

Joseph W. Tkach flies to SEPs for first visit as pastor general

By Michael A. Snyder

PASADENA — Calling the Summer Educational Program (SEP) a "boot camp for excellence," Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach delivered his first addresses as pastor general to campers, faculty and staff at the SEPs in Orr, Minn., and Big Sandy June 26 and 27.

"Since this was Mr. Tkach's first visit as pastor general, he was very excited and looked forward to seeing both camps," said Mr. Feazell in a July 3 interview with *The Worldwide News*.

After leaving the Burbank, Calif., airport at 7 a.m., Pacific Daylight Time (PDT), Mr. Tkach arrived at the Orr regional airport shortly after noon Central Daylight Time (CDT).

Aboard the Gulfstream III jet with the pastor general were Larry Salyer, director of Church Administration, and his wife, Judy; Joseph Locke, superintendent of Imperial Schools and a personal assistant to the pastor general; and Michael Feazell, a personal assistant to Mr. Tkach, and his wife, Victoria.

Serving on Mr. Tkach's flight crew were captain Ken Hopke, co-captain Lawrence Dietrich, steward Jay Brothers and stewardess Felicia Brothers.

The campers at Orr greeted Mr. Tkach by lining up on the sides of the entrance road to the SEP there.

Enthusiastic greeting

"As he drove by, he rolled the window down and gave the campers a 'high five,'" Mr. Feazell said. High fives, a light slapping of hands held aloft, are an enthusiastic greeting or sign of congratulation often

used by American athletes.

At the camp, Kermit Nelson, who directs the SEP and Youth Opportunities United (YOU) international programs under Mr. Salyer; faculty members; ministers; and some administrative staff joined Mr. Tkach and his traveling group in the SEP Chalet for a private lunch.

After the luncheon Mr. Tkach and members of his party toured the SEP activities. Accompanied by Dr. Nelson and Ricky Sherrod, assistant camp director, the pastor general stopped at the camp communications activity where he viewed a newscast prepared by the campers.

While there, Mr. Tkach was interviewed for a SEP newscast by campers Valerie Weidman and Roxanne Cafourek. Aubrey Warren, an Ambassador College junior and director of communications at the Orr SEP, said Mr. Tkach told the interviewers, "You have a golden opportunity here that cannot be measured in dollars and cents."

After viewing basketball, water-skiing, the Christian living class and other activities and touring the camp dormitories, Mr. Tkach went to the SEP gymnasium to address the more than 500 campers, faculty and staff.

After introductions by Dr. Nelson, camper Joe Wine presented the pastor general with a plaque mounted on a beaver skin to commemorate Mr. Tkach's first SEP visit as pastor general.

Before beginning his address, Mr. Tkach asked the campers to applaud the back of the plaque.

Shortly after the pastor general began speaking, a thunderstorm

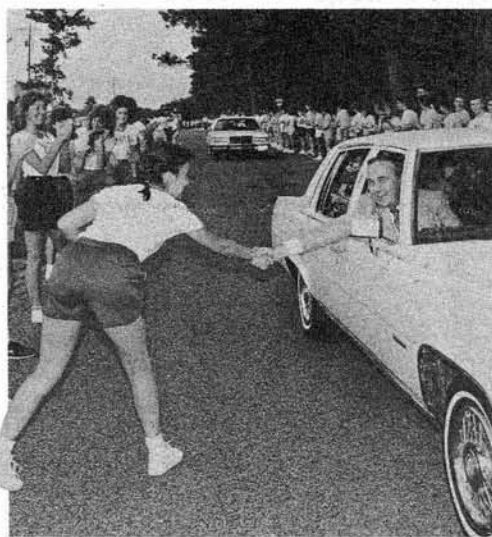
broke, showering heavy rain, hail and strong winds on the camp. Using the storm as an illustration, Mr. Tkach encouraged the campers to "soak up the things you are being given here."

In his talk, which was interrupted twice by power outages, Mr. Tkach told the group: "Make the most of it [SEP]. Take advantage of every opportunity."

Explaining the training that Prince Charles, the heir to the throne of Britain, underwent to prepare him to one day become king, Mr. Tkach said that SEP is similarly preparing campers to become leaders in the Kingdom of God.

Mr. Tkach ended his talk by urging the campers to resist temptation and peer pressure when their peers try to promote illicit drug use. "Say 'NO' to drugs," the pastor general emphasized.

Quoting from an address made by (See VISIT, page 4)



TEXAS WELCOME — A camper welcomes Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach to the Summer Educational Program (SEP) in Big Sandy June 26. [Photo by Mike Bedford]

PERSONAL FROM

Joseph W. Tkach

Dear brethren,

My recent visit to our Orr, Minn., and Big Sandy, Tex., summer camps brought home the admonition in Ephesians 6:4 to bring up our children "in the nurture and admonition of the Lord."

It was refreshing and inspiring to see young faces full of enthusiasm and excitement about the good things of life that bring lasting happiness and success.

The direction the students are going, the way of life the camp staffs are striving to teach and exemplify are according to what God has shown us in His Word.

As parents, none of us are perfect. But God has given us three major principles that, if followed, will produce right results. (1) There are practices we should avoid. (2) There are practices we should follow. (3) And we should realize from the outset that Satan has deceived the whole world (Revelation 12:9).

We must face the fact that before conversion each of us was deceived to one degree or another. So we need to look to God's Word as the authority, willing to dismiss our own preconceived notions and ideas if necessary. Only then can we wisely and honestly judge our own child-rearing practices and strive to change those that do not reflect God's Word.

A recent article in the usually liberal *Parents* magazine pointed out the direction that child rearing in the United States has been going. In an article titled "Where Have All the Children Gone?" in the May, 1986, issue these observations were made:

"There's a vague sense that parents... aren't sure of their own roles, responsibilities, and authority. Several family counselors and a number of parents were convinced, for example, that parents talk less today about sacrificing for their children... Ironically, this trend is coupled with a strong tendency to overindulge children by not setting or enforcing rules and limits."

"...Almost all parents have increasingly valued autonomy in their children over obedience..."

"It's also harder for parents to know what limits are appropriate today. [Family therapist Sandra Rodman Mann, Ph.D., assistant professor of parent education at Fordham University] has found many parents have lost confidence in their own ability to make the right child-rearing choices because they no longer see a consistent set of permitted behaviors generally agreed upon and reinforced by schools, society, and other parents."

What a tragedy! Brethren, we must not allow ourselves to be deceived by the devil's wiles. We should have a clear understanding of our roles, our responsibility and authority as parents. Abraham did. God said of him, "For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the Lord, to do justice and judgment" (Genesis 18:19).

Whom does God hold responsible for the training of your children? God holds you, the parent, responsible — nobody else. Not the school, not the Church, but you! What society says is acceptable, what the neighbors let their children do,

or even what other parents in the Church do is *not* the standard by which we should evaluate our child rearing.

We have youth programs in the Church. But these programs are designed to help or assist parents — *not replace them*. Any such program can only build on the foundation laid by parents.

What is the Church's responsibility? The Church must teach. The Church must point the brethren to God's Word, and give instruction in the principles God reveals there. But it is the parents' responsibility to heed that instruction and put it into practice.

God's principles of child rearing are fair, just, sensible, reasonable and sound. But like anything of value, it takes *effort* to put them to use for the benefit of parent and child. The entire sixth chapter of Deuteronomy explains that the parents' own personal examples, that is, their way of life and their true attitude toward God's law, are fundamental to successful child rearing. The message is clear — double standards don't work.

Today's Western society makes it easy for the unwary parent to abdicate his or her responsibility to the television set, or to the toy designers, allowing modern decadent entertainment to train, teach and shape the child's values. Some exercise no thought or discretion in choosing a child's toys, never considering whether the child's playthings reflect right or wrong values.

Parents today tend not to supervise children's play or entertainment, nor their selection of friends. Children are too often left on their own, to grow up without a strong, patient and loving hand guiding their way to productive adulthood.

Some parents become more concerned with how soon their children walk, talk, read or go to school, often to boost their own vanity, than they are with the (See PERSONAL, page 4)

Pasadena mayor honors Ambassador Foundation

PASADENA — Mayor John C. Crowley presented a plaque to Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach for "outstanding contributions" made by Ambassador College and Ambassador Foundation in Pasadena's centennial celebration.

Presenting the plaque during a session of the city council in Pasadena's city hall July 7, the mayor said: "I have no prepared re-

marks. I don't think any of us needs prepared remarks to acknowledge the vast amount of appreciation, the tremendous contribution to our centennial festivities on the 19th of June and during other parts of our centennial celebration, that came from the dedicated and genuine support of the Ambassador College and Ambassador [International] Cultural Foundation."

Accepting the plaque, Mr. Tkach told the directors: "Indeed it is a pleasure to accept these gifts on behalf of the Ambassador Foundation, Ambassador College and the Worldwide Church of God."

"It always has been our pleasure and privilege to practice the way of give, and it certainly was a great opportunity to give, in this case to help celebrate the centennial this year."

Evangelist Ellis La Ravia, a vice president of the foundation, said: "College and foundation people worked on the centennial presentation over several months. The centennial officials first approached us to help about a year ago."

"Kevin Gardner [stage manager at Ambassador Auditorium] personally supervised much of the pre- (See MAYOR, page 4)

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Europe moves in three political directions

PASADENA — The nations of Western Europe are moving in three political directions, all at the same time: away from the United States; toward a closer relationship with the Soviet Union; and, all the while, coalescing into an ever-tighter union among themselves.

All three thrusts are closely inter-related. Let's look at each one, beginning with the ever-widening rift between the United States and its West European allies.

"When the Americans closed ranks around President [Ronald] Reagan after the US bombing of Libya," observed West German journalist Hans Wilhelm Vahlefeld, "anti-American protest marches were all they saw of Britain, Germany and Italy on their TV screens ... Slowly but surely Americans in all camps — politicians and intellectuals, the elite and the nameless — are losing patience. Western Europe is well on its way to becoming a millstone round America's neck."

As reported several times in this column in the past year or so, the idea continues to grow in influential circles in the United States that America must scale back — especially now in a time of sharp budget reductions — its on-site military commitment to Europe. At the same time, Europe is being urged to do more to develop its own military, including nuclear, capacity.

An editorial in the June 30 U.S. *News & World Report*, for example, reflects the accelerating U.S. mood. "The U.S. is assuming too

much of the military and financial burden for NATO," wrote editor Mortimer B. Zuckerman. "Some \$140 billion, or about half our military budget, goes to Europe, where we have our largest overseas conventional forces committed — 340,000 troops out of a total of 540,000 overseas ..."

"Europeans ... [meanwhile] seek to veto the use of U.S. forces based in Europe for actions outside the NATO-treaty area — witness the European opposition to American retaliation against Libya. Europeans must do more to maximize their capabilities to defend their own territory ..."

"Some 150,000 troops should be phased out of Europe over a five-to-10-year period and redeployed as an additional strategic reserve in the United States," concluded Mr. Zuckerman. "It is time for the U.S. to bite the European bullet."

What particularly incenses Americans, even some knowledgeable Europeans admit, is the growing tendency in Europe to equate U.S. foreign policy with Soviet actions. One example is to treat on the same basis the U.S. military operation in Grenada, which put a halt to a Marxist drive in the eastern Caribbean, with Soviet policy in Afghanistan, where a full-blown drive is under way to stamp out not only Afghan resistance but Afghan cultural heritage.

This belief in the so-called "moral equivalence" between the two superpowers "makes Ameri-

cans hopping mad," admits journalist Vahlefeld.

But according to Paul Belien, who works on the foreign desk of the *Gazet Van Antwerpen* (Antwerp, Belgium), European differences with the United States lie deeper than the moral-equivalence concept.

Americans and most Western

Europeans already have towards its Atlantic partner ... Many West Europeans share anti-capitalist feelings with the Soviets."

Soviets woo Europe

Mikhail Gorbachev, the astute Soviet leader, senses this growing philosophical and military estrangement between the United States

WORLDWATCH

By Gene H. Hogberg



Europeans today embrace common political ideals. But democracy and pluralism, Mr. Belien wrote, "represent only systems of the political and moral-cultural fields of life. There is a third important field of social life, economics ... Ordinary Americans have always felt economic liberty an indispensable guarantee of their democracy and pluralism ... [But] in 'welfare state' Europe, capitalism is a dirty word, as despicable as communism ..."

"Economic freedom in Western Europe is severely restricted by a multitude of regulations and laws ... So Western Europe's economy stagnates while America's keeps growing. This causes jealousy, which reinforces the political frus-

and its European allies and is doing his best to capitalize on it and tug Western Europe closer to the Soviet orbit.

The Kremlin has taken the initiative in proposing bold and deep reductions in the number of

European Diary

By John Ross Schroeder



New EEC treaty leaves Parliament weakened

BOREHAMWOOD, England — British author and journalist Paul Johnson has joined Peregrine Worsthorne at the apex of British news reportage.

His insight increases as the years pass by. Almost no other English reporter seems to grasp the behind-the-scenes happenings in Europe — and what they portend for Britain.

In an article published in *The Times* June 23, Mr. Johnson tried hard to shake Britons out of their lethargic view of the European Economic Community (EEC). A fundamental alteration in Britain's relationship to the Common Market is about to happen. Yet as he observed, "It has aroused no passion in the Cabinet, in the Commons or the media."

What Mr. Johnson termed "The Single European Act" is close to becoming British law. He wrote in *The Times*: "It is, in effect [an endorsement of] a completely new treaty, which ought properly to have been placed on a level of significance equivalent to that of the original treaty of Rome."

This is no small matter that the British public has chosen to ignore. Said Mr. Johnson of the newly amended treaty, "It will transform relations among the EEC states into a European union and it will invest the union with the necessary means of action."

The British Parliament is going to be weakened. Already European institutions are infringing on English sovereignty concerning a whole range of subjects from spanking children to women's retirement age. British law is in retreat. Pending Parliament legislation will intensify and enhance this process.

The House of Commons labeled the legislation "The European Communities (Amendment) Bill." Mr. Johnson would have quite a different title — "The European Political Union Treaty." He asked why the proposed legislation was not presented to Parliament as "an act to create a European superstate."

The answer he proffers devastates: "To do so would have been to

Warsaw Pact and NATO forces facing each other. On a visit to East Germany earlier this year, Mr. Gorbachev said that the proposed cuts in conventional armaments should cover a territory "stretching from the Atlantic to the Urals." The Soviet leader was appealing to a sense of continental solidarity, employing a theme raised by the late Gen. Charles de Gaulle of France.

Speaking later in East Berlin, Mr. Gorbachev delivered a message directed primarily at West Germany: "We are coming to you not with clenched fists, but outstretched hands."

In Warsaw, Poland, in late June Mr. Gorbachev went so far as to imply that Europe had been politically kidnapped by the United States.

"In Greek mythology, there is the legend about the abduction of the goddess Europa," the Soviet leader said. "Now as a geographical concept, Europe remains in place, but the impression is created that the independent policy of some Western European countries has been abducted and taken across the (See DIRECTIONS, page 11)



Just one more thing

By Dexter H. Faulkner

Parents: do you listen?

Have any of you ever watched the Bill Cosby television show? I watch it when my schedule permits, because its theme deals with the family and family problems.

From what I've read, Mr. Cosby's TV family parallels somewhat his real family, and I'm sure some of the situations portrayed so humorously are inspired by his own family circumstances.

For those of you who have not seen it, in the show Mr. Cosby is an obstetrician and his wife is a lawyer (a very modern family). They have a son and four daughters. The son and three of the daughters are teenagers or close to it; the youngest in the family is a cute little girl, about 6.

Of course, I don't always agree with how the problems are eventually worked out, but at least they address their problems and work them out together. If you watch it with your family, it's a good way to get a discussion going on the right way to solve a family problem.

For example, on a show a few months ago, one of their teenage daughters asked her father if one of her friends could come to him for an examination. She explained that her friend felt she may have a health problem.

When her father asked if the friend's parents knew of their daughter's problem, his daughter said no, her friend did not want them to know.

Well, of course, Bill Cosby, or Dr. Huxtable on the show, thought at first it was his own daughter that needed help. She assured him, however, that it was a friend at school.

Dr. Huxtable examined the girl and told her she had an infection of the bladder and asked how long had she been experiencing pain. She said about a month. He asked her if

her parents knew. She said no.

The girl did not want her parents to know she was sexually active and was afraid her illness might betray the fact.

At home that evening, Dr. Huxtable told his wife about the incident. He was horrified that this teenage girl would wait as long as she did before finding out what was wrong with her. He asked his wife if she thought their children would come to them when they had a problem.

He decided the best way to find out was to ask them. So he called the family together for a meeting. The children, of course, are wondering who did what and at first are somewhat relieved to find out what Dad wants to know.

Sure, they say, as they all jump up to leave the room. They would come to their parents with their problems.

He makes them all sit back down and begins to give specific examples. What if one of them was pregnant? What if they had an accident with the car? What if? Who would be the first one they would go to with their problem. His wife tells her father he would go to his best friend, because he knows his father would get mad at him.

Dr. Huxtable assures his family he would not get mad at them if they brought their problems to him. One of the daughters, by now getting into the spirit of the thing, says OK, she would like to tell her parents about something that has been worrying her.

She tells them that instead of staying all night with a girlfriend, that she went to a boyfriend's house and that his parents were away at the time.

Her parents are shocked and began to question her angrily. She

quickly tells them that actually she did spend the night with her girlfriend, but her point is made. She told her parents about a problem and her parents got mad at her.

Yes, parents do sometimes get upset when their children come with problems, but parents want their children to come to them anyway. And young people should go to their parents first with their problems.

Some of our young people go to their parents I'm sure. But there are many others who do not. We receive hundreds of letters to *Youth 86* from young people who have problems they are not going to their parents with.

When we answer these letters we encourage the teens to go to their parents when they are in trouble. We tell them that their parents care about what happens to them more than anyone else on this earth. Unhappily, sometimes parents don't come through for us.

Fathers — and mothers — let's test ourselves on how we are doing in this area.

• Around your house, is praise of each other's accomplishments heard more than criticism?

• Like the television ad, when someone in your family talks, do people listen?

• In your family, do you look for the good instead of the bad and express appreciation to each other for that good each day?

• Along that same line, when family members accomplish something, are recognized for some success at school or on their job, are they complimented or is what they have done played down or ridiculed?

• Is each family member treated with the respect you would treat a friend outside your family?

Some of you wonder how you can have a more direct part in fulfilling God's commission to His Church, well, here's how. Communicate with your children.

Build a long-lasting relationship with them that will continue throughout eternity. This is an integral part of that commission that you can, that you must, fulfill in your own household. You are the only one who can do it.

(To be continued)

Teens submit 325 photographs for YOU National Photo Contest

PASADENA — Church youths submitted 325 photographs for the 1986 Youth Opportunities United (YOU) National Photo Contest.

In the senior division Betty Dolph, 18, of Walkerton, Ind., took the best overall black and white photograph, and Kevin Tessier, 16, of Exeter, R.I., and Brian Campau, 18, of Zeeland, Mich., tied for the best overall color photograph.

Tim Bennett, 14, of Fort Collins, Colo., took the best overall black and white photograph, and Debbie Dunlap, 16, of Pasadena took the best overall color photograph in the junior division.

The YOU office in Church Administration asked Editorial Services to judge the annual contest.

"We were happy to see many more entries sent in this year than last. The quality of many of the photographs was better as well," said Dexter Faulkner, editor of the Church's publications.

Sheila Graham, *Worldwide News* senior editor and one of judges, said, "Although most entrants were careful to follow the rules, some were disqualified because they did not place their photographs in any particular category."

Mrs. Graham said photos should be at least 5 by 7 inches, and ages of entrants should be listed. "So many of the photos were smaller than the required size that we were afraid some of the young people were not aware of the size rule, so after checking with the YOU office, no one was disqualified for size this year," she said.

Other judges were Greg S. Smith, manager of Photo Services; Monte Wolverton, Editorial Services art director; Michael Hale, *Youth 86* graphics editor; Ronald

Grove, *Worldwide News* layout editor; Michael Bennett, *Youth 86* managing editor; and Randall Cole, *Plain Truth* graphics editor.

Winners will receive notification from Church Administration.

First, second and third places in each category are as follows.

Senior division

Overall (black and white): Betty Dolph; Betty Dolph; Rhonda Mullins, 18, Southfield, Mich. Human interest (black and white): Wendy Hoffman, 17, Western Springs, Ill.; Wendy Hoffman; and Melissa Seachord, 17, Mesquite, Tex.

General subject (black and white): Rhonda Mullins, Betty Dolph, Melissa Seachord.

Unusual (black and white): Rhonda Mullins; Wendy Hoffman; Erik Johnson, 17, Valdosta, Ga.

Nature (black and white): Rhonda Mullins, Betty Dolph, Rhonda Mullins.

Portrait (black and white): Betty Dolph, Rhonda Mullins, Betty Dolph.

Action (black and white): Betty Dolph.

Overall (color): Kevin Tessier and Brian Campau (tie); Eric Frantz, 18, Seymour, Mo.

Human interest (color): Cheryl Debelak, 18, Milwaukee, Wis.; Brian Campau; Paul Carter, 19, Granby, Mo.

General subject (color): Alan Cottrill, 17, Jacksonville, Fla.; Brian Starr, 17, Cape Girardeau, Mo.; Brian Campau.

Unusual (color): Paul Pieper, 18, San Antonio, Tex.; Barbie Antonacci, 17, San Antonio, Tex.; Brian Campau.

Nature (color): Joanna Barr, 16,

Hialeah, Fla., and Bill Hier, 17, Holland, Pa. (tie); Bryan Starr; Kevin Tessier.

Portrait (color): Kevin Tessier, Paul Pieper, Barbie Antonacci.

Humorous (color): Kevin Tessier; Bryan Starr; Tad Lamb Jr., 19, Columbus, Ohio.

Action (color): Bill Hier, Alan Cottrill, Eric Frantz.

Junior division

Overall (black and white): Tim Bennett; Tim Bennett; John Upde-

graft, 13, Costa Mesa, Calif.

Unusual (black and white): Debbie Dunlap.

Human interest (black and white): Shawn Cortelyou, 14, La Harpe, Ill.

General subject (black and white): Shawn Cortelyou.

Humorous (black and white): John Updegraff, Shawn Cortelyou.

Portrait (black and white): Shawn Cortelyou.

Nature (black and white): Tim Bennett, Tim Bennett.

Best overall (color): Debbie Dunlap; Colleen Coffman, 15, Umatilla, Fla.; Wendy Pieper, 16, San Antonio, Tex.

Portrait (color): Debbie Dunlap; Wendy Pieper; Adam Moya, 15, Rio Rancho, N.M.

Action (color): Samuel Shore,

15, Arlington, Tenn.; Jeanine Riggs, 15, Waco, Tex.; Craig Hoyer, 14, Olympia, Wash.

Nature (color): Nat Seltzer, 15, Richfield, Minn.; Daryl Braun, 14, Cudahy, Wis.; Renee Updegraff, 15, Costa Mesa, Calif.

Unusual (color): Nat Seltzer; David Smith, 13, Tyler, Tex.; Adam Moya.

Human interest (color): Jenny Fenton, 14, Sperryville, Va.; Bob Gurinowitsch, 15, Monaca, Pa.; Sarah Druen, 13, Macomb, Ill.

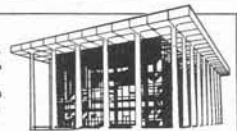
General subject (color): Colleen Coffman; Craig Hoyer; Mark Scheuermann, 15, Liberty, Ill.

Humorous (color): Wendy Pieper; Wendy Pieper; Lara Wroblewski, 15, Macomb, Ill.

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Onstage at Ambassador

Ambassador International Cultural Foundation



'America's best' returns to Southern California

By Michael A. Snyder and Michael Hale

PASADENA — Concert patrons were ushered to their seats in the Ambassador Auditorium June 1 to 3 for a much-anticipated musical event. Riccardo Muti and the Philadelphia Orchestra — termed "the country's premier orchestra" by one critic — had returned!

Just one year ago the ensemble thrilled sellout crowds in the Auditorium while being videotaped for a public television performance. This year's three-concert appearance

was part of a monthlong tour of 16 cities in the United States and Canada that marked the 50th anniversary of the orchestra's first transcontinental tour. Their return to the Auditorium capped the Ambassador Foundation's 1985-86 concert season.

The impact of bringing what is considered America's finest orchestra was not lost on the community. While walking toward the Auditorium, both authors of this article overheard enthusiastic concertgoers explaining to friends that the late Herbert W. Armstrong founded an organization that somehow always brings world-class orchestras and soloists to perform in Pasadena.

With conductor Muti and the Philadelphians, the audience en-

joyed a double treat. Besides the pleasure of listening to the orchestra's famed shimmering strings, there was the added thrill of watching one of the world's most animated conductors. The 45-year-old conductor was described by one music critic as conducting with "blazing intensity." Another added, "The orchestra crackled under Muti's athletic conducting."

Under conductor Muti, the Philadelphia Orchestra spans the length of the orchestral acoustic spectrum. When Ludwig van Beethoven finished his *Symphony No. 5 in C Minor* in 1807, he penned the words *allegro con brio* ("lively and quick with force") under the four introductory chords as a comment on how they ought to be performed.

Today, conductors commanding large orchestras with 100-plus musicians tend to soften Beethoven's original notation, perhaps wary of sonically overpowering their audiences.

But Riccardo Muti and the Philadelphia Orchestra displayed no such timidity. Pleasantly startling some Auditorium patrons by choosing the thunderous opening, Mr. Muti energetically propelled the Philadelphia ensemble through the ponderous bombast of the first movement. Repeatedly stabbing the air with his baton, conductor Muti vigorously and relentlessly kept up the pace



RICCARDO MUTI

The Philadelphia Orchestra is renowned for its lush, rich sound developed during 44 years under the late Eugene Ormandy. This sound was evident in this dramatic tonal visualization. (Mr. Muti first led the orchestra in 1972 and became its music director in 1980.)

Interviewed at the Expo 86 world's fair in Vancouver, B.C., before coming to Pasadena, conductor Muti praised the acoustics of the Ambassador Auditorium.

"We are very critical about concert halls," the conductor explained. "So when they [the orchestra] feel that the hall gives off the richness that our instruments have — when a Stradivari [violin] sounds like a Stradivari... naturally they want to play better."

Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach, who attended some of the performances and met the music director, said he was impressed with the dedication and commitment to quality of conductor Muti. Noting that he appreciated the conductor's intensity while performing, Mr. Tkach said that Mr. Muti's passion for excellence exemplified the goals of the Ambassador Foundation.

Though the orchestra has recorded critically acclaimed albums under conductor Muti, he still loves taking the music directly to the people. "Even the most beautiful records, sonically speaking, cannot reproduce the real sound of an orchestra in a concert hall," Mr. Muti said.

"Maestro Muti's commitment to quality and excellence is something we can all emulate," Mr. Tkach said.

Letters TO THE EDITOR

Letters to Mr. Tkach

Our enthusiastic thanks to you and your entire crew for the Oklahoma City [Okla.] visit. Thanks for a most inspiring sermon.

The elders meeting at 4 was likewise helpful. The explanation of the urgency of the harvest shows God is moving rapidly and expects us to do the same.

Then to cap it off, you made it possible for the pastors and elders to gather at your suite for an enjoyable evening of fellowship in a family atmosphere. I never had any brothers or sisters as a youth, but now I have all kinds of brothers and sisters.

Lawton, Okla.

You came, you saw, you conquered — in Oklahoma City yesterday. Never heard a discouraging word all day.

We were all overwhelmed that you wanted to come and visit us. As I was saying to Mrs. Charles Holladay, Oklahoma is considered the least and last of the states — it seems to me. So we all felt very honored to have you come here, that we might see, hear and meet you.

Since I learned your wife is unable to travel with you and has a disability, I've been praying for her healing.

I pray every day that God will bless and lead you to know and do his will. Oklahoma City, Okla.

I have been praying for you in your solemn responsibility... but something seemed to be missing. I couldn't put my finger on it until I read your personal in the May 19th *Worldwide News* that I received yesterday.

You spoke of Mrs. Tkach. I remembered you as a team with her even all these years since you left Chicago.

I sat and cried as I read your "Personal" remembering what a handsome couple you were sitting together at Passover in the early '60s. Remember-

ing how she came and stood with me in the back of the hall at Sabbath services when I had to take my baby son out so as not to disturb services... She made an impact on me — she touched me — that was what was missing. Lynchburg, Va.

My wife and I have been enjoying our honeymoon to the fullest here in Thailand. We want to thank you for allowing us the opportunity to serve the Work in the Asian areas...

Currently, we are in Chiang Mai on our way back to Chiang Khong — where the Thai projects first began...

There are several people who hold Ambassador College in high esteem. We have been taken in by several elderly ladies who call us their American grandchildren! These ladies are Thai and come from very good families. They appreciate the time we spend with them.

Just last week, Nina and I went to bring flowers to a woman I had known at an old-age home. The woman in question had died just four months ago — alone.

Nina and I spent the afternoon making friends with some elderly widows who had been cast off by their families. We realized then how much Western thought is influencing this Asian country (just twenty years ago such dishonour was not tolerated). We are learning a lot and thank you. Thailand

Thank you very much for the opportunity to see and hear Mrs. Reagan at the World Affairs Council luncheon on Tuesday.

I feel she is an inspiration to all women in the way she conducts herself. I'm sure all the ladies who attended in our group gained an insight in how a President's wife can be both feminine and influential at the same time. Pasadena

I want to express my deep apprecia-

tion for your thoughtfulness in giving recognition to all of us who are longtime employees. I will certainly treasure the watch as well as the beautiful plaque. My only regret is that my wife was not there at the dinner to be honored with me. She is sorely missed. Pasadena

This is just a little thank you for allowing us the afternoon of Friday, June 13, off. I have never felt so ready for a Sabbath. One thing I was able to do was to drink in of the quiet AC campus. I talked with some people without any preoccupation with time. Most importantly I was able to prepare for the Sabbath. Being single, an afternoon like that can work wonders.

Thank you for your consideration and love as the Church moves forward.

Thanks also for allowing me the opportunity to walk with you some time back. You really set a fast pace. There was no time for shuffling feet. I guess if we keep the pace you have established for the Church, we won't get caught in the shuffle of this world. Pasadena

Judy and I want to express our thanks to you for the last refreshing program. It truly was the best we've been to and showed the unity and oneness we saw and experienced many years ago.

We are thrilled to see the growth of the television programs and the many prospective members that are coming along as a result and know that God truly is working with you. Montvale, N.J.

Thanks so much for the best refreshing program yet! It was like attending two weeks at the Feast with sermons in the mornings and afternoons — we received a lot of spiritual meat.

We were impressed with the unity at Headquarters and with the heavy work load everyone seems to be carrying. Also evident was the spirit of oneness among those attending. Thanks for all the considerate examples of giving, such as the anniversary cake at the farewell dinner.

We gave the brethren an overview of the material on Pentecost. They are (See LETTERS, page 11)

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sensation and performances," the evangelist said. "John Prohs [director of Technical Engineering and Operations] worked on the extensive audio setups, and Ross Jutsum [director of Music Services] helped arrange the music and conduct the 800-voice choir that performed." (See "Foundation Helps Pasadena Commemorate City's Centennial," *W/N*, June 30.)

"Two weeks prior to June 19, virtually the entire technical and house staffs from the Auditorium and selected personnel from other departments worked many long, hard hours on preparations," Mr. La Ravia said.

Wayne Shilkret, director of performing arts for the foundation, was program committee chairman. Cindy Paxton, Mr. Shilkret's assistant, was instrumental in centennial preparations.

"The whole effort really demonstrated our commitment to the give way of life and was an outstanding example to the community," the evangelist said.

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Nancy Reagan, wife of President Ronald Reagan, Mr. Tkach said that America is facing an epidemic of alcohol and drug abuse. He reminded the campers of the tragic drug-related death of Len Bias, Mr. Bias, 22, had signed a multimillion dollar contract to play basketball for the Boston (Mass.) Celtics when he died from an overdose of cocaine.

Encouraging the campers to be strong, Mr. Tkach said, "You might be the one that is instrumental in helping to turn some young person's life around."

After his address the pastor general and his party left for the Orr airport with Dr. Nelson for the flight to the SEP at Big Sandy Ambassador College.

"The campers hardly let him go," Dr. Nelson said. "He conveyed a lot of warmth and it seems the campers wanted endless photographs of him — there were flashbulbs popping all over."

"It was a pretty tight schedule," said Mr. Fezell. "We really didn't have much time to spare."

Big Sandy visit

The G-II touched down on the Texas campus airstrip at 7 p.m., CDT. Mr. Tkach was again met by campers and cyclists from the SEP cycling program in Big Sandy.

"It was very encouraging to see the harmony and unity at both camps," Mr. Tkach told *The Worldwide News*. "I certainly appreciate the extensive and positive



CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION — An 800-voice choir, led by Ross Jutsum, director of Music Services, performs during Pasadena's centennial celebration June 19, above. Personnel from Ambassador College and the Ambassador Foundation designed the stands, set up and operated the lighting and audio systems and provided ushers. Below, Pasadena Mayor John C. Crowley (left) presents a plaque to Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach July 7 for "outstanding contributions" made by the college and foundation to the centennial celebration. Inset: the plaque that was given to Mr. Tkach. [Photos by Warren Watson]

program that Dr. Nelson and his staff have put together."

The next morning, June 27, Mr. Tkach, Dr. Nelson and Larry Haworth, Big Sandy camp director, and others began touring the camp activities.

"The activities at Big Sandy are different from what's offered at Orr," explained Mr. Fezell. "Although they are offered in the same professional and competent manner at both camps, the activities at Big Sandy are geared more for the East Texas area and the Big Sandy campus."

"Mr. Tkach later commented that he was particularly impressed with the defensive driving course taught by Lee Stolley," Mr. Fezell continued. "The course not only teaches campers how to drive, but it also makes them aware of the responsibility they have as drivers." Mr. Stolley is director of the Ambassador College Security Department in Big Sandy.

Mr. Fezell also commented that the spaciousness of the Big Sandy campus makes possible different activities from the Orr facility. "For example, the cycling program is a unique part of the Big Sandy program."

After touring most of the activities, Mr. Tkach was host for a luncheon with SEP faculty, ministers and staff.

After lunch Mr. Tkach went to the campus field house where he addressed more than 400 campers, ministers, faculty and staff.

Emphasizing that God is personally concerned about young people in the Church, Mr. Tkach related several stories about his youth, again urging the campers to resist wrong peer pressure. "Believe me, I know what peer pressure is," he said.

As he did in Orr, the pastor general explained what their role in the world tomorrow will be and how SEP helps train them to be leaders.

"It was great to have him here," said Dr. Nelson in a telephone interview with *The Worldwide News*. "He left the campers at both SEPs excited and enthusiastic."

"The staffs at both camps appreciated his involvement and his interest in the program. It was a great shot in the arm."

Asked what Mr. Tkach enjoyed most about the trip, Mr. Fezell answered: "He commented both during his address and later that SEP's major purpose is to teach God's way of life — how to put God's law in action."

"I think what he enjoyed most was seeing the happiness and joy in the campers that can only be the fruit of living that law and that way of life."



ORR NEWSCAST — Campers Valerie Weidman (left) and Roxanne Cafourek interview Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach June 26 for a Summer Educational Program (SEP) newscast in Orr, Minn. [Photo by Steven McAfee]

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patient and diligent effort required to teach right habits and traits of good character.

The message of Ephesians 6:4 is one of balance — a message that reflects God's love and patience. "And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord."

Here, God tells parents (not just fathers) both what *not* to do, and what *should* be done. Parents should strive not to be harsh, stubborn or unreasonable. They should work on not losing their temper, or blowing up for selfish, childish or thoughtless reasons. They should not emotionally browbeat, crush, put down, ridicule or discourage their children.

On the other hand, parents are instructed here to use *godly* discipline of two kinds. *Nurture*,

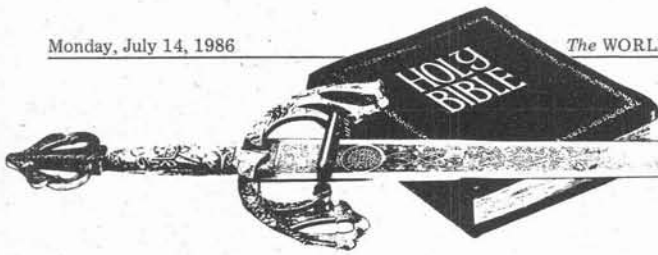
referring to discipline that requires action, and *admonition*, referring to correction through words (which includes encouragement and praise as well as rebuke).

And both these kinds of discipline are to be done in a manner that *God would approve*. That is, in love, mercy and patience, with consistency, for the purpose of teaching the positive benefits of God's way of life.

Take the challenge! You will need God's help. Ask Him for it.

Brethren, our children are a wonderful heritage we must not neglect. Take advantage of the principles from God's Word taught through His Church. Don't allow the deceptions of this world to get a toehold in your family!

Thank you for your prayers and the many letters and cards of encouragement and support. I pray for you daily.



IRON SHARPENS IRON

Weekly Sabbath: how to use it to revitalize, refresh, plan ahead

By Neville Fraser

How can we be happy and enjoy God's Sabbath when we have had an exhausting week and it looks like an equally exhausting week lies ahead?

There are many ways to look at the subject of keeping the Sabbath and making it a happier time. Not only is the Sabbath a chance to rest from the week just past, but an opportunity to prepare for the week ahead.

Neville Fraser will serve as the associate pastor of the Suva, Fiji, church.

A concept that may help us make it through each week and enjoy the Sabbath just a little better was reinforced by a news event. This concept should help every one of us have happier Sabbaths and realize we cannot do without this valuable time each week.

On top of the world

The news item concerned the death of Tenzing Norgay, the Nepalese Sherpa who accompanied New Zealander Edmund Hillary on the first ascent of Mt. Everest, May 29, 1953.

It was a time of great excitement and happiness. World attention focused on the two men for some time. After a great effort and overcoming many obstacles, they succeeded in standing where no man had stood before. Encouraged by this first success, more than 200 climbers, men and women, have since reached the summit of Everest.

The two men did not rest on their laurels. Edmund Hillary, knighted by Britain's Queen Elizabeth II, and Tenzing developed schools and hospitals in the region, helping to raise the living standards of the people. By organizing the support that came from their success, Sir Edmund and Tenzing gave the people some of the things they needed.

When asked how happy he was at reaching the top of Everest, Tenzing is reported to have said, "The happiness came after." Success on the mountain, overcoming all obstacles, made him happy, but using that success to serve his people and see the benefits gave him even greater happiness.

Our mountain

Each of us is climbing a mountain. It's much higher than Everest, and it takes longer to climb. The summit is the Kingdom of God.

We are climbing, just like Hillary and Tenzing, our eyes fixed on the goal.

When we are called out of this world, it's a bit like climbers who leave civilization and head for the mountains. Leaving the world and its problems, we head for the freshness of a different way of life and the challenge of the climb.

At baptism, the base camp is established from which we begin the climb, after first checking that all details are in order and that we understand what the objective is.

Just as Edmund Hillary was assisted in that climb by his Sherpa guide, Tenzing, who gave him wise counsel, so we are assisted by our guide. Psalm 146:5 tells us that if God is our guide, then we can be happy. God is always there at our

side to encourage us, or going ahead to cut the steps in the ice as we climb. As we struggle to overcome this world and the downward pull of human nature, we can look to God as our great help and trusted guide.

Proverbs 3:13 shows us that we can be happy: Contact with God, the source of all wisdom, assures us of success. Just as a climber learns the rules and techniques of climbing, so are we learning God's spiritual rules for success and applying the principles given us by our guide.

Like any mountaineer, we are not wrapped up in the world. We have left it behind. It is of no real interest. We are concentrating on the job at hand, getting rid of worldly attitudes because we know that our life depends on concentrating on the task at hand. We must abide by the rules of our climb, just as the mountaineer must.



Artwork by Monte Wolverton

Being locked into this way of life is like being roped together on a mountain. We are free to move, sometimes laterally so as to get a better hold, but always with an upward intention. If we slip, the line is there to save us, provided we are still attached.

A base camp

Every major mountain takes time to ascend. So, too, does our climb through this life. Mountaineers don't go straight up any mountain. They establish base camps along the way, to rest, gather strength and rethink the next stage of the climb.

We are no different. The weekly Sabbath is our base camp where we can rest and be refreshed, where we can look back on the past week's climb but look ahead, too.

God, like a top-rate guide, knows our limit (Psalm 103:14). He has given us regular rest camps to gather strength. He knows that the higher we climb, the tougher it gets.

Each Sabbath we can review the climb so far. Maybe we slipped a little during the week, lost our hold for a moment, and down we went. Our safety rope pulled us up, though, and we climbed back up to where we were. Realizing our mistake, we determined not to err again as we listened to our guide instructing us.

Deuteronomy 33:27 shows God as our guide, our refuge: "The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms." God is the one we should never turn away from. We should never think we can try it on our own, because when we slip there will be no one there to stop us falling to our death.

Just as the mountaineer concentrates on what he is doing every step of the way, so do we need to meditate on God's law and think about it daily, studying the path to take so

we don't go wrong. God is looking out for us all the time. He will help us overcome all difficulties. He points us to the summit, our goal, the Kingdom of God. We are special people chosen to climb that

By David F. Maas

When you strike a match, it burns brightly, furiously, hungrily — almost zealously — at first.

Then, gradually, as it loses its tiny tip of phosphorus, the match's flame dies down and begins to flicker, finally burning itself out when the match stick is consumed.

David F. Maas is an assistant professor at Pasadena Ambassador College.

Unfortunately, many Christians who formerly had a seemingly boundless supply of zeal and zeal for God's truth have begun to flicker. They lack the zeal and the love they once had.

Christians are called "the light of the world" (Matthew 5:14). But some of God's people, like the foolish virgins in Matthew 25, have allowed their spiritual lights to die down and burn out.

If our lamps are in danger of going out — if they are only smoldering and not blazing — where do we get a relight?

Shockingly, many Christians are dangerously close to spiritual burnout. Weary of well-doing, many no longer even smile, looking as though they were forced to eat sauerkraut on their oatmeal. They appear tired, faded and without joy.

Revelation describes a historical church era in which this characteristic predominated:

"Unto the angel of the church of Ephesus write . . . I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love. Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent" (Revelation 2:1, 4-5).

God thunders this same warning to those of us today who are approaching spiritual burnout — who are letting our zeal for God's work die!

Fleeting first love?

But how can a member who has been in God's Church 10, 20 or 30 years recapture his or her first flush of love for the truth? That's like asking an old married couple to recapture their early romance — a special time when sunsets, milk shakes with two straws, porch swings and moonlit nights all took on special significance. Some jaded couples say this time or feeling can never be brought back.

One couple I know have savored their honeymoon for several years. Once, as they were strolling down the sidewalk hand in hand, I asked them jokingly, "All right, you two

mountain now, paving the way for others to follow.

Being lights

Just as Hillary and Tenzing went on to help others, so, too, can we. There's a time coming when we will be on top of the world, literally. God has promised us that. We will rule over this earth, teaching God's perfect way to all humanity.

But for now, we can serve others by our example.

So the Sabbath is a special time to pause and reflect on the trials and

triumphs of the week. It is a time to discuss everything with our guide, especially the week ahead. It is a time to plan our next moves in this climb by talking to God and asking Him for assistance and help in where we should go and what we should do.

Always keeping the goal in sight, we can look forward to the Sabbath. It is not just a time to collapse in exhaustion but a time to be refreshed and strengthened for the week ahead. This approach will make our Sabbaths much happier.

You can reignite your first love

A surprising key stops burnout

— when is the honeymoon over?"

"Never!" came the quick, firm response. To this couple, romance, like teeth, was meant to last a lifetime.

First love, the kind the Ephesians lost, does not have to die. Even if it somehow begins to be quenched, it can be revived!

Toward a solution

The key to renewing zeal is fellowship with God's people, particularly meeting new people rather than sticking with the same old cronies and cliques week after week.

How wonderful it is to share the precious knowledge of God's truth with people who feel the same way you do — the members of God's Church!

Some people, of course, don't want to associate with anybody. The independent Bible scholar, armed with his concordance and Greek lexicon, feels quite self-sufficient. But God wants His people to fellowship with each other as well as with Him. Fellowshiping with God's people is equivalent to fellowshiping with God (1 John 4:21).

One who loves God the Father is obligated to love those begotten of Him, including the firstborn, Jesus Christ, and the brethren (1 John 5:1).



Artwork by Monte Wolverton

The way to stay close to God is to stay close to God's people. It's like the main current of a stream — the water stays fresh because it is continually circulating or mingling. When the stream is low, isolated pools form. Since the water in these pools is no longer circulating, algae, scum and debris collect in them.

Likewise, God's people will stagnate without the continuous circulation of fellowship.

People who are mature in God's truth can become rejuvenated and filled with new zeal and youth by involving themselves with people who have recently discovered God's truth. Newly converted people can learn balance, wisdom and spiritual maturity by associating with people mature in the faith. Old and young people (both physically and spiritually) are good for each other.

God's people need each other. Though modern Western society is largely destroying the family, God intended that we grow up in an extended family within His Church, having frequent contact with spiritual grandparents, parents, uncles, aunts, cousins, brothers and sisters.

Fellowshipping is the key to reigniting our flush of first love. God's people should actually be closer to each other than to their professional associates or even their own blood relatives. The more we associate with people of like minds, the more we learn how God is working in people's lives. It is inspiring and it also builds zeal.

True fellowship

Fellowship is showing empathy for other people's problems. Christians have the same kinds of problems that befall the rest of mankind (1 Corinthians 10:13). A widower has a tremendous opportunity to serve when he can help console a man who has just lost his wife. Parallel experiences can help bond people closer together.

A number of years ago, following an automobile accident, I spent nearly a year in a cast, using crutches and a cane. Now, more than a decade later, I still respond spontaneously to someone in a cast or on crutches. Likewise, people who have gone through illness, deaths of family members, divorce or financial reverses can share grief and comfort, bearing one another's burdens (Galatians 6:2).

Christians have similar temptations, doubts and fears. But all Christians have also had some success overcoming certain kinds of temptations and fears. People find it beneficial to share successes as well as sorrows.

We are admonished to share our shortcomings so we may pray for and encourage each other (James 5:16). Individuals who have been tempted in a certain area may be better equipped to understand what another person is going through, and can be instrumental in turning someone back from a wrong and dangerous course (James 5:20).

The Laodicean church (Revelation 3:14-17) lost its zeal in part because of its independent, "I have need of nothing" attitude.

A prominent educator once said, "No man is big enough to be independent." God's people need each other.

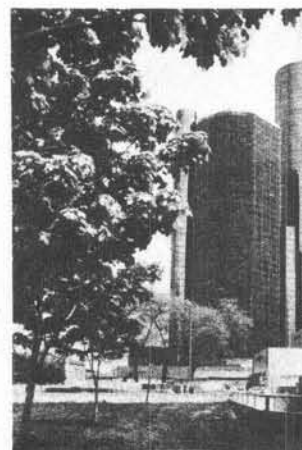
We all need to do ourselves a favor by reigniting our first love through fellowship — with familiar friends, with strangers, with older people, with younger people and, especially, through daily fellowship with the patriarch of our Family — God the Father.



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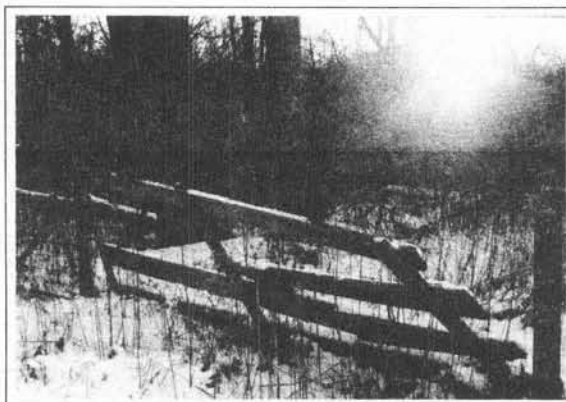


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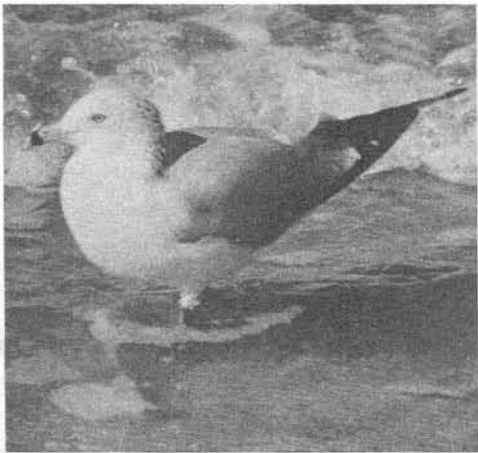
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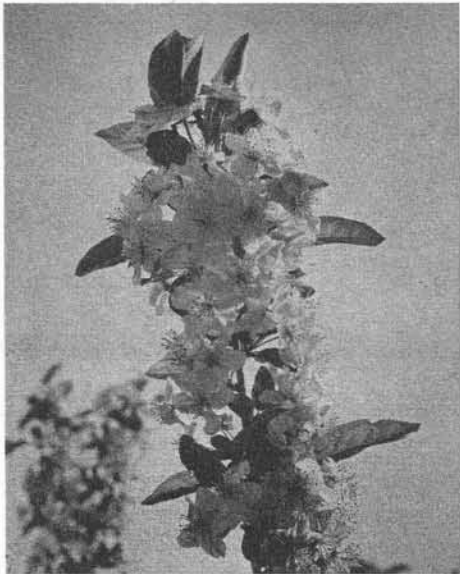
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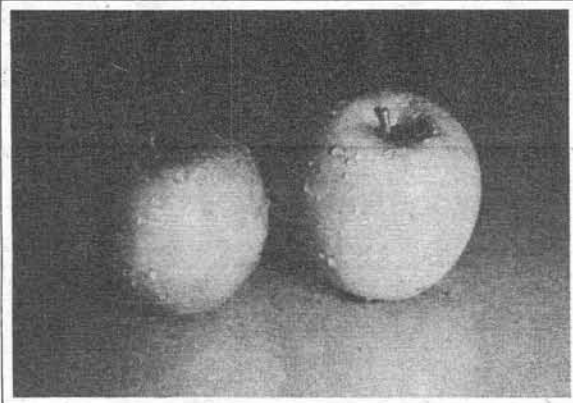


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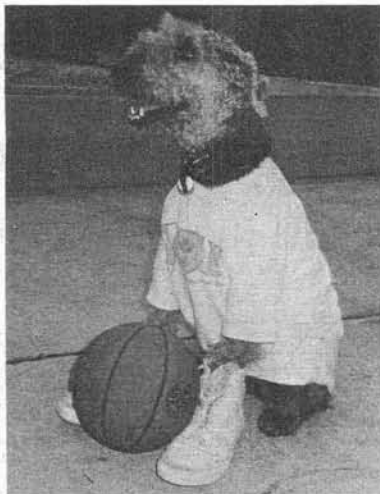
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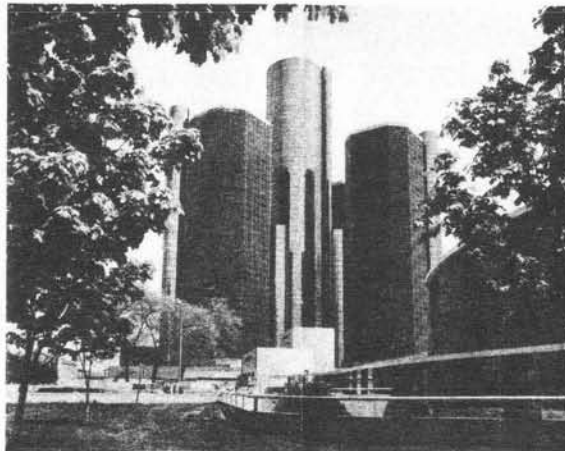
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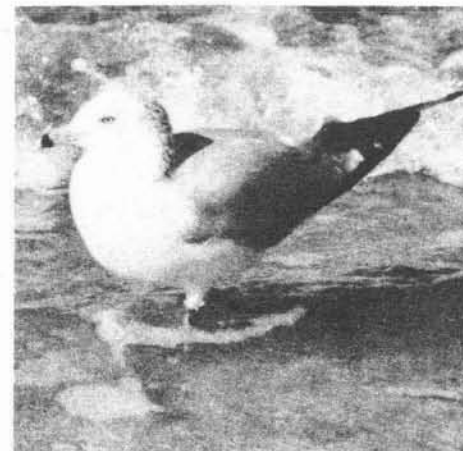
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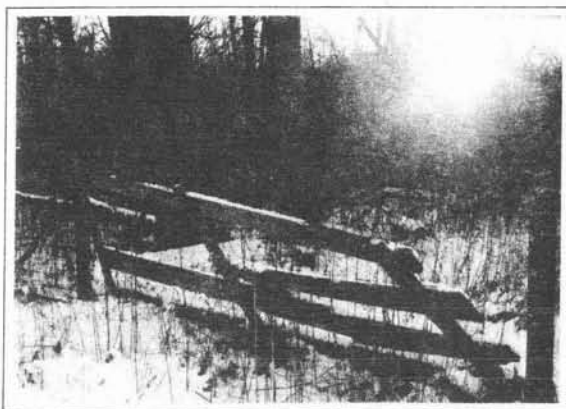


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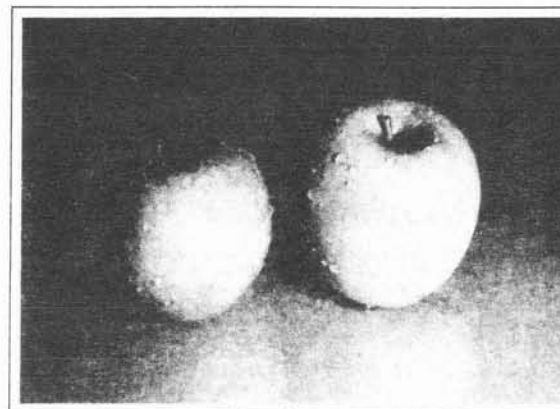


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ANNA BARR (TIE)

ACCENT ON THE LOCAL CHURCH

English youths visit bridge

Thirty-one Church youths and parents from the **BRADFORD, HULL** and **SHEFFIELD**, England, churches visited Humber Bridge, the world's longest single-span suspension bridge, June 1.

The bridge, which spans the Humber River, is 7,284 feet between anchorages on the north and south banks and 4,626 feet between its towers, which are 510 feet high.

The group, accompanied by Richard Whiting, a Sheffield local church elder, and his wife, Carol, gathered in the bridge control tower

for a demonstration of the electronic control console. Some teens were allowed to operate overhead speed-restriction signs and sectional lighting.

A staff of 70 is required to collect tolls and operate the 27,000-ton bridge with its 44,000 miles of supporting wire cable. About 12,000 vehicles cross the bridge daily.

Before touring the bridge, the group met at the Military Transport Museum in Beverley, England, where they viewed exhibits. *Stuart M. Powell.*

Brethren go on camp-outs

HOUSTON, Tex., WEST brethren attended their annual church camp-out June 5 to 8 at Stephen F. Austin State Park near Sealey, Tex.

Those who arrived on Thursday, June 5, set up the camp. Friday's activities included swimming, outdoor sports and preparation for the Sabbath.

Saturday morning, June 7, Kenneth Giese, pastor of the Houston West and Victoria, Tex., churches, gave a Bible study on course correction of children. In the afternoon he gave a sermonette showing three ways to spend more time with children. The sermon was a taped message by Victor Root, associate pastor of the Pasadena Auditorium A.M. church.

Saturday evening activities included table games and a sing-along. Rain canceled the outdoor activities planned for Sunday.

Church youths from the **BIRMINGHAM, BRISTOL, GLOUCESTER** and **LIVERPOOL**, England, churches attended a camp at Disserth, Wales, May 25 to 30.

The camp, near the River Ithon, is near Llandrindod Wells, Wales. Activities included cycling directed by Ray Bunting, hiking and orienteering directed by Colin Smith, swimming directed by Hane Steele and Andrea Simmons, and games directed by Basil Harris.

Wednesday, May 28, the group hiked to the sources of the Severn and Wye rivers.

ATHENS, Ga., Church youths attended a camp-out and hayride June 7 and 8 at the farm of Paul and Betty Hamilton. Fifty-two people attended.

Saturday evening while hot dogs were roasted over an open grill, Ronald Wallen, pastor of the Athens and Buford, Ga., churches, led a discussion about the meaning

and application of each of the Ten Commandments. After eating, the group went on a hayride and participated in a sing-along.

Sunday's activities included organized games and a rope swing over a river.

Church youths from the **SOUTHAMPTON, GODALMING** and **READING**, England, churches met for a weekend of camping and outdoor activities June 6 to 8 on the property of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Loxton in Hampshire, England.

The weekend featured games in the woods, sports, barbecues and an aerial rope slide.

Singles from the **CHICO, Calif.,** church sponsored a camp-out June 6 to 8 at Loafer Creek on Lake Oroville in the Sierra foothills for 55 singles from nine northern California churches.

Sabbath services June 7 took place in an outdoor amphitheater. Ray Lisman, pastor of the Chico and Eureka, Calif., churches, answered questions about prophecy, the Sabbath and marriage. In a Bible study discussion that evening, Mr. Lisman answered questions about dating.

The group participated in an outdoor dance and sang around a camp fire. Sunday the group swam in Lake Oroville and played volleyball.

The event was organized by Mike (See **CAMPING**, page 9)

Youths serve dinner in Australia

GOLD COAST, Australia, Church youths served dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Patey for members who attend the Gold Coast church May 18. Ken Howah and Rob Clancy played background music while the youths served the full-course meal.

Youths were responsible for parking cars, baby-sitting and a welcoming party, and they served as waitresses and wine waiters. *Nick Dunn.*

Churches sponsor Western, youth days

The **BAKERSFIELD, Calif.,** church sponsored a Western day June 8 at the Rio Rancho stable. Guests included brethren from the Fresno, Pasadena and Mojave, Calif., churches.

Performances were given by the folkloric dancers from the Pasadena Spanish church, an old-time fiddling group and the Crown City Cloggers from Pasadena. Other cloggers were Jodie and Jennifer Jones and Michael Sanders, Bakersfield Church youths.

Other activities included a horse-shoe tournament, a balloon relay

race and a shaving contest.

A lunch of barbecued beef, beans, salad, bread and watermelon was served. Church youths earned money by selling drinks and manning a dunk tank.

The **GRAND RAPIDS** and **MUSKEGON, Mich.,** churches sponsored a youth day on the Sabbath, May 24.

About 45 Church youths accompanied hymns, played special music, greeted members, took attendance, worked on security and set up displays.

Displays showed awards to



BRIDGE TOUR — Bradford, Hull and Sheffield, England, Church youths visit England's Humber Bridge, the world's longest single-span suspension bridge, June 1. Clockwise from upper left: David Howard adjusts a hard hat; Stan O'Pray, the bridge's operations inspector, shows youths an electronic console in the control tower; youths stand on the bridge; and youths cross the bridge, which 12,000 vehicles pass daily.

Club members, wives meet for graduation

The **IOWA CITY** and **WATERLOO, Iowa,** Spokesman Clubs and the **DAVENPORT, Iowa,** Graduate Club combined for a ladies night and graduation May 25 at the Sirlin 'N Brew restaurant in Marion, Iowa.

The evening began with wine and cheese tasting. After dinner Dave Holmes, president of the Davenport club, opened the meeting, and Rod Larson was toastmaster.

George Bushlack, president of the Iowa City club, presided over the second half of the meeting, and Leon Szabo was toastmaster. Bob Wise, Bob Ranshaw, Leo Preston, Randy Mead and Bill Knickel gave speeches.

Local church elders Gene Zhorne and John Bailey evaluated the second half of the meeting. They were joined by Steve Nutzman, pastor of the three churches, for the presentation of graduation certificates to George Dean, Bjarne Roed, Roger Haan, Joe Gilchrist, Terry Marsh, Sean Ross, Mr. Preston, Mr. Mead, Don Schmidt, Mr. Ranshaw and Leo Hershberger. The youngest gradu-

ate was 26, and the oldest was 73.

The **EUGENE, Ore.,** Spokesman Clubs A and B combined June 1 for a ladies night and graduation meeting at the Valley River Inn.

Lewis Boring, president of club B, opened the meeting, and Bill Morton led table topics. Toastmaster Lyndon Hammer presented speakers Jeff Boehland, Bill Hastings, Dale Parks, Ron Sibley and Bob Harmon. Mr. Sibley is president of club A.

Evaluators were Lynn Thronson, Eugene Thompson, Tim Martens, Bill Glover and Rod Summey. Mr. Hastings was the Most Improved Speaker; Mr. Sibley gave the Most Effective Speech; and Mr. Glover gave the Most Helpful Evaluation.

Leonard Schreiber, club director and pastor of the Eugene, Bend, Coos Bay and Roseburg, Ore., churches, presented graduation certificates to Mr. Boring, Mr. Harmon and Cecil Hollands.

The **BECKLEY** and **SUMMERSVILLE, W.Va.,** Spokesman Club graduation took place June 1 at Blake's Holiday Inn

restaurant in Oak Hill, W.Va.

Guests for the evening included wives and dates of club members and widows from the two churches. Each woman received a corsage.

The evening began with cocktails and hors d'oeuvres. Dinner featured chicken parmesan, roast beef, a salad bar and desserts.

James Walrath was toastmaster. (See **GRADUATION**, page 9)

Canadians attend African night

One hundred five **QUEBEC CITY, Que.,** brethren attended a social with an African atmosphere May 25.

David Massangua, a Church member from Cameroon who is studying in Quebec City for a year, helped create an authentic African atmosphere. His wife, Vivian, prepared native dishes, including beans, rice and cooked bananas.

Alain Vezina organized the activity, and Donald Douglas was master of ceremonies. They combined educational video presentations and skits to interest adults and children.

In a question and answer session, Mr. Massangua explained African polygamy and problems Church members face in Cameroon.

Children and adults spoke phrases in Cameroon dialects and led the audience in singing songs in various languages.

Andre Jutras videotaped the social, and Mr. Massangua plans to show the videotape to members in Cameroon when he returns in September. *Robert Scott.*

Mothers, daughters share lunch

"Garden of Eden" was the theme of the **SEDRO-WOOLLEY, Wash.,** church's second annual mother and daughter luncheon June 8.

The theme was depicted by a miniature garden with a picket fence, fresh and artificial flowers, potted plants and artificial grass. Lunch included a variety of salads, fruit plates and punch.

Elaine Jamieson was master of ceremonies for the entertainment portion of the afternoon. Performers were daughters, mothers and grandmothers ranging in age from 4 to 78. Selections included a piano solo, vocal solos and duets, a trio dance routine, a poem, a flute and piano duet and a skit. *Tiny Reisdorff.*

Graduation

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and Albert Logar was toastmaster. Robert Blake, James Sandy, Hearldine Gunnoe, Gary Scarbrough and Danny Fitzwater gave speeches.

Mr. Blake, Mr. Gunnoe, Mr. Logar, Paul Neff, Mr. Sandy, Beauford Slaughter and Mr. Walrath received graduation certificates. Marc Masterson, pastor of the two churches, gave the overall evaluation.

Unity was the theme for the **APLETON and GREEN BAY, Wis.** Spokesman and Graduate clubs' ladies night and graduation June 1 at the downtown Green Bay Holiday Inn.

Dinner included baked chicken and filet mignon. Gary Ehman and Gerald Steenport, local church elders, each evaluated half of the meeting.

William Miller, overall director and pastor, concluded the event by stressing the importance of being yielded to God in order to allow character development.

One hundred seventy-five people attended the **INDIANAPOLIS and COLUMBUS, Ind.** Spokesman and Graduate clubs' combined ladies night and graduation June 1 at the Quality Inn motel. Special guests were Church widows, each of whom received a long-stem red rose.

After a buffet meal of Hawaiian chicken and rolled roast beef, Don Ninness led tabletopics. Peter Holmes, Don Atkinson, Dennis Sutherland and Steve Billings gave speeches.

After remarks by Frank McCrady Jr., pastor and director of the clubs, graduation certificates were awarded to Mr. Atkinson, Robert Bruce, Michael Flake, William Lakeburg, Patrick Nielander, Donald Swank, Ralph Zimmerman, Mr. Billings, Samuel Ferrand, Mr. Holmes, John Meltzer, Mr. Sutherland and Daniel Turner.

Club officers for next year are: Indianapolis Graduate Club — Tom Peine, president; Terry Balenger, secretary; and John Granberry, treasurer; Indianapolis Spokesman Club: Joe Atkinson, president; Tim Morgan, vice president; Brian Shoopman, secretary; Murray Durbin, treasurer; and James Agnew, sergeant at arms.

Officers for the combined Columbus Graduate and Spokesman clubs are: Doug Lovell, president; Dan Turner, vice president; Mr. Swank, secretary; Dave Pennington, treasurer; and Mr. Sutherland, sergeant at arms.

A graduation dinner meeting for the **SACRAMENTO, Calif.** Spokesman Club took place June 8 at the Sacramento Inn. Lawrence Neff, pastor of the Sacramento church, and Bob Stoddard, club president, welcomed club members, graduates, wives and guests.

After dinner and tabletopics by John Bourne, toastmaster Jim Wallace, club treasurer, presented speakers Rod Coons, Merrill Stevenson, Kern Dillard and Bob McElwee. Paul Wakely gave the Most Helpful Evaluation, and Mr. Coons received the Most Improved

Seniors sail through isle harbors

Fourteen **VICTORIA, B.C.**, senior citizens spent the morning of June 2 sailing on the *Queen of Mayne*.

They visited the harbors of North Pender, Salt Spring, Mayne and Saturna, four islands located in the Strait of Georgia. The morning ended with lunch at Chantecier restaurant in Victoria. Nancy Floyd.

Speaker and the Most Effective Speech trophies.

Mr. Neff gave an overall evaluation and presented graduation certificates to Orval D. Strong and Arthur Perugini.

The **CINCINNATI, Ohio, EAST** Spokesman and Graduate clubs combined for a graduation banquet June 1 on the Riverboat *Mark Twain*. Seventy-nine members, wives and guests attended.

The clubs met at 3 p.m. in Covington, Ky., for a riverboat cruise on the Ohio River. A buffet meal featuring boneless baked chicken was served.

Lou Welling, president of the Graduate Club, presided over the first half of the meeting. Art Coleman conducted tabletopics. The second half was led by Dale Lamb, Spokesman Club president. Toastmaster Bob Bollman introduced speeches by Mr. Welling, John Hoover, Roy Mack and Mr. Lamb. Each speaker spoke on what he would change if he were President of the United States.

Alvin Dennis, church pastor and overall club director, gave closing comments, and Dale Railston, a local church elder and Spokesman Club director, presented a graduation certificate to Mr. Lamb.

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. Spokesman Club members and guests attended a graduation meeting June 8 at the President's Club.

One hundred fifty people met at noon for a buffet luncheon at the club, which overlooks Tampa Bay.

Graduating club members were David Crump, Paul McGuire, Richard Makuhau, Richard Newman and Roscoe Chambers. Ronald Howe, church pastor, presented them with graduation certificates.

The **PITTSBURGH, Pa.** Spokesman and Graduate club year ended June 8 with a dinner meeting in the Kings Garden banquet room at the Pittsburgh Hilton.

David Urban, pastor of the Pittsburgh and Beaver Valley, Pa., churches, opened each half of the meeting. William Miller presented vocal exercises, topicmaster was Tom Bellotti and Chris Buylia was toastmaster.

Ronald Davis, William Mazzie, Gerald McFeely and Bob Neff gave speeches. Evaluators were Gary Kling, Michael Mayton, Victor Gurinwoitsch and Stephen Spishock.

Mr. Spishock gave the Most Helpful Evaluation, Mr. Mazzie was the Most Improved Speaker and Mr. Neff gave the Most Effective Speech. Tony Padden and Robert Smurphat received graduation certificates.

The **BETHLEHEM, Pa.** Spokesman and Graduate clubs combined for a candlelight dinner with their wives or guests at the Holiday Inn in Bethlehem June 2.

Three men gave humorous speeches using the guidelines for the Get the Facts, Attack and Crystal Clear speeches. Club members who

had perfect attendance, those who missed only one meeting and those who received awards most often during the year were acknowledged. Alexander Errington, Otto Hilgner and Bernie Hockenbury received graduation certificates.

Officers for the coming club year were announced. Graduate Club officers will be Clifford Redanz, president; Richard Ely, vice president; Jeremiah Burnhauser, secretary; John Cressman, treasurer; and Matthew Diehl, sergeant at arms. Spokesman Club officers will be Michael Slick, president; John Davis, vice president; Richard Hoot, secretary; Mark Garzillo, treasurer; and Curtis Womack, sergeant at arms.

Connie Zhorne and Melania Nutzman, Tim and Lin Rhay, G. Dale Bailes, Vernon Lemke, Tom Peine, Marian Hall, Alvin Dennis, Richard G. Newman, Joan Ball and Michael and Gretchen Slick.



GRADUATION NIGHT — John Kennedy, an assistant pastor of the Pasadena Auditorium P.M. church, awards a Spokesman Club Certificate of Merit to Karl Uhlig, an Auditorium P.M. member, at the church's graduation banquet June 22 in Arcadia, Calif. [Photo by Thomas C. Hanson]

Ministers receive send-offs, farewells

ANNISTON, Ala., brethren said farewell to Michael Hanisko, his wife, Zelda, and their family May 31. Mr. Hanisko pastored the Rome, Ga., and Anniston churches for 4½ years.

Mattie Watts baked a cake. The church presented the Hanisko family with an exercise machine.

The **JACKSONVILLE, Fla.** church presented farewell gifts to Allen Bullock, pastor of the Jacksonville, Gainesville and Ocala, Fla., churches for more than nine years, his wife, Doris, and their sons, Greg and Chad, after Sabbath services May 31.

The gifts included a pair of crystal candlesticks, a photo album of the congregation, a drawing of Mr. Bullock and associate pastor Stephen Brown, a golf bag and a golf umbrella.

Mr. Bullock will pastor the Dallas, Tex., East church.

PASADENA Imperial A.M. brethren attended a potluck June 7 to bid farewell to two local elders: Lloyd Garrett, who was transferred to the Queens and

Brooklyn, N.Y., South churches, and Willard High, who was transferred to Washington, D.C., and Front Royal, Va.

The meal began at 6 p.m., and at 7 p.m. Curtis May, associate pastor, commended the two men for their service in the congregation and presented gifts to Mr. Garrett, his wife, Melinda, Mr. High and his wife, Brenda. Selmer Hegvold, church pastor, gave each man and his wife a hug.

Mr. May said: "It is a tremendous loss to the Imperial congregation because they were such diligent workers. But we must be willing to

share our talents with other areas."

Brethren from the **CLEVELAND, Ohio, WEST** church attended a farewell potluck June 7 for pastor Tracey Rogers and his wife, Jean. Mr. Rogers was transferred to pastor the Chillicothe and Portsmouth, Ohio, churches.

Brethren gave the Rogerses several gifts, including a picture album of the families of the Cleveland West congregation. Guy Englehart now pastors the Cleveland East and West churches.

Betty Curren, Sharon Shiver, Kemmer Pfund and Renee Williams.

Clubs combine for meetings

The **KITCHENER, Ont.** Spokesman and Graduate clubs combined June 1 for the final meeting of the club year. Wives and guests attended the lunch meeting.

George deVlugt Jr. was topicmaster, and toastmaster was Chris Gosselin. The speaking por-

tion featured four Add Color speeches and one Inspire speech. Speakers were Louis deVlugt, Jack Planta, Michael MacIntosh, Geoff Shannon and John Leitch.

Mr. Shannon gave the Most Effective Speech; Mr. Leitch was the Most Improved Speaker; and Murray Spencer gave the Most Helpful Evaluation.

The **ASHEVILLE, N.C.** Spokesman Club was host June 1 for the second annual combined Spokesman Club meeting.

Ninety-three men from the Asheville, Boone, Lenoir and Marion, N.C., Greenville, S.C., Kingsport, Tenn., and Norton, Va., Spokesman Clubs attended the breakfast buffet meeting at the Grove Park Inn.

Two representatives from each club had assignments. The first half of the meeting was evaluated by Gerald Weston, pastor of the Asheville and Greenville churches, and the second half was evaluated by John Moskel, pastor of the Boone, Lenoir and Marion churches.

George Elkins, then pastor of the Kingsport and Norton churches, gave concluding comments. Mr. Elkins now pastors the Augusta, Ga., and Columbia, S.C., churches.

During the meeting the wives and dates of club members attended a champagne brunch featuring chicken crepes, egg and cheese casserole, tomato florentine, fruit medley, breads and desserts at the home of Lee Packer.

Flower arrangements, greenery, flowering plants and live piano music played by Susan Fiedler and Kathy Wright created atmosphere. Asheville Church youths served champagne and hot beverages.

Carol Weston coordinated the brunch, and women of the Asheville and Greenville congregations assisted in preparing and serving the meal.

John Leitch and Mark and Julian Williams.



THEY'RE OFF! — Junior division tracksters start the 200-meter race at a District 15 track meet in New Concord, Ohio, May 25. [Photo by Brock Bandy]

Areas sponsor track meets

More than 210 Church youths gathered in **SASKATOON, Sask.** June 7 and 8 for the annual Manitoba and Saskatchewan biregional track meet.

At Sabbath services June 7 Dennis Lawrence, pastor of the Dauphin, Man., and Yorkton, Sask., churches, gave the sermonette, and Douglas Johnson, pastor of the Regina, Sask., church, gave the sermon. After services brethren gathered at the Forestry Farm Park for a picnic.

The track meet began Sunday morning. Nine regional records were broken, and 125 youths qualified for personal improvement awards.

Eleven churches participated in the 1986 District 15 YOU track meet May 25 at the Muskingham College campus in **NEW CONCORD, Ohio.**

Reinhold Fuessel, District 15 YOU coordinator and pastor of the Wheeling, W.Va., and Cambridge, Ohio, churches, officiated.

Several records were broken, and 51 youths qualified to participate in the regional meet in Millersville, Pa., June 1. Youth Educational Services (YES)-age children were invited to participate in some field events.

Dennis Lawrence and Sandra Feiock.

Camping

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Kawasaki, Chico singles coordinator. He was assisted by Richard Teglovic, Eric Seabrook, Paul and Rick King and Rod Sedivy. Mr. Lisman, his wife, Kathy, and three other married couples were chaperons.

Thirty-five Church youths from the **MELBOURNE, Australia, NORTH and WEST** churches rode bicycles June 8 to a campsite 50 kilometers (about 31 miles) west of Melbourne.

At the campsite the youths met their parents. The group took a hike led by a park ranger and saw koalas, opossums and owls.

The group spent the night, and the next day the youths rode back to the starting point. Peter Mihalec organized the activity.

Ronald F. Davis, Roger B. Parker, Dale White, Peter Hovey, Dave Sawyer and Chris Crawford.

Letters TO THE EDITOR

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eagerly looking forward to being further instructed in God's way.

Hamilton, Ont.

Our thanks to all of you for making this Refresher IV a memorable experience. The overall theme seemed to be that of loving authority — how to have it and use it for the benefit of God's people in the service of God.

The fellowship was great — dinners were delectable.

You made us feel "special" and gave us the desire to give more to God's Work and His people.

Pasadena

On our departure back to South Africa, it is appropriate to reflect on MRP IV which we've been privileged to be a part of.

We thank God for His calling, that we've not only been selected to be a part of His Church, but also to the ministry of His Word.

We've been reminded of our God-given responsibilities in training our children, to preach the gospel and feed the flock.

Durban, South Africa

I want to thank you for the senior dinner you hosted in the lower gardens

this past May. As a senior who was honored to be present, I felt that it was the most tasteful and elegant dinner I have ever been to.

Since I work on the Auditorium house staff, I have had the opportunity of being present at many formal dinners for dignitaries, and the dinner you gave to us was far superior. Thank you so very much.

The opportunity to be a senior at Ambassador College and serve at the Auditorium has been a blessing I'll always remember. Thank you for supporting us.

Pasadena

Greetings from Bonn, West Germany! The German Language Summer Program has been the best ever. We want to thank you for helping make it all possible.

This has been a fantastic opportunity to learn about the German culture, language and brethren. We are enjoying the summer immensely! We hope all is going very well in Pasadena and wish you a good summer.

Bonn, West Germany

I just wanted to let you know how much I have come to admire you and your work, and how wise God is to have put you to head up this Work as its human head. We need a fighter!

Thank you also for the majestic, regal, unsurpassed — and any other adjectives I can think up! — formal Senior Dinner of a few months ago. You are so warm and friendly, as I mentioned to you after graduation on

Friday, May 23. This makes such a difference. It relaxes people, puts them at ease, and so on.

You are in our daily prayers. I personally would not relish the sizable job of Pastor General, with all its manifold responsibilities, but God chose the right man at the right time.

May you continue to prosper and be in good health. All our support is with you!

Pasadena

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How the ill serve God

I just had to take a moment to say thank you to all the people who work so hard to contribute the articles in this paper. The article in the May 5 issue "How the ill, Infirm Serve God" by K. Neil Earle was really very special.

We have probably in every congre-

gation those who suffer illness, disabilities and pain. Whether young or old they are an inspiration to all of us as they patiently await God's will. We have time every Sabbath and during the week to visit and talk with them. We can rejoice at seeing their faces light up so bright at the mention of God's Kingdom.

They help us to get a better insight. They do want it more than anything and being with them helps us all to feel that way too.

G. Kisilewicz
Kingston, Ont.

Your articles on illness by Mr. Earle, and faith by Mr. [Frederick] Kellers in the May 5 *Worldwide News* were so inspiring that I had to write to you. I've had a painful chronic disease for 11 years. Thankfully I can go to services most of the time. When I can't, it sure

makes me appreciate it when I can.

It would be easy to just give up and cop out, using my infirmity as an excuse. Instead, I fight against tiredness every day (pain and sleep don't mix — pain wins out) and when the going gets tough, I get going.

Yes it does take faith to take "no" for an answer. In other areas of my life the answer is "yes," and sometimes instantly.

Since my disease can't be seen and I can still function, people don't know it until I tell them. I am extremely careful who I tell and what I say as I don't want to take advantage of people. Those that I do tell are very caring and make my way much easier. These articles should help those who aren't sick in any way to better relate to those who are.

Name withheld

Obituaries

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and Gilbert Goethals, Little Rock and Searcy, Ark., associate pastor.

BELLE VERNON, Pa. — Victoria Senyari, 71, died June 9 after a long bout with cancer. She has been a Church member for 14 years.

Mrs. Senyari is survived by her son, Tom, a member who attends the Belle Vernon church.

Funeral services were conducted by

John Dobrich, pastor of the Belle Vernon and Washington, Pa., churches.

SYDNEY, Australia — Harry O. Smith, 77, died unexpectedly June 9. He



HARRY O. SMITH

has been a Church member for 23 years. Mr. Smith was an architect whose work included the Festival site at Blackheath, Australia. He is survived by his wife, Winnifred.

BOISE, Idaho — Uldine Thelander, 88, died May 29. She has been a Church member since 1966.

Mrs. Thelander, who was legally blind, was the first home teacher for the adult blind in Idaho. She traveled throughout the state for more than 20 years as an instructor for the Idaho Department of Public Assistance. In 1975 the National Federation of the Blind of Idaho appointed Mrs. Thelander president emerita for her lifetime.

Mrs. Thelander is survived by two sisters and a brother.

Funeral services were conducted June 2 by Lawson J. Tuck, pastor of the Baker and Ontario, Ore., and Boise churches.

HOT SPRINGS, N.C. — William "Bruce" Blackwell, 28, died at home May 30 after a long fight with cancer. He was baptized in June, 1982, with his wife, Jane, and attended the Asheville, N.C., church.

Mr. Blackwell is survived by his wife; one daughter, Johanna Leah; one son, Trevor Joseph; his mother; one brother; and four sisters.

Funeral services were conducted June 2 by Gerald Weston, pastor of the Greenville, S.C., and Asheville churches.

ROCHESTER, N.Y. — Joanina Vandewalle, 74, of Gaines, N.Y., died April 17 after an illness of several months.

Mrs. Vandewalle was born in West Virginia and baptized there in 1965. She attended services in Charleston, W. Va., Buffalo, N.Y., and Rochester.

Mrs. Vandewalle is survived by her husband, James; two sons, Melvin Ross of Newark, N.Y., and Al Ross of Baltimore, Md.; two daughters, Joani Strupczynski of Erie, Pa., and Julia Wemes of St. Petersburg, Fla.; four brothers, Henry, Stanley, Frank and Ziggy; three sisters, Emma Monagan, Bernice Boyke and Stella Chiki; eight grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted by Leslie Schmides, pastor of the Rochester and Syracuse, N.Y., churches.

Directions

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ocean... Under the pretext of defending security... the fate of the 600 million people on our continent... is being held for ransom."

Soviet efforts on the economic front are equally impressive. The Kremlin appears ready finally to normalize relations with the 12-member European Community, the world's largest trading bloc, comprising 320 million people. Until now, Moscow has refused to deal with the EC as a unit, only its individual member states. But the EC, which expanded in January to include Spain and Portugal, is simply too formidable a power for the Kremlin to ignore any longer.

In turn, the European Commission, heading the EC, has expressed interest in closer bilateral relations between it, the Soviet Union and the individual members of Comecon, the Eastern European equivalent of the EC. In fact, the commission has hammered out a trade proposal between the EC and Romania.

Unity drive continues

This brings us to the third of Europe's political directions.

Inch by inch (or centimeter by

centimeter as the case may be), the 12 nations of the European Community are being bound tighter and tighter together. An ever-increasing array of community legislation is remaking Europe into one social and economic unit.

Now the Eurocrats in Brussels, Belgium, are discussing passage of what is called "The Single European Act," legislation intended to transform, as its preamble says, the

Families assemble for activities

Sixty-three adults and children from the OLONGAPO and BALANGA, Philippines, churches attended a family outing June 1 at Grand Island, a resort developed by the U.S. Navy for service men at Subic Bay Naval Base.

After a 25-minute cruise from the mainland to the 91-acre island resort, activities included swimming, water polo, boat paddling, snorkeling and sight-seeing.

Manuel Blanca, a Church member employed on the island, took brethren in groups to tour the island. Crisostomo Mago, pastor of the two churches, organized the outing.

"Fruits of Our Labor" was the theme of the TAMPA, Fla., church's sixth annual family celebration and dance May 31 to honor graduating high school seniors.

The evening featured food, dancing and a slide presentation showing the accomplishments of the nine seniors. Each received a gift from the Tampa church.

TEMORA, Australia, brethren gathered at Alan Druce's farm for a day of games and sports May 25.

The event began with tennis and volleyball. A glider-building and flying contest also took place. Prizes were given to Michael Chirside for keeping his glider in the air the longest and for the longest distance traveled. John Woloszyn received the prize for unique design.

Children played T-ball, and the group ate a potluck lunch and barbecue. Afternoon activities included rides for the children, tennis, walks, card games and afternoon tea.

Alfonso Dalan, Holly Hanaway and Wilfred and Jan Mancy.

12 EC states "into a European union."

Additional power will be transferred from the national parliaments to the institutions of the community. A major feature is the proposal to abolish the national veto over a wide range of social policy, and in its place substitute "qualified majority voting."

Certain observers in Britain are alarmed at what is happening (see "European Diary," page 2). They see Britain's sovereignty eroding, compromised to such a degree that other nations could impose their will upon the British people.

Yes, Europe is coalescing into a block, whether Britain or the United States or the Soviet Union likes it or not.

As U.S. journalist William Pfaff wrote from Paris: "A quiet Europe, a politically withdrawn Europe, has suited nearly everyone over the last 40 years — most of all the West Europeans themselves, who have greatly profited from the tranquil life by making themselves rich and materially secure."

"Napoleon said of China that one should let it sleep, because the world would be sorry when it awakened. The place of which that really is true is contemporary Europe — occasionally shifting, murmuring, stirring in its postwar slumber, dreaming, perhaps."

Scots participate in fun runs

More than 100 Church members, teenagers and friends in SCOTLAND participated in 10-mile fun runs in six locations June 1 to raise funds for the Summer Educational Program (SEP) in Loch Lomond, Scotland.

The runs took place in Aberdeen, Edinburgh, Irvine, Invergorland, Glasgow and Shetland.

Some teens raised more than 100 pounds (\$147), and Neil McIntyre and Brian Thornton will receive prizes for outstanding contributions. The total amount pledged was 3,300 pounds (\$4,850).

Paul Suckling, YOU director in the United Kingdom, congratulated the Scottish churches for their efforts. "This truly is an outstanding example of fund raising in the United Kingdom," he said. Peter S. Mill and John Thornton.

Treaty

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in bringing about European political union.

Clear-sighted American reporter

Why do some see clearer than others? Many factors enter into this question: heredity, environment, education, knowledge of history, travel and natural gifts of discernment. Whatever the answer American correspondent William Pfaff is a reporter with vision.

He understands Europe as few Americans do. He wrote on the editorial page of the *International Herald Tribune*: "What has been striking since 1945 is not how much the world has changed from that Europe-centered one which existed before 1945, but how little has changed, so far as the essential components of power and risk are concerned. That many, perhaps most, North Americans fail to recognize this is a further factor of risk."

Mr. Pfaff conceded that West European states are individually somewhat behind the superpowers and Japan in economic clout. Then he observed: "Count France and Britain, or France and Italy, together with West Germany, and you have an industrial agglomeration of Soviet size or bigger, and one infinitely more flexible, innovative and technologically sophisticated. If the European Community is considered all together, it makes up the most powerful economic and industrial combination on earth."

Then Mr. Pfaff delivered a blockbuster. He wrote: "Common American perceptions of Western Europe

as a comparatively weak and declining force in world affairs are justified by neither the indices of productive power nor those of potential military strength. The military capacity of Western Europe, collectively, is equivalent to that of either of the superpowers — should the Europeans wish to make use of it."

Mr. Pfaff's insight is almost biblical. He recognizes the Continent's continuing instability. It is still divided by the proverbial Iron Curtain. Berlin is rent in two. The two Germans remain riven. This is not Europe's natural state. Present conditions are inherently problem producing.

He concluded: "What happens in Europe decides the global balance of power. Europe is the pawn capable of becoming a queen."

What God sees

God sees everything human beings do and much more. His political vision is unfailingly accurate. He understands and sees Europe as no man or nation does. He knows the pawn will become a queen. It is His vision that counts.

Indeed the biblical prophet Daniel foretold future happenings in Europe more than two and a half millennia ago. There were to be seven resurrections of the original Holy Roman Empire. A final 10-nation superpower will constitute the seventh and last resurrection. That time is just ahead of us.

At that time all nations will finally realize that God is the ultimate ruler among the kingdoms of men. He can make and unmake nations. He has done so in the past. Finally He will set up His ruling family on this earth.

Brethren visit museum, attend dinner

Twenty-five brethren from the KANSAS CITY, Mo., NORTH church drove to Minden, Neb., June 8 to visit the Pioneer Village Museum.

The group, mostly senior citizens, spent the night at the Pioneer Village Motel and toured the museum after breakfast the next day. Museum exhibits show the technological development of America from 1830 to the present.

BRISBANE, Australia, SOUTH brethren attended a dinner and dance May 31 at the Sheraton Brisbane hotel ballroom. Two hundred brethren attended the event, some traveling from Mackay, Australia, about 500 miles away.

Dance music was provided by the Sounds of Class. The evening was organized by Peter Richardson.

Bob Harrington and P. Scott.

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

PASADENA — The Church received its one millionth telephone call for 1986 in the Mail Processing Center (MPC) July 2, according to evangelist **Richard Rice**, MPC director.

"The WATS [Wide Area Telephone Service] lines are continuing to prove to be one of our most productive tools in the work," the evangelist said.

"Last year was the first time that more than one million calls were received," he said. "If this rate of growth continues, we will receive more than two million calls in 1986."

Of the first one million calls, about 800,000 were generated by the *World Tomorrow* telecast. "The others were Church-related calls such as requests for a minister's address, location of local Church services and other miscellaneous requests," Mr. Rice said.

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PASADENA — Pastor General **Joseph W. Tkach** named evangelist **Leslie McCullough**, deputy chancellor of Big Sandy Ambassador College, to be regional director for southern Africa July 5.

Evangelist **Roderick C. Meredith**, a professor of theology at Pasadena Ambassador College, was named to replace Mr. McCullough as deputy chancellor of the Big Sandy campus.

"To my knowledge, Dr. Meredith is the only man in the Church who will have served as deputy chancellor on all three campuses of Ambassador College when he begins serving at Big Sandy," said **Larry Salyer**, director of Church Administration.

Dr. Meredith served as deputy chancellor of the former Ambassador campus in Bricklet Wood, England, from April, 1973, to June, 1974, when the campus closed. He served as deputy chancellor of the Pasadena campus from June, 1972, to March, 1973.

Transfer plans for **Roy McCarthy**, South African regional director, have not been finalized.

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PASADENA — The Church-owned Feast of Tabernacles site at Lake of the Ozarks, Mo., was sold to a Tennessee development company June 20, according to evangelist **Ellis La Ravia**, director of Facilities Administration.

Built by the Church in 1969, the site served as many as 14,000 brethren during the Feast of Tabernacles.

"The determination to sell the property was made last year since there are so many convention sites now available to the Church," Mr. La Ravia said.

Renting instead of owning Festival halls allows the Church to select other sites, according to Mr. La Ravia.

The Ozark site will be replaced by a new, rented hall in Tulsa, Okla., for the 1986 Feast of Tabernacles.

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PASADENA — Despite a record number of preemptions, the *World Tomorrow* program *Where Are We Now in Bible Prophecy?* drew 25,756 calls July 5 and 6.

"This was a very good response, in light of the Fourth of July [Independence Day for the United States] and a record number of preemptions on 52 stations," said evangelist **Richard Rice**, director of the Mail Processing Center (MPC).

"Had we not been preempted by the Wimbledon tennis tournament and the Goodwill Games [broadcast from the Soviet Union], another

4,400 calls would have been received," he continued.

Presented by **David Hulme**, director of Media Purchasing and Public Relations, the program was the first rerun of the summer. When it first aired in February, the program drew 44,207 calls.

The new season of *World Tomorrow* programs is set to begin Sept. 6 and 7.

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PASADENA — An earthquake measuring 5.9 on the Richter scale shook Southern California July 8, but caused no damage to Church buildings or injury to brethren, according to Church officials.

The quake's epicenter was about 12 miles (19.2 kilometers) northwest of Palm Springs, Calif. It hit at 2:21 a.m., Pacific Daylight Time (PDT). Lasting 30 seconds, the quake ruptured an underground section of the California aqueduct, cracked walls and windows, weakened bridges, spilled merchandise and caused a power outage that affected about 100,000 people, according to Associated Press reports.

Damage costs were estimated to be \$5 million. Fourteen lesser tremors shook the area in the six hours following the quake. Seismologists at the California Institute of Technology (Caltech) said the earthquake could have caused severe damage had it been centered in a city.

James Peoples, pastor of the Banning and San Bernardino, Calif., churches, said brethren living near the epicenter were jolted, but suffered little damage.

Evangelist **Ellis La Ravia**, director of Facilities Administration, said no Church buildings were damaged. A disk drive for the Church's phototypesetting system in Publishing Services was damaged by the quake, but has since been repaired, according to **Donald Patrick** of Publishing Services.

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PASADENA — **Carn Catherwood**, regional director for Italian-speaking areas, and his wife, **Joyce**, returned here June 30 after a 29-day trip to England, northern Italy and Switzerland.

"I was able to be in Milan [Italy] on Pentecost and conducted some administrative business for the work," the regional director said in a July 3 interview with *The Worldwide News*.

"**David Stirk** of the British Regional Office and I visited the Feast site in Lugano, Switzerland, to complete final preparations for the 1986 Festival," he continued.

"I can see why Mr. [Herbert] Armstrong nearly picked Lugano as the site for the European campus of Ambassador College instead of Bricklet Wood [England] — it's beautiful."

(Mr. Armstrong and his wife, **Loma**, traveled to Lugano in March, 1947, to inspect a stately building called Heleneum as a potential site for a European branch of Ambassador College.)

The site still has openings for about 30 brethren to transfer, Mr. Catherwood said.

The regional director said that more than 125 requests for a ministerial visit had been received since January and that *La Pura Verita* [Italian Plain Truth] has a high profile in Italy.

"We're definitely in a strong growth phase," he said.

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PASADENA — Evangelist **Dibar Aparian**, and his wife, **Shirley**, traveled to Montreal, Que., June 19 where the evangelist con-

ducted administrative meetings, combined Sabbath services and a public Bible lecture.

"French-speaking Canada is receiving a strong witness," he said in a *Worldwide News* interview. "We have about 100,000 copies of *La Pura Verita* [French Plain Truth] circulating there, and we are now on both radio and television."

After conducting combined services for the Montreal North and South (French), Trois-Rivieres and Quebec City, Que., churches June 21, Mr. Aparian conducted a public Bible lecture.

"We had 265 new people attend, which is tremendous when you consider that we did no outside advertising," the evangelist said. "About 70 to 80 people stayed behind to ask questions."

Mr. Aparian said that 40 individuals requested ministerial visits, "so we didn't schedule any follow-up Bible studies so the ministers could have more time to visit these people."

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PASADENA — The Festival Office here announced that the following Feast sites have reached capacity and can no longer accept transfer requests.

Chattanooga, Tenn.; Jekyll Island, Ga.; Lihue, Kauai, Hawaii; Pasadena; Pensacola and St. Petersburg, Fla.; Charlotetown, P.E.I.; Penticton and Victoria, B.C.; and Hoogeveen, Netherlands.

The Feast site in Tagaytay, Philippines is canceled.

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PASADENA — The Ambassador Auditorium was used as a backdrop for a full-page American Express card advertisement that appeared in magazines such as *Travel & Leisure*, *Bon Appetit* and *Working Woman*.

Photographs of the front of the Auditorium and the swans were shot Jan. 12 and 13 by Richard Noble Studio of Los Angeles, Calif., under contract from American Express, according to Facilities Administration here.

The advertisement features a Porsche, Mercedes and moped, which were parked in the mall area, and two adult models.

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PASADENA — **Abby Docken**, a Pasadena Ambassador College graduate who worked at the Al Hussein Center for the Physically Handicapped in Amman, Jordan, was featured on the cover of the February issue of *Al Majaal* magazine.



COVER STORY — Abby Docken helps an Arabic boy shape a clay sculpture at the Al Hussein Center for the Physically Handicapped in Jordan. They were featured on the February cover of *Al Majaal*.

The Arabic-language magazine printed an article about the Ambassador Foundation's projects in Jordan: the Bunyat Center for Special

Education in Al Bunyat and the Al Hussein Center.

The article included comments from **Richard Weber**, director of the Jordan project, and Church and Ambassador College participants **Florence Lane**, **Sherri Means**, **Armando Olvera**, **Cliff Parks**, **Deborah Wright** and **Edith Woyner** (now Edith Rice).

Al Majaal, published in Tunis, Tunisia, is under the auspices of the United States Information Agency (USIA), "an organization responsible for U.S. government information, educational exchange and cultural programs." **William Reinkens**, a spokesman for USIA's Public Liaison Office, told *The Worldwide News* July 3.

The article also appeared in English in the *Jerusalem Star*, which is printed weekly in Amman, according to **Joseph Locke**, a personal assistant to Pastor General **Joseph W. Tkach**.

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BOREHAMWOOD, England — Choir members are needed at all British Feast sites, particularly sopranos and basses in Guernsey, England, and sopranos, contraltos and basses in Dunoon, Scotland.

If you plan to attend the Feast in Britain or Ireland and have not yet applied to join the choir, but would like to do so, please contact the Festival Office, Box 111, Borehamwood, Herts., WD6 1LU, England, as soon as possible.

For the record

PASADENA — The correct address for Mark Graham, choir director for the Niagara Falls, N.Y., Festival site, is 1490 Roycroft Ave., Lakewood, Ohio, 44107.

Mr. Saenz conducted follow-up Bible studies in Lima, beginning July 6.

YES lessons requested

"A Church member's daughter had an interesting experience at school, where religion is taught," said **Paul Kieffer**, pastor of the Hannover, Hamburg and West Berlin, West Germany, churches.

"The girl took her YES [Youth Educational Services] lesson to school, where she was to work on the lesson during the hour-long religious class," Mr. Kieffer continued.

"The lesson caught the attention of the teacher, who was so impressed by the biblical content that she asked for 25 lessons for the entire class to use in discussing Noah and the ark."

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INTERNATIONAL DESK

A WORLD VIEW FROM CHURCH ADMINISTRATION

PASADENA — The state of emergency imposed in South Africa June 12 "has led to a general quieting of the situation, although incidents of terrorism and intimidation still occur," said **Roy McCarthy**, regional director for southern Africa.

"As time goes by, more members of the Church are being exposed to dangerous situations," Dr. McCarthy said.

Petros Manzingana, pastor of the Soweto, South Africa, church, reported that one of the black members who works in the eastern Transvaal had his car commandeered by four armed men and was ordered to drive to a town about 60 kilometers (36 miles) away.

The member knew that when this occurs the driver is normally killed and his body dumped out of the car at the end of the journey. He knew his only hope was God's intervention. So he prayed.

On reaching their destination, he was astounded when the men thanked him for his help and gave him some money to pay for gasoline. As they disappeared into the bush, he could only give God thanks that his life had been spared.

Lectures in Italy, Peru

May 4 **Michael Caputo**, pastor of the Milan, Rome and Catania, Italy, churches, conducted the first public Bible lecture in Italy, according to **Carn Catherwood**, regional director for Italian-speaking areas.

The lecture, titled "What biblical prophecy reveals about the future of Italy," was conducted in Rome. About 250 *Pura Verita* [Italian Plain Truth] subscribers attended,

representing a 5 percent response. "Response was enthusiastic," said Mr. Catherwood. "One hundred literature request cards were turned in, and 11 people requested visits."

"Among the colorful members of the audience were a Jehovah's Witness pastor, a Catholic monk, a Salvation Army missionary and a Seventh-day Adventist elder."

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