

## Pastor general visits Washington, D.C.

By Jeff E. Zhorne

PASADENA — The visit of Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach to the nation's capital Dec. 17 to 21 was described as "a historic occasion, a special feeling of unity, love and family that brought tears to the eyes of many," according to Dan Rogers, pastor of the Greensboro and Winston-Salem, N.C., churches.

This trip was two weeks after Mr. Tkach's first visit to Washington, D.C., to attend the Ninth Annual Kennedy Center Honors and to meet U.S. President Ronald Reagan Dec. 7.

Continuing his trips to meet and speak to brethren, the pastor general and his traveling party lifted off in the Church's Gulfstream III jet from the Burbank, Calif., airport early Dec. 17 and landed at Washington's National Airport four hours and 15 minutes later, according to Ken Hopke, G-III captain.

The pastor general was accompanied by personal assistants Joseph Locke and Michael Feazell; Mr. Feazell's wife, Victoria; evangelist David Hulme, director of Communications & Public Affairs; his wife, Robin; Ellen Escat, Mr. Tkach's administrative assistant; Julie Stocker, administrative assistant to Mr. Hulme; and Warren Watson, senior photographer for the Photography Services Department.

Serving on Mr. Tkach's G-III flight crew were Captain Hopke, co-captain Lawrence Dietrich and steward Jay Brothers.

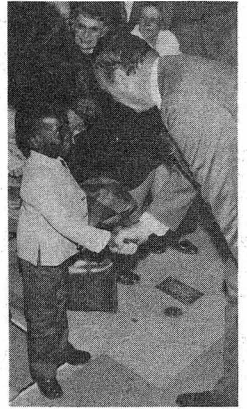
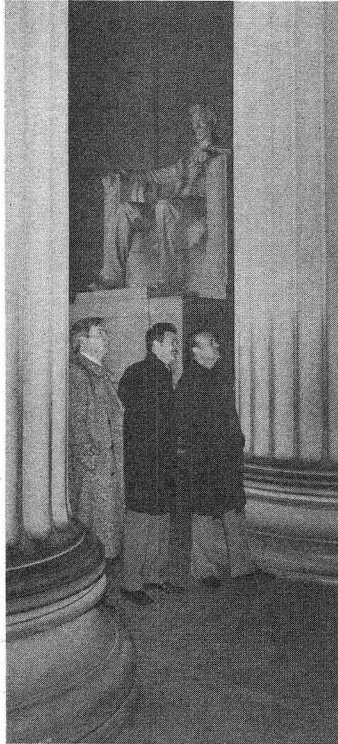
The group was met by Richard Frankel, pastor of the Front Royal, Va., churches, and Washington churches and host for the group's visit, his wife, Joyce, and family.

The next day a tour of the Capitol building was conducted by Roger Zion, a former eighth district congressman from Evansville, Ind., who provided access to otherwise restricted areas.

As the group made its way from place to place, Mr. Tkach pointed out how well planned the city is.

According to Mr. Feazell: "Anyone visiting Washington, D.C., for the first time would be impressed with the grandeur and stateliness of the city and its architecture."

Mr. Hulme commented that European overtones showed in the capital's history, architecture, gov-



**CAPITAL ACTIVITIES** — Clockwise from left, Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach (right), Richard Frankel (center), pastor of the Washington, D.C., and Front Royal, Va., churches, and evangelist David Hulme, director of Communications & Public Affairs, view Abraham Lincoln's second inaugural address, etched in the Lincoln Memorial, Dec. 19; Mr. Tkach greets Nancy Reagan after meeting President Ronald Reagan (center) at a

renewment and tradition, adding that it is also "extremely worthwhile for everyone to become more familiar with the machinery and methods of government."

That evening Mr. Tkach was guest of honor at a semiformal dinner in the home of Mohammad Kamal, the ambassador from Jordan.

Diplomats and their wives were invited from the Arab world, including Lebanese ambassador Abdallah Bouhabib, Tunisian ambassador Habib Ben Yahia, Yemeni ambassador Mohsin A. Alaini (formerly prime minister) and Syrian charge d'affaires Bushra Kanafani.

"The Kamals were delightful hosts," Mr. Feazell said. "We learned a great deal, and everyone was easy to talk to. They had known Mr. [Herbert] Armstrong and appreciated the opportunity to meet Mr. Tkach."

According to Mr. Locke, Dr. Kamal was formerly the director general of Jordanian television from its inception in 1966 "and had worked closely with Mr. Armstrong for the past five or six years."

Dr. Kamal was responsible for the airing of the Young Ambassadors on Jordanian television, Mr. Locke added.

Two hours of conversation preceded a buffet of Arabic food, mostly lamb dishes.

"The guests were interested in

the Church, its work and the Ambassador Foundation," said Mr. Feazell. "Apart from meeting the brethren on the Sabbath, this event was the high point of the trip for Mr. Tkach."

Mr. Feazell said that Dr. Kamal "expressed deep appreciation for the Church's involvement in Jordan and hopes Mr. Tkach can visit the four foundation-sponsored Jordanian projects." Ambassador students teach at four schools in Jordan: the Bunyat Center for Special Education in Al Bunyat;

White House reception, Dec. 7; Carlos Settles, 4, from Washington, steps up to meet the pastor general Dec. 20; Mr. Tkach was guest of honor at a dinner in the home of Jordanian ambassador Mohammad Kamal, Dec. 18; Mr. Tkach signs autographs Dec. 20 for Wren Leasure (right), 13, and Melanie Blackburn, 12, from Hagerstown, Md. [Photos by Warren Watson and Pete Souza, the White House]

the Al Hussein Center for the Physically Handicapped in Amman; Sahab, a sheltered workshop for older students; and Sports Federation, for the training of teachers in physical education.

Activities Friday, Dec. 19, featured trips to the Jefferson, Lincoln and Vietnam Veterans memorials, Library of Congress, National Gallery of Art, the National Air and Space Museum and the National Museum of American History.

President Franklin D. Roo-

sevelt, an amateur architect like Thomas Jefferson, helped design the Jefferson Memorial, Mr. Locke said.

"He had trees cut down secretly, at night, so he could see the construction from the White House," Mr. Locke continued. "Apparently, there was too much red tape to do otherwise."

During the tour Mr. Tkach commented about the commitment, standards, resolve and strong ideals that the foundation

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*Joseph W. Tkach*

Dear brethren,

What a year of growth this has been!

—In fact, the growth has been so rapid that our field ministers, along with the rest of the Work, are at the point that they are hard pressed to support it all.

To make sure that we don't outstrip our resources, I've had to make several decisions that involve the Church's publications. But before I tell you about these changes, which those of us here

feel are very positive ones, let me bring an extremely pressing matter to your attention.

As I mentioned in the October member/co-worker letter, the option to buy the Office Facilities building is coming up, and brethren, we simply cannot afford NOT to buy it.

This building houses the multifaceted editorial operations of *The Plain Truth*, *The Good News*, *Youth* magazine, *The Worldwide News*, the Bible Correspondence Course, Youth Bible Lessons and the scores of

books, booklets, reprints and television brochures produced by God's Church.

Also located in that building are the entire Mail Processing Department, with its massive WATS operation, and the Spanish Department and the studios and offices of the Radio Department.

It could cost God's Church, when all factors are considered, up to \$2 million to move all of these departments to another building and could bring untold disruption in the Work.

We estimate the cost of purchasing the Office Facilities building to be about \$5 million. (After final appraisals we will know the exact figure.) That's money we don't have in the bud-

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# Young people: victims of our Western way

**BOREHAMWOOD, England** — Few places on earth raise one's flagging spirits more than the beautiful Wye Valley. It acts as a tonic for the human soul. The winding coach trip from Hereford, England, to Hay-on-Wye, Wales, is a delight to sore eyes.

Hay-on-Wye is internationally known to bookmen as a used book mecca. But how is it that a little village of less than a thousand sitting astride the River Wye has become the site of many secondhand book shops?

Largely due to the efforts of Richard Booth — the proverbial king of Hay-on-Wye. What he began 25 years ago has grown into big business for a small Welsh village. Several of Mr. Booth's former employees opened book stores of their own.

## Encounter with British youths

After purchasing a few used books I boarded the coach back to Hereford. Wishing some privacy I sat at the back of the bus. But solitude was shortlived. Soon we stopped at a village school where about 12 15-year-olds entered the coach. They made a beeline for the back of the bus.

I was in for an education. Several girls lit up cigarettes. Four-

letter words soon filled the air. Truthfully, the girls used gutter language much more than the boys. One girl talked about the ease of getting into an X-rated movie (restricted to age 18 and older). She was barely 15.

## Victims of a way of life

These kids are victims of our Western way of life — teenagers who have not known or been taught how to really live. I was sorely tempted to introduce them to *Youth 86*.

There was no way of escaping their attention. When they discovered my initials were J.R. and I hailed from Texas — like a character on the American TV series *Dallas* — questions quickly began flying back and forth. A useful rapport developed. I explained I had three teenagers all attending British schools. It went from there.

The irony was that *Dallas* had to be the crucial factor in developing an interesting dialogue. This soap opera has become symbolic of America to teens around the world. (The real Dallas, Tex., has been defamed. Many of its citizens are filled with disgust and will not even discuss the TV series.)

Television soap operas teach

teenagers that fornication, adultery, lying and cheating in business and at home are the norm. This, to them, is the United States.

The characters in *Dallas*, *Dynasty* and *The Colbys* mutually "excel" each other in breaking the

ers polled believed that parents were inept at teaching children the facts of life." They are right. Many parents are inept at teaching their children almost anything, except by osmosis.

Parents prefer to pass the buck to schools. But what do our educa-

## European Diary

By John Ross Schroeder



### Ten Commandments.

Since American soap operas invaded British television, Britain's own varieties have turned for the worse. Before, they were mild. Now their story lines are somewhat similar to American soaps.

### Who will teach?

If these Welsh teenagers are fairly typical of rural Britain, what must be the behavior of inercity young people? It's almost too sad to contemplate. But these kids, I repeat, are victims. An article in the Nov. 5 *Daily Telegraph* showed that "70 per cent of teach-

tional institutions teach children? What do the teachers themselves believe? What values are they transmitting to young people?

The *Telegraph* article reported on a poll that "shows that one in three teenagers (34 per cent) believe that homosexuality should be presented in schools as 'an acceptable way of living,' although 24 per cent disagreed and nearly a third professed to have no opinion on the matter."

Now here's a shocker! "Nearly half the teachers polled approved of sex before marriage," said the

*Telegraph* article. "Despite the fact that the great majority of teachers think pupils should be taught about traditional family values, 45 per cent personally approved of sex before marriage."

### Society's contradictory message

The British government is spending 20 million pounds to fight the spread of AIDS. A government advertising campaign directed at teenagers who may be at risk tells teens, "Stick to one partner." But the media shout out, "Fornication and adultery are the norm!" Whom are teens to believe?

Society speaks with a forked tongue. It sends out a double message. The moral distortion this creates confuses our young people.

Frank warnings against AIDS are also to be aired on British television. But as columnist Paul Johnson explained in the Nov. 22 *Daily Telegraph*: "One of the faults of TV is that, far from being a means to communication between groups, it is often an obstacle. It is a bottomless mine not only of information, but misinformation, often blending the two in impenetrable confusion."

The Western world is sending a contradictory message to the next generation of young people. How do we expect them to react?



## Just one more thing

By Dexter H. Faulkner

## Before you speak . . .

I was in need of a car one day, so my son offered me his. It is one of the new ones with a computer. The computer tells you — in words, not just sounds — how many miles per gallon of gas you get, that your lights have been left on, that your parking brake is on.

A warm, but firm, male voice tactfully tells you, "Fasten your seat belt."

As I was about to leave the parking lot I asked my son if there was anything I needed to know about the car. "Oh, no, it's easy," he said.

So I went to my destination, and he was right. The car was easy to drive and a pleasure. As I pulled into a parking space and turned everything off, the computer said diplomatically, "Don't forget your key." I started to pull the key out and it wouldn't come out.

"Don't forget your key," it said again. So I started the engine again, thinking I would turn it off and the key would come out. It turned off the engine and tried to remove the key. It wouldn't budge. "Don't forget your key."

"All right," I said. "Just give it to me and I won't!"

I was talking to a computer! My daughter-in-law had to tell me to press a button to release the key. After I did so, the computer said, sounding sincere, "Thank you."

Computers can be programmed to mechanically respond tactfully, as the above example illustrates. People, however, must be educated on how to relate with others. It doesn't come automatically. Learning to edit one's responses before uttering them pays enormous dividends in the home, at school, on the job and in God's Church.

It reminds me of a *Peanuts* cartoon. Charlie Brown was talking to Linus. He said: "You know that little redheaded girl down the street? Well, I wanted to meet her and talk to her, but I felt so dumb and awkward . . . Finally I just walked up to her, and I didn't know what to say, so I hit her."

So many times we respond improperly because we feel awkward or helpless. I speak from firsthand experience.

Getting along with others involves learning to phrase statements or questions in the most diplomatic way possible.

A friend of mine was given a dreadful painting as a wedding present by his mother-in-law. He looked at it, speechless for a moment, then recovered and said: "How thoughtful of you! This is something I would never have bought for myself, and I know just the place for it."

As his mother-in-law beamed with pleasure his grateful bride grinned from ear to ear. She was sending the message, "Sweetheart, you handled that masterfully, and I love you for it!"

A newly married couple invited the wife's parents to dinner. She had gone to great pains to make it a special evening. As the parents were leaving, the mother said, "We had a nice evening, dear, and it was a lovely dinner, but the roast was just a little overcooked." Of course that spoiled the evening for the daughter.

Solomon wrote, "There is one who speaks like the piercings of a sword, but the tongue of the wise promotes health" (Proverbs 12:18, New King James throughout).

Someone once advised me to put my mind in gear before I put my tongue in motion. It's good advice. Here is a way you can avoid saying the wrong things at the wrong time.

Run the statement or question through your mind first, then revise it so that it sounds just right. Those millions and millions of brain cells of yours work incredibly fast. With a little practice you can learn to monitor and rephrase what you want to say in a split second. In the twinkling of an eye you can come up with a better way of stating it.

It's wise to remember a positive compliment buys more goodwill than a negative complaint. To illus-

trate the importance of using tact and diplomacy, here are some ways to win endless enemies and alienate all your best friends. Say this, "I'll tell you what I think you ought to do." Or, "My advice to you is . . ." These can come across as insulting assumptions of superior wisdom.

Don't offer unsolicited advice. It is seldom accepted. You're going to be a lonely person if you say, "Let me show you where you're wrong." Or, "I'm only telling you this for your own good." Forget it! Only mothers can say this to their little ones.

Have you ever said this one: "Your whole problem, as I see it . . ." Or, "You didn't ask for my advice, but . . ." Stop right there. If the person had wanted your opinion, he or she would have asked for it. The person has wisdom of his or her own that hasn't even been used yet.

There are thousands of awkward, clumsy, inappropriate phrases. A sensitive person will learn which ones turn people off.

We all experience them: "Here, let me show you how to do that." "Now here's how I would have done it." "Monday morning quarterback" comments never get high points, do they?

The one I like most is, "That was a fine sermon (job, meal, flower arrangement, article or whatever), but there is just this one thing I'd have done a little differently." Thanks for nothing. You aren't being helpful, though you may think you are.

The human brain, with its 13 billion cells, is able to handle some 15 trillion facts! No man-made computer can ever hope to match it.

Yet God has housed this complex computer in our small physical cranium and activated it on half a volt of electricity! What power our Creator has placed at the disposal of mortal man! As far as many are concerned however, the power remains largely untapped.

It goes without saying that many of the problems that beset us today in dealing with people — family, friends, fellow workers, boss, neighbors — could be avoided if we would spend a little more time in advance thinking.

Think about Solomon's wise words: "In the multitude of words sin is not lacking, but he who restrains his lips is wise . . . The lips of the righteous feed many, but fools die for lack of wisdom" (Proverbs 10:19, 21).

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get for next year. Therefore, I'm asking all churches to earmark a portion of their local fund raising to help buy the building.

Many of our congregations are quite proficient in fund raising, and here is an opportunity to put those talents to work in direct service to God's Work.

I am not asking any to give what they don't have. All church-activity and YOU needs must be considered, but brethren, I know God will specially bless your efforts to provide this genuine need. As this special building fund grows, results will be reported in *The Worldwide News*.

In this way, the purchase of this vital tool will not have to affect the overall budget during this rapid growth period God has given. As I've written you before, the pressing needs of the Television Department for updated equipment and additional personnel will also have a major impact on the 1987 budget.

We are relying on God's overall direction to carefully and prudently control the growth He is granting so that no one area of the Work outstrips our ability to support it with the resources God has made available.

Now let me tell you about some of the decisions made in the publications.

The tremendous growth in the Work has forced me to take a hard look at how we are accomplishing God's commission. Are we directing our efforts most effectively? Do we need to restructure and perhaps refocus in some areas? Are we using the resources God has given us to their greatest effectiveness?

To take some of the pressure off our hardworking television staff and presenters, the writers and researchers of Editorial Services are now preparing material to be used on the telecasts well in advance of scheduled programs. We will now be able to plan far enough ahead so that *The Plain Truth* and the telecasts can be more precisely coordinated in their approaches.

To allow Mr. Dexter Faulkner

and the Editorial Services staff the flexibility to make this coordinated effort fully successful, I have directed that *The Good News* and *Youth 87* each be published six times a year, alternating monthly, instead of the 10 issues each we have been producing annually. This change will take effect next spring.

I will just say here, brethren, that I have been quite concerned for some time that many of God's people simply are not reading *The Good News* as they

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## "Worldwatch"

In our next issue, Jan. 12, 1987, Gene H. Hogberg plans to examine the impact of the Iran-contra affair on U.S. foreign policy especially in relation to Europe. Because of his other responsibilities "Worldwatch" does not appear in this issue.

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should and as a result are *missing* a wealth of the spiritual, Christian-living instruction about the *application* of God's law of love in their lives that they *vitaly need!* Outstanding, spiritually strengthening instruction, IF READ AND APPLIED, is simply being *missed* by those who don't take the time to open those pages and drink it in!

*The Good News* regularly contains articles that *directly* address the basic, MAJOR problem areas in the Church and in the world — marriage, family, sex, finances, alcohol. It also contains articles about biblical events, personalities and teaching that either serve as examples for us today, or simply broaden our understanding of God's Word and His great master plan for mankind.

One man wrote in recently saying, "The Church is not being fed meat, only pabulum."

Brethren, how *blind* some can be to the BLESSINGS God has given to us! *Never* before has so much meat been available to God's people. Yet it must be *used*. If this man had actually been *READING The Good News, The Plain Truth, the Correspondence Course, the booklets, brochures, reprints, books and Youth 86*, I think he would have realized that there is *plenty* of meat, as well as *easier-to-digest* spiritual food for those who are not as spiritually mature.

Yet, as I say, all this, including the Bible itself, *must be USED!* What good is it just lying around on the coffee table? And even if it is *read*, what good is it if it is *not put into practice?*

... Brethren, we are God's ELECT! He instructs us to be DOERS of

the Word, not forgetful hearers only! Can I FORCE YOU? I can only admonish you! Are we going to be *Christians, COMMITTED* to overcoming and growing in the grace and knowledge of Jesus Christ, or just seat-warmers, "clinging with flatteries," mere pretenders?

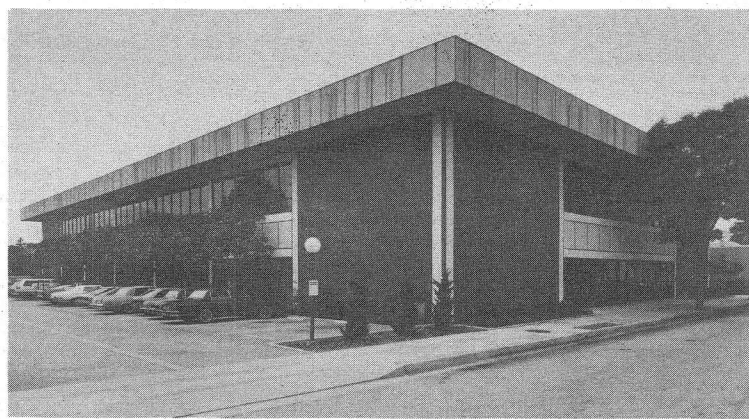
Let's get our lives in perspective and remember that the suffering of this present evil world is swiftly coming to an end! Let's be about our Father's business in diligence!

Well, back to the subject at hand. Brethren, I realize that many may have had a problem reading all the excellent instruction the Church has made available simply because there *is* so much that it is hard to keep up with it all. That is one major reason I felt we should make this change with *The Good News* and *Youth 87*. After all, why should we allow vital instruction to be wasted simply because of a lack of time to get to it?

By adjusting the amount of reading material the Church makes available each month, I hope we can help ensure that our brethren will not have to *miss* any of the important and helpful articles contained in the publications.

*The Worldwide News* will still come to you every two weeks, but the standard size will now be eight pages. Again, this should help you in not having so much to read that you miss important articles or information contained in each of the publications.

I have also directed that the circulation of *The Plain Truth* be held to a ceiling of seven million for at least the next year. Seven million — including newsstand distribution — is a *very* strong circulation figure, and even at that level it will still take



a good deal of time for our field ministers and other areas of the Work to "catch up" so they can effectively support the growth that has already taken place.

I feel these changes show that we here at headquarters are seriously doing our part as God leads us to more effectively and effi-

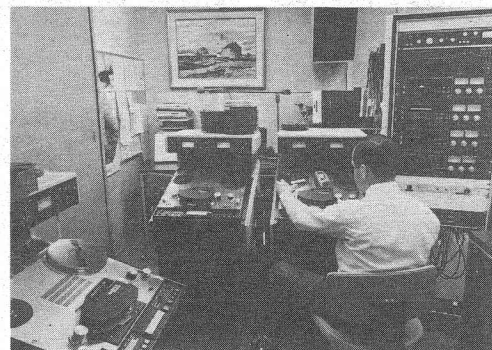
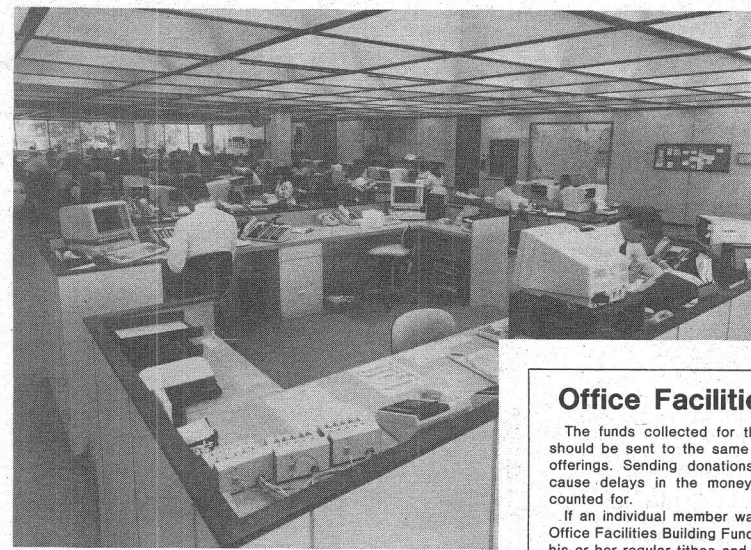
ciently use the resources He has given us. Now, I'm asking your ministers to look closely at how your local church resources are being used as well, and to come to the aid of the Work with this special fund-raising project.

God's Work surges ahead! Let's pull together in united

prayer for His guidance and blessing as we move into a new year of opportunities and growth. When God is for us, who can be against us? Be sure to watch for regular progress reports in *The Worldwide News*.

With love, in Jesus' name  
Joseph W. Tkach

**OFFICE FACILITIES** — Right, one of the departments in the Office Facilities building is Editorial Services, where Shirley Rhoades is receptionist; below right, audio engineer Karwin Klassy edits a tape in the Radio Production Department; below left, the terminals area of the Mail Processing Center is where subscriptions are entered and responses to *The World Tomorrow* are taken; and, bottom, evangelist Leon Walker (center), regional director for Spanish areas, converses with Don Walls, managing editor for Spanish-language publications, in the Spanish Department, with Mayra Colon in the foreground. [Photos by Hal Finch]



## Office Facilities Building Fund

The funds collected for the Office Facilities Building Fund should be sent to the same address as all regular tithes and offerings. Sending donations to any other address will only cause delays in the money being properly banked and accounted for.

If an individual member wants to make a contribution to the Office Facilities Building Fund, that amount can be included with his or her regular tithes and offerings. However, to ensure that those funds are properly applied to the fund-raising project, note the amount and label it "Office Facilities Building Fund" on a separate slip of paper and also write it in the lower left-hand corner of the check. If these notations are not made, the Mail Processing Department will not know to apply the donation to the Building Fund. The principle applies to all other donations as well.

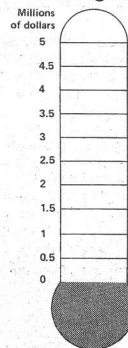
An individual's contribution to this fund raiser will show on his donation receipt as "Building Fund." Any contributed funds not needed for the acquisition of the Office Facilities building will be applied to the general Building Fund.

When donations are received from a local church area, a group or a club, the same notation on the check and on a separate slip of paper is very important to properly apply the funds to the Office Facilities Building Fund. As a rule, the Church does not receipt donations from groups, clubs or local churches. The canceled check becomes the receipt.

As a reminder, and a precaution, please do not send cash. All donations should be in the form of personal or cashier's checks or bank money orders payable to the Worldwide Church of God.



### Office Facilities Building Fund



# Washington

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fathers had. "The character of the city certainly reflects those ideals," he observed.

Next stop was the Lincoln Memorial. "Mr. Tkach has always held a deep admiration and respect for President Lincoln," Mr. Feazell commented.

After walking through the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, Mr. Tkach and his party boarded the minibus for the Library of Congress, also called the Jefferson building.

Next they visited the National Gallery of Art. After lunch they had 20-minute tours of the Air and Space and American History museums, both parts of the Smithsonian Institute.

## Sabbath with brethren

On the Sabbath, Dec. 20, crisp temperatures and clear skies created the best weather of the trip.

After the song service and introduction by Mr. Frankel, Mr. Tkach addressed 3,509 brethren assembled in the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) Constitutional building, three blocks south of the White House.

Brethren were invited from 13 churches: Baltimore, Cumberland and Hagerstown, Md.; Front Royal, Norfolk, Richmond and Roanoke, Va.; Harrisburg and Philadelphia, Pa.; Seaford and Wilmington, Del.; Vineland, N.J.; and Washington.

"Mr. Tkach spoke on how we are a worldwide family, united in doing God's work, and being built up into a spiritual temple," said Mr. Frankel.

"God's Spirit gives us the courage and power to do what we have to do," Mr. Tkach said,



**EXCHANGING GREETINGS** — Bertram Limbrick, 7, son of Bonnie Limbrick, a member who attends the Roanoke, Va., church, shows his excitement at meeting Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach. [Photo by Warren Watson]

before giving three points on keeping the big picture in mind, always seeking God's will and developing the mind of God.

The pastor general explained that just as the quotations on buildings in the capital amplify submission to God as the only means to national success, submission to God in our personal lives is the only way to individual success.

"Mr. Tkach said the hall was inspiring to him — the architecture and the flags of the 13 colonies," said Mrs. Escat.

"Many of the brethren commented that his sermon was very powerful," she continued. "Mr. Tkach said that being in the nation's capital lended a lot to his mood. Touring, walking around and seeing all the historical accomplishments of our forefathers touched him very much."

A combined choir composed of more than 100 brethren from all

13 churches, directed by David Myrick, performed "Lift Thine Eyes" and "He Watching Over Israel," from *Elijah* by Jakob Mendelssohn.

Mr. Frankel said that after the sermon a choir of 34 youths from the Hagerstown and Cumberland churches, directed by Brian Drawbaugh, sang a musical version of Joshua 1:5-9.

"These verses inspired Joshua to be courageous right after Moses died and Joshua succeeded him as the physical head of Israel," Mr. Frankel remarked.

On behalf of the 13 churches, Mr. Frankel presented the pastor general with a mahogany model of the U.S. Capitol building topped by a dome of Waterford crystal and flanked by Jefferson Cups of Tudor crystal. The door over the steps, featuring the country's official seal, is illuminated by an electric bulb.

The model, the first of its kind, measures 39 inches long and 16 inches high, he said.

After services Mr. Tkach greeted brethren for about 45 minutes.

A ministers meeting then took place in the Franklin Pierce Room of the Willard hotel, attended by 194 ministers, elders, deacons, deaconesses and wives.

For an hour Mr. Tkach discussed headquarters activities, including changes in the Church's publications, cost-cutting measures, fund-raising projects for the Office Facilities building (see "Personal," page 1) and the *World Tomorrow* telecast.

Then Mr. Tkach was given a pewter sculpture of a landing eagle. An inscription on the sculpture reads, "They shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint," from Isaiah 40:31.

The ministry also gave the pastor general a watch with the face of a U.S. \$20 gold-piece coin.

Wiley Wine, an artist who attends the Front Royal church, presented Mr. Tkach with a print of an original illustration titled "The Informal Penguin," the artist's first print distributed nationwide, portraying several penguins with one daring to be different.

Full-time ministers then joined Mr. Tkach in his room, where they shared a buffet with his traveling party and talked with him and asked questions for more than two hours.

At noon the next morning the group left for home, arriving at the Burbank airport by early afternoon.

"The feeling of unity and oneness of family was apparent," said William C. Pryke of the Norfolk

church. "You could see it, hear it and feel it."

Mr. Hulme said that brethren were "extremely receptive and responsive. The warmth was evident."

## Meeting the President

During Mr. Tkach's first visit to the capital Dec. 6 to 8, he was invited to the Opera House of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, where U.S. entertainers Lucille Ball, Ray Charles, Hume Cronyn and Jessica Tandy, violinist Yehudi Menuhin and choreographer Antony Tudor were honored.

Before the Dec. 7 ceremony, President and Nancy Reagan "brought together political and entertainment luminaries for a White House reception," reported the Los Angeles, Calif., *Times*.

Mr. Tkach attended the reception, spoke with U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz and met President Reagan for the first time.

"I told the President how much we really appreciated him, how much we really loved him as the President of these United States," said Mr. Tkach. "I wanted him to be reassured that we were behind him."

The pastor general also "jogged the memory" of Mrs. Reagan, reminding her of an invitation to speak to the student body of Ambassador College. "We're still working on that," he said. "Hopefully that will come about in the near future."

Dec. 8 Mr. Tkach was guest at a White House luncheon with Dana Rohrabacker, one of President Reagan's speech writers. "We had an enjoyable lunch, very informative, and discussed a number of things that have taken place in the White House," Mr. Tkach said.

# AMBASSADOR ACTIVITIES

## OUTREACH SERVES PASADENA COMMUNITY

PASADENA — Ambassadors College students in Outreach, a program to serve the Pasadena community, are practicing Christian living and serving, according to faculty adviser Gary Antion.

Officers are Reese Edmondson, director; David Terdik, assistant director; Wendy Love, secretary; Russell Huston, treasurer; George Harper, sergeant at arms; Byron Norrod, photographer. Students serve in one of five divisions: elderly visiting, special projects, youth, entertainment or transportation.

Senior Jeffrey Williams coordinates the senior citizens' visiting division. Students help them with chores and spend time talking with them.

Marie Roemer, who attends the Imperial A.M. church, said: "It's very pleasant for the young people to come and visit us. It seems like they have a love for people."

"The student gains much from visiting the elderly," said Mr. Williams. "It gives us the opportunity to show them honor."

The entertainment division, headed by senior Michael Savoia, performs at nursing homes.

Students in the youth division, coordinated by senior Tim Hudson, tutor students from Imperial Schools and schools for children who are disabled or have been emotionally neglected.

Nancy Goodell, director of a

therapeutic day school at Five Acres Boys' and Girls' Aid Society in Los Angeles, Calif., said that the Outreach tutors are invaluable to the school. Eighteen students tutor there once a week.

"[They] are really a gift to us," she said.

Senior Ben Brunner heads the special projects division. Students design greeting cards to be sent to Church members worldwide, and stock the magazine and booklet racks on the Ambassador College campus.

Senior Martin Brandenberger coordinates transportation of students for Outreach activities.

## YOUNG AMBASSADORS SING AT QUEEN'S BREAKFAST

PASADENA — The Young Ambassadors made their community debut for 1986-87 school year at the Tournament of Roses Queen's Breakfast Wednesday, Nov. 26. The group sang "A World of Wonders," the theme song for the 1987 Tournament of Roses Parade Jan. 1 in Pasadena. Ross Jutsum, director of Music Services, wrote the song for the parade.

Seven hundred people attended the breakfast, the first major event of the season to introduce the Rose Queen and her court, according to Mr. Jutsum.

After the performance, the group was given a standing ovation and invited to sing Dec. 30 at the parade Director's Dinner, a formal event at-

tended by the grand marshal of the parade, the governors of the states whose schools will play in the Rose Bowl football game and civic leaders.

Harvey Christen, a community member who attended the breakfast with Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach, said that the group is "a breath of fresh air" for the community.

"We're blessed to have the Young Ambassadors and all they stand for, let alone their talents," he said.

## FRESHMAN PRESIDENTS ANNOUNCED

PASADENA — Freshman class presidents for the Pasadena and Big Sandy Ambassador College campuses were announced Nov. 25.

John Bosse, 25, from Farmington Hills, Mich., was announced as class president by evangelist Raymond McNair, Pasadena deputy chancellor, at Thanksgiving ball.

Scott Herridge, 19, from Dunlap, Ill., was named freshman class president in Big Sandy. The announcement was made by Richard Thompson, dean of students, at the weekly student body forum.

Both men will serve on the student council. Mr. Herridge will organize preparations for the graduation ball in May, and Mr. Bosse will coordinate the freshman dance in March.

## BIG SANDY STARTS RIDING CLUB

BIG SANDY — A horseback riding club, initiated this year, has met with overwhelming response, according to faculty



**ON THE ROAD** — Big Sandy Young Ambassadors (from left) Stephanie Smith, Linda Rouse and Amy Burnett sing and dance their way through a Broadway show tune at a concert for Church members in Lufkin, Tex., Dec. 6. [Photo by Tim Robinson]

member Martin Yale, club adviser.

Eleven horses were corralled for the program, which drew 140 students.

Freshman Randy Roberts is Mr. Yale's assistant for the club. Mr. Roberts, who has rodeo experience, trains the horses and teaches the classes.

The club is open to students at any experience level. Club members learn how to saddle, bridle, groom and ride a horse. "They're learning how to

ride, how to control the horse... how to build confidence," Mr. Yale said. After students learn how to ride in the new corral, they can go for rides on one of four riding trails on campus.

Mr. Yale said he is looking forward to expanding the program, including adding riding trips with camp-outs.

Horseback riding will also be offered as a class this semester and will concentrate on horse care and riding technique, according to Mr. Yale.

## Chemical process opens door to new technology, saves costs

By Thomas C. Hanson

PASADENA — A new development in the typesetting and paste-up area of Publishing Services could save as many as 10 weeks of work on a publication such as Herbert W. Armstrong's *Mystery of the Ages*, according to Ray Wright, director of Publishing Services.

This is the most time-saving development since the Church began to use phototypesetting equipment in the mid-1970s, according to Roger Lippross, production director. Before then, type was set using hot metal.

"As part of the ongoing development of the Bedford page makeup system, we now use new chemicals developed in 1986 by Kodak, which allow the phototypesetting processor to develop negative or positive film using the same chemicals. The old process requires two types of chemicals and hence two processors," Mr. Lippross said.

On the Bedford typesetting system complete magazine or booklet pages can be formatted on a video display terminal and sent to the typesetting computer, where a full-page film negative is typeset by being exposed to a light source and then sent through the processor.

Using the old system, articles are typed onto a video display terminal,

sent to the phototypesetter and a paper galley (the article in typeset form) is produced.

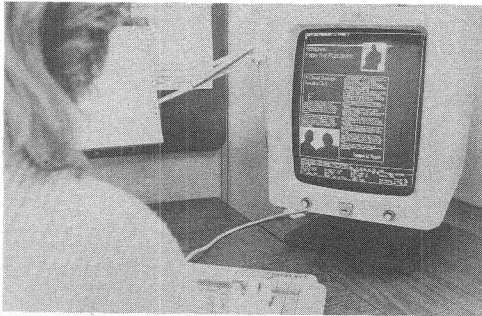
The galley is pasted onto a layout board, which is then photographed to produce a negative. Next the negative is opaqued (transparent areas, such as cut marks, are painted out) to ensure a clean print. Paste-up, camerawork and opaquing are eliminated using the new system, saving time and money.

Publishing Services will also save money by not having to buy an additional processor and by not having to make costly changes to the interior of the typesetting area or having to buy a new graphic arts cam-

era to photograph the pasteups.

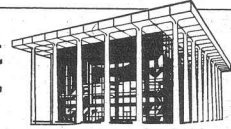
The first publications using this process will be a reprinting of *Is There Life After Death?* and portions of the *April Plain Truth*. "By using these new developments we will be able to produce more work with the same staff, thus saving God's work much needed dollars," Mr. Lippross said.

Autologic, Inc., manufacturers of the typesetter used by Publishing Services, said that no one besides the Church is using the Bedford system and Autologic equipment in this advanced way in the United States, according to Don Patrick, composing supervisor.



**TIME-SAVING PROCESS** — Above photo shows a *Plain Truth* "Personal" after being typeset on a video display terminal and arranged in a full-page format. Next, the page is sent to the typesetting computer. In the bottom photo, Roger Lippross (left), production director, and Don Patrick, composing supervisor, watch as a film negative of the page is developed. [Photos by Nathan Faulkner]

### Onstage at Ambassador



Ambassador International Cultural Foundation

## Overflow crowd greets soprano at homecoming

By Sheila Graham

PASADENA—Soprano Aprile Millo came home Sunday night, Dec. 14, to a full house at the Ambassador Auditorium. And what a homecoming it was.

"She won the hearts of the audience. We had to set up seats in the orchestra pit and on stage to accommodate the overflow crowd. She was the wonderful success we predicted," said Wayne Shilkret, Ambassador Foundation's director of Performing Arts.

Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach was host to Miss Millo and her parents at a dinner the next evening at Herbert W. Armstrong Memorial Hall. "It was obvious that success has not gone to her head," Mr. Tkach said. "She's a friendly, down-to-earth, easy-to-converse-with person."

David Hulme, a vice president of the foundation, described Miss Millo as "disarmingly unassuming, but recognized as the Verdi soprano that everyone has been waiting for."

Miss Millo first came to the attention of the Ambassador Foundation in 1981. According to William Wiemhoff, concert manager of the foundation:

"Spinto soprano voices of such quality and amplitude, handled so knowingly, are not often encountered and certainly not in singers but 23 years of age. She was promptly engaged for the following year's Gold Medal Concert Series. In the interim, she auditioned for the Metropolitan Opera and entered its Young Singer Development Program. The rest, as the saying goes, is history."

After her noteworthy debut at Ambassador in 1982, Miss Millo's "history" includes a best-selling record, her first, a collaborative issue of the Ambassador Foundation and Angel Records; high praise from critical reviews in first appearances around the world; and rising stardom at the Metropolitan.

Mr. Wiemhoff added: "She knows how to communicate with an audience. That kind of artist is a rarity today."

Miss Millo is the daughter of opera singers Giovanni Millo and Margherita Ghiosi. She was born in New York, N.Y., and reared in Los Angeles, Calif. After Miss

Millo graduated from high school she went on to the San Diego, Calif., Opera Center. There she was chosen by former Met soprano Licia Albanese to receive both the Geraldine Farrar and Puccini Foundation awards.

Other awards have been first prize in the International Voce Ver-



APRILE MILLO

diane Concorso at Busseto, Italy, the Montserrat Caballe Award of the Francisco Vinas Competition in Barcelona, Spain, and first prize from New York's Richard Tucker Music Foundation.

Selections performed Sunday evening included "Ah! Spietato!" by George Frideric Handel; "Vaga luna che inargenti" by Vincenzo Bellini; "Song to the Moon" by Antonin Dvorak; "Ah! Perfido!" Opus 65, by Ludwig van Beethoven; "La regata veneziana" by Gioacchino Rossini; and finally, her piece de resistance of the evening, "Pace, pace, mio Dio" by Giuseppe Verdi.

Afterward, Miss Millo told her audience how wonderful it was to be back home at the Auditorium after four years. She then dedicated her first encore, "The Lilac Tree," which she sang a capella, to her family. "This is dedicated to Mother and Father and my wonderful family. I would not be a singer without them," Miss Millo said.

Other guests at Mr. Tkach's dinner for Miss Millo and her parents were Mr. and Mrs. Hulme, Mr. Shilkret, Mr. Wiemhoff, Joseph Locke, a personal assistant to Mr. Tkach, and Mr. and Mrs. Brown Meggs. Mr. Meggs is president of Angel Records.

### Youths assemble in Canada

## National talent meet takes place

By Michael A. Guidolin

VANCOUVER, B.C. — Pamela Kleinhuis, 18, of Kanata, Ont., took first place in the senior division of the annual Canadian Youth Opportunities United (YOU) National Talent Contest Nov. 30. Theresa Andrusko, 15, of Steno, Sask., placed first in the junior division.

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Pamela performed a vocal solo, "Linden Lea" by Ralph Vaughan Williams. She received a scholarship to either Ambassador College or the Summer Educational Program. Theresa performed "Valse Gracieuse" by W. Popp on the flute.

Rachel Levitt, 17, of Saskatoon, Sask., placed second in the senior division with a vocal solo. Third place went to Darryl Hartshorne, 17, of Red Deer, Alta., for his bassoon solo.

In the junior division Carmen Rabey, 15, of Victoria, B.C., placed second with a piano solo; and third place was awarded to Lonnie Katai, 14, of Vancouver for his piano solo.

Judges were John Dyck and Bryon Tossif, members who attend the Vancouver church, and Julie Hope, a member who attends the Abbotsford, B.C., church. John Stryker, associate pastor of the Victoria and Courtenay, B.C., churches and regional YOU coordinator for British Columbia, was master of ceremonies. Colin Adair, regional director for the Church in Canada, presented certificates of participation to the contestants and plaques to the winners.

All YOU regions in Canada were represented. Other contestants in the senior division were Dale Ashley Bellaire, 18, of North Bay, Ont.; Charles Bruneksi, 18, of Langley, B.C.; Janine Mellott, 17, of Edmonton, Alta.; Todd Blending, 16, of North Battleford, Sask.; Willetta Ellington, 18, of Prince George, B.C.; and Connie Williams, 17, of

Clareville, Nfld.

Contestants in the junior division were Herbert Hartshorne, 15, of Red Deer; Kristen MacQueen, 14, of Wood Islands, P.E.I.; Roger Francisco, 14, of North York, Ont.; Patricia Kneller, 14, of Rollyview, Alta.; Gery-Ann Fountaine, 14, of Kent City, N.B.; Kelly Adolfsen, 14, of Anola, Man.; and David Faulkner, 13, of Toronto, Ont.

The contestants arrived in Vancouver Nov. 28 and were welcomed by George Patrickson, executive assistant to Mr. Adair, and Thomas Ecker, pastor of the Vancouver church. After a tour of the Vancouver Office and a reception, the youths went to stay with Church members for the weekend.

Contestants, chaperons, regional

**VOCAL VICTORY** — Pamela Kleinhuis places first in the senior division of the Canadian YOU talent contest. [Photo by Michael A. Guidolin]



YOU coordinators and area ministers were treated to brunch Nov. 29 at the Salmon House on the Hill restaurant. At Sabbath services John Adams, pastor of the Montreal and Magog, Que. (English), churches, and Cecil Maranville, pastor of the Winnipeg East and West and Morden, Man., and Thunder Bay, Ont., churches, gave split sermons.

After services contestants ate dinner at the Sears Harbour Tower and saw a play, *The Diary of Anne Frank*, at the Vancouver Playhouse.

Sunday's activities included rehearsals, brunch, a visit to the British Columbia pavilions at the Expo 86 site, shopping and the talent contest.



**FLUTE FIRST** — Theresa Andrusko's flute solo earns first place, junior division, in the Canadian YOU talent contest. [Photo by Michael A. Guidolin]

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## BIRTHS

**BAILEY**, Patrick and Mary Ann (Hall), of Ontario, Ore., boy, Thomas Robert, Oct. 16, 8:46 a.m., 7 pounds 13 ounces, now 2 boys.

**BAKER**, L. Alan and Vicki (Baldern), of Bentonville, Ark., boy, Timothy Alan, Sept. 16, 1:13 a.m., 9 pounds 1 ounce, now 3 boys, 2 girls.

**BJURSTROM**, Ed and Wendy (Zebrowski), of Thousand Oaks, Calif., boy, Adam Edward, July 15, 4:28 p.m., 7 pounds 12 ounces, now 2 boys.

**CUMMINS**, Robert and Joan (Fruzsina), of Minneapolis, Minn., girl, Katherine Anne, Nov. 24, 12:16 p.m., 7 pounds 6 ounces, first child.

**DIMITROV**, Kiril and Julie (Cole), of San Jose, Calif., girl, Audrey Renee, Aug. 19, 8:46 a.m., 7 pounds 13 ounces, now 2 girls.

**DOBSON**, David and Denise (Garrison), of Lubbock, Tex., boy, Jonathan Daniel, Nov. 26, 4:14 p.m., 9 pounds 6 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

**DUNLAP**, Bill and Cheryl (King), of Tampe, Ariz., girl, Laura Gayle, Nov. 12, 7 a.m., 7 pounds 9 ounces, first child.

**ESPIRITU**, Rodrigo and Victoria (Madrid), of Marikina, Philippines, boy, Herbert Joseph, Oct. 14, 5:17 p.m., 6 pounds 5 ounces, now 2 boys.

**FERTIG**, Ronald and Lori (Perran), of Cheyenne, Wyo., girl, Lindsay Miranda, Dec. 1, 5:16 p.m., 5 pounds 10 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

**GARMAN**, Roy and Dorothy (Danek), of Elk Grove Village, Ill., girl, Elisabeth Anne, Oct. 30, 9:38 a.m., 8 pounds 5 1/2 ounces, first child.

**GIORDANO**, Rick and Karen (Emery), of El Paso, Tex., boy, Brandon Emery, Nov. 19, 7:21 a.m., 9 pounds 3 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

**GOODEARL**, Barry and Francisca (Daligoss), of Honolulu, Hawaii, boy, Jeremy Accord, Oct. 30, 1:13 a.m., 8 pounds 1 ounce, first child.

**HALL**, Terry and Janet (Hudnell), of Columbus, Ohio, boy, Adam Joseph, Oct. 18, 9:38 a.m., 6 pounds 11 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

**HANSHAW**, Michael and Becky (Thatcher), of Corpus Christi, Tex., boy, Kyle Michael, Nov. 8, 8:17 p.m., 9 pounds 11 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

**HERBERT**, Jim and Marilyn (McMillan), of Edmonton, Alta., boy, Michael James, Oct. 19, 7 pounds 2 ounces, first child.

**HUMPHREYS**, Patrick and Patricia (Severn), of Victoria, B.C., boy, David Patrick, July 22, 1:18 a.m., 7 pounds 10 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

**KACHAL**, Julius and Khumbo (Moyo), of Mzuzu, Malawi, girl, Miracis, Aug. 30, 7 pounds 10 ounces, now 1 boy, 3 girls.

**LEONARD**, Bill and Linda (Bailey), of Zealand, Mich., boy, Christopher William, Nov. 12, 12:43 a.m., 7 pounds 14 ounces, now 1 boy, 3 girls.

**LIQGET**, Graeme and Ann (McLaren), of Nottingham, England, girl, Ruth, Nov. 14, 12:51 a.m., 3.2 kilograms, first child.

**MAGSON**, Harry and Janet (Garc), of Bunbury, Australia, boy, Christopher Charles, Nov. 17, 11:55 a.m., 4 pounds 14 ounces, first child.

**MURDOCH**, Tony and Tannis (Hanne), of North Battleford, Sask., girl, Whitney Erin, Oct. 26, 7:30 a.m., 8 pounds 15 ounces, now 2 boys, 2 girls.

**MURRAY**, Kim and Eva (McCracken), of Kingsport, Tenn., boy, Matthew Aaron, Oct. 19, 8:52 p.m., 9 pounds 10 ounces, now 2 boys.

**NANNA**, David and Julie (Rossier), of Detroit, Mich., girl, Cory Renee, Nov. 21, 10:31 p.m., 9 pounds 13 ounces, first child.

**NG'AMBI**, Aaron and Margot (Shingwen), of Zambia, girl, Susilani Mpoly, May 28, 3:35 p.m., 8 pounds 5 ounces, first child.

**NORTHUP**, Romy and Debra (Brach), of Fayetteville, Ark., boy, Andrew Martin, Nov. 7, 7:56 a.m., 7 pounds 5 ounces, first child.

**NOVATICHK**, Ronald and Muriel (St. Denis), of Rochester, N.Y., girl, Kristal Rose, Sept. 4, 5:19 a.m., 6 pounds 4 ounces, now 3 boys, 1 girl.

**ONG**, Robert and Elizabeth (Gronley), of Brisbane, Australia, girl, Tamara Louise, Oct. 30, 8:20 p.m., 8 pounds 8 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

**OSBORN**, Jeffrey and Joan (Aposten), of Chicago, Ill., boy, Jacob Matthew, Nov. 23, 9:10 p.m., 9 pounds 5 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

**PIKE**, Jon and Fe Maura (Rimando), of Los Angeles, Calif., boy, Benjamin Joseph, Oct. 26, 12:38 a.m., 6 pounds 10 1/2 ounces, first child.

**PORATH**, Lee and Christine (Buntain), of Peterborough, Ont., boy, Lee Michael Vincent, Oct. 25, 12:49 p.m., 7 pounds 13 ounces, first child.

**RICE**, Matthew and Kim (Lehr), of Mojave, Calif., girl, Erin Janelle, Nov. 8, 9:28 p.m., 7 pounds 11 ounces, first child.

**RITCHE**, Greg and Sandy (Lindsay), of Nassau, Bahamas, twin girls, Amanda Patricia and Amelia Jenice, July 12, 12:53 and 1 p.m., 5 pounds 2 ounces and 5 pounds 4 ounces, first children.

**SANSALONE**, Carmelo and Diane (Driedger), of Saskatoon, Sask., girl, Whitney Danae, June 23, 2:54 p.m., 8 pounds 11 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

**SCANTLEBURY**, Nicholas and Carolyn (Hobbs), of Bridgetown, Barbados, boy, Nickal Joshua Ezekiel, Oct. 20, 12:20 a.m., 7 pounds, first child.

**SHEMAKER**, David and Penny (Seymour), of Knoxville, Tenn., girl, Jessica Danyel, Sept. 14, 6:42 a.m., 9 pounds 15 1/2 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

**SNYDER**, Clifford and Katherine (Hackney), of Fort Collins, Colo., girl, Leah Elizabeth, Nov. 8, 12:29 p.m., 5 pounds, now 1 boy, 3 girls.

**THIEL**, Robert and Joyce (Myrders), of Long Beach, Calif., boy, Michael James, Oct. 10, 8:50 p.m., 8 pounds 2 ounces, first child.

**VICKERS**, Herman and Sally, of Toronto, Ont., girl, Ruth Elizabeth, Nov. 14, 7:44 a.m., 5 pounds 9 ounces, now 1 boy, 3 girls.

**WILKINS**, Jay and Karan (DeFriesse), of Houston, Tex., boy, Jeremy Robert, Nov. 12, 4 a.m., 6 pounds 10 ounces, now 3 boys, 1 girl.

**ZHORNE**, Jeff and Wendy (Keller), of Pasadena, boy, Jeremy Weston, Dec. 5, 9 p.m., 9 pounds 11 ounces, first child.

## WEDDINGS

Linda S. Dean, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pearl L. Dean of La Rue, Ohio, and Danny Lee Baker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack C. Baker of Shelby, Ohio, were united



**MR. AND MRS. DANNY BAKER**

in marriage Sept. 7 in Marion, Ohio. The ceremony was performed by James Haefele, pastor of the Mansfield, Ohio, church. Cynthia Dean, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Michael A. Baker, brother of the groom, was best man. The couple reside in Shelby.



**MR. AND MRS. FRANK ANCONA**

Kim Kubon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Kubon of the Nassau, N.Y., church, and Frank E. Ancona, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ancona, were united in marriage April 20 in Long Island, N.Y. The ceremony was performed by Frank McCrady Jr., pastor of the Indianapolis and Columbus, Ind., churches. Phyllis Kubon was maid of honor, and Roger Brandon was best man. The couple reside in Pasadena.



**MR. AND MRS. DAVID STIEFERMAN**

Tammy Lynn Boewer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Boewer of Pacific, Mo., and David John Stieferman of St. Louis, Mo., were united in marriage Oct. 5 in St. Charles, Mo. The ceremony was performed by Robert Spence, pastor of the St. Louis A.M. and P.M. churches. Dawn Stout, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Mark Weiss was best man. The couple reside in St. Charles.



**MR. AND MRS. MARK CHEEKS**

Shana Marie Taylor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James S. Taylor, and Mark G. Cheeks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cheeks, were united in marriage April 12 in Rome, Ga. The ceremony was performed by Michael Hanisko Jr., pastor of the Rome and Atlanta, Ga., North churches. Vicki Haygood was maid of honor, and Robert Arms was best man. The couple reside in Fairmount, Ga.



**MR. AND MRS. LEE O'NEAL JR.**

Lee Deason O'Neal Jr. and Rebecca Lynn Taylor were united in marriage Oct. 5 in Dallas, Tex. The ceremony

was performed by Randal Dick, pastor of the Dallas West church. Kathy Taylor, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Francis "Buster" Brown was best man. The couple reside in DeSoto, Tex.



**MR. AND MRS. FLOYD ORRELL**

Diana Beth May, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles May and Floyd Randall Orrell, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Hollis, all of Fayetteville, Ark., were united in marriage Sept. 7 in Fayetteville. The ceremony was performed by the bride's father, a minister in the Fayetteville church. Sabrina Orrell, sister of the groom, was maid of honor, and Thomas May, brother of the bride, was best man. The couple reside in Springdale, Ark.



**MR. AND MRS. JOHN WOLLENZIEHN**

Chris Brantzig and John Wollenziehn were united in marriage Oct. 5 in Waukesha, Wis. The ceremony was performed by Joel Liljengren, pastor of the Waukesha and Kenosha, Wis., churches. Kathy Folker was maid of honor, and Lee Jaekel was the best man. The couple attend the Waukesha church.



**MR. AND MRS. STEVEN GARZILLO**

Steven W. Garzillo and Annmarie Caschera were united in marriage Oct. 5 at the Mount Pocco, Pa., Feast site. The ceremony was performed by Roy Holiday, pastor of the Bethlehem and Wilkes-Barre, Pa., churches. Mark Garzillo, brother of the groom, was best man, and Charlotte Damaska, grandmother of the bride, was maid of honor. The couple reside in Alpha, N.J.



**MR. AND MRS. PAUL MAEKER**

Paul William Maeker and Darlene Louise Hawkins were united in marriage Aug. 9. The ceremony was performed by David Dobson, pastor of the Lubbock, Tex., and Roosevelt, N.M., churches. Jean Hamilton was maid of honor, and Jerry McNeil was best man. The couple reside in Lubbock.



**MR. AND MRS. DAVID BERENDT**

David Berendt and Dalores Klassen were united in

marriage Aug. 10 in Vancouver, B.C. The ceremony was performed by Robert Berendt, a preaching elder who is attending classes at Pasadena Ambassador College. Verna Klassen, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Dean Neuls was best man. The couple reside in Vancouver.



**MR. AND MRS. MYRON SHORT**

Patricia Mars of Little Rock, Ark., is pleased to announce the marriage of her daughter Patricia Diane to Myron Lee Short, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Short of Jacksonville, Ark. The ceremony was performed Oct. 11 by Gilbert Goehans, associate pastor of the Little Rock and Searcy, Ark., churches. The couple reside in Jacksonville.



**MR. AND MRS. ROBERT SETHMAN**

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Erler Sr. of Perryopolis, Pa., are happy to announce the marriage of their daughter Colleen to Robert Sethman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sethman Sr. of Ruffsedale, Pa. The ceremony was performed Oct. 5 by John Dobrich, pastor of the Belle Vernon and Washington, Pa., churches. Melanie Scmjo, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Tom Takarick was best man. The couple reside in Ruffsedale.



**MR. AND MRS. WILEY WINE**

Sandra Noel Whitaker, daughter of Donald L. Whitaker of Bethesda, Md., and Maura W. Posing of Chevy Chase, Md., and Wiley Radford Wine, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Shuster of Adin, Va., were united in marriage Sept. 21 in Winchester, Va. The ceremony was performed by Richard Frankel, pastor of the Washington, D.C., and Front Royal, Va., churches. Priscilla Alicia Hogg, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Mark David Wine, brother of the groom, was best man. The couple reside in Winchester.



**MR. AND MRS. ERNEST BEITZEL JR.**

Susan Shoemaker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Shoemaker of Winchester, Va., and Ernest Beitzel Jr., son of Lena Beitzel of Accidents, Md., were united in marriage Sept. 28 in Front Royal, Va. The ceremony was performed by William Pack, pastor of the Hagers-town and Cumberland, Md., churches. Diane Hawk, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Don Cupler was best man. The couple reside in Accident.



**MR. AND MRS. LAWRENCE BURNS**

Lawrence J. Burns and Dana L. Schmock were united in marriage June 1 in Lorain, Ohio. The ceremony was

performed by Tracy Rogers, pastor of the Chillicothe and Portsmouth, Ohio, churches. Julie Pachinger was maid of honor, and Dave Hooper was best man. The couple reside in Lorain.



**MR. AND MRS. JASON CHURCHILL**

Stefanie Ellen Wilson and Jason John Churchill were united in marriage July 13 in Sacramento, Calif. The ceremony was performed by Lawrence Neff, pastor of the Sacramento church. The couple reside in Sacramento.



**MR. AND MRS. CLAREN GOAD**

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Davidson of Lago, Ind., are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter Rowena Dawn to Claren Dean Goad, son of Leona Goad of Delight, Ind. The ceremony was performed Oct. 5 by Dennis McNewly, pastor of the Fort Wayne, Ind., church. Linda Murray, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Nolan Davidson was best man. The couple reside in Fort Wayne.

## ANNIVERSARIES

Beginning with this issue, *The Worldwide News* will no longer print personal wedding anniversary messages. We will publish anniversaries of 25 years or more if written as announcements.

### EXAMPLE:

Evangelist Ronald Kelly and his wife, Norva Lee, of Pasadena celebrated their 26th wedding anniversary Aug. 28. The Kellys have five children.

## Weddings Made of Gold

CANTON, Ohio — Adam and Nellie Mann celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary Sept. 23. More than 300 family members and friends attended a reception given by the couple's children. Canton brethren had a reception for the Manns Sept. 27 and presented them with a brass clock.



**MR. AND MRS. ADAM MANN**

The Manns have six children, 24 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren. Two of their daughters, Norma Nofsinger and Kathryn Nofsinger, and some of their grandchildren attend Church services. Mr. and Mrs. Mann were baptized in 1981.

EUGENE, Ore. — Paul and Jo Fletcher celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Nov. 16 with family members, friends and Church members at the home of Ron and Eileen Wildfield. The Fletchers were married Nov. 14, 1936, in Missoula, Mont. Mr. Fletcher (See ANNOUNCEMENTS, page 7)

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**MR. AND MRS. PAUL FLETCHER**  
was baptized in 1969, and Mrs. Fletcher in 1970. They have one son, one daughter, 10 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Pensacola, Fla., Hilton. Dinner guests included relatives from Kentucky and Tennessee.



**MR. AND MRS. CLYDE LOSEY**  
The Loseys were baptized in 1971. They have three sons and eight grandchildren.



**MR. AND MRS. WILLIAM HYKAWY**  
DAUPHIN, Man. — Mr. and Mrs. William Hykawy celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Nov. 15. The Dauphin church and guests from other areas honored the couple with a dinner and dance and presented them with a crystal platter. An anniversary cake was served.  
Mr. and Mrs. Hykawy have been Church members since 1966.

FORT WALTON BEACH, Fla. — Mr. and Mrs. Clyde M. Losey celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Sept. 14 with a family dinner at the



**MR. AND MRS. JOHN STAUBER**  
The Staubers were married Oct. 10, 1936, in Elgin, Ill., and were baptized in 1974. They have one daughter and son-in-law, Karene and David Buehler, Church members who attend the

Wausau, Wis., church.

VALLEJO, Calif. — Lothian and Gladys Capps celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Nov. 21. They were married in 1936.



**MR. AND MRS. LOTHIAN CAPPS**  
Fairfield, Calif., brethren honored the couple with cake and punch Nov. 22. The Capps were baptized in 1984. They have one daughter, Janet, and two grandchildren.

## Obituaries

PASADENA — Sylvia Van Deventer, 33, died Oct. 8 of a brain tumor.



**SYLVIA VAN DEVENTER**  
She has been a Church member since 1973.  
Mrs. Van Deventer is survived by her

husband, Dennis, pastor of the Pasadena Imperial P.M. church; a daughter, Ginger, 5; and two sisters, Cindy Hausman and Sharon Wilson, one brother, Lee Bailey, and her stepmother, Rea Bailey, all Church members; and another brother, Ed Bailey.  
A memorial service was conducted in Pasadena by Robin Webber, an associate pastor of the Pasadena Auditorium P.M. church. Graveside services were conducted by David Johnson, pastor of the Houston, Tex., East church.

PARKERSBURG, W.Va. — Evelyn Adams, 79, died Sept. 1 after a short illness. She was baptized in June.

Mrs. Adams is survived by four daughters, Helen Evans, a Church member, Lucille Mikes, Ruth Menough and Maxine Davis; one brother; one sister; 21 grandchildren; and 41 great-grandchildren.

A graveside service was conducted in Newport, Ohio, by Robert Griffith, a minister in the Parkersburg church.

GLENDORA, Calif. — Harold J. Smith, 66, died Oct. 15. He has been a Church member since 1985.

Mr. Smith is survived by his wife, Elizabeth, also a Church member; three sons, Gary, associate pastor of the St. Louis, Mo., A.M. and P.M. churches, Timothy and Scott; and four grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Dennis Wheatcroft, pastor of the Glendora church.

GLENDORA, Calif. — Carmen G. Colunga, 75, died Nov. 6 after a long illness. She has been a Church member since 1970.

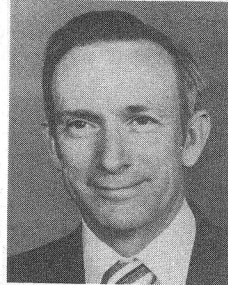
Mrs. Colunga is survived by two daughters, Mary Bonilla and Marie Gonzales; six grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; one brother; and four sisters.

Funeral services were conducted by Dennis Wheatcroft, pastor of the Glendora church.

GADSDEN, Ala. — Warren Ray Schellenger, 57, died Oct. 12 after a short bout with cancer. He has been a Church member since 1958.

Mr. Schellenger is survived by his wife of nine years, Betty; three sons, Ray, Jeff and Curtis; one daughter, Crystal Osborn; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray P. Schellenger; and one sister, Dean Arnold; all of whom are Church

members. He is also survived by three stepdaughters, Pamela Evans, Gina Jones and Penni Nash; eight grandchildren; five stepgrandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.



**WARREN RAY SCHELLENGER**

Funeral services were conducted in Gadsden by Stephen Smith, pastor of the Gadsden and Anniston, Ala., churches. Graveside services were conducted in Wichita, Kan., by Ronald Haines, a minister in the Wichita church.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — Margaret Ruth Leonard, 54, died of a stroke Oct. 28.

Mrs. Leonard is survived by her husband, Jim, three daughters and one son, all Church members; one stepdaughter; and three stepsons, two of whom are Church members; her mother; and one brother.

Graveside services were conducted by James Chapman, pastor of the Jacksonville, Gainesville and Ocala, Fla., churches.

PRYOR, Okla. — Clovis Hill, 61, died Oct. 7 after an accident at the grain elevator where he was employed. He was baptized in March, 1961, and served as a local church elder in the Tulsa, Okla., A.M. and P.M. churches.

Mr. Hill is survived by his wife, Maxine; four daughters, Pat Harris, Judy Rott, Linda Grimes and Mary Stout; his mother, Addie Hill; one brother; six sisters; and seven grandchildren.

Graveside services were conducted in Pryor by Donald Mason, pastor of the Tulsa A.M. and P.M. churches.

# ACCENT ON THE LOCAL CHURCH

## Members observe church anniversaries

Members celebrating church anniversaries cut cakes, ate meals, danced, looked at photographs and memorabilia and heard greetings from ministers who served the areas.

In Shreveport, La., brethren celebrated the church's 30th anniversary Nov. 22. Peggy Corley, Lucille Walker, Gladys Myers McDuffie, Eva Dean Palmer and L.R. Plunkett, members who attended the first service there, received appreciation plaques.

The 30th anniversary of the Waukesha, Wis., church, the first church in the Milwaukee, Wis., area, took place Nov. 22. Brethren there combined the celebration with a Thanksgiving social.

Kansas City, Mo., East and North and Kansas City, Kan., South brethren celebrated the church's 25th anniversary Nov. 15. Each family member received a commemorative program, and about 50 people who attended the first service were photographed.

The Santa Barbara, Calif., church's 25th anniversary, celebrated with a formal dinner and dance Nov. 16, featured a nautical and floral theme at the Biltmore Hotel on the Pacific Coast.

Colin Adair, regional director for the Church in Canada, and his wife, Margaret, visited Calgary, Alta., Nov. 29 for the 20th anniversary of the church there. Activities after Sabbath services included a puppet show, a movie and dancing.

Pioneer members in Macon, Ga., were honored with corsages and boutonnières at the 20th anniversary

celebration Nov. 29. A 90-minute program of memories and stories of inspiration and humor took place.

Paris, France, brethren celebrated the 20th anniversary of their congregation during the Feast of Tabernacles in Hengelhof, Belgium. Many of the original members of that congregation are now

## Turkey time for churches

Some church areas in the United States celebrated the national holiday Thanksgiving with socials.

A Brooklyn South and Queens, N.Y., social Nov. 16 included a meal of turkey and curried goat followed by dancing. "People were so happy to serve that they were thanking us," said Juan Quinones, a Brooklyn South local church elder.

"Turkey Night" Nov. 22 for Jonesboro, Ark., brethren included a potluck, a pie-judging contest, a talk about wild turkeys and their habits, a turkey-calling contest and a sing-along of American folk songs.

Detroit West and Ann Arbor, Mich., brethren celebrated the holiday Nov. 26 with a turkey dinner. Brethren ordered from menus, and Church youths and singles served them. YES-age children performed a skit titled "Gratitude Attitude."

Brethren from the Milwaukee and West Bend, Wis., churches also gathered for a Thanksgiving meal Nov. 26. After the meal they were entertained by the area YOU talent contest. The evening ended with a square dance.

scattered throughout Europe, so having the celebration at the Feast allowed more people to attend.

Mrs. Dave Laffitte, Shreveport; Joel Lillengreen, Waukesha; Robert Taylor, Kansas City; Joanne Christian, Santa Barbara; Emily Lukacik, Calgary; David Mills, Macon; and Jean-Claude LaMontre, Paris.

Nov. 22 the Waukesha and Kenosha, Wis., churches each shared a Thanksgiving potluck after Sabbath services.

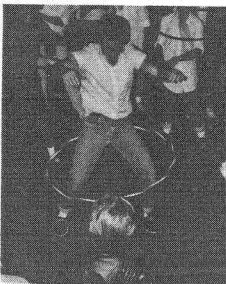
Wesley B. Webster, Brooklyn and Queens; Ora Pack, Jonesboro; Ray Wooten, Detroit and Ann Arbor; Daniel DiVenanzo, Milwaukee and West Bend; and Joel Lillengreen, Waukesha.

## Members go back in time at social

Wheeling, W.Va., brethren dressed in blue jeans, bobby socks and poodle skirts to carry out the 50s and 60s theme at a potluck dinner and dance Nov. 15. Jukeboxes, sodas made for two and records added atmosphere, and Hula Hoop, bubble-gum blowing and dance contests took place during the evening. Sandy Feiock.



**FIRST-TIME BIBLE STUDY** — Twenty-eight people attended the first Bible study in Borongan, Philippines, Aug. 23. Three people were baptized after the Bible study.



**HOOPING IT UP** — Wheeling, W.Va., members dust off their 50s and 60s memorabilia for a social Nov. 15. [Photo by Audrey Ruscak]

## Borongan Bible study

Despite economic and political unrest in the area, 28 people attended the first Bible study in Borongan, Philippines, Aug. 23. The study was conducted by Felipe Casing, pastor of the Catbalogan, Liloan and Tacloban, Philippines, churches.

After the Bible study the group ate cooked peanuts, fellowshiped and posed for a photograph. Later in the day three people were baptized.

There are now eight baptized members in the isolated province of East Samar. Jesse G. Montes.

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

# UPDATE

PASADENA — *Plain Truth* senior writer **Keith W. Stump** left here Dec. 28 for a three-week trip to South America. He is doing research for a series of historical background articles on Latin America, according to **Dexter Faulkner**, executive editor of *The Plain Truth*.

Mr. Stump is scheduled to visit

archaeological and historical sites in Colombia, Peru, Chile, Argentina, Brazil and Venezuela. In addition, he will be preparing articles on contemporary issues in Latin America, to be published in *The Plain Truth* in conjunction with the historical series.

During his trip Mr. Stump will

## College chorale stages musical in Auditorium

PASADENA — The Ambassador College Chorale presented excerpts from the Bock and Har-nick musical, *Fiddler on the Roof*, Dec. 20 and 21 in Ambassador Auditorium.

Segments of the performances were videotaped by the Media Services Department for use in the 1987 Festival entertainment film, according to Larry Omasta, director of Media Services and producer of the performances.

The stage set was designed by Peter Eddington, technical coordinator for the Auditorium, and built by Lloyd Norheim, foreman of the Ambassador College cabinet shop, and his crew. The set was the most elaborate that the chorale has worked with, said John D. Schroeder, director of the chorale, the Pasadena Church Choir and the Ambassador Chamber Orchestra.

"It did take time for the set changes. The curtains were left open so the audience could see what goes on behind the scenes, and the orchestra provided background music," Mr. Schroeder said.

Lead vocals were performed by Michael and Darlene Limanni. Other featured vocalists were Debbie Armstrong, Kevin Armstrong, Maryse Audoin, James Collard, James Doak, Linda Hirschler, Darwin Keese, Mark Reynoudt, Amy Ruxton, Shirley Cheperdak, Jodi Smith and Daniel Wegh.

Edward Paradis was the fiddler on the roof.

The show was blocked and choreographed by Nonie Daniels, who also helped with costuming. Sandy Davis coordinated props, and Melissa Stump assisted with costuming. Allen Andrews was chorale and orchestra manager, and William Daniels, student Festival



**FIDDLER ON THE ROOF** — Michael Limmani as Teyve and Darwin Keese as Lazar Wolf in Pasadena Ambassador College's *Fiddler on the Roof* Dec. 20. [Photo by Barry Stahl]

entertainment coordinator, assisted Gregory Albrecht, Festival entertainment coordinator.

Kathryn Ames, wife of evangelist Richard Ames, was the orchestra's concertmistress.

discuss regional issues with ministers and Church members, according to evangelist **Leon Walker**, regional director for the Church in Spanish-speaking areas.

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PASADENA — Church Administration released the following ordinances.

**Willie Kempin**, a deacon in the Grande Prairie, Alta., church, was ordained a local church elder on the Sabbath, Nov. 8.

**Louis Pansky** of the Lethbridge, Alta., church was ordained a local church elder on the Feast of Trumpets, Oct. 4.

**Jeremy Rapson**, a ministerial trainee in the St. Albans and Borehamwood, England, churches, was ordained a local elder on the Sabbath, Dec. 6.

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PASADENA — The two *World Tomorrow* Christmas telecasts produced 71,249 calls. "The Plain Truth About Christmas," aired Dec. 13 and 14, drew 42,017 calls, and "What Christmas Doesn't Tell You!," aired Dec. 20 and 21, drew 29,232 calls. Both programs were pre-

sented by evangelist **Richard Ames**.

"The Plain Truth About Christmas" produced the third highest response pulled by any program.

One caller commented: "I truly enjoyed the program. It's too bad this doesn't come on earlier in the season. It could have saved me some money."

Another caller requested copies of *The Plain Truth About Christmas*. "I would like to send them as Christmas presents to my friends."

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PASADENA — At a Ministerial Refreshing Program banquet Dec. 16, **Carlton Smith**, pastor of the Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo, Calif., churches, and his wife, **Beverly**, received watches commemorating their 25 years of service to the Church. Mr. Smith received a commemorative plaque at an earlier date.

**Mel Olinger**, a limousine driver for the Church, and **Ed Haupt**, a custodial supervisor, received 25-year watches and plaques at a

Ministerial Refreshing Program banquet Dec. 9.

At a Ministerial Refreshing Program banquet Sept. 9, **Bob Rice**, a lead person on the custodial staff, received a 25-year commemorative watch and plaque.

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PASADENA — Mailing of the semiannual letter to U.S. *Plain Truth* subscribers was completed Nov. 21. Postal employees worked overtime to mail 3,377,316 letters in 18 days, according to evangelist **Richard Rice**, director of the Mail Processing Center.

**Eric Shaw**, postal center supervisor, said the center mailed a co-worker letter and kept up with other responsibilities at the same time. Employees finished the semiannual letter ahead of schedule.

"We were running machines 24 hours a day," said **Coy Colbert**, production foreman for the postal center. "Employees were scheduled around the clock six days a week to have crews cover the necessary responsibilities," Mr. Shaw said.



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

PASADENA — Locusts from the African countries of Niger and Chad have invaded the northern states of Nigeria.

"Current reports from Borno, Sokoto, Kano and Kwara states said that the destruction of this year's crops was total," reported Lateef Edalere, pastor of the Lagos, Owerri and Benin City, Nigeria, churches.

"Before long, millions of people may have to migrate to the south to avoid starvation," he said.

Mr. Edalere also reported that the second tier foreign exchange market the naira (Nigerian currency) to rapidly lose value (see Dec. 1 *W/N*, page 8).

"This past two weeks costs have gone up 500 percent," he said. "We live to see what happens next."

Good news from Nigeria is that the need to have import licenses was removed. "We are able to send in the necessary supplies of booklets, stationery, home and office supplies needed by the work," according to Mr. Edalere.

We can also import motor vehicles, Mr. Edalere said. This was almost impossible the last few years and has meant that the Church's vehicles were not replaced, since none are available locally, and are now in a "sorry state of repair."

### Malawi minister

**Kenneth Buck** and his wife, **Hilary**, left Dec. 8 to take up their new assignment in Blantyre, Malawi, reported **David Stirk**, business manager for the Church in East and West Africa who works in the British Office.

"One of their first assignments is to oversee the construction of a church building in Blantyre, which will double up as a Feast of Tabernacles site," Mr. Stirk said.

"We hope to be able to begin ground breaking early in the new year and anticipate completion by the summer," said Mr. Stirk.

### Asian members

"God has intervened in recent weeks to solve several long-standing unemployment problems among the few members in Hong Kong," said **Colin Kelly**, pastor of the

Grafton, Australia, church who regularly visits the five members in Hong Kong.

"Most companies in Hong Kong require their employees to work on Saturday mornings," Mr. Kelly said. "All of the Hong Kong members, however, are presently employed on Monday to Friday jobs."

On their way to the Feast in Lonauli, India, **Gene Hogberg**, *Plain Truth* world news editor, and his wife, **Barbara**, visited the members in Hong Kong.

Mr. Hogberg said he insisted on paying for dinner at a restaurant. "No, you can't pay. We put money into a common pot — just for guests," they told me," said Mr. Hogberg, adding that the members in Hong Kong are "very warm."

### Sabbath problems in India

**P.P. John**, a member in India, was laid off from his job because he refused to work on the Sabbath, according to **William Sidney**, pastor of the Bombay, India, church.

"He has appealed his case in the supreme court in Hyderabad, the capital city of the state of Andhra Pradesh," Mr. Sidney added. "Mr. John has been sent transcripts of successful Sabbath cases that have taken place in the U.S.A."

The government of Andhra Pradesh requires a six-day work week for all state employees, "and this does cause problems for some of our members living in this state," said Mr. Sidney.

Mr. Sidney also reported that schooling for children of Church members in India "is as difficult a problem as getting a job with the Sabbaths off."

Many schools operate six days a week, Monday through Saturday, and children either miss classes on the Sabbath or have to travel long distances to attend a five-day school week.

Mr. Sidney said: "Mr. P.K. Chandra, a long-standing member of God's Church in Bombay, had to face a difficult situation with his 4-year-old son's schooling when they moved to their new residence in the western suburbs of Bombay."

"When Mr. Chandra inquired with the local residents concerning

the nearby school, it was found to be operating six days a week.

"On hearing this, Mr. Chandra went back to his home without any further inquiry with the school authorities and fasted and prayed along with his family about the situation."

Mr. Chandra then returned to the school and was told that not only would a recent decision mandate that the school operate on a five-days-a-week basis, beginning the next school year, but that the school had also moved to a new building near the Chandras' home.

"Mr. Chandra gladly went back home, along with the application form for admission for his son," said Mr. Sidney. "Because admission is very difficult, again the family fasted and prayed for God's intervention, and again their prayers were answered."

### Scandinavian visit

Six days in Scandinavia accomplished much for **Peter Shenton**, pastor of the Ipswich and Norwich, England; Aarhus, Denmark; Oslo, Norway; and Stockholm, Sweden; churches.

Nov. 19 Mr. Shenton traveled to Copenhagen, Denmark, where he baptized two people. The next day was spent making visits to members and prospective members.

Nov. 21 Mr. Shenton traveled to Oslo, about 300 miles north, to take an early evening Church service. That same evening he caught the last plane to Stockholm.

After a morning Sabbath service for Stockholm brethren, Mr. Shenton took a flight to Copenhagen, where he conducted services for the third time in 24 hours.

He made two more visits the next day in western Denmark, before returning home to England Nov. 24.

### Berlin newsstands

A "major breakthrough" occurred in the last week of November, allowing the Church's Bonn, West Germany, Office to double newsstand circulation of *Klar & Wahr*, the German edition of *The Plain Truth*, reported **Frank Schnee**, regional director for German-speaking areas.

**Bahn hof s h a n d e l s - G m b H** (BHG), the Railway Station Trading Co., in West Berlin, West Germany, which owns and operates 40 of the best newsstand outlets in the Berlin subway system, according to Mr. Schnee, agreed to distribute the magazine.

"Funds at this time only allow us to use 17 of their outlets, but this alone gives us an estimated circulation of 10,000 per month," he added.

"If funds become available, we estimate that there could be a circulation in Berlin of 30,000 copies per month through the outlets owned by this company."

In addition to the outlets the company owns and operates, BHG distributes magazines to other newsstand outlets in Berlin.

"Through this one company alone, we could effectively put into practice Mr. [Joseph W.] Tkach's new plan of saturating an area with *The Plain Truth*."

### British area

An error by Sky Channel television was turned to the Church's advantage, when the *World Tomorrow* program titled "The 21st Century," presented by evangelist **Richard Ames**, aired Nov. 1 and again the following weekend, reported the Church's British Office.

"The station admitted this was a mistake and agreed not to charge for the unscheduled repeat," said evangelist **Frank Brown**, regional director. "This means we received two airings for the price of one."

Response to the two programs totaled 230. The average response to the telecast on Sky Channel is 74.

"The number of cabled households in Europe able to receive Sky has recently increased to over 7½ million," said Mr. Brown.

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