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Civic leaders help commemorate four decades at Ambassador

By Jeff E. Zhorne

PASADENA—Pasadena Mayor John C. Crowley and representatives from Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley and Michael D. Antonovich, chairman of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, joined more than 1,100 business leaders, civic officials, Church and college executives, faculty and students in celebrating the 40th anniversary of Ambassador College here Aug. 28.

Mayor Bradley sent a proclamation to Chancellor Joseph W. Tkach that declared Aug. 28 to be Ambassador College Day for the Greater Los Angeles area. Gov. George Deukmejian said Ambassador College has "continually demonstrated" its "commitment to academic excellence" in a prepared statement presented at the anniversary ceremony.

Before the ceremony in the Ambassador Auditorium, more than 130 community and business guests took part in a buffet luncheon with about 125 officials from the Church and college.

During the luncheon, Mayor

Crowley told *The Worldwide News*: "The manner in which Ambassador College has contributed to the community culturally is evidence of what I might term good institutional and participative citizenship. Obviously the campus, the ambiance and the blending of old and new architecture is another measure of good citizenship."

The buffet luncheon included the dedication and opening of a new visitors center on the ground floor of the Hall of Administration. After cutting a ribbon to open the center, Chancellor Tkach told the audience that the purpose of the center, located near the Ambassador Foundation ticket office for maximum

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Chancellor tells officials 40 years have refined AC

By Michael A. Snyder

PASADENA—"The number 40 has significant importance in the Bible," Chancellor Joseph W. Tkach told Selwyn Eiber, a reporter for the Pasadena *Star-News*. Mr. Eiber interviewed Mr. Tkach Aug. 27 as part of media coverage of the 40th anniversary of Ambassador College.

"The number 40 is often associated with times of trials and testing. I look at that biblical period of time to represent a period of refinement, of being proven," continued Mr. Tkach.

Michael A. Snyder is assistant director of public affairs.

"By celebrating its 40th anniversary you could say that Ambassador College is really celebrating the fact that it has passed a major test. While it's nice to look back at our accomplishments, what we're really doing here is setting our sights on the future—looking toward what we are now prepared to accomplish."

Seizing opportunities

Celebrating the 40th anniversary (See 40 YEARS, page 4)

Mr. Tkach in Moncton: building on family theme

By Jeff E. Zhorne

PASADENA—"From the first glimpse of the Gulfstream III coming in from the west, Mr. Tkach showed special concern for the individual spiritual well-being of everyone in attendance," said Verdon Conrad, a local church elder from Halifax, N.S.

"Mr. Tkach's staff seemed like brothers and sisters working together," said Eric Warren, pastor of the Moncton, N.B., church.

"From the flight crew to his personal assistants, they were primarily concerned not about themselves but about the brethren and Mr. Tkach—helping him to be as effective as he possibly can," Mr. Warren added.

Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach spoke to 820 brethren in Moncton Sept. 5, pointing out the need for unity and spiritual preparation.

"The tempo didn't slow down for the entire time he spoke," said James Peoples, operation manager of the Church's Computer Information Systems and Purchasing departments.

Mr. Tkach "speaks our lan-

guage," said June Cyr, a member from Sydney, N.S. "I prayed so long that God would inspire him to come here, and I'm so grateful that he did. I've got so much to be thankful for. He's so full of energy and so vibrant."

Assembled for 1 p.m. Sabbath services in the Hotel Beausejour were English-speaking brethren from Digby, Halifax, Sydney and Yarmouth, N.S.; Fredericton, Moncton and St. John, N.B.; Prince Edward Island; Quebec; Maine; and French-speaking brethren from Bathurst and Edmundston, N.B. Some traveled 420 miles (672 kilometers) to hear and meet the pastor general.

Daniel Samson, pastor of the Bathurst church, provided simulta-

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NEW BRUNSWICK VISIT—Stressing the need for unity in God's Church, Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach addresses 820 English- and French-speaking brethren in the Hotel Beausejour in Moncton, N.B., Sept. 5. [Photo by Michael Rasmussen]



VISITORS CENTER—After cutting a ribbon on the visitors center in the Hall of Administration Aug. 28, Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach escorts Pasadena Mayor John C. Crowley (right) as the center's first guest. [Photo by Warren Watson]

Pastor general ordains Colin Adair an evangelist

PASADENA—"There's no question in my mind. It was just a question of where should it be done. Should it be done at headquarters? Should it be done at Vancouver [B.C.]? Or should it be done here? Well, I believe that we ought to share that benefit here with all of you."

This said Pastor General Joseph

W. Tkach to brethren in Moncton, N.B., Sept. 5, when he raised Colin Adair, Canadian regional director, to the rank of evangelist.

"I asked Eric Warren [Moncton, N.B., pastor] for a tape of my ordination, because I didn't hear a thing after he said my name," Mr. Adair told *The Worldwide News*. "My wife was on the front row and trying to control herself. I would have to say I certainly was stunned, and it is quite a privilege."

Mr. Adair, 50, a native of Belfast, Northern Ireland, graduated from Ambassador College in Bricket Wood, England, in 1966. While at college he was president of an Ambassador Club, the junior class and the entire student body.

He was ordained a local elder in June, 1966. He pastored the Glasgow, Scotland, Newcastle, En-



COLIN AND MARGARET ADAIR

gland, and Kitchener, Ont., churches before he was named regional director of the Philippines in September, 1970. He was appointed Canadian regional director in March, 1981.

Mr. Adair was ordained a preaching elder in June, 1969, by the late Herbert W. Armstrong, and a pastor in January, 1973, by evangelist Dennis Luker.

He married the former Margaret Sullivan, also from Belfast, Sept. 6, 1965. They have one son, Andrew, 15.

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more so that he can fellowship and serve?

What would you think of that man if he were also in Spokesman Club every year, never missed any church activity, including Youth Opportunities United activities, and spent nearly every Sunday serving others in the Church?

Would you like to have his kind of dedication? If you had to "measure" this man's Christianity, would you say he is a model Christian?

What would you think of a man (or woman) employed by the Church here in Pasadena who puts practically all his waking energy into his job? What if that man regularly arrived early and stayed late, worked very hard, paid close attention to details and turned out a great amount of work? Would you say he is pleasing God, that he is a model Christian?

At first thought you'd probably say: "Why, of course! Such individuals are certainly displaying the very kind of fruits that

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Ambassador 'looks forward'

By Joseph W. Tkach

I want to thank you for taking time out from what I know is a busy schedule to be here, to celebrate in this momentous occasion for Ambassador College. And we don't take that very lightly. We appreciate the effort that has been put into it and the extreme cooperation.

This article is taken from an address given by Chancellor Joseph W. Tkach to more than 1,100 guests on the 40th anniversary of Ambassador College.

But I do want to welcome you to this milestone ceremony. Mayor Crowley, Mr. Iamurri, friends and guests, I want to thank all of you again for sharing in today's celebration of the 40th anniversary of Ambassador College.

And it is indeed our privilege to have true friends like the Leishmans and others we have honored here today. And it was our honor and pleasure to present a token of our appreciation for the work they have done behind the scenes. So again, thank you very much from the heart.

I also want to thank Mayor Crowley, Gov. Deukmejian, Supervisor Antonovich and Mayor Bradley for their kind and generous comments. In addition, we count people like Harvey Christen and Milton Walker among our trusted supporters, and I want to thank them personally for their friendship.

The college has also appreciated the longstanding relationship with the Rotary Club, the Chamber of Commerce and most recently with the Kiwanis organization, and with many city and county officials. And we certainly appreciate the relationship that we have enjoyed.

Forty years ago, Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong set in motion a unique institution. It was not founded on human reasoning or man's higher learning, but it was founded on God's revealed knowledge, which is the missing dimension in education. Our purpose and goal was in recapturing true values, and to provide a training ground for individual excellence.

In biblical terms the number 40 has a special and significant mean-

ing to all of us. It signifies a period of trials and testing, a refinement period of 40 years in preparation for greater service. We have now just begun. Ambassador College has paid its dues. And we're looking forward, after that 40-year refinement period, to doing even greater service to mankind, our community and to our country.

Classes were first held here Oct. 8, 1947, with four students and eight faculty members. Since then 10,000 students have enrolled—from 1948 to 1987. And the college has turned out approximately 5,000 graduates.

Now what you see around you, this beautiful campus, did not come easily. It was not developed overnight, but it took 40 years of our share of problems to solve, obstacles to hurdle. And along with that it took a great deal of effort, hard work and most of all vision, the fulfillment of a dream and of a vision of one man, Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong. And we certainly owe all of this to the effort that he put into it, the fulfillment of a lifelong dream. And now we are the recipients of enjoying the fulfillment of his dream.

Over the years Ambassador College expanded to include adjoining properties that were in need of refurbishing to one degree or another. Major landscaping projects and ultimately the construction of fine buildings became a reality where rundown housing once stood adjacent to the estates that existed around here.

The Los Angeles Times once referred to the transformation that took place here in Pasadena as "an ideal type of urban renewal, and all of this was accomplished without federal funds."

Now let me underscore what the Pasadena Star-News said July 9, 1947: "The institution to be known as Ambassador College will have as its first objective character development [and this is where we stress and emphasize the importance], self-discipline, culture and personality development along with all of the other academic requirements."

Yes, Ambassador College is more than just a beautiful campus. The late Mr. Armstrong saw the need for something totally different

than what we know of in the country around us. He envisioned an institution of higher learning, with appropriate instruction in spiritual, moral, cultural and personality development, with the emphasis on character.

Yes, students would learn how to make and earn a living. But even more important, they would learn how to live, and even more importantly, how to live with one another, with our fellowman. And that is what is important. That was the dream that Mr. Armstrong envisioned.

We do refer to Ambassador College as an institute of higher learning because we look above to the Master Educator for revealed knowledge of how to walk with our fellowman. And that is the whole purpose for Ambassador College.

On one of the walls in the Academic Center of Ambassador College you find inscribed "The Word of God Is the Foundation of Knowledge." That same God declared in the book of Acts that He has made of one blood all nations to dwell on the face of the earth. He has made of one blood all nations to dwell on the face of the earth not to perpetuate war, but to make peace.

And we can throw that word around rather loosely. What does

peace mean to us individually? Peace is more than just a word. Peace is a way of life that is governed by a set of rules and laws that God has placed in motion for us to follow. And that is going to determine the outcome.

Simply put, peace is the way of give, outflowing, outgoing concern, away from self, as we heard Mr. Armstrong state, which the Master Educator has given us in the form of laws that govern human relations.

To quote Ted Koppel [of ABC News], in one of his speeches he said, "What Moses brought down from Mt. Sinai were not the 10 suggestions." They were the Ten Commandments, which God enforced and placed in motion, that mankind was able to live by and thereby achieve the things that he desires in this life.

And one of the great beacons that He has given us to light the way is to love our neighbor as ourselves. That is the only way in which we are going to be successful.

Now as we look back on 40 years of growth, accomplishment and development, we also eagerly look forward to the years of continued positive involvement with all of you in the community around us. We appreciate the opportunity in being involved in events like the Rose Parade, the Pasadena Centennial, in bringing the Greater Los Angeles area the finest in performing arts. We also appreciate the honor of

servicing all of you, our neighbors.

At this benchmark we are not here just to look backward and glory in our past, but to look forward at what we must yet accomplish. The apostle Paul expressed the same sentiment when he stated, "Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before."

Yes, we can rejoice over the accomplishments we have achieved over the 40 years, but now we need to focus our eyes on the future and the goal that is yet before us, a greater task that has yet to be accomplished. So I want to thank all of you who have taken time out to be here with us for sharing this celebration of 40 years of Ambassador College.

So in conclusion, I would like to say a pleasant good afternoon to all of you, and I certainly look forward to your company on another Ambassador College occasion.

'Worldwatch'

Because of special coverage of the 40th anniversary of Ambassador College, Gene Hogberg's regular feature, "Worldwatch," does not appear in this issue. "Worldwatch" will appear in the Sept. 28 issue.

European Diary

By John Ross Schroeder



Mass murderer shatters innocence of England

BOREHAMWOOD, England—Our beloved Britain—the most civil society on the face of the earth! How we wish it still were!

Yesterday (Aug. 19) a young man went amok with a rifle. Sixteen people are dead and 14 are injured.

faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord' (Matthew 25:21)."

'A piece of the action'

"They have a saying in here: 'I want a piece of the action.' They say this when they see something good and want a part of it. Back in '64 and when we all decided to work towards being in the Church, chances are, none of us knew what the action was, we were only 'Positive' Mr. Armstrong had the action, and we wanted a piece of it.

"It takes two witnesses to convict a person in court on this earth or only one promissory note from an individual stating they will pay such and such—if you do so and so.

"When Dexter Faulkner and the other Church members are standing in line waiting on Christ to give them their piece of the action, there's going to be one other person bringing up the tail of the line named John Manos—and when he comes up for his turn he intends to say, 'I not only have thousands of witnesses of the promises you made, but I have a whole book of promissory notes you had written, saying if you do this, I'll do this—well, I did it!'"

"I know what's going to happen—I'm going to get a piece of the action. You hang tough, Dexter!"

With God's help, I will, John. And I hope I can say that for all of you brethren reading this as well.

The town of Hungerford is in a state of shocked bewilderment. Here was the first case of indiscriminate mass murder in Britain. All previous cases either had much lower numbers or the murderous hostility was directed against family.

Daily Mail journalist A.N. Wilson caught the significance of the Hungerford massacre. The paper titled his Aug. 20 article "Yesterday, Something Uniquely English Died Too."

Mr. Wilson wrote in his conclusion: "But something very sad has happened. Yet another bit of the innocence of old England has been blasted out of existence by that automatic rifle in Hungerford, and whatever precautions we take in the future, that innocence is something we shall never retrieve."

The cancer of violence is fast becoming a way of life in Britain. Before this incident, Britons thought of mass murder as mostly an American phenomenon.

How does the Creator God—who gave our Anglo-Saxon peoples the choicest spots on earth—feel about our national behavior?

Ezekiel, one of God's great prophets, was concerned with violence in particular. He prophesied of a time when God finally decided to punish ancient Judah for its own good. He wrote, "Now the end is upon you, and I will let loose my anger upon your ways; and I will punish you for all your abominations" (Ezekiel 7:3, Revised Standard Version).

But what abominations? What have our peoples—the descendants of ancient Israel—done wrong? For one thing, they have committed an unprecedented wave of ugly crime and violence of every sort and description.

Ezekiel continued, "Violence has grown up into a rod of wicked-

ness" (verse 11). The King James description in verse 23 is more graphic and telling: "Make a chain: for the land is full of bloody crimes, and the city is full of violence."

God had a long conversation with Ezekiel about the sad state of our lands, telling Ezekiel, "They have filled the land with violence" (Ezekiel 8:17).

In Ezekiel 9:9 God said, "The guilt of the House of Israel and Judah is exceedingly great; the land is full of blood, and the city full of injustice; for they say, 'The Lord has forsaken the land, and the Lord does not see'" (RSV).

There's the root of the matter. Our peoples don't believe God is real anymore. God is so unreal to them that our English-speaking countries expect no punishment from Him.

But God says, "As for me, my eye will not spare, nor will I have pity, but I will requite their deeds upon their heads" (verse 10).

But what should our personal reaction be to all these bloody crimes in our midst? How should the Church view such horrible violence? The answer is in this same book of Ezekiel. God said to an angelic being, "Go through the city, through Jerusalem [symbolic of the whole nation], and put a mark upon the foreheads of the men [and women] who sigh and groan over all the abominations that are committed in it" (Ezekiel 9:4, RSV).

God promises to protect those who are genuinely concerned about the state of our nations—who desperately desire to get the Gospel to this whole world—so God's Kingdom can finally come and put an end to all this global violence that is plaguing mankind.

God then said to several angels, "Pass through the city after him [the first angel], and smite; your eye shall not spare, and you shall show no pity; slay old men outright, young men and maidens, little children and women, but touch no one upon whom is the mark" (verses 5-6, RSV).

Make no mistake about it. God's direct punishment is coming. True, our peoples are suffering now, but more from the principle of "thine own wickedness shall correct thee, and thy backslidings shall reprove thee" (Jeremiah 2:19).

Soon a loving, merciful God will take a hand and set man on the right course.



Just one more thing

By Dexter H. Faulkner

'Hang tough, Dexter!'

I received a letter the other day that immediately reminded me of Paul's admonition to rejoice with those who are rejoicing (Romans 12:15). Brethren, we have good reason to rejoice! The combined prayers of members of God's Church for 23 years have been answered. One of our brothers in prison is being released.

John M. Manos Sr. was concerned that all the brethren who had written and prayed and encouraged him over the years would be informed of his release. So that we can all share his happiness, included are excerpts of Mr. Manos' letter.

A prisoner for 27 years

"I've been in prison going on 27 years, for the first four of those 27 years I continued to give these prison officials in Ohio a reason for keeping me in prison. But once Mr. Armstrong had set me on the right course. And with all the ministers that have had an active part in my conversion over the years, with God's help, and his people's prayers

seeing me through many years of hard and sometimes difficult times... We all hung on!

"There was never any doubt that God would open the prison gates for me... Last Friday (July 31, 1987) 23 years from the day we started praying about it—they gave me a parole! Effective Sept. 28, 1987.

"I didn't realize that I wrote so many Church people until I wanted to inform them of what happened... They range from California, the state of Washington, Colorado, Texas, Illinois, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Virginia, New York."

'We don't have it made...'

Mr. Manos realizes that his trials aren't all past him now. He knows living the Christian life in this world is not easy.

"The track record for prisoners that have been baptized into the Church in prison is very bad!!! So, don't get to thinking we got it made yet—we don't have it made until we hear these words: 'His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and

'Not just any institution,' says paper Life begins at 40 for college

By Selwyn Eiber
Staff Writer

PASADENA—Not many colleges of 625 students can attract royalty and renowned stars of music to their campuses, but then Ambassador College in Pasadena is not just any institution of higher learning.

This article and accompanying box "Ambassador At a Glance" appeared in the Aug. 30 Pasadena Star-News. Both are reprinted with permission.

And while centennial celebrations were common in the West San Gabriel Valley over the past year, Ambassador is a relative youngster. On Friday [Aug. 28], the school officially celebrated its 40th anniversary at a campus luncheon.

Royalty who have visited the campus include the late King Leopold of Belgium and Queen Sirikit of Thailand, who in 1985 officially opened the campus exhibit "Treasures From the Kings of Siam." Earlier this year first lady Nancy Reagan was on campus, speaking out against drugs.

The college, through a foundation, also sponsors a world-class concert series at Ambassador Auditorium that has attracted such notables as soprano Joan Sutherland, guitarist Andres Segovia and conductor Herbert von Karajan with the Berlin Philharmonic.

But the school has received other, less welcome attention as well.

Front-page headlines appeared during the rifts and eventual split between the late Herbert W. Armstrong and his son, Garner Ted.

Herbert Armstrong founded the college in 1947 as a place of education and also to provide ministers and other employees for the Pasadena-based, 87,000-member Worldwide Church of God, which he headed.

Former followers, some of whom labeled the church a near-cult, brought the institution perhaps its darkest hour by charging some leaders with misappropriating funds.

The state attorney general's office charged in 1979 that Herbert W. Armstrong and then-treasurer Stanley Rader had siphoned off \$70 million in church funds for personal use, but charges were

dropped the following year.

The school began with eight professors and four students, one of whom was Richard David Armstrong, the late son of Herbert Armstrong.

"The emphasis of the college is not just to teach people how to make a living, but also to teach people how to live," said Michael Snyder, the church's assistant director of public affairs.

The college describes itself as offering a liberal arts curriculum, and its students can take a variety of courses including business administration, dance, English, home economics, international relations and Thai. Some of the courses offer varying numbers of classes.

The college at one time sought accreditation but was denied. The school has no plans in the future to seek this distinction again, in part because Ambassador then would have to offer many majors, Snyder said.

Students from almost every state are represented on campus, and about 175 international students attend as well. The typical cost per year for a student is \$4,200 and includes tuition, books and living expenses. But much of the actual cost tied to running the college is paid by the church.

Smoking is prohibited, and students must adhere to a dress code that calls for high standards and appropriateness in clothing.

Joseph Tkach, the church's pastor general and the college's chancellor since Armstrong's death in January 1986, said he does not plan to make any major changes in the college.

"I believe the die was cast 40 years ago," he said, and the 33-acre campus limits any large-scale expansion. But he does want to make a few smaller adjustments such as creating television production and sign language classes.

Even though the school is just 40 years old, Tkach believes that is an important number.

"The number 40 has a biblical significance. It's a time of testing and

dropped the following year.

One issue that has tested officials over the years is the claim by some that the church is a kind of cult. But Tkach doesn't seem bothered by this.

"We consider the source and just ignore it. Why get involved in a dialogue with them when it's to no avail. You're not going to convince them," he said.

Officials point out that Christian denominations started out small, and that at first some people referred to them as cults.

No matter how outsiders view the church members, all students interviewed at Ambassador were effusive in their praise of the college.

"It offers a good foundation for living a successful life and being somebody in the world," student Tom Turci said.

"I love all the people here, and their smiling faces. . . . Here everybody is so friendly you can just walk up and introduce yourself and become good friends," he said.

Lisa Williamson said one reason she's attending Ambassador is because "I wanted to learn how to be a good example." At the college, "you can get a general life education—everything from etiquette to learning about computers."

Most students come from member families, but others learn about the church through its television and radio program, *The World Tomorrow*, and its magazine, *The Plain Truth*.

Ambassador At A Glance

Ambassador College: The four-year institution is the educational arm of the Pasadena-based Worldwide Church of God, and was founded in 1947 by the late Herbert W. Armstrong.

In addition to the Pasadena campus, the college operates a campus with a two-year program in Big Sandy, Texas.

The Worldwide Church of God: The church is composed of more than 87,000 members in 120 countries and territories. Following the teachings of Jesus Christ, members strive to live by every word of God as revealed in both the Old and the New Testaments.

The present church organization began in 1933 with about 20 people in Eugene, Ore. It publishes the *Plain Truth* magazine and sponsors an international television and radio program, *The World Tomorrow*. It also sponsors the Ambassador Foundation. Since 1934, the church has distributed an estimated 1.4 billion pieces of literature and magazines worldwide.

After the death of Armstrong in January 1986, Joseph W. Tkach took over as pastor general.

The church's budget this year is \$163 million.

The Ambassador Foundation: This began in 1975 to promote excellence and foster international understanding through a varied program of cultural, humanitarian and educational projects.

The Plain Truth: A free publication, it has a circulation of 7 million. The magazine deals with a variety of cultural and religious issues.

The World Tomorrow: More than 380 stations air this television and radio program, which analyzes social and world events through a Scriptural perspective. *Selwyn Eiber*.

Aside from their work on campus, students also are involved in cultural projects such as archaeological digs in Israel and Syria. They teach English and other subjects to people in Thailand, Sri Lanka and Nepal and visit local shut-ins and provide transportation through the school's "Outreach" group.

Additionally, many students regularly volunteer for the Tournament of Roses, and they assisted with Pasadena's centennial celebration.

"They certainly have demonstrated that they're good citizens with model behavior," Pasadena Mayor John Crowley said, and they have added to the cultural life of

Pasadena and to the city's appearance with the school's strikingly beautiful, award-winning campus.

It wasn't always that way.

Some of the first properties the college acquired and renovated were stately millionaire mansions that had become run down, and much of the area of the West Pasadena campus in 1947 was in need of maintenance.

The most impressive campus structure is Ambassador Auditorium, which was built from materials including black Angolan granite, Burmese teakwood, wool carpeting from Hong Kong, Italian white mosaic tile and two 650-pound Baccarat candelabra from France.

Pioneers survey past 40 years

PASADENA—"One of the most gratifying experiences in life is to witness the growth of an institution in which one has a part," said evangelist Dibar Apartian, regional director for French-speaking areas.

"When I first came to Ambassador College as a professor in 1955 everything was so small: the student body, the faculty, the buildings and the campus."

Mr. Apartian continued: "On its 40th anniversary the college has become a well-known academic institution capable of meeting any challenge. . . . All growth necessitates pain, but the pain we have had has helped us to be stronger and to work

together more efficiently."

According to evangelist Raymond McNair, deputy chancellor and a 1953 graduate: "There have been many changes in the physical plant, with the building of new structures and renovation of old ones.

"But I think the main thing we have been able to refine over the years is the academic program at Ambassador. Mr. [Herbert] Armstrong always said that we teach not only how to earn a living, but also how to live.

"We still believe that's the case," Mr. McNair added. "We are adding new courses, like magazine

production, television and American Sign Language (ASL). . . . I'm excited about that."

Mr. McNair's wife, Eve, told *The Worldwide News*: "Forty years says to me that what we have accomplished here in the community is a great love from many of the people here, who are our neighbors."

Said evangelist Herman L. Hoeh, *Plain Truth* editor, one of the four original students in 1947, "The present administrative leadership over the college campuses is a guarantee of the moral integrity of Ambassador into the 21st century."

"The present world will soon die, but Ambassador College will go on living in the wonderful world tomorrow," Mr. Apartian said.

Newspaper reports anniversary

PASADENA — Guests on Friday [Aug. 28] gathered to attend a luncheon celebrating the 40th anniversary of Pasadena's Ambassador College. As part of the festivities, the college honored civic and business leaders who have been longtime friends and benefactors of the organization.

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The college was founded in 1947 by the late Herbert W. Armstrong and is funded primarily by the Pasadena-based Worldwide Church of God.

The school sponsors a highly respected performing arts series at Ambassador Auditorium, as well as other educational, cultural and humanitarian projects in the United States and abroad.

The celebration included proclamations from city, county and state officials honoring the college's numerous accomplishments. Ambassador also took advantage of the opportunity to dedicate its new visitors center, which outlines the history of the college, the Worldwide Church of God and the Ambassador Foundation.

Report from the Treasurer's Office

Selwyn Eiber

PASADENA—The slightly downward trend in income percentages continued during August. At the same time expenses were a little less than expected. This means that we received a little more than we spent in August.

Income figures for the operations budget (excluding contributions for the Office Facilities Building) are a 1.4 percent increase for the month, in comparison with August, 1986, and 5.6 percent for the year.

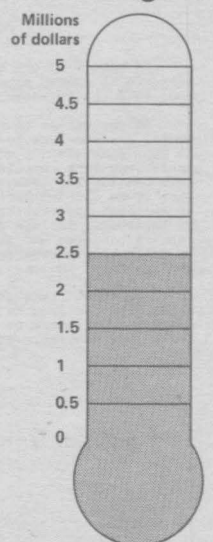
We have received more than \$2.5 million in contributions this year for the Office Facilities Building. We have received a total of \$2,863,000 for the overall building fund.

Events are moving slowly toward the purchase of this building. Because the two appraisals were not within the tolerance specified in the lease-option agreement, it is necessary to have a third appraisal. At this time it is estimated that it will be between 60 and 90 days before the third appraisal will be completed.

This August report is the last comparative report until the end of October. Because of the variation of several factors including Holy Days falling in different months, it is impractical to compare either September or October with the same months in the previous year. For a proper comparison the two months need to be combined.

I hope you will be concerned and will pray earnestly about the income over this two-month period. The fall Holy Day offerings will have a major effect on how the income figures conclude Dec. 31.

Office Facilities Building Fund



SIGNIFICANT STRIDES—As of Sept. 10 individuals and church areas donated \$2,518,709.61 to the Office Facilities Building fund.

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Leaders

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exposure, is to "help you get better acquainted with us and show what our whole organization stands for."

Mr. Tkach then escorted Mayor Crowley as the center's first visitor.

Evangelist David Hulme, director of Communications & Public Affairs, said the center will "answer some of the questions we receive" and "better help our friends understand what we're trying to accomplish."

More than 50,000 visitors a year come into the Hall of Administration, and the center will provide "a new source of information about the Church and its various activities," Mr. Hulme added.

After the luncheon, guests walked to the Auditorium for a video production titled *The Ambassador Story* and presentations to and salutations from the following:

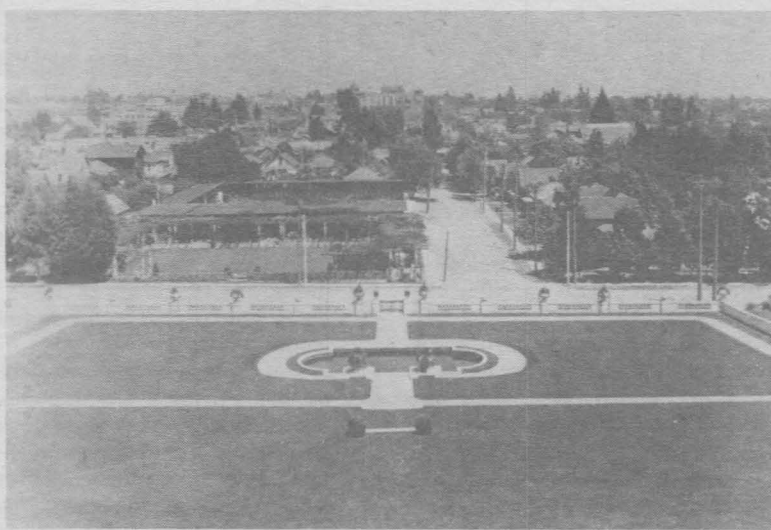
James Iamurri representing Michael D. Antonovich, chairman of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors; Tom Bradley, mayor of Los Angeles, Calif., represented by Juanita St. John; Mayor Crowley; Donald Kay, a realtor who helped Ambassador College acquire many of its properties; Jon Myhre, who helped design the newer college stream; O.K. Earl, responsible for designing and constructing the Hall of Administration; Stanley Smith, senior vice president of Daniel, Mann, Johnson & Mendenhall, an architectural firm that designed the student center and auditorium; and Lathrop, Robert and William Leishman, who helped the college expand.

A proclamation honoring the college from California Gov. George Deukmejian read: "For 40 years you have compiled an exemplary record of service and have continually demonstrated your commitment to academic excellence and dedication to providing educational as well as cultural opportunities for all Californians."

The governor continued, "You should take great pride in your fine reputation, which will continue to enhance California's educational community for years to come."

Responding to the presentation of a plaque honoring his service to the college Mr. Myhre said, "Working on this campus is the high point of my professional life."

"I have never had a finer group to work with, who set higher standards," Mr. Earl said. "The marvelous thing is that they have maintained those standards through all the years, those 40 years since they



THEN AND NOW—Left, this view from the front porch of the Hulett C. Merritt mansion (now Ambassador Hall) in about 1910 was transformed into the stately grounds between Ambassador Hall and the west side of

started."

"I think God gave man rainbows to enjoy all the beautiful colors," Mr. Iamurri said. "After 40 years in Pasadena, I think Ambassador College is that rainbow, and I think when God looks down He sees the rainbow He wants."

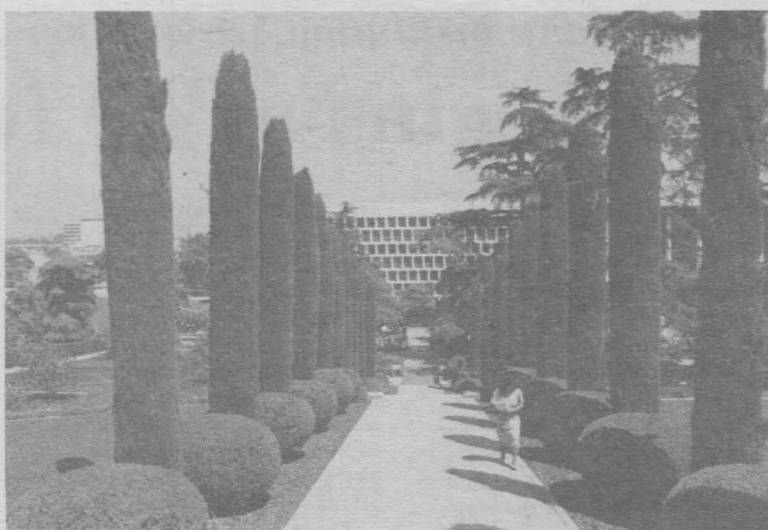
Ambassador College Day

From Mayor Bradley: "Whereas Ambassador College has demonstrated its commitment to developing the physical, mental and moral development of young people worldwide, and whereas Ambassador seeks to achieve excellence in academic discipline while providing an educational setting, in which to

further positive personality and character development, and whereas the college has . . . been nationally recognized as a place of culture and quality through several awards, and whereas the Pasadena campus . . . is celebrating its 40th anniversary on Aug. 28, 1987, now therefore, I, Tom Bradley, mayor of the city of Los Angeles, do hereby proclaim Aug. 28 to be Ambassador College Day, in honor of the service and continuing commitment of the college to the greater Los Angeles area."

Mr. Tkach then met privately in his office with civic and community leaders involved in the event.

"It was a nice opportunity for



the Hall of Administration. The fence, gate and pool are still intact today. [Left photo courtesy Pasadena Historical Society, right photo by Ronald Grove]

Mr. Tkach to get better acquainted with some of the leaders of the Greater Los Angeles area," said Michael Snyder, assistant director of Public Affairs.

'Feel at home'

"We watched the campus spring up," commented Harvey Christen, former director of quality assurance and reliability at Lockheed Aircraft Corp. "We know so many of your students, we sort of feel at home here."

John Goddard, explorer, anthropologist and lecturer from the Pasadena area who attended the event, told *The Worldwide News*: "There are no people on earth that I admire more than the officials of

the Church I've worked with through the years.

"I've often thought of a parallel to the scripture about leavening the whole lump, where the 5,000 graduates go out into the world with their high ideals, wonderful standards and strong moral codes and influence everyone around them with a ripple effect."

Mr. Goddard continued: "It's so refreshing to come on campus and see the wholesomeness, friendliness and warmth of the students and the faculty and see the self-respect they have, through applying their high ideals through daily living. That's the purest form of religion: practicing Christianity on a daily basis."

40 years

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of the founding of Ambassador "provided an opportunity to demonstrate to important community and business leaders what the college stands for, and to strengthen the public's perception of the link between the Worldwide Church of God, Ambassador College and the Ambassador Foundation," explained evangelist David Hulme, director of Communications & Public Affairs.

"A major element of our public affairs program is that we want our visitors and guests to understand up front that the college and the foundation reflect the beliefs of the Church," Mr. Hulme continued. "Without the Church, neither the college nor the foundation could exist in its present form."

Part of strengthening the public

link between the Church and its related organizations involved the construction of a new visitors center on the ground floor of the Hall of Administration. "The center gives our guests—of which more than 50,000 visit the campus each year—a better idea of who and what we are," Mr. Hulme explained.

Mr. Tkach approved the planning of the celebration in early March. While the actual anniversary date of the Pasadena campus is Oct. 8, it was decided to conduct the celebration at the beginning of the academic year.

After giving the final go-ahead in mid-June, the chancellor made several recommendations for the event and was "involved in planning right up to the last minute," Mr. Hulme said.

Mr. Hulme pointed out that many campus departments worked behind the scenes to complete arrangements for the event.

"We were asked several times by outside people: 'Who catered the luncheon?' When we told them it was our own campus Food Service operation, many were surprised. The Food Service staff prepared all sorts of extra items like ice

and cheese carvings that reflected the 40th anniversary themes and items that would be hard to duplicate with outside catering services. Their personal dedication and involvement was clearly evident to our guests."

As preparations unfolded, many community leaders expressed their support for the college and the Church. "Many told us, 'If you want someone to independently tell people about your organization, just let me know,'" Mr. Hulme said.

"As we talked to more people it was clear that people appreciated the many contributions the Church and college have made, but it was also interesting to see that many people didn't realize that the college had been in Pasadena for 40 years. Many thought the campus began in the late 1960s when many of the college buildings were constructed."

Private gathering

After the luncheon and ceremony in the Ambassador Auditorium, community officials and civic leaders participating in the event came up to Mr. Tkach's private office.

"To me that was one of the high

points," said Ellen Escat, administrative assistant to Mr. Tkach. "People from the community sat down and got to know Mr. Tkach, Mr. Hulme and others on a one-to-one basis."

"It was interesting to hear all of the stories that the contractors and developers told about working with Mr. [Herbert] Armstrong," said Joseph Tkach Jr., assistant director of Church Administration.

"Many of these people had worked together for years, but now some were retired or in different jobs and hadn't seen each other for a long time. They said that the event brought back old pleasant memories," Mr. Tkach Jr. said.

The long-term outcome of the event? "We have already received much positive feedback from those who attended," Mr. Hulme said. "The president of the local Rotary Club spent part of the Rotary meeting the next week talking about the contribution we make to the Greater Los Angeles area. Other public comments have been equally positive."

"As one vice president of an engineering firm remarked, this event was 'long overdue,'" he concluded.

Moncton

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neous translation.

"Even with the necessary translation from English to French, the content, the power and the significance of the message hit home," said Mr. Samson.

Before Mr. Tkach's address, "The Blessed Hope," composed by John W. Peterson, was performed by the Charlottetown, P.E.I., Festival chorale. Babe Stanley from Bangor, Maine, conducted.

After Mr. Tkach's sermon Mr. Warren presented Mr. Tkach with a scale model of the Canadian schooner *Bluenose* inscribed with "I will make you fishers of men."

The pastor general then called Canadian regional director Colin Adair to the stage and raised him in rank to evangelist (see article, page 1).

The regional director said Mr. Tkach's sermon "was the most powerful, moving and inspired sermon I have heard him give, and I have heard all of the sermons Mr.

Tkach has given in Canada."

"A number of brethren mentioned how pleased and happy they were that Mr. Tkach would share Mr. Adair's ordination with them," said Julie Stocker, an administrative assistant to evangelist David Hulme, director of Communications & Public Affairs, who traveled with Mr. Tkach.

After his sermon the pastor general shook hands with brethren. "Mr. Tkach's face always glows when he meets the brethren, especially the children," said Juli Rasmussen, wife of Michael Rasmussen, executive office aide.

That evening Mr. Tkach was host to a buffet in his room for about 45 ministers, deacons, deaconesses and spouses.

Sunday, Sept. 6, Mr. Tkach and his party ate brunch at L'Auberge Restaurant with area ministers and their wives.

The group boarded the G-III at 1:45 p.m. for the return flight home.

Traveling with the pastor general were Joseph Locke, his personal assistant; Ellen Escat, administrative

assistant to Mr. Tkach; Miss Stocker; Mr. Peoples and his wife, Linda; and Mr. and Mrs. Rasmussen.

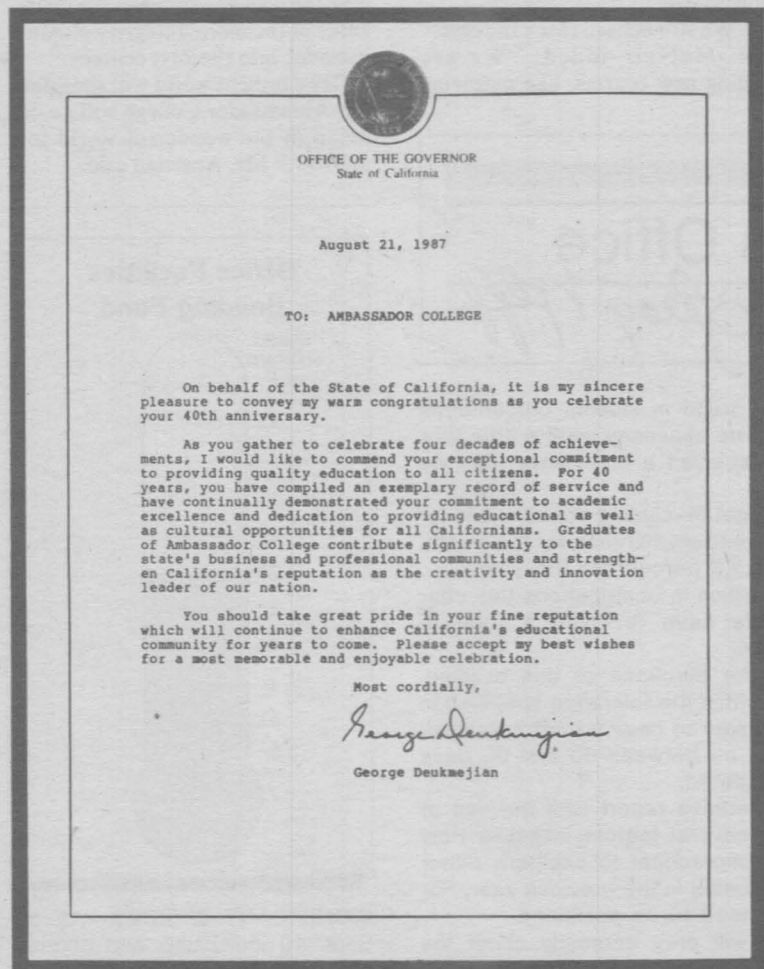
Captain Ken Hopke, co-captain Lawrence Dietrich, a local elder in the Long Beach, Calif., West church, and steward Jay Brothers served as Mr. Tkach's G-III crew.

"The warmth and enthusiasm of the smiling and cheering Maritime brethren who greeted Mr. Tkach upon his arrival in Moncton rivaled that of the SEP [Summer Educational Program] campers at the Orr [Minn.] airport," Miss Stocker said.

"Since I was the first pastor of the Moncton church, I was not only impressed by the spiritual growth of the people, but also how God has added to the congregations in these areas," said Mr. Peoples.

According to Kirby Farnan from Halifax, "I can see the desire of a man to build a family atmosphere and a tremendous servant who serves with zeal and is full of energy."

He added: "I see . . . a man who just wants to get done the job God has commissioned him to do."



PROCLAMATION FROM GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

Youths: Consider these options in pursuing higher education

By David Albert

Each year hundreds of students attending God's Church graduate from high school. A large majority apply to Ambassador College. About one third of those applying are accepted each year. What about those not accepted? Should they continue with their education elsewhere?

Dr. David Albert, a pastor-rank minister, is director of career counseling and a professor of psychology at Pasadena Ambassador College.

Some high school graduates do not apply to Ambassador College. They have interests and capabilities that lie outside the range and purpose of Ambassador College. What should they do with their lives?

Those are questions this article will answer. It gives those graduates not attending Ambassador a strategy for survival as they prepare to become responsible and educated adults seeking a prosperous and abundant life.

What are your options?

First, be aware of your options. Don't assume that you *must* seek additional, full-time academic schooling. A person might have skills, abilities and opportunities that are best honed by on-the-job training. This could be augmented with sporadic formal training in a specific field on an as-needed basis.

Contrary to what many believe, further academic training for everyone is not necessary. It all depends on your talents, your personality and your needs.

Another strategy is to work a year before going to college. It's a chance to more clearly define your career goals and also save some money toward your education while you get a feel for the real world of work.

A less expensive way to see if college is for you is to attend an area junior college. Perhaps arrangements can be made to go on a part-time basis combining this with an after-school job and living at home.

After two years, you may have a better idea as to whether you have the personality, interest and mental ability to go on to higher education.

Another possibility is to take advantage of state, county or city skills-training programs. In Southern California we have one titled the Regional Occupational Program. Or a person could go to a technical school that offers training such as in computer programming. It's important to check out the qualifications and training at such schools. Perhaps a junior college has a better program.

For some, a full four years of higher education and even graduate study leading to a career may be the proper step to take. *One important point:* Just because a high school graduate is not accepted for Ambassador College now does not necessarily mean he or she might not attend later, perhaps even after completing a course of study elsewhere.

Thinking things through

While higher education can bring great benefits, it can also be a mine field. Frankly, today there are so many choices that it's easy to spend time aimlessly learning for the sake of learning.

We should all be aware that education is big business. A university, a college, a trade school is a business. It is in the business of getting students to fill desks. The prospective student has to be wise as a serpent before spending years of his or her life simply "studying."

For example, a bachelor's degree

in psychology or philosophy may prove to be virtually worthless in terms of a direct connection to a job in that field. (Of course, it may have some indirect value.) On the other hand, a course of study in systems analysis, business administration, accounting or nursing will directly lead to gainful employment.

Whatever you do in your education, here are some things to consider:

- **Get wise counsel.** Discuss your future with the guidance counselor at school. He or she is paid to help students with their educational objectives. Talk to your parents and minister about your ideas. It's good to begin serious planning about your post-high school objectives at the beginning of your junior year.

- **Define your occupational objectives.** What is it you want to do? There comes a point where you must make a choice even if you're not sure it's the right one. (Is anyone ever really completely sure?)

Some clues about correct moves can come from personality and occupational testing as well as discussions with guidance counselors, parents and others. Simply put, you've got to have a goal in mind.

- **Consider your academic and intellectual resources.** We are not equal in our ability to do schoolwork—which is what it takes to succeed in a career that demands years of study in a doctoral program. You may prefer physical rather than mental challenges and a trade rather than a career. That's your choice, and there's no particular right or wrong about it.

There's nothing written in stone that says a person must sit an additional four years in a classroom after sitting down for a previous 12 years to gain a high school diploma. It's usually true that the more formal education a person has the more likelihood there is of finding employment and also of achieving higher income. But that may have more to do with certain abilities and personal initiative than with simply absorbing more information.

- **Analyze your financial resources.** Private colleges are astro-

nomically expensive. But any education at the university level will cost many thousands of dollars. How will you get enough money to support yourself and pay for your education of four, six or eight years?

Can your parents help? What about scholarships? Can you earn money working part-time and during summers? What about loans and government aid to students?

- **Be prepared to make a commitment.** Your first one may not be a lifetime commitment. Career choices can change. But at some point you must make a commitment to a trade, a course of study or a career.

Only you can make that choice. Once you make it be prepared to do everything necessary (within God's law) to guarantee success for yourself. Sticking to something is one of the laws of success.

The mine field

Whatever education you want is available to you in most nations of the Western world. To get that education anyone committed to being a Christian must run the mine field we mentioned earlier. And it's easy to get blown away.

One destructive mine is labeled

"bad ideas." If you go to a college or university you have to know how to walk around the danger points.

A Christian is in the world but he's not of the world. Christ made that plain in John 17. In that sense you can be *in* the university but you can't be *of* the university. We're referring to those ideas that are not God's ideas.

Read Romans 1:18-32 and I Corinthians 1:19-2:16 to see what God thinks of the world's educated and how their viewpoint is contrary to God's.

This doesn't mean you can't learn much that is practical and culturally useful. But you must mentally sift through what you learn and be able to tell the difference. Here are some of the things to watch out for.

- **Unbridled careerism and materialism.** We've all heard of the "Yuppie" (young urban professional) generation. These are the young upward mobiles who sacrifice their lives to money, career and investment portfolio. Those who have the biggest collection of adult toys in this group are declared the winners. But they really are losers in terms of the true values of life.

This "more attitude" will naturally pervade certain parts of the university or business school. The true Christian must keep his or her bearings and not get sucked up in this thinking. The principle is true that the Christian is a stranger and pilgrim on this earth.

- **Misguided feminist attitudes.** Today males and females are confused about their roles in life and what is really important. The college campus is an important seed bed in which such wrong ideas germinate. It's easy to pick up these attitudes without even being aware of having done so.

The male and female models the Bible gives us certainly are not the ones taught in the typical university environment. The emphasis is on careers and independence for both men and women. Homemaking, child bearing and child rearing—the family—will generally be discouraged.

- **Human-centered thinking.** Ed-



apostle Paul put it, you'd have to leave this earth.

What James meant is that you can't be in thick with others—doing what they're doing in the way they're doing it. You can't have the advantages of being one of God's children and jump in with both feet into the social life of the university—or wherever you are.

Those of you who have attended another college or even high school know the pitfalls. Everyone has the same teachers, the same classes, the same tests and schedules. Many of the people you meet you'll like. They'll like you. "Hey, let's get together," they'll say.

They'll want to date you and include you in their Friday and Saturday night parties. Maybe they'll want you to pledge the sorority or fraternity house. But we all know what can happen at those parties.

It can all start innocently. What's wrong with going down to a local tavern, having a beer and blowing off some steam? Maybe nothing in itself. But it's the precedent that's set and the progression that starts. It's like holding two unexploded mines and tripping over a rock. You're on the verge of being blown up.

There's a reason why God says not to be unequally yoked together with unbelievers (II Corinthians 6:14-15). You can't change them for the better but they just might change you for the worse. So what is a person to do who wants to get an education and remain a true Christian?

A strategy for survival

In the final part of this article, I'm going to outline a seven part strategy for survival. You can apply

this wherever you are—boarding at a university, living at home and attending a two-year college or working and taking technical courses.

- **Study God's ideas of life.** This is a broad principle that includes some of the ones following. You can't combat Satan's ideas with a mental vacuum; you have to do it with God's mind and His wisdom.

You need daily instruction in God's education as you educate yourself culturally or technically. David said he was wiser than all his teachers because he studied God's law. Read Psalm 119, especially verse 99.

- **Don't neglect assembling with God's people.** Be sure to attend Sabbath services, Bible studies and Holy Day services. Conflicts between classes and the Feast of Tabernacles in the fall semester or quarter may come up. You might have to make some tough choices.

Just remember one thing. If a showdown comes don't sell your soul (as the song goes) to the company store (college or university). It would be better to drop the whole thing and walk away than to stay and lose your spiritual life. Compromise is out, if you want to remain true to your beliefs.

Such a scenario, of course, would be an extreme case. Virtually all such conflicts can be resolved much, much easier.

- **Have your social life with God's people.** The Church's recommendation would generally be against living on campus, though there would obviously be exceptions. A much better solution is to either live at home or if possible with Church members. An apartment by yourself might be another alternative. Certainly a Christian would never consider fraternity or sorority house living.

What about dating? The Church strenuously recommends that you do not date outside the Church. Not even once. Set that as an ironclad rule. Rather, actively be involved within the Church and date within the church.

- **Get in and get out.** By this we mean get whatever education you need and then move on with your life. Be businesslike about your education. You're not in school for a party; you're attending classes to learn a skill. Be involved with your subject matter and not the campus social scene.

- **Attend church social functions.** Stay rooted and grounded in the Church. Have an active social life but within the Church. You'll be busy with studies and perhaps a part-time job. But don't become an academic hermit. Depending on your time and needs attend church socials, picnics and perhaps Spokesman Club activities.

- **Keep in regular touch with the ministry.** Let your minister know how your life is going. If problems or questions come up, don't hesitate to ask for counsel. As well, keep in touch with your parents and actively seek their help.

Live in the Church; be in the Church; survive in the Church. The Church is our spiritual womb. Outside of that womb we can be aborted or miscarried. Inside we're nourished and protected.

- **Determine to stay close to God on a daily basis.** In James 1:27 Christians are told to stay unspotted from the world. That will always be a consideration, particularly if you're away at a university.

Keep your relationship with God at a peak level through daily prayer, regular Bible study and fasting as necessary. Remember that humanly speaking we are no different from all the other people we will meet in college. Our physical or fleshly minds are just like theirs.

Only one thing will make the difference. That is God's mind within us and the knowledge of the true way of life. That difference has to be maintained like a beautiful flower bed. It has to be kept beautiful by contact with God through prayer and study.

This article gives you the strategy for true success in whatever decision you make about further education. It's up to you now. Consider your options and make your choice. Then go to work to achieve what you set out to do.

While you're doing so remember to keep yourself unspotted from the world and close to the one who can make all the difference—the Creator God.

Attention teenagers: Whether or not you are planning for college, be sure to read this important article.

ucation by and large teaches what *man can do* to solve his own and the world's problems. People who think like this live their lives as if God didn't exist—even while they say they believe in His existence.

That's what intellectual vanity is all about—it's "me-ism." God has much to say about the haughtiness of man. That simply means man is proud. Man thinks he knows the right way. At no age in history has this attitude been more prevalent than our own.

- **Evolutionary bias.** Probably no one who understands about God as Creator would be fooled by evolution as a doctrine. But the idea of evolution pervades and colors virtually everything that is taught. Evolution is an attitude toward everything and a kind of framework that excludes God from man's activities and thoughts.

College social life

Another lethal mine field to tip-toe around, particularly if you live on campus, is the typical campus social life.

In James 4:4 we read that if you're a friend of the world you are an enemy of God. Now, that doesn't mean you can't *carefully* associate with the world. Otherwise, as the

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHS

ACQUISTO, Joseph and Roslyn (Ramos), of Providence, R.I., boy, Anthony Joseph, July 10, 8:51 p.m., 7 pounds 4 ounces, first child.

BANACK, Adam Jr. and Deborah (Chrobocinski), of Union, N.J., boy, Stephen Edward, June 28, 5:55 a.m., 8 pounds 14 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

BARNES, Wayne and Susan (Warland), of Brisbane, Australia, girl, Tegan Cherise, Aug. 8, 1:45 p.m., 9 pounds 6 ounces, now 2 girls.

BOYLE, Morgan and Radee (Byerly), of Fort Wayne, Ind., boy, Todd Jay, June 6, 3:41 a.m., 6 pounds 2 1/2 ounces, first child.

BROWN, Marcus and Carole (Funk), of Garden Grove, Calif., boy, Nathaniel Marc, June 22, 9:35 a.m., 9 pounds 2 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

CATHRO, Don and Teri (Koutecky), of Winnipeg, Man., girl, Camille Lanae, Aug. 11, 3:39 a.m., 7 pounds 8 ounces, now 2 girls.

CHILDERS, Wayne and Naomi (Reed), of Palmer, Alaska, girl, Rebecca Leanne, Aug. 11, 7 pounds 7 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

CHRISTOPHERSEN, Palle and Gerda (Zonneveld), of Aarhus, Denmark, girl, Vanessa Salome, May 15, 3:31 kilograms, now 3 girls.

CRITTENDEN, Larry and Bobbi (Rousell), of Saskatoon, Sask., girl, Jaezila Rae, June 6, 11:51 p.m., 8 pounds 5 ounces, first child.

CURLING, Desmond and Gillian (Taylor), of Nassau, Bahamas, girl, Heather Therese, June 26, 7 pounds 10 1/2 ounces, now 2 boys, 2 girls.

DANCE, Allen and Pam (Kelley), of Pasadena, boy, Philip Mark, July 6, 5:26 p.m., 9 pounds 11 ounces, now 3 boys.

DICK, Norm and Melodie (White), of Dayton, Ohio, girl, Lauren Elizabeth, July 26, 10:07 p.m., 7 pounds 1/2 ounce, first child.

DIEKMEIER, Glenn and Eva (Prater), of Waukesha, Wis., boy, Michael Glenn, March 16, 6:09 p.m., 7 pounds 8 ounces, now 2 boys.

DOOLEY, David and Kelly, of San Jose, Calif., girl, Elise Carol Petala, Aug. 16, 8 pounds 2 ounces, now 3 girls.

GRABY, Charles and Linda (Hollefelder), of Harrisburg, Pa., boy, Brandon James, July 16, 4:15 a.m., 9 pounds, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

INGRAM, Paul and Charlotte (Rice), of Montgomery, Ala., boy, Jonathan Cody, Aug. 9, 3:06 a.m., 8 pounds 7 ounces, first child.

KYTZIA, Peter and Silvia (Weber), of Stuttgart, West Germany, boy, Stephan Simon, July 2, 6:04 p.m., 7 pounds 7 ounces, first child.

LECKIE, Daryl and Karen (Epps), of Peterborough, Ont., boy, Jared Stephen, July 28, 1:24 p.m., 8 pounds 1 ounce, now 2 boys, 2 girls.

LeMAR, Timothy and Rosemary (Alcocker), of Aberdeen, Scotland, girl, Courtney Marie, Aug. 10, 12:22 p.m., 4 pounds 14 1/2 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

LINKOUS, Douglas and Dorothy (Braswell), of Kingsport, Tenn., twin boys, Zachary Mark and Andrew Douglas, May 25, 6:08 and 7:51 a.m., 5 pounds 14 1/2 ounces and 5 pounds 15 ounces, first children.

LIPPOLD, Bill and Karen (Kolnaki), of Buffalo, N.Y., girl, Carlene Rose, Aug. 12, 12:42 a.m., 7 pounds 7 ounces, now 2 boys, 2 girls.

MARTIN, Todd and Kim (Brooks), of Halifax, N.S., boy, Geoffrey Todd Forrest, June 17, 4:06 p.m., 8 pounds 6 ounces, first child.

McNAIR, Bruce D. and Judith (Laney), of Houston, Tex., girl, Rebecca Lynn, May 7, 9:45 p.m., 6 pounds 12 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

MOSLEY, Mack and Linda (Jones), of Lexington, Ky., boy, Samuel David, July 1, 10:10 p.m., 8 pounds 9 ounces, first child.

MURRAY, Keith and Kathy (Pittman), of Big Sandy, boy, Kerry Glenn, Aug. 8, 10:25 p.m., 7 pounds 10 ounces, now 2 boys.

NAIDOO, Colin and Meena (Govender), of Durban, South Africa, boy, Darris Nash, July 8, 1:15 p.m., 7 pounds 6 ounces, now 2 boys.

NEW, Scyrell and Linda (McGee), of Little Rock, Ark., girl, Jenny Marie, June 1, 3:16 a.m., 7 pounds 14 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

PITCHER, Louie and Karen (Schwartz), of Prince George, B.C., boy, Craig Louis James, July 16, 3:10 a.m., 8 pounds 6 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

POIRIER, Remi and Karen (Johnson), of Moncton, N.B., girl, Sarah Blythe, July 28, 2:35 p.m., 8 pounds 11 ounces, now 2 boys, 2 girls.

REID, Neil and Debbie (Wyatt), of Eskdale, Australia, boy, Logan Lee, July 23, 1:37 p.m., 7 pounds 14 1/2 ounces, first child.

RIDEOUT, Danny and Joyce (Panney), of St. John's, Nfld., girl, Laurie Elizabeth, July 25, 6:18 p.m., 8 pounds 2 1/2 ounces, now 2 girls.

ROEMHILD, Terry and Vicki (Hendrix), of Greenville, S.C., girl, Meagan Rebecca, July 21, 8:09 p.m., 8 pounds 13 ounces, now 1 boy, 4 girls.

SIMCOKE, Robert Jr. and Caroline (Wetzel), of St. Louis, Mo., boy, Robert Roy, Aug. 2, 6:09 a.m., 6 pounds 10 ounces, first child.

SINNER, John and Teresa (Koning), of San Diego, Calif., boy, Jeremy Wade, July 14, 9:22 a.m., 8 pounds 7 ounces, now 2 boys.

STEELE, Randy and Diane (Lopez), of Indianapolis, Ind., boy, Erid Austin, April 20, 3:22 a.m., 9 pounds 14 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

THOMPSON, Michael and Belinda (Allred), of Port St. Lucie, Fla., boy, Robert Roy, June 30, 9 pounds 12 1/2 ounces, now 2 boys.

TURNER, Martin and Paula (Bifulco), of Melbourne, Australia, girl, Tara Marie, July 26, 7 p.m., 7 pounds 13 ounces, first child.

VICE, Robby and Carolyn, of Collinsville,

Okla., boy, Larry Allen, Aug. 4, 1:35 p.m., 5 pounds 14 ounces, first child.

VILLERS, Mark and Barbara (Maver), of Coos Bay, Ore., girl, Amy Gloria, Aug. 20, 3 a.m., 8 pounds, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

WILLHOITE, Terry and Linda (Palacios), of Renton, Wash., girl, Angela Marie, Aug. 7, 9:27 a.m., 8 pounds 9 ounces, first child.

WRIGHT, Daniel and Harriet (Watkins), of Miami, Fla., girl, Jennifer Jeannette, June 16, 8:38 a.m., 7 pounds 7 ounces, now 2 girls.

ENGAGEMENTS

Laurence Mason of Victoria, B.C., would like to announce the engagement of his daughter, Pamela, to Roy Ostensen of Borehamwood, England. A Nov. 22 wedding in Copenhagen, Denmark, is planned.

WEDDINGS



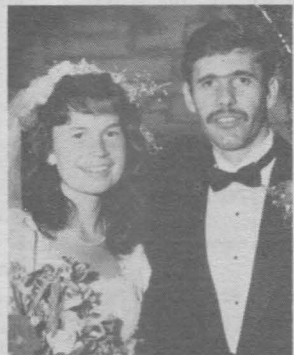
MR. AND MRS. MA MING TAK

Ma Ming Tak of Hong Kong and Mary Ong of Malaysia were united in marriage Aug. 18 in Hong Kong. The ceremony was performed by Colin Kelly, pastor of the Bombay, India, church. The couple reside in Hong Kong.



MR. AND MRS. THOMAS IVICEVIC

Deanna Leslie Schow, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester O. Schow of Port Orchard, Wash., and Thomas Paul Ivicovic, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ivicovic of San Diego, Calif., were united in marriage May 17 in Bremerton, Wash. The ceremony was performed by Richard Parker, pastor of the Bremerton and Auburn, Wash., churches. Kimberley Joe was matron of honor, and Eric Shoquist was best man. The couple reside in Pasadena.



MR. AND MRS. RANDY ROBERTS

Dr. and Mrs. Kenton Dely of Toledo, Ohio, are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter, Connie, to Randy Roberts, son of Eleanor Roberts and Lael Roberts of Big Sandy. The ceremony was performed May 24 by Charles Holladay, brother-in-law of the bride and associate pastor of the Washington, D.C., and Front Royal, Va., churches. Sarah Segers was the maid of honor, and Martin Yale was the best man. The couple reside in Big Sandy, where the groom is a sophomore at Ambassador College.



MR. AND MRS. J. BROADNAX

Jeffrey Broadnax, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl L. Broadnax of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Karen Lynette Hunter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Hunter of Browns Mills, N.J., were united in marriage May 25 on the Pasadena Ambassador College campus. The ceremony was performed by John Halford, a pastor-rank minister and associate producer of the World Tomorrow telecast. Aretha Green was maid of honor, and the groom's father was best man. The couple reside in Pasadena.



MR. AND MRS. CHRIS SEARS

Tanya Nichol Britton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Britton of Giddings, Tex., and Chris Wayne Sears, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Burns of Round Rock, Tex., were united in marriage March 15. The ceremony was performed by John Ogwyn, pastor of the Baton Rouge and Lafayette, La., churches. Lisa Britton, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Steve Garzillo was best man. The couple reside in Houston, Tex.



MR. AND MRS. THOMAS TOMAN

Janet Ann Bauer and Thomas Patrick Toman were united in marriage July 26 in Denver, Colo. The ceremony was performed by Douglas Horchak, pastor of the Denver East and West churches. Karen Hicks was maid of honor, and Randy Martens was best man. The couple reside in Denver.



MR. AND MRS. GARY TSCHETTER

Mr. and Mrs. Duane Giles of Palestine, Tex., are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter Laura Danette to Gary Tschetter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Tschetter of Winnipeg, Man. The ceremony was performed May 31 on the Big Sandy Ambassador College campus. Richard Thompson, a pastor-rank minister and dean of students, officiated. Jake Tschetter was best man, and Mindy Bell was maid of honor. The couple reside in Winnipeg.



MR. AND MRS. LANCE SHAW

Cheryl Lynn Lamore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Aime Lamore of Montpelier, Vt., and Lance Thomas Shaw were united in marriage May 10 in Pasadena. The ceremony was performed by Fred Stevens, a local elder in the Pasadena Auditorium A.M. church. Carmela Bostwick, sister of the bride, was matron of honor, and Thomas Ivicovic was best man. The couple reside in Pasadena.



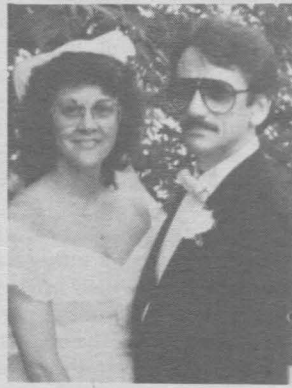
MR. AND MRS. JAMES BEIDELMAN

Rebecca Kolb and James H. Beidelman were united in marriage June 13 at the home of the bride's parents. The ceremony was performed by Roy Holladay, pastor of the Bethlehem and Wilkes-Barre, Pa., churches. Tim and Terry Benner were best man and matron of honor. The couple reside in Germansville, Pa.



MR. AND MRS. PAUL GARZILLO

Roslyn Rizzuto, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Salvatore Rizzuto of Bally, Pa., and Paul Garzillo, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marcello Garzillo of Readington, N.J., were united in marriage May 31 by Roy Holladay, pastor of the Bethlehem and Wilkes-Barre, Pa., churches. Charlotte Rupell, sister of the bride, was matron of honor, and Steven Garzillo was best man. The couple reside in Flemington, N.J.



MR. AND MRS. BARRY DORSHIMER

Janet Sharon Vogel and Barry Lee Dorshimer were united in marriage June 21. Roy Holladay, pastor of the Bethlehem and Wilkes-Barre, Pa., churches, performed the ceremony. Otto Hilger was best man, and Debra Pidstawski was matron of honor. The couple reside in Catasauqua, Pa.



MR. AND MRS. CRAIG MILLS

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin N. Marrs joyously announce the marriage of their daughter Deborah Lynn to C. Craig Mills. The ceremony was performed in New Orleans, La., May 24 by Edwin Marrs, father of the bride and associate pastor of the San Diego, Calif., and Yuma, Ariz., churches. Dennis Mills, father of the groom, was best man, and Charita Shakesnider was maid of honor. The couple reside in Santa Ana, Calif.



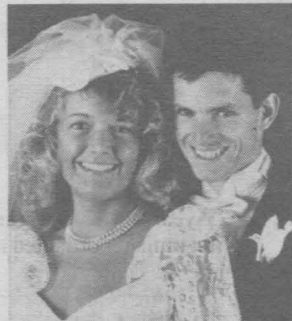
MR. AND MRS. VERNON ROWE

Susan Harms, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Reinhard Harms, and Vernon Curtis Rowe were united in marriage June 28. Jack Kost, pastor of the Digby, Halifax and Sydney, N.S., churches, performed the ceremony. The couple reside in Eilershouse, N.S.



MR. AND MRS. CURTIS NELSON

Theresa Elizabeth Boedeker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Boedeker of Olympia, Wash., and Curtis James Nelson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Nelson of Oakville, Wash., were united in marriage May 24 in Olympia. The ceremony was performed by Paul Shumway, associate pastor of the Olympia and Tacoma, Wash., churches. Bliss Boedeker, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Craig Nelson, brother of the groom, was best man. The couple reside in Seattle, Wash.



MR. AND MRS. THOMAS REED

Bonne Renee Barfield, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Barfield of Logansport, La., and Thomas Landon Reed, son of Mr. and Mrs. O.J. Reed of Lockesburg, Ark., were united in marriage June 28 in Big Sandy. The ceremony was performed by the bride's father, a minister in the Shreveport, La., P.M. church. Brenda Barfield, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and the groom's father was best man. The couple, both graduates of Big Sandy Ambassador College, reside in Big Sandy.



MR. AND MRS. RONALD MANNING

Susan Catherine Wilkie, daughter of Bill and Mary Wilkie of Surrey, B.C., and Ronald Manning, son of Keith and Kristin Manning of Point Roberts, Wash., were united in marriage June 28 in Vancouver, B.C. The ceremony was performed by Thomas Eckler, pastor of the Vancouver church. The bride's sister Fiona Graham was matron of honor, and Geoff Manning, brother of the groom, was best man. The couple reside in Surrey.



MR. AND MRS. TODD CAREY

Gloria Jean Simmons, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Simmons of New Bern, N.C., and Todd O'Brien Carey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Carey of Berryville, Va., were united in marriage May 24 in Berryville. The ceremony was performed by Stephen Elliott, now pastor of the Bowling Green, Ky., and Clarksville, Tenn., churches. Angela Simmons, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Charles Carey Jr., brother of the groom, was best man. The couple reside in Winchester, Va.



MR. AND MRS. CARL OAKLEAF

Carl E. Oakleaf and Tana L. Cochran were united in marriage April 20 in Cottonwood, Ariz. The ceremony was performed by Walter Neufeld, pastor of the Prescott and Verde Valley, Ariz., churches. The couple reside in Prescott Valley, Ariz.



MR. AND MRS. KELVEY PEARSON

Leone Te, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mario Te of Perth, Australia, and Kelvey Pearson, son of K.C. Pearson of Takone, Australia, were united in marriage July 19 in Perth. The ceremony was performed by Lloyd Longley, associate pastor of the Perth and Bunbury, Australia, churches. Jeanette Pearson was matron of honor, and Graeme Lyon was best man. The couple reside in Perth.

ANNIVERSARIES

Petrus and Magdeline Senamela celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary July 29. Their children, David, Leah, Ruth, Naomi, Pam, Edith, Dell and Leslie, and their grandson, Giftso, gave the Senamelas a surprise dinner July 31. The couple attend the Soweto, South Africa, church.



MR. AND MRS. REES ELLIS

Rees and Isabel Ellis were honored Aug. 1 with a cake and card in recognition of their 30th wedding anniversary. Mrs. Ellis attends the Whangarei, New Zealand, church. The Ellises have four children, Rees Jr., Graeme, Susan and Janine.

ANNIVERSARIES MADE OF GOLD



MR. AND MRS. OSCAR JACKSON

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Jackson of Long Island, N.Y., celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary June 3. The Jacksons were baptized in 1975 with their daughter Diana. They also have two sons, 13 grandchildren and one great-grandson. The Jacksons attend the Queens, N.Y., church.

Mr. and Mrs. I.J. Webb celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Aug. 11. The Webbs have six children, 10 grandchildren and two great-grandsons. Mr. Webb has been a Church member for 10 years.

OBITUARIES

WHITE, Gwen, 84, of Gold Coast, Australia, died July 22 after a 15-month illness. She has been a Church member since 1969. Mrs. White is survived by her husband, Albert. Funeral services were conducted by Rodney King, pastor of the Gold Coast church.



CHARLES A. ZUZGO

ZUZGO, Charles A., 24, of Longmeadow, Mass., died July 29 in a head-on collision with a truck. Mr. Zuzgo is survived by his parents, Edward and Sharon Zuzgo; three sisters, Tiara, Susan and Tobie; two brothers, Dean and Charles W.H.; a grandmother, Esther Provencher; and many aunts, uncles and cousins. Funeral services were conducted by Lyle Welty, pastor of the Springfield, Mass., and Albany, N.Y., churches.

SIMPSON, Irene, 75, of Belle, Mo., died July 26 after a long illness. She has been a Church member for 19 years. Mrs. Simpson is survived by two sons, one daughter, two brothers, two sisters, 10 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted by Randall Millich, pastor of the Columbia, Mo., church.

BRISTER, Earl Stephen Sr., 70, of Pineville, La., died July 31 of cancer. He has been a Church member since 1970. Mr. Brister is survived by his wife, Ruby; two daughters, Kathryn Phillips and Dorothy; one son, Earl Stephen Jr.; two sisters, Mary Mabrough and Vevian Arrington; one brother, Roy; nine grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. George Pinckney, pastor of the Monroe and Alexandria, La., and Natchez, Miss., churches, and Harold Richards, assistant pastor of the three churches, conducted funeral services.

TEMLONUEVO, Jose C., 61, of Bato, Philippines, died Aug. 1 after a brief illness. He has been a Church member since 1982. Mr. Temlonuevo is survived by his wife, Librada, also a Church member; two sons, Rudy and Rolie; four daughters, Edna, Elsie, Eva and Belma; two brothers; one sister; and eight grandchildren. George Escara, pastor of the Legazpi and Sorsogon, Philippines, churches, conducted funeral services.

ARNESON, Clarence, 103, of Spokane, Wash., died July 15. He was baptized in 1985. Mr. Arneson is survived by four nieces, Mary Kautz, Margaret Pullman, Ruth Olson and Peggy Banta; one nephew, Richard Arneson; and numerous great-nieces and nephews.

PARK, Chester Roy, 78, of Nampa, Idaho, died July 20. He was baptized in 1964. Mr. Park is survived by three sons, Chester A. Dan and Douglas; two daughters, Kathryn Holt and Deloras Stevens; one sister, Cora Nelson; 12 grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews. Funeral services were conducted by Rex Sexton, associate pastor of the Spokane, Wash., and Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, churches.

ROE, Mary Withy, 80, of Warburton, Australia, died May 25 of a heart attack. She has been a Church member since 1962. Funeral services were conducted by William Bradford, pastor of the Melbourne, Australia, East and South churches.

ACCENT ON THE LOCAL CHURCH

Region celebrates silver anniversary

A two-day celebration marking the 25th anniversary of the Church in the Philippines took place in Manila, Philippines, Aug. 1 and 2.

Brethren from the Manila, Quezon City, Marikina, San Pedro, Imus and Malolos, Philippines, churches combined for Sabbath services Aug. 1. Rodney Matthews, regional director, gave the sermon.

Mr. Matthews presented Pedro Ortiguero, pastor of the Urdaneta, Philippines, church, and his wife, Rosalia, with a plaque in appreciation for their service during the past

25 years. Mr. Ortiguero was the first minister ordained in the Philippines in 1963.

Jeremiah Ortiguero, pastor of the Baguio, Philippines, church, and his wife, Gloria, and Benjamin Ortiguero and his wife, Teresita, also received plaques for their contributions as pioneer employees when the Philippine Office was established by evangelist Gerald Waterhouse in 1962.

Aug. 2 the celebration continued with sports activities and viewing the 1986 Festival film, *Behind the Work—A New Chapter*. A group of performers from the Manila area

churches presented a program of songs and dances.

The Santa Rosa and Fairfield, Calif., churches joined San Francisco, Calif., area Filipino brethren Aug. 8 in commemorating the 25th anniversary of the Church in the Philippines.

The sermon and sermonette included the role of Filipinos in the Church now, in the future and in the world tomorrow. Filipino brethren provided special Sabbath music, and after services brethren ate snacks, which featured native delicacies from the Philippines.

Philippine handicrafts, books and pictures were displayed.

Eleazar Flores and Alex Estebat.



25 YEARS OF SERVICE—Pedro Ortiguero and his wife, Rosalia, stand with a Volkswagen purchased by evangelist Gerald Waterhouse when he arrived in the Philippines in July, 1962. The car is now owned by a Church member and is still in use. [Photo by Dionisio Catchillar]

Philippine Church History

1957—*The World Tomorrow* is broadcast from Manila.

1962—Advertising begins in the *Philippines Free Press* (many members came into the Church through this means); evangelist Gerald Waterhouse establishes an office in the Philippines.

1963—Pedro Ortiguero is ordained as the first Filipino local elder during a ministerial conference in Pasadena; Guy Ames, then a senior at Pasadena Ambassador College, is sent to manage the Manila Office in place of Mr. Waterhouse; Bernardo Boado becomes the first Filipino to be baptized because of God's work there.

1965—Arthur Docken becomes director of the Manila Office; the first official church is raised up in Manila and the first Feast of Tabernacles is observed there.

1968—Mr. Ames returns with his family to Manila to work with Mr. Docken.

1970—Colin Adair becomes director of the Philippine Office; Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong visits Manila for the first time.

1974—Mr. Armstrong conducts a campaign in Quezon City.

1981—Mr. Ames returns to direct the Manila Office; full-time ministers and their wives attend the Ministerial Refreshing Program in Pasadena.

1982-83—Two ministers, Reynaldo Taniajura and the late Mario Dulguime, study at Pasadena Ambassador College.

1983—Mr. Armstrong makes his last visit to Manila and addresses more than 3,000 Church members and *Plain Truth* readers.

1985—Evangelist Dean Blackwell conducts a nine-month Ministerial Education Program for 22 ministers and 12 trainees at the Teacher's Camp in Baguio. Nine are ordained as local elders, four as preaching elders and the first four Filipinos as pastor-rank ministers (Pedro Ortiguero, Jose Raduban, Edmond Macaraeg and Pedro Melendez.)

1987—Rodney Matthews becomes regional director.

Australian players keep in touch

More than 300 players and spectators took part in the first Sydney, Australia, touch football tournament Aug. 2. More than 200 players were divided into 24 men's, women's

and Youth Educational Services (YES)-age teams. The teams were from Sydney and churches in the surrounding area. One team came from Gold Coast, Australia.

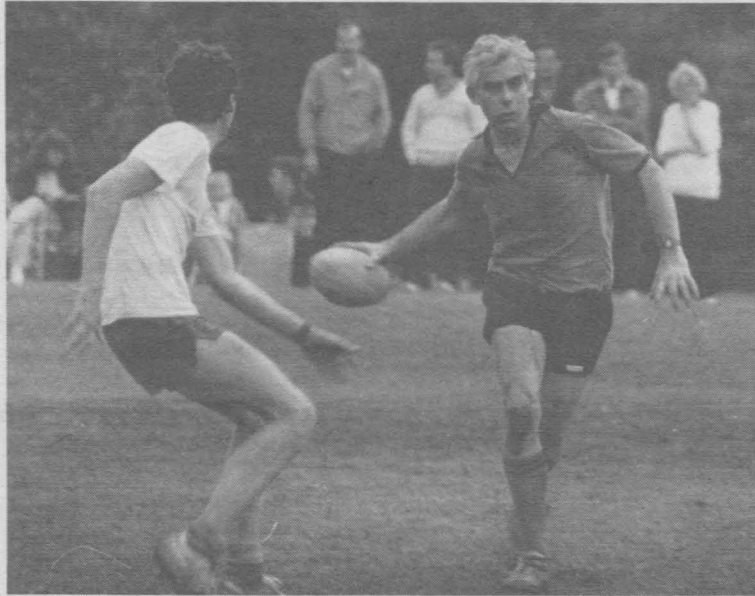
"Touch football is to rugby football what flag football is to American football," said John McLean, associate pastor of the Sydney North church. "It is now a game of finesse."

"As opposed to a game of brute force," added Terence Villiers, pastor of the Sydney North church.

The Sydney North teams placed first in the men's and women's divisions. The Sydney South YES-age team also took first place.

Preparations for the tournament began months before the event and included organizational meetings and a Bible study conducted by Mr. McLean. In the study Mr. McLean covered 12 character traits and values developed in playing sports properly. These points were from a Ministerial Refreshing Program lecture.

Murray Morrison, a member who attends the Sydney North church, organized much of the event. "The games were played in a good attitude; the backup team was excellent, with everyone willing to pitch in and help," he said. *David Hefferman.*



TOUCH TOURNAMENT—Australian men participate in a touch football tournament Aug. 2 in Sydney, Australia.

PERSONAL

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are pleasing to God. Surely they are true, faithful servants of God."

But brethren, is the amount and quality of our work what God is most concerned about? Notice what the apostle Paul said in I Corinthians 13:3: "And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing."

It is possible (and many have done it) to devote great time and energy to "doing the Work" or to "serving," while allowing one's own spiritual growth to be greatly neglected.

God has called us to become one with Him. We are to take on His nature, His way of thinking and being. We are to become like Him through and through. The only way that can be accomplished is through the process of *repentance!* And repentance means *change*.

The hardest thing for a human being to do is change! It is hard to change our habits and it is hard to change our ideas. Consequently, some can let the Work itself provide them with a convenient way to *escape* from change.

It is so easy to deceive ourselves into *thinking* we are growing spiritually and overcom-

ing our sinful nature (or to become *distracted* from doing so) by looking at the visible works we are accomplishing and assuming all is well. We all understand that salvation is a gift from God, that it is not earned by works. Yet, if we are not careful, we can adopt a concept of "salvation by doing the Work."

Is it possible to be wholeheartedly "doing the Work," yet not be growing spiritually nor overcoming at all? It certainly is. In many ways, it is a matter of priorities. Where do your priorities lie?

Some people place priority on those things that they can see, or that others can see. That is why they may place primary importance upon visible acts of service and upon doing a good job. Of course, doing a good job is important. God would certainly want us to do that. Service is important. God wants us to do that, too.

But, brethren, that hard work and that service must come from a heart, mind and attitude that is truly *overcoming and submitting to God's will* in order for it to be of any real value!

A Christian's *priority* must be upon *change!* We must be willing to acknowledge our sins, faults, weaknesses and problems and put *effort* into overcoming them. But we cannot do that without God.

It takes diligent contact with

Him through prayer to remain in the humble spirit and attitude that is necessary for overcoming.

It takes diligent study of His Word to keep our minds focused upon the shortcomings in our attitudes and actions that need to be overcome. It takes occasional fasting to underscore our need for God and our commitment to submitting our whole beings to Him.

Yet, it is these areas, which often are *not readily visible*, that are too often neglected. That tragic neglect results in a *stifling* of one's ability to overcome and to grow spiritually. And, we should realize, it is even possible to pray, study and fast for *all the wrong reasons!*

Some people pray, study and fast merely to seem spiritual or righteous to themselves or to others—not, as Isaiah wrote, "to loose the bands of wickedness, to let the oppressed go free, and that ye break every yoke" (Isaiah 58:6).

The spiritual growth that God wants to give us *does* result in the bands of wickedness being loosed, not only for His called, begotten children now, but one day *through* us—after the return of Jesus Christ—for all humanity!

What is the value, then, of pouring all one's efforts into one's job for the Church, or really sacrificing for the newsstand

program or never missing a club meeting or an activity—while one's marriage is falling apart? Of what value is your service to others, your visiting the sick, your making clothes for those in need—if you are also a gossip and a busybody?

Do one's acts of service, or one's long hours of labor for the Church in some way *make up* for one's lack of personal overcoming and change? Don't be deceived!

Should a husband leave his sick wife at home, perhaps with a baby, so that he can "serve" by helping set up tables at a church social? A man who lets "doing the Work" be his *excuse* for not being a Christian husband would do just that!

Some husbands would rather spend their time alone with friends or *appear* to be righteous through serving than go to the effort of providing the necessary physical and emotional strength needed by their wives.

For some husbands, it is *easier* to be *somewhere else* than at home, because at home they might have to *humble themselves* or admit they are *wrong* about something in order to solve a problem in their marriage.

Looking good in the eyes of others by serving is easier than learning to love one's family as God teaches. Serving requires physical work and time. But godly *love* requires *change!* It requires recognizing one's *own* faults and sins and *doing* some-

thing about them!

Handing out songbooks, setting up chairs, giving a widow a ride to services, stocking a newsstand, cleaning someone's house, visiting someone in the hospital, giving a sermonette or sermon, or working full-time for the Church—while important and necessary, of course—do not somehow *make up* for being a selfish, demanding, easily angered, inconsiderate, uncommunicative or lazy husband or wife.

I have been emphasizing the fact that all God's people are *one family*. *But we must understand, brethren, that if we can't LOVE our physical family, see to their needs, devote time and attention to them as God commands, then it is IMPOSSIBLE for us to love and be a part of our spiritual family!*

Yes, you may even need to *miss* a church activity once in a while to devote time to your family. Just because the whole family *attends* a particular activity does not mean that husband, wife and children are actually spending time *together*, or that they are *communicating* with each other, or that they are *drawing closer together!*

Of course, that doesn't mean you should regularly *plan* family activities to conflict with church activities, but we do need to realize that *family time is important* and not have the false impression that church activities *replace* the

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

PASADENA—Church Administration released the following ordinations.

Raised in rank to pastor Aug. 1 were **Francis Bergin**, business manager for the British Office; **Bernard Schnippert**, an executive assistant to **Dexter Faulkner**, editor of the Church's publications; and **David Wainwright**, a professor at Pasadena Ambassador College.

Abner Washington, pastor of the Los Angeles, Calif., church, was raised in rank from preaching elder to pastor on the Sabbath, Aug. 15.

Michael Fezell and **Joseph Locke**, personal assistants to Pastor General **Joseph W. Tkach**, were raised in rank to pastor on the Sabbath, Aug. 29.

Bharat Naker, a ministerial trainee in Bombay, India, was ordained a local elder on the Sabbath, July 25.

Robert Edsall of the Kirksville, Mo., church was ordained a local church elder on the Sabbath, Aug. 1.

PASADENA—Yugoslavian concert pianist **Ivo Pogorelich**, who performed in the Ambassador Auditorium in January and February, evaluated concert halls in Pan-American's August in-flight magazine, according to evangelist **David Hulme**, director of Communications & Public Affairs.

Mr. Pogorelich said, "As for the perfect concert hall, it's a toss-up

between venerable Carnegie [Hall in New York] and the brand new Ambassador in Pasadena."

He called the Auditorium "a fabulous hall, the best."

PASADENA—In June the Spanish Department began publishing a portion of *The Worldwide News* in Spanish, according to evangelist **Leon Walker**, regional director.

The newsletter-style publication,



SPANISH 'WORLDWIDE NEWS' titled *El Noticiero de la Iglesia de Dios Universal*, is produced every two weeks and includes Pastor General **Joseph W. Tkach's** "Personal" and occasionally another article.

PASADENA—"According to our latest statistics from Mail Processing, 40 percent of new co-workers and 20 percent of new donors in the first half of 1987 can be traced to *The Good News*," said **Dexter Faulkner**, editor of the Church's publications.

After the *Plain Truth* magazine, *The Good News* was the second-most-requested piece of literature for 1986 and has the highest renewal rate of all the publications.

"Nonmember readers sense from *The Good News* that there is more to the Church than just the magazine and are led to become in-

involved. People are interested in its general content and focus. We are encouraged to see that *The Good News*, for many, is a major stepping-stone to baptism," Mr. Faulkner said.

BOREHAMWOOD, England—A site just west of Benin City, Nigeria, will be the location of the 1987 Feast of Tabernacles.

About 500 brethren will attend the site and be housed in chalet-type accommodations in a holiday village complex.

Melvin Rhodes, pastor of the

Birmingham and Gloucester, England, and Llanelli, Wales, churches, will be guest speaker. Mr. Rhodes and his wife, **Diane**, served six years in Africa.

PASADENA—A children's fancy dress party with a Bible characters theme and a medieval banquet will take place during the Feast in Trabolgan, Ireland, according to **Anthony Goudie**, pastor of the Dublin and Galway, Irish Republic, churches. Brethren attending the site may want to bring costumes for these events, Mr. Goudie said.

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need for family activities.

Doing the Work is important! Service is important. The newsstand program is important, and Festival service is important. But we must not let service be the excuse for neglecting what is most essential—overcoming!

We must not let serving the Church grow so time consuming that it prevents us from fulfilling our *God-given responsibilities to our families*. And we must base our service to the Church upon the true foundation of changing our lives to become like our Elder Brother and Father in heaven!

On the other hand, we must not neglect service and diligent work by pretending that it prevents us from growing spiritually. Service is indeed an *essential* part of spiritual growth, *but it is only a part*; it does not *replace* overcoming!

A balanced Christian, who truly desires to obey God, will neglect neither his family nor service to others nor doing the Work! He will place his priorities where they belong, on his relationship with God first, and then on putting the Word of God *into action* in every aspect of his life! He will work on himself, and he will work on doing the Work.

God wants in His Kingdom those who are willing to *change*—not just those who are willing to do a job. Anyone can do a job for you, but how many will do that job because they are in full and total *agreement* with you on the *need* for the job to be done, the *way* the job should be done and even share with you the *enthusiasm*, the *joy* and the *excitement* of doing it?

Through the working of the Holy Spirit in us, we come to *feel the same way God does* about overcoming, about sin, about righteousness, about love, about kindness, about affection, about generosity, about peace, about cooperation, about patience, about obedience and about oneness! We are not to be just doing a job. We are to be taking on the nature of God!

The apostle Paul told us in II Corinthians 13:5, "Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?"

Let's do that, brethren. Let's analyze, before God on our knees, whether we really are putting the emphasis on overcoming and change that we should. God *yearns* to help us overcome, brethren! He is always there for us! His *love* for

us is absolutely unmeasurable!

Paul also wrote in I Corinthians 9:27, "But I discipline my body and bring it into subjection, lest, when I have preached to others, *I myself* should become disqualified" (New King James).

Brethren, let's carry on with great zeal in doing God's Work. Your service with the *Plain Truth* distribution programs, as only one example, has been of *tremendous* value in the work God has given us of proclaiming the Gospel to the world. But let's remember the greater Work that lies even beyond—the Work of all eternity as spirit-born children of God! What a shame it would be for anyone to occupy his time doing God's Work, all the while allowing his own personal spiritual house to be laid waste!

Brethren, let us be the *overcomers* God has called us to be!



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

PASADENA—Although most of the 2,278 members in the Philippines live within relatively easy traveling distance of Sabbath services in a major city, some live in "very difficult and remote areas necessitating some sacrifice to make the trip," reports Rodney Matthews, Philippine regional director.

One such member lives on the southern tip of Cebu island and must travel to Dumaguete, on the neighboring island of Negros. To make the 10 a.m. service, he rises at 3:30 a.m.

He leaves his house at 5 a.m. and walks 1½ miles through hilly country to reach the town of Ginatilan, from where he takes a jeepney for 35 minutes to the port of Bato.

At Bato he boards a motorboat or barge for the 30- to 45-minute crossing to Negros island. Upon arrival he travels 45 minutes by jeepney for the remaining 12½ miles to Dumaguete.

"The round trip costs about 40 pesos (US\$2), but this is a considerable portion of his weekly income," said Mr. Matthews. "So he is only able to make the trip once a month or less if his farming income is poor that month."

Hot, dusty trip

A member attending the San Carlos, Philippines, church lives about 25 miles away. The trip takes

2½ hours. First he walks almost 2 miles from his house, in an almost inaccessible mountain region.

The trip is either hot and dusty or hot and muddy, and he must walk barefoot because it is so slippery, the regional director said.

After walking an hour to the nearest town, it is another 1½ hours by jeepney, which may mean sitting on the roof if it is overloaded. The road is rough, bumpy and dusty most of the time.

After Sabbath services no transportation is available to return home, so he stays overnight in San Carlos with the local elder. He keeps his shoes there for the next trip to services.

"When we consider the effort, time and financial strain such travels bring, we are reminded of how much a blessing it is to be conveniently close to Sabbath services!" Mr. Matthews said.

"Regardless of the geographic location of an individual, if God wants him in His Church, physical circumstances are not a hindrance to his calling."

Cameroon visit

Lateef Edalere, pastor of the Lagos, Benin City and Owerri, Nigeria, churches, and his wife, Yvonne, visited Limbe, Cameroon, in July.

They "were pleased to report that

Daniel Caspa, who recently lost his wife, is getting along fine," said David Stirk, business manager for East and West Africa in the British Office.

"It is hoped that we can increase the number of visits to this area in the future."

Uganda

A 6 p.m. curfew that took effect in mid-June in Tororo, Uganda, is scheduled to continue for three months, according to Mr. Stirk.

The curfew is intended to stop suspected rebel movements in the area. "The army arrests those accused of aiding rebel elements," he said.

Mr. Stirk said that a neighbor of Eldad Opio, a member in Uganda, "squashed information that Mr. Opio aided rebels, by citing his example of always being at work in the field and too busy to do such."

Services in Tanzania

Ben Kaswaga, a local church elder in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, reported the following. "For the first time ever, full services were conducted in Dar es Salaam. This generated a lot of excitement for the group, especially with being able to stand up and sing hymns just like all the other congregations of God's Church worldwide."

"The church here was able to view a Worldwide Church of God videocassette—*Behind the Work 1985*—for the first time (to most). What the group saw was eye-opening and very inspiring. The videocassettes are indeed an invaluable means of bringing God's people even closer together."

Nigerian Feast site, SEP

Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach approved the purchase of land in

Telecast season begins; logo 'has more impact'

PASADENA—The first *World Tomorrow* telecast of the new season, "Will Civilization Survive?," presented by evangelist David Hulme, aired Sept. 5 and 6. Response was 25,041.

"We believe the call volume would have been much higher if the program had not aired on Labor Day weekend, when many families take the opportunity to travel," said evangelist Richard Rice, director of the Mail Processing Center.

The telecast was also preempted on several stations.

"*The World Tomorrow* stands out in the world as dramatically different from regular religious broadcasting, and I'm sure the difference will become all the more apparent with each new program that airs," wrote Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach in the Sept. 1 Pastor General's Report. "*The World Tomorrow* stands out because it preaches the truth, and it preaches the truth boldly, without reservation and without apology."

"It is not our expertise, our management, our advertising or our ideas alone that make *The World*

Tomorrow so different and unique," Mr. Tkach wrote. "What makes it unique is the Word of God, the truth, upon which it is based. Its foundation is upon a rock, and that Rock is Jesus Christ."

Larry Omasta, operation manager of Media Services, said: "All of us in Television are very excited about the new programming for the fall season. First of all, under Mr. Tkach's direction, we have a new logo designed and produced by an outstanding video animation company. The new logo is slightly shorter than last year's, but has more impact."

"We also had the logo music rescored to fit the new visuals. The melody line was maintained for identity, but the new arrangement was given a more stirring sound. In addition, new visual effects have been added to give a smoother overall flow to the program."

"Of course it's the content of the *World Tomorrow* program that is the most vital element, and much preparation has gone into this new season's thought-provoking programs."

Jos, Nigeria, for developing a Summer Educational Program (SEP) camp and Feast of Tabernacles site.

"It has become increasingly difficult over the past few years to find suitable sites for these activities, and the purchase of this land will come as a very welcome relief to our ministers and brethren in Nigeria," Mr. Stirk said.

"We are presently looking at a five-year program to fully develop the site but hope to be able to use it for some activities in 1988," he added.

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