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AC graduates: Don't compromise true values

1,400 attend graduation in Big Sandy

By Sheila Graham

BIG SANDY—"Reach for the stars, and keep your feet on the ground and your eyes on God," exhorted Chancellor Joseph W. Tkach in his commencement address here May 18.

The chancellor told the 181 graduates to heed the words of the apostle Peter: Honor all men, love the brotherhood, fear God and honor the king (ruler or president). "There can be no compromise with these true values," he said.

Evangelist Roderick C. Meredith, deputy chancellor, said: "Mr. Tkach gave a well-thought-out address that covered everything and was inspiring, yet in a concise manner. The graduation ceremony proceeded swiftly and smoothly."

Before Mr. Tkach's address, Richard Thompson, dean of students, gave the invocation, and Dr. Meredith welcomed the 1,400 attending the 2 p.m. commencement in the Ambassador College Field House. Edward Kopec, sophomore class president, then spoke to the



JOYS OF GRADUATION—Big Sandy graduate Holly Sorenson shows freshman Robert Posegay her diploma (left); Joseph W. Tkach, chancellor of Ambassador College, presents a Herbert W. Armstrong Achievement Award to Michael Kuykendall, Pasadena student body president. [Photos by Sheila Graham and Warren Watson]

graduates and guests on "Living True Values."

Along with thanking the faculty and administration, the graduates' families and the area brethren, Mr. Kopec challenged his fellow graduates to "not only say 'thanks' but to live 'thanks.' We must live what we've been taught, live like the examples we've been exposed to, live the discipline and guidance given to us, and live with outgoing, ongoing concern for others."

Roger Bryant directed the Ambassador College Chorale as they sang Handel's "Praise the Lord" from *Judas Maccabaeus* and "Hallelujah" from *Messiah*.

After the presentation of degrees by Michael Germano, academic dean, the graduates were presented their diplomas by Mr. Tkach and congratulated by Donald Ward, vice chancellor of Ambassador College, Dr. Meredith and Mr. Thompson.

Six of the Big Sandy students graduated with highest distinction, 25 with high distinction and 49 with distinction. Six students received two degrees. David Black and Laura Cook were awarded the sportsmanship awards. The academic excellence awards went to Kimberly Kundert, Jennifer Morgan and David Webb. The Watson Wise incentive award was presented to Regina Caldwell.

Mr. Wise, a former delegate to the United Nations and a Tyler, Tex., businessman, donated a continuing scholarship to the college in 1977.

"I thought that Dr. Ward and Dr. Germano did a fine job in organizing it. Many parents expressed their heartfelt thanks for what was being built into their children, and they all expressed how encouraged they were by the ceremony and other commencement activities," said Dr. Meredith.

After a couple of flybys over the Big Sandy airstrip, Mr. Tkach arrived on the Church's Gulfstream III jet May 17 at 5:25 p.m. to a warm (temperatures in the 90s Fahrenheit) Texas welcome by Dr. Ward and his wife, Wanda, Dr.

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Chancellor gives address in Pasadena

By Kerri Miles

PASADENA—"This is your day—the hour of opportunity—but it is also our moment as we weave together the energy and hope of youth with the patience and the wisdom of age for the purpose of making this a better world."

These were the words of Chancellor Joseph W. Tkach in his address to 155 graduating seniors and 100 graduating sophomores at the 38th commencement exercises of Ambassador College here May 13 at 3 p.m.

Michael Kuykendall, student body president, spoke first to the graduates and guests. "We as students of the 1988 graduating class, as do all previous classes, owe a great deal of gratitude to those who have spent themselves helping us to come to a better understanding of what the founder of Ambassador College, Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong, called the missing dimension in education."

Mr. Kuykendall quoted oilman and philanthropist John D. Rockefeller Jr., who said that every right implies a responsibility, every opportunity an obligation and every possession a duty.

"Our education has taken us to the point where it is time for us to begin giving to others what we have been so graciously given ourselves," the student body president said.

"Let us boldly go out and face the life of challenges, resolute to uphold righteousness by deed and by word, to be honest and brave, to serve high ideals, but with practical methods. Let us not shrink from opposition whether it be moral, physical or spiritual, for it is by doing what is right and just in the face of opposition and in the sight of almighty God, that we can ask Him to keep

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Quarter century of service

Elders honor pastor general

PASADENA—In what was described as a "warm and moving ceremony," Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach was honored on his 25th anniversary as an ordained minister May 22. Shortly after morning services began, a surprised pastor general was called to the stage of the Ambassador Auditorium.

Speaking on behalf of the Advisory Council of Elders, Joseph W. Tkach Jr., associate director of Church Administration for the United States, presented a plaque honoring Mr. Tkach for a quarter century of service.

Said the younger Mr. Tkach, "Mr. Tkach has enjoyed making presentations of 25-year plaques and watches to many people over the past few years and now his time has come."

Quarter century of service

On stage were members of the Advisory Council of Elders who were not speaking in other congregations that morning: Richard Ames, Dibar Apartian, Michael Fezell, Herman Hoeh and Richard Rice.

"This Pentecost obviously commemorates 25 years of service to God's people," Mr. Tkach Jr. said. "So, we honor you on this Feast of Firstfruits for what you've been able to accomplish by yielding yourself to God and allowing Him to work through you."

After Mr. Tkach received congratulations from those on stage, evangelist Larry Salyer, associate director of Church Administration for international areas, presented him with a watch with the Ambassador College seal on the face.

The plaque is a silver-plated scroll mounted on a black, lacquered, solid walnut base. Mr. Tkach's name is written in gold letters, while the rest of the lettering is black enamel. A blue, gold and white enamel medallion is at the top, and at the bottom is the Worldwide Church of God seal in gold. Around the background is dark gray velvet.

Mr. Tkach then addressed the congregation: "I certainly want to thank everyone for their kindness and consideration in making this presentation to me . . . To me it wasn't 25 long years of hard, dedicated service. It just seems like it was yesterday when all of this took place.

"As a matter of fact I was reminded of it this morning . . . when I received a phone call from Norway . . . congratulating me on my 25th anniversary by Dean Blackwell, because he was the one who ordained me along with Mr. Rod Meredith."

Mr. Apartian said, "Having been with him for so many years in Pasadena I can certainly appreciate what God has done through Mr. Tkach, whom I consider a very close friend."

In a July, 1963, *Good News* article Dr. Meredith wrote: "Mr. Tkach has been a faithful and growing member of God's Church for over six years, and he and his wife have already served faithfully and diligently as deacon and deaconess respectively in the Chicago area.

"They have both given literally hundreds of hours of their time in service to the Work of God assisting Mr. Blackwell and

all the brethren in the area."

Surprise luncheon

Thursday, May 19, evangelist David Hulme and the Communications & Public Affairs Department were hosts to a surprise 25th-anniversary luncheon for Mr. Tkach and his executive staff.

To keep the event as a surprise to Mr. Tkach, Mr. Hulme asked Mr. Tkach to come to the Auditorium to listen to the audio system. As Mr. Tkach and his administrative assistant, Ellen Escat, sat down and listened to a special setup of quadraphonic sound, the curtains opened and a historical slide show about Mr. Tkach began.

After the slide show, the orchestra pit rose with a lighted 25-year ice sculpture, and the Auditorium curtains were pulled to reveal Mr. Tkach's staff and members from Communications & Public Affairs, the Performing Arts staff, the Auditorium stage and house crews, and Technical Operations giving Mr. Tkach a standing ovation.

After joining guests Mr. Tkach was given a Chicago Bears football jacket with his name on it. Mr. Hulme then led the group in a toast to Mr. Tkach's 25 years of diligent service.

As the group watched an expanded version of the slide presentation that Mr. Tkach previously viewed, he was given a microphone and reminisced about events pictured in the slides.

"This is one of the few times I've seen him totally surprised. He was visibly moved," said Mrs. Escat. "Usually it is Mr. Tkach who surprises others. This time the tables were turned."

PERSONAL FROM

Joseph W. Tkach

Dear brethren:

As I mentioned last time, I want to focus in this issue of *The Worldwide News* on the matter of delegation and trust in marriage.

Authority is a wonderful blessing when it is in the hands of someone who exercises it properly, that is, in love for the benefit and welfare of all those under that authority.

But what a terrible curse when authority is in the hands of one who does not accept the responsibility to lead, or conversely, one who is a tyrant or despot, a person who has no concern for the good of those under his oppression.

No person is perfect, of course. All do make mistakes, and all are selfish at times. But God has called His Elect to a way of life that motivates us to repent and change, to be *eager to grow*, and to admit our failings and be striving faithfully to *improve*.

So it is in marriage. Though a husband is to be the head of the wife, and she is to be in subjection to him, the Christian marriage should be one in which each loves, cares for and respects the other. It should be a marriage in which authority is not abused nor is subjection neglected or dismissed.

I have written before about misconceptions in marriage. An important area that many mis-

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Soviet policies: momentous about-face

PASADENA—May 15 may turn out to be one of the most significant milestones in recent history. On this date, the Soviet Union began its withdrawal from Afghanistan.

From a spot 80 miles east of Kabul, about 1,200 soldiers along with their convoy of tanks, trucks and armored personnel carriers started their homeward trek. The estimated 115,000 Soviet troops there are scheduled to be out of the country in nine months, by Feb. 15, 1989.

Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev described Afghanistan as a "bleeding wound" shortly after coming to power. He believes the 8½-year-old war—the first one the Soviet state has failed to win—impedes his reform policy of *perestroika* at home.

Even if the puppet communist government in Kabul collapses—and experts in the West believe it will—the Red Army is not likely to return. A Soviet official in Kabul fretted over the future but conceded: "One thing is sure. . . We are not sending our troops back."

There is little wonder that observers refer to Afghanistan as Russia's Vietnam. The Saigon government ultimately collapsed after the United States pulled out in 1973.

Effect on Eastern Europe

The Soviet retreat represents a historic new phase in Soviet foreign policy. It signals the end to the so-called Brezhnev Doctrine of "preserving the fruits of socialism" in other communist countries by military intervention if necessary.

That doctrine, propounded by the late President Leonid Brezhnev, justified Warsaw Pact intervention in Czechoslovakia in 1968 and Afghanistan in 1979.

In a remarkable demonstration of *glasnost* (official candor) Soviet au-

thorities admit to failure in trying to make Afghanistan into a communist state. "Maybe this revolution doesn't have enough local roots to be a real socialist revolution," conceded chief spokesman Gennady Gerasimov.

Even more remarkably, a Soviet foreign policy commentator in Moscow admitted that through the painful Afghan experience, his government has learned that "revolution is not an export product, that it must be homegrown. Although we can help water and fertilize it, we can't force its growth. Nobody can force its historical development."

If this belief is becoming widespread among the Kremlin leadership it represents a fundamental about-face. It has been an article of faith for communist true believers that the Soviet Union had an inescapable "internationalist duty" to spread the communist revolution.

Given the new line of reasoning, the implications are enormous, specifically to Eastern Europe. Moscow imposed communism and Soviet military might on the region after World War II. But as unrest in Poland shows, communism still hasn't taken root in these countries.

According to a senior Western diplomat based in Kabul, if the new Soviet line of nonintervention is translated "into the context of Poland or Hungary or Czechoslovakia. . . you can see a development in dusty Afghanistan that potentially changes world politics."

American political analyst Ben Wattenburg added that the real significance of the Soviet pullout from Afghanistan will be felt in Eastern Europe in two or more years.

And journalist William Pfaff speculated: "Suppose the West offered the Soviet Union troop cuts plus security guarantees in ex-

change for greater political autonomy in the East European countries."

Historic overture to religion

This momentous swing in Soviet foreign policy is matched by equally remarkable changes inside the Soviet

opening. He is dispatching a delegation of unusually high rank to attend the official thousand-year celebration, in early June in Moscow. The delegation of 16, including cardinals from every major region of the world, will be the largest group of Roman Catholic church leaders

WORLDWATCH

By Gene H. Hogberg



Union, especially the government's new openness toward religion.

This reached an apex April 29 when top officials of the Russian Orthodox church met Mr. Gorbachev in the Kremlin. Russian Orthodox church Patriarch Pimen and members of the Holy Synod requested the meeting in connection with the coming celebration of 1,000 years of Christianity in Russia.

In an extraordinary concession, Mr. Gorbachev said the Soviet government had made tragic mistakes in its past treatment of Christians. He also said that believers "have the full right to express their convictions with dignity. . . in full measure and without any restriction."

Official Soviet publications now speak of religion as a "historic reality. . . that has to be reckoned with." Soviet authorities, in a major censorship review, have also lifted import restrictions on the Bible and the Koran. Religious journals also can be imported provided they are sufficiently "solemn"—meaning they contain no political activism.

In the Vatican, Pope John Paul II is encouraging this remarkable

to visit the Soviet Union.

The pope views the celebration, which the Soviets call "the millennium of baptism," as an important moment to press the search for unity between the Roman Catholic and Orthodox churches.

European Diary

By John Ross Schroeder



Britain and the Bible: a love affair no longer

BOREHAMWOOD, England—"On the world scale the British have been a remarkably stable and successful nation, however tempting it is today to think otherwise.

"Britain has been able to grow and sustain a large population on a small piece of territory, and to do so at levels of affluence which left sufficient surplus in the economy to permit it to dominate increasingly vast tracts of the earth's surface for some hundreds of years.

"On the scale of history that performance had few, if any, rivals, until the present century. British influence, if not power, is not inconsiderable even now" (*Changing Britain*, page 1).

Not badly put. Especially by people not familiar with ancient biblical origins or the purpose of Britain in the plan of God.

In reality the Bible has had much to do with Britain's success. The fulfillment of prophecies relating to Ephraim is primarily responsible for the success expressed in the first three paragraphs of this column.

Today the Bible is to be found in eight out of 10 British homes. Unfortunately only one out of 10 of these homes makes much use of it.

The Bible and the English language

As the English language itself changed and was slowly perfected over the centuries, versions of the English Bible were being translated. Before the advent of the King James version in 1611, William Tyndale (1494-1536) was one of the outstanding translators of the New Testament and the Torah.

Many nuances and phrases in our present Bible came from the pen of William Tyndale. His English New Testament was the first to be printed. But he did not live long enough to translate the entire Old Testament. He was martyred. Tyndale paid the supreme price to translate God's Word into English.

Seventy-five years after Tyndale's death a group of scholars assembled by James I produced a translation that is still relevant nearly 400 years later.

Toward the end of the 19th century other English translations began to come along. Some were done by one man, such as James Moffatt;

There is no doubt that Mr. Gorbachev would like to have the Orthodox church's support behind *perestroika*. But his overture seems more than a purely political ploy.

According to Mr. Pfaff, Mr. Gorbachev's overtures to the church are "the most interesting development yet in the evolution of Soviet reforms. . . It affords a glimpse, of something exhilarating—the possibility of a Soviet return to the European civilization from which, for the better part of 70 years, it has exiled itself."

In this light, one wonders about those visions committed to young children in Fatima, Portugal, 71 years ago. One of the secrets committed to the youngsters deals with an end-time religious reconversion of Russia as a key to world peace.

Such a peace in Europe coupled with what Mr. Pfaff describes as Moscow's "intellectual reconciliation with the West," would be short-lived (I Thessalonians 5:3). But it would be dramatic—and pose the greatest danger ever to Britain and America.

others were translated by a committee of scholars.

Moreover, the English Bible has helped shape the English language itself. The language and the Bible have been shaped together. The Bible in English stands among the greatest literary achievements.

Bible societies

God has used English-speaking peoples (mainly in Britain and North America) to translate the Bible into many other tongues. Bible societies have distributed God's Word to many nations—in English and in other languages. In some respects the Anglo-Saxon peoples have had a love affair with the Bible.

Today they are largely estranged from the Bible. How ironic that the chief propagators of God's Word should be riven from it. A small minority take God's Word seriously.

To most it is like the ancient cathedrals that dot the face of Britain. To be admired as a part of Anglican national heritage. Little more.

The Bible carries little authority in modern Britain. Many Britons have been divorced—estranged—from the Bible. The reasons? Besides the 2,000-year-time gap since the New Testament was written, there is a cultural gap between our occidental and the Bible's oriental world. This plus modern technology, Darwinism, Marxism and two highly damaging world wars.

As Bible scholar John P. Kealy wrote in *The Changing Bible*, "One should not underestimate the influence of the devastating world wars on the philosophical, theological and biblical thinking of Europe in the 20th century" (page 19).

The real tragedy is the failure of this world's ministry to transcend the time and cultural gaps and make plain God's Word to modern Britain. That's where the Church comes in. Part of our commission is to make biblical truths plain.

The Plain Truth, The Good News, brochures, booklets, reprint articles—all are there to help us carry out the great commission. To bring the Bible to the modern world. To give people true understanding of God's Word.



Just between friends

By Dexter H. Faulkner

'See you on the plane!'

I don't think it really sank in until I heard Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach say after Pasadena's commencement exercises May 13, "See you on the plane!"

Dexter H. Faulkner asked Sheila Graham, Worldwide News senior editor, to write about her trip to Big Sandy on the Gulfstream III for commencement exercises.

That's right—the next time I would see Mr. Tkach would be on the G-III. When Mr. Tkach heard my husband, Ed, and I were going to Big Sandy for our son, Jonathan's, graduation, and that I would be reporting on the commencement, he graciously invited us to accompany him and his staff.

Ed and I had not seen the G-III before, except in photographs. We hurry up the ladder to be warmly greeted by Ellen Escat, Mr. Tkach's administrative assistant. Ellen asks for our jackets and bags and begins storing them away.

Where are we supposed to sit? We learn that hidden away in the recesses of the couch across from Mr. Tkach's seat are four sets of seat belts. Another first, flying in an airplane seated on a couch.

What's it like to fly with the pastor general? It's like being invited into the living room of a good friend, only it's cozier.

At 12:49 p.m., the G-III races down the runway, headed for Texas. Mr. Tkach points out the computer listing in front of him that shows ground speed, time to destination, outside air temperature, altitude and miles to destination. At intervals, a map of the United States appears on the screen and a tiny plane shows our progress across country.

In only a matter of minutes, it seems, we can remove our seat belts, and Jay Brothers serves lunch.

While we share a platter of cold cuts, vegetables and fruits, Mr. Tkach shows us a brochure on the Boeing 727 Statesman that he is considering as a replacement for the G-III. He tells us that a 727 is a less expensive plane and yet seems as though it will serve the needs of the Work as effectively as the G-III.

It is one more way we may be able to put about \$5 million into reserves without hampering the Work, he adds. He tells us the decision will rest on whether God provides the right 727 and the right price for the G-III.

After lunch Mr. Tkach settles back in his chair to read the *Kiplinger Report*. He also discusses a point in the offertory message he plans for the Day of Pentecost.

Suddenly, we hear Captain Hopke tell us to fasten our seat belts, we are approaching turbu-

lent weather. We climb rapidly, from 41,000 feet to 45,000 feet. It's the highest I've ever flown. The air temperature outside is minus 96 degrees Fahrenheit (minus 71 Celsius).

The seat belt light goes off. Outside the window I see a soft flat defused white under us with a blue sky overhead. We are in a peaceful calm, high above the storm.

The little computer plane passes Dallas and Fort Worth, Tex., and approaches Big Sandy. We begin our descent. The co-captain asks my husband if he would like to ride in the jump seat behind the pilots while they land. He happily accepts.

The fields and trees of the campus are a brilliant green under us. They are beautiful, but close! Now we're over the runway, streaking past our greeters with a roar, the pilots pull up in a sharp bank to the left that leaves Ellen, Julie and me hanging from our seat belts.

Through Mr. Tkach's windows below us we see the tops of the East Texas pines. On the third pass over the airstrip, we land.

Mr. Tkach is out of his seat. The door is opened, and the Texas heat rushes in with the cheerful sounds of a band.

I look out the window, watching Mr. Tkach being greeted by the Big Sandy faculty and about 75 to 100 other people. I think, This is what happens around the world. God's Church around the world is waiting and watching, looking to Mr. Tkach as an example of leadership. What a load of responsibility.

Ed and I leave the plane, smiling down at our family who have come to greet us. What a day and what a privilege. I promise myself, from this day on, I'm going to be much more fervent and certainly much more specific in my prayers for Mr. Tkach and his staff.

Mr. Tkach travels across town to Los Angeles area churches

By Jeff E. Zhorne

PASADENA—Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach spoke about his childhood and reminisced about his ordination 25 years ago during a visit on Pentecost, May 22, to the Los Angeles Convention Center, where 1,307 brethren from the Glendora, North Hollywood, Reseda and Los Angeles, Calif., churches were assembled.

As he entered the hall, the pastor general waved to members giving him a standing ovation and greeted longtime friends with hugs and handshakes.

"He was bubbling with enthusiasm," according to John Ritenbaugh, North Hollywood pastor and trip coordinator. "It is certainly a unifying force to see that he is interested and concerned enough to come out and visit us."

After discussing the Holy Day offering in Pasadena, the pastor general congratulated the brethren on their offering and told how he was given a plaque and watch for 25 years of service that morning in Pasadena. (See article, page 1.)

Mr. Tkach told brethren that 25 years ago he didn't want to be ordained. "He said he just wanted to serve and didn't feel like he needed to be ordained to do that," said Dennis Wheatcroft, pastor of the Glendora church.

"His basic theme was unity and warnings about a Laodicean attitude," said Mr. Ritenbaugh. "He urged us to go above and beyond the mere duty of keeping the law."

Said Mr. Tkach, "Giving an offering is a sacrifice, which is necessary for growth and being a real Philadelphian."

Mr. Tkach also talked about his father's attitude when he emigrated from Russia to the United States in 1911.

"His father wanted to be an American and knew more about America than people who were born here," said James Friddle, Reseda pastor. "He taught his children to be Americans."

Mr. Friddle added, "Mr. Tkach said we should be like his father and wanting to become like God

and His family, learning as much as we can about Him, His ways and being citizens in the Kingdom of God."

Another portion of Mr. Tkach's Holy Day message focused on his childhood.

According to Mr. Washington: "He told about how his friends would smoke, and when he would

come home his clothes reeked of smoke. His mother thought he had been smoking and he got a licking. When he said that he wasn't, he got another one because his mother thought he was lying.

"The point is if you are hanging out with the wrong crowd, you are the wrong kind of example and the wrong kind of light, and you pay the

consequences."

After his sermon he was presented with a check for the building fund for \$2,000, contributed by brethren.

Brethren also contributed toward a set of cuff links made from gold coins, which were given to Mr. Tkach to commemorate his 25th year in the ministry.

Mr. Tkach asked area ministers to the stage to raise Keith Stump, a local elder in Reseda employed in the Media Services Department, to preaching elder. Daniel Zachariah, a ministerial trainee who serves in Los Angeles, was ordained a local elder.

After greeting brethren who were lined up to meet him, the pastor general was host at a buffet for more than 100 ministers, deacons, deaconesses and their spouses in the Emerald Room of the Biltmore Hotel.

"Mr. Tkach shows how down-to-earth and concerned he is by his friendliness and genuine care," said Mr. Wheatcroft. "He spoke with such sincerity and concern, and at the same time tremendous authority and power."

"God's inspiration was very evident as he inspired, encouraged, corrected and sobered the brethren with his message."

PERSONAL

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derstand is the area of family finances and household management.

Some husbands simply either do not trust their wives to have part in any aspect of the family finances, or they have had the mistaken impression that such a thing would somehow be relinquishing their God-given authority in the home.

The result, then, has been that when a husband dies, his widow is not only emotionally grieved, she may find herself completely unknowledgeable and inexperienced in budgeting, managing a checkbook, paying the bills, paying the taxes, dealing with salesmen and repairmen, or making decisions on major purchases.

Some wives have never even been made aware of amounts in savings accounts or insurance policies, or even where those policies are located.

Now I realize that in some unusual cases the wife has demonstrated a track record of irresponsibility in handling money. Some husbands have had to manage all family financial affairs because their wives have shown a lack of character in spending habits.

Of course, some husbands show a similar lack of character, and if their wives didn't handle the family finances the family would be in financial ruin. And there are some tragic situations in which neither husband nor wife have the character to wisely

budget and spend.

But I am not talking here about families in which the husband or wife or both are clearly irresponsible financially. I am talking about the average household. In the average household in God's Church, in which both husband and wife are converted and growing spiritually, it is a shame for the husband to shut his wife out of the financial affairs of the family.

Doesn't the Bible teach us that the wife is to oversee, under her husband's overall guidance, the domestic affairs of the family? Yet some husbands give their wives no opportunity to even learn how to financially manage the very household they are expected to care for.

Some husbands reserve every decision of any consequence for themselves. Such men do not realize that they are stifling their wives' personal growth by their extreme reluctance to delegate to them domestic responsibilities that properly belong among a wife's duties in a family.

Let me give you an example that may help some to understand. God the Father is supreme over all the universe. Yet He has delegated supreme authority to Jesus Christ, who is in complete unity and harmony with Him (Hebrews 1:2).

Is God the Father still in charge? Of course He is. But is Jesus Christ able to freely administer the government of His Father with full authority? Yes, He is.

Does Jesus use that authority to do things His own way, or

does He use it to do things according to the will of His Father? You know the answer!

The same is true in the administration of the Church. Jesus Christ is the Head. Yet He gives His apostles the human responsibility to administer the affairs of the Church under Him.

Of course, their responsibility is to administer His way, not their own way. But He does allow them to make some mistakes. He knows they are not perfect. *But at no time does He fear that He has relinquished His authority.* In the same way, in the Church today, God has given me the human responsibility to lead His Church under Christ. But do I do everything myself? Do I make every decision in every department? Do I personally send out every magazine or every booklet? Do I write every article?

Do I personally run the cameras for the *World Tomorrow* television program? Does my voice go out on the program? Do I preach every sermon, give every Bible study?

Yet, although I delegate the many functions of the Church to others, am I any less "in charge"? Have I relinquished my authority? No, the responsibility is still mine. God still holds me accountable. I set the policies. I set the guidelines and the basic procedures.

I determine, with much prayer and counsel, the *direction* the Work will go, looking all the while to God for His inspiration and overall guidance. Then I have confidence in those under

me to "stay that course" to the best of their abilities under God.

Sometimes they, like you and me, make mistakes. I know they are not perfect. When a mistake is made, we pick up and go on. But all the while we are *learning* and *growing* together. The more a person can learn, and the more responsibility and opportunity a person can handle, the more valuable they become.

So it should be in a family.

A strong family must be built upon mutual respect and trust. A wise and loving husband should be able to delegate to his wife whatever opportunities to manage the affairs of the household that she can willingly handle, allowing her to make mistakes without his "flying off the handle," and encouraging and praising her for a job well done.

He will also treat her as a wise and trusted counselor, seeking and valuing her opinions, thoughts and ideas.

A wise and loving wife will go out of her way to make decisions that she knows are in harmony with her husband's wishes, striving to thoughtfully administer the household in the manner most consistent with the guidelines her husband has established.

Both husband and wife will communicate their thoughts and wishes to each other, and strive to grow in true and genuine concern and consideration, in love, of one another's feelings.

The true footwashing attitude needs to begin *at home!* Let's recognize how *important* the marriage relationship *and* how we conduct ourselves in it *are to God.* And let's strive to make every aspect of our marriages pleasing to Him.

Next time, I plan to write about false stereotypes about marriage and the *urgent importance* of overcoming marriage problems.

You are always in my prayers. Thank you for your prayers and encouragement.

With love, in Jesus' name,
Joseph W. Tkach

P.S. With the May co-worker letter we are inaugurating a new four-page newsletter designed especially for our more than 77,000 English-speaking co-workers. It is called *News of the Work*, and will serve to inform and update co-workers about events, growth and progress of the Work around the world.

Because *News of the Work* consists entirely of highlights of articles and features from *The Worldwide News*, we will not be sending the newsletter to baptized members. This new co-worker publication contains nothing you will not have already seen in *The Worldwide News*.

I would appreciate your prayers for the success of this project as we strive to more effectively share the news of God's Work with those He has called to help support it financially.

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that burning desire ever burning."

After two selections performed by the Ambassador Chorale, directed by John D. Schroeder, Chancellor Tkach gave his address.

Mr. Tkach described the world as a paradox. "We marvel at man's incredible potential in the spirit of space technology, computer wizardry, medical breakthroughs and potential arms truce. Yet we sigh as we teeter on the brink of man's destruction, total annihilation . . .

"The world around us suffers from a vision crisis," he said, "not because they have lost their way. The truth is few have caught sight of it . . . I ask the question, Where is the man or woman of vision to be found today? Hopefully, I am looking at all of them today . . .

"Who will be the bright lights in the dark shadows of the 21st century? Students of 1988: You have been given a vision. Your education has not stemmed from the Academy of Athens but from the throne and mind of God . . .

"Move with patience and seize every opportunity that will come your way. Give praise to many and mercy unto all," Mr. Tkach concluded.

Mr. Tkach presented Allen Waggoner and Lesley Stainthorp with

the 1988 sportsmanship awards. Janice Dion, who ranked first in the class, and Jay Frasier, who ranked second, received the academic excellence awards. The Leon Ettinger music awards went to David Bilowus and David Lacasse. Mr. Kuykendall, Miss Dion, Audrey Schmedes and Cory Erickson earned the Herbert W. Armstrong achievement awards. Each award consisted of a plaque and a sum of money.

After the awards, the associate of arts and science degrees and then the bachelor of arts degrees were conferred. After the ceremony 2,500 helium balloons were released from the Auditorium mall. Refreshments were served, and some graduates had their photographs taken with Mr. Tkach.

Graduation week activities

That morning the senior class, along with parents and other family members, attended a graduation brunch in the student center. At that time, the senior class presented Mr. Tkach with a pair of gold cuff links with the American eagle bull-head design.

The graduates also gave Mr. Tkach a matching tie tack.

Mr. Tkach was host at a formal dinner for the seniors May 9. Appetizers and cocktails were served beside the circling birds fountain, and the dinner was served in the lower



INTERNATIONAL GRADUATES—Denise Warren (left) of Regina, Sask., and Deborah Solima of Brisbane, Australia, share smiles after receiving their bachelor of arts degrees at Pasadena Ambassador College commencement exercises May 13. [Photo by Warren Watson]

gardens.

Students finished their final exams May 10 and rounded out the semester with the annual field day of intramural track and field events (See PASADENA, page 7)



'The hour of opportunity'



CELEBRATING GRADUATION—Pasadena (clockwise from above): students and families gather on the Auditorium mall; Vernon Schurter leads graduates from the Auditorium; Chancellor Joseph W. Tkach addresses graduates; evangelist Donald Ward, vice chancellor, welcomes the audience (right); Mr. Tkach makes an announcement; faculty member Gary Antion poses with his daughter, Susie, Beth Hagy, his daughter, Janice, and his wife Barbara; evangelist David Albert hugs his graduating daughter, Molly; Mr. Tkach stops for photographs with Lister Chen and Bruce Wynn (left); John D. Schroeder directs the chorale; Daniel and Mary Zachariah; and Jacqueline Harris and Nelson Davis. Big Sandy (clockwise from left): evangelist Roderick Meredith, deputy chancellor, and Edward Kepec, sophomore class president, speak at commencement; a band performs for Dr. Ward, Mr. Tkach and Dr. Meredith; the chorale performs; Cynthia Gehman and Tomra Eltrich display their diplomas; Dr. Ward congratulates Stanley Cook; graduates listen during the ceremony; Mr. Tkach, Dr. Ward, Dr. Meredith, Michael Germano (dean of faculty) and Richard Thompson (dean of students) at commencement; Mr. Tkach congratulates an award winner; Jonathan Graham in the recessional march. [Photos by Sheila Graham, Mike Bedford, Ian Bearman and Warren Watson]



BIG SANDY

PASADENA



ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHS

ALDRICH, Daniel and Cynthia (Randle), of Minneapolis, Minn., boy, Jordan Alexander, Dec. 30, 1987, 1:30 a.m., 10 pounds 2 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

ALEXANDER, Merle and Dianne (Otto), of Council Bluffs, Iowa, boy, Daniel Lee III, March 31, 9:39 p.m., 7 pounds 8 1/2 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

ANDREWS, John and Ana Maria (Zambelli), of Maidstone, England, boy, David Lars, April 25, 10:50 p.m., 3.2 kilograms, first child.

AVILEZ, Donald and Shelly (Stockton), of Wichita, Kan., boy, Donald Lee III, March 31, 9:39 p.m., 7 pounds 9 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

BLACKWELL, Curt and Lela (DeWitt), of Kelowna, B.C., boy, Kevin Jonathan, March 20, 1:27 a.m., 8 pounds 9 ounces, now 3 boys.

BUTLER, Timothy and Wendi (Hayward), of Lake Oswego, Ore., boy, Brendan Elliott, April 20, 12:30 p.m., 8 pounds 8 ounces, now 2 boys.

CAMPBELL, Edward and June (Nabhan), of El Paso, Tex., girl, Matilyn Ann, March 26, 12:41 p.m., 8 pounds 1 ounce, now 3 girls.

CARLSON, Derek and Lisa (Hillebrand), of Peoria, Ill., girl, Jessica Ann, March 28, 11:26 p.m., 3 pounds 1/2 ounce, first child.

CARSON, Martin and Rhonda (Sandell), of Doyle, La., boy, Jody Nicklas, April 13, 4:45 p.m., 8 pounds 14 ounces, now 3 boys.

COOKSON, Andrew and Georgia (Levas), of Zurich, Switzerland, boy, Adam, April 20, 4:18 a.m., 8 pounds, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

DAWSON, James and Mary (Hoppert), of Fredericton, Va., boy, Ryan Michael, Dec. 15, 1987, 5 p.m., 8 pounds 12 ounces, now 3 boys.

DEEN, Craig and Susan (Rohrer), of Norfolk, Va., girl, Jennifer Lynn, April 18, 3:12 p.m., 8 pounds 2 1/2 ounces, first child.

DeVINE, Jeff and Eve (Chitsumreang), of Gadsden, Ala., boy, Charles Anthony, April 29, 3:32 p.m., 7 pounds 14 ounces, first child.

DUPLAIN, Richard and Norma (Richardson), of Fredericton, N.B., boy, Samuel Richard, Nov. 19, 1987, 2:14 a.m., 8 pounds 8 ounces, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

FENNER, Fred and Laura (Hendrix), of Cincinnati, Ohio, girl, Jaclyn Michelle, April 6, 7:16 p.m., 7 pounds 10 ounces, now 2 girls.

GIBSON, Michael and Katrene (Welch), of Brisbane, Australia, girl, Emmaline Marie, April 12, 9:47 a.m., 9 pounds 1 1/2 ounces, now 2 girls.

GOODSIR, Nigel and Linda (Melnyk), of Edmonton, Alta., girl, Rhona Erin, April 25, 1:42 a.m., 7 pounds, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

HERRICK, Scott and Leigh (Cardillo), of Boston, Mass., boy, Jamieson Atkins, Feb. 24, 2:59 a.m., 8 pounds 2 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

HUSE, Stuart and Agnes (Youngblood), of Atlanta, Ga., girl, Agnes Michelle, April 14, 5:24 a.m., 7 pounds 13 ounces, first child.

IRWIN, Robert and Jolie (Pepin), of Naples, Fla., boy, Jesse Daniel, April 4, 5 p.m., 8 pounds 4 ounces, first child.

KLETT, Markus and Kelly (Hughes), of Denver, Colo., boy, Hans Peter, April 9, 6:27 a.m., 7 pounds 13 ounces, now 2 boys.

MALM, Duane and Toye (Hubbard), of Lethbridge, Alta., girl, Keira Brianna, April 5, 11:02 a.m., 7 pounds 14 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

MARTEENY, Benjamins "Michael" and Tracey (Castrey), of Vancouver, Wash., boy, Timothy Michael, Feb. 8, 2:03 p.m., 10 pounds 9 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

PALMER, Derek and Mary (Finch), of Dunstable, England, boy, Richard George, April 14, 1:15 p.m., 8 pounds 6 ounces, first child.

REYER, Dan and Ardy (Parman), of Pasadena, girl, Kaleigh Starlit, April 19, 4:22 p.m., 7 pounds 8 ounces, now 2 girls.

ROBERTS, Keith and Carole (Gibson), of Toronto, Ont., girl, Michelle Lynn, April 6, 9:45 a.m., 7 pounds 4 ounces, now 2 girls.

ROTZIEN, Raymond and Rhoda (Carlson), of Minneapolis, Minn., girl, Cynthia Joy, April 26, 8:26 p.m., 7 pounds 4 ounces, now 2 boys, 1 girl.

SMETAK, Steven and Cindy (Hopkins), of Austin, Tex., girl, Tamara Marin, Jan. 10, 5:43 a.m., 5 pounds 6 ounces, first child.

SMITH, Daniel and Judi (Mohler), of Pasadena, girl, Elise Renee, May 10, 6:38 a.m., 7 pounds 2 ounces, first child.

SROKA, Thomas and Victoria (Hallar), of Hammond, Ind., girl, Victoria Ann, March 8, 3:49 p.m., 7 pounds 2 ounces, first child.

THOMASON, Roy and Linda (Rogers), of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, girl, Crystal Danielle, May 4, 11:29 a.m., 10 pounds, now 2 girls.

TONJES, Mark and Christine (Culp), of Fort Wayne, Ind., girl, Sarah Elisabeth, April 19, 7:55 a.m., 7 pounds 13 1/2 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

WAKEFIELD, Dexter and Marcia (Leslie), of Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., boy, Thomas Conrad, Dec. 29, 1987, 7:10 p.m., 10 pounds 1 ounce, now 1 boy, 2 girls.

ZAJAC, Oleh and Renee (Gould), of Pasadena, girl, Stephanie Anna, Jan. 26, 1:59 p.m., 8 pounds 2 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Voss of Picaune, Miss., announce the engagement of their daughter Cynthia Dianne to Darren Beekma, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Rowe of Henry, Ill. A July 3 wedding is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger F. Olson and Mr. and Mrs. R. Lyle Davis are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Julie Olson to Bret Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs.

Edward A. Miller. A July 24 wedding in Bellevue, Wash., is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. John C. Miller Jr. of Corning, Calif., are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Michelle Christine to Douglas E. Hill, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward S. Hill of Escondido, Calif. A Sept. 18 wedding in northern California is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill I. Glover of Eugene, Ore., wish to announce the engagement of their daughter Cherele Jeanine to Martin Vandervies, son of John Vandervies Sr. of Sarnia, Ont. A June 12 wedding in Sacramento, Calif., is planned.

WEDDINGS



MR. AND MRS. MARK DUIN

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Auch are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter Mary Elizabeth to Mark Edward Duin. The ceremony was performed Dec. 27, 1987, by Mark Mickelson, assistant pastor of the Omaha and Lincoln, Neb., and Sioux City, Iowa, churches. Monica Alexander, sister of the bride, was matron of honor, and Paul Duin, brother of the groom, was best man. The couple reside in Omaha.

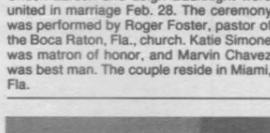
MR. AND MRS. JEFFERY ZOELLICK

Mr. and Mrs. Barry L. Smith of Atikokan, Ont., are pleased to announce the marriage of their eldest daughter, Shelley Margaret, to Jeffery Brian Zoellick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Zoellick of Wisconsin Dells, Wis. The ceremony was performed March 13 by Norman Strayer, pastor of the Wisconsin Dells and Wausau, Wis., churches. Lyn Famielitti was maid of honor, and Bob Rice was best man.



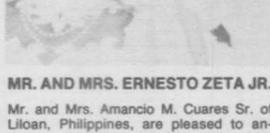
MR. AND MRS. CHUCK LARSEN

Chuck Larsen and Leigh Bauknight were united in marriage Feb. 28. The ceremony was performed by Roger Foster, pastor of the Boca Raton, Fla., church. Katie Simone was matron of honor, and Marvin Chavez was best man. The couple reside in Miami, Fla.



MR. AND MRS. ERNESTO ZETA JR.

Mr. and Mrs. Amancio M. Cuarens Sr. of Liloan, Philippines, are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter Teresita to Ernesto S. Zeta Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernesto V. Zeta Sr. of Tacloban, Philippines. The ceremony was performed April 3 by Teodoro Sernal, pastor of the Tacloban and Liloan churches. Susana C. Arendain was maid of honor, and Amancio P. Cuarens Jr., brother of the bride, was best man. The couple reside in Tacloban.



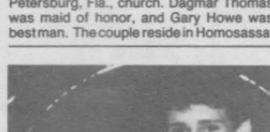
MR. AND MRS. RICHARD MCCOY

Rose A. Wallace and Richard McCoy were united in marriage March 27 in Boise, Idaho. Gene Watkins, associate pastor of the Baker and Ontario, Ore., and Boise churches, performed the ceremony. Joseph and Mary Kleymann were attendants. The couple reside in Boise.



MR. AND MRS. GERALD COOK

Wanda Kay Hames of Homosassa, Fla., and Gerald C. Cook of Largo, Fla., were united in marriage April 21. The ceremony was performed by Ronald Howe, pastor of the St. Petersburg, Fla., church. Dagmar Thomas was maid of honor, and Gary Howe was best man. The couple reside in Homosassa.



MR. AND MRS. JAMES STOCKTON

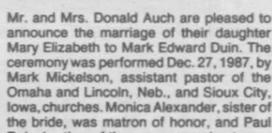
Teresa Anne Hager, daughter of Bertha

Hager of Del City, Okla., and James Clifford Stockton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Stockton of Edmond, Okla., were united in marriage Nov. 28, 1987. The ceremony was performed by Gerald Flurry, pastor of the Oklahoma City and Enid, Okla., churches. Gayla Emptage was maid of honor, and Mike Meyer was best man. The couple reside in Oklahoma City.



MR. AND MRS. PETER HIGGINS

Mr. and Mrs. Norm Keeble of Morwell, Australia, are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter Andrea Jane to Peter Russell Higgins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alan Higgins, also of Morwell. The ceremony was performed Nov. 22, 1987, by Kenneth Lewis, pastor of the Morwell church. Jenny Verheijden was matron of honor, and Richard Hancock was best man. The couple reside in Melbourne, Australia.



MR. AND MRS. TIMOTHY OLATUNJI

Marie-Therese Ngubi and Timothy Olatunji were united in marriage Aug. 9, 1987. The ceremony was performed by Lateef Edalere, pastor of the Owerri, Benin City and Lagos, Nigeria, churches. Judith Casper was maid of honor, and Raymond Nkado was best man. The couple reside in Kaduna, Nigeria.



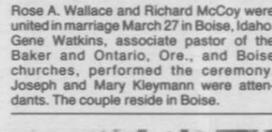
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James L. Collins of Detroit, Mich., and Marcia H. Rowell of Atlanta, Ga., were united in marriage Feb. 20. The ceremony was performed by Kenneth Martin, pastor of the Atlanta East and West churches. Sharon Stiles, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Bernard Jones was best man. The couple reside in East Point, Ga.



MR. AND MRS. NEIL DRUCE

Mr. and Mrs. Don Worthing of Grafton, Australia, are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter Coralin Ruth to Neil Ashley Druce, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alan Druce of Ardlethan, Australia. The ceremony was performed Jan. 31 by Rodney King, pastor of the Gold Coast, Australia, church. Sandra Atkinson was maid of honor, and Brett Louat was best man. The couple reside in Ardlethan.



MR. AND MRS. M. MATTESON

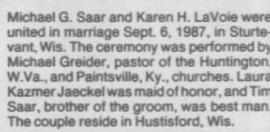
Cynthia Ann Ferguson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Bartlett of Royal City, Wash., and Matthew Glenn Matteson, son of Thomas P. Matteson of Ocala, Fla., and Barbara L. Dang of Phoenix, Ariz., were

united in marriage March 26 in Tucson, Ariz. The ceremony was performed by Carl McNair, pastor of the Tucson and Sierra Vista, Ariz., churches. Wanda K. Jacobs, sister of the bride, was matron of honor, and Thomas Matteson, brother of the groom, was best man. The couple reside in Tucson.



MR. AND MRS. MICHAEL G. SAAR

Michael G. Saar and Karen H. LaVoie were united in marriage Sept. 6, 1987, in Sturtevant, Wis. The ceremony was performed by Michael Greider, pastor of the Huntington, W.Va., and Paintsville, Ky., churches. Laura Kazmer Jaekel was maid of honor, and Tim Saar, brother of the groom, was best man. The couple reside in Hustisford, Wis.



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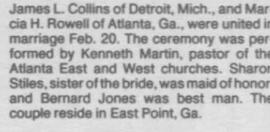
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MR. AND MRS. ANGEL AYALA

Angel and Lupita Ayala celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Jan. 7. The couple emigrated from Mexico in 1966. Mr. Ayala was baptized in 1964, and Mrs. Ayala was baptized in 1977.



MR. AND MRS. R. SCHELLENGER

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Schellenger of Wichita, Kan., celebrated their 73rd wedding anniversary April 14. The Wichita church honored them April 16 with a cake and kaffeeklatsch before Sabbath services. During the announcement portion of services, Stanley McNeil, Wichita pastor, and Ernest Prociw, assistant pastor, presented the couple with YOU (Youth Opportunities United) jackets. The Schellengers continued the celebration that evening at a dinner in their home. Mr. Schellenger is 99 years



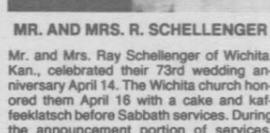
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BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

We'd like to let the readers of *The Worldwide News* know about your new baby as soon as it arrives. Just fill out this coupon and send it to the address given as soon as possible after the baby is born.



Our coupon baby this issue is Dorothy Elizabeth Sawyer, daughter of Donald and Kathleen Sawyer of Pasadena, Calif.

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old, and Mrs. Schellenger is 95. They have been Church members for more than 25 years, and they attend Sabbath services and Bible studies regularly.

Alton Billingsley, pastor of the Hobbs, N.M., and Midland and Odessa, Tex., churches.

NECKER, Albert Frederick, 87, of Melbourne, Australia, died Dec. 30, 1987, of a heart attack. He has been a Church member since 1978. Funeral services were conducted by William Bradford, pastor of the Melbourne East and South churches.

OBITUARIES

DRIVER, Geraldine J., 58, of Folsom, Pa., died April 4 after a three-year battle with cancer. She has been a Church member since 1975 and served as a deaconess in the Wilmington, Del., church. Mrs. Driver is survived by her husband, Earl; two sons, Donald and Wayne; one daughter-in-law, Janet; one sister, Marie Francis; and a host of nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and other relatives. Funeral services were conducted by David Register, pastor of the Boston, Mass., church.

GLANCY, William Joseph, 79, died Jan. 21 of a massive cerebral hemorrhage. He was baptized in 1952. Mr. Glancy is survived by his wife, Dessie, also a Church member; a son, William; a daughter, Vicki; a stepson, Gerald; and five grandchildren. Richard Parker, pastor of the Auburn and Breerton, Wash., churches, conducted funeral services.

CHARLES, A. Marie, 77, of Rickreall, Ore., died March 17. She was baptized in 1952. Mrs. Charles is survived by her husband, Stallard, also a Church member; her father; three sisters; and two brothers. Funeral services were conducted by Donald Henson, assistant pastor of the Salem and Albany, Ore., churches.

FRYE, Wayland McLean, 82, of Grants Pass, Ore., died April 14 after a long illness. He has been a Church member since 1967. Mr. Frie is survived by his wife of 62 years, Margaret, four children, 20 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted by Jeffery McGowan, pastor of the Medford and Klamath Falls, Ore., churches.

JOHNSON, Edward Nathaniel, 87, of Norfolk, Va., died May 8. He has been a Church member since 1974. Mr. Johnson is survived by his wife, Eunice Tabb Johnson; two sisters, Lincy Washington and Virginia Roper; and one brother, Albert. Carlos Nieto, associate pastor of the Norfolk church, officiated at funeral services.

McMURRY, Cora May, 91, of Lovington, N.M., died March 28 of kidney failure after an extended illness. She has been a Church member since 1949. Mrs. McMurry's husband, Verbon, died in 1981. One of her sons died in 1961 and another in 1982. Mrs. McMurry is survived by one daughter, LaRue Jackson; one brother, John D. Stroud; nine grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted by



MILDRED LAVENDER

LAVENDER, Mildred, 64, of Atlanta, Ga., died April 16 of a heart attack. She has been a Church member since 1957. Mrs. Lavender is survived by three sons; two daughters; a daughter-in-law, Sonja Lavender, and a granddaughter, Sabrina Nelson, both Church members; and a great-granddaughter, Jessica Nelson. Memorial services were conducted by Kenneth Martin, pastor of the Atlanta East and West churches.

ADAMS, Minnie B., 67, of Chicago, Ill., died Feb. 26 in Pasadena. She was baptized in 1970. Mrs. Adams is survived by her husband of 45 years, Melton, a deacon in the Church; eight children; four brothers; two sisters; and other relatives. Memorial services took place in Pasadena. Funeral services and burial took place in Chicago.

COLLIS, Coralie, 83, of Hobart, Australia, died March 28. She has been a Church member since 1971. Mrs. Collis is survived by one son, one daughter, two grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Funeral services were conducted by Rodney McQueen, pastor of the Hobart, Launceston and Devonport, Australia, churches.

WESTMORELAND, J. Melvin, 79, of Tupelo, Miss., died March 21. He was baptized in 1974. Mr. Westmoreland is survived by his wife, Opal, also a Church member; three daughters; three sons; five sisters; 15 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted by John Calourek, pastor of the Tupelo and Columbus, Miss., churches.

Member honored by Queen Elizabeth

By George Henderson
BOREHAMWOOD, England—George Campbell, a Church member here, was presented to Queen Elizabeth II at a reception for the winner of the Queen's Award for Export Achievement. The event took place at Buckingham Palace March 10.

George Henderson is a local church elder in the Borehamwood, England, church.

Mr. Campbell is chief engineer for Ambassador Press, Ltd., which won the award in 1987. Colin Pass-

more, managing director for the press, and Geoff Runchman, a printer representing the labor force, also attended the reception. Mr. Campbell represented management.

Despite news of a fatal accident involving Prince Charles' skiing party that afternoon, the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh attended the three-hour reception and spoke personally with the group. Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and the Duke of Gloucester also attended.

"Going before royalty certainly makes you examine yourself from head to toe," said Mr. Campbell.

Senator praises youth for helping fight drugs

JONESBORO, Ark.—David Kilough, 11, placed first in the fourth- through sixth-grade category in the HealthMart drug awareness contest. The contest drew more than 20,000 entries from 15 states.

David submitted a poster simulating a Monopoly game board with the theme, "Don't Let Drugs Monopolize You."

The poster "showed how one can start with a choice of going two directions—the right way of avoiding drug abuse or the wrong turn that is a dead end," said Clyde Kilough, David's father and pastor of the Poplar Bluff, Mo., and Jonesboro churches.

David won an all-expense-paid trip to Washington, D.C., March 24 to 27. He was accompanied by the U.S. capital by his father, his mother, Deborah Sue, and his sister, Rebecca, 7. First-prize winners in the first through third grades and seventh through 12th grades also visited the capital with their families.

In Washington David met Arkansas Sen. Dale Bumpers at the U.S. Capitol building.

"We are very proud of David's accomplishment," said Sen. Bumpers. "This program teaches children that there is something positive they can do in the campaign against drug abuse. Most important, it involved not only the children but their parents, teachers and community leaders."

The winners and their families also sat in on Senate proceedings, attended a reception in the House

Ways and Means Committee room and toured the White House, the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Food and Drug Administration and the Arlington, Va., National Cemetery.



NATIONAL WINNER—David Kilough, 11, placed first in a national drug awareness poster contest. He and his family traveled to Washington, D.C., where David met Arkansas Sen. Dale Bumpers. [Photo by Clyde Kilough]

Big Sandy

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Meredith and his wife, Shyrel, other members of the Big Sandy college faculty, a band and about 75 students and other brethren.

Mr. Tkach was accompanied on the 2½-hour flight from Pasadena by Joseph Locke, vice president of Ambassador Foundation for international projects; Ellen Escat, Mr. Tkach's administrative assistant; Julie Stocker, administrative assistant; Ed Graham and his wife, Sheila, *Worldwide News* senior editor (the Grahams' son, Jonathan,

graduated); John Halford, Television Services' on-site director; Steve Bergstrom, remote operations engineer; Gary Wering, cameraman; and Mr. Tkach's flight crew, Captain Ken Hopke, co-captain Lawrence Dietrich and Jay Brothers, steward.

Mr. Tkach, his staff and guests boarded the G-III shortly after 5 p.m. for the return trip to Pasadena.

Dr. Meredith said that Mr. Tkach's visit went well. "He was upbeat and inspiring to everyone around him. He did seem to be very positive about how things were going here, and we enjoyed having him very much."

PASADENA CLASS OF 1988

Bachelor of Arts Degrees

Jennifer Achtemichuk*	Brian Allen Davis	Clayton David Groom**	David George Patterson*	Stephen Scott Symonds
Marcus Dwayne Allen	Nelson Graham Davis*	Ronnie R. Gunnoe	Toshia Louise Peters	Jack Wayne Taubee
Douglas F. Andrews	Theron Blaine Dennison Jr.*	Bruce Allen Hansen*	John Robert Pike**	Richard Thomas Taylor
David Templeton Armitage Jr.**	Darcy Darlene Derrick	Larry Brent Hardin	Benjamin Alexander Pink**	George C. Thomas*
Ann Elizabeth Baker	Stephanie Hope Diaz**	Darryl Vern Harris	Charlotte Elizabeth Pope	Daniel Michael Thompson**
Michael John Bechthold**	Robert Nicholas Diehl*	Jacqueline Ann Harris*	Joanne Elizabeth Powell	Debra Jean Thompson
Rachel Joy Best**	Janice Mary Dion***	Timothy Scott Heine	Linda Marie Quast*	Kenneth Ian Thomson*
David Michael Bilowus	Kristi S. Disch*	Douglas Edward Hill	Christa Lee Rath	William Roy Thomson**
Susanna Waldburga Birawer	Harry James Doak*	Elisabeth Hinkle*	Mark Alan Ray**	Brenda Jean Todd*
Gary Lee Black	Terry Trent Dobson*	Dean Marcu Holunga**	Brian Wallace Rennie	Edward Keith Tomes
Deanne Kay Bochenski**	Lila Elizabeth Docken	Donna Michelle Hunter	Grant William Richards	Linda Jean Turczan*
Dawna Lee Borax	Michelle Marie Duchene	Paul Jarboe**	Richard Theodore Ritenbaugh**	Liberty Daniel Tyson
Susan Irene Bramer*	Lawrence Wade Dueitt*	Mary Letitia Johnson	David Roe	Randal Ray Urwiler*
Corrine Lee Braun*	Aaron Eagle**	Jerry Wayne Jones Jr.	Gary Richard Roth**	Mark Thomas Vernich
Gery Thomas Brooks*	Jill Diane Eastman*	Judith A. Kulesza	Renee Belle Sarfert	Arthur Mena Villanova
Marjorie Jean Brown	Cory Donald Erickson*	Mary Ellen Kulesza	Jeffrey David Sawyer	Allen Bryan Waggoner**
Jennifer Linn Buchanan	Brynda Sue Everman**	Kimberly Sue Kuver**	Diane Lynae Schemm	D. Paul Wagoner**
David Lewis Buckley	Jennifer Jeanne Fenchel*	Michael Jay Kuykendall	Mary Anne Schemm*	Samuel A. Waian*
Sheila Jane Buffington	Matthew Charles Fenchel**	David Edmer Lacasse	Audrey Lynn Schmedes*	Aubrey Charles Warren*
Karla Sue Burnham*	Jeffrey Alan Fozard	R.C. Lipscomb Jr.	Vernon Neal Schurter	Denise Diane Warren*
Lynn Patrice Burns	Irene Miriam Francis	James Richard Little*	Joseph Glendon Scott	Wesley Lafate Weatherman**
Stephen Patrick Campbell	Kelli Rae Franco***	Christopher Joseph Marlow**	Vania Jane Seltzer	Joseph Paul Weber
Virnell Jean Campbell	Crosby Jay Frasier***	Mary Candace Martin*	Deborah Leanne Solima	David Harold West
Nicholas G. Chalaris**	Donna Eve Frick**	Theresa Marie McCabe	Julie Elizabeth Sollars	Lucinda Ann Wilkinson
Lisa Gayle Chapman*	Hope Dawn Frick*	Edward J. Mentell Jr.	Lesley Carol Stainthorp**	Kenneth Scott Williams
Stacey Mary Cole	Harvey Ellis Friddle	Michelle Christine Miller*	David Lee Stambaugh*	Stacie Lynn Woods
Martin Glyn Collins	Donald Douglas Wentworth Gardner**	Mark Noland Morris*	James Clay Stanley	Roxanne Celeste Wright
Eric Alan Conner**	Robert Andrew Gnage**	Gale Lynn Morrison	Cheryl Kay Strelow***	Joseph Eugene Youngblood
Jennifer Dawn Cox**	Randall Clark Gordon***	James Vincent Murray**	George Charles Suskalo**	Mary Zachariah
Thomas Charles Cutshall*	Francis Daniel Gough	Marie Kristine Myers*	Marina B. Suskalo	
Rodger O. Cutter	William Edward Green III	Christine Maria Novak**	Patricia Lynn Swartz*	
		Linda Evelyn Nowak*		

Associate of Arts Degrees

Deborah Gail Aitchison	Michael Andrew Caudie	Peter Charles Francis**	Samuel Roland Licorish*	Brenda Faye Smith
Molly Albert	Lister Yew Chen**	Jodi Ann Franke	Karen Sue McCutchan	David Richard Sorensen**
Darren Roger Allgeyer	Jodie Lynn Clark	Vicki Kathleen Fuessel	Coty Robert Myrtill	James Wesley Terry
Amy Anderson	James R. Collard	Laura M. Gault	Laurance Brett Nicholls	Ted Alton Van Meter
P. Alan Anstis	Dannielle Denise Coomer*	Lara Lee Germano	Emmanuel Dacosta Adjei	Shaun Venish
Janice Marie Antion	Joseph Francis D'Costa	William R. Grinnell*	Okai**	Roy Alan Waterhouse
Jeffrey Hiewo Anto	William Daniel DeJarnette	Kimberly Beth Hagy*	Edward Walter Oliver	Terri Lynn Waters
Jennifer Lee Arenburg	George De Vlugt Jr.*	John Martin Halko	Preston Michael Olmstead*	Sandra Joyce Williams
Philip Jerold Aust	Edward Lyon Dunn Jr.*	David Anthony Harper	Corinne Kay Ostrander	Lisa Williamson
Kenneth C. Barker	Thomas Diack Dunn**	Wade Joseph Hoffman	Rony Paul Alix Philbert*	Keith Roy Wilson***
Blair Barclay Beaumont*	Rene M. Barnes-Eddings*	Michelle Renee Hopkins*	Paul Andrew Pieper*	Mark David Wine
Katrina Janette Benson	Jonathan Thomas Fahey*	Louise Rebecca Hunnisett***	Darryl Andrew Pifer*	Bruce Benton Wynn
Stacey Lynn Black	Susan Elizabeth Faw	Russell Hunter	Maria Soledad Quintanilla	
James Edward Blackwell	Joanne Linda Fawcett	Jewel Lisa Kilgore	Larry Edward Rambo Jr.**	
Christopher Bolzern*	Patrick Charles Fearon*	Reinhard Klett	Suzanne Yvette Reeves	
Benjamin Albert Boyer**	Laura Christina Filipovic	Nancy Lynn Kulesza	Daniel Francis Roy	
Heather Leah Carman**	Rebecca Ann Foote*	Christine Virginia Leon	Brian Ward Sears*	

Associate of Science Degrees

Keith Daniel Aguirre	Donna Kay Curtis	Pamela Kay Johnson	Cecile Jacqueline Martin	Colene Beth Wade***
Radford Manuel Arner**	Anne Marie Douglas***	Cynthia Ann Kendall	Fernando Pla Jr.*	Nichole Ann Young
Shane Reuben Bazer*	Emmanuel Everette Hill	Colin Lionel Larose**	Martha Louise Rupp***	
Ellen Kay Burdette	Louise Hose	Mark Gerrard Lengwin Jr.**	Marika Sue Schnell	
Robert Todd Butterbaugh	Scott Campbell Hughes	David Coleman Logan**	Ruth Terrier	

***With highest distinction (grade point average [GPA] of 3.8 or better) **With high distinction (GPA of 3.5 or better) *With distinction (GPA of 3.2 or better)

ACCENT ON THE LOCAL CHURCH

German-speaking teens learn the nets

The first YOU district volleyball tournament in the German-speaking area took place April 3 in Troisdorf, West Germany. Six teams participated.

The Hannover, West Germany, team placed first and received the best sportsmanship award. Bonn, West Germany, was second, fol-

lowed by Darmstadt, West Germany, the Southeast region II team, Switzerland and Southeast I.

Friedel Tuerling, Hannover team captain, and Gabriele Kornprobst, Southeast II team captain, were chosen as outstanding male and female players.

John Karlson, regional director, was announcer for the tournament.

The players wore new uniforms purchased from church activity funds. They "really boosted team morale and spirit," said Sherri Schneider, who coordinated the volleyball program in the German-speaking area with her husband, Norbert.

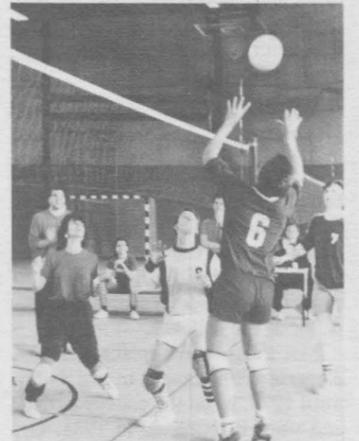
At the end of the tournament, seven all-star YOU players played against a team from the German Office. This was a demonstration match to show proper teamwork and the skill level that is possible. The office team won.

Most Church youths had not played volleyball until Mr. and Mrs. Schneider gave a training seminar in each area. The teams had few opportunities for practice before the tournament.

This was the first opportunity for many of the teens to play in a tournament since school games primar-

ily take place on the Sabbath.

"I was very pleasantly surprised to see how many exhibited good, Christian sportsmanship even though it was their first tournament," said Winfried Fritz, pastor of the Darmstadt and Bonn-Duesseldorf, West Germany, churches. *Frankie Weinberger.*



FIRST TOURNEY—An all-star team of teens from German-speaking areas faces a team from the German Office at the region's first volleyball tourney April 3. [Photo by Christel Wilson]

BIG SANDY CLASS OF 1988

Associate of Arts Degrees

Arryn K. Anderson*	Jo-Anne Elizabeth Douglas*	Clayton Russell Houghton	Thomas Mal Monbrod	Holly Kirsten Sorenson
Clifford Anderson	Bradley Mark Ellis*	Alice Anne Houseman	Jennifer Lea Morgan***	Scott H. Steenport
Steven Erik Atkinson*	Mark William Farmer*	Terry Alan Howell	John Phillip Neal**	Paula Michelle Swank
Brenda Kaye Barfield	Melanie Kay Faulkner	Tom Huber	James Lynn Newsom	Priscilla Taylor*
Ellen Michelle Bedford**	Matthew Norman Feakes**	Leah Beth Hughes*	Pamela Ellen Nickelsen	Matthew Robert Tellez
David Eugene Black	Julia Arlene Fenton	Jeffery Baker Hutcherson*	David B. Palmer	Jennifer Joy Thomson*
Monty Wayne Bobo*	Sean Paul Finnigan*	Connie Cheryl Johnson*	Daniel Partin	Melinda S. Unzicker
Cathleen Gabriella Bonney*	Matthew Paul Fish	Justina Joy Johnson*	Gavin Raymond Power**	Paul Daniel Vinson
Leanne Michelle Bradford	Patrick Todd Ford*	Heidi Lynn Johnston*	Peter H. Preteroti	Mary Ann Wagler*
Michael D. Brady	Paul Brian Forester**	Katy Lynn Kendall	Patricia Ann Prociuk	David Bryan Webb***
Tonya Lea Brady*	Rodrick Verne Foster	Maria Jane Kennedy*	Timothy J. Quast**	Ian Andrew Webb
Deborah L. Browning	Johannus Victor Francis	Ja'nean Lenore Klar	Daniel A. Reedy*	Jonathan Lee West
Lillian Gwen Burns	Eric Neal Frantz	Edward James Kopec***	Didier John Richoux	Heather Ann Wheeler
Steven Bradley Bushert	Jeanette Marie Fricke**	Constance Marie Kramer*	Randal Paul Roberts	Jonathan Dale Whitaker*
Regina Gwen Caldwell**	Terri Lynn Gay	Kayla Estelle Kuykendall	Patricia Ann Robinson*	Susan Jane Frances White*
James Scott Callahan*	Cynthia Estelle Gehman**	Patricia Ann Lantz	Christopher Hans Rochelle	Aaron Ray Wiley
Paul Andrew Carter	Gina Debra Goodell**	John Micah Laux	Michelle M. Salander	Kenneth Forrest Williams
Jeffrey Lynn Chandler	Kevin Richard Graham**	Scott Andrew Lindon*	Timothy Steven Salcedo	Michael Eugene Williams*
Grant James Chick	Derrick Shane Granger*	Jeremy Robert Loxton**	Adele Monica Sanoy	Tamara Kay Winner*
Laura Jane Cook*	James Elliott Gustafson	James William Lucas*	Darwin John Sanoy*	Shawna Le Woodall
Stanley Jerome Cook**	Timothy Lee Hahn	Eric Nathaniel Lyon	Penelope E. Savoia	Paula Marler Wright**
Lori Cathleen Cooper**	George H. Harmon**	Christopher John Majeau	Brian Dale Schroeder**	Deanne Yelverton
Deborah Joyce Cottrill	Laverne Dawn Harty	Julie Denise Mayer	Cathleen Jo Schulz*	
Trena Marie Craft	Scott Alan Herridge**	Peter Richard McClung*	Charles Edward Sikes	
Cheryl Debelak	Theodore Jesse Hirschler	Audrey Ellen McCord*	Martin Slaman**	
Russell W. DeVilbiss	Vincent Paul Hirschler	Christopher Scot McNeil	Paula Jean Soik	

Associate of Science Degrees

Yvonne Marie Acheson**	Lynda Marie Cole	Manya Nicole Gustafson	Michael Douglas Miller	Gary Clark Saliba**
Connie Louise Avara	Audrey Bernice Crabb**	Amy Elizabeth Hooser	Shaun Emory Miller***	Ronald Grayson Schwedes Jr.
Linda Anne Baxter	Elizabeth K. Horton*	Elizabeth K. Horton*	Ruth Muench**	Michael William Screen*
Sara Jane Border*	Daniel Jon Duffield**	Connie Cheryl Johnson*	Jennifer Lee Muenster	Marie Lynn Shepard
Heather Leanne Brown*	Tomra Lee Eltrich	John L. Keith*	Tammy Cherie Northrip	Susan Lila Slack
Robert Eldon Brown III	Kathline Donice Farmer*	Brian K. Kenady	Shelley Renee Payne	Penny Lynn Stewart*
Sarah Louise Brown**	Rodrick Verne Foster	Darlene Kiewer*	Tina Marie Pfister	Thomas Mark Terry
Jennifer Kaye Burky**	Diana Lynn Fraley	Kimberly Dawn Kundert***	Lorna Gail Price	Margaret Ann Walter
Steven John Cardillo	Jeanette Marie Fricke**	Carmen Marie Lee*	Jerry Andrew Rehor	Scott D'Arcy Watson*
David Michael Cartmel	Kathy L. Garrish*	Helen Marie Lobpreis**	Melissa DaAnn Rogers	David Bryan Webb***
Gillian Chapman	Gina Debra Goodell*	Holly Lynn Luginbill**	Linda Kay Rouse	Jerry Williams
Thomas J. Childress	Jonathan Earl Graham*	Christine Laury McNaughton*	Luana Rudolph	Mark Owen Wright

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and end-of-semester party that afternoon and evening.

Graduation ball, organized by the junior class, took place May 12 in the student center. The theme was "From the Grain of a Mustard Seed."

After graduation

The college administration is up-

grading Career Services, wrote evangelist Donald Ward, vice chancellor of the college, in the "Pastor General's Report." "This program aims to help students begin to think about and plan their futures and also help them to actually be placed in the job market upon graduation.

"We are very pleased with the progress in this area during this school year—almost all of our four-year graduates already know where they will be working after graduation," he said.

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

PASADENA—A new Church publication for co-workers titled *News of the Work—For Co-workers of the Worldwide Church of God* was approved by Pastor General Joseph W. Tkach in April.

The two-color, four-page newsletter, which contains a literature offer and an accompanying envelope, will be sent each month with Mr. Tkach's regular co-worker letter.

Since *News of the Work* is a compilation of articles that members already receive in *The Worldwide*

now have a complete picture of telecast responses," said Mr. Pyle.

The World Tomorrow first aired on five television stations in July, 1955. In August the number of stations rose to 13.

From July, 1955, through April, 1988, the telecast generated 1,818,627 letters and 7,984,574 telephone responses in the United States.

PASADENA—Robin Jones and John Livingston received 25-year plaques at a Ministerial Refreshing Program dinner here May 17.

Mr. Jones pastors the Godalming, Reading and Southampton, England, churches. He and his wife,

Shirley, have served several churches in the United Kingdom. Mr. Jones was student body president and a faculty member at the former Bricket Wood, England, campus of Ambassador College. Mr. and Mrs. Jones both received watches with the Ambassador College seal on the faces.

Mr. Livingston, a proofreader at Publishing Services and former faculty member at Imperial Schools in Big Sandy, attended the dinner with his wife, Esther, and their son-in-law and daughter, Monte and Kayte Wolverton. Mr. Livingston also received a watch.

The presentations were made by Joseph W. Tkach Jr., associate director of Church Administration for the United States.

PASADENA—Boyd Leeson, Plain Truth circulation manager, and Terry Warren, creative director for promotion services at Publishing, attended the 20th annual Montreux Symposium in Montreux,

Switzerland, April 23 to 29.

The theme of the symposium was "Direct Marketing Toward a United Europe." Lectures and workshop sessions covered the changing face of Europe and how the removal of trade barriers in 1992 will affect global publishers and direct marketers.

Mr. Leeson and Mr. Warren met staff members from the Bonn, West Germany, and Borehamwood, England, regional offices who attended the symposium.

"In Paris and in Rome we met with our representatives for direct marketing and circulation [Samuel Kneller, pastor of the Paris church, and Michael Caputo of Italy] to discuss the various ways we might better reach the Italian and French populations. We discussed differences between advertising techniques in Europe and the United States," said Mr. Leeson.

PASADENA—The Mail Processing Center (MPC) received an

initial 70 percent response to 18,821 letters offering a certificate of completion to Correspondence Course graduates. As of May 18, the postal center mailed 13,138 certificates.

PASADENA—The Mail Processing Center (MPC) received requests for the following literature titles.

Are We Awake in the Last Days?, Are We Living in the Last Night?, Book of Revelation—Unreal at Last!, Everything Unveiled at Last!, Revelation Rereleased, Revelation Unpeeled at Last, Do We Have the Complete Body?

Eating Your Financial Worries, Enjoying Your Financial Worries, How Are We Born?, Sometimes I Wonder Why I Was Born, Marriage—to Hell and Back, Middle Yeast in Prophecy, Mess of the Ages, Seven Laws of Credit, Seven Ways to Make Money, The Plain Truth Was Not on Sunday and The Resurrection—Simple as 1, 2, 3.



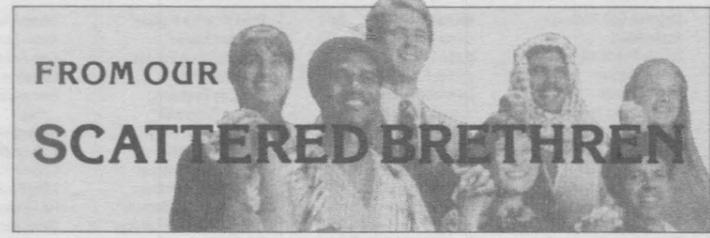
'NEWS OF THE WORK'

News, it is being sent only to English-speaking co-workers worldwide.

"The publication will familiarize co-workers with the Church, Ambassador College, Ambassador Foundation and other Church-related organizations and support functions," said Dexter Faulkner, executive editor.

"By sharing the news of the Work, we include them further into the inner family and thus build closer bonds with them," Bernard W. Schnippert, director of Media Production Services, wrote in the "Pastor General's Report."

The first issue was completed May 17 in Editorial Services and mailed with the May 25 co-worker letter, according to managing editor Jeff Zhorne.



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

PASADENA—Computers to handle subscription list updates for Church publications are being installed in the Nairobi, Kenya, Office, according to David Stirk, who serves as business manager for East and West Africa in the British Office.

The system should be fully set up and running before the end of this year.

Computers will also be installed in the Lagos, Nigeria; Accra, Ghana; and Blantyre, Malawi; offices in 1989.

The new system will enable the office staff to handle computer activity on-site in Africa. "This will speed up the turnaround immensely and will also increase the accuracy

of our subscription list," Mr. Stirk explained.

Newsstands in Greece

The following report was received from Michael Moschidis, a member who monitors Plain Truth newsstands in Athens, Greece.

"Distribution of *The Plain Truth* in Greece from newsstands was resumed in 1985 after a long latent period. Originally distributed in the greater Athens area, *The Plain Truth* now reaches most parts of the country.

"Eighteen hundred *PTs* are distributed every month, which project poses a significant claim on the income of the Church in Greece.

"Most stands are visited once or

twice in a month; distant stands are visited once or twice in a year . . .

"A very good prospect appears to be the city of Berea in the northwest. The city retains high standards of culture and wealth not found in other cities visited this summer. The Bereans are broad-minded, wealthy and educated."

World Tomorrow in Malta

Brethren in Malta were approached by a video shop manager wishing to lend *World Tomorrow* videotapes to his customers, free of charge.

"The idea was that every time they hired [rented] an educational video, he would lend them a *World Tomorrow* video free," according to Mr. Stirk. "This has proved very successful."

The storekeeper has taken it one step further. Advertisements have appeared in the Malta Sunday Times, such as: "The *World Tomorrow* programmes as televised throughout the world are on video for free rental, also the *Plain Truth* monthly magazine, available from Rogers of Fleur-de-Lys (near roundabout)."

Nigeria

During his last visit to Jos, Nigeria, in February, Mr. Stirk was offered the use of a newly built auditorium at the University of Jos.

"The facility is very uplifting and will enable us to move out of the

hotel we have used for a number of years," he said. "The plan is to begin biweekly Sabbath services from the second of April." Members will hear a tape for one meeting and a live sermon on the second.

Lateef Edalere, pastor of the Lagos, Benin City and Owerri, Nigeria, churches, reported the following, after a trip to the northern states of Nigeria:

"The trip took 10 days and covered a total of 2,500 kilometers [about 1,550 miles], ending with the monthly Bible study in Jos.

"On arrival at Ilorin in Kwara State, the members and prospective members were concerned for our safety . . .

"However, as I drove through the various cities I heard only of various demonstrations that had been staged, but was protected all the way . . .

"I am happy to inform you that God's people [in Owerri, Nigeria] are happier than before, because they are being served on a daily basis [by Bayo and Grace Ogunlase] . . . Let me assure you that the church here is on the upsurge—it is growing."

Uganda

Owen Willis, pastor of the Nairobi and Kibirichia, Kenya, and Blantyre, Malawi, churches, said that because of increasingly dangerous guerrilla activity in Uganda, "it is extremely difficult to contact the members in this area, and it is unwise to conduct services at the present time."

New Deadline for College Applicants

PASADENA—Ambassador College has set a new deadline for submitting applications for the fall, 1989, semester. All applications must be received by the Admissions Office here or in Big Sandy by Feb. 1, 1989, instead of March 1.

Applications for the fall, 1989, semester, are now available at each campus. Prospective applicants are encouraged to request their application packets and submit applications early. It is anticipated that highly qualified students who have taken the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) will begin to receive acceptance notices in October.

SAT test dates—The College Entrance Examination Board (CEEB) has released test dates for the United States and international administration of the SAT. (SAT scores are required of prospective students with less than 30 semester hours of college-level course work.)

The following dates are Saturday tests. All Sunday SATs are administered the day after these dates: Oct. 8 (limited to certain states), Nov. 5, Dec. 3 and Jan. 28. Other test dates (but considered too late for fall, 1989, admission) are scheduled for March 11, May 6 and June 3, 1989.

Students planning to apply to Ambassador College for the fall, 1990, semester should plan to take the SAT in the spring of 1989.

Registration information and forms for the above test dates should be available by late July. They may be obtained from high school counselor offices; by writing the CEEB, Box 592, Princeton, N.J., 08540; or by calling 1-609-771-7600. Instructions for obtaining a Sunday administration are given in the SAT registration brochure.

The Ambassador College Admissions Committee strongly recommends that prospective Ambassador applicants take the SAT at the earliest possible date. The CEEB requires six weeks to process SAT registration for U.S. applicants and longer for international students.

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Pasadena

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Ambassador College
Big Sandy

13 hired as full-time ministers

PASADENA—Church Administration announced that the following men are hired into the full-time ministry.

To serve as assistant pastors are Anthony Bosserman, Wichita, Kan.; William Box, Cincinnati, Ohio, North; Howard Davis, Portland East and Hood River, Ore.; Richard Dunlap, Fayetteville and Fort Smith, Ark.; Steve Gerrard, Hagerstown and Cumberland, Md., and Front Royal, Va.; Byron Griffin, Big Sandy.

Michael Grovak, Manhattan and Westchester, N.Y.; David Perry, Charleston, S.C., and Savannah, Ga.; Ellis Rice, Columbia, S.C., and Augusta, Ga.; Kenneth Sparks, Boston and Worcester, Mass.; and Warren Wilson, Toledo and Findlay, Ohio.

Michael Kuykendall will serve as a ministerial trainee in the Orlando, Fla., A.M. and P.M. churches, and Jonathan McNair will serve as a ministerial trainee in the Knoxville A.M. and P.M. and Cookeville, Tenn., churches.

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