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## Big Sandy goes four years; campus to seek accreditation

By Kerri Dowd

PASADENA—As announced by Chancellor Joseph W. Tkach, beginning with the 1989-90 academic year, the Big Sandy campus of Ambassador College will offer a four-year program, and the student body will increase to about 500, according to evangelist Donald Ward, vice chancellor. The college there will also pursue accreditation.

### Four-year school

The decision will allow more students to earn bachelor's degrees. "More than 90 percent have expressed the desire to do so," the vice chancellor said.

"It's a great opportunity for ev-

eryone concerned and also for the Work. I'm excited about it—more people will be able to be accepted for more growth and development," said Steve Swihart, a Big Sandy sophomore from Dayton, Ohio.

Freshmen at both campuses are now accepted into a two-year program and can apply for the bachelor's program at the end of their sophomore year. Students will continue to be required to apply for their junior year, and students will still be able to transfer between the campuses.

The 1989-90 senior class in Big Sandy will be selected on a "volunteer basis as much as possible" from Pasadena's junior class. About 75

students will make up the class.

"For the first year we plan to hire only two or three additional faculty members," said Dr. Ward. "We believe that our present faculty will possess the credentials necessary by the time we are ready to apply for accreditation," he said. Faculty members at both campuses are encouraged to pursue graduate degrees and update existing credentials.

Initially, Big Sandy will not offer every course that Pasadena does. The foreign language programs and the education minor will not be available.

In addition to the theology major, (See **BIG SANDY**, page 5)



COMBINED VOICES—Mirl Austin directs a children's choir in Raleigh, N.C., during Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach's Sept. 3 visit to Raleigh. [Photo by Richard Cole]

## Mr. Tkach in Raleigh: Work in 'golden years'

By Jeff E. Zhorne

PASADENA—"Mr. Tkach's love and warmth touched everyone here today," said Donald Mason, pastor of the Raleigh and Rocky Mount, N.C., churches, about Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach's Sept. 2 to 4 visit to Raleigh.

Accompanied by the Church's television crew, Mr. Tkach and his traveling party touched down at the Raleigh-Durham airport Friday afternoon, Sept. 2.

At Sabbath services the next day in the Civic Center Mr. Tkach addressed 2,515 brethren from Charlotte, Fayetteville, Greensboro, New Bern, Raleigh and Rocky Mount, N.C., and Columbia and Florence, S.C. Some traveled up to 250 miles to hear the pastor general.

### Work's golden years

"We are in the golden years of

God's Work," said Mr. Tkach. "We need to guard against a Laodicean attitude and grow with the Work."

A children's choir directed by Mirl Austin sang "God Bless Family" and "I Never Touched a Rainbow."

Brethren presented Mr. Tkach with a reproduction of an 1856 La Mat Grapeshot revolver, which is a nine-shot, .44-caliber single-action, cap-and-ball revolver of Civil War fame, according to Mr. Mason.

The box was handcrafted by Ralph Hollyfield, a member who attends the Raleigh church.

After his sermon Mr. Tkach met brethren and was host at a ministerial meeting for about 150 people. He spoke about working smarter, not just harder, and concerns of the Work.

A buffet dinner that followed in (See **RALEIGH**, page 3)

## PERSONAL FROM

*Joseph W. Tkach*

Dear brethren:

In this last issue of *The Worldwide News* before the Feast of Tabernacles, I want to share with you some important and exciting news about Ambassador College!

As we move toward the last decade of this century, we must recognize that Ambassador College now serves a greater and broader purpose for God's Work than it did in its earlier days.

Today, Ambassador students not only provide the work force for the ministry and the many varied aspects of the Work, but also form a part of the backbone of the many local congregations around the world. Because of this increasingly greater role, we must make plans now for the future of the college.

As God grants increased growth to His Church and to the Work He has set before us, we must make sure that Ambassador College continues to serve God's purpose in the most effective and efficient way we know how.

Ambassador College is one of the most visible and high profile representations to the general public of what God's Church teaches and believes. It is the example of God's way of life set by Ambassador students that is one of the clearest demonstra-

tions to the world of the Gospel message.

As we know, Ambassador training has directly provided the fundamental biblical education for most of the Church's leadership, and indirectly for the rest. Consequently, the membership of God's Church is served in a direct way by the programs of the college.

Ambassador serves as flesh to the bones of the headquarters operation of the Work, providing not only a major part of the headquarters work force, but also the godly orientation and direction needed to accomplish the commission God has set before us.

But in addition, graduates of Ambassador, as they leave college and settle in local congregations all around the earth, become dynamic role models to all age groups within the Church. As they mature, graduates often provide necessary leadership in local congregations, becoming stable members and pillars.

Member families become more deeply involved in and excited about God's Work when their sons and daughters, brothers and sisters, nephews, nieces, cousins and grandchildren leave home to come out to Ambassador, write home about their experiences and eventually return as deeply dedicated and enthusiastic followers of Jesus Christ.

Ambassador College also provides the fitting environment and atmosphere for the Church where research on new ideas can be analyzed. The college faculty and students provide support systems and personnel to back up both the all-important media and lesser important Ambassador Foundation aspects of the Work.

Ambassador is in many ways a symbol, a kind of hallmark or identity, of the headquarters of the Church to the membership, as well as to the general public, and to civic and business leaders around the world.

It is precisely because Ambassador College plays such an important and integral role in the Work of God's Church in the end time that we must keep it trim, effective, unique and sound, so that it will continue to best serve the Church's needs.

The role of education is to prepare the young to meet the needs and the challenges of the future. From time to time we tailor our curriculum to more closely fit the projected direction, emphasis and anticipated needs of the Work.

Ambassador focuses upon what is unique to the Church of God—instruction in God's Word and God's way of life, while providing a liberal arts education tuned to the needs of the Work. It is not in competition with other colleges.

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## Brethren unhurt in hurricane

PASADENA—No brethren in Jamaica were injured as the Western Hemisphere's worst hurricane slashed the Caribbean island Sept. 12.

Because of the hurricane, however, the Jamaican Feast site at Montego Bay was closed to international transfers.

After striking Jamaica, the hurricane, named Gilbert, stormed through the Cayman Islands, Yucatan Peninsula and resort areas in Mexico before crossing the Gulf of Mexico and hitting Mexico again in the northeast near Texas.

In its path were Tampico and Piedras Negras, where Bible studies are conducted, and a church in Monterrey, Mexico. No definite word has been heard, although the Church's Mexico City Office reported that some members in Veracruz, Mexico, did not travel to the Feast of Trumpets.

Sabbath services were canceled in San Antonio, Tex., Sept. 17, owing to "about 14 tornadoes that were skipping around the city at one point," according to evangelist Burk McNair, pastor of the San Antonio West and Uvalde, Tex.,

churches and coordinator of the Corpus Christi, Tex., site.

The Festival site in Corpus Christi experienced 60 to 70 mile-an-hour winds and torrential rain, but nothing serious.

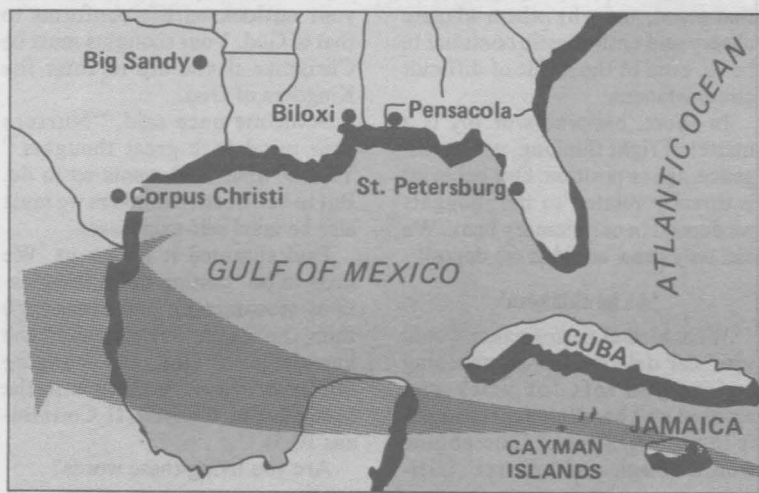
"We've all been very thankful that the site was spared, because the potential of that storm would have probably wiped out our Feast site had it gone directly in," said Mr. McNair.

"God obviously heard our prayers," said Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach. "We can all be thankful that from the reports we have received, no brethren were hurt and the Feast will take place. Let's continue to pray for our brethren in the affected areas in the months ahead."

Most Jamaican brethren "fared well with little loss of property," said pastor Charles Fleming. "For others there has been considerable loss."

"The next several months will be very difficult," Mr. Fleming said. "Food shortages, lack of running water in several areas, and lack of electricity."

Mr. Fleming continued: "Although this hurricane spells disaster for Jamaica, it is not a total disaster. Our brethren are really helping each other. Where the love of God is it cannot be a total disaster."



PATH OF HURRICANE GILBERT

### Last Issue Before Feast

This is the final *Worldwide News* before the 1988 Feast of Tabernacles. *The Worldwide News* will resume its two-week publishing schedule with the Oct. 31 issue.

# 'Temptation' merchandises Christ's life

PASADENA—The annual festivals of God revolve around the pivotal role performed by Jesus Christ, who by the offering up of His sinless life nearly 2,000 years ago "became the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him" (Hebrews 5:9, New King James throughout).

We read furthermore that Jesus, "for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has set down at the right hand of the throne of God" (Hebrews 12:2).

This same Jesus will remain in the heavens until "the times of restoration of all things" (Acts 3:21).

Christ's triumphant return (Revelation 11:15) is pictured by the fourth annual festival, the Feast of Trumpets. And at the last trump "the dead [in Christ] will be raised incorruptible" (I Corinthians 15:52) to rule with Him in the Kingdom of God.

In light of these truths, then, what are we to make of the latest Hollywood religious epic, *The Last Temptation of Christ*? I have not seen the movie. But I have read several factual, nonsensational accounts of its contents.

In its Aug. 15 cover story, *Time* magazine, for example, called the R-rated film (restricted, people under 17 must be accompanied by a parent or adult guardian) "eccentric, bloody, filled with theological gaffes."

The dramatic centerpiece of the film is the final half-hour sequence, which illustrates, in sensual detail,

the dying Christ assaulted by a final temptation of Satan.

The Bible nowhere records a final temptation of this nature by the devil.

In the movie Jesus is momentarily tricked by Satan that His sufferings are over. He is tempted to come down from the stake to live a normal life. He resists, but not before the filmmakers drag the temptation to 30 minutes.

In the temptation, Jesus marries Mary Magdalene. The film shows Jesus performing in the marital bed with her. A pregnant Mary soon dies however, after which Jesus marries Mary, sister of Lazarus, then commits adultery with her sister Martha.

The producers of the movie, Universal Pictures, have a disclaimer at the beginning saying that the movie, based upon a 1955 novel by Nikos Kazantzakis, is a fictional account.

But by fictionalizing the life of Jesus, the effect is to make merchandise of His character to sell another sex plot.

One of his purposes in doing the movie, said director Martin Scorsese, was to depict the human side of Christ. But in doing so he ignored the abundant biblical examples showing Christ's full range of emotions, from joy to compassion, sorrow and grief (Isaiah 53:3) as well as godly anger (Matthew 21:12).

With regard to temptation, Jesus "was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin" (Hebrews 4:15).

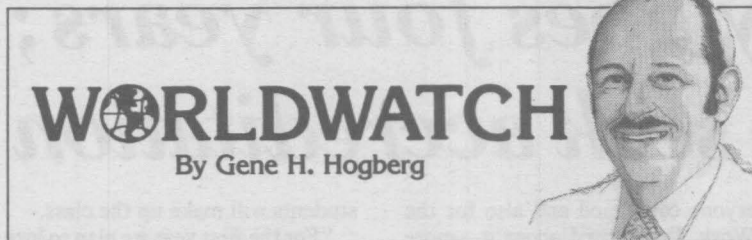
And sin is something, Jesus instructed, that can be committed in the heart, in spirit, as well as in deed (Matthew 5:28). Aided by the power of God He did not permit temptation to escalate to evil desire and to sin (James 1:13-15).

The author of the book, Mr. Kazantzakis, apparently did not un-

admire.

● As a carpenter Jesus makes crosses for the Roman occupiers and even assists at the crucifixion of Jews.

● On one occasion an anguished Jesus said: "I am a liar. I am a hypocrite. I am afraid of everything. . . Lucifer is inside me."



derstand this. The English language translator of his novel said that Mr. Kazantzakis believed it was "paramount that Jesus be constantly tempted by evil in such a way that He feel its attractiveness and even succumb to it, for only in this way can His ultimate rejection of temptation have any meaning."

Mr. Kazantzakis himself underwent a curious "spiritual odyssey" from Greek Orthodoxy to German rationalism to Buddha and Lenin before supposedly rediscovering Christ.

Perhaps even more disturbing are the many "doctrinal blunders," as one reviewer said, in the movie. Examples:

● In one scene Jesus reaches into His chest and yanks out His heart and holds it up for the disciples to

Overall, Jesus is portrayed as unclear of His mission on earth. "The film's Jesus," wrote David Ehrenstein of the Los Angeles *Herald Examiner*, "is frail and terrified. Troubled by crippling headaches and mystical visions. . . He's uncertain about what plans God has for him. . . Finally he comes to realize that his purpose on Earth is to be the



## Just between friends

By Dexter H. Faulkner

### What's on your mind?

Have you ever run out of gas on the freeway? I have. What a feeling of helplessness! It's so humbling, let alone frustrating.

When my gas tank registers empty, I hold my breath until I can get to the next gas station. This time, however, I didn't make it. As I sat there behind the wheel, waiting for the road-service truck to come, and feeling stupid because I had made such a mistake, I began to feel depressed.

Staring at the gas gauge on the instrument panel, it suddenly occurred to me that my tank wasn't really empty. Oh, there wasn't any gas in it, to be sure, but it was full—of hot air. But, my automobile was not built to run on hot air. To displace the air, I must fill it with gasoline.

Then I remembered that, just like filling my car's gas tank with gasoline will solve its problem, God's cure for negative thinking is to fill our minds with that which is good.

"Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things" (Philippians 4:8).

#### Thinking and behavior

There is a strong relationship between thoughts, feelings and behavior: Our actions begin in our thoughts!

Christ reproved the scribes and Pharisees, "For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies" (Matthew 15:19).

We learn from early childhood to form our thoughts and perceptions in words, phrases and sentences.

Even emotions such as anxiety, anger or elation actually are generated from our innermost thoughts. This does not mean that each behavior or emotion is preceded by a series of statements. Many of our responses have become automatic. Negative, self-defeating thoughts and anxiety-creating statements become as automatic and unconscious

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as driving a car.

Thoughts, positive or negative, grow stronger when watered and fertilized through constant repetition. That may explain why so many who are gloomy and negative stay in that mood, and why others who are cheery and enthusiastic continue to be so, even in the midst of difficult circumstances.

In short, happiness or joy is a matter of right thinking, not intelligence, age or position. Our behavior is directly related to the thoughts we deposit in our memory bank. We can only draw on what we deposit.

#### 'As he thinketh'

What kind of performance would your car deliver if every morning before you left for work you scooped up a handful of dirt and put it in your gas tank? The engine would cough and sputter. Ulti-

mately, it would refuse to start.

The same is true of your life. Narrow, destructive and abrasive thoughts about yourself and others produce wear and tear on your mental motor. They send you off the road while others drive past.

Christ said, "What comes out of a man is what defiles a man" (Mark 7:20, Revised Standard Version). We are aware of some of our thoughts, while others go unnoticed. But you and I can become aware of all of our thoughts. We need to become accurate observers of them. Paul tells us to bring "into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ" (II Corinthians 10:5).

What did the apostle Paul mean—captivity of thoughts? He was showing us where the battlefield of overcoming is. It's not after we have begun an action. The battle is either won or lost by that time. The battle is in the mind—in

the thoughts that precede the action we choose to take.

#### Renew your mind

The renewing of your mind is the adjustment of your thinking so that your outlook on life conforms to that of God. Your thoughts must be Christlike if you are to enter the Kingdom of God.

Someone once said, "Nurture your mind with great thoughts." That is what God wants us to do. But to be effective thinkers we must also be good self-examiners.

Paul summed it up for us. We need to be "casting down imaginations [reasonings], and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ" (II Corinthians 10:5).

Are you living these words?

## European Diary

By John Ross Schroeder



### Waste: World's oceans can't take much more

BOREHAMWOOD, England—With my two sons back from the Summer Educational Program (SEP) in Scotland, my wife suggested a Sunday trip to the seaside.

But I read newspapers—lots of them. A feature in the Aug. 14 *Mail on Sunday* was titled "Mystery Sea Bug Crippled Our Sons."

It began: "The families of three boys . . . paralysed by a mystery virus after swimming at one of Britain's most popular seaside resorts are blaming pollution."

Please don't misunderstand. We will still go to the seaside, but only after checking it out for safety and suitability. You don't just jump in the car and go as in times past.

Evidence shows that water is an exotic rarity in the universe. Yet the earth is blessed with a superabundance. This is an oceanic planet.

The ocean covers three quarters of the earth's surface. These blue waters have many functions. They help regulate global climate, provide edible fish and supply life-giving oxygen. And yes, they carry off and process waste as well.

It is this last category that poses a problem. We've been overdoing it. Turning the ocean into a sewer.

The lead editorial in the Aug. 14 *Mail on Sunday* sounded a warning: "There are few oceans in the world which are immune. Acid rain, oil spills, agricultural runoffs of fertilisers and pesticides carried by rivers and streams into estuaries, raw sewage and the dumping of toxic substances . . . are all putting the oceans . . . and the fish which live in them on the danger list."

And now infectious hospital wastes. Syringes. Vials of blood. Whole beaches were closed on the East Coast of the United States.

The summer of 1987 was warning enough. Dead fish washed up on Long Island. The Mediterranean filled with sewage and waste.

As the Oct. 12, 1987, *Business Week* reported: "The seas' capacity to absorb a lethal cocktail of industrial, urban and agricultural wastes

'lamb of God.'"

Other characters of the Bible take on unfamiliar roles. For example, Judas, reports *Time*, is "a hero, the strongest and best" of the disciples.

Movies attempting to portray Jesus of Nazareth have always had their flaws, as measured by the biblical record. In the past, the human qualities of Christ were usually downplayed or spiritualized away. Now, in this secular and sensual age, the pendulum has swung to the opposite extreme.

Even when He walked the earth, men misjudged Jesus' character (Matthew 11:19). He was despised and rejected by men (Isaiah 53:3) and still is to this day.

There is no doubt that the scenes and accounts of the movie described above, whether fictional or not, constitute blasphemy. Yet, God, in His abundant mercy, has made even such sins forgivable, when repented of, to be covered by the blood of the very person blasphemed (Matthew 12:31-32).

We should "consider Him who endured such hostility from sinners against Himself" (Hebrews 12:3). We have far less reason to harbor ill feelings against others who might offend us.

is being exceeded. And when these overstressed ecosystems are exposed to natural insults, such as unusually warm weather, they collapse."

The weather has been hot. And the oceans are rebelling against man's abuses again in 1988.

Hosea is also right on target. He wrote: "Hear the word of the Lord, you Israelites, because the Lord has a charge to bring against you who live in the land: 'There is no faithfulness, no love, no acknowledgment of God in the land. There is only cursing, lying and murder, stealing and adultery; they break all bounds, and bloodshed follows bloodshed. Because of this the land mourns, and all who live in it waste away; the beasts of the field and the birds of the air and the fish of the sea are dying'" (Hosea 4:1-3, New International Version).

This stinging indictment is in graphic language. There is a vital connection between breaking God's moral law and the ecological breakdown of our earth.

This much some understand: "Indeed it is probably only the really hard-headed, the really farsighted who understand that mankind's misuse of the environment since the industrial revolution could well lead to either the extinction of the human race or, at the very least, create a planet so impoverished that it would make life all but unbearable" (*Mail on Sunday*, Aug. 14).

The article concluded: "There needs to be an international initiative too to gradually return the physical conditions of the world itself into some semblance of purity. We have all been served with enough warnings."

Ideally a family visit to the seaside should be a memorable occasion. The British seashore has served many generations.

Those of us in God's Church lack confidence in manmade solutions. We stand on Ezekiel's solution. Read chapter 47.

# Spanish director's trip spans seven countries, 22,000 miles

PASADENA—Evangelist Leon Walker, regional director for Spanish-speaking areas, and his wife, Reba, returned to Pasadena Aug. 14 after a 22,000-mile trip that spanned seven nations and three continents.

Mr. Walker met with Herbert Cisneros, pastor of the San Salvador, El Salvador, and Guatemala City, Guatemala, churches, July 13

tion to get to this new site, housing and food costs will be lower than at the inland site, Melgar, where the Feast has been conducted for 10 years," said Mr. Walker.

The regional director also reported that the church in Bogota is enthusiastic and that several mem-

bers have moved from isolated areas (known as "red zones" by Colombians) controlled by guerrilla groups.

Lima, Peru, was the next stop. Mr. Walker said the Peruvian members need and appreciate the Church's prayers, as inflation is

rampant, and terrorist activities continue to hinder the quality of life for most members.

Peruvian officials have warned that the inflation rate for 1988 could soar to 600 percent.

Mr. Walker said that the terrorist factor prevents the Church sending a minister to Peru to help Wilfredo Saenz, pastor of the Lima, Huaraz and Trujillo, Peru, churches, with sermons, counseling and Feast activities.

To help relieve Mr. Saenz of the burden of giving each sermon during the Feast, videotapes of several sermons given in Acapulco, Mex-

ico, last year are being sent.

Mr. Walker said that only eight people (all single) can pay the \$67 for Festival costs such as transportation, food and lodging. Hence, some people won't be able to attend the Feast this year.

Continuing on to Santiago, Chile, July 29, the regional director and his wife spent several days with Mario Seiglie, Santiago and Temuco, Chile, pastor.

The churches in Chile and Bolivia are doing well, reported Mr. Seiglie. He expects further growth in Bolivia.

Aug. 4 the Walkers crossed the Andes, with Buenos Aires, Argentina, as their destination. While there final arrangements were made for the new Feast site in Mar del Plata, Argentina's premier resort.

Mr. Walker observed that about half of the Buenos Aires church is composed of wives or husbands whose mates are not members, and that only two children younger than 12 are in the congregation.

Aug. 9 the Walkers made an 11-hour flight to Madrid, Spain, where they spent several days helping Pedro Rufian, a newly ordained local elder, and his wife, Brigida, get established.

Mr. Rufian is the first resident minister in Spain and will work primarily in the Madrid area. *Pura Verdad* (Spanish *Plain Truth*) lectures are tentatively planned for the spring.

Although Spain has one of Europe's highest growth rates, it has high unemployment and has experienced drastic social and political changes during the past 10 years.

"Spain is now much more materialistic, and the populace less friendly, than in years past," Mr. Walker said.

"We will have to test the waters in order to see what kind of response and growth we can expect in Spain. We do look at it as an opportunity to harvest whatever increase God wishes to provide."

## New season fosters excellence

By Kerri Dowd

PASADENA—Andre Watts. Leontyne Price. Kiri Te Kanawa. The Royal Philharmonic. The Peking Acrobats. The Vienna Choir Boys. These are just a few of the performers who will appear on the Ambassador Foundation series during its 1988-89 concert season.

The Los Angeles Chamber Orchestra began the season Sept. 17 with the first of six performances in its Connoisseur Series. Christof Perick was conductor for the orchestra, which performed works by Ludwig van Beethoven and Stephen Hartke. The season marks the chamber orchestra's 20th anniversary and its 10th consecutive season at Ambassador.

"The season offers performances to appeal to a wide range of audiences, both classical and popular,"

said Wayne Shilkret, director of performing arts for the Ambassador Foundation.

"It includes an extraordinary Early Music Festival; a remarkable array of folk companies from Peking, Spain, Czechoslovakia, Poland and Bali; and one of the best guitar series in the country," Mr. Shilkret said.

"There is also a new series titled 'An Evening With . . .,' which features top personalities from the theater," he said.

"We are bringing back Rudolf Nureyev, as well as the Dance Theatre of Harlem, following its spectacular Soviet tour, which was underwritten in part by the Ambassador Foundation. We are also presenting the Moscow Classical Ballet," Mr. Shilkret said.

Other series are Great Performers, Ballet Festival, Stars of Opera, Great Orchestras of the World, Chamber Music, Footlight, Piano, Pasadena Civic Pops, Sounds of Genius, Big Band Era and Ambassador Pops.

A series of world travelogue adventure films will also be presented at Sunday matinees in the Auditorium.

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New artists on the Ambassador series this year include the Salzburg Marionette Theatre; the Moscow State Symphony; the Julian Bream Consort; the Los Angeles Piano Quartet; mime Robert Shields; Debbie Reynolds; and jazz violinist Stephane Grappelli.

While most of the performances will be in the Ambassador Auditorium, the orchestra, ballet and Pasadena Civic Pops series will be presented at the Pasadena Civic Auditorium to allow for a larger audience.

"The Ambassador Foundation performing arts series allows the public to see the Church in action via the celebration of excellence in human endeavor," said evangelist David Hulme, Ambassador Foundation vice president.

"They see our continuing support of the best in musical talent, as well as experience the Ambassador ambiance provided by the concert hall and Ambassador College student participation," Mr. Hulme said. "The performing arts series is one of several planks in our community outreach program."



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to discuss final details regarding the Feast, which was changed from Tela, Honduras, to Guatemala City.

The English-language program conducted by Cory Erickson, a 1988 Ambassador College graduate, was also discussed. About 10 people are taking part in the program to improve English skills, including Mr. Cisneros and his wife, Concepcion.

July 17 the Walkers flew to San Jose, Costa Rica, where they spent four days discussing Festival preparation and administrative matters with pastor Mauricio Perez.

July 21 the Walkers left for Bogota, Colombia, where Mr. Walker handled Feast arrangements for the new Colombian site at Santa Marta, a Caribbean resort city.

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## Raleigh

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the Sheraton Imperial Hotel was attended by 150 ministers, deacons and deaconesses and Mr. Tkach's party.

"Mr. Tkach made everyone feel so comfortable and more a part of the Work," said Daniel Orban, pastor of the Charlotte church.

### Ku Klux Klan march

While in Raleigh the television crew videotaped a Ku Klux Klan march and a Vietnam prisoners of war memorial service.

"It gave us some useful footage for the Television Department files—a useful bonus for the trip," said Mr. Halford. "They thought we were a TV crew from England (my accent, I guess) and were happy to let us know about their cause."

Mr. Halford is on-location director for the television crew, Gary Werings is senior cameraman and Steve Bergstrom is cameraman and remote operations engineer.

The pastor general was also accompanied by his personal assistant Joseph Locke, administrative assistant Ellen Escat, secretary Esther Apperson, administrative projects coordinator Michael Rasmussen, and Linda Peoples, who joined her husband, James, in Raleigh. Mr. Peoples is operation manager of the Church's Computer Information Systems, Purchasing and Travel departments and pastored the Fayetteville and Florence churches from 1978 to 1980.

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

"The general comment was that Mr. Tkach's visit was like a day at the Feast of Tabernacles," Mr. Mason said.

"I personally felt more inspired to work harder because of Mr. Tkach's example," said Randy D'Alessandro, assistant pastor of the Raleigh and Rocky Mount churches.

## Cancer victim

# Minister's wife surveys life

By Inez Schreiber

RENO, Nev.—I don't give the impression of being one who has experienced a vast array of adventures, but my life hasn't been dull and lifeless.

How many people with a possibly terminal illness are able to carry on with a life of adventure as long as I have? Here is my story.

*Inez Schreiber, who has battled melanoma cancer for many years, is the wife of Leonard Schreiber, a pastor-rank minister.*

In 1943 I married the only man I ever loved. That in itself was an adventure, but it goes far beyond. We raised three children who have given us much joy. They all married mates who are faithful to them and to us. We feel toward their mates as we do our own flesh and blood.

I have had the rewarding and heartwarming experience of having four wonderful grandchildren and seeing them being raised in a manner with which God must be well pleased.

If these were the only experiences I ever had, I would find no reason to complain. But the adventures go on.

I have lived in a one-room cabin with the snow blowing in between the cracks in the logs. I have carried water from a spring, washed clothes on a scrub board and cooked meals on an oil-drum stove.

I lived in a one-room apartment in the city with a single light bulb hanging from the ceiling and by myself in a tent on the beach during World War II.

I rode between the cars on an old steam-engine train halfway across the country, sitting on my suitcase.

I hunted and trapped and fished with my husband the first few months of our marriage just to survive. We lived in a 21-foot trailer for several months with three children, and in 30-foot and 41-foot trailers



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for much longer periods while we traveled around.

We lived in Church homes twice and rented homes in Oregon and Minnesota. These ranged from a house by a creek in the middle of Minneapolis, Minn., to a house by the golf course in Ashland, Ore.

We have owned two mobile homes and several boats and motor homes. We have traveled in the majority of the lower 48 states and traversed the Alaska Highway.

We rode mules to the bottom of the Grand Canyon, rode a plane down into the canyon and rode a helicopter into the volcanic crater at Mt. St. Helens.

We backpacked in the High Sierras and forded swollen streams. We have driven to Key West, Fla., and camped on the beach in Mexico.

On top of all these things is the greatest adventure of all—being in God's Church for 28 years and actually being an active participant in the Work for 24 of those years.

For several months of our 45th year of married life we were able to fulfill a dream of being full-timers in our motor home.

This came about because of my serious illness and the kindness of the men at headquarters in giving Leonard time off to care for and spend time with me.

This fulfilled dream wasn't exactly as we had always pictured it, because of my illness. But it brought the two of us closer together than it seems possible for two people to be, as Leonard unselfishly and tenderly did nearly everything for me.

He cooked, cleaned, shopped, washed clothes and wheeled me around in my wheelchair. Even more than this, he helped me bear my pain and times of discouragement with patience, kindness and humor when needed.

We spent time in luxury in Palm Springs, Calif., where we lived in a beautiful apartment that our children prepared for us, and we traveled in our motor home.

We drove through beautiful canyon lands and spent time on a 9,000-foot mesa in Colorado. We camped at Mammoth Lakes in California.

But the story hasn't ended. There are more adventures to come.

God is good to me!

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# From Orr, Minn., to France, SEP camps develop youths

PASADENA—"Wherever we have one of our camps, it is the best camp of its kind in the world," said Kermit Nelson, who coordinates Youth Opportunities United (YOU) in Church Administration.

*This article was compiled from reports by the French Department, Kirsten Harty, Joel Meeker, Daniel Hope, Winford James and Ruel Guerrero.*

Summer Educational Program (SEP) camps in the United States, Canada, Scotland, France, the Caribbean, Philippines and Australia help youths learn "spiritual principles through physical activities," according to Dr. Nelson.

## Orr, Minn.

About 850 youths attended one of three sessions of the 24th camp at Orr, Minn., June 3 to Aug. 10.

Ministers from the United States and Ambassador College faculty and students served as faculty and staff. After a one-week orientation, campers for the first session arrived.

Activities included archery, riflery, softball, basketball, photography, radio, television, waterskiing, canoeing, Christian living and formal banquets.

Formal banquets were a new activity this year. Students not only learned etiquette in a formal setting, but also how to plan and prepare a banquet.

"The young people can use the training at the Feast," said Rick Sherrod, assistant camp director and associate pastor of the Chattanooga, Tenn., and Murphy, N.C., churches. "They will be at ease and feel more comfortable when conversing with the opposite sex."

"Orr has been developed to uniquely meet the needs of our program," said Dr. Nelson, camp director. "We are able to set a standard and provide training which can be used in our other 21 SEP sites around the world."

## Big Sandy

The first SEP camp took place in Big Sandy in 1962 with 18 youths in attendance. Twenty-six years later more than 400 campers again participated in the Big Sandy SEP.

Staff orientation took place June 16 to 21. The first session was June 22 to July 11, and the second session was July 15 to Aug. 3.

New activities were soccer, social skills and world awareness classes.

The world awareness class oriented campers in geography and showed the extent of the Work, according to Larry Haworth, camp director. The social skills class taught campers etiquette.

Other activities were cycling, volleyball, softball, Christian living, tennis, golf and a visit to a zoo.

## Scotland

SEP Scotland opened with the worst storm in 106 years and more than 300 campers from 18 countries in attendance.

"We lost four large tents, six small ones, half our stores tent, our sailing jetty, one sailing boat and numerous other bits and pieces, but overall we had a very successful three-week camp with many of our campers accomplishing a great number of personal goals," said Paul Suckling, camp director and director of Ministerial Services in the British Office.

The camp took place July 25 to Aug. 14.

By the start of the second week the damaged tents were replaced and camp was in full swing, according to Mr. Suckling.

An updated youth award scheme

program was a main part of the camp. The awards arose out of a need "to stimulate the youths and provide them with the right incentive for personal development," according to Philip Gray, YOU coordinator for the United Kingdom.

Entrance to the award scheme requires between 12 and 20 activities in community service, sports programs and academics. After this are three additional levels: bronze, silver and gold. The program is loosely patterned after the Duke of Edinburgh's award scheme.

## Graduate SEPS

Ninety high school graduates took part in the Summer Educational Graduate Program (SEGP) June 15 to July 3 in Pasadena.

"The purpose of SEGP," said evangelist Gregory Albrecht, SEGP director and dean of students for the Pasadena campus, "is to help prepare its participants for life after high school."

"Education, career planning, leadership, service and personal development is stressed," Mr. Albrecht said. "Each student also experiences Ambassador College firsthand to understand what AC is all about."

SEGP camps took place in Queensland, June 19 to 24; Victoria, June 26 to July 1 and New South Wales July 10 to 15.

"The fruit that was produced in those five days was very inspiring," said Alan Dean, director of the Queensland SEGP at Lake Moogerah and pastor of the Toowoomba and Warwick churches.

The camps consisted of activities and lectures in areas such as success, masculinity, femininity and leadership.

## Caribbean

The second Caribbean SEP took place at the Mt. St. George National Youth Camp in Tobago Aug. 1 to 14.

The SEP was directed by Victor Simpson, pastor of the Barbados, St. Lucia and St. Vincent churches. He was assisted by Paul Brown, assistant pastor of the Antigua and Dominica churches.

Campers came from Jamaica, Trinidad and Tobago, Barbados, St. Lucia, Grenada, St. Vincent and Dominica. The 102 campers shared four dorms; two for girls and two for boys.

According to Mr. Simpson, the purpose of the SEP was to help the youths reinforce God's way of life while having wholesome fun.

Evangelist Stan Bass, regional director, and his wife, Millicent, visited Aug. 13. Mr. Bass noticed a greater spirit of unity this year and that the work of "solidifying" the youths with their families and the Church was proceeding well. "We are in the business of building character," which, he added, "does not happen overnight."

Mr. Bass encouraged the campers to be "seeds to be sown"—shining examples in the congregation and society.

Outstanding campers were Pauline Scott, Alana La Rose, Roderick Bagan and Garner Ted Shallowe.

## Canada

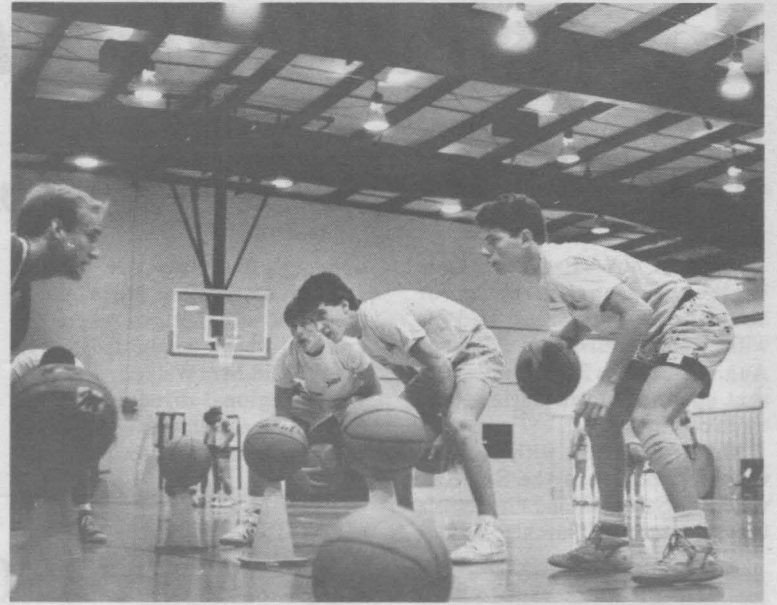
Ninety campers and about 45 staff, counselors and workers launched the first national Canadian SEP at Lake Shawnigan on Vancouver Island, B.C.

Douglas Smith, camp director and pastor of the Edmonton, Alta., North and South churches, directed the camp July 8 to 26.

Evangelist Colin Adair, regional director, visited the camp several times. Mr. Adair pointed out the camp's greater goals of developing purposeful, wholesome living and good character, while having fun.

The camp was leased from the B.C. Lions Society for Crippled Children.

Evangelist Larry Salyer, asso-



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ciate director of Church Administration for international areas, visited the camp July 21 and said he hoped the Church could lease other camp facilities like Camp Shawnigan and continue to expand the SEP program worldwide.

Ray St. Denis, associate executive director for the Lions Society, in a letter to Mr. Smith, said: "The young people in attendance are most congenial and well mannered . . . You have all been fantastic and we look forward to future association in the years to come."

Ninety-five youths attended a French YOU camp in Quebec July 17 to Aug. 7.

Activities included canoeing, archery, volleyball, horseback riding, touch football, swimming, dance, music appreciation and a three-day canoe trip.

The group included one camper from France, one from Guadeloupe, two from the United States and one from English-speaking Canada.

Three of the 40 staff members were Ambassador College students.

## Philippines

With 200 campers and about 100 staff members, the fourth Philippine SEP took place in Baguio April 17 to May 1.

For 15 days youths from most of the Philippine churches "lived God's way of life in a positive atmo-

sphere," said Edmond D. Macaraeg, camp director and pastor of the San Pedro and Imus, Philippines, churches.

Rodney Matthews, regional director, attended the April 17 orientation, during which each activity and club presented skits to show the campers what to expect.

In a forum April 27 Mr. Matthews spoke on dating and gave the sermon on the last Sabbath of the camp about Joseph's example and how to make the best of things you have no control over.

Paul Kieffer, director of Ministerial Services, spoke on how youths can influence their futures.

Besides regular activities, clubs were provided as electives. Campers attended two clubs each week.

"Clubs were instituted to expose the campers to potentially worthwhile careers and orient them regarding income-earning activities," said Mr. Matthews.

Clubs offered were art illustration, auto mechanics, basic speech, bookbinding, computers, cooking and baking, drafting, electricity, electronics, journalism, needlecraft, photography, sewing, silk-screen printing and woodworking.

## France

Fifty-eight youths from France, Belgium and Switzerland gathered (See CAMPS, page 7)



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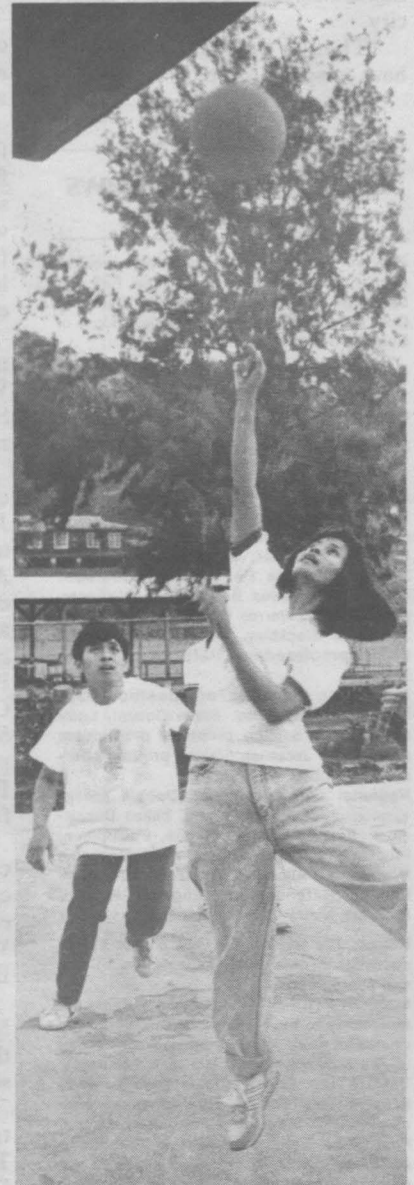
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# IRON SHARPENS IRON

## A black eye for a black eye: Be careful making judgments

By Rex Sexton

During a women's basketball game at our district tournament one Sunday, my wife, Patty, was playing with her usual all-out enthusiasm when she collided with a girl on the opposing team.

The teenager received a bruise on her forehead, while the force of the impact caught my wife just below her right eye, breaking a cheekbone and giving her a severe bruise. Within a minute her eye swelled shut. She spent the next 12 hours with an ice pack on the injury.

*Rex Sexton is associate pastor of the Spokane, Wash., and Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, churches.*

The ophthalmologist who examined Patty's eye said there was nothing he could do for the broken bone, but that she would have a tremendous black eye for several weeks. How right he was!

### How others judged—wrongly!

By Tuesday the swelling had gone down, leaving in its place a black-and-blue area from the top of her eyebrow to the bottom of her nose. It was the worst black eye I ever saw.

We needed to do some shopping for the Holy Days, so we went together to a store. I quickly noticed that people would stare at her and then glance at me in disgust.

After realizing what they were thinking, I handed Patty my sunglasses to wear, thinking they would hide the black eye from other people in the store. The glasses were too dark for her to see through inside the store, so she handed them back to me.

Standing in the checkout line was the worst part of the ordeal. Every now and then Patty would look at me and laugh, but the dozens of other people in the lines weren't laughing, just staring. Very nicely,

my wife explained to the cashier that she was playing basketball. The cashier did not look convinced.

After two more stores, I decided it would be best not to be seen in public with my wife until her eye healed. I didn't like people looking at me as if I were a wife-beating criminal.

Patty went by herself to the dry cleaners the next day. She explained to the clerk, who was obviously staring at her, "I hurt myself playing basketball last Sunday."

"Oh, sure," replied the clerk. "Your husband hit you and you are just covering up for him."

Patty paid for the cleaning and walked back to the car.

Many people make judgments before they get the facts or know what has transpired. They often make false judgments based on assumptions. This human tendency became more obvious as the days went by.

Later in the week, when Patty's black eye reached its peak of blackness, we had to attend a young-adults activity. Normally our young-adults activities consist only of Church brethren, but not this one. This time we went to the opera house to see *The King and I*—along with 2,000 other people.

When we entered the lobby, which was full of people, I immediately felt self-conscious. The urge came to explain to those next to us in line and the ticket agent: "Hey, look, it's not what you think. She really did hurt herself playing basketball."

Instead, we just visited as usual, knowing that people around us were probably arriving at some erroneous conclusions as to why my wife had a bad black eye. It was a long evening.

I was thankful that the injury at the basketball game occurred in front of several hundred brethren. Can you imagine what it would be like to try to explain a black eye to

everyone we would see at Sabbath services, Bible studies and activities?

### Have you sinned this way?

Do you sometimes sin against your fellowman by judging or condemning without having the facts? God warns us strongly not to fall into this trap: "Judge not according to the appearance, but judge righteous judgment" (John 7:24).

Our Father sets a perfect example in this: "For the Lord seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the Lord looketh on the heart" (I Samuel 16:7).

We are in training to someday judge the world (Daniel 7:22). Are we learning how to judge as God does, or are we still judging according to human tendencies? It is an important challenge for each of us as Christians.

We surely have all sinned in this



way many times, hearing only part of a story but talking and judging as if we knew everything about it, or seeing what appears to be a sure sin committed by someone else, only to find out that our assumption was wrong.

"Let none of you imagine evil against his brother in your heart," God warns (Zechariah 7:10).

"Do violence to no man, neither accuse any falsely," Christ commands in Luke 3:14.

How often are we guilty of assuming that we know something we really don't, and accusing others either in our mind or in gossip?

If you don't know all the facts, don't make a judgment. If the mat-

ter doesn't concern you, don't make a judgment. If something in another person's life appears to be one way to you, be careful. It may not be that way at all.

Judgment is now upon the house of God (I Peter 4:17). One critical requirement for being in God's Kingdom is that we learn to judge according to God's laws, love and mercy, not according to outward appearance.

Oh, yes, Patty's eye is healed, and life has returned to normal. As usual, I am thrilled and proud to be seen with her at my side.

In the meantime, we have learned a valuable lesson about human nature.

## Big Sandy

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plans are for the Big Sandy campus to offer several other majors, including English, home economics, business and computer information systems. Theology courses will continue to be required of all students regardless of declared major. Students may also choose to major in two areas.

"I wholeheartedly support the decision from Pasadena," said Bradley Phipps, a Big Sandy sophomore from Kansas City, Mo. "It's an expansion for this phase of the Work. I think it's a blessing for those students who wouldn't otherwise be able to experience Ambassador College."

Dr. Ward explained that accreditation will not enable the accrediting agency—the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools—to dictate what can or cannot be taught at Ambassador College. A core of general education courses is required, which is already in the Ambassador curriculum.

Accreditation will serve as a means to verify academic integrity and enable Ambassador graduates to pursue graduate degrees without repeating course work.

"This decision was made in order to help Ambassador College students—past, present and future," Dr. Ward said.

### Steps to accreditation

But accreditation is not an overnight process. "Full accreditation, even if everything goes like

clockwork, is five to six years away," Dr. Ward said.

The first step is to apply for certification to confer four-year degrees. That will take one to two years. Next the college must file a status report with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, and request that representatives from the association visit the campus. That will also take a year or two. If Ambassador College is approved at that point, it will receive candidacy status.

Candidacy will give the college the practical benefits of accreditation. After a self-study (in which the college evaluates itself against standards set by the association) the campus will receive another visit from the association before receiving full accreditation. That process will take another year or two, Dr. Ward said.

## CHURCH MEMBERSHIP WORLDWIDE

PASADENA—Following is a list of Church membership around the world by country or territory as of Sept. 1.

Algeria	1
Antigua & Barbuda	15
Argentina	141
Australia	3,705
Austria	51
Bahamas	115
Barbados	267
Belgium	155
Belize	4
Bermuda	95
Bolivia	12
Bophuthatswana	16
Botswana	20
Brazil	16
Burkina Faso	4
Burma	55
Burundi	1
Cameroon	85
Canada	7,885
Cayman Islands	1
Chile	134

Ciskei	2
Colombia	172
Costa Rica	50
Czechoslovakia	1
Denmark	28
Dominica	33
Dominican Republic	3
Ecuador	9
El Salvador	71
Fiji	45
Finland	14
France	497
Gambia	1
Germany, East	8
Germany, West	471
Ghana	162
Gibraltar	2
Greece	5
Grenada	33
Guadeloupe	99
Guatemala	111
Guyana	101
Haiti	48
Honduras	26
Hong Kong	6
India	115
Indonesia	4

Iraq	1
Ireland	121
Israel	4
Italy	93
Ivory Coast	1
Jamaica	241
Japan	8
Kenya	69
Kiribati	2
Kuwait	2
Lesotho	12
Liberia	4
Liechtenstein	1
Luxembourg	5
Madagascar	8
Malawi	55
Malaysia	125
Malta	22
Martinique	159
Mauritius	55
Mexico	482
Monaco	1
Nepal	1
Netherlands	252
New Zealand	703
Nigeria	299
Norway	30

Oman	1
Panama	8
Papua New Guinea	6
Paraguay	2
Peru	131
Philippines	2,489
Poland	2
Portugal	16
Puerto Rico	97
Rwanda	6
St. Kitts	4
St. Lucia	43
St. Vincent	13
Saudi Arabia	2
Seychelles	2
Singapore	32
Solomon Islands	22
South Africa	1,412
South-West Africa	5
Spain	29
Sri Lanka	65
Suriname	2
Swaziland	13
Sweden	23
Switzerland	154
Taiwan	1
Tanzania	4

Thailand	5
Togo	4
Tonga	16
Transkei	23
Trinidad & Tobago	334
Turks & Caicos Islands	2
Tuvalu	1
Uganda	12
United Arab Emirates	1
United Kingdom	2,710
Uruguay	34
Virgin Islands, British	2
Virgin Islands, U.S.	14
United States	65,146
Vanuatu	6
Venda	2
Venezuela	39
Western Samoa	2
Yugoslavia	3
Zaire	56
Zambia	63
Zimbabwe	268
<b>Total</b>	<b>90,978</b>

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## BIRTHS

ALLSWANG, Scott and Pamela (Anderson), of Gardena, Calif., boy, Joshua Shawn, July 23, 9:46 a.m., 5 pounds 3 ounces, first child.

BARNETT, Neil and Julie (Jones), of Melbourne, Australia, boy, Scott Nathan, Aug. 1, 6 pounds 2 ounces, now 4 boys.

BOWER, Scott and Lori (Phillips), of Midland, Mich., boy, Caleb Lee, Aug. 9, 7:15 a.m., 8 pounds 6 ounces, now 2 boys.

BURNHAM, Lloyd and Elise (Bellefleur), of Quebec City, Que., boy, Jason Matthew, July 27, 7:33 a.m., 8 pounds 9 ounces, first child.

CARNAHAN, Mark and Tammy (Knoerl), of Erlanger, Ky., girl, Sarah Elizabeth, July 23, 8:25 a.m., 9 pounds 1/2 ounce, first child.

COMBS, Clyde W. Jr. and Tonia (Biggestaff), of Charlotte, N.C., girl, April Michelle, July 22, 8:29 p.m., 7 pounds 15 ounces, first child.

CONRAD, Ralph and Donna (Batha), of San Antonio, Tex., boy, Clayton Joseph, May 23, 6:27 p.m., 8 pounds 15 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

DEMEESTERE, Frank and Gretha (Jonker), of Gent, Belgium, girl, Charlotte Harmana, Aug. 4, 1:20 p.m., 3.4 kilograms, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

GREGORY, Randy and Marjean (Strommen), of Round Rock, Tex., boy, James Isaac, July 29, 7:46 a.m., 8 pounds 10 ounces, now 2 boys.

HAINES, Mark and Julie (Garden), of Wichita, Kan., boy, Vance Owen, Aug. 14, 8:17 p.m., 7 pounds 9 1/2 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

HENDRICKSON, Kenneth and Shauna (Turley), of Bellevue, Wash., girl, Cassandra Corell, May 11, 11:53 p.m., 7 pounds 11 ounces, first child.

JACOBS, Paul and Linda (Bock), of Mocksville, N.C., girl, Katelyn Laurel, July 13, 9:52 p.m., 8 pounds 1 ounce, now 2 girls.

KAULBACH, James and Nancy (Schmitt), of Waukesha, Wis., boy, Peter James, Aug. 14, 5:11 p.m., 9 pounds 7 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

LANDES, Edward and Paula (Dwiggins), of Muncie, Ind., girl, Carita Lorene, Aug. 20, 10:53 p.m., 9 pounds, first child.

LINDSLEY, Curt and Linda (Fraychineaudo), of Seattle, Wash., girl, Stephanie Rochelle, Aug. 17, 12:27 a.m., 7 pounds 13 ounces, first child.

LULKOSKI, Tim and Linda (Webber), of Binghamton, N.Y., girl, Natalie Ruth, Aug. 4, 1:03 p.m., 7 pounds 3 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

MacIVER, Alan and Valerie (Smith), of Rome, N.Y., girl, Katrina Helen, Aug. 7, 7:56 p.m., 8 pounds 15 ounces, now 2 girls.

MATSON, Loren and Susan (Royseth), of Verde Valley, Ariz., girl, Elizabeth Marie, July 22, 3:10 p.m., 7 pounds, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

McHALE, Joseph and Gretchen (Lowe), of Richmond, Va., boy, Ryan Robert Keith, July 26, 8:19 a.m., 7 pounds 6 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

McSPARRON, Kevin and Leah (Tracey), of Buffalo, N.Y., boy, Scott Ryan, July 29, 5:27 p.m., 8 pounds 4 ounces, now 2 boys.

MEYER, Carl and Dana (Haymart), of Jefferson City, Mo., girl, Christy Lynn, Aug. 2, 5:11 p.m., 8 pounds 7 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

MONAUS, Morange and Marie (Myrtle), of Long Beach, Calif., boy, Morange Jr., July 10, 10:15 a.m., 6 pounds 8 ounces.

MORGAN, Dennis and Stephanie of Bellingham, Wash., boy, Ryan Patrick, April 2, 9:46 p.m., 9 pounds 6 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

NELSON, Steve and Sabrina (Lavender), of Marietta, Ga., boy, Michael Stephen, Aug. 1, 6:13 a.m., 8 pounds 1 ounce, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

NICHOLAS, Mark and Alices (Joiner), of Hahnsville, La., boy, Seth Ryan, July 4, 8 pounds 3 ounces, now 2 boys.

NICHOLS, Gary and Anna (Bennett), of Cambridge, England, girl, Amie Lucille, Aug. 23, 7:41 a.m., 5 pounds 13 1/2 ounces, now 2 girls.

OPIO, Eldad and Zipporah (Akongo), of Tororo, Uganda, girl, Priscilla Akello Tab, June 20, 5:40 p.m., 2.4 kilograms, now 2 boys, 6 girls.

OROSZ, Bob and Sandra (Fike), of Pasadena, boy, Steven Kirk, July 27, 3:03 a.m., 8 pounds 10 ounces, now 2 boys.

PETRICK, Andrew and Maria (Hofer), of Winnipeg, Man., boy, Clark Dustin Timothy, May 7, 11:39 p.m., 6 pounds 3 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

PHILLIPS, Brown and Rhonda (Blakley), of Cincinnati, Ohio, girl, Ashley Robyn, Aug. 13, 3:46 p.m., 7 pounds 6 ounces, now 2 boys, 2 girls.

POTTHOFF, Fred and Judy (Holmes), of Minneapolis, Minn., boy, Frederick Wilcox IV, Aug. 21, 11:11 a.m., 8 pounds 7 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

RICHARDSON, Warwick and Elizabeth (Burzan), of Sydney, Australia, boy, Benjamin Thomas, Aug. 8, 8:30 p.m., 8 pounds 15 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

TRINKA, Tom and Karen (Richmond), of Brick, N.J., boy, Joshua Charles, June 7, 11:30 p.m., 7 pounds 10 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

TRUMBLE, Brian and Leanne (Butt), of Rockledge, Fla., girl, Brianna Michele, July 15, 5:01 p.m., 8 pounds 6 ounces, first child.

VERHEIJDEN, Paul and Jennifer (Keable), of Melbourne, Australia, boy, Bradley John, June 17, 11 a.m., 6 pounds, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

WENTZ, Bob and Peggy (Bromfield), of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., boy, Robert Franklin, July 21, 12:20 a.m., 8 pounds 14 ounces, first child.

WIGGINS, Ralph and Ann (Daniels), of Cincinnati, Ohio, girl, Tiffany Joy Ann, July 27, 4:57 a.m., 7 pounds 5 ounces, first child.

ZOLLNER, Mark and Cathy (Harris), of

Belleville, Ill., boy, Jared Mark, July 26, 7:40 p.m., 8 pounds 3 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

## ENGAGEMENTS

David Parncutt of Gold Coast, Australia, and Veronica Parncutt of Sydney, Australia, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Natalie to Kenneth Bellamy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bellamy of Toowoomba, Australia. A November wedding in Grafton, Australia, is planned.

John "Jack" P. Koto and Christine H. Schalles, members who attend the Garden Grove, Calif., church, are pleased to announce their engagement. An Oct. 23 wedding is planned.

## WEDDINGS



**MR. AND MRS. J. GREATHOUSE**  
Virginia Bragg and Jack Greathouse were united in marriage July 3. The ceremony was performed by John Knaack, pastor of the Davenport and Iowa City, Iowa, churches. Joan Stewart was matron of honor, and the best man was Rick Work. The couple reside in Hamburg, N.Y.



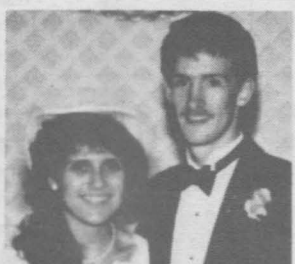
**MR. AND MRS. M. KUYKENDALL**  
Diane Lynae Schemm, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Schemm of Sharon Springs, Kan., and Michael Jay Kuykendall, son of Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Kuykendall of Hixson, Tenn., were united in marriage July 17. Evangelist Gregory Albrecht, Pasadena Ambassador College dean of students, performed the ceremony. Mary Schemm, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Jim Myers was best man. The couple, both Ambassador College graduates, reside in Orlando, Fla.



**MR. AND MRS. RICHARD STAHL**  
Lynne Dianna Burns and Richard Allen Stahl were united in marriage July 30. The ceremony was performed by Frank McCrady Jr., pastor of the Indianapolis and Columbus, Ind., churches. Laurie Mink was maid of honor, and Roger Burns was best man. The couple reside in Indianapolis.



**MR. AND MRS. ED PETERS**  
Sandra Fielder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Fielder, and Ed Peters, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Peters, were united in marriage May 15. The ceremony was performed on the Pasadena Ambassador College campus by evangelist David Albert, an Ambassador College faculty member. Scottie Casey was matron of honor, and Jerry De Gier was best man. The Peterses reside in Pasadena.



**MR. AND MRS. CURTIS BAUGH**  
Shelley Payne and Curtis Baugh were united in marriage July 2. The ceremony was performed by Kenneth Swisher, pastor of the Jacksonville and Little Rock, Ark., churches. Carissa Payne, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Fred Kellers of Nashville, Tenn., was best man. The couple reside in Jacksonville.



**MR. AND MRS. P. KUSHNIRUK**  
Mr. and Mrs. Sid Bennett of Regina, Sask., are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter Carol Marie to Patrick Alexander Kushniruk, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Kushniruk of Crooked River, Sask. The ceremony was performed June 19 by Glen Weber, pastor of the Regina, Sask., church. Kelly-Jo Goodwin, sister of the bride, was matron of honor, and Ron Goodwin, brother-in-law of the bride, was best man. The couple reside in Regina.



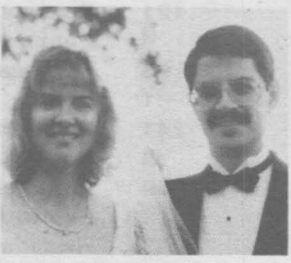
**MR. AND MRS. F. CABALQUINTO**  
Olivia D. Macaraeg, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bienvenido Macaraeg Sr. of Zamboanga, Philippines, and Fernando V. Cabalquinto, son of Mr. and Mrs. Feliciano Cabalquinto of Manila, Philippines, were united in marriage Aug. 7 in Manila. The ceremony was performed by Rodney Matthews, regional director for the Church in the Philippines. Catherine Macaraeg, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Julian Concepcion Jr. was best man. The couple reside in Imus, Philippines, and the groom works in the Church's regional office.



**MR. AND MRS. RANDY FIRESTONE**  
Shauna Lynn Fryxell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Fryxell of Cottonwood, Ariz., and Randy Lane Firestone, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Firestone of Missoula, Mont., were united in marriage May 14 in Phoenix, Ariz. The ceremony was performed by Leroy Cole, pastor of the Phoenix East church. Deanna Fryxell, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Vern Firestone, brother of the groom, was best man. The couple reside in Flagstaff, Ariz.



**MR. AND MRS. JEREMY RAPSON**  
Jeremy Rapson and Cynthia Gray were married July 3. The ceremony was performed by evangelist Larry Salyer, associate director of Church Administration. Lisa Kritzell was matron of honor, and Robin Stow was best man. The couple reside in Taddington, England, where the groom serves as a local elder in the Birmingham and Gloucester, England, and Llanelli, Wales, churches.



**MR. AND MRS. REG KILLINGLEY**  
Mrs. William and Doris Riemen of Big Sandy are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter Carol to Reg Killingley, son of M.A. Killingley of Leicester, England. The ceremony was performed Feb. 7 by evangelist Carr Catherwood, regional director for the Church in Italian-speaking areas. Pam Barr was maid of honor, and Glen Gilchrist was best man. The couple reside in Caracas, Venezuela.



**MR. AND MRS. DUKE LEVY JR.**  
Jan Carol Holladay, daughter of Mr. and

Mrs. Wyatt Holladay of Danville, Ala., and Duke Levy Jr., were united in marriage July 31 in Decatur, Ala. The ceremony was performed by Otto Lochner, pastor of the Huntsville and Florence, Ala., churches. Julie Maria Holladay, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Ken Thacker was best man. The couple reside in Pasadena.



**MR. AND MRS. REYNALDO CORIA**  
Brenda Felix of Manila, Philippines, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benedicto D. Felix, and Reynaldo Coria, also of Manila, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rafael Coria, were united in marriage May 8 in Quezon City, Philippines. The ceremony was performed by Jose Raduban, pastor of the Manila and Marikina, Philippines, churches. Susan Faith Felix, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Antonio Santillan was best man. The couple reside in Manila.



**MR. AND MRS. ROLF MARX**  
Monika Kneip and Rolf Marx of the Bonn-Duesseldorf, West Germany, church, were united in marriage Aug. 14. The ceremony was performed by Winfried Fritze, pastor of the Bonn-Duesseldorf and Darmstadt, West Germany, churches. The bride's attendants were Martina Bossert and Evelin Linkorn, and the groom's attendants were Klaus Bossert and Dieter Schultze.



**MR. AND MRS. JAMES W. DAVIS**  
Nancy D. Simkins and James W. Davis were united in marriage Nov. 28, 1987. The ceremony was performed by Nelson Haas, pastor of the Portland, Ore., West church. Yvonne Edmond, sister of the bride, was matron of honor, and Bill Lockhart was best man. The couple reside in Milwaukie, Ore.



**MR. AND MRS. LONNEY KORAL**  
Lonney Koral and Kiana Wolfe were united in marriage Dec. 6, 1987. The ceremony was performed by Anthony Wasilkoff, pastor of the Kelowna and Penticton, B.C., and Tonasket, Wash., churches. Bridgette Wolfe, sister of the bride, was matron of honor, and Ralf Kauth was best man. The couple reside in Westbank, B.C.



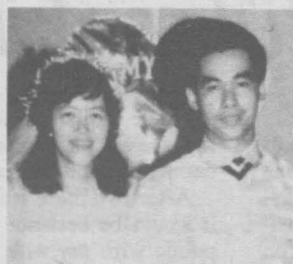
**MR. AND MRS. KEVEN HIGGINS**  
Dulcie Liebhardt and Keven Higgins were united in marriage June 4. The ceremony was performed by David Austin, pastor of the Bendigo and Mount Gambier, Australia, churches. Beverly McHale was matron of honor, and Paul Leeder was best man. The couple reside in the Melbourne, Australia, area.



**MR. AND MRS. KEITH NEWPORT**  
Jeanette Bird of Salt Lake City, Utah, and Keith Newport, formerly of Toronto, Ont., were united in marriage June 2 at the home of the bride's parents in Bountiful, Utah. The ceremony was performed by Don Lawson, pastor of the Salt Lake City church. Dave Price was best man, and Angelika Hoyt was maid of honor. The couple reside in the Salt Lake City area.



**MR. AND MRS. SIG REIN**  
June Kerr and Sig Rein were united in marriage July 24. The ceremony was performed by Neville Fraser, pastor of the Hamilton, Rotorua and Tauranga, New Zealand, churches. Sandra Kerr, daughter of the bride, was bridesmaid, and Robert Francis was best man. The couple reside in Tauranga.



**MR. AND MRS. JAIME BONAOBRA**  
Jaime Bonaobra and Carina Y. Hui were united in marriage July 31 in Quezon City, Philippines. The ceremony was performed by Pedro Melendez Jr., pastor of the Quezon City and Puerto Princessa, Philippines, churches. Jocelyn Pieta was maid of honor, and Lauro Purcil Jr. was best man. The couple reside in Quezon City.



**MR. AND MRS. DARRYL ZERR**  
Jodie S. Bartell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Bartell of Prince George, B.C., and Darryl J. Zerr, son of Mr. and Mrs. Duane Zerr, also of Prince George, were united in marriage July 17 in Prince George. The ceremony was performed by Royston Page, pastor of the Vancouver, B.C., church. Michael and Angie Erickson were best man and matron of honor. The couple reside in Prince George.



**MR. AND MRS. RICHARD MARTIN**  
Mr. and Mrs. William James Fozard of Burgettstown, Pa., are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter Melanie Lynn to Richard Ray Martin of Morganton, N.C. The ceremony was performed July 3 by Thomas Smith, pastor of the Washington and Belle Vernon, Pa., churches. Henrietta Mason was matron of honor, and William Field was best man. The couple reside in Taylorsville, N.C.



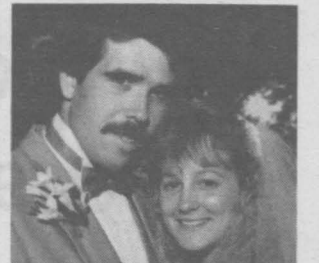
**MR. AND MRS. GARY BLACK**  
Mr. and Mrs. Galen Morrison of Rockford, Ill., are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter Gale Lynn to Gary Lee Black, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Black of Cedar-ton, Ga. The ceremony was performed July 17 by Randall Stiver, pastor of the Madison, Wis., and Rockford churches. Elizabeth Morrison, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and David Black, brother of the groom, was best man. The couple reside in Rockford.



**MR. AND MRS. M. VANDERVIES**  
Cherelle Jeanine Glover, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Glover of Eugene, Ore., and

Martin Vandervies, son of John Vandervies Sr. of Sarnia, Ont., were united in marriage June 12. The ceremony was performed by evangelist Norman Smith, uncle of the bride and pastor of the San Bernardino and Banning, Calif., churches. Karen Few was maid of honor, and Scott Christian was best man. The couple reside in Sacramento, Calif.

Phyllis Graham and Faron Baker were united in marriage Aug. 6. The ceremony was performed by Robert Persky, pastor of the Savannah, Ga., and Charleston, S.C., churches. Sharon Page was matron of honor, and Vincent Baker, father of the groom, was best man. The couple reside in Hampton, S.C.



**MR. AND MRS. MATHEW ROGERS**  
Debra Sue Johnson, daughter of James and Shereen Johnson of Boise, Idaho, and Mathew Ross Rogers, son of Jack and Betty Rogers of Nampa, Idaho, were united in marriage July 3 in Boise. The ceremony was performed by Lawson Tuck, pastor of the Baker and Ontario, Ore., and Boise churches. Lori Dawn Johnson, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Jack Rogers, brother of the groom, was best man. The couple reside in Fort Collins, Colo.



**MR. AND MRS. MATTHEW WARD**  
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rolinetta of Bluefield, W.Va., are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter Donna to Matthew Ward of Little Rock, Ark. The ceremony was performed July 17 by James O'Brien, pastor of the Mobile and Monroeville, Ala., and Biloxi, Miss., churches. The bride's attendants were Patty Blankenship and Odessa Ladner, and the groomsmen were Pat Coulson and Scott Thomas. The couple reside in Semmes, Ala.



**MR. AND MRS. SCOTT THOUVENIN**  
Sherry A. Loudin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oral Garvin of Canton, Ohio, and Scott G. Thouvenin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Thouvenin, also of Canton, were united in marriage July 2. The ceremony was performed by Walter Hawk, a Canton local church elder. Melanie Betz and Kellie Loudin were bridesmaids, and the groom's father was best man.



**MR. AND MRS. W. PROFFITT JR.**  
Nicole Grenier of Shawinigan, Que., and William G. Proffitt Jr. of Kentucky were united in marriage June 12. The ceremony was performed by John Meakin, pastor of the Maidstone, Brighton and Croydton, England, churches. Sheila Akehurst was matron of honor, and Martin Fielding was best man. The couple reside in Frankfurt, West Germany.

## ANNIVERSARIES



**MR. AND MRS. WILLIE TAYLOR**  
Willie and Jacquelyn Taylor of Macon, Ga., celebrated 25 years of marriage at a surprise anniversary party given by their five (See ANNIVERSARIES, page 7)

(Continued from page 6)

children. The Taylors were married Aug. 8, 1963, and they have been Church members since 1968.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lowe of Atlanta, Ga., celebrated their 27th wedding anniversary Aug. 12. They have three sons, one daughter, two daughters-in-law, a son-in-law and two granddaughters. The Lowes have been Church members since 1973.



MR. AND MRS. P. GINGRASSO

Mr. and Mrs. Peter A. Gingrasso of Milwaukee, Wis., celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary June 26. Mr. Gingrasso has been a Church member since 1971. They have five married children and seven grandchildren. Another grandchild is due in December.



MR. AND MRS. BILL BARGAR

Bill and Virginia Bargar, members who attend the Baltimore, Md., church, were guests of honor at a surprise 49th wedding anniversary celebration given by Mr. and Mrs. Dale Bargar June 5. The Bargar's have been Church members since 1965. They have five children, 14 grandchildren, two step-grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and five step-great-grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hildebrand celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary Sept. 1. They have been Church members since 1966. Mr. Hildebrand is assistant pastor of the Calgary, Alta., South church. The Hildebrands have two daughters, Sheila and Suzanne, and two sons-in-law, Roy and Hardy.



MR. AND MRS. L. ZACHARIAS

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Zacharias of Winnipeg, Man., are pleased to announce their parents' 27th wedding anniversary, which took place Aug. 13.



MR. AND MRS. DONALD CARLSON

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Donald J. Carlson of Duluth, Minn., are pleased to announce the 34th wedding anniversary of their parents, which took place Aug. 21.



MR. AND MRS. D. HILDEBRAND

Mr. and Mrs. W.L. Bailey, members who attend the Ada, Okla., church, were honored by their four children and 11 grandchildren on their 50th wedding anniversary June 26. Mr. and Mrs. Bailey were baptized together in 1970. One daughter, Lois Netherland, and three of her children attend Church services.



MR. AND MRS. RAYMOND LEQUIN

Raymond and Helen Lequin of Northampton, Mass., celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary Sept. 6. The Lequins were honored by their children at a dinner Sept. 4. The Lequins have six children and seven grandchildren. The couple attend the Springfield, Mass., church.

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OBITUARIES

CRAMER, David, 19, of Benicia, Calif., died instantly Aug. 31 in a motorcycle accident. Mr. Cramer is survived by his parents; two brothers, Bob and Chuck; and his maternal grandmother, Cora Minton. Funeral services were conducted by Arthur Docken, pastor of the Fairfield and Santa Rosa, Calif., churches, and Thomas McCrimmon, a Fairfield local church elder.

BALALAS-BIBERG, Jim, 29, of Gold Coast, Australia, died Aug. 12 of a brain tumor. He

was baptized in 1977. Mr. Balalas-Biberg is survived by his wife, Dagmar; two sons, Jared and Lincoln; and a daughter, Chelsea, born 13 days after his death. Rodney King, pastor of the Gold Coast church, conducted funeral services.

BOWERS, Aubrey M. "Bill," 67, died Aug. 6 of a heart attack. He was baptized in February, 1987. Mr. Bowers is survived by three daughters, three grandchildren, a sister and a brother.

PAXTON, Lillian, 69, of Indianapolis, Ind., died Aug. 28 of emphysema. She was baptized in 1986. Mrs. Paxton is survived by two sons and three daughters. One daughter, Sharon Bailey, is a Church member. Funeral services were conducted by Frank McCrady Jr., pastor of the Indianapolis and Columbus, Ind., churches.



SINCLAIR FRAZIER

FRAZIER, Sinclair, 66, of Ridgeville, S.C., died Aug. 16. He was baptized in 1967 and was ordained a deacon in 1971. Mr. Frazier is survived by his wife, Wilhelmina; four sons, John, James, Franklin and Jeremiah, three of whom are Church members; one daughter, Vermell, a Church member; and eight grandchildren, all of whom attend Church services. Robert Persky, pastor of the Charleston, S.C., and Savannah, Ga., churches, conducted funeral services.



BEATRICE GALLAHUE

GALLAHUE, Beatrice, 78, of Davenport, Iowa, died July 10 of a heart attack. She has been a Church member since 1980. Mrs. Gallahue is survived by a daughter, Michele Urnie, also a Church member, and two grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted by John Knaack, pastor of the Davenport and Iowa City, Iowa, churches.

SMITH, Ralph Kenneth, 74, of Wichita, Kan., died Aug. 7. He has been a Church member since 1986. Mr. Smith is survived by his wife, two sons, nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. Stanley McNeil, pastor of the Wichita church, conducted funeral services.

FOR THE RECORD

An obituary for Sally Mastin, which appeared in the Aug. 22 issue of *The Worldwide News*, incorrectly listed Mrs. Mastin's husband as Bruce. Her husband's name is Paul. Following is the corrected announcement.

MASTIN, Sally, 41, of Toronto, Ont., died July 5 during a Toronto East Bible study. She suffered from ill health for several years. She has been a Church member since 1967. Mrs. Mastin is survived by her husband, Paul, a Toronto East local church elder; a daughter, Sarah, 17; and a son, James, 15. Neil Earle, pastor of the Toronto East and West churches, conducted funeral services.

Her 26-year wait ends when elder sent to Spain

By Keith D. Speaks

PASADENA—For 26 years Generosa Lopez de Rios waited in La Coruna, Spain, for a minister to be assigned to Spain.

When Pedro Rufian, the first Spanish-born minister assigned to



GENEROSA LOPEZ DE RIOS

serve brethren in Spain and Portugal, arrived, his first task was to conduct her funeral.

Mrs. Rios, 80, a member since 1962, was the first Spanish-speaking member outside the United States to be baptized. Her death Aug. 10 in her home was just days after Mr. Rufian's arrival.

Mrs. Rios was unable to attend regularly scheduled Sabbath services during her 26 years as a member, according to evangelist Leon Walker, Spanish regional director.

She attended the Feast in Big Sandy, Mexico, Argentina and France, however, before the Cullera, Spain, site opened in 1980.

Mrs. Rios was fondly known for asking visiting ministers when a full-time resident minister would be sent to Spain.

Just in time

Ironically, Mr. Rufian, a local elder, was transferred to Madrid, Spain, a week before Mrs. Rios' death.

After arriving, Mr. Rufian called

Mrs. Rios. Though hardly able to utter more than a few words in response, Mrs. Rios was encouraged after years of hoping and praying,

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according to Mrs. Rios' son, who was present during her last days.

Neither Mr. Rufian nor any other members in Spain were aware of Mrs. Rios' condition until Fernando Barriga, now pastor of the Pasadena Spanish congregation,

who took care of the brethren in Spain since the mid-1970s, received a letter from Mrs. Rios' granddaughter requesting an anointed cloth.

Mr. Barriga felt that a letter would not arrive in time, so he called a member in Madrid who relayed the information to Mr. Rufian.

Good example

Mrs. Rios' family told Mr. Rufian that they were impressed with the Church, as they could see the good example of Mrs. Rios and her sister, Elena, also a member, who died in the early 1980s.

"She was a very faithful and zealous woman who served the Church unselfishly for many years," said Mr. Barriga.

"She was loved by the members in Spain and will be missed by all."

ACCENT ON THE LOCAL CHURCH

Event unites Italian youths

Youths from the Rome, Milan and Catania, Italy, churches, visited sites throughout northern Italy July 18 to 22.

The group stayed at a retreat in the Italian Alps near Lecco. Activities included a boat cruise on Lake Como where Napoleon and Benito Mussolini had villas, a cable-car ride to a panoramic lookout over Lake Como, an excursion to the medieval quarter of Bergamo, an alpine hike up Mt. Grigna, soccer and volleyball.

The youths played card and board games, watched movies and had dancing lessons in the evenings. Clifton Veal, pastor of the Milan church, and Daniel Boesch, ministerial trainee, conducted Bible studies on peer pressure and the seven laws of success.

Evangelist Carn Catherwood, regional director for the Church in Italian-speaking areas, said: "We wanted to unify the youths who are scattered all over Italy and otherwise would only see each other at the Feast of Tabernacles. This event allows them to share enjoyable activities within the Church."

Stefano Marsella, 17, of Rome said: "The activity was great fun and everything was wonderful, but

it was too short. We'd love to do the same thing next year for two weeks." Michael A. Guidolin.

Singles span language gap

Eleven English-speaking singles from the Antigua and Dominica churches visited members in Martinique Aug. 19 to 22. Chaperons were Dominica local church elder Crisford Vidal and his wife, Mary.

The singles stayed in the homes of Martinique brethren. The group communicated in English, French, Dominican patois and Martiniquan creole. For Sabbath services Aug. 20, the visitors separated into two groups with interpreters for translations.

A cultural presentation and dance took place Saturday evening. Sunday, the visitors and 16 Martiniquans toured the island, stopping at St. Pierre, a town destroyed by Mt. Pelee, a volcano, more than 85 years ago; the Feast of Tabernacles site; a sugar factory; and the Balata tropical flower gardens. Crisford Vidal.



NEW CHURCH—Pastor David Register cuts a cake Aug. 6 after the first Church service in Worcester, Mass. Two hundred thirty people attended the service. Kenneth Sparks serves as associate pastor.

Potential students aided

Fernando Barriga, pastor of the Pasadena Spanish church, delivered five Brotherhood of the Americas scholarships to evangelist Leon Walker, regional director for Spanish-speaking areas, Aug. 20.

The congregation organized several work parties during the year to provide financial aid for Latin

American students attending Ambassador College.

Sixty members working on a Sunday can raise \$700 to pay for an airline ticket for a student from Peru, while in Peru that amount would represent about five years of hard work and savings. Mr. Walker will distribute the scholarships.

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

## UPDATE

PASADENA—The fall Holy Day card sent by Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach to Church members worldwide was printed in 10 languages.

The crown on the cover was designed to help brethren visualize the world tomorrow and ruling with Jesus Christ as kings and priests, according to Herbert Vierra, manager of corporate graphics.

The top of the crown features the lion, lamb and child of the Church's seal. These symbols are atop a gold sphere that symbolizes the world.

Twelve gold plates form part of the base. Each is engraved with the traditional Jewish symbol for one of the 12 tribes. They are arranged in the order Israel assumed for each march in the wilderness.

The symbols from left to right are Reuben, mandrakes; Issachar, sun and moon; Judah, lion; Zebulun, ship; and Simeon, city.

Each tribe is also represented by a jewel signifying rulership: Reuben, sardius; Issachar, sapphire; Judah, chalcedony; Zebulun, jasper; and Simeon, sardonyx.

The inscription, in the classical Greek of the New Testament, comes from Revelation 2 and 3, according to Mr. Vierra. Translated into English it is "The Conqueror," a title that will belong to all the firstfruits of the world tomorrow.

The royal purple of the cap and ermine fur forming the bottom border of the crown are both traditionally worn by kings, Mr. Vierra said.

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PASADENA—The Ambassador Foundation received a grant request from the U.S.-Soviet Orchestra, which was approved by Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach.

The request came because of the foundation's involvement in the diplomatic and cultural tour of the Soviet Union by the Dance Theatre of Harlem, according to evangelist David Hulme, Ambassador Foundation vice president.

The U.S.-Soviet Orchestra is made up of "promising musicians" from the United States and the Soviet Union. It performed in August in San Francisco, Calif., Washington, D.C., Moscow and other cities in the United States and Soviet Union.

The orchestra received television and newspaper coverage throughout the United States.

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SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico—Spanish-speaking callers make up 21.6 percent of the television response to *The World Tomorrow* in the Caribbean, reported evangelist Stan Bass, Caribbean regional director. In January Spanish responses were 9 percent of the total.

Primarily responsible are expanded media coverage and the addition of the Spanish phrase *Se Habla Espanol*, which means Spanish is spoken, at the end of the program and also during the mid-program break, according to Mr. Bass.

The Caribbean Office "has seen significant growth in our *World Tomorrow* responses," he said.

Mr. Bass continued: "The additional response and the new stations have begun to stretch the capacities of the small office staff." The pool of volunteer telephone operators is limited because they must be bilingual, and the Spanish church in San Juan is small.

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BURLEIGH HEADS, Australia—After visiting New Zealand (*WN*, Sept. 5), evangelist David Hulme, director of Communica-

tions & Public Affairs, went to Australia Aug. 21.

"Over the years the Church in Australia has received some negative press, which often went unanswered," reported Robert Fahey, regional director for Australia and Asia. The purpose of Mr. Hulme's trip was "to give a clear picture of the Church's teachings and practices."

Mr. Hulme met with those the public often looks to for information on the Church, Mr. Fahey added, including religious editors of capital city newspapers, religious broadcasters of the Australian Broadcasting Corp. and department heads of university religious departments.

Mr. Hulme visited Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane and Perth, and conducted a meeting in the Australian Office with Festival coordinators of the seven Australian sites.

Mr. Hulme left for Pasadena Sept. 1.

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PASADENA—Editorial Services completed a new brochure in August titled *I Need Some Answers*. The brochure, for teens, will be offered on the *World Tomorrow* telecast this season, according to evangelist Ronald Kelly, booklet editor.

The brochure features articles on love, dating, friends, family, personal appearance and answers to the questions *Youth 88* receives most often.

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PASADENA—John H. Biggar III, president of the 1989 Tournament of Roses Parade, presented evangelist Donald Ward, Ambassador College vice chancellor, with

a resolution commending the college and students for their volunteer involvement in annual Tournament of Roses activities.

Dr. Ward accepted the resolution on behalf of Chancellor Joseph W. Tkach Aug. 30 at the first student forum of the 1988-89 academic year.

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PASADENA—Church Administration released the following ordinations.

Charles Holladay, pastor of the Cincinnati, Ohio, West church, was raised in rank to preaching elder on Pentecost, May 22.

Willard High, assistant pastor of the Washington, D.C., North and South churches, was raised in rank to preaching elder on the Sabbath, May 28.

Dexter Wakefield, a deacon in the Boca Raton, Fla., church, was ordained a local church elder on Pentecost, May 22.

David Smith of the St. John's, Nfld., church was ordained a local church elder on the Sabbath, Aug. 6.

Thomas Harrison Jr. of the Reno, Nev., church was ordained a local church elder on the Sabbath, Aug. 13.

## PERSONAL

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At my request over the past couple of years, members of the faculty have written articles for *The Worldwide News*, outlining the advantages of pursuing a college education and giving young people in the Church guidelines on selection of colleges and on selection of programs and courses of study.

Some of our young people who have not been accepted to Ambassador College have tended to feel somehow under a cloud if they made the decision to attend another college or university.

Rather than allowing them to feel under a cloud, we have tried through these articles to encourage them to select another college or university, and to help them do it wisely and in the most personally constructive and beneficial manner. In the same manner, we have tried to encourage those who do not attend any college to pursue vocational training.

We cannot overestimate the value of education for our young people in preparing themselves for a useful and productive life. And in the process we also want to see that Ambassador College serves God's Church in the most effective way possible.

With these things in mind, and after much prayer and counsel, it has become clear that it is in the overall best interests of God's Work at this time that we actively pursue accreditation for Ambassador College in Big Sandy.

The South Africa Office also reported that *Plain Truth* lectures conducted in August in East London, Port Elizabeth, Pietermaritzburg and Durban, South Africa, were "a source of great encouragement to the local ministry and membership."

While two people are already attending Sabbath services in Port Elizabeth because of the lectures, 13 new visit requests were received in Pietermaritzburg and 20 were received in Durban.

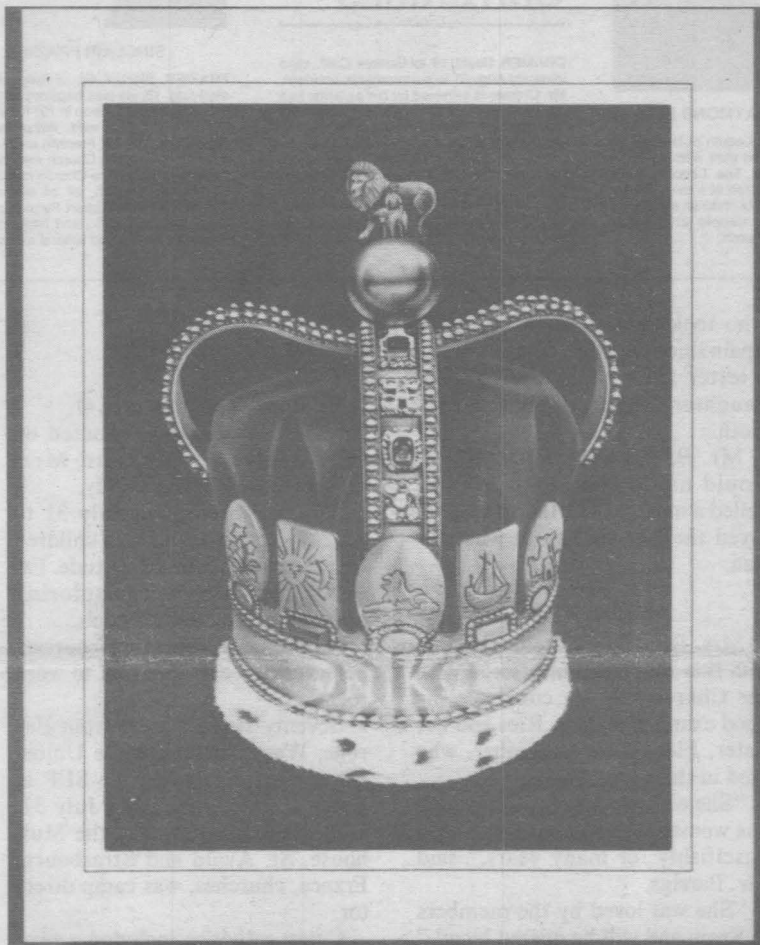
The lectures in East London and Port Elizabeth were conducted by Ronald Stoddart, pastor, and the others were conducted by John White, Durban pastor.

### Australia reports

In July the Australian Office welcomed back Bruce and Sondra Tyler and their family from the United States. Mr. Tyler had been serving in the United States since 1983 and will now pastor the Canberra church, according to Robert Fahey, regional director.

Daniel Zachariah and his wife, Mary, 1987 Pasadena Ambassador College graduates, have settled in Madras, India, to serve members in southern India.

"We now have two ministers serving the brethren in India," said Mr. Fahey. "Our members are delighted to now have more regular contact with God's ministers."



ROYAL GREETING—Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach's Fall Festival greeting card was printed in English, Spanish, French, German, Dutch, Italian, Danish, Norwegian, Portuguese and Swedish and mailed to brethren worldwide.



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

PASADENA—"We have two men in the Church in Italy who have begun alternate service in lieu of military service," reported evangelist Carn Catherwood, regional director for Italian-speaking areas.

"Our young men, instead of serving in the military, have to do a form of auxiliary or alternate service, working in hospitals or homes for the infirm or elderly," he added.

Twenty months of service are required, about double that of normal military service.

"Some authorities are flexible about the Sabbath and Holy Days, but others are inflexible and the men risk being jailed," said Mr. Catherwood. "It can lead to some fairly serious problems."

The men, ages 23 and 26, are just beginning their alternate service. "They have their assignments, but they don't know if they will be able to keep the Sabbath that easily. This

could in time become a major problem. I would ask that you pray that God give them favor in the eyes of the authorities."

### African ministry meets

The picturesque town of Franschoek (Afrikaans for "French corner"), originally settled by French Huguenots 300 years ago, was the location of a ministerial conference for the southern African ministry Aug. 21 to 24.

All 19 ministers, assistants and wives who serve the area met for meetings conducted by evangelist Leslie McCullough, regional director for southern Africa.

Mr. McCullough's talks covered the subjects of the ministerial calling and duties, as well as the responsibilities of a minister's wife.

A number of sessions were devoted to discussing topics raised by ministers.

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