

Ministers visit churches to update membership

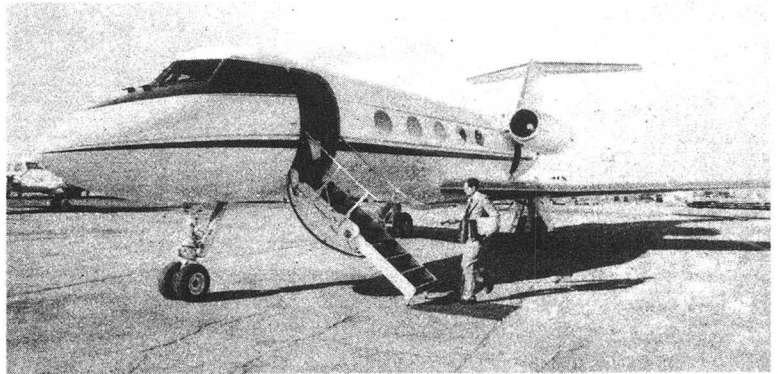
PASADENA — Ministerial Services announced Jan. 30 that Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong approved and scheduled field visits by evangelists, pastors and department heads from the Pasadena area. William Kessler of Ministerial Services stated: "It is Mr. Armstrong's expressed wish that we begin flying to church areas to bring the brethren up to date regarding current events in the Church."

According to Ministerial Services head Joe Tkach, the visits will begin immediately in the southern United States and will continue until Mr. Armstrong leaves for Israel and Egypt in the spring. "The visits will utilize the same format as the trips in the spring of '79, except that Mr. Armstrong has asked that the first half of services feature a 16-mm. film version of the *Church vs. State* documentary," reports Mr. Tkach.

Dr. Kessler added that the pastor general is personally designating the material to be delivered in the sermon following the documentary. According to Dr. Kessler, this will enable the visiting minister to bring the message directly from Mr. Armstrong to the local church. Following the documentary and the sermon, a question-and-answer period will be set aside for direct questions from the

church brethren.

Kevin Dean of the Public Information Office commented: "This [the visits] represents Mr. Armstrong's concern and commitment to the Church to keep everyone unified and abreast of what the Work is doing." Mr. Dean noted that after the visit to Israel, field visits will swing to the north and west until all of the United States and Canadian churches have been visited. Mr. Tkach said that churches will not be combined for the visits except in a few cases. "This will allow for more questions and greater interaction between the local congregation and the visiting team," he stated.



CHURCH VISITS — Mike Fezell of the Ministerial Services Department boards the Work's Grumman Gulfstream II aircraft Feb. 8 to fly, along with other Pasadena personnel and ministers, to church areas in the southeastern United States. A schedule of the visits appears on page 3. (Photo by Roland Rees)

Directors report record-breaking increases

PASADENA — Directors of the Work in the South Pacific and Australia, Bob Morton and Dean Wilson, report growth that has "smashed all records," in information sent to the International Office of Ministerial Services here.

Mr. Wilson reported that more mail than in any previous month in the history of the Work in Australia was processed during December —

23,788 letters, which is almost 10 percent higher than the previous record. More than 8,500 requests for Herbert W. Armstrong's book *Tomorrow... What It Will Be Like*, were "an important contributing factor to our high mail count," Mr. Wilson said.

Mailing list doubles

In addition, the mailing list for the *Plain Truth* magazine more than doubled in 1979, and, Mr. Wilson said, "It is anticipated that the householder cards, the newspaper insert sheets, along with a regular renewal program, will bring our *Plain Truth* mailing list to around 120,000 interested subscribers by the end of 1980."

Householder cards advertising the *Plain Truth* magazine and one of the Church booklets are dropped in mailboxes by Church members. Distribution of 1½ million cards throughout Australia is planned this year. Also, a half million of the four-color newspaper insert sheets will be circu-

lated in selected papers, said Mr. Wilson. Attractively designed, the inserts are captioned, "Most People Are Skeptical About 'Free Offers.' Our 6 Million Readers Were, Too."

Church growth in attendance was 10 percent and now stands at 4,950, reflecting some 250 baptisms for the year — the highest number of baptisms in any one year since 1979, said Mr. Wilson.

"We are looking forward to another good year of growth in 1980," Mr. Wilson said. "Many campaigns, Bible lectures, special Bible studies and special Church services are being planned for all church areas."

Increases are monthly

In New Zealand and the South Pacific, 1979 started with the largest January income figure ever and was followed by month after month of increases topping 30 percent, said Bob Morton, office manager there. Church services and Bible studies reported record attendances.

Mr. Morton's year-end report showed that in March the highest monthly mail and income totals ever were reached. The office there began a series of 288 60-second spots on a top-rated New Zealand radio station that month, and simultaneously had ads placed in the national press and householder cards dropped in mailboxes throughout the country.

"Through the loyal support, prayers and efforts of the members, Christ had doubled the *Plain Truth* mailing list in just three months," Mr. Morton said.

By July the office had received more mail than during the whole of 1978. More than 30,000 new *Plain Truth* subscribers were added by September through the householder cards.

In Fiji, a month-long advertising campaign during September in the leading newspapers there, aimed at doubling the *PT* mailing list, ended up bringing in almost 4,000 responses and tripling the mailing list.

(See INCREASES, page 3)

Three million 'PT' inserts distributed with papers

PASADENA — Three million preprinted newspaper inserts advertising *The Plain Truth* magazine were carried in the Sunday editions of the Chicago, Ill., *Tribune*, the Washington, D.C., *Post* and the Detroit, Mich., *News* Feb. 3, reports Boyd Leeson of the Work's Publishing Services.

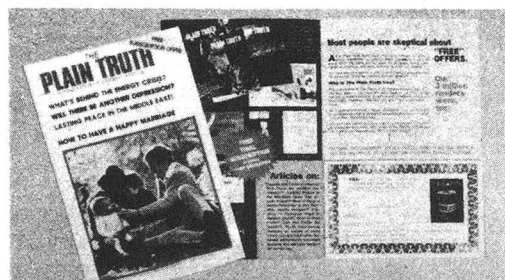
"Judging by the previous test results in California and Kentucky, we found the newspaper insert to be a highly effective means of advertising *The Plain Truth*, and we expect to gain at least 30,000 subscribers from the Feb. 3 effort," states Mr. Leeson.

The Publishing Services Department tested the insert in July [W/N, Sept. 10] and found the preprinted insert to be a relatively inexpensive yet successful means of disseminating *The Plain Truth*. The pilot tests also enabled Publishing Services to make certain modifications that made the insert more effective.

The two versions of the 5½-by-8½-inch full-color inserts feature either the August, 1978, *Plain Truth* cover of a battered child or a full-color photo of a family enjoying an outing. Both inserts have identical inside advertisements detailing articles on such subjects as Bible prophecy, international trends and economics. A detachable preaddressed and postage-paid response coupon enables readers to subscribe with little effort.

A full-color picture of Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong is featured on the back of the insert, along with a description of Mr. Armstrong's experience and credentials as a speaker, writer and educator.

Industry tests show that 80 percent of preprinted inserts are read by the subscriber. According to Mr. Leeson, the potential market in the United States for these inserts is more than 50 million.



NEWSPAPER INSERTS — Shown above are the inside pages and one of the covers of the three million *Plain Truth* advertising inserts distributed in newspapers. (Photo by Roland Rees)

Books to get wider distribution

PASADENA — Translations of Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong's book *The Incredible Human Potential* in French, German, Spanish and Dutch are well under way, according to Robert Miller of Publishing Services.

Several members within the Work are coordinating the translation of the book, including evangelist Dibar Apartian with the French translation, regional director Abraham "Bram" de Bree for the Dutch edition, Linda White of the Work's Spanish Department for the Spanish edition and regional director Frank Schnee for the German translation.

According to Publishing Services, plans call for the foreign language editions to be printed at the Work's printing facilities in England during June or July, with distribution taking place at Feast sites during the 1980 Feast of Tabernacles. Frank Brown, regional director in the United Kingdom, is donating the paper and production costs of the printing of the foreign editions from the United Kingdom's annual budget.

In the United States, newspaper advertisements [see page 8]

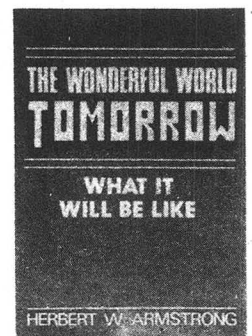
featuring the English edition of *The Incredible Human Potential* have been prepared, and plans are currently in development for a nationwide advertising campaign for the book, according to Mr. Miller.

Mr. Armstrong's book *Tomorrow... What It Will Be Like* has been retitled and a new cover approved for distribution to donors and regulars who responded to Mr. Armstrong's semiannual letter. Retitled *The Wonderful World Tomorrow — What It Will Be Like*, the new edition will be mailed to 130,000 donors and regulars.

Wayne Pyle of the Work's subscriber development program reports that everyone was "very encouraged" by the excellent response to the offer.

Mr. Pyle also points out that although no solicitation of money was made in the letter, donors and regulars (a "regular" is someone who has recently subscribed or renewed a subscription to *The Plain Truth*) responded to Mr. Armstrong's unconditional generosity with a surprise offering totaling more than \$89,000. "It's a great way to start the 1980s," states Mr. Pyle. "The letter brought in more

than 5,500 new donors, and there's a good likelihood that these people will go on and become very involved with the Work because of Mr. Armstrong's generosity."



NEW COVER — Reproduced here is the new cover and title of the co-worker/donor edition of Herbert W. Armstrong's book on the coming Kingdom of God. The cover features yellow lettering on a blue background.

Strauss' status: down but not out

PASADENA — The question is often asked, "How is Franz Josef Strauss' campaign for the West German chancellorship coming along?" The answer: Not too well at the moment. But don't count him out this early.

Last July 2 Dr. Strauss was selected by delegates of the Christian Democratic Union/Christian Socialist Union conservative coalition to be their chancellor candidate in the national election scheduled for late this year (cf September, 1979, *The Plain Truth*). Since that time, however, the Bavarian strongman has found it difficult to build a solid base outside of his native state. Not helping his cause, he's made a number of public misjudgments and gotten involved in a few unpleasant circumstances.

For example, at political rallies last September in Essen in the Ruhr and Cologne on the Rhine, Dr. Strauss was jeered unmercifully — even pelted with eggs — by hundreds of vociferous leftist demonstrators. He had to abandon his Essen speech after 20 minutes.

In his ventures outside of Bavaria, he has tried to cultivate a new image,

one of self-control and statesmanlike conduct. During the Essen bombardment, however, Dr. Strauss' composure broke down. He yelled at the demonstrators: "I hope that the red terror will also be smashed here. . . . What you are doing here today will be the beginning of the end for the Left's majority in this state and in West Germany."

Compounding his misfortune, he blamed the incident on Egon Bahr, a leading ideologue for the ruling Social Democratic Party (SPD). Dr. Strauss backed down, but not far enough. Mr. Bahr filed a lawsuit, which is still unresolved.

Will the real Strauss stand up?

Dr. Strauss' attempt to polish up his image as a serious national contender only seems to have confused people. If he acts self-controlled, people say he's lost his old fire. But whenever he reverts to his traditional form, critics lambaste him for his "uncontrolled outbreaks."

As an example of this dilemma, Dr. Strauss has attempted to appear more statesmanlike in parliamentary debates, sticking to voluminous facts in his speeches, trying to appeal to

reasons rather than emotion. Yet, a "factual Strauss" bores people. Dr. Strauss' oratory forte is his unchallenged ability to speak "off the cuff." He relishes opposition. Hecklers bring out the best (or the worst, depending on one's view) in him.

A recent speech he gave in the Bundestag (West Germany's parliamentary lower house) highlighted Dr. Strauss' dilemma. The opposition SPD delegates, employing a shrewd tactic, refused to challenge him while he spoke. He stuck to his 60-page manuscript. The speech flopped.

The aforementioned incidents were bad enough, but perhaps the biggest blow of all to the Strauss campaign to date was the disclosure

be disparaged or torn down." He argued that the dialogue between East and West must continue, all the more so in this time of crisis.

Challenger Strauss has taken the other approach, basically this: Detente, yes, but detente has its limits. The Berlin daily *Tagesspiegel* praised Dr. Strauss' role in the debate by saying:

"Strauss spoke in the debate as a man with a sense of proportion. He did not in the least demand that the government change its course. Fundamentally, he simply blamed the government for having nourished illusions about the international behavior of the Soviet Union."

Some SPD officials could be rightly accused of living on illusions. Significantly a senior SPD official said only last summer that the Soviet arms buildup in Europe was defensive in character.

WORLDWATCH BY GENE H. HOGBERG

In December that Bavarian border guards had been turning back refugees from Czechoslovakia seeking political asylum in West Germany. That such a thing could happen in defiance of federal laws precisely in Dr. Strauss' solid anti-Communist domain of Bavaria struck countless Germans as ironic.

The Green challenge

There is little doubt that Dr. Strauss faces an uphill fight. But the wary Social Democrats led by Chairman Willy Brandt and Chancellor Helmut Schmidt don't count him out by any means. They have their problems too. A main concern of theirs is the potential loss of the electoral strength of the extreme left wing of their party.

The environmental movement is quite strong in West Germany. The so-called Greens are becoming organized as a political force. A loose Green alliance is now represented for the first time in a state parliament, Bremen. The Greens and their friends — who feel the Socialists are not doing enough to satisfy their concerns over the issues of the environment and nuclear power — are planning to field candidates in the national election. Pollsters give them a fair chance of overcoming the 5 percent vote minimum barrier to gain national representation. If they are successful, it is certain that most of their votes — and seats — would come at the expense of the ruling SPD/Free Democrat parties.

Looking at the political climate as it exists today, Dr. Strauss could use all the help he can get, even of the unintentional variety. Reports Patricia Clough of the *Times* of London, who has been covering the Strauss campaign:

"Now aged 64 and perhaps no longer at the peak of his abilities, he faces a haunting challenge. As things stand, at present, he is very unlikely to beat Chancellor Helmut Schmidt. Only outside factors — if the Greens ecological group draws votes away from the ruling coalition, a war or major world crisis that seriously affected Germany or a big terrorist attack — could change the picture."

Perhaps Dr. Strauss has at last found a world crisis to capitalize on: The Soviet invasion of Afghanistan and the Bonn government's reaction to it. The Bundestag debated the Afghan crisis at length. In the debate and in statements on other occasions, Chancellor Schmidt counseled against an overreaction to the crisis. He and, of course, most Germans don't want a return of the Cold War era in Europe itself. West Berlin still lies in an exposed position, subject to Soviet screw-turning. Germany's own version of detente, called *ostpolitik*, has opened a sizable door into East Germany, benefiting both trade and interpersonal relations.

In the Bundestag Chancellor Schmidt said that "we will not permit what we have achieved in 10 years of defense and detente policy to

Thus Dr. Strauss has been given some ammunition to make an issue out of *ostpolitik*. It may prove to be his opening wedge in the campaign. Reports the British newsweekly *Economist*:

"The government's detente policy, says Mr. Strauss, was shortsighted, looking no farther than West Germany's eastern border. It failed to recognize that the West's lifelines were threatened . . . by the Soviet Union's global, long-term offensive strategy."

Which way the voters?

Will Dr. Strauss' stand on world crises be enough to put him "over the top" in the campaign? That all depends upon the as yet unmeasured reaction of the West German voting public.

A German psychiatrist writing in the Hamburg weekly *Die Zeit* notes the contradicting attitude many West

Germans have toward Dr. Strauss. Many people who have serious doubts about him, he says, are also fascinated by the same things in him that shock them.

Professor Horst Eberhard Richter of Gissen University said that Dr. Strauss unleashes in West Germans the same kind of irrational and unconscious reactions that contributed to the rise of Nazism. He suggested that people unconsciously wanted Dr. Strauss "to wipe out that depressing national self-doubt and guilt feelings (about the Nazi past), which a certain number of Germans still only regard as penance arbitrarily demanded from abroad."

"That tendency to over-compensate for the inferiority complexes," Professor Richter said, "is rightly considered a typical weakness of the so-called German national character, and is feared abroad . . . It makes people susceptible to political trends, which make up for defective personal self esteem by enhancing national feelings."

If Germans were to learn from the mass psychology of fascism, Professor Richter adds, they must realize that this weakness plus the tendency to be easily swayed, was "the most explosive reaction potential, which we have to control with the greatest care if the worst is to be prevented."

Professor Richter concluded that "the success or failure of this undertaking would show whether democracy had really taken root in the population, or whether, as pessimists claimed, it was merely a facade of conformity that hid powerful residues of national resentment." Thus Dr. Strauss' bid for the chancellorship in next year's Bundestag elections will be the "first really pitiless test of democratic maturity we have had to face," he said.

Times of London writer Clough, quoted earlier, adds this: "By the end of this year West Germany will be ruled by, or — his enemies hope — rid of, the most controversial, irrepressible, hated and adored politician it has yet produced."

Just one more thing

By Dexter H. Faulkner

"Who am I to say what's right or what's wrong?" This casual remark by a young woman was typical of an attitude reporters from a well-known magazine found prevalent in a survey several years ago, producing some disturbing clues as to the mood of our society toward cheating and stealing. "Would you fake an insurance claim?" the reporters asked. "It depends on the amount," said one office clerk. "Would you return a lost wallet?" "It depends on who owned it," said a storekeeper. "Is it wrong to break the law?" "It depends on if I can get away with it," said a young man. Less than 10 percent of the people interviewed felt that honesty was a prime requisite for success today.

Anything goes

The reporters asked questions about cheating in school, in business and between husbands and wives, about graft and shoplifting and padding insurance claims, about the things people would do if they were sure they wouldn't be caught in the act. An advertising man summed it up, "In the pursuit of money, anything goes."

In many countries of the world theft has long been commonplace. Iron rods permanently bar windows, solid metal doors roll down at the close of the day to guard store entrances, guards and guard dogs are hired to keep watch all night. Now in our modern technological age computer thefts are increasing and embezzlement is escalating.

On college campuses, to "borrow" a library book needed for a class assignment so that other students do not have access to it is an increasing crime. Cheating on tests, deceiving, fraud, swindles, hoaxes are all common in society today.

Are Christians vulnerable?

If you were to ask members of the Church of God if they steal, I think most would answer, "Of course not, I know the Eighth Commandment." But do we have too narrow a definition of what God meant when He said, "Thou shalt not steal"? Are there forms of theft which Christians are vulnerable to?

If we understand Exodus 20:15 as taking something from another so that, if replaceable at all, money and effort are required, then surely it is theft to waste another's time. If we as Christians are careless about keeping appointments or arriving for them on

time, we are stealing something precious.

And if we steal a glance at personal papers on someone's desk or eavesdrop on a conversation, are we not stealing? Is that different from selling someone something and then surreptitiously taking it back? In James 5:4 we read of God's wrath on people who withhold just wages from their employees. Christian employers too often let the prevailing standards of whatever society they are in determine their attitude toward just compensation rather than God's principles of equity. Sometimes Christians take advantage of the kindness of their fellow members when they expect a Christian electrician or plumber, for example, to fix leaks or do wiring for free. And what about borrowing from our Church brothers and neglecting to return the item or carelessly returning it damaged?

Government tax deductions

We all pay our government taxes, not only because of services rendered and because the law requires it, but because God has said that we are to pay them. There are legal means of reducing one's taxable income, and as good stewards Christians should make use of them.

But when we claim deductions to which we are not entitled, we are stealing. If we claim a charitable deduction for what is really a tuition payment for our child's schooling, we steal. If we take our spouse along at company expense on a business trip and don't count its value as income, we steal — even with the boss' approval. If we have a company car, but fail to separate business from private use, we steal, if not from the company, then from the government.

Photocopy abuse is widespread today. Many are or have been particularly guilty of stealing income due to publishers and artists by photocopying music and pirating lyrics.

I'm sure I could go on, and I am sure you can think of others I have neglected to mention. Some of these examples may seem small, but then again are we not exhorted to practice and, may I add, perfect what we preach?

Years ago at a dinner I attended, former U.S. President Harry Truman said: "A person who is fundamentally honest doesn't need a code of ethics. The Ten Commandments and the Sermon on the Mount are all the ethical code anybody needs."

Typesetting system users meet on college campus

PASADENA — Ambassador College's publishing division played host to a meeting of the North American MOPAS Users' Group Jan. 29 to Feb. 1.

MOPAS is an acronym for "Modular Program for Automated Setting." The title designates a computer typesetting system owned and marketed in the United States by Delta Consult, a company based in Frankfurt, West Germany.

Ambassador is one of only 60 organizations worldwide using the MOPAS system. Most of the World's publications, including *The Plain Truth*, *The Good News*, *Quest/80*, booklets and promotional pieces are typeset on this system, which is considered the "state of the art" in photoelectronic typesetting. The system was installed in Ambassador's publishing facilities here about a year and a half ago.

Group membership is open to present users of the MOPAS system or any company that has issued a signed order for purchase of the system. Some 30 representatives from 10 corporations, including Ambassador, were present at this meeting. The entire United States as well as Canada and an interest in West Germany were represented. The Germans were interested in forming their own European MOPAS Users' Group. The North American Group is the only one in existence today.

Representatives discussed common problems and needs, exchanged ideas and shared knowledge of systems applications during the three-day period. A cocktail party set up by Ambassador publishing composing manager Jim Church and composing

supervisor Don Patrick took place Thursday evening, Jan. 31, in the Ambassador College Student Center.

"Our system is one of the most elaborate offered today," said Mr. Church, "and the discussions represented a giant think tank."

The visiting representatives were "very impressed!" with both Ambassador College's students and facilities, according to Mr. Church.

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'Inveterate globe-trotter,' wife tour North, Central America

By Rex J. Morgan
 AUCLAND, New Zealand — A familiar face to many members of God's Church around the world is that of Neville Morgan, who, along with his wife Elaine, has just completed a year-long tour of North and Central America. Mr. Morgan, an inveterate globe-trotter who lives in New Zealand, has now visited 42 countries, and his several trips to the United States have taken him to every state except Alaska. The latest trip, from April, 1978, to March, 1979, covered 40 states and several Central American countries — a total of 37,000 miles (60,000 kilometers) — at an average cost of \$10 a day. Mr. and Mrs. Morgan attended services in 28 church areas and the Feast in Norfolk, Va.

"In this way, I think we came into contact with around half the Church members in the U.S.," comments Mr. Morgan.

"We want to thank everyone for the tremendous hospitality they showed us. At every church we went to, without exception, someone invited us either to eat with them or to stay overnight."

At a number of churches, Mr. Morgan was asked to give a sermonette about the Work in New Zealand. He also attended several Spokesman Clubs, and at every club meeting he was asked to give an impromptu speech. At one of them he was invited to talk about his experiences for as long as he wanted to speak. And he certainly has many experiences to talk about!

Guatemalan bus ride

One incident Mr. and Mrs. Morgan will never forget occurred in Guatemala when the bus they were

riding in broke down. Another passing bus, already filled with people, picked up the stranded passengers from the bus the Morgans had been on. They soon ran out of room, and 18 people, including Mr. and Mrs. Morgan, had to climb on top of the luggage on the roof and hold grimly to the roof rack for four hours' drive over steep and rough terrain.

"It was extremely dangerous and scary," recalls Mrs. Morgan, "My heart was in my mouth the whole time. But in a way we preferred it up on the roof. Inside the bus people were packed together like sardines in a can — 100 or more of them crowded into a bus built for 60."

Jungle breakdown

Another bus they were riding in broke down in the middle of mountainous jungle in Honduras. The driver calmly told his passengers, "I'm sorry — you'll have to walk now," the Morgans said. It was 18½ miles (30 kilometers) to the next town, through rugged country. Mr. and Mrs. Morgan began walking. Fortunately it wasn't long before they were picked up by a private jeep.

In Central America, the Morgans made many bus trips, as buses were their only means of transport. "Of all of those trips," remarks Mr. Morgan, "south of Mexico there were only two buses we went on that didn't break down."

In addition to Guatemala, El Salvador and Honduras, the Morgans visited Belize, where they visited the Rudolf Lopez family, Church members in the capital, Belmopan. In Belize, they enjoyed a week's stay at an island on the second

longest coral reef in the world. They also visited the fascinating ancient ruins and pyramids of the Mayan civilization in southern Mexico.

After the Morgans had attended Sabbath services (Spanish language) in Mexico City, a group of members there insisted on paying their taxi fare to the airport.

Visit to schoolhouse

Experiences in the United States included a visit to the Eugene, Ore., schoolhouse where Herbert W. Armstrong preached his first Church services, and the first Feast of Tabernacles site, at Belknap Springs, Ore.

The Morgans also attended a Youth Opportunities United (YOU) camp-out near Mt. Rushmore in the Black Hills of South Dakota and had their story written up by reporters from various newspapers in towns they passed through. Watching a plague of locusts devastating a farm in the Nebraska-South Dakota area was a shocking incident they recall vividly.

The Morgans were able to keep the cost of the trip down through the purchase of a camper truck in which they could cook their meals and sleep. They drove the truck 18,500 miles (30,000 kilometers) and sold it for almost the same price as they paid for it 10 months earlier.

Mr. and Mrs. Morgan filled up five large diaries with notes of their travels and recorded many memories on 600 slides and 15 hours of cassette tapes. They are now settling down here, to work hard and save for their next international trip.



MINISTERIAL MEETING — Joseph Tkach, director of the Ministerial Services Department, meets with ministers and other Pasadena personnel Feb. 7 to discuss final arrangements before their leaving to visit and speak at area churches Feb. 9 as requested by Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong. [Photo by Roland Rees]

MINISTERIAL SPEAKING SCHEDULE

The following is a speaking schedule of ministers and other Pasadena personnel and local churches they will visit as approved by Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong. The visits will continue until Mr. Armstrong's trip to the Middle East this spring.

February 9

Panama City, Fla.	Richard Ames (Sermon)
Geneva, Ala.	Aaron Dean
Moultrie, Ga.	Richard Rice (Sermon)
	Fred Stevens
Gainesville, Fla.	Leroy Neff (Sermon)
Jacksonville, Fla.	Nelson Doucett
Orlando, Fla.	Dean Blackwell (Sermon)
Melbourne, Fla.	Kevin Dean
St. Petersburg, Fla.	Raymond McNair (Sermon)
Tampa, Fla.	Joe Kitora
Fort Myers, Fla.	Joe Tkach (Sermon)
Lakeland, Fla.	Mike Feazell
Miami, Fla.	Ellis LaRavia (Sermon)
Fort Lauderdale, Fla.	

February 23

Montgomery, Ala.	Richard Rice (Sermon)
	Jim Snook
Wamer Robins, Ga.	Ellis LaRavia (Sermon)
Columbus, Ga.	
Augusta, Ga.	Carn Catherwood (Sermon)
Columbia, S.C.	Dwight Viehe
Waltersboro, S.C.	Joe Tkach (Sermon)
	Aaron Dean
Fayetteville, Ark.	Dean Blackwell (Sermon)
Florence, S.C.	Mike Feazell
Jacksonville, Fla.	Dibar Apartian (Sermon)
	Kevin Dean
Raleigh, N.C.	Leroy Neff (Sermon)
	Fred Stevens

March 8

Abilene, Tex.	Dean Blackwell (Sermon)
San Angelo, Tex.	Greg Albrecht
San Antonio, Tex.	Ellis LaRavia (Sermon)
Uvalde, Tex.	
Victoria, Tex.	Richard Ames (Sermon)
Corpus Christi, Tex.	Kevin Dean
Harlingen, Tex.	
Lufkin, Tex.	Raymond McNair (Sermon)
Houston, Tex., North	Wes White
Houston East	
Houston West	
Lake Charles, La.	Leon Walker (Sermon)
Beaumont, Tex.	Nelson Doucett
Lafayette, La.	Joe Tkach (Sermon)
Baton Rouge, La.	Mike Feazell
Alexandra, La.	Leroy Neff (Sermon)
Monroe, La.	Aaron Dean

March 22

Roswell, N.M.	John Halford (Sermon)
Las Cruces, N.M.	Joe Kitora
Lubbock, Tex.	Raymond McNair (Sermon)
Midland, Tex.	Kevin Dean
Waco, Tex.	Richard Ames (Sermon)
Austin, Tex.	Robin Webber
Dallas, Tex., South	William Kessler (Sermon)
Fort Worth, Tex.	Aaron Dean
Denison, Tex.	Leroy Neff (Sermon)
Dallas, North	Curtis May
Texarkana, Tex.	Joe Tkach (Sermon)
Longview, Tex.	Mike Feazell
Shreveport, La.	
Big Sandy, Tex.	Joe Tkach (Sermon)
Tyler, Tex.	Mike Feazell

Canadians meet to discuss YES

PASADENA — Canadian regional director Leslie L. McCullough and Canadian YOU coordinators Robert Fabey, Larry Grieder, Colin Wilkins, Richard Pinelli, George Patrickson and Charles Bryce attended a Youth Educational Services (YES) update seminar Feb. 4-6. "With the early Canadian ministerial conference taking place in late February, the men requested a thorough briefing on the status of the YES program, in order to fully inform the Canadian ministry at that time," reports Ron Dick, YES director under Jim Thornhill of the national YOU staff.

The three-day session covered several aspects of the program, including updates on the adult education/teacher training program, the Sabbath instruction program, the family togetherness program and other facets of YES.

"The men enjoyed the sessions and are becoming very excited by the development of the YES program," stated Canadian YOU national director Larry Greider. "The YES program has tremendous potential in backing up the efforts of Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong in turning the hearts of the children to their parents and the hearts of the parents to the children."

National YOU staffers Jim Thornhill, Ron Dick, Mike Greider, Alex Peck, Mark Ashland and Mike Blackwell attended and presented the sessions on the YES program. "The meetings were very helpful in that we started laying the foundation for implementation of the program in Canada," states Mr. Grieder of the national YOU staff. "They gave us a lot of feedback, which assists us in firming up our presentations for the international ministry."



YOUTH EDUCATION DISCUSSION — Mike Greider of the Youth Educational Services (YES) staff describes the program to Canadian regional coordinators and other ministers at a meeting in Pasadena Feb. 5. [Photo by Mike Woodruff]

Increases

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The year ended with the month of December's income up 46.5 percent more than the previous December, the highest monthly income figure ever in the Work of God in New Zealand.

"That meant an overall income increase of an excellent 28.3 percent for the year as a whole," Mr. Morton said.

With more than 65,000 pieces of mail received, 1979's mail count was 74.4 percent higher than 1978's. Church attendance was 50 percent higher than the previous year as well, with seven new churches added, and the *Plain Truth* mailing list stands at 115 percent higher than at the end of 1978.

"Truly, Christ is blessing His Work in New Zealand and the South Pacific in a remarkable and encouraging manner," Mr. Morton said.

Correction

In the Jan. 28 edition of *The Worldwide News* in the article headlined "75 additional students enroll as semester begins," we inadvertently included in the list of countries represented by newly enrolled Ambassador College students Australia's state of Tasmania. Although we realize the citizens of Tasmania have much pride in their island state 150 miles south of Victoria, the *WN* has no authority to reclassify their area as a country.

Volunteer in ambulance service honored for aiding crash victim

By Norman Shoaf
DREXEL, Mo. — Quick action by a Church member here resulted in the rescue of a young woman who had been seriously injured in an automobile accident and caused Bill Whitely to be named the top Emergency Medical Technician [EMT] of the year for the state of Missouri.

Mr. Whitely and his wife Nola were driving home from church (they are members of the Kansas City, Mo., South congregation) of Holmes Road June 23 when they discovered an overturned car in a ditch about eight miles north of town. Mr. Whitely, 31, a member of the Drexel Volunteer Ambulance Service (DVAS), stopped to investigate.

Gale Allman, director of the DVAS, described Mr. Whitely's actions in a letter to the committee that nominated him for the EMT of the year award:

"Bill found one female victim on the side of the hill before he got to the ditch. She was unconscious, breathless and bleeding severely. Bill opened [her] airway while his wife summoned . . . an ambulance.

"The victim began breathing on her own, leaving Bill free to contend with an angulated fracture of the arm and two major lacerations. The fracture posed no problem since she was not moving, so he concentrated on the laceration[s]. Bill made use of available towels and applied direct pressure to control the bleeding.

"Upon arrival of the ambulance the victim was placed on a scoop stretcher and rushed to St. Joseph

Hospital in Kansas City."

The woman, later identified as Paula Shannon of the Louisburg, Kan., area, suffered some broken ribs and a dislocation of the hip in addition to severe lacerations in the pelvic region.

She had been headed north when her car went out of control and slid down the embankment. She was thrown from the car. Ms.



STATE AWARD — Bill Whitely, a member of the Kansas City, Mo., South church, holds the award naming him Emergency Medical Technician of the year in Missouri for his efforts in aiding an automobile accident victim.

Shannon remained in the intensive care unit of the hospital for some time after the accident, though her friends and relatives report that she is now doing well.

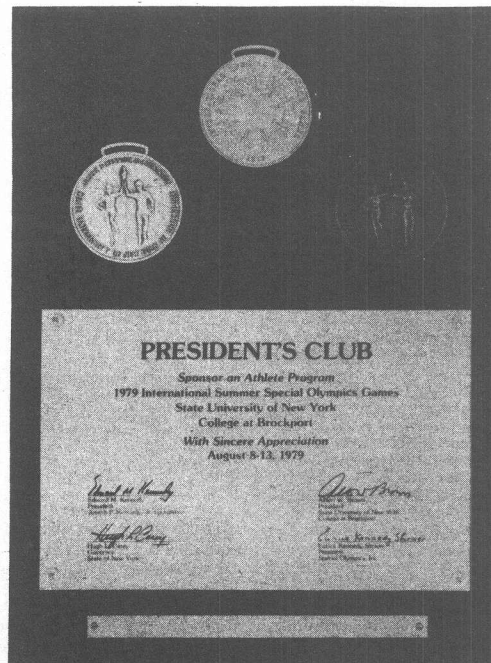
Mr. Whitely was given his award at a ceremony in Columbia, Mo., Aug. 30.

Mr. Whitely is a railway car man for the Santa Fe Railroad. All his duties with the ambulance service are performed on a volunteer basis. To become an emergency medical technician, he underwent some 81 hours of training, including 10 hours in a hospital emergency room. He has taken numerous Red Cross first aid classes and serves as an instructor in cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

The Drexel Star, Mr. Whitely's hometown newspaper, stated: "Bill's award is a credit to the ambulance service here and is indicative of the training that the local EMTs have undergone to reach this degree of efficiency. Bill is to be congratulated for his quick action in his successful lifesaving efforts. He is a credit to this community."

Mr. Whitely's volunteer ambulance duties have mixed some humor with serious situations. His wife relates: "Because Bill works nights at Santa Fe, he is usually asleep during the day when he is on call. The common joke among the ambulance service [people] is that he can be seen running down the street pulling up his pants as he jumps in the back of the ambulance. It's not that bad, but rarely have I seen him leave with a shirt buttoned or shoes on."

Bill Whitely offers a different



AICF RECEIVES AWARD — The Joseph P. Kennedy Foundation presented an award to the AICF in January for services rendered in the 1979 International Special Olympics for handicapped children [JW, March, 26, 1979, and Oct. 29, 1979]. The AICF sponsored athletes to the games, produced the official International Games souvenir program and provided coverage of the Games in *Quest/79*.

perspective. He notes that he utters a silent prayer, placing himself in God's hands, before each ambulance run. "When serving a Creator who knows when a sparrow falls, it is only

right He be given the glory," he says.

His wife concurs, "Bill and I agree it is God who deserves the honor, for we are but instruments of His love."

FOCUS ON YOUTH

'THE WORLDWIDE NEWS' BEGINS NEW COLUMN ON YOUTHS

The *Worldwide News* begins in this issue a new column focusing on the youths of the Worldwide Church of God to acknowledge and publicize the many positive and outstanding examples among our children.

The column will contain some material familiar to our readers from the "Youths Honored" and "Local Church News," but we hope to generate enthusiasm among would-be contributors to write about and share with the entire membership those good examples we can all look to for encouragement.

Some of the articles we would like to see are, for example, those relating outstanding achievements of and opportunities utilized by our children, how local churches or members "go to bat" for their youths by raising money to send someone to camp, how our children deal with outside pressure to violate the Sabbath or other aspects of Christian living and any other accomplishments that deserve recognition.

If this brings to mind someone you know or some event you are familiar with that doesn't duplicate information in the "Local Church News" section, write it up and send it to "Focus on Youth," *The Worldwide News*, Box 111, Pasadena, Calif., 91123.

'NOW YOU KNOW' CHANGES TO MAGAZINE FORMAT

PASADENA — Beginning with its January, 1980, issue, *Now YOU Know*, the monthly publication sent automatically to members of Youth Opportunities United, changed from a newspaper tabloid format to a magazine-type format, with feature articles written by the national YOU staff in Pasadena.

Articles in this issue directed at helping the youths in the church include

"Opportunities to Grow Can't Be Passed Up" by the international director of YOU, Jim Thornhill; "Expanding Your Career Potential" by Lyni Ashland; "Rock Music: Treasure or Trash?" by Youth Educational Services (YES) director Ron Dick and "Go for the Summit" by YES staff member Mike Greider, about the struggle to achieve excellence.

Other news pertinent to YOU members is also included with an inside look at the activities of the 1979 national talent show finalists; an article on preparing mentally for a sporting event; "The Scoop," news from the national office; a section on the importance of a chapter charter; and a section on "What's Happening" in YOU chapters around the world.

YOUTHS HONORED

GLOUCESTER, England — Carole Webb, a student of Dyson Perrins C of E High School, Malvern, was a Malvern candidate for the Lions Youth Award Scheme. She is a member of the Social Services Club at school, which aims to involve young people with the elderly, and helped with a mentally handicapped playground last summer.

The judges for the award scheme look for the qualities of community involvement, personality, leadership and general knowledge. Carole attends church here and is a member of YOU.

NOVATO, Calif. — A letter that a Santa Rosa, Calif., YOU member wrote to President Jimmy Carter was chosen to be read before the U.S. Senate Subcommittee on Child and Human Development.

Last spring, students from all over the country were asked to write letters to President Carter expressing ideas for a better world. Heather Wheeler, 11, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald A. Wheeler, wrote such a letter, and it was

one of 12 chosen (from some 8,000 received) to be read at a hearing of children's testimony before the committee May 1, 1979, which was designated as Save the Children Day.

Nov. 29 Heather received a letter thanking her for her ideas and a copy of the *Congressional Record* in which her letter was printed.



Heather Wheeler



Lynn Gidley

NORTH JERSEY, N.J. — Lynn Gidley, 18, was chosen for the All-Star Volleyball team Nov. 11. She was one of eight girls chosen from among six teams in participation for the district play-offs. Lynn is active in sports and music and is a cheerleader on the A team squad for the Woodbridge, N.J., church, where she and her mother attend.

CUMBERLAND, Md. — A T-shirt design by Brent Eversole, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Eversole, was chosen from more than 20 entries to win a T-shirt design contest sponsored by the Bedford County (Pa.) Tressler Lutheran Social Services.

Brent's winning design pictured a star-blasting off from earth and the words *Kids Count*. He was awarded \$25 and a T-shirt for his victory.

Brent, an 8th-grade student at Northern Bedford High School, has long been interested in art. Many of his other art projects were displayed at the Festival Talent Show in Norfolk, Va.

CHURCH BEGINS 4-H PROGRAM

CHARLESTON, W. Va. — Adults and young people here gathered Jan. 12 for a weekend at Camp Virgil Tate to begin the church area's Junior 4-H program. A potluck dinner for the 4-H'ers and their families that evening was followed by games and contests for the children and a square dance for the adults.

Next morning, chapter officers were announced at a business meeting. Afterwards, 46 young people, with their adult leaders from the church, participated in workshops in which projects will be made to be exhibited at the Kanawha County Fair in September. The workshops include energy conservation, Indian lore and newswriting.

The officers were: Kim Dunlap, president; David Bryan, vice president; and Jeannie Hudson, secretary.

YOU CHAPTER SPONSORS 'SPECIAL PEOPLE DAY'

IOWA CITY, Iowa — The YOU of Iowa City were hosts for a "Special People Day" dedicated to the 15 brethren here age 60 and over. Two exhibit tables of nostalgic memorabilia and a bulletin board providing biographical sketches of the special guests were prepared by the YOU, who, following a meal of old-fashioned beef stew, home-baked breads and other goodies, also presented a talent show. Introductions were made and special recognitions given to members of the group who, combined, are parents of 37 children, have been married 407 years and have been members of God's Church for 126 years.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHS

ADESANYA, Chris and Grace, of Lagos, Nigeria, girl, Victoria Oluwatunmbi Moshopeloluwa, Dec. 22, 4:30 a.m., first child.

BEATTIE, William and Jennifer (Ramsey), of Belfast, Northern Ireland, girl, Lee, Nov. 1, 2:45 a.m., 6 pounds 9 ounces, first child.

BAXTRON, Jerry and Eileen, of Columbus, Ohio, boy, Jerry Earl Jr., Jan. 24, 2:50 p.m., 7 pounds 14 1/2 ounces, now 4 boys.

BAZER, Chris and Nettie (Ardoin), of Baton Rouge, La., boy, Will Russell, Nov. 27, 6:30 p.m., 7 pounds 12 ounces, now 3 boys.

BELL, Cecil and Suzanne (Billings), of Tyler, Tex., girl, April Suzanne, Dec. 14, 6:30 p.m., 7 pounds 11 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

BRUNO, Craig and Susan (Shorb), of Atlanta, Ga., boy, Nathaniel James, Oct. 28, 5:04 a.m., 6 pounds 7 ounces, first child.

BURGESS, Bill and Anita (Smith), of Nashville, Tenn., boy, Daniel Paul, Aug. 28, 2:30 p.m., 8 pounds, now 4 boys.

BROWN, Brian and Beth (McElwain), of Windsor, Ont., girl, Amanda Leigh, Jan. 1, 4:08 p.m., 8 pounds 10 1/2 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

CARREA, Giovanni and Bernadette (Peters), of Northampton, England, girl, Christine, Jan. 14, 7:03 p.m., 9 pounds 1 ounce, first child.

CHIRNSIOE, John and Roalyn (Laing), of Bendigo, Australia, girl, Jaclyn Lee, Jan. 18, 11:30 p.m., 9 pounds 4 ounces, now 1 boy 1 girl.

CLARK, Bud and Donna (Greer), of Columbia, S.C., girl, Charity Autumn, Nov. 18, 9:45 a.m., 8 pounds 2 ounces, first child.

COBETH, Ron and Betsy, of St. Paul, Minn., boy, Jacob Michael, Dec. 25, 6:54 a.m., 6 pounds 14 1/2 ounces, now 3 boys, 1 girl.

CONEAL, Willy and Marcella (Matthey), of Pascago, Ky., twins, boy and girl, Brent Maurice and Bridger Alyce, Sept. 24, 12:22 and 12:54 p.m., 6 pounds 8 ounces and 6 pounds 1 ounce, now 4 boys, 6 girls.

CROOK, Brian and Meta (McFarland), of Godalming, England, girl, Deborah Anne, Nov. 14, 8:10 p.m., 9 pounds 10 ounces, first child.

DIGGINS, Randy and Debbie (Glaco), of Baltimore, Md., girl, Melissa Ann, Dec. 29, 5:50 p.m., 7 pounds 1 ounce, first child.

DOW, Ralph and Antonia (Gieskamp), of Fairbanks, Alaska, girl, Cherianna Mae, Dec. 24, 1:12 a.m., 7 pounds 7 1/2 ounces, now 2 boys, 2 girls.

EDINGER, Russell and Jody (Stevens), of Hammond, Ind., girl, Amy Mae, Jan. 18, 8 pounds 8 ounces, first child.

FRENCH, Leslie and Linda (Banninger), of Eugene, Ore., girl, Bonnie Marie, Dec. 10, 8:02 a.m., 7 pounds, now 2 girls.

GODDARD, Don and Diana, of Roanoke, Va., girl, Sarah Jane, Jan. 16, 11:48 p.m., 8 pounds 5 1/2 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

GORDON, Virgil and Mary Alice (Jackson), of San Diego, Calif., girl, Valerie Alice, Dec. 15, 4:22 a.m., 9 pounds 12 ounces, now 2 boys, 2 girls.

HAUPT, Lance and Lynn (Altforth), of Vancouver, Wash., girl, Sabrina Marie, Jan. 7, 10:11 a.m., 9 pounds 7 ounces, first child.

HENRY, Barry and Paula, of Pasadena, Calif., boy, Roland Wayne, Jan. 19, 1:52 a.m., 8 pounds 5 ounces, first child.

HACHE, Yvon and Giselle (Valiquette), of Montreal, Que., boy, Jean Francois, Dec. 25, 3:11 a.m., 7 pounds 11 ounces, first child.

HANEY, Curtis and Darlene (Hall), of Gainesville, Fla., girl, Brandy Michelle, Dec. 24, 6:31 a.m., 8 pounds 9 ounces, first child.

HENDERSON, Graeme and Carolyn (Williams), of Melbourne, Australia, boy, Trent Jason, Dec. 29, 8:20 a.m., 10 pounds 8 ounces, now 3 girls.

HOEY, William and Valerie (McMorran), of Baltimore, Northern Ireland, boy, David Wilson McMorran, Dec. 13, 4:05 a.m., 8 pounds, 12 ounces, first child.

HOL, Henry and Minnie (Haykoop), of Heamsville, Ont., girl, Adonise Theresa, Dec. 31, 11:58 p.m., 8 pounds 8 ounces, now 3 girls.

HOOK, Steve and Julie (Looney), of Baltimore, Md., boy, Jarrod Curtis, Jan. 16, 2:04 a.m., 2 pounds 9 ounces, now 2 boys.

HOWIE, Steven and Helen, of Hugo, Minn., girl, Alicia Marie, Dec. 21, 3:48 p.m., 7 pounds, first child.

HUARD, Wilfred and Diane (Roy), of Moncton, N.B., girl, Suzanne, Dec. 21, 10:30 a.m., 6 pounds 14 ounces, 1 boy, 1 girl.

KERR, Don and Janine (Marshall), of Toronto, Ont., girl, Alexandra Marlene, Dec. 7, 7:48 p.m., 8 pounds 4 ounces, now 2 girls.

LACOCK, Jim and Shari (Brase), of Atlantic Iowa, girl, Christina Jo, Dec. 5, 1:03 p.m., 9 pounds 7 1/2 ounces, now 3 girls.

MARVEL, Donald and Brenda (Lippa), of Baltimore, Md., twins, boy and girl, Kenneth Matthew and April Fawn, Jan. 9, 8:16 and 8:20 a.m., 4 pounds 13 ounces and 5 pounds 13 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

MCQUEEN, Rodney and Martha (McKee), of Brisbane, Australia, boy, Paul Finley, Jan. 2, 5:30 a.m., 7 pounds 5 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

MILLS, Graeme and Judith (Scott), of Newcastle, Australia, boy, Jeffrey David, Jan. 13, 3:30 p.m., 8 pounds 7 ounces, first child.

PROCIUK, Joseph and Anne (Fortalaki), of Westlock, Alta., boy, Michael Nicholas, Oct. 3, 3:36 p.m., 8 pounds 7 ounces, now 3 boys, 1 girl.

SCHEAR, Thomas and Kathleen (Weirich), of Waverly, Iowa, boy, Brian William, Oct. 15, 11:50 a.m., 7 pounds 4 1/2 ounces, first child.

SCOTT, Ed and Charlynn, of Glendale, Calif., girl, Tracy Jo, Jan. 23, 8:20 p.m., 7 pounds 12 ounces, now 2 boys, 5 girls.

SHARP, Larry and Mary Alice (Faulstner), of Arcadia, Fla., girl, Alycia Nicole, Dec. 28, 8:22 a.m., 8 pounds 1 1/2 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

SILSBEE, Doug and Donna (King), of Atlanta, Ga., boy, Daniel Douglas, Jan. 14, 7:11 a.m., 8 pounds 8 ounces, first child.

THOMPSON, Ken and Lesanne (Deeprae), of Calgary, Alta., girl, Leah Naomi Elizabeth, Jan. 10, 4:30 p.m., 7 pounds 8 ounces, now 2 boys, 2 girls.

TURNER, Darrell and Christine (Keene), of Blue Field, W.Va., boy, James Dorsey, Jan. 7, 12:51 p.m., 7 pounds 11 ounces, now 2 boys.

VAN BOXTEL, Martin and Linda (Price), of Appleton, Wis., girl, Rebecca Leah, Dec. 9, 10:45 a.m., 10 pounds 8 ounces, now 1 boy, 3 girls.

VAN LAAR, Curtis and Dahell (Villierme), of Modesto, Calif., girl, Vanessa Emilia, Nov. 17, 8:15 a.m., 7 pounds 1 1/4 ounces, first child.

WILLIAMS, James and Ruth (Saxton), of San Antonio, Tex., girl, Lisa Renee, Jan. 24, 10:41 a.m., 8 pounds 1 ounce, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

WRIGHT, Jerry and Janice (Reynolds), of Fayetteville, Ark., boy, Jeremy Darrel, Jan. 4, 7:47 p.m., 8 pounds 10 ounces, now 2 girls.

ENGAGEMENTS

John David Doughett of San Diego, Calif., and Carmen Esther Carter of Escondido, Calif., announce their engagement and forthcoming marriage. Both are members of the San Diego Church. An early summer wedding is being planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Fletcher of Kansas City, Kan., are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter, Joycelene Cameron to Don Webster of Soldotna, Alaska.



JULIE BERG AND DON SMITH

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Berg of Pasadena, Calif., are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter, Julie Ann, to Don Every Smith of Huntington Beach, Calif. A June wedding is being planned to take place on the Ambassador College campus.



M.M. MACK AND T.W. LANDESS

Mr. and Mrs. F.G. Mack of Tucson, Ariz., are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter, Michelle Marie, to Thomas Wade Landess of Soldotna, Alaska. The wedding will take place June 1 in Tucson.

WEDDINGS

Richard A. Lamer and Dana Lynn Borders, both of Los Alamos, N.M., were united in marriage Dec. 22. The ceremony was performed by Bill N.M., churches.

On Nov. 24, at the Johnson house, the marriage of Maide Richards to Lewellyn Mar-denborough took place. The bride was attended by her sisters Karen Richards and Christine Gibbs; the best man was Darrell Barrie. The ceremony was conducted by Arthur Sudding, pastor of the Northampton, Birmingham and Nottingham, England, churches, and witnessed by approximately 400 guests and Church members. The happy couple are now living in Small Heath, England.



MR. AND MRS. ANTHONY WOJNAR

Anthony V. Wojnar and Wilma M. Porter were married Sept. 16 in the Mount Pocono, Pa., Administration Building with Otzie Englebart, pastor of the Mount Pocono church, officiating. Margie Storm was matron of honor and Monroe Trimble was the best man. The couple now reside in Pasadena.

ANNIVERSARIES

To Dad and Mom Koch: Happy 30th anniversary. We wish you many happy years to follow and are looking forward to seeing you soon. With love, Dyle and Julie.

To Dad and Mum, wishing you both a happy 25th wedding anniversary. We certainly hope the future holds many more wonderful years for you both to enjoy. We love you both. Kevin, Matt, Rosalind, Mervyn, Bradley, Sharon and grandson Matthew.

Happy fifth anniversary to the most wonderful husband and father, Shazam, Marlene and I have caused you more grey hair, but we hope it's been worth it. (We like them!) God has blessed us with a great love for each other and two beautiful little girls. I.L.V.V.M. Don, Love, Janine.



DR. AND MRS. DUKE GALLOWAY

Dr. and Mrs. Duke Galloway observed their 50th anniversary on Jan. 17. They were married in 1925 in Cincinnati, Ohio. The Galloways have been members of God's Church since 1928. The Galloways have three daughters, eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.



MR. AND MRS. ANGEL AYALA

Mr. and Mrs. Angel Ayala of Houston, Tex., celebrated their 43rd wedding anniversary Jan. 7 and have been members of the Church since 1944.

Obituaries

BOISE, Idaho — Dorothy Wills, 70, a longtime member of God's Church, died Jan. 4 after a lengthy illness.

Mrs. Wills is survived by a son, Darold, of Rexburg, Idaho, and a daughter, Donna Matthews, of Emmet, Wash. Graveside services were conducted by Jeff McGowan, pastor of the church here.

CINCINNATI, Ohio — Stephen Gregory Byrum, 15, son of Dick and Karen Byrum, died Dec. 29 from a gunshot wound in the head. He had been in a coma since the time of the shooting Dec. 23.

The incident occurred when Stephen and three other boys were fired on, allegedly by a homeowner who believed them to be trespassing on his property. The man's trial is in progress.

Reinhold Fuesel, pastor of the Cincinnati East church, officiated at services. Stephen is survived by his parents; three brothers, David, Thomas and Jonathan; and his grandparents, Jack and Daisy Byrum of Monroe, Ohio, and James and Alma Cooper of Middletown, Ohio.

CUBA, Ala. — Clyde Edwin Shaw, 81, died Dec. 20 after a lengthy illness. He had been a member of the Meridian, Miss., church since 1976.

Mr. Shaw is survived by his wife Adelaide; a son, Harold; two daughters, Edwina Wheeler and Eleanor Culpepper; six grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; two brothers; and three sisters.

Graveside services were conducted by Ron Wallen, pastor of the Meridian church.

HYDEN, Colo. — Mary Skufca, 64, died Dec. 13 after a long illness. Mrs. Skufca had been a member of God's Church for 27 years and was baptized by Raymond McNaair on an early baptizing tour when he was still an Ambassador College student.

Mrs. Skufca is survived by her husband Rudy; a daughter, Shirley Schmidt of Atlanta, Ga.; two sons, Rudy Jr. and Louis; and six grandchildren.

Ronald Miller, pastor of the Grand Junction, Colo., church, conducted services.

INVERCARGILL, New Zealand — Len Johnston, 77, died of a heart attack Jan. 10. He had been a member of God's Church since 1970 and had only recently celebrated, along with his wife Gladys, his 50th wedding anniversary.

Mr. Johnston helped establish the township of Bluff, New Zealand, and was well known in the community.

He is survived by his wife; two sons, Lyall Johnston, pastor of the Wheeling, W. Va., church, and Graeme Johnston of Invercargill; and seven grandchildren.

LONGVIEW, Tex. — Gary Lynn West, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben West.



GARY LYNN WEST
formerly of Big Sandy, Tex., died Jan. 24 of respiratory failure.

Services were conducted Jan. 27 in Sayre, Okla. David Carley, pastor of the Lawton, Okla., church, officiated.

Gary is survived by his parents of Sayre; two brothers, Stanley of Longview and Bennie of Burns Flat, Okla.; two nieces; two nephews; and his grandparents, Mrs. Ben West Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. C.E. Dobbs, all of Sayre.

PORT TREVORTON, Pa. — Billy S. Brown, 61, a member of God's Church since 1974, died Jan. 4 after a long illness.

Mr. Brown is survived by his wife Maydene; two sons, Paul of Virginia and John of Tennessee; three daughters, Cheryl Middleton of Mifflinburg, Pa., Mary Alice Hutchinson of Heidelberg, West Germany, and Wanda Fay, at home; one granddaughter; a sister, Mrs. George Bennett of Lancaster, Pa.; and three stepbrothers, Richard Pritt of Wilmington, Del., Keith Pratt of Buckhannon, W. Va., and Wade Summerfield of Richmond, Va.

James Rosenthal, pastor of the Harrisburg, Pa., church, conducted funeral services.

PRAIRIE CITY, Ore. — Virginia Lippert, a member of God's Church for more than two years, died Jan. 10 after a long illness.

Mrs. Lippert is survived by her husband Elmer and her children.

RICHLAND, Wash. — Ernest N. Baker, 82, a member of the Church since 1973, died Jan. 10 of cancer.

Mr. Baker is survived by his wife Edlyn; one daughter, Joyce Reese; one son, Norman E.; and three grandchildren.

Gerald Flurry, pastor of the Pasco, Wash., church, conducted funeral services.

ROLLA, Mo. — Kansasa "Kay" Brasure, 55, a longtime member of God's Church, died Dec. 30 after a long illness.

Warren J. Heaton Jr., pastor of the Rolla church, conducted the funeral services Jan. 3.

Mrs. Brasure is survived by her husband James; one son, James Roy; two daughters, Joan Moga and Bonnie Gwen Mossie; her mother Lula Dean of Horn-beat, Tenn.; four sisters; and six grandchildren. Mr. Brasure, James Roy, Joan and Gwen are all members of the Church and attend in Rolla.

SAN DIEGO, Calif. — Shirley W. Weirich, a member of God's Church since 1972, died Jan. 9 after a lengthy illness.

Mrs. Weirich is survived by a daughter, Barbara Homan; two sons, Steven and David; and three granddaughters.

Norman Smith, pastor of the church here, officiated at funeral services.

WHEELING, W.Va. — Bernadine Puskas, 59, died Jan. 5 of a heart attack. Mrs. Puskas is survived by her husband Eugene; one daughter, Mary Jean Long; four brothers; and four sisters.

WOLF CREEK, Mont. — Edith Hansen, 88, a member of God's Church for about seven years, died Jan. 13.

Funeral services for Miss Hansen were conducted in Lewistown, Mont., by Gene Watkins, a minister of the Billings, Mont., church.

Prison visit highlights Fiji Feast

By Reggie Hart
SUVU, Fiji — The Last Great Day of the 1979 Feast of Tabernacles was a most unusual and memorable occasion for some brethren in this tiny island country in the South Pacific, as a group visited some co-workers in the Fiji prison.

God's people on the island of Fiji are warm and hospitable, and this spirit of friendship prevailed even behind the walls of Nabora Prison. The Work is active in Fiji, with numerous newspaper advertisements backing up the *World Tomorrow* broadcast. This, we saw, has had no small impact on the island's population.

'Air-conditioned' bus
Before services Oct. 13, we boarded one of Fiji's famous "air-conditioned" (all open — no roof or windows) buses for a bumpy, dusty ride down a crude road to the Nabora Prison.

Led by deacon Laisiasa Tora, our group of New Zealanders, Fijians

and Americans made its way up a steep hill on foot, only to be met by a suspicious prison guard.

Skeptical and uncertain as to our true intentions, the guards would only allow two members at a time, accompanied by Mr. Tora, to visit the prisoners, Marika Yalimaiwi, Emori Kalou and Uraia Tukana. Awaiting our turn, we were approached by another inmate who was curious as to why several fair-skinned foreigners would visit the prison.

When we identified ourselves as members of the Worldwide Church of God, the prisoner suddenly became excited and animated, asking many questions about Herbert Armstrong and the Work.

Security relaxes
As we became more acquainted with the three co-workers there and the prison guards, security was relaxed, and the guards allowed the three prisoners to pose for pictures and present the group with some

paintings outside the prison.

After we had presented the prisoners with a copy of Mr. Armstrong's new book *Tomorrow . . . What It Will Be Like*, a Holy Day calendar and some color postcards of Ambassador College, the prisoners related to us how they had petitioned the prison officials to play the *World Tomorrow* broadcast over the prison radio, and how, miraculously, the request was granted.

Despite difficulties, the Work in Fiji has grown rapidly. The prisoners requested that Church members worldwide remember the small nation of Fiji in their prayers, as opposition in the area has threatened to force the *World Tomorrow* broadcast off the air (*WN*, "Update," Dec. 10, 1979).

On the Last Great Day, we were again firmly reminded that God is indeed performing a worldwide Work, and that God's Spirit makes us in the Church all brothers, transcending even prison walls thousands of miles from home.

LOCAL CHURCH NEWS

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

The AUGUSTA, Maine, brethren convened an evening of food, fun and fellowship at the YMCA Jan. 12. Games were provided for the younger children and balloons were handed out by Nora Wilkens. Also enjoyed was the abundance of dinner and desserts.

Ken Sparks provided a musical selection of disco, swing and slow dancing. And Steve Hillburn gave instruction in do-si-do square dancing. A rousing sing-along to the guitars of Harold Jones and Mr. Sparks ended the evening. Pamela Sparks.

More than 200 people from the BETHLEHEM, Pa., and WOODBRIDGE, N.J., churches met in the Bethlehem Steelworkers Union Hall Jan. 12 to relive the '50s. Following the meal, many members took part in the entertainment, which was intermitted by a bicycle safety movie for the young children. But the main entertainers were the Jubilaires, a group led by Bob Lewert, who furnished a musical selection from that period. A twist contest was won by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bergerson by outlasting the other couples. Gordon Long.

The BRADFORD, HULL and SHEFFIELD, England, churches met in LEEDS Jan. 12 for a combined service and social. The highlight of the service was a tape from Herbert W. Armstrong. The ladies then speedily prepared a buffet supper for the 200 members present. Meanwhile the YOU organized a bring-and-buy sale.

The evening's entertainment was directed in Old Tyme style by Bradford minister Bernard Dowson with interruptions from comic David Hacker, deacon of the Sheffield church. Cabaret acts included June Burrows, Ruth Duff, Len Marsden, and Richard Whiting accompanied by pianist Peter Webb.

Following the cabaret, auctioneer Mike Burrows held the grand auction. The evening was rounded off with dancing.

The next day members distributed more than 10,000 leaflets offering *The Plain Truth* to householders in Leeds, Bradford and Huddersfield. Rosemary J. Beck.

Any mid-winter blues received a knock-out punch Dec. 29 as 400 brethren from the CALGARY, Alta., North and South congregations combined for Sabbath services and their mid-winter social. The service began with minister John Borax delivering a timely sermonette on evaluating our lives for any positive changes in 1979. Pastor George Patrickson then stirred the congregation to a realization that the increasing pace in God's Work demands an all-out effort. A combined chorale, directed by Ron Langlo, performed two old favorites, "Let There Be Peace on Earth" and "Oh Brother Man."

After services, a potluck meal with all the trimmings was served by Alex and Joan Smithson's eager volunteers. While some enjoyed table games, others played volleyball. The supercharged ministers' volleyball team won six out of seven games with the YOU all-stars. Ernie Von Hollen, Ed Kitt and Gary Poffenroth supervised the volleyball. Meanwhile Jerry Janitzen screened Walt Disney's *Monkeys Go Home* for more than 60 children.

After all this, there was dancing to the lively sounds of the Buckin' String. This country-and-western band is comprised of Larry Mottram, Ron Langlo, Jerry Gardiner, Ellen Grewer and drummer Frank Crane. Their exuberant tunes rounded out an eventful, inspiring, jam-packed day. Neil Earle.

Felix Fossidity's Fun Carnival is not a Spokesman Club tongue twister but the most successful carnival ever held by the CLEVELAND, Ohio, church. On Jan. 6 more than 100 people threw Frisbees, bobbed apples, walked for cakes and even tried their luck at computer games at the event set up in Brecksville High School cafeteria. Percival's Ping-Pong-Paddle Palladium, Mephesole's Mental Machine and Masek's Macho Catapult were some of the colorful names of the amusements that reflected the Gay Nineties theme.

Twenty-five thirsty contestants quickly signed up for the beer chug-a-lug, among them ministers Guy Engelbart and Gregory Sargent. Much to everyone's surprise, the "beer" was of

the root variety, and it resided not in steins but in baby bottles. Considerable sucking power was necessary to quaff the beverage.

Jack Davies and Earl Wilson were the main organizers, and dozens of members pitched in by helping to set up, clean up and run the booths. This team effort made the event a resounding success. Jeff Smith.

The DUNEDIN, New Zealand, church held a safari picnic on the banks of the Taieri River Jan. 1. The picturesque setting was especially enjoyed by the railway buffs who examined a nearby old viaduct. Also much enjoyed were the swimming and various original games. In particular, a boomerang brought by the Miller family was a great attraction. It was captured by a tree and minister Colin Kelly intrepidly rescued it. Also much appreciated was the fellowship with the Johnston family and Ron Walter who were visiting the area. The common feeling was that the picnic gave a chance to yarn (chat) together and provided a change of pace to ready brethren for the surprises of the new decade. C. Frazer Kerr.

The EVANSBURG, Alta., church celebrated its fifth anniversary Jan. 12. A potluck meal followed the services. Later the entertainment consisted of poems, instrumentals and vocal numbers. Particularly noteworthy was the youth choir's rendition of "Tomorrow Belongs To Me." After this the hall reverberated to the sounds of the dance band. The hall was decorated by YOU members who set up balloons in nets over the dance floor. These were released and were soon in the hands of the young people. For adults, the evening was characterized with reminiscing, and the hope was that the next five years would be even better for the church than the last five. Dennis Lawrence.

Warm smiles were everywhere evident at the FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla., church picnic Jan. 6. Myriad activities were organized by John and Carol Rodberg. Meanwhile superchef Chris Sullins and his team barbecued the chicken and Harriet Adams organized the accoutrements. Music for dining and dancing was provided by the Combominiums featuring Bill and Jean Witte and Roy Thrall. Cindy Hopkins and Rob Goins coordinated games for the youngsters. Other activities included football, volleyball, kickball, basketball, dodgeball and earthball. Everybody had a ball.

On the following Sabbath, ace photographer Waid Wrege displayed a poster featuring picnic photographs encircling a photo of Herbert W. Armstrong. It was entitled "One For All and All For One." Cathy Chase.

The GREENVILLE, S.C., church enjoyed a chili supper Jan. 5. Minister Stanley DeVeaux coordinated the event at the YWCA. Adults and children alike had a wonderful time enjoying the numerous games and activities available. David E. Johnson.

More than 100 HUNTSVILLE, Ala., brethren met for a formal annual dinner-dance at the Hilton Hotel Jan. 13. Cocktails, a buffet dinner and the Charlie Lyle Band were the main in-

gredients put together by the organizer Mr. Chaney. Everyone showed they enjoyed the music by dancing and dancing and then dancing some more. Mr. and Mrs. Lawson J. Tack.

The JACKSONVILLE, N.C., church gave a surprise reception Jan. 5 in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Uzzell Lewis. After comparing their 50 years of marriage to today's divorce rate, minister Don Engle presented the couple with a 600-day golden anniversary clock from the brethren. A corsage of yellow roses and a matching boutonniere were also presented to them. After which photographs were taken of the couple cutting a three-tier wedding cake made by Lillian Martin and her daughter Debbie Savage. JoAnn Winn.

Dec. 1 the KITCHENER, Ont., church held a social that included a surprise for Henry and Audrey Miller, who were celebrating their silver wedding anniversary that week.

The social committee had ostensibly organized a potluck supper to be followed by games and dancing but the real reason for the event was to honor the Millers. A large card signed by all the local members and a dinner service were given to the couple. Walter Szafzanski made the presentation in appreciation of the Millers' long years of cheerful church service. A wonderful great cake, made by Jane Van Pelt, was a culinary capstone to the evening.

The Millers were among the first members of the Church in Canada. Mr. Miller was ordained a deacon in 1969, and with his wife's help has continued to serve the brethren. As a result of the friendships they have built, many drove from other churches to the social to congratulate the happy couple and wish them joy and fulfillment in the years ahead. George and Chris Carter.

The newly formed MELBOURNE, Australia, Central church held a "getting to know each other" picnic in the picturesque Valley Reserve Jan. 5.

This activity enabled brethren of the Central area church, the sixth church to be formed in Melbourne, to fellowship together in relaxing surroundings. In particular, pastor Graeme Marshall and his wife were able to better acquaint themselves with the members.

Further activities are planned to fulfill the goal, as outlined by Mr. Marshall, of strengthening the bonds of unity in the new church. Ian Wheelton.

The MONTREAL, Que., brethren convened Jan. 5 for Beatles Night. Towards the end of a fine meal, organizer Gino Ricci asked those with musical talent to come forward for an impromptu singing contest. The contest turned out to be a standoff as the performers were equally good. For the rest of the evening it was dancing to the tunes of the group. Disc jockey Kevin Rochon kept the hits coming. Dominic Vincelli.

Some called it jokingly a "bizarre bazaar." But after counting the takings, the Ladies Club of the MURFREESBORO, Tenn., church could call it a successful financial venture. It raised some \$500.

The event at the agricultural center Jan. 20 drew about 150 members. Those

who went — especially the children — enjoyed an afternoon of activities, games and fun that will be long remembered.

A fine meal and *The Incredible Journey*, a Walt Disney movie, topped off the day. Everett Corbin.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Baines of the NORFOLK, Va., church observed their 41st wedding anniversary Dec. 16. Members of the church held open house at the Baines' home. Many of the church members came to help them celebrate. They were baptized in July, 1963, and began attending church in Richmond, Va., in November of the same year.

Jan. 5 was an unforgettable day for the OLYMPIA and TACOMA, Wash., churches. For Olympia it began with morning services and a potluck lunch. This was followed by a tape of Herbert W. Armstrong explaining the first four chapters of Romans. Then, after the Tacoma P.M. services had ended, the two churches met at the Tacoma Parkway Hotel for their annual winter dance.

A potluck buffet was served, and after everyone was well fed the dance began. The theme was "Music, Music, Music." All kinds of records ranging from disco to folk were played by disc jockey Chuck Downey. During the intermission skits were performed, organized under the direction of Terry Graves. It was then back to dancing, which continued until midnight. Montez Myers.

The evening of Jan. 19 for the PARKERSBURG, W. Va., congregation began with a communal potluck dinner. Then the show began with pastor Steven Botha as master of ceremonies. The entertainment ranged from instrumental (piano, clarinet, guitar, trumpet, glockenspiel) to vocal to mime to patriotic recitations to sign-language demonstrations to an Afrikaans poetry recital by Mr. Botha. The performers were also varied — from 4-year-old Jerry Mowrey singing "All the Gold in California" to octogenarian Pearl Jackson reciting poetry she had written to her son and his squadron while they were stationed in the South Pacific during World War II. Both the children's choir and the adults' choir performed — the adults' choir making a grand entry marching in, flags aloft, while singing "This Is My Country." After the conclusion of the individual acts, the entire congregation joined in for a rousing sing-along. Barbara Barnett.

On Jan. 12 the ROANOKE, Va., church enjoyed an exciting fact-filled musical extravaganza built around the theme of the Gay Nineties. Christine Livesey had researched the fashion of the 1890s, and a suitable mood was set by the audience donning the attire of that period.

The choir opened the show with a ragtime medley called "Getting It Together." Other performances included song and dance routines from the big cities of America and a skit on the Western range. These acts were weaved together by John Lanum who gave interesting facts about that 10-year span. For the finale, the choir sang "There's A New World Coming." The choir director was Judith Lanum who also directed the show. The producer was pastor Robert Persky.

The show was a resounding success and a condensed version is scheduled

for several nursing homes and possibly other church areas. Susan Crissinger.

Jan. 3 the RUSSELLVILLE, Ark., church enjoyed an evening of square dancing. A professional caller gave instruction and called the steps. It was much fun and, in addition to the dancing, a pie auction was held to raise money for the social fund and the YOU. The auctioneer was Henry Anderson.

When the impromptu fashion show was staged, the ladies had a chance to preen their fine feathers. Edna Condley.

The SARNIA, Ont., church enjoyed a "Night Of A Life," Dec. 22. After a delicious potluck meal, YOU members sold ice cream cones. This was followed by a talent show directed by minister Keith Stoner. The variety ranged from Western music through to classical, and from oriental dancing through to ballet. Much fun was had by all. Mrs. Joseph Stecraic.

The "Winter Wonderland" theme of the Jan. 12 SHREVEPORT, La., Family Fun Show and Dance was emphasized by winter woodland decorations for the stage and hall.

The show, presented entirely by the church family, included the Second Generation Singers (the youth choir), both the YOU and Junior YOU cheerleaders and 16 other acts. Most of the acts were singing — all kinds — from pop to opera, groups, solos, duets and a trio. For variety, there were two disco dance demonstrations, two brass instruments solos, two comedy routines and a sing-along session.

Too many to list all made significant contributions to the gala evening. Paul and Becky Burks were the prime movers. Some others who made indispensable contributions were Vicky Morton, Judy Walker, Ray and Betty Boze, Barbara Haynes, Fred Rodriguez and of course, the cast — many of whom spent months perfecting their acts. Bill Gay.

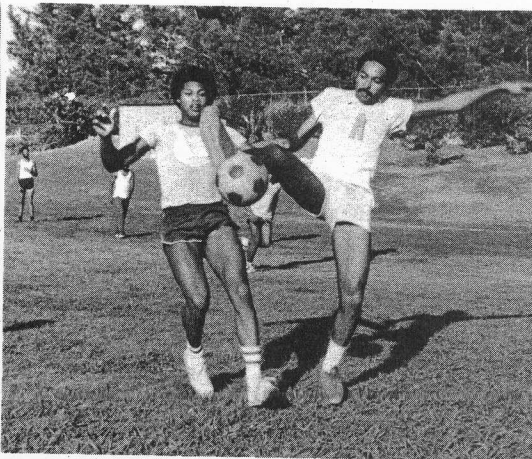
The SPOKANE, Wash., church held its annual mid-winter dance at the Sons of Norway Hall Jan. 5. The semiformal occasion moved at a fast pace with a variety of music, songs and humorous skits. A cocktail hour also added to the event.

A week later on Jan. 12 some 200 members from the COUER D'ALENE, Idaho, and Spokane churches provided labor for an inventory at the Bonn department store. This raised funds for church activities. Verne Enos.

The WHEELING, W. Va., church was entertained Dec. 29 by the comedy-musical production *A Shilling Or Two*. YES directors Mr. and Mrs. Bill Fozard had created the show. Following a potluck meal, the show opened with Paul Johnston and Jeff Fozard playing the part of two wealthy teens stranded at a busy New York international airport. Announced by airline clerk Susan Fish, passengers then appeared in one act after another as they awaited their flights. There were Chinese children, hula dancers, Mexican performers and commercial singers, played by YES members. There was also a robot, a mad scientist, an absent-minded lady, the Pittsburgh Steeler football "short" team of 20 boys and eight rich Arabs who sang "Sixteen Tons of Silver and Gold." All performed against a realistic backdrop of luggage and travel posters. The evening was topped off by children having their (See CHURCH NEWS, page 7)



FAMILY FUN FAIR — Members of the Southampton, Bermuda, church enjoy some of the beautiful weather, left photo, and Kirk Tacklyn, left, of the Spokesman Club team and assistant coordinator Gary Weller of the YOU team clash in a soccer match, right photo, at the church's Family



Fun Fair Dec. 30. Other activities at the outing included netball, softball, musical chairs, apple bobbing, rope jumping and a lunch prepared by the Bermuda Women's Club, with a movie that evening to end the day's activities. (Photos by Roland Sampson)

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pictures taken with Gorgo the gorilla (played by Bill Fozard). Don Pickenpaugh and Bill Fozard.

CLUB MEETINGS

The CHICAGO, Ill., Northwest Women's Club held a social within the lovely surroundings of the Regency Hyatt O'Hare Hotel Jan. 13. The special guests included senior citizens and shut-ins. Guests and members enjoyed refreshments, games and the humorous stories told by Luis Ferrer. Leslie Carlson, an officer of the club who is moving out of the area, was presented a farewell gift. *Susan Frederick.*

The COLUMBIA, S.C., Spokesman Club held its annual beer and pizza meeting Jan. 6. The meeting was open to all nonmembers. Minister John Rittenbaugh gave a talk on the correct use of grammar and emphasized its importance in effective communication. The meeting was well attended and enjoyed by all. *Paul Nowlen.*

The Ladies Club of the HULL, England, church held a men's evening Jan. 5. After cherry was served, hostess Carol Whiting welcomed all, and Josie Womack presented the table topics. In the speech session Janet Van Ham urged the exercising of impartiality toward people. Jane Massingham gave colorful insight into Paris, and June Burrows advised on confidence. The director, Richard Whiting, gave special appreciation to Mrs. Stirk for her fine table decorations. Then after a four-course meal, Mrs. Burrows sang to Peter Webb's piano accompaniment. Dancing completed a successful evening. *Brian Massingham.*

The MONTGOMERY, Ala., Ladies Club held its first official meeting of this year Jan. 6. The meeting was opened by director Paul Kurts stating the purposes of the club. Several of these were: 1) to develop the whole personality, 2) to provide Christian leadership, 3) to give an opportunity to serve the church and community and 4) to learn true marriage values.

The officers of the club are: Connie Williams (president), Linda Winslett (vice president), Betty Beville (secretary), Barbara Marcellus (treasurer) and Jewel Sexton (sergeant-at-arms). All 24 members are looking forward to the growth and development that the club will help each achieve during the year. *Betty Beville.*

Jan. 25, 34 of the SPOKANE, Wash., church seniors — Young at Heart (YAH) — group met for a potluck meal and an evening of old-fashioned entertainment.

The food was delicious, the fellowship delightful, the popcorn balls an unusual treat, the taffy pull a lot of fun and frolic, but the sing-along of old familiar tunes, led by Mel Carman and Jim Beatty with guitar accompaniment, probably brought the most enjoyment.

Mr. Beatty also played a guitar solo, "In The Mood." *Margaret Lay.*

The TORONTO, Ont., Spokesman Club held a ladies' night Jan. 12. In addition to their dates the men invited the widows and senior citizens of the church.

After a meal, the club began. The Most Helpful Evaluator award went to J. McGuigan. The Most Improved Speaker cup was given to both A. Doucet and K. Crouch. R. Trowbridge and Mr. Doucet shared the Most Effective Speaker award.

Tom Ecker, the club director, gave the overall evaluation. He spoke on "Reasons for Misunderstanding Others." *K. Crouch.*

The VANCOUVER, B.C., Men's Club met Jan. 6 amidst the spacious surroundings of Delta's River Inn. Seventy-nine men and wives or dates attended the session, which began with a buffet breakfast provided by the host, club president Al Neighbour.

Topicsmaster was Earl Rands. Trophies for best speeches went to Dale Peterson who spoke on "Communication in Marriage" and to Norm Warko who spoke on "Preparation for Parenthood." The trophy for the best topics contribution was given to Harry Powell. Director Larry Greider spoke on the subject of true success. He explained that real success comes through expecting trials and facing them well. *Fred Whitehead.*

The VISALIA, Calif., Spokesman Club had a ladies' night Jan. 13 at the Riverland Restaurant. A delicious buffet dinner, featuring baron of roast beef and sirloin steak, was served to the 40 members and guests.

Club President Rhoton Cross opened the meeting and introduced topics master Ernie Garcia. He asked some interesting questions that stirred the participation of the ladies as well as the members.

Ray Woods introduced the speakers and evaluators. Lou Barreiro received the trophy for Most Effective Speaker, Greg Guy for Most Improved Speaker and Bill Justice for Most Effective Evaluator.

The men expressed their appreciation for the opportunity to have the ladies as their audience. *Sharyl Justice.*

SINGLES SCENE

The PASADENA Dots (Dancers Over Thirty) held a pizza party at Louise Lindsey's home Jan. 5. Because of the Southern California combined services in Pasadena the same day many singles came in from outlying areas and swelled the ranks at the party to about 90. Bill Butler of the Mail Processing Center spoke on the subject of Christian etiquette. After much pizza and a little wine, there was dancing to the country sound of Mark Kersh and his band, featuring song stylist Jan Rushing. *Frank Pinto.*

The PHOENIX, Ariz., singles joined TUCSON, Ariz., for a social and dance Jan. 5. For those who didn't want to dance, cards and games were provided. And refreshments were served for all. Unfortunately, because of coinciding activities in Pasadena, only about 25 attended. A bigger and better social is planned for April 5 through 7 and outlying areas will be invited.

Any readers interested in attending, or who have any suggestions, should please contact Kay Hoffman. Phone: (602) 971-0981. *Kay Hoffman.*

SPORTS

Penfield High School in ROCHESTER, N.Y., was the scene of excitement Jan. 13 as a crowd of about 300 converged from the BINGHAMTON, BUFFALO, ROCHESTER and SYRACUSE, N.Y., churches to view three games of basketball.

Winners in the first game were the Rochester-Syracuse men who pulled away from the Buffalo team to win a 74-64 victory. In the next game, the

Sermon about prophecy gets statewide audience

BISMARCK, N.D. — Pastor Dan E. Creed found his ministry taking on an added dimension when television station KXMB-TV of Bismarck called up for an interview about biblical prophecy. Commentator Dick Gottschald noticed striking similarities between prophecies outlined in the Worldwide Church of God literature and current events in the Middle East and decided to investigate for himself. The result found Mr. Creed preaching a sermon in regular services before television cameras.

The station taped the entire service and presented a five-minute segment on their statewide Sunday evening broadcast Nov. 25. Unexpectedly, the Bismarck congregation found themselves and Mr. Creed being showcased before an estimated viewing audience of a quarter of a million people in North Dakota.

"It really increased the [population's] awareness of the Church," reports Mr. Creed, "the Church really was presented in a very positive manner." Mr. Creed talked

Rochester-Syracuse team outclassed the Binghamton YOU to win 63-32. And, in the third game, the Buffalo YOU defeated the Binghamton men 58-49.

Refreshments were provided and the excitement, food and fellowship made an enjoyable afternoon. *Jake Hannold.*

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

The BINGHAMTON-CORNING, N.Y., YOU chapter held a hay ride at the farm of Frank and Francine Race Dec. 29.

A steaming "hot" meal of chili greeted everyone upon their arrival and then all, including chaperones Janet Trout and Dick and Pat Deeb, hopped onto the hay wagon and went on a wild and fun-filled ride over hill and dale. They returned to hot cocoa and food by a crackling bonfire.

The next morning, deacon Richard Furney gave a Bible study on "How to be Popular God's Way." After this the teens made breakfast for everybody, held a brief meeting and went bowling for the afternoon. *Mike Deeb.*

Children in the RICHMOND, Va., YES enjoyed a fun and games costume party Jan. 13.



HAIRY SITUATION — From left, Melanie Fozard, Lori Ruscak and Jennifer Preteroti pose with Gorgo the gorilla for a souvenir photo after the Wheeling, W.Va., church's comedy-musical production Dec. 29. (See "Church Activities," page 6.) (Photo by Shari Lopus)

The sponsoring parents worked hard to make the event one they would not soon forget. With a delightful puppet show, games, prizes, party favors, snacks and general merrymaking, the

children were treated to an afternoon of pure fun. The parents and children enjoyed the party so much that it promises to be an annual event. *Paul and Joyce Yates.*

Energy expenses got you down? Conservation brings them down

By Michael Snyder
PASADENA — Fuel surcharges, rate increases, \$1.20-a-gallon gasoline — these are but a few of the headaches that you may be facing this winter. The hard and fast equation of cost plus use makes your pocketbook thinner everyday.

However, many people don't realize that a good chunk of cash can be saved through cost-free conservation measures. European countries have been practicing many of these for years — with a substantial reduction in energy bills. As a service to you, we are printing several of these energy savers. Put into practice, they will save you money — at no cost to you.

Do home survey

Survey your home. Are there any little used or vacant rooms? If so, close off these rooms and shut their heating vents or radiators (unless you have a heat pump).

Check doors and windows for drafts. Hold a lighted candle around

the sash of the window — if the flame dances, buy some weatherproofing tape or tape some plastic sandwich wrap to the sash to stop the drafts. Put rugs or towels in front of doors to stop cold air. Plugging up the drafts in a home or apartment could save you as much as 10 percent of your heating bill.

Beware of bathroom and kitchen fans — use only when absolutely necessary. One small kitchen vent fan can suck out an entire houseful of warm air in one hour. Conversely, remember to turn the thermostat down 3 or 4 degrees when you have a lot of people over. The accumulated body heat of company will make up the difference.

Check the fireplace

Remember to close the fireplace damper when there's no fire burning, as an open damper can send up to 10 percent of your heat up the chimney. Don't use the fireplace with the furnace on. The fire draws warm air out of your house, triggering the furnace. Turn your thermostat down to 55 degrees and open a nearby window 1 inch to draw air from outside. Also, if you are installing a fireplace, think about adding a hot-air vent. It can increase the efficiency of your fireplace as much as 50 percent.

Keep your thermostat down to 65 degrees during the day and 55 degrees at night. (Elderly people or individuals with certain respiratory or circulatory problems need to use caution in varying room temperatures.) Keep drapes closed at night and on cloudy days. Open them only if they face the sun.

The cooler temperature will actually help you be more alert and function better if you dress properly. The human body generates 320 to 390 British Thermal Units (BTUs) of heat every hour. Conserve this natural heat by wearing sweaters or slacks. Women feel about 2 degrees warmer in slacks than skirts. A light sweater adds about 2 degrees of warmth, a heavy sweater 4 degrees, and two light sweaters together add about 5 degrees because of the insulating layer between them.

Hot Water

Let the water stand in the tub after taking a bath or shower, leaving the bathroom door open. A tubful of hot water will release upwards of 10,000 BTUs before it cools down to 70 degrees. Taking showers uses less hot

water, and stopping up the tub will allow the heat to escape into the air — saving you some cash.

Check the temperature of your hot water with a thermometer. Unless you have a dishwasher, you can turn the water heater down to 120 degrees with no noticeable effect.

Fix those hot-water leaks immediately! A dripping faucet can cost you more than \$8 a month. Remember to turn your water heater down when leaving for a few days, or turning it to pilot if gas operated. Wash laundry in warm water and rinse in cold whenever possible. Do only full loads (unless your washer has a setting for partial loads), and don't use too much detergent, as oversudsing makes the machine work harder.

In the kitchen, use the cold water to run the garbage disposal and don't boil water in an open pan. Water boils faster in a covered container.

Check pilot lights

Check the pilot lights of gas ranges. A yellow flame instead of a blue one means it's burning inefficiently and needs adjustment. Keep all range reflectors clean to reduce loss of heat. Also, you can turn off electric ranges before finishing cooking. The accumulated heat will provide the remaining heat necessary.

Let dishes air dry instead of using the dry cycle on your dishwasher — you'll save almost half the energy normally used.

Don't preheat the broiler. Use energy-efficient small appliances like toaster ovens, electric fry pans whenever possible instead of your fuel-hungry range.

Don't keep your refrigerator too cold. Recommended temperatures for the fresh food is 38-40 degrees and 5 degrees for the frozen compartment. Keep your freezer full and don't let the door stand open. However, do leave ventilating space between items in the refrigerator. Defrost freezers often — more than one quarter of an inch of ice acts as insulation.

One final thing to remember — intelligent use of energy can cut the cost of virtually anyone's fuel bill. Remember to plan ahead — planting evergreens in front of the north side of your home can save you as much as 30-40 percent of your heating bill. Use your creative powers to come up with ways to curtail energy. Think positive — and don't forget to get your family involved.

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

UPDATE

KINGSTON, Jamaica — Eight members were baptized between Nov. 17 and Dec. 15 on the island of Jamaica, bringing the number of baptisms during the year to 10 and the membership on the island to 54, reports **Charles Fleming**, associate pastor of the Kingston church.

Mr. Fleming also reports that the first *Plain Truth* lecture on the north coast of Jamaica took place Dec. 16. **Kingsley Mather**, pastor of the Nassau, Bahamas and Kingston congregations, just east of Montego Bay, spoke about **Herbert W. Armstrong's** recent activities, stressing his trip to China, and about world events in the light of Bible prophecy.

Six new people attended along with 30 regular members of the Kingston congregation, who gave a "typically warm Worldwide Church of God welcome to our guests," Mr. Fleming said. In addition, four members of the hotel staff there later requested literature.

"All those [six] who attended expressed a desire to attend any further meeting we may have in the area, and one man is planning to visit our Kingston service as soon as he can," Mr. Fleming said.

"We are planning a follow-up lecture in approximately two months' time and so hope to reach many more of these persons God is dealing with in the Montego Bay area."

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PASADENA — Pastor General **Herbert W. Armstrong** appointed Pasadena church choir director **John Schroeder** as director of the Ambassador College chorale Jan. 28. Mr. Schroeder replaces **Ray Howard**, who recently resigned.

Mr. Schroeder has directed several church choirs for 14 years, including the 1979 Tucson (Ariz.) Festival choir.

Plans for the Ambassador chorale under Mr. Schroeder's direction include several performances in the Ambassador Auditorium, as well as a spring concert and a presentation at the college graduation ceremony in May.

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PASADENA — Initial response to the *La Pura Verdad* (Spanish *Plain Truth*) preprinted newspaper inserts [W/N, "Update," Jan. 28] is running well over projected figures, according to **Keith Speaks**, *La Pura Verdad* promotion manager under **Leon Walker** of the Work's Spanish Department.

As of Feb. 5, response from the Los Angeles, Calif., area was approaching the 2-percent mark. "Industry professionals indicate that a 1-percent response from the 170,000

inserts we placed in the Los Angeles, Miami [Fla.] and New York [City] newspapers would have been a good success, but 2-percent response is fantastic!" states Mr. Speaks.

Miami responses were right at the 1-percent mark, and Mr. Speaks reported that "In the past, New York has always had a greater response than either Miami or Los Angeles. Judging by the rate the subscription orders are coming in, we will probably end up with 2½-percent response overall. There's really no explanation for such a huge response, from the professionals. All we know is that we're happily perplexed."

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PASADENA — A check for \$35,870.73 from Olympic Concessions, Inc. was presented to the Ambassador College student body during the weekly forum Jan. 29, according to Ambassador College Financial Aids officer, and faculty member **Ron Wroblewski**.

More than 200 students volunteered their time to work in concessions stands at the Rose Bowl football game Jan. 1 and the Super Bowl football game Jan. 20.

Mr. Wroblewski stated that the amount was the largest ever earned by the students in the history of the college and that the balance after tithes and offerings would be used in conjunction with the student activities.

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PASADENA — Ministerial Services head **Joe Tkach** reported in the Feb. 8 *Pastor General's Report* that mail income in the German Work had increased 11 percent during 1979, the highest increase since 1972.

Mr. Tkach also reported that Holy Day offerings were up 27 percent over the previous year, writing, "In all, the German Work now seems ready for its greatest period of growth."

Concerning the German Work, Mr. Tkach also commented that "the church in [West] Germany is very loyal and solid in support of Mr. Armstrong and the Work . . . [and] . . . at present the Work in [West] Germany is in the best financial condition ever."

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PASADENA — The International Office reports that **Frederick McGovern** was ordained a local church elder in the Peterborough, Ont., church, and that new churches have recently been started in Australia at Gosford and Joanna. The outlying Bible study in Bilcoela has become a monthly church service, and the Wandoan church has been moved to, and renamed, the Miles church.

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NEWSPAPER ADS — Reproduced above are two ads for Herbert W. Armstrong's book *The Incredible Human Potential*. The ads will be used in a planned newspaper advertising campaign across the United States.

Children unhurt in gun battle

Shadreck M. Dandawa, a Church member in Rhodesia, writes the following account to Salisbury pastor **Rod Stoddart**. Mr. Dandawa asked that Church members worldwide remember the Rhodesian church, as not all brethren have calm conditions or religious freedom in their church areas.

By **Shadreck M. Dandawa**
SALISBURY, Rhodesia — My wife and I were enjoying the Feast of Tabernacles in Salisbury when I received a message from the small village where my family and I live. The party calling informed me that in my absence the Rhodesian security forces cornered some Patriotic Front forces in our village, and the resulting gun battle left two dead and many wounded.

Fearful for the safety of my four children in the village, I sent my wife back from the Feast. I learned later that all of the children had escaped harm, despite the fact that they were right in the midst of the fighting.

The children were sitting with their aunt around 5 p.m., Sept. 30, when suddenly they saw four uni-



CHILDREN ESCAPE HARM — Vimba, Dziri, Zodzewa, Kennedy and Itai Dandawa pose with their mother after miraculously escaping harm from a gun battle between Rhodesian security forces and Patriotic Front guerrillas Sept. 30 while their parents were away attending the Feast of Tabernacles.

formed Rhodesian security men. Before anyone could move, the men shouted to the villagers to lay down, and immediately the air was filled

with the sound of rattling machine guns. Terrified, the children ignored the command and ran for the safety of one of the village's three huts. In the midst of heavy gunfire, the children miraculously escaped injury and managed to reach one of the huts. Finally, the gunfire stopped, and the security forces moved to flush out the Patriotic Front fighters and collaborators in the village huts. More gunfire ensued, but the security forces passed by the hut the children were hiding in.

When the gunfire and struggle finally ceased, two of the tribespeople were dead (including one of my cousins) and many wounded. Unbelievably, the children went through the entire siege without any harm. Those of my village were astonished that my children weren't injured, and many people believe that I have some sort of magic powers or charms that this should happen.

But I understand that God was the One who saved my young children, and I give thanks to Him.



MORE THAN THEY CAN HANDLE — Professional artist and Church member **Glenda Harris** of Centerline, Mich., a former animator with the

Media Services Department, offered this light-hearted view of the State of California's suit against the Worldwide Church of God.