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College, church choirs present Handel's Messiah in Auditorium

By Kerri Miles

PASADENA — Four vocal soloists and a chorale of 162 members presented two performances of George Frederick Handel's *Messiah* April 21 and 22, in the Ambassador Auditorium. They were accompanied by the Los Angeles (Calif.) Chamber Orchestra.

Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong attended both the Saturday evening and Sunday performances. "He was extremely pleased," said evangelist Ellis La Ravia, director of the Auditorium. "He felt that the orchestra and the chorale, as well as the soloists, did a fine job. I'd even say he was thrilled with it."

The chorale was composed of the Pasadena and Big Sandy Ambassador College chorales and the Pasadena Church Choir.

The performances were directed by John D. Schroeder, director of the Pasadena Ambassador College Chorale and Church Choir.

Mr. Schroeder felt that performing *Messiah* was appropriate for the

Days of Unleavened Bread. "When the people heard the choir and soloists singing the things they had been hearing and reading for weeks, they were ready for it. So, *Messiah* became a superb vehicle for helping us to reflect on the wonderful meanings of the Passover season."

Two soloists, soprano Delcina Stevenson and mezzo-soprano Leslie Richards, were hired for the performances. Miss Stevenson has performed with the Los Angeles Philharmonic; the San Francisco (Calif.), Detroit (Mich.) and National symphony orchestras; and with numerous opera companies.

Miss Richards has performed with the San Diego (Calif.) Center Opera, the Merola Opera and the San Francisco Opera. She has been featured with numerous orchestras including the Sacramento (Calif.) Honolulu (Hawaii) and Pasadena symphonies.

The other two soloists, both Church members, were tenor Roger Bryant, chairman of the Big Sandy

Ambassador College Music Department and director of the college chorale there; and Gerald Bieritz, associate professor of music at Pasadena Ambassador College.

Mr. Bryant has appeared with several orchestras including the Bodensee Symphony in Bonndorf, West Germany, and the New Mexico Symphony.

Mr. Bieritz is a member of the Arioso Vocal Quartet, and has appeared in operas, solo recitals and concerts in Southern California.

Four Church members performed in the violin sections of the orchestra, according to Mr. Schroeder. They are Kathryn Ames, wife of evangelist Richard Ames, Molly Banks, Hernan Herrera, an employee of the Personal Correspondence Department, and Kyriacos Stavrinides, professor of classics and philosophy at Pasadena Ambassador College.

The Pasadena chorales and church choir began rehearsing separately in January for the performances. The Big Sandy chorale performed sections of *Messiah* in April, 1983.

In early 1983, evangelist Raymond McNair, deputy chancellor of Pasadena Ambassador College, suggested to Mr. Armstrong a performance of *Messiah* by the combined chorales. "A precedent was set in the late '60s when Mr. Armstrong authorized the Bricket Wood [Ambassador College] Chorale and the Luton Choral Society to be flown to Pasadena for a performance of the *Messiah*," said Mr. McNair. The Big Sandy Ambassador College Chorale also participated in that



CONCERT CONDUCTOR — John D. Schroeder, director of the Pasadena Ambassador College Chorale and the Pasadena Church Choir, conducts the April 21 performance of Handel's *Messiah* in the Ambassador Auditorium. [Photo by Barry Stahl]

performance, in January, 1968.

The Big Sandy chorale was invited for this year's performance so "we could present a more spectacular performance," Mr. McNair said. "And to serve the purpose of bringing the two campuses together."

Mr. Bryant said: "A lot of people in the audience commented that this was the most inspiring presentation they had ever heard in the Auditorium. I felt that our purpose of providing an evening of enjoyment and inspiration was fulfilled."

Europe waking up, says French regional director

By Jeff Zhorne

PASADENA — "People are turning more and more to alternatives. They realize traditional religion doesn't have any answers," said evangelist Dibar Apartian, regional director of the work in French-speaking areas, after a trip to France, Belgium and Switzerland April 10 to 27.

Mr. Apartian conducted seven *La Pure Verite* (French *Plain Truth*) Bible lectures in addition to services during the Days of Unleavened Bread.

"Everywhere the reaction to the lectures was encouraging," he said. "Europe is waking up now because of [depressed] economic conditions and the situations in Poland, Iraq and Iran and the communist influence in the [French] West Indies."

For this reason Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong's television program with French subtitles, and the broadcast, *Le Monde a Venir* (French *World Tomorrow*), are "making a tremendous impact."

In certain cities, as many as 10 percent of *La Pure Verite* subscribers who were notified about Mr. Apartian's public appearances attended lectures. In Switzerland he spoke in Geneva, La Chaux-de-Fonds and Lausanne.

In La Chaux-de-Fonds, an industrial, watchmaking city, there is considerable unemployment because of Japanese competition in watchmaking, he said. Twenty-one subscribers attended Mr. Apartian's talk titled "The Future of Switzerland."

In Lausanne, 66 subscribers attended the meeting, although no advertising was conducted. "That's an excellent response," said Mr. Apartian.

April 15, 60 new people attended the lecture in Liege, Belgium, a strong Catholic city. "I expected a 1

to 2 percent response, but 10 percent of *La Pure Verite* subscribers showed up. The work is really blooming there."

In Liege and Brussels, Belgium, Mr. Apartian spoke about the biblical identity of the country.

The last two lectures took place in Rouen and Paris, France. "Since I spoke during Holy Week [April 15 to 21, associated with Easter], I didn't expect a good response, but many came out. His Rouen talk was titled "The Rise and Fall of the French Empire."

Though Mr. Apartian's lecture in Paris was on Easter, April 22, the turnout was much higher than he expected, with 162 in attendance.

The lecture was conducted in the afternoon, because many people are afraid to go out at night, Mr. Apartian explained. "The subways in Paris are too dangerous." Mr. Apartian's talk was titled "Passover vs. Easter Sunday."

Mr. Apartian mentioned that the Gospel began going into southern France, on Sud-Radio in Toulouse, in early April. *Le Monde a Venir* airs twice weekly. "Sud-Radio can be a tremendous boost," he remarked.

The evangelist said that many in France and Belgium told him they are getting up at 5 a.m. to hear *Le Monde a Venir* over Radio Luxembourg, a 1.5 million-watt station that airs the program three times weekly.

Mr. Apartian took the Passover and conducted services on the first Holy Day in Brussels and spent the last day of Unleavened Bread in Paris. He conducted Sabbath services April 14 in Geneva and April 21 in Paris. He said all the brethren are behind Mr. Armstrong and the work.

"There is encouraging growth. I expect a fantastic harvest there in the future, but more laborers are needed," he concluded.

Spring Feast offerings up 30.3 percent

Treasurer gives Holy Day report

By Leroy Neff

PASADENA — The big news in the financial area in April was the Holy Day offerings. The Church responded enthusiastically to Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong's member letter April 2 about these offerings.

Evangelist Leroy Neff is treasurer of the Worldwide Church of God.

The first day's offering for the United States was 34.6 percent more than last year. The second day

dropped a little bit to an increase of 26.1 percent. When averaged out, these offerings were 30.3 percent more than last year.

We here on the staff are most grateful for this substantial increase. I know that Mr. Armstrong is also pleased, and more importantly the Head of the Church, Jesus Christ, is pleased with such a good increase. Thank you for your part.

Although we had such tremendous Holy Day offerings, the month's increase in general contributions or regular tithes and offerings was lower than normal. The

month of April ended with a 2.8 percent increase in this donation category.

However, when all of the donation income for the month was put together, we had an increase of 15.6 percent over last April. This is up from recent months and has changed the year-to-date increase from 12.4 percent at the end of March to 13.5 percent at the end of April.

We got through the traditionally low spring period before the Holy Day offerings without any cash-flow crisis and without borrowing from the bank as we used to do years ago.

We have also received a fine response to Mr. Armstrong's letter about the Feast of Tabernacles and the title of the tithe. Offerings for this purpose were 35 percent more in April than for April of last year, with the year-to-date increase being about 32 percent.

Arthur Andersen & Co. completed the United States audit, and it has been distributed to certain large business and banking firms who normally get such reports. The worldwide audit is not quite complete.

After such good spring offerings, I hope that everyone will prepare for an increased offering on Pentecost, June 10.

PT reaches seven-million mark

PASADENA — Worldwide *Plain Truth* circulation will top the seven-million mark with the combined July-August issue, according to Ray Wright, director of Publishing Services.

More than 6.8 million copies of the June issue are being distributed, he added. Boyd Leeson, U.S. *Plain Truth* circulation manager, said that more than 173,600 new subscribers were added during the month of April. This is the highest number added in one month.

The new subscribers were added in what appears to be a record year of growth for the Church, Mr. Wright said. To illustrate the trend, Mr. Wright explained that "more copies of the June *Plain Truth* were printed worldwide than were printed in the first 25 years of the Philadelphia era of God's Church."

The *Plain Truth* topped the six-million mark with the November-December, 1983, issue, and topped the five-million mark in 1982 with the combined September-October issue, Mr. Wright said.

The pope's vision and Germany's unease

PASADENA — The daily headlines usually do not convey the most important news developments of the times. Behind the page 1 stories, the trend continues to build, steadily and inexorably, toward the final emergence of the Roman system in continental Europe.

In a March 28 editorial the Czechoslovak Communist Party newspaper *Tribuna*, acting as a channel for the Kremlin, called Pope John Paul II "one of the most reactionary popes of this century." According to *Tribuna*, the pope supports those who "call upon the Catholics of Eastern Europe to follow the example of the reactionaries in the Polish church."

The tirade from Prague reveals a genuine communist fear that the pope's influence could loosen Moscow's grip on Eastern Europe.

"John Paul II's attitudes," wrote Peter Nichols in the April 6 *Times* of London "could hardly be other than different to those of his predecessors. More than a diplomatic plan, he has a vision. He has repeatedly spoken of Europe as stretching to the Urals. He sees his election as a sign that Eastern Europe must be given its just place as an integral part of Christian Europe. . . . He insists on common Christian roots, and added to this vision, is a dream of reconciliation between Western Christianity and the Eastern Orthodox churches."

What drew Moscow's attention again, in this light, was the first papal visit to the historic Italian port of Bari in nearly 850 years. It took place this past February. In Bari, where he celebrated an ecumenical mass before a stadium crowd of about 350,000 people, John Paul urged the Roman Catholic and Orthodox churches to work together for peace

between the peoples of Europe.

"Can the two sister churches that generated the spiritual dynamism of Europe, conditioning its destiny, ever abandon it to itself in such a critical moment of its history?" the pope asked.

The pope, who, Mr. Nichols said, is "deeply moved by the Eastern liturgies," met with Metropolitan Cysostomos Konstantinid, representing the Orthodox ecumenical patriarch of Constantinople, as well as priests from all other orthodox churches except that of the Soviet Union. A Vatican source said church-state tensions made it "a bad moment" to invite a representative of the Russian Orthodox Church.

And now for another important behind-the-scenes trend.

Throughout its 35-year history, the Federal Republic of Germany has been a relatively quiescent — indeed pacified — state. With its ultimate protection guaranteed by the U.S. nuclear umbrella, its citizens were able to forgo traditional German military ambitions and instead concentrate their energies on industrial reconstruction and expansion.

Equally important, the establishment of the European Community provided Bonn with the prospects of an expanded economic market as well as an acceptable political goal of a united Europe.

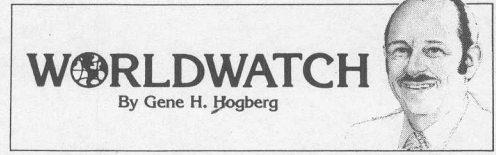
All of this is now in disarray. The Common Market lurches from one summit collapse to another, and the U.S. nuclear umbrella, full of holes anyway, might someday be altogether removed as America turns its attentions primarily to the Western Hemisphere (because of turmoil in Central America) and Asia (witness

President Ronald Reagan's trip to China and the expanding Washington-Beijing ties).

Therefore, the West Germans are wondering about their future — and that should be a factor of grave concern to the entire world. As the late Luigi Barzini pointed out in the last sentence of his book *The Europeans*,

faded? To Willy Brandt's emotionally unsatisfying construction "One Nation, Two States?" Or to the idea of a Germany reunited at any cost?"

As a result, noted Professor Craig: "Germans have become less sure of themselves and more aware of their vulnerability. This has made them both more intro-



"Germany is, as it always was, a mutable . . . unpredictable country, particularly dangerous when it is unhappy."

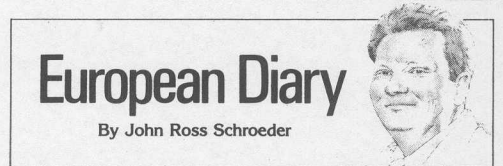
This uncertainty and unhappiness is slowly building up. One of the leading American experts on Germany is Gordon A. Craig, professor of humanities at Stanford University. He is the author of the book, *The Germans*. In the April 10 *Los Angeles Times*, he wrote an article entitled "Germans: A New Search for Identity."

"It is probably true," wrote Professor Craig, "that the Germans, a people fragmented for long stretches of their history, have always brooded over the question of their identity more than other peoples have. But this has rarely been as true as it is today . . ."

"To what does the patriotic German owe his loyalty these days? To the Federal Republic, which in its own constitution is described as a transitory creation? To the ideal of European unity, once evoked by Konrad Adenauer but now sadly

spective and more self-assertive."

This growing sense of vulnerability is translating itself into the security sphere. Increasingly, West German officials, sensing America's drift away from Europe, are "thinking the unthinkable" — that West Germany needs a stronger voice in its own defense, even if that means access to nuclear weapons. In the April 18 *Los Angeles Times*, correspondent Tyler Marshall wrote, from Bonn:



Jerusalem then and now

JERUSALEM — Passover services, 1984, took place at Raymond Clore's house on Hargilo (mountain of Gilo) near Bethlehem. Five were present.

After an impressive and moving service conducted by Mr. Clore, a local church elder, the five of us adjourned to a spot near the Garden of Gethsemane for a few minutes of quiet contemplation. A little later we drove by Golgotha and the Garden Tomb.

One's thoughts automatically drifted back a couple thousand years. Beginning in A.D. 31, there was a thriving church community in Jerusalem. The site lasted for roughly 40 years. Roman armies forced the church to flee to Pella before A.D. 70.

Today only a handful of members

"The chief disarmament spokesman of Chancellor Helmut Kohl's Christian Democratic Union called Tuesday [April 17] for a greater role for Europe in its own nuclear defense and, eventually, a West German voice in the use of nuclear weapons. Writing in the Hamburg-based daily, *Die Welt*, Juergen Todenhofer called for a merger of independent French and British nuclear forces with the 572 U.S. intermediate-range nuclear missiles now being deployed by NATO in Western Europe to create a unified nuclear defense for the Continent.

"While Todenhofer's remarks do not constitute official West German government policy and reportedly have drawn criticism within his own party, they do reflect a growing West German concern about the need for a greater European and West German voice on nuclear issues.

"Noting present British and French plans calling for expanding their combined nuclear arsenal from 162 warheads at present to more than 1,200 over the next decade, Todenhofer said a joint force would boost European participation in defending its own soil while still maintaining an American presence considered vital if the force is to be

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Find the time

This issue of *The Worldwide News* contains a special section on family activities. I think the staff has done an admirable job with the subjects.

Being a parent myself, I know many of you are going to say, "But how am I going to find the time to carry out all those good ideas?" I agree. But let's look at the problem from a positive, God-centered approach.

Just how much time does it take to be a parent? It's hard to give the job too much time. Busy parents must constantly juggle time with the children with mates, work, doing household chores, shopping and occasionally being alone. How can we strike the right Christian balance, when prayer and Bible study and service to the Church also must not be neglected?

First of all, realize that finding time to parent means making choices — right choices. No parent can do everything. We have to decide which activities will count most and make those our priorities.

To make these right choices requires regular time to plan, prepare and organize our parenting schedule.

Allow me to pass along some things that have worked for our family.

At least once a month get alone with your mate (this is a team effort) for an hour with your Holy Day calendar and a note pad. Establish time priorities for the month. Ask yourself these three questions. You may think of other questions,

but these are important to children's physical and spiritual growth:

- What *significant events* should we save priority time for? (Ball games, recitals, school plays, special outings, graduation.)
- What are the *individual needs* to which we need to give our children one-on-one attention? (Problems at school with a subject or particular teacher; birth of a sibling; sex education; disappointment over not making the team.)
- What special times can we put aside to *share God's teaching and true values* with our children?

Our faith — a way of life — is important to pass on to our children daily. (Family nights or outings; Sabbaths and Holy Days; anniversaries and reunions; helping an elderly neighbor or relative; visiting the sick; obeying the law; and respect for authority.)

While we're at it, it's good to evaluate our progress once in a while. Use the seven Holy Days on the calendar as bench marks. How well has our schedule worked? Identify problem areas and target them for correction.

This hour spent with your mate (or alone if you are a single-parent family) evaluating and planning will reward you with many more precious hours with your family that would otherwise slip away or be wasted.

Planning and preparation are important if we are to be effective in child rearing. It doesn't happen without planning.

Besides preparing for special

times, we also become more alert to everyday occasions with potential for intimacy, teaching or just plain fun times.

God's Word tells us, "Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb is His reward" (Psalms 127:3, Revised Authorized Version).

A heritage is a gift, a gift from God, and must not be taken lightly. It must be groomed and maintained daily, weekly, monthly to keep its value.

Solomon said, "Be wise, my son, and bring joy to my heart; then I can answer anyone who treats me with contempt!" (Proverbs 27:11, New International Version).

Do we feel the same way about our children?

God has appointed parents to one of the most difficult leadership positions in the world: to lead the home. We are to motivate, set the pace, give *guidance and encouragement* and handle discipline.

It's tragic how many people leave the job of child rearing to the Church. But it's not a Church problem, it's a *home problem*. The Church of God seldom resurrect what the home puts to death.

Parents in God's Church, let's dedicate ourselves to God, so He can accomplish what He wants to accomplish in our children through us. He has promised to help us to be the kind of parents He has called us to be. The apostle Paul promised us, "Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it" (1 Thessalonians 5:24).

How much time does it take to be a parent? As much as you can find. But we are certain to find more if we set some priorities, plan ahead and make the most of life's many situations.

Treasure those intimate, and creative moments as precious gifts. Plan your family activities wisely, thoughtfully with God's help. If you do, your children will not be among those who complain that their parents don't have time for them!

Letters TO THE EDITOR

HWA's trips
Mr. [Herbert] Armstrong and those who accompany him set such good examples and are so highly respected that we are truly inspired after reading of each trip.

It is very exciting to know that through our tithes, offerings and prayers we share an important role in furthering the Gospel message.

Larry, Geri and Ivan Hahn Bowling Green, Ky.
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An encouraging word

I'm a cross-country truck driver and get to visit with several of the church areas across the United States. In my travels God has blessed me with one of the largest families anyone could ask for . . .

At midnight this evening I received a call from Amarillo [Tex.] from a friend who just needed someone to talk to. I did more listening than talking in the 45 minutes we were on the phone. But the few words of encouragement from another friend were all it took to get this individual feeling as though they were ready to conquer the world again.

What we can do now is to encourage (See LETTERS, page 6)

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God's truth first reaches man on whaling voyage to Antarctica

By Douglas Johannsen
SHETLAND ISLANDS — In 1955 Christ's Gospel reached Duncan Leask, the first of eight baptized members in the Shetland Islands off the northern coast of Scotland in the North Sea.

Douglas Johannsen is a member of the Chadron, Neb., church.

Though interested in religious broadcasts, most didn't make sense to him. Mr. Leask found Herbert W. Armstrong's voice over Radio Luxemburg in 1955 to be different, as he explained the meaning of the image of Daniel 2.

Mr. Leask joined a British whaling fleet in 1951, like most of the men and boys from Shetland because there was little alternative employment there. Before a voyage to the Antarctic in May, 1957, he bought a Norwegian transistor radio. On board, Mr. Armstrong's voice came over his radio clearly from Quito, the capital of Ecuador.

In the fall of 1959, a few weeks before setting sail again for the Antarctic, Mr. Leask sent for *The Plain Truth* and the booklet on faith. He took these along on the voyage and read them many times.

No one on the ship was interested in the literature, even though most of the men carried Bibles in their suitcases. Eventually the literature

disappeared — probably thrown overboard through the porthole.

Mr. Leask was married by this time, so this was to be his last whaling voyage.

Since not much work was available back home in Shetland, Mr. Leask spent his spare time on the voyage making parts for lobster pots, intending to be a lobster fisherman when he arrived home.

He returned home in May, 1961, to a lot of back issues of *The Plain Truth*. Then he came across an article on clean and unclean foods.

"I was stunned!" said Mr. Leask. So he gave up making the lobster pots. This was his first big step.

When he discovered that a Christian should not work on the Sabbath, he mistakenly struggled to set aside Sunday as a day of rest.

When he learned about the true Sabbath, Mr. Leask looked for employment on the British mainland, thinking it would be easier to keep the Sabbath if no one knew him. But nothing materialized.

After being struck with severe asthma attacks in 1964, Mr. Leask's sister invited him to her home in England, 15 miles from the Bricklet Wood campus of Ambassador College. A few days later, his health deteriorating, three ministers visited him.

Mr. Leask, determined to keep God's commandments no matter the cost, went back to the Shetland

Islands, where he was subject to mockery and gossip.

He attended the Feast of Tabernacles in 1964 and was baptized. His younger brother, then 17, attended with him and was baptized three years later. Mr. Leask's wife, who at first did not share his enthusiasm for this new way of life, was also baptized in 1970.

For many years the Leasks kept the Sabbath and Holy Days on their own and saw a minister once a year besides at the Feast.

Later, a member in Edinburgh, Scotland, sent them sermon notes. Eventually they began receiving cassette tapes from the Scottish churches.

Now each week in the Shetlands, usually in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leask, the eight Church members meet to fellowship and listen to tapes.



SHETLAND ISLAND MEMBERS — Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Leask, who live on the Shetland Islands off the north coast of Scotland, are pictured with their grandson, Shane, in November, 1983. Mr. Leask first heard the voice of Herbert W. Armstrong over Radio Luxemburg in 1955 while aboard a British whaling expedition to the Antarctic.

President visits Marriott Hotel

Hotel honors member in Iowa

By Zenda Cloninger

DES MOINES, Iowa — A visit by the President of the United States is "all in a day's work" for Lois Hodo, a Church member here. Feb. 20 President Ronald Reagan

made his third visit to the Des Moines Marriott Hotel, where Mrs. Hodo is director of services.

Preparations for Mr. Reagan's visit began more than three weeks in advance, with heavy emphasis on security, said Mrs. Hodo, who has worked for the Marriott chain for 13 years.

Anyone on the floor where the President stayed was subject to extensive searches by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and Secret Service.

Zenda Cloninger is the wife of Robert L. Cloninger, pastor of the Des Moines and Ottumwa, Iowa, churches.

Every time Mrs. Hodo was within two floors of the President, she was checked out by security dogs and a metal detector. Before the President's last visit, a dog lunged at her because of the keys in her pocket.

Along with security personnel atop nearby buildings and in alleys, the President's entourage included his chef and kitchen personnel who even brought dishes from the White House.

Manager of the year

Mrs. Hodo bears heavy responsibility during such an occasion, and her ability to cope with pressure is one of the reasons she was named manager of the year by the Des Moines Marriott Jan. 15. Other reasons for the honor are the hotel's low staff turnover, high profit and positive guest comments (96

percent positive).

Mrs. Hodo has worked for the Marriott chain as a restaurant cashier, lead hostess and buyer.

After she became interested in God's Church in 1977 she was transferred to Atlanta, Ga., to be assistant manager of the 24-hour Marriott restaurant. Sabbath keeping became difficult.

To observe the Sabbath, Mrs. Hodo worked from 1 p.m. Thursday to 2 a.m. Friday and from 6 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday. She worked from sundown Saturday to 2 a.m. Sunday. She kept up this pace for more than a year.

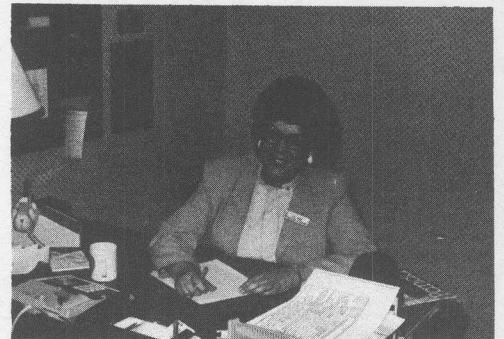
Promotion

Mrs. Hodo was baptized in February, 1978, and was transferred to the Kansas City, Mo., Marriott in August of that year to work as housekeeping manager. When she returned from the Feast she was promoted to director of services, although company policy required an employee to remain in one position for at least 18 months.

From Kansas City, Mrs. Hodo was transferred to the 400-room Marriott in Houston, Tex. In 1980 she was transferred to the Marriott in Des Moines.

When asked the biggest lesson learned through these experiences, Mrs. Hodo replied, "The more I learn, the more I realize I don't know, and the more I can see how God has worked in my life."

Mrs. Hodo has reared five children on her own, four of whom attend God's Church.



MEMBER HONORED — Lois Hodo, a Church member in Des Moines, Iowa, works as director of services for the Des Moines Marriott Hotel and was named manager of the year by the Marriott Jan. 15. (Photo by Robert Cloninger)

80-year-old 'just getting started'

By Tim Woodward

BOISE, Idaho — The first job Bill Godfrey can remember was working on his father's farm. That in itself isn't remarkable. The remarkable thing is that, after as many jobs as he has had, he can remember it at all.

This article about Bill Godfrey, 80, a member of God's Church in Boise, Idaho, was published in The Idaho Statesman and is excerpted by permission.

Godfrey has had so many jobs, and has done so many things that are so different from one other, that it's hard to believe one person could learn them all, let alone make a living at them. I interviewed him at his home in north Boise and came away convinced that compared to him, I had wasted my life and would never be any good for anything, with the possible exception of testing hammocks.

"I'm glad you came over," one of his relatives said. "This is the longest I've seen him sit in years."

We sat on an antique sofa that Godfrey had reupholstered, in a room that he had built. I was going to interview him in his backyard, because he said when I called for the appointment that we would talk while he painted his fence. By the time I arrived, half an hour later, the fence was finished.

Godfrey was born in Dixon, Ill., moved to Idaho as a boy and went to college in Idaho and California. He studied law at the University of Idaho, returned to Dixon and found work as a clerk in a law office. Two years later, he got a job teaching "global geography" at Dixon High School. One of his students, he said, was a young man named Ronald Reagan.

"He was a good student, but there was really nothing unusual about him," Godfrey said. "He was just a regular kid. I never knew for sure, but I always thought he might have

been one of the boys who turned the boats loose above the dam."

By this time, Godfrey had studied architecture, liberal arts, law and business education, and somehow had found time to get married. He spent one semester teaching at Dixon High. In a small town called Paw Paw, Ill., he found his first and only



WILLIAM WARD GODFREY

job as a teacher and coach. He coached basketball and baseball for a year (he said he was "a rotten coach"), then moved to Florida.

In Florida he built houses. He also built a hotel. He spent two years working as a carpenter (he learned carpentry on his father's farm), contractor and building inspector.

In 1928, he moved to Salt Lake City [Utah] and did a remarkable thing. By studying at local libraries, he learned enough about aviation to be considered something of an authority. He learned to fly a plane, landed a job as an "aviation service specialist" and wrote instruction manuals for the International Aviation Service. The following year he returned to teaching, at Montpelier High School in east Idaho, and in 1930 was hired to run a YMCA camp in Pocatello [Idaho].

Next came a series of government jobs. During the Depression, Godfrey was administrator of [Idaho's] surplus food processing program, Idaho director of the National

Youth Administration, a civilian purchasing agent for the Army and an investigator for the Office of Price Administration. In his spare time, he drew blueprints used to build gymnasiums at Idaho high schools.

For three years, he ran his mother-in-law's farm outside Boise. For one year, he was a director of the Idaho Farm Bureau.

He taught business, law, mathematics, geography, accounting and driver education.

He was treasurer of a teachers' credit union and superintendent of schools at Hansen and New Meadows [Idaho] (where he also reared the high school and excavated its basement).

While teaching driver education and running the credit union, he started a vending machine company and the Boise Rubber Stamp Co.

In 1969, he retired. So to speak.

The family garage has been converted to a carpentry shop. A back room has been converted to an upholstery shop. The basement has been converted to a toy shop. At last count, Godfrey had made 49 beds, 49 table-and-chair sets, and 66 toy trains. (He and his wife, Zella, have 26 great-grandchildren.)

He has written short stories and novels, but hasn't sold anything yet. (Give him time; I'd say about a week.)

For two years of his "retirement," Godfrey sold worms to fishermen in the U.S. and Canada. At one point he had more than a million worms in his backyard.

"It didn't work out, though," he said. "It rained one night and I lost about a hundred thousand."

This summer, at age 79... he painted his house. It took five days. Zella Godfrey jokes that she had heart failure watching him.

I asked the man who has done everything if there was anything he still wanted to try.

"Are you kidding?" he grinned. "I'll be 80 next month and I'm just getting started."

ACCENT ON THE LOCAL CHURCH

Events range from concerts to socials

More than 250 COLUMBIA, S.C., and AUGUSTA, Ga., brethren attended a three-hour, 32-act talent show March 25 featuring stand-up comedians, vocal and instrumental soloists, group dancers, singers and comedy skits, poetry readings and two YES singing groups. Ten-year-old Bobby Lee Adams sang "The Holy City."

Associate pastor Carlos Nieto was master of ceremonies. Finger foods and desserts were furnished by church women.

A starlight concert was presented by the TUCSON, Ariz., church choir March 31 under the direction and piano accompaniment of Joseph Rivers. The first half of the concert consisted of classical and modern sacred works, two guitar solos by Unchalee Elmore and vocal solos by Karen Morrison of Phoenix, Ariz., and Michael Rogers of Tucson.

Other selections included "Great and Glorious" by Franz Joseph Haydn, "Humming Chorus" from the opera *Madama Butterfly* by Puccini, and "They That Sow in Tears" (based on Psalm 126) by Mr. Rivers.

Local church elder Calvin Mickens narrated the second half by reading his granddaughter a bedtime story. Church and choir members acted out the various scenes and performed selections from the musical *Fiddler on the Roof*. Costumes for the musical were made by Florence Quartullo and Betty Connet. The concert program was prepared by Cheryl King, and script preparation was done by John Wheeler, who doubled as fiddler.

Bill Fasser, a member of the El Paso, Tex., church, traveled to Tucson to join his daughter Debbie in a selection from the musical titled "Far From the Home I Love."

March 31 WASHINGTON, D.C., brethren shared in an international night organized by Mr. and Mrs. Francis O'Neal. More than 350 Church members and guests enjoyed Argentine hors d'oeuvres, Italian stuffed pasta shells, green salad, garlic bread and assorted international desserts.

Each of 32 tables was assigned a host and hostess responsible for decorating their table using a country as a theme. Resourceful hosts and hostesses procured authentic costumes that might be seen in their country.

A children's choir performed various international songs and gave demonstration dances arranged and choreographed by director Frieda Sikes. Dan Peacock and Art Allender showed slides of Japan and Sri Lanka.

The evening's climax came when Isaac Cummings, wearing a Scottish kilt, presented children wearing international costumes. Awards were given to the children with the most authentic costumes.

The annual fun night for LIBERAL, Kan., brethren got underway March 24 with the evening's theme "It's a Small World." Foods and attire represented countries around the world.

Entertainment was provided by brethren and their children. A children's choir sang the theme song, and a humorous rendition of "Loco Church News" was given by Gary McCulley.

A jazz dance was performed by Jody Wilkens, and Billy, Linnie and John Proctor sang numbers from *The Sound of Music*, under the stage name of the von Proctors. Sandy and Shanna Humphrey presented "Who's on First?", a Laurel and Hardy comedy routine.

Rol and Bienna Holifield performed a spoof of "As the World Turns — Of Fixing the Roof." Frank Humphrey did a solo of the Kingstons Trio song "Merry Minuet." "Waltzing Matilda" was given new life by Elsie Conley, accompanied on guitar

by Mr. Humphrey. Solo acts by Steve Douglas and Dave Rios completed the evening. Master of ceremonies was Brad Bruns of Dodge City, Kan.

March 31 the PHOENIX EAST and MESA, Ariz., churches took part in an international tasting social. Featured were foods from Africa, Germany, Israel and Russia prepared by women of the two congregations.

After eating, brethren danced to the music of Private Reserve, a band from Pasadena. Entertainment was also provided by a YES children's choir singing "It's a Small World." Cortney Cardona, daughter of pastor Mark Cardona, made an appearance as the Statue of Liberty.

During the band's break a slide presentation showed the basketball team and cheerleaders during their championship season.

A dance and talent show was sponsored by PAINTSVILLE, Ky., brethren March 3 for the combined Pikeville, Hazard and Paintsville, Ky., areas.

With 109 in attendance, the costumes ranged from clowns to Moses. Mr. and Mrs. Randy Wright won a prize for the best adult costumes. Letisha Meade and Johnathon Williams took the prize for best children's costume.

The "Greatest Show on Earth" played in SAULT STE. MARIE, Ont., March 10, when brethren celebrated their annual variety show in circus style. Circus posters drawn for a contest provided atmosphere and were used to decorate walls.

Keith Jones clowning as Mr. Red the Candyman and delighted young-

Areas mark anniversaries

Feb. 4 PRINCE GEORGE, B.C., brethren celebrated the 50th anniversary of *The Plain Truth*, with members volunteering old booklets, Festival brochures, Ambassador College *Envoys* and other material from the past 50 years. Also featured were editions of *The Plain Truth* from March, 1948, to February, 1984.

A time chart displayed important dates and events such as Ambassador College openings, the dedication of the Auditorium and milestones in *Plain Truth* circulation.

The sermonette was a history taken from Herbert W. Armstrong's autobiography in the April and June, 1961, *Plain Truths*. After services a cake decorated like a Bible was served with punch and snacks. The occasion was a walk down memory lane for many old-timers and a view of their roots for more recent additions to God's Family.

Ringlets, bonnets, suspenders (braces) and tails set the turn-of-the-century theme for the 12th anniversary of the YORKTON, Sask., church March 24. Brethren experienced the pioneering spirit with men in tails, women in long dresses and bonnets, boys in short pants and girls in ruffles and ringlets.

Kerosene lanterns, a harness, wall murals and various displays arranged by Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Schurko and Colleen Alquist accented the evening of dancing and fellowship. An old-fashioned meal of stew, home-baked bread and fruit pies started the evening, after which came old-time dancing to Mike Bugy on fiddle and the Achtemichuk brothers on guitars.

Throughout the evening Mr. and Mrs. Adam Greba organized arm wrestling (won by John Sadowski), mother and daughter rug braiding and a spelling bee for the children. An entertainment spot was introduced by Dean Sadowski.

Glen A. Weber and Peter and Heather Bacon.

sters with treats and antics with his pet dog. Hot. Comedy skits and spoofs were featured in the variety show. Women modeled in a kitchen fashion show.

Inspirational songs were "It's a Small World," sung by the children's choir under the direction of Joan Mackay, and "It Won't Be Long Now," performed by Michael Drumheller and his sons.

Before the show the group had a potluck. Men brought homemade cakes, including a baked and frosted sewing machine and chocolate bear. Richard Beadle decorated a sheet cake like the 50th anniversary *Plain Truth*. Pastor Gary King was honored for his carrot cake.

Ribbons were awarded for outstanding contributions in each of the evening's activities. Family acts in the variety show received recognition.

Paul Nowlen, John Wheeler, Bonnie Fairchild, Ora E. McCulley, Cheryl Rath, Christine Griffith and John and Linda Blanchard.

Church basketball team plays professionals

With each player more than 200 pounds and at least 6 feet tall, the Buffalo Bills, a professional U.S. football team, defeated the BUFFALO, N.Y., YOU and men's basketball team (the Bullets) 71-57, in a YOU-sponsored basketball game March 31.

In the Koessler Athletic Center of Canisius College, 648 witnessed the finesse and poise of well-conditioned athletes, as Bruce Baldwin led the Bills in scoring with 19 points, half of which came in the last quarter.

The Bullets were led by pastor David Pack, Eric Lasch and Danny Buzcek, who sparked the team with lay-ups during a final rally. Associate pastor Chris Beam then sank two baskets through a maze of players. But the rally wasn't enough,

Church area takes part in fund-raisers

About 40 MIAMI, Fla., brethren participated in a series of fund-raising activities Jan. 26 to April 5 and earned \$2,442. Brethren sold raw wildflower honey and chocolate-almond candy bars, conducted two bake sales near supermarket entrances and took an inventory for a Neiman-Marcus department store.

The fund-raisers were under the direction and supervision of Al Segall, a deacon, who was assisted by members Mattie Johnson, Rita Pearson, Sabrina Herlihy and Shirley Segall. Shirley Segall.

Club has youth night

Youths saw their fathers in action when the JACKSON, Miss., Spokesman Club conducted its second annual youth night April 8, with 30 guests ranging from age 6 to 18. The Most Effective Speech trophy went to Hilton Ball, Fred Tracy was named Most Improved Speaker and Norman Ashcraft gave the Most Helpful Evaluation.

Kenneth Courtney, a local church elder, evaluated the topics session and speeches. Robert Peoples, pastor of the Jackson and Greenwood, Miss., churches, gave a lecture on "The Family With Loving Authority." H.B. Wells.



BULLDOZING THE BULLETS — Jim Payne (right), a member of the Buffalo Bills, a National Football League team, and Eric Lasch, a member of the Buffalo, N.Y., church, grapple for the ball during a YOU-sponsored basketball game between the Buffalo Bills and the Buffalo Bullets church team. The Bills won 71-57. (Photo by Bill Koehn)

as the Bills matched the Bullets basket for basket.

During halftime children obtained autographs from the Bills, consisting of players Charlie Romes, Byron Franklin, Jim Haslett, Booker Moore, Daryl Caldwell, Robb Riddick, Jim Payne, Tim

Weekends feature sports

The RICHMOND, Va., church was host to a men's basketball tournament March 25, with games conducted at Hopewell High School in Hopewell, Va. Teams participating were Richmond and Norfolk, Va., and two from Washington, D.C.

Four games were played throughout the afternoon. Norfolk and Richmond each won one, and Washington's A squad won two. The Richmond cheerleaders performed a routine to the theme of *Magnum, P.I.*, a television show.

The LONG ISLAND, N.Y., EAST and WEST churches concluded their 1983-84 bowling season March 31 with an awards presentation and buffet provided by the management of Farmingdale Lanes, the alley where the church league bowls. The league, with 36 teams of four players each, meets every third Saturday evening during the winter months.

Charles Capo Sr., who ran the league this year, made the presenta-

Brethren take to out-of-doors

Two ministers and seven brethren from the PHILIPPINES reached the peak of 9,690-foot (about 2,954 meters) Mt. Apo, the highest mountain in the Philippines, the morning of March 16, after four days of climbing. Bienvenido Macaraeg Jr., pastor of the Davao City and Tagum, Philippines, churches, initiated the climb.

After months of preparation — gathering information, procuring equipment and training and conditioning on smaller mountains — the group, which at first numbered more than 24, was trimmed down to 10.

The Filipino climbers were Edmond Macaraeg, pastor of the Butuan City, Cagayan de Oro City and Malaybalay, Philippines, churches; Juanito Gapul Jr. of the Malaybalay church; Robin Freires, Renato Balugo and Eduardo Velasco from the Davao City church; Agripino Rizalosa and Eleuterio Rizalosa Jr. of the Tagum church; Jesus Puzon of the Quezon City church; Mr.

Vogler and Bruce Baldwin.

YOU member Brian Kota won two tickets to the Bills' 1984 home opener by sinking a shot from half court. The tickets were courtesy of WBEN-Radio, which sponsored the Bills. Gail Ann Biegalski and Val Matuszkiewicz.

tion of awards to the teams finishing in first, second and third places. In first were the Thunderballs, composed of team members Bob Hoops, Bob Cunningham, Mike Bouchard and Michael Schultz, with record of 26 wins and 6 losses. Last year's first-place team, Beauty and the Beasts, consisting of Paul, Lydia and Charles Jr. Capo and Gordon Behrer, placed second this year with a record of 21 and 11. The Missing Links, Barry Knowles, Andrew Seaman, Joe Radoski and Don White, finished third.

Individuals were also recognized. For the men, the highest series went to Dennis Stanco with a 600. The highest game was 245, by Joe Radoski, and the highest average was held by Gordon Behrer with a 167. Among the women, Theresa Buehler had both the high game of 190 and the high series of 495, but was surpassed in overall average by Janet Von Lindern who had a 136.

Tena Jamison and James E. Capo.

Macaraeg Jr., and his wife, Zenaida.

The sweat-drenched climbers, carrying loads of up to 70 pounds, made their way from campsite to campsite scaling steep ascents, fording a boulder-strewn river and crawling through tunnels of bent talahibs, grass similar to sugar cane.

But the climbers agreed afterward that "all the sufferings were not worthy to be compared to the glory" of the experience.

Surfers from QUEENSLAND, Australia, gathered at Palm Beach, Australia, for a farewell surfing safari for David and Linda Shaules March 18 before they returned to the United States. The Shaules are originally from San Diego, Calif., and lived in Australia for 4½ years.

The group surfed early in the morning, then assembled for a pancake breakfast and watched surfing movies at the Shaules' house.

Bienvenido Macaraeg Jr. and Lynn Keilor.

JERUSALEM 1984 FEAST SITE

Arrangements are made for 500 people to observe the Feast of Tabernacles in Jerusalem.

Brethren from the United States and Canada desiring to transfer to Jerusalem should contact Gil Tours, Suite 946, 1617 JFK Blvd., Philadelphia, Pa., 19103, to the attention of Jan Schwait to receive a reservation coupon. The toll-free number is 800-223-3855. (The non-toll-free number for those in Pennsylvania, or outside the continental United States is 215-568-6655.)

Brethren from outside the United States and Canada should apply through their country's regional office. The regional offices will contact Gil Tours to reserve space. Information and reservation coupons will be sent to brethren directly from Gil Tours.

People older than 65 and those who have physical disabilities must include a physician's statement certifying they are in good health and able to climb steps and walk long distances. These people must also name a traveling companion on the coupon. Send the completed coupon with your pastor's approval, signature, appropriate documentation and a \$300 deposit (in U.S. funds) to Gil Tours.

Itinerary

Sunday, Oct. 7 — Departures — Flight from East Coast leaves New York, N.Y., for Amman, Jordan. Flight from West Coast leaves Los Angeles, Calif., for Chicago, Ill., and Amman.

Monday, Oct. 8 — Amman — Flights arrive in Amman. Overnight at Regency Palace.

Tuesday, Oct. 9 — Amman and Jerusalem — Travel to bridge by bus and go through customs. Bus to hotels. Afternoon free.

Wednesday, Oct. 10 — Jerusalem — Day at leisure. Late breakfast, early dinner. Evening service at Ramada Renaissance Hotel (film).

Thursday, Oct. 11 — First Holy Day, Jerusalem — Morning and afternoon services. Catered lunch. Feast film, 8:30 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 12 — Jerusalem — Morning visit to Mount of Olives and Mt. Scopus for view of Jerusalem and Wilderness of Judea. Visit Garden Tomb and Golgotha, Shrine of the Book (Dead Sea scrolls exhibit), Israel Museum, Hebrew University, Yad Vashem (Holocaust memorial). Go to Holyland Hotel to see model of Jerusalem at the time of Christ. Return to hotel. Evening service.

Saturday, Oct. 13 — Jerusalem — Morning and afternoon services. Evening free.

Sunday, Oct. 14 — Judea — Morning service, visit Rachel's tomb, Bethlehem, Solomon's pools, Hebron. On to Valley of Elah (site of battle between David and Goliath), Beth Shemesh. Return to Jerusalem. (Box lunch included.)

Monday, Oct. 15 — Jerusalem — Morning service. Remainder of day free.

Tuesday, Oct. 16 — Jerusalem — Morning service. Afternoon visit to El Aqsa Mosque, Dome of the Rock, Jerusalem archaeological excavations and Liberty Bell Park. Evening reception at the International Cultural Center for Youth (ICCY).

Wednesday, Oct. 17 — Dead Sea area — Visit Masada. Catered lunch. Swim in Dead Sea at Ein Gedi. Visit Qumran and Jericho. Return late afternoon to Jerusalem. Evening service.

Thursday, Oct. 18 — Last Great Day, Jerusalem — Morning and afternoon services. Catered lunch. Evening free.

Friday, Oct. 19 — Departures — Depart for Amman airport or continue on optional tours.

Second-timers itinerary

Itinerary is identical to the above except for the following:

Friday, Oct. 12 — Benjamin — Visit Gibeath of Saul, Nebi Samwil (burial place of Samuel), Gibeon (Joshua's long day) and Bethel.

Sunday, Oct. 14 — Wilderness of Judea — Noon departure for Rachel's tomb, the Herodium (fortress near Bethlehem, burial place of Herod the Great) and tour the Etzion Block. (Box lunch included.)

Tuesday, Oct. 16 — Jerusalem — Afternoon walk through Hezekiah's Tunnel to the Pool of Siloam. Enter Old City through Lions (St. Stephen's) Gate. Visit Pool of Bethesda and remains of Fortress Antonia.

Wednesday, Oct. 17 — Tel Aviv — Tour of Gezer en route to Tel Aviv. Tour Diaspora Museum. Lunch in a Tel Aviv restaurant (cost included). Visit Jaffa (Joppa).

Optional extension 1 — Amman, Petra and Aqaba — Because of limited accommodations in Petra, this extension is divided into two groups.

Costs are \$449 a person, double occupancy; \$339 a child age 2 to 11.

Price includes transfers between bridge, hotel and airport; accommodations in deluxe hotels; six continental breakfasts; one breakfast; one lunch at Petra; seven full dinners; visa fees; portage; flight from Aqaba to Amman; experienced guides; tips to guides, drivers and hotel staff; entrance fees to sites; payment for horses and jeeps for one day (tips to horsemen will be the participant's responsibility); and deluxe air-conditioned buses.

Group A:

Friday, Oct. 19 — Jerusalem and Amman — Transfer from bridge to hotel in Amman. Visit school for the handicapped. Dinner and overnight in Amman.

Saturday, Oct. 20 — Amman — Late breakfast. Afternoon services. Dinner.

Sunday, Oct. 21 — Amman and Petra — Departure for Petra. Full-day tour including horseback ride and lunch at new restaurant inside Petra. Dinner and overnight.

Monday, Oct. 22 — Petra — Free day.

Tuesday, Oct. 23 — Petra and Aqaba — Depart Petra through Wadi Rum, land of *Lawrence of Arabia*. Arrive Aqaba. Dinner and overnight.

Wednesday, Oct. 24 — Aqaba — Free day to swim, view fish and coral reefs. Dinner and overnight.

Thursday, Oct. 25 — Aqaba and Amman — Flight to Amman. Dinner and overnight.

Friday, Oct. 26 — Amman and United States — Transfer to airport for flight home.

Group B

Friday and Saturday, Oct. 19-20 — as above.

Sunday, Oct. 21 — Amman and Aqaba — Flight to Aqaba. Dinner and overnight.

Monday, Oct. 22 — Aqaba — Free day to swim, view fish and coral reefs. Dinner and overnight.

Tuesday, Oct. 23 — Aqaba and Petra — Depart for Petra through Wadi Rum. Full-day tour including horseback ride and lunch at new restaurant inside Petra. Dinner and overnight.

Wednesday, Oct. 24 — Petra — Free day.

Thursday, Oct. 25 — Petra and Amman — Depart for Amman. Dinner and overnight.

Friday, Oct. 26 — Amman and United States — Transfer to airport for flight home.

Optional Extension 2 — Galilee — West Coast and Chicago departures: Oct. 19 to 22. Three nights — \$229 a person, double occupancy; \$179 a child age 2 to 11; \$289 single occupancy. New York departures: Four nights — \$289 a person, double occupancy; \$199 a child age 2 to 11; \$379 single occupancy.

Price includes three nights' accommodations in Tiberias; one night in an Amman five-star hotel for New York departures; Israeli breakfast and dinner daily, including dinner at a kibbutz guest house and a lunch at the Sea of Galilee; round-trip transfers; portage; gratuities to hotel staff; entrance fees to sites; fully escorted tours; tips to guides and drivers; deluxe air-conditioned buses; and boat crossing on Sea of Galilee from Tiberias to Capernaum.

Friday, Oct. 19 — Jerusalem and coastal region — See ruins and amphitheater at Caesarea; excavations at Megiddo and the Jezreel Valley where the armies will gather (Revelation 16:16); the synagogue in the marketplace at Nazareth; and Tiberias. Dinner and overnight.

Saturday, Oct. 20 — Tiberias — Breakfast at hotel. Fish lunch by the Sea of Galilee. Afternoon services. Dinner at kibbutz guest house in Galilee. Overnight at Tiberias.

Sunday, Oct. 21 — Region of Dan and Galilee — Morning boat ride across the Sea of Galilee to the ruins at Capernaum. Bus ride to Banias (Caesarea Philippi) to rock spring and falls. Return to Tiberias for dinner and overnight.

Monday, Oct. 22 — Jordan Valley and Jordan — Early departure for the Allenby Bridge; visit the school for handicapped children, which involves Ambassador College.

Here the group splits. West Coast passengers depart for home. Others go to Amman for dinner and overnight.

Tuesday, Oct. 23 — Departure — Flight to New York.

Optional Extension 3 — Mt. Sinai and Egypt — Oct. 19-26 — This tour is for the young, physically fit, seasoned traveler.

The cost, \$699 a person, double occupancy, includes accommodations; breakfast and dinner daily; three lunches; round-trip transfers between airport and hotel; escorted tours; portage; gratuities to hotel staff; entrance fees to sites; tips to guides and drivers.

Friday, Oct. 19 — Jerusalem and Eilat — Bus to Eilat. Remainder of day free. Optional afternoon tour of underwater observatory. Dinner and overnight.

Saturday, Oct. 20 — Eilat — Breakfast. Afternoon services. Dinner and overnight.

Sunday, Oct. 21 — Eilat and Nuweiba Village — Drive to Tabá border crossing. Bus to Burka Beach for a swim. Drive to Nuweiba Village. Dinner and overnight.

Monday, Oct. 22 — St. Catherine — Drive to St. Catherine. Picnic lunch by Red Sea. Climb Mt. Sinai. Dinner and overnight at St. Catherine.

Tuesday, Oct. 23 — Cairo — Visit St. Catherine's Monastery. Bus to Cairo, Egypt. Dinner and overnight at the Mena House.

Wednesday, Oct. 24 — Cairo — Visit Old Cairo, museum, market tour. Restaurant lunch. Dinner and overnight.

Thursday, Oct. 25 — Tour area sites — Giza, Memphis, Sak-kara (full-day tour). Lunch at Mena House. Farewell dinner at Restaurant Paprika. Overnight in Cairo.

Friday, Oct. 26 — Departure — Transfer to airport for return flight.

Optional Extension 4 — Austria — West Coast and Chicago departures: Oct. 19-26. Seven nights — \$599 a person, double occupancy; \$479 a child age 2 to 11; \$759 single occupancy. New York departures: Oct. 19-25. Six nights — \$549 a person, double occupancy; \$449 a child age 2 to 11; \$689 single occupancy.

Price includes accommodations at first-class hotels; transfers between airport and hotel; continental breakfast daily; three dinners; fully escorted tours; portage; gratuities to hotel staff and waiters; entrance fees to sites; tips to guides and drivers.

Friday, Oct. 19 — Amman and Vienna, Austria — Flight from Amman to Vienna. Customs clearance. Transfer to hotel for welcome dinner and overnight.

Saturday, Oct. 20 — Vienna — Late breakfast. Afternoon services. Evening free or optional to the opera or operetta.

Sunday, Oct. 21 — Vienna — Morning tour of historical Vienna including State Opera House, Museum of Fine Arts, House of Parliament, City Hall, Votiv Church and Schoenbrunn Palace. After lunch (on own) depart for Mayerling to visit Liechtenstein Castle, Vienna Woods and Hinterbrühl's underground lake (Seegrötte). Continue to a 12th-century monastery and the hunting lodge where the Mayerling tragedy occurred. Visit the Helenthal Valley Spa Town, Baden, and return to Vienna. Dinner on own. Overnight.

Monday, Oct. 22 — Vienna — Free day for shopping or tours. Evening: Grinzing dinner. Start in Prater with wine or coffee, and dance to the Viennese Waltz. Continue to Grinzing, the wine village, for dinner. Return to hotel.

Tuesday, Oct. 23 — Vienna and Salzburg, Austria — Morning departure for Salzburg passing Traunsee, Spa Bad Ischl, Wolfgangsee and Fuschlsee. Afternoon arrival in Salzburg. Evening free. Overnight.

Wednesday, Oct. 24 — Salzburg — Tour of Salzburg begins with visit to Fortress Hohensalzburg and continues with visits to the cathedral, Mozart's birthplace, Mirabell Theatre and old cemetery. Return to hotel. Farewell dinner.

Thursday, Oct. 25 — Salzburg and Vienna — Depart for Vienna. New York departures transfer to airport for return flight. West Coast and Chicago departures overnight in Vienna.

Friday, Oct. 26 — Vienna and United States — Transfer to airport for flight to Chicago and West Coast.

FOCUS ON YOUTH

YOUNGSTOWN TAKES FIRST INDISTRICT 15 PLAY

WHEELING, W. Va. — Youngstown, Ohio, won the District 15 senior division basketball tournament March 18 at Wheeling College. Parkersburg, W. Va., took first place in the junior division.

The Clarksburg, W. Va., teams were second in the senior and junior divisions.

Gary Morgan of Clarksburg was named senior division coach of the year. Kyle Richards of Clarksburg and Herbert Norman of Parkersburg shared the honor of junior division coach of the year.

Pat Buccini of Washington, Pa., and Nancy McCracken of Wheeling received coach of the year awards for cheerleading.

The Spirit of YOU trophies, awarded to those teams whose members exemplify the high standards of character established for YOU sports, were awarded to Clarksburg, divisions I and II, Wheeling, and Johnstown, Pa.

The Washington and Wheeling cheerleading squads were also awarded Spirit of YOU trophies.

The day's activities climaxed when all 15 cheerleading squads took the floor and performed a dance routine.

Eugene Noel, pastor of the Mercer, Pa., and Youngstown churches, gave credit to Reinhold Fuessel, pastor of the Wheeling church and District 15 regional coordinator, for the organization that made this district basketball tournament a success. Jeff McDonald and Lori Roberts.

NEW JERSEY TEAMS WIN DISTRICT PLAY

UNION, N.J. — A District 12 YOU basketball tournament and cheerleading exhibition took place at Union High School March 11.

Teams from Mount Pocono, Philadelphia and Bethlehem, Pa., Trenton, Vineland, Union and Montvale, N.J., and Long Island, Manhattan, Brooklyn and Queens, N.Y., participated.

Union won the Division I championship by defeating Brooklyn-Queens. The Trenton-Vineland teams dominated the tournament with victories in Divisions 3 and 4.

Second place in Division 1 went to Brooklyn-Queens, and Philadelphia was third. In Division 2, second place went to Montvale, and third to Mount Pocono. In Division 3, second place went to Bethlehem and third to Philadelphia. In Division 4 Montvale placed second, and Long Island was third.

Sportsmanship awards were presented to the Trenton-Vineland, Mount Pocono, Brooklyn-Queens and Union teams.

The cheerleading exhibition featured cheers and gymnastic displays. Marcia Briggie, who serves the Montvale church with her husband, Lloyd, the pastor there, who has coached cheerleading for 13 years, organized the combined cheerleaders in singing, "I'd Like to Teach the World to Sing." The group received a standing ovation.

Other activities included fellowshiping and watching movies. Food was catered by the Union church. Jackie G. Jones.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHS

ALFANO, Frank and Joan (Connolly), of Providence, R.I., boy, Frank John Jr., Feb. 21, 12:12 p.m., 6 pounds 5 ounces, first child.

ANDERSON, Martin and Cathi (Ryan), of Glendora, Calif., boy, Leif Garrett, March 24, 7:33 p.m., 8 pounds 11 ounces, now 3 boys.

ARSENEAULT, Larry and Sandra (Rassator), of Calger, Alta., boy, Matthew Philip, March 2, 12:30 a.m., 6 pounds 15 ounces, first child.

BOUNDS, David and Sheri (Ales), of Houston, Tex., girl, Stacey Nicole, March 19, 4:05 p.m., 8 pounds 15 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

BURNHAUSER, Jerry and Linda (Roth), of Bethlehem, Pa., girl, Elizabeth Lauren, March 23, 10:47 p.m., 8 pounds 5 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

BURQUIST, Carl and Teresa (Phillips), of Pasadena, girl, Teri Marie, April 8, 5:40 p.m., 9 pounds 5 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

CALKA, Edward and Ferrona (Kozky), of Montreal, Que., boy, David Daniel, April 11, 3:28 a.m., 8 pounds 13 ounces, now 2 boys, 2 girls.

CARON, Olivier and Susan (Pye), of Strasbourg, France, boy, Pierre William Charles, March 21, 11:35 p.m., 8 pounds 8 ounces, first child.

CROWELL, Mark and Nancy (DeHayer), of Boone, N.C., girl, Hannah Jean, March 10, 2:40 p.m., 7 pounds 8 ounces, first child.

DADY, Edward and Margaret (Lovell), of Bristol, England, girl, Elena Margaret, April 8, 7:03 p.m., 8 pounds 15 ounces, now 2 boys, 2 girls.

DAVIES, Michael and Sandra (Goring), of Basildon, England, boy, Peter James, March 17, 4:05 a.m., 7 pounds 6 ounces, now 2 boys.

DAVIS, Joel and Dorrien (Leyda), of Tacoma, Wash., girl, Malisa Diane, Feb. 28, 2:38 a.m., 7 pounds 15 ounces, now 2 girls.

DIEBEL, Marvin and Joan (Gunville), of North Battleford, Sask., boy, Ricky Marvin, March 3, 5:30 a.m., 7 pounds 4 ounces, first child.

DOBBY, Geoff and Jenny (Webb), of Ipswich, England, boy, Joseph Frederick, April 8, 9 p.m., 7 pounds 13 ounces, now 2 boys, 2 girls.

DOOLEY, David and Kelly (Loew), of Stockton, Calif., girl, Erin Marie Snuaka, March 27, 10:04 p.m., 8 pounds 2 ounces, now 2 girls.

EDDONS, Eric and Cindy (Barton), of Greensboro, N.C., boy, Charles Eric II, March 29, 12:11 p.m., 6 pounds 7 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

ELLIS, Bryant and Karline (Hoeh), of Huntington Beach, Calif., boy, Cary William, March 30, 2:37 p.m., 11 pounds 2 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

FLORES, Harold and Sharon (Barro), of Phoenix, Ariz., girl, Michele Justine, March 23, 7 pounds 6 ounces, first child.

FRANK, Ken and Colleen (Matthews), of Peterborough, Ont., girl, Annette Kendra, March 30, 3:33 a.m., 8 pounds 14 ounces, now 1 boy, 3 girls.

FRANKLIN, Garland and Marian (Palmer), of Philadelphia, Pa., girl, Sharon Judith, March 10, 9:43 a.m., 8 pounds 9 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

GRUNDY, Shelby and Marietta (McDonald), of Glendora, Calif., girl, Susan Michelle, April 6, 7:50 p.m., 7 pounds 6 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

HERRINGTON, Kenneth and Sheila (German), of Savannah, Ga., girl, Kellah Marie, March 17, 3:17 p.m., 6 pounds 12 ounces, now 1 boy, 3 girls.

HOOVER, Chuck and Ruth (Steele), of Oklahoma City, Okla., boy, Charles Graham V, March 14, 2:59 a.m., 8 pounds 3 ounces, first child.

JONES, Randy and Robin (Rubaker), of Kalamazoo, Mich., girl, Brittany Michelle, March 31, 5:47 p.m., 7 pounds 8 ounces, first child.

LASSITER, Dennis and Nance (Tonya), of Greensboro, N.C., girl, Danielle Lyn, April 7, 12:41 p.m., 8 pounds, first child.

LUDVIGSON, James and Lorraine (Patterson), of Vancouver, B.C., girl, Tami Leona, March 25, now 2 boys, 2 girls.

MARLOW, Dexter and Ann (Farmer), of Knoxville, Tenn., boy, Brian Andrew, March 25, 2:38 a.m., 6 pounds 15 ounces, now 2 boys.

MCCOY, Stephen and Valerie (Wrench), of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, boy, Stewart Jason, March 11, 2:55 p.m., 8 pounds 3 ounces, first child.

NEFF, James and Glenda (Gamer), of Texarkana, Tex., girl, Sarah Elizabeth, March 30, 7:43 a.m., 8 pounds 2 1/2 ounces, first child.

NICKEL, Charles and Loretta (Tone), of Middletown, N.J., girl, Sarah Elizabeth, March 28, 4:05 p.m., 6 pounds 8 ounces, first child.

ODGEN, Joseph and Penelope (Norris), of Turro, England, twin boy and girl, Matthew and Victoria, Oct. 23, 7:22 and 7:24 p.m., 4 pounds 12 ounces and 4 pounds 7 ounces, now 1 boy, 3 girls.

RUMBAUGH, Carl and Terri (Rioga), of Harrisburg, Pa., girl, Sarah Elizabeth, March 26, 12:02 a.m., 7 pounds 3 ounces, first child.

SIMONS, Steven and Karen (Bollerud), of Pilot Hill, Calif., girl, Lydia Ann, March 6, 7:10 p.m., 6 pounds 11 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

SMITH, Rich and Joyce (Clay), of Union, N.J., boy, Richard Clay, Dec. 29, 5 pounds 9 ounces, first child.

STUMPF, Mark and Gloria (Payne), of Pasadena, girl, Jennifer Lynn, March 28, 6:55 p.m., 6 pounds 12 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

TATE, John and Jennie (Russell), of Maidstone, England, boy, Stephen James, March 17, 5:50 p.m., 8 pounds, now 3 boys, 3 girls.

TOTH, Toby and Janis (Cox), of Chicago, Ill., girl, Melissa Lynne, Feb. 3, 3 a.m., 8 pounds 1 ounce, now 1 boy, 3 girls.

VANHAM, David and Janet (Moody), of Hull, England, boy, Ian James, March 20, 9:20 a.m., 8 pounds 1 ounce, now 2 boys.

WALL, Dave and Denise (Lajoie), of Brandon, Man., girl, Joelle David, March 3, 1:15 p.m., 7 pounds 4 ounces, now 2 girls.

WILLIAMS, Bill and Gail (Rohkohi), of Tupelo, Miss., girl, Jennifer Lynne, Jan. 23, 2:42 a.m., 8 pounds 4 ounces, first child.

WINSTON, Dennis and Karin (Edmondson), of Phoenix, Ariz., boy, Shaun Joseph, April 5, 4:24 p.m., 7 pounds, now 2 boys.

WRIGHT, John and Joan (Williams), of Fort Worth, Tex., girl, Anne Elizabeth, Feb. 16, 1:07 p.m., 7 pounds 14 ounces, first child.

YEAGER, Jack and Bonnie (Hope), of Beaver, Pa.,

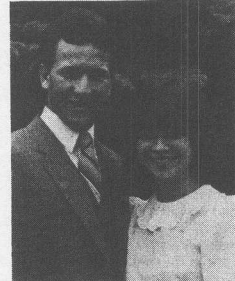
girl, Lacey Jean, March 25, 3:26 a.m., 8 pounds 1 ounce, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

ENGAGEMENTS



DAVE LAFFITTE AND MALISA JONES

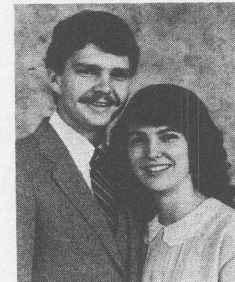
Mr. and Mrs. Billy M. Jones of the Shreveport, La., church are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Malisa Diane to Dave Laffitte, also of Shreveport, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall A. Laffitte. The couple will marry May 27.



GREG WAGNER AND KELLY HARPER

Martha Harper of Cairo, W.Va., would like to announce the engagement of her daughter Kelly to Gregory R. Wagner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Wagner of Belle Vernon, Pa. Kelly is a 1983 graduate of Big Sandy Ambassador College. Greg is a 1983 Pasadena Ambassador College graduate. The wedding will take place June 15.

Mary Ann Kieber of Elmwood Park, N.J., and Stephen R. Vinzco, also of Elmwood Park, both members of the Montvale, N.J., congregation, are pleased to announce their engagement. A May 27 wedding is planned.



MONTE LINDQUIST AND ROBIN HAYS

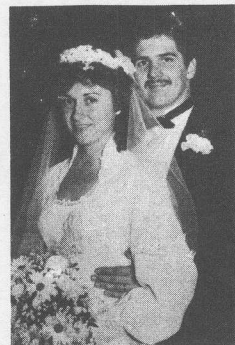
Jane Hays of Pasadena is happy to announce the engagement of her daughter Robin Lee to Monte Lee Lindquist, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Lindquist of Denver, Colo. Monte and Robin will graduate from Pasadena Ambassador College in May. A Sept. 2 wedding is planned in Pasadena.

WEDDINGS



MR. AND MRS. RALPH MILKS

Ralph Milks and Vivian Hand were united in marriage March 24 in West Covina, Calif. The ceremony was performed by Walter Neufeld, minister in the Glendora, Calif., church. The best man was Randy Simula, and the matron of honor was Nola Wells. The couple will reside in Covina, Calif.



MR. AND MRS. MARK SUMMERS

Mark Summers of Charleston, W.Va., and Millicent Kimmel of Fort Pierce, Fla., were united in marriage Feb. 18 in Jensen Beach, Fla. The ceremony was performed by Craig Bacheller, pastor of the Fort Pierce and Melbourne, Fla., churches.

ANNIVERSARIES



MR. AND MRS. TONY KING

Tony and Mollie King were honored in Maidstone, England, after services March 10 on the occasion of their 30th wedding anniversary. Their two daughters, son-in-law, grandchildren and other family members were among those present at the buffet reception.

Randy, thank you for sharing your life and love with me the past 10 years. Being your wife has really been wonderful. I love you so much Connie.

Letters TO THE EDITOR

(Continued from page 2)

one another when we get down and out as we all do from time to time.

Jerry Dobson
Sunman, Ind.

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Unusual first contacts

Following are letters from people who came into contact with the Church in unusual ways.

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Happy anniversary to Poppa and Momma Strawn, May 3. May you have many happy years to come. With much love from your daughter, Shirley.

Happy anniversary to Andy and Jean Ashley, May 24. May all the years to come be happy ones for the both of you. With lots of love always, from your friend, Shirley.

To Mom and Dad (Mr. and Mrs. William N. Hudson of Houston, Tex.): Congratulations on your 32nd wedding anniversary April 28. Thanks for being such great parents. We love you, Jim, Debbie, Bill, Nancy, Jeanine, John, Ken, Becky, Amanda, Elizabeth and little Ken.

On April 29, 1949/Two lovely people were united. Now, on this their 35th year/There are not two but six to share/This anniversary with cheer/May you have many grand/children/young and old. All our love, Mike, Debbie, Christopher and Cynthia.

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Weddings Made of Gold



MR. AND MRS. RAY SCHELLENGER

WICHITA, Kan. — Ray Parker Schellenger and Sarah Lenora Huffman were married April 14, 1915. They had three children, 12 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

After services April 14 Mr. and Mrs. Schellenger were honored on their 69th anniversary with a surprise dinner given by their family.

The Schellengers are widely traveled and have a collection of plates from all the states they have visited.

In their earlier days the Schellengers owned an apple orchard. Mr. Schellenger likes to plant a garden each year.

The Schellengers have attended services since the late 1950s. Mrs. Schellenger was baptized in 1959, and Mr. Schellenger in 1960.

my husband worked for. There was no wind at the time, so my husband was perplexed but brought it home. Well, needless to say, I have studied it and have come to understand the truth. It has opened my eyes as Mr. Herbert Armstrong said. I thank God for His knowledge, as I had prayed so long for the truth.

Jacqueline Cernac
Cologne, Minn.

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Obituaries

VICTORIA, B.C. — Albert Lywood, 90, died in his sleep April 2.

Mr. Lywood was born in London, England, Oct. 13, 1893, and was baptized in 1963.

Mr. Lywood is survived by his son, Robert.

Graveside services were conducted by William Raby, pastor of the Victoria and Cumberland, B.C., churches.

WINTER, Wis. — Esther E. Seng, 87, a member of God's Church since 1963 in the central Wisconsin area, died March 30.

Mrs. Seng is survived by her husband of 66 years, Chester, a member; two sons, including Roland, a member; six daughters; 29 grandchildren; and 31 great-grandchildren.

Norman T. Strayer, pastor of the Wausau and Wisconsin Dells, Wis., churches, performed the funeral in Hayward, Wis., April 2.

TUCSON, Ariz. — Naomi Siegfried, 55, a member of God's Church since 1963 in the central Wisconsin area, died March 30.

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Funeral services were conducted March 28 by Lawrence Neff, pastor of the Tucson and Sierra Vista, Ariz., congregations.

AKRON, Ohio — Randy Stephens, 10, died March 28 in a fire in his home.

He is survived by his parents, Jack and Juanita, members in the Akron church, and sisters Karen and Kathy, at home.

Mr. Stephens and Kathy were also injured in the fire.

Funeral services were conducted by William Jahns, pastor of the Akron church, April 2.

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Mr. Drennan is survived by his wife, Elsie, a member; son and daughter-in-law, Kerry and Elaine; daughter and son-in-law, Joy and Graeme Ault, members; son and daughter-in-law, Lex and Margaret, members; and six grandchildren, Amy, Hayley, Carrie, Adam, Paul and Alicia.

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Summer family field trips are fun and educational

By Sandi Borax

The summer months mean warmer weather, longer days and, for children, school vacations. These can provide more time for family togetherness.

An enjoyable way to spend this time is with your family on field trips. Public schools often organize educational trips to manufacturing plants, zoos and scenic areas.

Your family can do the same on a smaller scale. Family outings can strengthen family bonds and add to your memories of great times spent together. Learning together, appreciating nature and having fun can bond a family quickly and give everyone more to talk about at home.

Where you go depends on where you live, transportation and time available. A trip to a park two blocks away can be as profitable and as much fun as traveling hundreds of miles.

Some places to visit are farms, zoos, museums, parks or points of interest your area is noted for.

Your family might want to tour the milking facilities at dairy farms, or grain elevators on a grain farm. If you live in a fruit-growing area you

could ask another family to join yours in picking and then purchasing a box of fruit.

Viewing firsthand where food comes from will benefit children of any age.

Learn about area plants and animals and have the children watch for them. Take along a picnic lunch and play family games. It's a simple yet profitable and enjoyable way to spend a few hours.

Visiting the zoo is educational and fun. Nowhere else will most children see live animals such as giraffes, monkeys and lions. The whole family will enjoy the humor and variety found in creation.

Family outings might spark interest in new hobbies. Children can start collections of rocks, flowers or insects and learn to preserve them. Someone in the family could learn photography and others organize a photo album, which could serve as a photographic diary of family events.

Find out what are the educational and fun things your area has to offer, and make it a project to share those things with your family this summer and create family bonds and lasting memories.



LET'S PLAY! — Family games are educational and fun. They can teach children skills and good sportsmanship. Some involve little or no cost. [Photo by G.A. Belluche Jr.]

Share family's work and talents

By Kerri Miles

A Christian's responsibility includes serving his or her family and serving the Church. But what about serving the Church as a family?

Here are some ideas:

Develop a family service project. Work together in helping a widow, an elderly couple or anyone else who might need assistance with yardwork, painting, meal preparation or other odd jobs. Divide the responsibilities so that everyone has a specific job to do and feels part of the family team.

For example, a father might do the edge work on a lawn while his son mows it, his daughter rakes the grass and his wife plants flowers.

Make the most of family talent. If members of your family are musically inclined, why not form a family vocal

or instrumental ensemble to perform at church socials?

Another way the family can serve the Church is by including in some of your activities widows, fatherless children and singles who have no family in the Church. You can help fulfill God's promise to set these people in families (Psalm 68:5-6) by letting them be part of your family.

So, when you take your children to the zoo or go on a picnic, how about inviting others to go along?

Serving the Church as a family sets an example of unity and encourages others while drawing your own family closer together.

Summer meals mean time for togetherness

Strengthen bonds at mealtime

By Wendy Styer

Mealtime is a favorite time for almost everyone. It can be especially enjoyable for families, since it provides a prime reason to bring everyone together. Here are some ideas for making family mealtime extra special.

Make dinner a time for open family discussion. Let everyone share what's on his or her mind. Talk about events of the day, lessons learned, new thoughts or ideas. It's also a good time to discuss any family plans and activities. Remember to keep the conversation pleasant.

During the warmer months it's fun to plan picnics or barbecues for special occasions, holidays or any time when the whole family can get together. Spending time together outdoors is fun and relaxing. Outdoor meals can be planned at parks or even in your own backyard.

Bring along games to play afterward, or take a family walk in the woods. If you have relatives or

friends nearby, invite them too. It will bring everyone closer together.

Plan meals in which each family member can have a part in the preparation, whether it be setting the table, cutting vegetables or preparing an entire dish. Preparing a meal together makes eating it together more enjoyable and rewarding.

If you have an ice-cream maker, try making homemade ice cream together. Although you can use either the electric or the hand-cranked version, for family participation the hand-cranked models are great. Everyone can take his or her turn at cranking. And after a few minutes of hard work, what better reward than a delicious dish of ice cream!

A fireside get-together in the evening, either inside or out, can be a memorable and cozy way to end the day. Sitting together around a fire talking, singing and snacking builds bonds of closeness. A few snack ideas are hot

drinks, popcorn and hot dogs.

You might try having a family favorites week now and then. Prepare a favorite dish of each family member on different days throughout the week. They'll be more eager for dinner than ever!

You can make the Sabbath even more special for your family by serving special meals and occasional treats. For Sabbath meals to be special, they need not be elaborate. Sometimes the simplest menus are the most effective. For example, your family may enjoy sandwiches even more than a more complicated casserole.

In his book *The Friendship Factor*, Alan Loy McGinnis writes, "One of the best ways to deepen a friendship is by eating together." The bond of love and friendship in a family is something to be treasured and nurtured. Make your family bond even stronger by making the most of your mealtimes together. Make mealtime family time!

Low-cost entertainment, ideas for family games

By Tom Delamater

One of the major factors parents must consider when searching for entertainment the whole family can enjoy is: How much will it cost?

There are probably more kinds of entertainment available today than ever, yet many cost money. And when you add up the cost for an entire family, the bill can be high.

Since many readers have experienced this predicament, we suggest a few simple yet challenging games the whole family can enjoy. They can provide hours of fun, and best of all, promote family togetherness.

Dictionary game

It's best to play this game with a group of people seated around a table. Each player is provided with a stack of small pieces of paper.

One player is chosen to begin the game with a dictionary in hand. This player is called the wordmaster. The player to his left asks him to choose a word beginning with a certain letter of the alphabet. The wordmaster searches for a word that the other players won't know the meaning of.

After choosing the word, the wordmaster asks if anyone knows its meaning. If not, he designates that as the word to be used. Next, each player makes up a believable definition of the word and writes it on a slip of paper. The wordmaster writes down the correct definition, and all the definitions are collected and mixed together.

The wordmaster then reads the definitions twice, both times in the same order. Players choose the definition they think sounds like it would be the real one. The wordmaster keeps track of everyone's selections.

Scoring is easy. The wordmaster receives one point for every player who did not choose the correct defini-

tion. And any player who makes up a definition receives one point for every player who chooses his definition.

After each word the dictionary is passed to the player on the left. You can set a point limit to determine the winner, or you can stop after the dictionary goes around the table a designated number of times.

Categories

Here's a fast-paced game that's sure to promote active participation.

Players sit in a circle. One person is designated to begin the game, which he does by starting a rhythm of four evenly spaced beats. He does this by snapping his fingers twice and then slapping his knees twice with his hands, being careful not to go too quickly. He now has a pattern of 1-2-3-4 (snap-snap-slap-slap), and everyone joins in.

The lead player chooses a category; for instance, *colors*. He says, "Categories, to the left, *colors*." But he says each phrase in unison with the first two beats of a rhythm (snap-snap). For instance, he says "cate-gories" while snapping his fingers twice; slaps his knees twice; then says "to the left" while snapping his fingers twice; slaps his knees twice; and then says "colors" while snapping his fingers twice; and slaps his knees twice.

Then, the person to the left begins, and must name a color within the four-beat pattern. This continues around the circle, each person naming a color within his allotted two beats of *snap-snap*. If a player fails to name a color in that time, or repeats a color already named, he is disqualified. The game continues until one player remains.

You can do this with any general category, like automobiles (Ford, Toyota, Volvo), countries, fruits and so on. Any number can play.



FAMILY OUTING — Cycling is a great way to get the family together and enjoy the beauty of creation. Family outings can strengthen family bonds. [Photo by Craig Clark]

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

UPDATE

PASADENA — Ministerial Services here released the following ordinations.

Raymond Taylor, associate pastor of the Fort Worth, Tex., A.M. and P.M. churches, was raised to preaching elder April 17.

The following men were ordained local church elders April 17: **Maurice Benson** of Wisconsin Dells, Wis.; **Gary Davis**, Nashville, Tenn.; **G. Jack Fike**, Tampa, Fla.; **James Hainz**, Wausau, Wis.; **James Henderson**, St. Albans, England; **Charles May**, Fayetteville, Ark.; **Warren Rediger**, Lincoln, Neb.; **Timothy Rhay**, Eugene, Ore.; **Ronald Sarfert**, Philadelphia, Pa.; **William Vernich**, Nashville, Tenn.; and **Albert Yeager**, Toledo, Ohio.

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PASADENA — The 1984 Festival Planner contained an incorrect address for **Donat Picard**, coordinator of the Feast of Tabernacles site in Hull, Que. His correct address is: 114 Pendennis Dr., Pointe-Claire, PQ, H9R 1H6.

Members who wrote Mr. Picard about the Feast in Hull should write again to the new address, as he would not have received the previous correspondence.

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PASADENA — The Christ Church, Barbados, Feast of Tabernacles site is filled to capacity, according to **Rod Matthews** of Ministerial Services. No additional applications for transfers can be accepted.

Firm uses literature as samples

PASADENA — Two Church publications, **Herbert W. Armstrong — Ambassador for World Peace** and **The United States and Britain in Prophecy**, will be used as paper samples by the S.D. Warren Co.

The company supplied the paper on which the two books were printed, according to **Jim West**, printing buyer of Ambassador Publishing here.

"The Church is one of the largest users of S.D. Warren paper on the West Coast," said Mr. West.

In a letter to Mr. West, the director of S.D. Warren's Idea Exchange, **William Russell Burns Jr.**, called the *Ambassador for World Peace* book "graphically remarkable." The book was designed by **Greg S. Smith**, design consultant for Editorial Services.

Twenty-five copies of the book will go on display at the Exchange's Library of Printed Samples.

Extra copies of *The United States and Britain in Prophecy* were requested by **Thomas M. Hyndman**, S.D. Warren's district sales manager, April 11.

"I would like to send a copy to each of our district offices as it is a fine example of high-quality printing," said Mr. Hyndman.

Mr. West called S.D. Warren Co. one of the premium paper manufacturers in the United States.

"More than anything it's exposure for the Church — especially a printed piece like *Ambassador for World Peace*," said Mr. West. "It will leave a lasting impression with people already familiar with Mr. [Herbert W.] Armstrong."

Both publications were printed at the Graphic Arts Center in Portland, Ore.

PASADENA — Ministerial Services here released the following itinerary of evangelist **Gerald Waterhouse**:

May 14, Saskatoon, Sask.; May 15, Prince Albert, Sask.; May 16, Tisdale, Sask.; May 17, Yorkton, Sask.; May 19, Regina, Sask.; May 20, Moosomin, Sask.; May 21, Brandon, Man.; May 22, Dauphin, Man.; May 24, Morden, Man.; May 26, Winnipeg, Man.; May 28, Thunder Bay, Ont.; and May 30, Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.

June 2, Sudbury, Ont.; June 4, Kitchener, Ont.; June 5, London, Ont.; June 6, Sarnia, Ont.; June 9, Windsor, Ont.; June 13, Hamilton, Ont.; June 14, St. Catharines, Ont.; June 16, Toronto, Ont.; June 17, Peterborough, Ont.; June 18, Kingston, Ont.; June 20, Ottawa, Ont.; June 21, Cornwall, Ont.; June 23, Montreal, Que.; and June 24, Plattsburgh, N.Y.

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PASADENA — A record was set with the addition of 174,662 names to files in the United States in April, according to **Wayne Pyle**, an assistant to evangelist **Richard Rice**, director of the Mail Processing Center (MPC). The April figures bring to 608,226 the number of new names added to MPC files this year, 98.5 percent of which were added to the *Plain Truth* subscription list, said Mr. Pyle.

The figure for new names added worldwide in 1984 is 899,505 according to **Ron Urwiller**, supervisor of the international mail section of MPC.

"In 120 days we've had a 52.8 percent increase over a year ago, said Mr. Urwiller. "That's mind boggling!"

The figures represent increases worldwide, not just in the United States. Not counting the United States, the number of new names added so far in 1984 is up 46.6 percent over 1983.



INTERNATIONAL DESK BY ROD MATTHEWS

PASADENA — In the British Office in Borehamwood, England, a new minicomputer was installed to provide immediate on-line access by terminals to information used daily by the Business Office, Festival Office and Publishing Services in the Borehamwood Office. Two microcomputers provide facilities for budgeting work, word processing, data storage and graphics.

In the Bonn, West Germany, Office, a new Datapoint 8600 computer went into operation in March. As programming is completed, the capacity will be upgraded through three stages to provide maintenance of the entire *Plain Truth* file (additions, updating addresses) as well as printing mailing labels. It is hoped this capacity will be reached by the end of 1984.

Netherlands

The big news here in March was an advertising campaign in the TV guide, *Tros Kompas*, and the monthly Dutch Automobile Association publication, *De Kampioen*. Both carried a full-page ad for the Dutch edition of *The Plain Truth*, *De Echte Waarheid*, with the latter being prominent on the back cover. The ad reached 3.1 million sub-



CHORALE CONCERT — The combined Pasadena and Big Sandy Ambassador College chorales and the Pasadena Church Choir join the Los Angeles (Calif.) Chamber Orchestra and four vocal soloists in performing Handel's *Messiah* in the Ambassador Auditorium April 21. (See article, page 1.) [Photo by Hal Finch]

Pastor visits Papua New Guinea

By **John Curry**
BURLEIGH HEADS, Australia — **Bill Sidney**, pastor of the Grafton, Australia, church, and I conducted 11 *Plain Truth* lectures attended by 535 people in February and March in Papua New Guinea.

John Curry, an employee of the Church's Office in Burleigh Heads, Australia, accompanied Bill Sidney, pastor of the Grafton, Australia, church, on a monthlong trip to Papua New Guinea in February and March to visit members and prospective members and conduct Plain Truth lectures.

Two new members were baptized, bringing the membership to four. Thirteen prospective members are in the area.

Mr. Sidney and I arrived in Port Moresby, the capital of Papua New Guinea, where we conducted two

Plain Truth subscriber lectures. Mr. Sidney and I also visited a prison to meet with an interested reader. The prisoner expressed his gratitude for being sent to prison, because it was there he came across *The Plain Truth*.

Mr. Sidney was interviewed by the National Broadcasting Corp. for its weekly religious program. Portions of the lectures and the interview were aired nationwide.

From Port Moresby we flew to the island of Bougainville to conduct another lecture and meet with a *Plain Truth* reader.

Then we flew to Rabaul, Papua New Guinea, for another lecture. Here the city sits on a volcano that scientists expect to erupt within the next few weeks or months. The government was evacuating some areas.

Next we flew to the remote island of Manus and showed the *Behind the Work* film and Pastor General **Herbert W. Armstrong's World**

Tomorrow program, "The Middle East in Prophecy," to a group of several hundred people.

Afterward we returned to the mainland of Papua New Guinea to conduct lectures and visit people in the towns of Madang, Wewak, Mount Hagen and Goroka.

Ol Okoben, one of four members in Papua New Guinea, lives in Mount Hagen.

From Goroka we traveled to Kundiawa, then on to Lae, where Church member **Penny Betteridge** lives. She is an Australian and has lived in Papua New Guinea for almost 20 years.

Then we traveled to Daru to meet with another *Plain Truth* reader. From there we traveled to Kerema to meet with two more people.

At Cape Vogel we visited two prospective members, Mr. and Mrs. **Godfrey Cane Asabuna**. After we stayed for two nights in the village, Mr. Sidney baptized them in the river beside their house.

Our next visit was to Good-enough Island. Here we met with **Billy and Debbie Inafala**, two prospective members. We spent a night in their village, which is an hour's journey by outboard motorboat from **Bolu Bolu**, before returning to Port Moresby for a follow-up lecture, which six adults attended.

We returned to Australia March 11.

The New Zealand Listener.

Australia

The second-highest number of letters received in one month (29,552) reached the Burleigh Heads, Australia, Office in March. Mail received for the year to date is up 50 percent over 1983. Full-color ads were placed in *Reader's Digest* and *Woman's Day*. More than 6,450 responses were received by March 31. In April, eight new radio stations started airing the *World Tomorrow* telecast in Australia — in Broken Hill, Orange, Dubbo, Griffith, Brisbane, Mackay, Port Pirie and Mount Gambier. Ninety-four stations and relays now carry the program in Australia.

The library-waiting room program in Australia is netting exceptionally fine results. More than 500 outlets were added so far this year. The regional office reports that a member (former policeman) visited 17 prisons in New South Wales and arranged for *The Plain Truth* to be mailed to each one. Now all 19 prisons in New South Wales receive *The Plain Truth* and *Youth 84*.

Each prison library has copies of Pastor General **Herbert W. Armstrong's** books, *The Incredible Human Potential*, *The United States and Britain in Prophecy*, *The Missing Dimension in Sex* and *The Wonderful World Tomorrow*, plus seven Church booklets and volumes I and II of *The Bible Story*. A prison governor said it was good to receive such positive and uplifting material instead of the usual material they receive portraying violence and pornography.

scribers, and 15,500 responded. The subscription list of *De Echte Waarheid* is about 55,000.

Incoming mail for March was up 44.8 percent, and income was up 2.8 percent, making the year-to-date total 12.1 percent. The attendance at the four Dutch-language churches reached 300.

New Zealand

Three promotions in March brought in 2,500 subscribers. A double-page spread with an insert card in the March *Reader's Digest* entitled "What Next for New Zealand?" brought 856 responses, a better response than the previous ad in June last year entitled "The Peril to Your Life Grows."

The New Zealand Office said this indicated that New Zealanders, geographically isolated from the rest of the world, tend to have their minds more on parochial matters than the threat of nuclear war, which they view as somewhat remote and unreal.

A newspaper insert in the March 12 Auckland, New Zealand, *Star*, delivered to 130,000 homes, brought in 847 responses by the end of March, and another 135 people became subscribers through an ad in

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