in cultural affairs between the Chinese people and the Ambassador Foundation. The pastor general also flew to Shanghai, China, for meetings with officials and a reunion with his Chinese "grandchildren" — members of the Little Ambassadors From Shanghai troupe that toured the United States last summer. [Photos by Aaron Dean and Warren Watson]



ACCENT ON THE LOCAL CHURCH

Youths take part in district talent contests

Fifteen teens performed in the YOU District 46 talent contest Sept. 23 in the administration building at the Church-owned Festival site at LAKE OF THE OZARKS, Mo. Church areas represented were Lake of the Ozarks, Columbia, St. Louis and Rolla, Mo., and Belleville, Ill.

First place in the senior division was Camilla Oswald from Columbia for her vocal rendition of "The One and Only," and second was Mike Barnes from St. Louis for his trumpet solo entitled "Trumpet Concerto" by Franz Joseph Haydn.

Winner in the junior division was Lisa Vancak from Lake of the Ozarks, who sang "Somewhere Over the Rainbow." Second place went to David Trumbo from Columbia, who performed a piano solo entitled "The Entertainer."

TRENTON, N.J., was host to the District 12 YOU talent contest and dinner theater Sept. 8 at the Meadow View School in Chesterfield, N.J.

YOU members served a meal of baked chicken, salad, mixed vegetables, potato salad, beverage and carrot cake to more than 400 people.

After the meal Ross Flynn, assistant pastor of the Trenton and Vineland, N.J., churches, introduced youths from New York, Pennsylvania and New Jersey. Ten contestants in the junior division and five in the senior division participated.

First place in the senior division went to Diane Aversa, 16, from Vineland, who sang "The Way We Were"; second place went to Craig Celerander, 18, from Montvale, N.J., who performed a piano solo *Sontine No. 4*; third place went to Juanita Quinones, 17, of Brooklyn, N.Y., who sang "Memory."

First place in the junior division went to Debbie Jacobus, 14, from Mount Pocono, Pa., for her piano solo "Terms of Endearment"; second place went to Joan Tolbert, 13, from Middletown, N.J., for her piano solo "The Hall of the Mountain King"; third place went to Shannon Simmons, 13, of Mount Pocono for her vocal solo "Caro Mio Ben," which she sang in Italian.

Conway Kuo, 12, a pre-YOU member from Trenton, performed *Csardas* by Monti on violin.

Earl Williams, pastor of the Brook-

lyn and Queens, N.Y., churches and the District 12 YOU coordinator, presented the awards.

The second 1984 district family weekend for New South Wales YOU members took place Sept. 15 and 16 in SYDNEY, Australia. Families traveled to Sydney to participate in Sabbath services, the annual YOU district talent contest and musical evening and district track meet.

William Winner, pastor of the Gold Coast, Australia, church and representing regional director Robert Morton, gave a sermon to a congregation of almost 1,000 brethren on the importance of God's way of life passed on through the family.

The Greenhagh Auditorium, where Sabbath services were conducted, was used for the talent contest that evening. At the close of the evening's program, Mr. Winner presented plaques to the winners. Paul Ramirez of Sydney South took first place in the junior division with his saxophone performance of J.S. Bach's *Minuet*. Second was Suzanne Liu of Sydney North for her flute rendition of "Annie's Song" by John Denver.

In the senior division, first place went to Deborah Liu of Sydney North for her piano performance of *Sonatina* by M. Clementi. Marnie McNamara of Sydney South took second with her piano rendition of "Song for Guy" by Elton John. Sprays of flowers were presented to the women who served as judges.

The following day an annual track meet took place at the Olympic-standard Chatswood Rotary Athletic Park in northern Sydney. The Sydney North church singles provided hamburgers, hot dogs, Devonshire teas, popcorn and drinks for the spectators and competitors.

The event was family style with activities for ages 5 to 55. The blue team, captained by Sydney North deacon Tom Middlemiss, took the track meet trophy for the day.

Individual awards went to junior YOU members Louise Kleinbergs and James Villiers, both of Sydney North, and senior members Ann Miller of Newcastle, Australia, and Dean Ellis from Wollongong, Australia.

The YOU District 22 talent contest took place Sept. 30 at the North-

ern Building in AKRON, Ohio. Milan Chovan, an Akron local church elder, was master of ceremonies for performances by teens from Toledo, Akron and Cleveland West, Ohio.

Six judges from around the district picked the winners, who were announced by Tracey Rogers, pastor of the Cleveland West church and contest coordinator.

Youths from Toledo took all three places in the senior division. First place went to Betsy Bennett for her oboe solo entitled *Concerto in C Minor*. Second place went to Carl Klett for his trumpet solo, "Trumpeters Lullaby." John Laux took third for his saxophone solo, which was the theme from the movie *Ice Castles*.

In the junior division, first place went to Ken Peace III from Akron with his piano solo entitled "March of Dwarfs." Second place was awarded to Heidi Klett from Toledo for her flute solo entitled "Allegro." Beth Bond of Cleveland West took third for her piano solo "Sonata."

Pat Dobson, Lester H. Miller, Terence Villiers and Renee Williams.



AWARD WINNERS — Talent contest winners at a Sydney, Australia, YOU district weekend Sept. 15 are (from left) Marnie McNamara, second place, senior division; Suzanne Liu, second place, junior division; Paul Ramirez, first place, junior division; and Deborah Liu, first place, senior division.

Members attend boutique, dance, picnics

FAYETTEVILLE, N.C., and FLORENCE, S.C., brethren attended their second annual arts and crafts social Sept. 23 near Lumberton, N.C., at the Federal Paper Board picnic grounds.

A sunny, clear sky canopied the area shaded by pine trees, and events were underway by 10 a.m. with horseshoes, volleyball, Frisbee golf and croquet. About 200 were on hand for the noon meal.

After lunch family games consisted of relays and water-balloon tosses, while a clown entertained children of all ages. Then men organized a game of kickball before an arts and crafts sale. Brethren were asked to contribute something they made to the sale.

The picnic shelter was the marketplace, where hundreds of crafted items were laid out on tables. Brethren picked out items and paid a cashier.

Some of the larger items were auctioned off to the highest bidders.

More than \$1,350 was raised to help God's work. The event was organized by Lawrence Greider Jr., pastor of the Florence and Fayetteville churches, Bill Lewis, a deacon from Fayetteville, and Winston Davis, a Florence deacon.

MUNCIE, RICHMOND and INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., churches combined for a picnic at Pendleton Park in Pendleton, Ind., Sept. 30. About 300 people turned out for a potluck, basketball, volleyball and card games.

A sing-along was led by Frank McCrady Jr., pastor of the Indianapolis, Columbus and Terre Haute, Ind., churches, and Richard Baumgartner, pastor of the Muncie and Richmond churches.

After the Sabbath Sept. 29 YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio, brethren, in preparation for the 1984 Festival, attended a pre-Fest boutique at Chaney High School in Youngstown.

In addition to a clothes exchange managed by Velma Telford, haircuts were given by beauticians Roseann Cannon, Debbie DiCinteo and Diane Caldwell. A shoe-shine parlor was managed by James Cannon.

Kim Jorza and Margon Whetson did sewing. Sharon Bishop and Jason Dugger made cards. YOU members had a fund-raising project selling two-year planners.

Before the event brethren ate a meal of salad, pizza, cookies, iced tea, lemonade, juices and coffee.

Church members in AMMAN, Jordan, participated in a trip to Mt.

Nebo after Sabbath services Sept. 22. The group, composed of nine student volunteers from Pasadena Ambassador College and the family of Richard Weber, on-site coordinator of the Ambassador College project in Jordan, drove to the top of the mount, where Moses viewed the Promised Land before the Israelites entered it.

From the summit the group saw the Dead Sea and the Jordan River. As the sun set the lights of Jericho became visible. In clear weather it is possible to see the Mount of Olives and a portion of the Jordan Valley.

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., brethren attended an annual beach party and potluck picnic Sept. 9 in the waterfront environs of Ft. Desoto Park.

Activities began at dawn with breakfast for the early crew. Afterward, in addition to swimming and sunbathing, the group took part in volleyball, horseshoes, table games and a buffet lunch.

Lavene Vorel led a series of games including dodgeball, egg toss, sack races, tug-of-war and softball for the younger children.

Sand Harbor on Lake Tahoe, Calif., was the site of the last church picnic of the summer Sept. 16 for RENO, Nev., brethren.

Members swam, played horseshoes and volleyball and went boating and skiing. A potluck lunch was served, and brethren shared in the baptism of a member in a cove along the beach.

Swinging Western barroom (See MEMBERS, page 9)

Seminar on computers conducted

A computer seminar was conducted Sept. 16 for BOISE, Idaho, brethren by Boise members who use computers on a daily basis, including programmers, engineers, a data processing manager and some end-user professionals.

The purpose of the seminar was to inform and educate about what computers can do, how they work and how they affect daily life. Ronald Sower, a local church elder formerly in Boise, originated the idea of a seminar. Mr. Sower then moved to Pasadena, and Fred Whitlark, a systems engineer with IBM and a deacon in the Boise church, took responsibility for coordinating the seminar.

The event consisted of four sessions. The first three took place at the Cassia Center, where the Boise church regularly meets for Sabbath services. The last session was a tour of IBM and Hewlett-Packard computer facilities in the Boise area.

The sessions included lectures, demonstrations and hands-on participation with several types of computer equipment. Each of the first three sessions was two hours long and attended by about 65 people. Jeffery McGowan.

Areas mark anniversaries

COLUMBIA, Mo., brethren commemorated the Columbia church's 20th anniversary Oct. 27 with 350 in attendance, including more than 24 who attended the church's first service in October, 1964.

Sabbath services began with a sermonette from Douglas Ross, a Columbia local church elder. George Meeker, who pastored the church in the mid-1970s, gave the sermon. After services Kenneth Walker, a local church elder, gave a history of the church, including a look back at the first Sabbath. Mr. Walker also read congratulatory letters from a member and two pastors, Richard Rand and Hal Baird Jr., formerly of the Columbia church. Mr. Baird was the first pastor of the Columbia church.

The day ended with food and fel-

lowship at an afternoon potluck.

The DUBLIN, Republic of Ireland, church celebrated its 10th anniversary Oct. 20. John Jewell, pastor of the Irish churches, welcomed Sydney Hegvold and his wife, Mary, both Pasadena Ambassador College faculty members, who were in Europe for the Feast of Tabernacles.

Mr. and Mrs. Hegvold were based in Dublin for several years, and Mr. Hegvold was the first pastor of the Dublin church. The Dublin and Galway, Republic of Ireland, churches combined in Dublin for Mr. Hegvold's sermon about Ireland's national identity. After the service Mr. Hegvold and Mr. Jewell cut a celebration cake.

Noel Blythe and Henry Cooper.



JUNIOR SHOT-PUTTER — Lachland Best puts his best foot forward in the shot put at a Sydney, Australia, YOU district track meet Sept. 16.

Members

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doors, bales of hay and straw around the hall at Camberwell High School and a painted mural portraying the Cactus Hotel, a jail and bank were backdrops for a traditional MELBOURNE, Australia, Country and Western dance Sept. 22.

On the walls hung cactus posters, and from the roof hung balloons and pink, blue, orange and yellow streamers. Ken Boness, a member from the Melbourne North church, played authentic Western fiddle music at the annual event.

Square dancing, the backbone of the evening, required teamwork and

harmony. Mike Bundy was the dance's caller this year, and Mark Saleto of the Melbourne North church called the Virginia reel. To portray the dance's theme, bandanna and lace, some brethren wore red bandannas around their necks as well as Western-style hats.

Children played games, and brethren took part in a sing-along. A live band included Kevin Higgins on piano, Mr. Boness on fiddle and Peter Mihalec on the accordion. Two guitarists were Norm Dennison and John Mills, and David Jenkins played the banjo. Organizer of the event was David Pearson.

A surprise met ROCHESTER, N.Y., brethren when they and their pastor, Leslie Schmedes, arrived at

the usual meeting place for Sabbath services Sept. 22. They had been displaced by a Jehovah's Witnesses congregation.

With God's help, the brethren's cooperation and a member with access to a hall, services began only a half hour later than the normal starting time. That evening the Rochester congregation participated in an annual hayride and sing-along, attended by 149 people at the home of Jack Beilstein, a deacon, and his wife, Theresa.

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The ride and a sing-along were attended by 149 people at the home of Jack Beilstein, a deacon, and his wife, Theresa. Juanita Schantz, with the help of Linda Convery, Annie Hardway, Linda Hartter, Patty Kress, Nancy Caswell and Bev Fehrenbach, served homemade doughnuts, pretzels and popcorn along with apples and cider.

David Beilstein, Rod Burne and Dick Mitchell drove the tractors that pulled the three hay wagons loaded with the members.

Under the direction of pastor James Reyer, black brethren of the DENVER, Colo., church were hosts to a potluck luncheon Sept. 9 in honor of special guests, evangelist Harold Jackson and his wife, Helen.

After the meal Mr. Jackson, a member of God's Church for 48 years, spoke to the members about experiences he and his wife shared in their African travels as representatives of Ambassador College and The Plain Truth.

Sixty-five attended, and special activities were provided for the children. The potluck was one of the functions the Jacksons attended while on a weekend visit to Denver. Mr. Jackson spoke to the Denver West and East churches on the Sabbath, Sept. 8.

Brethren of the LIBERAL, Kan., church met Sept. 9 at Beaver State Park in Oklahoma

for an annual picnic. Morning activities included volleyball and using sand dunes for games such as tubing down the sand slopes.

At 1 p.m. the group ate a picnic meal of fried chicken, beans, salad, iced tea and fruit. Watermelon provided relief from the heat. Afternoon activities included card games, horse shoes and more fun in the sand.

The evening of Sept. 15 was an end-of-the-year party for MODESTO and STOCKTON, Calif., singles. A dinner and dance at the S&H (Silva and Harris) Ranch had a Hawaiian theme. More than 65 singles attended. Visitors came from San Francisco, Pleasanton, Santa Rosa, Sacramento, San Jose, Fresno and Bakersfield, Calif. Each guest was greeted with a Hawaiian lei.

A chicken dinner was barbecued by chefs Bob Silva and Bob McNelly. Tables in the pool area were decorated with silk flowers and tropical fruit displays. The bar was tended by Oswald Engelbart, pastor of the Modesto and Stockton churches, and Buck Burchett.

Activities were coordinated by Doug Samaki with the assistance of Wanda Shahan and Charlotte Ramos.

An under-20s amateur night was conducted by NEWCASTLE, Australia, brethren Sept. 8, with Michael Augutis as master of ceremonies.

Entertainment was performed by 7-year-old Sheree Furnell singing "Everybody Loves Saturday Night," 8-year-old Robert Canard playing his violin, and Ben Daniell, 10, and Katrina Karmas, 8, who each played the organ.

Eight-year-old Cameron Dunlop recited poetry, and Katrina Karmas teamed up with 10-year-old Ruth Canard for a tap dance duet. Aaron Daniell and Heather Harvey, both age 5, sang a duet entitled "I'm a Little Teapot," which was followed by Natalie Hutchen, who played guitar.

Michelle Whiteford and 8-year-old Alison Daniell performed gym-

nastics, and Shannon Daniell, 9, played guitar while the Daniell family sang "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands." Nine-year-old Paul Harvey played a court jester, and comedy skits were enacted by Linda Shaw, Anne Miller, Melissa Latham, Ainslie Dunlop and Sonya, Michelle and Susan Whiteford.

Jo-Anne and Lynette Douglas played guitar and xylophone as they sang a duet of "Born Free." Dancing acts were performed by David Edson, Jonathan Kaufman, David Bell, Michelle Furnell and Michelle and Renae Daniell.

Fruit punch was served during an intermission.

Charles B. Edwards, Richard Baumgartner, Libbye Kebrdle, Edie Weaver, Lavene L. Vorel, Naomi Yutzy, Graham Armstrong, Jill Clouthier, Sheila Wagener, Ora McCulley, Carolyn Burchett and Bob and Sandy Daniell.

Italian festival nets \$5,600

Kurt Felten, a bake-shop owner and longtime member of the MOUNT POCONO, Pa., church, opened his shop so brethren could prepare items for an annual Italian festival in Scranton, Pa., over Labor Day weekend, Sept. 1 to 3.

Thousands of Italian cookies, eclairs, chocolate chip cookies, pretzels and rum balls were baked, cooled, counted, packed and shipped from Exeter, Pa., to Scranton. They were then stored in a refrigerator truck parked in front of members Bob and Mary Ann Durkin's home.

Supervised by the ministry, George Evans Jr., a Mount Pocono local church elder, organized the bake sale. With the help of volunteers, \$5,600 was raised to be used by the area church for activities during the year. *Marge Storm.*

Auto rally, outing take place

Sept. 9 was a question-filled day for about 30 EDMONTON, Alta., NORTH and SOUTH young adults who met at the Muttart Conservatory for their second annual road rally.

Participants were given a list of about 30 questions, including clues leading them to the final destination at a Taco Trail restaurant. They were instructed to stay within designated speed limits because their arrival times would be taken at their destination. Points were subtracted for arriving too early or too late.

The group set out on a route that took them through some of the most scenic countryside surrounding Edmonton, including Elk Island National Park. Jon and Christa Pearkins, who organized the event, provided snacks at the halfway point. Lunch was served at Taco Trail. The winners of the rally were Steve Takacs, Lisa Biggs and Heather Hawryliw.

About 100 singles from the Pacific Northwest gathered Aug. 31 to Sept. 3 at Beverly Beach State Park on the OREGON coast for

three days of relaxation and activities. Friday night, Aug. 31, Salem and Albany, Ore., singles were hosts to a taco salad dinner before the Sabbath.

Services Sabbath morning were given by Rex Sexton, assistant pastor of the Salem and Albany churches, who spoke on seeking godly pleasure instead of worldly pleasure. Walks on the beach followed a potluck, and many gathered to watch the sun set. Evening activities included a hot dog roast, a movie of the eruption of Mt. St. Helens and a sing-along.

Sunday morning, Sept. 2, brought a pancake feed and a Bible study by Mr. Sexton that emphasized continuing to learn throughout life. The rest of the day was filled with beach-style volleyball, sand sculpting, kite flying, wading, body surfing and another camp-fire sing-along on the beach. After another pancake breakfast Monday, Sept. 3, the singles made their way back to homes in Montana, California, Washington and Oregon.

Lorie Dillingham and Patty Fields.

GRANDFATHER LOVES HIS NEIGHBOR

STORY FOR YOUNG READERS
By Shirley King Johnson

(Continued from W/N, Nov. 12)

Grandmother rose from her chair. "I'm going to my sewing room to pray. Have an apple in the kitchen if you're hungry, Jimmy, dear. I'll be back before long."

"Thank you, but I'm going to my bedroom to pray, too."

"Susie's taking a nap on your bed," Grandmother reminded. "Why don't you just slip into the bathroom to pray?"

"Yes, um." He looked down at Major who still huddled in a cautious posture under the table. "Stay there, Major. I'll be back soon. And don't you worry."

Major dozed. He was awakened by the heavy clomping of Grandfather's shoes on the stairs.

Grandfather came into the room, sat down at his desk and dialed a number on the telephone. "Hello... Harry? Ah, is your father there?... He isn't? Where'd he go?... I see... Thanks. Goodbye." As he slowly hung up, Jim came into the room.

"There's a car pulling into our driveway," Jim reported.

Grandfather nodded. "Yes. That's our neighbor. Harry told me his father was on his way down here. I just hope he's cooled down."

"Will he hit you?" Jim asked.

Grandfather gave a little laugh. "No, he won't do anything like that, honey."

Major gave a low growl as he heard a car door slam outside. Trotting to the kitchen, he stood at the door.

"Shall I hide Major in the basement before Mr. Sterner comes into the house?" Jim asked.

"That won't be necessary. Just keep him beside you and keep him quiet, James."

"Yes, sir."

Grandfather opened the door and went out on the back porch as Mr. Sterner came up the sidewalk.

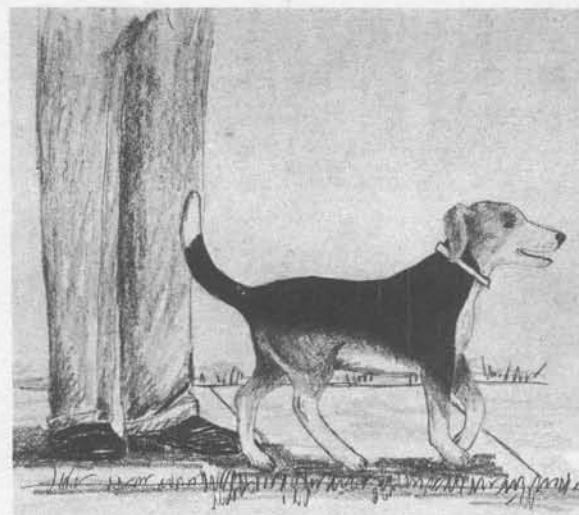
"Hello," called Grandfather cheerfully. "It's kind of muggy today. Feels like rain."

"It sure does feel like rain," Mr. Sterner replied.

Grandfather opened the porch's screen door. "Come in."

"Thanks, but I can't. I'm on my way to the field to take iced tea to the men on the tractors. Say, Wilson, I want to apologize for what I said on the phone."

"Oh?" Grandfather's eyebrows went up.



Artwork by Judith Docken

"I phoned my lawyer and he told me I've got to keep my gates shut and my bull confined or I'll be liable for damages. I'll be a lot more careful. I hope there are no hard feelings, are there?"

"Not at all," replied Grandfather and he went on out and shook Mr. Sterner's outstretched hand. "I want to pay the vet's bill, if you'll tell me how much—"

"No, I won't hear of that," broke in Mr. Sterner. "It's generous of you, but that's not necessary. I'm glad things weren't worse than they were."

"We can all be thankful for that," Grandfather replied.

"How would you like to have dinner with us this evening?" Mr. Sterner went on. "Harry especially wants you over for a meal while your grandchildren are here. He and Jim have hit it off well."

"Thanks. We'll be pleased to come."

Mr. Sterner hurried on to his fields and Grandfather stood on the sidewalk, whistling. Jim opened the screen door and he and Major joined Grandfather. "Mr. Sterner isn't angry at Major any more, is he?" Jim asked with relief.

"Not a bit, James. We're going over there for supper this evening. Or 'dinner' as city folks call it." His arm went around Jim's shoulders. He looked down at Major. "And Major is out of the dog house, if you'll excuse the expression."

Jim laughed. "That's a good one, Grandfather."

Major waved his tail and smiled.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Lee Lindquist, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Lindquist, were united in marriage Sept. 2 in Pasadena. The ceremony was performed by the groom's father, a minister in the Denver, Colo., P.M. church. Angela Moon, sister of the bride, was matron of honor, and Jeff Lindquist, brother of the groom, served as best man. The couple reside in Denver.



MR. AND MRS. SAMUEL DOSS

Beth Ann Scott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Scott, and Samuel Doss, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Holland Doss, were united in marriage Feb. 18 in New Boston, Ohio. The ceremony was performed by David Treibig, pastor of the Portsmouth and Chillicothe, Ohio, churches. The couple reside in Logan, W. Va.



MR. AND MRS. JAMES WOLAVER

Angela Rhodes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold J. Rhodes of Chattanooga, Tenn., and James Wolaver, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Wolaver of Italy, Tex., are happy to announce their marriage Sept. 2 in Waco, Tex. The ceremony was performed by the father of the bride, pastor of the Murphy, N.C., and Chattanooga churches. The couple reside in Austin, Tex.

Sunday, Sept. 30, Edward Difalco and Annette Cardella, both of the Philadelphia, Pa., congregation, were united in marriage by Carlos E. Perkins, pastor of the Philadelphia church.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Auerheimer are happy to announce the marriage of their daughter Joan to Glenn Jacobson of Edmonton, Alta. The wedding took place in the home of Gordon, Graham, assistant pastor of the Edmonton North church, Sept. 29. The Jacobsons live in Edmonton.



MR. AND MRS. CHARLES F. SCOTT IV

Mr. and Mrs. Donald R. Benningfield of Sturgis, Ky., are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter Donna Marie to Charles F. Scott IV, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Scott III of Hawkins, Tex. The marriage was performed Sept. 1 by Fred Bailey, pastor of the Evansville, Ind., and Madisonville, Ky., churches. The couple reside in Big Sandy.



MR. AND MRS. MICHAEL MORRISON

Janet Dorothy Wood of Papekura, New Zealand, and Michael Duane Morrison of Pasadena were united in

marriage Oct. 3 in Papekura. John Croucher, pastor of the Auckland, Plymouth and Whangarei, New Zealand, churches, officiated. Colleen Wood, sister-in-law of the bride, was the matron of honor, and James Wood, brother of the bride, served as best man. The couple reside near Pasadena.

ANNIVERSARIES



MR. AND MRS. JESS COLEMAN

Happy anniversary to our parents, Jess and Easter Coleman, who celebrated their 27th anniversary Sept. 29. Thank you for being wonderful, loving parents. We love you, Patricia, Sadie and Jonathan.



MR. AND MRS. HYRUM SMOAK

Mr. and Mrs. Hyrum Smoak celebrated their 44th wedding anniversary Sept. 21. They live in Wallerboro, S.C., and attend the Charleston, S.C., church. Congratulations!

Happy anniversary to Garry and Bertha Maddon.



MR. AND MRS. ARLOW BRAZEAL

TERRE HAUTE, Ind. — Arlow and Ellen Brazeal were honored after church services here Sept. 15 with cake and punch as they celebrated their 50th anniversary.

The Brazeals were baptized in March, 1973, and have two sons.



MR. AND MRS. EARL MAPLES

MODESTO, Calif. — Earl and Thelma Maples celebrated their 58th wedding anniversary Sept. 2. The couple were married in Pineville, Mo.

Mrs. Maples was baptized in 1966, and Mr. Maples in 1969, and both are 81

Sept. 3. May God bless and be with you throughout your marriage. May He bless you both with a happy marriage and life. With much love from your sister, Shirley Blythe.

Happy 30th anniversary, Dec. 3, to Henry and Audrey Miller, two special friends. Your love and friendship mean a lot to us. May God bless you with many more happy years together. Congratulations from the Jennings family.

Jim: Thanks so much for being such a wonderful husband and father. These two years, come Dec. 4, have been terrific. Love, Jennifer and your daughter, Jill.

Happy anniversary to Granny and Granddaddy Averett of Greensboro, N.C. Dec. 8. With love we could see you. We love you very much! Candy and Cameron Averett.

To my wonderful Mr. Abe, who has made my life complete with love and happiness, helping me to strive toward the Promises. I will during our first year of marriage. A special happy anniversary to you for our first year, Oct. 25. Love, Valerie (Mrs. Abe).

To Mom and Dad: All the hard years are paying off now. We all wait to thank you for being there and for the years of love, tears, joy and understanding. We're sending our love and wishing you the best 25th anniversary, Oct. 18. Happy anniversary. Love always, Laurie, T.J. Mark, Tim, Amy, Josh and Andy.

Obituaries

ROCKFORD, Ill. — Millicent Freitag, 71, died Aug. 23 after a lengthy illness. She has been a member since 1965.

Mrs. Freitag is survived by her husband, Paul, one son and one daughter.

Funeral services were conducted by Carl Falzone, a minister in the Rockford church.

DAYTON, Ohio — Edward R. Griffith, 63, died Aug. 22. He has been a member of God's Church since 1963.

Mr. Griffith is survived by his wife, Anna Mae, a member; two daughters, Kathy Frantz and Pat Hensley, both members; one son, Donald Edward, a member; one brother; seven grandsons; and one granddaughter.

Funeral services were conducted by Ray Meyer, pastor of the Dayton A.M. and P.M. churches.

DAYTON, Ohio — Bernard T. Van Gundy, 63, died Aug. 26. He has been a member since 1968.

Mr. Van Gundy was a tool and die maker, and was under treatment at the Veterans Administration Medical Center here.

He is survived by two sons and two brothers. Burial was in Johnstown, Ohio.

TORONTO, Ont. — Ernest Hawker,

96, a member of the Church for 15 years, died Sept. 12 at home.

The funeral service was conducted by Percival Burrows, assistant pastor of the Toronto West church.

PASADENA — Goldie Helen Ruberson Martinsen, 81, died here Sept. 13 after three years in a convalescent hospital. She has been a member since 1967, and attended church in Phoenix, Ariz., and Pasadena.

Mrs. Martinsen is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Garry and Mary Ann Hierman; two grandchildren, Michelle and Keith; and one sister, Myrtle Foster.

Services were conducted by John Kennedy, an assistant pastor of the Pasadena P.M. congregation.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah — Elmer C. Gerhart, 58, a deacon here, died Sept. 12. He was baptized with his wife in November, 1960, in the baptismal pool at Pasadena Ambassador College.

Mr. Gerhart was born in Elizabeth, Colo., in 1926. He served 18 months in a forest camp as a conscientious objector during World War II, and worked for the U.S. Geological Survey for more than 28 years. He and his wife operated skating rinks in Springville and Spanish Fork, Utah.

Mr. Gerhart is survived by his wife, Arlene, a deaconess; one son, Charles of Grantsville, Utah; one grandchild; and one brother, Al of Seattle, Wash.

Graveside services were conducted by Bill Bryce, a minister in the church here, and Don Lawson, pastor of the Salt Lake City and Ogden, Utah, churches.

DESOTO, Mo. — Myrtle Handcock Dickhardt, 74, a member since 1965, of the St. Louis, Mo., congregation, died Aug. 21 after a lengthy illness.

She was preceded in death in 1981 by her husband, Ernest. The couple were married for nearly 50 years.

Mrs. Dickhardt is survived by one sister, Ethel Drew of Seattle, Wash.; one half brother, Charles F. Fink of De Soto; a nephew, Charles F. Fink Jr. of Edwardsville, Ill.; and nieces and nephews.

GROVES, Tex. — Charlotte McDuffie, 64, a member since 1975, died Aug. 11 at home.

Mrs. McDuffie is survived by her hus-

band, James R. Sr., four sons, one daughter and 12 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at Livingston Funeral Home in Groves by Edward Mauzey, pastor of the Beaumont, Tex., and Lake Charles, La., churches.

YORKTON, Sask. — Carla Jane Becker, 17, died Sept. 15 in a car accident. Carla was active in music, art and crafts.

She is survived by her parents, Wayne and Colleen, members who attend the Yorkton church; one sister, Jodine Susanne; and two brothers, Shayne and Tyson.

Services were conducted Sept. 18 by Dennis Lawrence, pastor of the Dauphin, Man., and Yorkton churches.

SOUTHAMPTON, England — Michael John Morgan, 65, a member since 1977, died Sept. 9 while on holiday in West Germany.

He is survived by his wife, Gerda, a member; one son, Christopher; and two daughters, Sheila and Diana.

Funeral services were conducted by David House, pastor of the Southampton, Channel Isles, Godelmal and Reading, England, churches.

SAVANNAH, Ga. — Mamie Floyd Huff, 79, of Statesboro, Ga., died Sept. 9 at Bulloch Memorial Hospital after a short illness.

Mrs. Huff had lived in Jacksonville, Fla. She was a retired nurse and has been a member of the Church since 1979.

Mrs. Huff's survivors include her husband, Gibson, of Statesboro; two daughters, Michal Floyd of Statesboro and Jennell Floyd of Atlanta; and two sisters, Albertina Roper and Lillian Frederick, both of Jacksonville.

Michael Hechel, pastor of the Charleston, S.C., and Savannah churches, conducted graveside services in Statesboro.

SAN DIEGO, Calif. — Ferne Magar, 60, of Poway, Calif., a member since 1976, died Oct. 3 following a nine-month illness.

Mrs. Magar is survived by her husband, L.A. "Mac," one daughter, Lyn of Atascadero, Calif.; one son, Dean at home; one brother, William O. Howard of San Bernardino, Calif.; one sister, Gladys Miller of Ardmore, Okla.; and two grandchildren.

Evangelist Norman Smith, pastor of the San Diego and Yuma, Ariz., churches, conducted graveside services Oct. 5 at Riverside National Cemetery, where interment took place.

LUFKIN, Tex. — Ida Mae Smith, 81, died Sept. 17 of a heart attack. She was born Sept. 3, 1903, in Trinity County, Tex., and was baptized in July, 1958.

Mrs. Smith is survived by her husband, William Herbert of Leggett, also of the Lufkin church; two sons; one daughter; 14 grandchildren; and one sister.

Funeral services were conducted by Robert Peoples, pastor of the Lufkin and Longview, Tex., churches.

WISCONSIN DELLS, Wis. — Robert H. Zamzow, 48, a member since 1984, died Oct. 16 after a lengthy bout with bone cancer.

He is survived by his wife, Joy; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Zamzow; one son, Robert; one daughter, Brenda Ketchut; two brothers; and two grandchildren.

The funeral was performed by Norman T. Strayer, pastor of the Wisconsin Dells and Wausau, Wis., churches, Oct. 19 at the Festival Administration Building in Wisconsin Dells.

COBDEN, Ill. — Ruby B. Griffith, 82, a member since 1968, died Oct. 1.

Mrs. Griffith is survived by four sons, 14 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. One daughter preceded her in death.

Funeral services were conducted Oct. 3 by John Cafourek, pastor of the Cape Girardeau, Mo., and Paducah, Ky., churches.

POCATELLO, Idaho — Margaret Iler, 74, a member of God's Church since 1969, died Aug. 18 of cancer.

She was born in Sandbank, Scotland, and moved to Pocatello, Ont., in 1925. She moved to Pocatello in 1952.

Survivors include two daughters, Carol of Bulkley and Judith Tocoli, both of Buhl, Idaho; one brother; two sisters; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

A graveside service was conducted in Buhl by Randy Schreiber, pastor of the Blackfoot and Twin Falls, Idaho, churches.

Weddings Made of Gold

years old. Mrs. Maples makes quilts and gifts to sell. She completed 70 quilts since 1979.

MANSFIELD, Ohio — Bernard and Alma Venis were honored for 50 years of marriage with a surprise reception given by the church here Sept. 22. Their children gave an open house Sept. 23 in Pemberville, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Venis were married Oct. 3, 1934, and have five children, 28 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. A daughter, Donnabell Tolmie, is a member of the Abbottsford, B.C., church.



MR. AND MRS. BERNARD VENIS

The couple were baptized together July 23, 1966.

RAPID CITY, S.D. — Harry and Marie Sheaman of Edgemont, S.D., were honored here for their 60th wedding anniversary by the Chadron, Neb., and Rapid City churches during the noon meal on the Feast of Trumpets, Sept. 27.

Amy Larsen and Crystal DuPont baked and decorated an anniversary cake large enough for the 150 brethren in attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. Sheaman were married Sept. 24, 1924, near Mule Creek Junction, Wyo., where they homesteaded. The Sheamans were baptized in 1962, but had to wait until 1970, when the



MR. AND MRS. HARRY SHEAMAN

Rapid City church began, to regularly attend Sabbath services.



MR. AND MRS. JIM MCCLUNG

MENA, Ark. — A reception in honor of Jim and Lizzie McClung's 55th wedding anniversary was given Sept. 15. The McClungs were married Sept. 8, 1929, in Kingston, Ark. Both were baptized in Big Sandy in 1957.

The couple have three sons, one deceased daughter, seven grandchildren and several great-grandchildren. The McClungs attend the Mena church, and reside in Watson, Okla.

NEWS OF PEOPLE, PLACES & UPDATE

EVENTS IN THE WORLDWIDE CHURCH OF GOD

BANGKOK, Thailand — Evangelist **Herman L. Hoeh**, editor of *The Plain Truth*, accompanied by *Plain Truth* senior writer **John Halford**, and **Sawat Yingyud** and **Leon Sexton**, Ambassador Foundation representatives, arrived here after a seven-day fact-finding tour to the Kingdom of Bhutan, north-east of India.

They were accompanied by Bhutan by **Artsa Tulku**, a Tibetan and professor of ancient history at Magadha University in India.

Pastor General **Herbert W. Armstrong** was invited to visit this Himalayan kingdom by the royal Bhutanese ambassador in New Delhi, India. But, because of the high altitude of Thimphu, the capital city, he decided against visiting personally.

The team met with officials of the royal Bhutanese government to assess in what way the Ambassador Foundation might assist the country in the field of education.

PASADENA — Ministerial Services announced that the following men were ordained local church elders on the Feast of Trumpets, Sept. 27.

Michael Anderson, Meriden, Conn.; **Peter Bacon**, Yorkton, Sask.; **Darcy Leach**, Salmon Arm, B.C.; **David Lengieze**, Springfield, Mass.; and **Herbert Teitgen**, Kettle Falls, Wash.

Gordon Graham, a local elder in the Edmonton, Alta., church, was ordained a preaching elder Oct. 11.

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PASADENA — *La Pura Verdad* (Spanish *Plain Truth*) lectures took place in Buenos Aires, Argentina, Sept. 2, 7, 8 and 9, and Sept. 15, 16, 29 and 30. Because Argentina has the highest *PV* circulation with 35,000 subscribers, two sets of lectures were conducted.

According to **Alberto Sousa**, pastor of the Ezeiza, Argentina, and Salto, Uruguay, churches, 360 new



BHUTAN MEETING — Ugyen Tsering (center), secretary of His Majesty's Department of Planning in Bhutan, meets Nov. 2 with (from left) Leon Sexton, Ambassador Foundation representative; Artsa Tulku, professor of ancient history at Magadha University in India; evangelist Herman L. Hoeh, editor of *The Plain Truth*; and John Halford, a senior writer for *The Plain Truth*. The meeting took place in Thimphu, the capital. (Photo by Sawat Yingyud)

people attended the meetings. Although 90 percent of Argentina's population is Catholic, 70 percent of those attending the lectures were from Protestant backgrounds.

Of those attending, about 150 were interested in future Bible studies and two sought baptismal counseling.

For the first time in eight years, *PV* lectures took place in Mexico, the largest Spanish-speaking country in the world.

In Guadalajara the lectures were conducted by **Pablo Dimakis**, pastor of the Guadalajara and Tepic,

Mex., churches, Oct. 27, Nov. 3 and Nov. 10. About 200 new people attended.

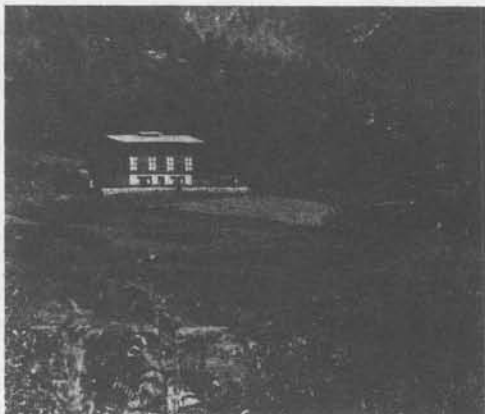
The lectures covered world conditions and the purpose of *The Plain Truth*. Three booklets were offered at the end of the first lecture, and most people took all three.

In Mexico City, *PV* lectures took place Nov. 3, 10 and 17. More than 350 new people attended. The lectures were conducted by **Salvador Barragan**, a local elder in the Mexico City, Mexico, church. Seven hundred sixty-one pieces of literature were

distributed at the first lecture.

Nov. 3 lectures began in Tijuana, 125 miles from Pasadena. The lectures were conducted by **Fernando Barriga**, pastor of the Tijuana and Mexicali, Mex., churches. Twenty-five new people attended the first lecture.

Thomas Turk, pastor of the Mexico City church, attended the lectures in Guadalajara and Mexico City. "It was obvious that the people who attended were high-quality people. They were very attentive and familiar with our literature," he said.



BHUTAN COUNTRYSIDE — Photo shows a typical three-story house in western Bhutan. The ground floor is for animals, the main floor is where the residents live, and the loft is for storage of grains.

Church honors evangelist, pastor for quarter century of service

PASADENA — Evangelist **Harold Jackson** and **Frank R. McCrady Jr.**, a pastor-rank minister, received plaques Nov. 6, noting a quarter century of service in Christ's ministry, from evangelists **Joseph Tkach Sr.**, director of Ministerial Services, and **Dean Blackwell**.



HAROLD JACKSON

Mr. Tkach and Mr. Blackwell presented the plaques at a dinner for ministers and wives attending session 10 of the third Ministerial Refreshing Program.

25 years of service

Mr. Jackson, 73, a member of

God's Church since 1936, was ordained a deacon by the late evangelist **C. Paul Meredith** and evangelist **Roderick C. Meredith** in 1957. A native of Des Moines, Iowa, Mr. Jackson was raised in rank to preaching elder in 1963, pastor in 1966 and evangelist in 1980 by Pastor General **Herbert W. Armstrong**.

Married to the former **Helen Coleman**, the evangelist serves as a personal assistant to Mr. Tkach in Ministerial Services.

Before receiving his headquarters assignment in August, 1980, Mr. Jackson pastored churches in Kenya, Malawi and Mauritius.

He has also pastored churches in Ghana, Nigeria, Cameroon and Chicago, Ill.

Longtime minister

Mr. McCrady, 59, was ordained a local elder by Mr. Blackwell Nov. 11, 1959. After being raised to preaching elder in 1963, Mr. McCrady was ordained a pastor by Mr. Armstrong and six evangelists Jan. 10, 1980.

Married to the former **Charlene M. Robb**, Mr. McCrady pastors the Indianapolis, Columbus and Terre Haute, Ind., churches. Born in St.

Louis, Mo., Mr. McCrady has pastored and assisted in congregations in Manhattan, White Plains and Long Island, N.Y.; St. Louis; Belleville and Mount Vernon, Ill.; Pasadena; Houston, Tex.; Lake Charles, La.; South Bend, Ind.; Grand Rapids, Mich.; Oakland, Sacramento



FRANK R. MCCRADY JR.

and Santa Barbara, Calif.; Reno, Nev.; Wichita, Garden City and Liberal, Kan.; Los Angeles, Calif.; Chicago, Ill.; Milwaukee, Wis.; and El Paso, Ill.

The McCradys have two sons: **Frank III**, 37, pastor of the Lakeland, Fla., church; and **Roger**, 30,

specialized luggage by evangelist **Joseph Tkach Sr.**, director of Ministerial Services.

Mrs. Blackwell and Mrs. Matthews were given Cartier pens as tokens of appreciation for their parts in their husbands' service to God's Church.

The Pasadena ministry and their wives joined the Ministerial Services staff members for the dinner and presentations. The Blackwells and Matthews will be arriving in the Philippines in late November.

Mr. Matthews was raised to pastor-rank Nov. 3 before the Pasadena Auditorium P.M. congregation and the visiting ministers and their wives on the 10th session of the Ministerial Refreshing Program. Evangelists **Raymond McNair**, **Dibar Apertian**, **Leon Walker**, **Dean Blackwell** and **Ronald Kelly** joined Mr. Tkach in laying hands on Mr. Matthews.

Bonn, West Germany

Evangelist **Gerald Waterhouse** began a 12-day speaking tour of the German-speaking churches Sept. 12. During the tour he spoke in Zurich, Switzerland; Salzburg, Austria; and Nuremberg, Stuttgart, Darmstadt, Bonn, Hamburg and Hannover, West Germany.

Frank Schnee, regional director for the Church in German-speaking areas, commented that it is always helpful for the Church there to get the unique view that Mr. Waterhouse gives of God's Kingdom and that his visits give the Church added enthusiasm.

September also saw a three-day visit to the 14 Church members in East Germany by Mr. Schnee. All 14 were looking forward to spending the Feast with the brethren in Brno, Czechoslovakia, fellowship they can enjoy only once a year.

Canada

First responses to the newspaper insert campaign came in on sched-

ule. By the end of September more than 1,000 requests came in from the two types of inserts used.

Netherlands

Bram de Bree, regional director of the Church in Dutch-speaking areas, reported that Mr. Waterhouse spoke to the four Dutch-language churches in a combined service on the Feast of Trumpets.

Mr. Waterhouse delivered the Holy Day message in English, and the Dutch brethren heard the sermon, described by Mr. de Bree as "inspiring and uplifting," in their own language through simultaneous translation. Mr. Waterhouse spoke to a record attendance of 337, up 15 percent over Trumpets last year.

By the end of September more than 16,000 subscribers were added to the list of *De Echte Waarheid*, the Dutch-language *Plain Truth*. The subscription list stood at 45,700. Seventy percent of the long-term readers renew, and 30 percent of the first-time subscribers renew.

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