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## Russian media officials see how Work is done in Pasadena

By Paul Monteith

PASADENA—Representatives of Petersburg Television-Radio Co. visited Church headquarters Feb. 2 to 7.

They were here to "discuss the development of the Ambassador Foundation project in Russia and to establish contacts with people in the media field," said Cliff Worthing.

Cliff and Simone Worthing and Debbie Armstrong, who are participating in the project at Petersburg Television-Radio, returned to the United States Jan. 22 to translate for the Russians.

The four representatives—Victor Yugin, president of the company, a deputy in the Russian Parliament and former press secretary to President Boris Yeltsin; Irina Prudnikova, director of commercial advertising; Yuri Radkevich, radio and television presenter; and Neonila Petrenko, commercial advertising—were greeted at Los Angeles airport by the Worthings, Debbie, Victor Kubik, assistant director of Church Administration U.S., and his wife, Beverly.

In Pasadena the group enjoyed a champagne *vecherinka* (a small gathering at which food and drinks are served) in Debbie's apartment. The Russians were housed in apartments on Church property.

### Exposed to Western ideas

When they later met with Mr. Kubik the Russians said they want the project to continue.

The Foundation staff exposes the company to Western ideas and work standards, which helps them develop business relations with other countries, they explained. They were also thankful for contacts the Church can help them establish in the West.

Mr. Kubik said the Church would like to see a fairly regular turnover of staff on the project so as many people as possible can be trained in the Russian language and culture.

Mr. Yugin, appointed company president in September by Mr. Yeltsin after the August coup, was not too familiar with the Church or the project before the visit, said Debbie, but our organization and people impressed him.

"Now that he has met us he wants those on the project to be more involved in the station's television and radio programs."

He would also like to set up a television and radio news network using our media experience and some of the contacts the Church has, Simone said.

"He wants to expand the com-

pany's involvement with the Church and provide for us any video footage we may want of events in Russia and the former republics, and help us make contact with people there who can assist us, such as translators or people in the performing arts.

"They want to give as well as receive from us and this visit has helped cement a friendship as well as the business side of the project," she said.

Mr. Kubik later discussed the results of this meeting with evangelist Larry Salyer, director of Church Administration International, and John Karlson, regional director for German-speaking areas. The project is now being administered from the German Regional Office.

### Members fund TV camera

While they were here the Church planned to buy the Russians a television camera. Jerry and Tami Rehor, who leave for Russia Feb. 25 to participate in the project, reviewed new and used cameras after discussing available technology with the visiting representatives.

The Rehors hope to take a television camera with them when they leave for St. Petersburg. Some of the money to purchase this equipment is coming from donations made by members for the project.

The Russians toured the Television studio here Feb. 3. Anne Stapleton, Television's tour guide, said they were amazed at the technology the studio has available but showed particular interest in a teleprompter.

A teleprompter allows a presenter to look directly into the lens of

a television camera while reading a script reflected on a special mirror in front of the lens. This frees the presenter from having to memorize a script.

A fascinated Mr. Radkevich, who has to memorize a page of script at a time during television recordings, said that the only teleprompter in Russia was in Moscow. A video recording was made of Mr. Radkevich reading from the teleprompter on the *World Tomorrow* set.

"We also introduced him to the remote transmitter earpiece, which we use for on-location shoots," said Richard Ames, *World Tomorrow* presenter. This device also eliminates the need to memorize a script.

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LIVE FROM PASADENA—Russian visitors find that Television's technology gives the studio flexibility and efficiency for producing programs. On the *World Tomorrow* set are (from left): Simone Worthing, Irina Prudnikova, Yuri Radkevich, Neonila Petrenko, Debbie Armstrong, Cliff Worthing and Anne Stapleton. [Photo by Charles Feldbush]

## Civil war ends in El Salvador

### Brethren still fighting financial battle

By Becky Sweat

PASADENA—A cease-fire between El Salvador's government and the Farabundo National Liberation Front (FMLN) went into effect Feb. 1, ending the country's 12-year civil war.

The war left more than 75,000 people dead and caused \$2 billion worth of damage, an amount equal to half of El Salvador's yearly gross national product.

The 180 Salvadoran brethren have been safe throughout the war, according to Herbert Cisneros, pastor of the San Sal-

vador, El Salvador, church.

All the Salvadoran brethren live in San Salvador, the nation's capital and largest city, but most of the conflict took place in the rural areas.

"There is hardly a single person



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in El Salvador—members and nonmembers alike—who doesn't have at least one relative who died in the war," Mr. Cisneros said.

### When the bullets flew

War has drawn the Salvadoran brethren closer together, in more ways than one.

During some of the more dangerous and risky periods of the war, Mr. Cisneros arranged for brethren to move in with one another as a safety precaution.

Members with the biggest homes temporarily housed Church families during emergencies.

November 1989 was one such time. "Some members had 20 to 60 people in their homes, and we had 36 people living in our house for 12 days," Mr. Cisneros said.

"People camped out in the middle of the house because this is where it was safest from bullets. If you went by a wall, you increased your chances of getting hit by gunshots."

During that month it was unsafe to walk the streets because of the conflict. With so

many people living in the Cisneroses' house, food that was expected to last one week lasted only three days.

"My son and I went for a walk to get some more food," he related. "After we'd gone about 100 meters from our house, my son was ahead of me and I stumbled and pushed him down."

"Behind me, I heard the impact of a bullet against some metal. If I hadn't accidentally pushed my son down, he would have been shot."

The most dangerous years Mr. Cisneros can remember were 1981, 1982 and 1989.

Several times he canceled Spokesman Club sessions and Sabbath services after bombs went off or machine guns were fired in San Salvador.

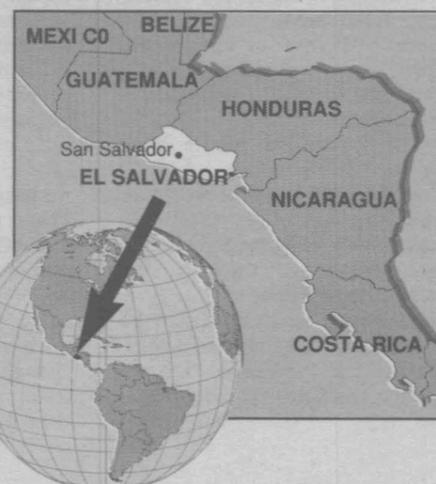
"Since people often couldn't go out at night, the degree of familiarity between the Salvadoran brethren increased," Mr. Cisneros said.

"Although it is true the battles drew them closer together, they were close to begin with. Salvadorans are friendly, easygoing and happy people. Despite the hardships the country has faced, El Salvador is known internationally as the 'Country of the Smile.'"

### Looking for work

Now that the government and FMLN guerrillas have stopped fighting, the biggest concern for the brethren is the economy.

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PERSONAL FROM  
Joseph W. Shach

Dear Brethren,

As February is Black History Month in the United States, I think this is an appropriate time to make some comments about the life and work of Martin Luther King Jr. and the American holiday observed each January in his name.

I know that some people tend to express reluctance about noting the holiday in honor of Dr. King's birthday. They appreciate the day off, but can't understand why Dr. King, of all people, should be honored with an American holiday.

Martin Luther King Day is about more than just one man. It is about bondage, oppression and racism. And conversely, it is about freedom, fairness and brotherhood.

I wonder if those who oppose a holiday in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. would prefer

that elderly black women riding buses in Southern states still be required to stand and give their seats to young white men. I wonder if they would prefer that drinking fountains still be marked "Whites Only" and "Colored."

I wonder if those who oppose a holiday in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. would prefer that our black brothers and sisters in Christ still have to go into the woods to relieve themselves because service stations refuse to let them use the rest rooms.

Racism is not something a person tends to think much about until it touches him or her personally.

But it is nevertheless a sin. Jesus stood in stark opposition to racism, and he set an example for us when he smashed the self-righteous social barriers of the first century.

The hero of one of his great parables was a despised Samaritan. Contrary to social norms, he spoke to women and ate with tax

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# New powers still want U.S. leadership

PASADENA—A New World Order, often spoken of these days, is taking shape. The United States will have a diminished but, for the time being, still pivotal role.

The global power shift under way was in evidence at an extraordinary special session of the United Nations Security Council Jan. 31 in New York. It was the first time that nations of the Security Council (five permanent members plus nine nonpermanent members) were represented by their presidents or prime ministers.

The new powers of the world made their presence felt in this highly symbolic gathering. Japan's Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa said representation on the Security Council should better reflect "the realities of the new era."

This was seen as a veiled demand by Japan for a permanent Security Council seat, some say by 1995 (the UN's 50th anniversary).

Japan, which pays a larger assessment than any UN member except the United States, wants a political role commensurate with its financial stake. Tokyo, said one Japanese official, increasingly resents UN "taxation without representation."

The German government was not directly represented at the New York meeting. But behind the scenes its diplomats were active. Berlin is not pushing for its own Security Council seat. Rather, it is said to favor combining the two



## WORLDWATCH

By Gene H. Hogberg

current chairs occupied by Britain and France into a single European Community (EC) seat. In world affairs, Berlin increasingly exercises power through the EC.

Economics is the major reason why the U.S. role in the global arena is bound to diminish. "Somebody has to take a leadership role, and it ought to be the United States," says Zbigniew Brzezinski, Carter administration national security adviser, "but we aren't in any shape to do it."

Illustrating this point, President George Bush, in his State of the Union address just before the UN meeting, unveiled a \$1.5 trillion budget containing a whopping \$400 billion deficit.

To understand what is happening, an important question needs asking: Do the new economic powers of the world—Japan and Germany, in particular—appear eager to assume greater global responsibilities as a direct challenge to the United States? From all indications, not now.

In the geopolitical arena Japan does not want to challenge U.S. preeminence. Japanese journalist

Yoichi Funabashi of the *Asahi Shimbun* expressed it this way: "Japan's relationship with the United States, as well as its world role, is better defined as 'supportive leadership.' Its role should not be primary, but auxiliary, to U.S. global posture and commitment."

Few Japanese want an end to the U.S.-Japan Security Treaty, under which the United States, with forces stationed on Japanese soil, remains ultimately responsible for Japan's security. This pact, says Foreign Minister Michio Watanabe, not only "ensures peace and stability in Asia" but "also enhances credibility of Japan's pledge not to become a major military power."

The Japanese, given their grim experiences with militarism, do not trust themselves with having larger armed forces. Neither do other Asian nations trust the Japanese. Alarm bells went off around the Pacific when the Philippine government would not renew the treaty allowing continued U.S. use of Subic Naval Base.

The otherwise widespread regional concern to keep America

as the major, impartial military power in the Pacific is the biggest reason why Singapore is granting greater access to its facilities to the U.S. Navy as a partial replacement for Subic.

What about Germany, which is assuming the dominant role in European affairs? Here, too, one sees a reluctance to get too far out in front of the United States.

The German government is trying hard to ease suspicions that a united Germany, showing new assertiveness, has become a less reliable ally. German leaders are also concerned that European, specifically French, stubbornness on the issue of agricultural subsidies could derail critical world trade talks and ignite a trade war across the Atlantic.

"It is in European interests that trade talks not fail," one German official told *The Wall Street Journal*. "If that means a European government falls [meaning that of French President Francois Mitterrand], we are sorry. But if the U.S. goes away from [the July econom-

ic summit in] Munich [angry] with the Europeans, or if Bush loses the elections and a protectionist president is elected, that is far worse for European interests."

Top officials in both Japan and Germany are going out of their way to express gratitude to America.

"Japan could not have achieved its postwar prosperity had it not been for the good-hearted support of the United States," said Prime Minister Miyazawa, Jan. 24.

In the Feb. 7 *Wall Street Journal*, Chancellor Helmut Kohl maintained that world leadership remains Washington's responsibility. "The U.S. has problems, some of them homemade," he said. "But one always relies, time and again, on the U.S. Every time, when responsibility has to be assumed, one calls for the Americans."

Germany is not pushing to replace the United States as the dominant regional military power. German and NATO forces are being reduced—two major American divisions are being withdrawn from Germany at this moment.

Whether major nations may begin taking more power unto themselves depends largely on U.S. economic health and political vigor.

## European Diary

By John Ross Schroeder



## Europe's time to choose

BOREHAMWOOD, England—Despite being wasted and wounded by two giant wars this century, Europe is on the move again.

A month ago evangelist David Hulme, *World Tomorrow* presenter, interviewed Hella Pick, a journalist and specialist in international affairs, in London. She told him the following story:

"Just the other day I was talking to Lord Carrington, who is now the chief negotiator for a peace settlement in Yugoslavia.

"He said to me, 'Hella, if you had walked into my room two years ago and had outlined to me what is happening—the disappearance of the Soviet Union, disappearance of Gorbachev, the end of the Cold War and so on—I would have committed you straight away into a mental home.'"

Ms. Pick's story captures surprise—even among government leaders—at the dynamic changes. Times are still changing.

Consider a few trends: The reemergence of fascism. Increasing anti-Semitism and racism. Talk of a European army. Rumblings about one European police force. The loss of individual sovereignty because of materialistic desires and the profit incentive.

### A time to choose

Throughout history, Europeans have been confronted with benchmark, epoch-making choices of good and evil, wisdom and folly. Once again, Europe is at the crossroads.

Which route will it take—the road of extreme nationalism, fascism and racism, or the road to true unity, peace and prosperity?

History hasn't been very kind to Europe. In this century alone it has been the scene of an unspeakable holocaust, cruelty and tragic suffering.

No government is truly tackling the problems of immorality, dishonesty, violence and selfishness, which exist close to the surface in every country in Europe—East or West. The nations that could be setting an example for good are woefully neglecting their task!

Europe's problems need to be tackled head-on. Nationalism, for instance, is on the march throughout the Continent. In France. In Austria. In Germany. In Britain. In the nations of the east. Nowhere seems to be immune.

Fascism is also clearly in evidence. In Britain, worried observers in the Houses of Parliament have relaunched the "anti-Nazi league"—a concept many thought had died for good.

Also, the best-seller in Eastern Europe is the newly translated *Mein Kampf* by Adolf Hitler—amazing, but sadly all too true.

The nations mask these worries by the unconvincing assurances of diplomats. But cold winds are blowing on the Continent. Men and women who remember the past look with concern into an uncertain future.

### New European renaissance

The dream of union has haunted Europe since Roman times. Only the Russian winter and Waterloo stopped Napoleon's efforts at a European empire. It took nearly the whole Western world to halt Germany during World War I. Winston Churchill brought that world against Hitler's Third Reich.

Now, near the end of a millennium, Europe races to union in spite of eastern fragmentation.

Europeans already talk of a common army (excluding the United States)—many different states in one uniform, perhaps under one flag and under one command. Individual sovereignty would be passed to the ruling body.

The idea of various groups paying allegiance to a power bloc is reminiscent of the biblical passage in which 10 kings place themselves under the authority of one individual or nation (Revelation 17:12-13).

We cannot say how and when such a force will emerge in the area that was once the Roman Empire. But it is our sincere hope that the peoples of Europe will avoid repeating the tragedies of the past and use their enormous human and natural resources for the benefit of mankind.



## Just one more thing

By Dexter H. Faulkner

## Willingness to change

Sir Winston Churchill once said: "The oldest habit in the world for resisting change is to complain that unless the remedy to the disease can be universally applied it should not be applied at all. But you must begin somewhere."

Everyone is in favor of progress, but most don't like to change, because change is not made without inconvenience and uncertainty.

This year will be filled with surprises, new opportunities, new threats, new challenges, new defeats, new victories, new frustrations, new fulfillment for all of us. To meet those challenges we need to be prepared physically and spiritually.

### A willing attitude

Being aware of something we need to change is not the same as being willing to change. We may know we need to change or that we should change, but that doesn't mean we want to change. Willingness is an essential ingredient in our Christian faith, however.

Willingness implies an enthusiasm about being part of God's Church. It implies excitement about being involved in the body of Christ and a determination to do our part.

The apostle Paul wrote about having "first a willing mind" (II Corinthians 8:12). Some people are especially wary of new ideas. Perhaps they were burned in the past by an idea that didn't work out. But we need to be willing to change.

Refusing to change can be detrimental to a Christian's spiritual health. Paul said, "Do not quench the Spirit" (I Thessalonians 5:19).

If we dig in our heels and refuse to consider adjusting our attitude and understanding, we could quench the Holy Spirit.

The Bible tells us that we should be willing to grow in grace and knowledge. Sometimes we are happy to grow in grace and be blessed continually by God's grace, but we forget about the knowledge.

Growing in knowledge involves a change in understanding and a willingness to learn.

We must continue to grow in "the grace and knowledge of our

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Lord and Savior Jesus Christ" (II Peter 3:18).

### Prove all things

There are some who are unwilling to entertain changes in understanding. Perhaps, at the beginning, we don't fully agree with a change or alteration that has been made and find ourselves automatically refusing.

I'm not referring to people who genuinely do not yet understand new teaching. It may take time to fully grasp a new idea. It's not easy to alter overnight something we have believed for many years. That is understandable.

But the past should not be idealized or idolized. That attitude can prevent change.

We should also be careful not to blow out of all proportion a change in the Church's understanding. Some of these things are adjustments more than major

changes in doctrine.

We are encouraged to carefully study the changes, and we would do well to follow Paul's advice to the Christians at Thessalonica.

He said: "Test all things; hold fast what is good. Abstain from every form of evil" (I Thessalonians 5:21-22).

Mr. Armstrong and Mr. Tkach have always said we should not just accept a new explanation or understanding without study.

Most importantly, go to God in prayer and ask him for the necessary understanding to comprehend the changes before us. Ask him for an open mind to study the material and for a willing attitude to learn.

God will help those who genuinely want to change. "For it is God who works in you both to will [to want to, to desire to] and to do for his good pleasure" (Philippians 2:13).

Patience is another key in learning to accommodate change. We must be patient with one other,

even patient with ourselves if we have difficulty understanding. God is above all patient with every one of us.

Also, take care when discussing doctrinal adjustments with others. We should not complain or put down the decision made by the leadership of the Church.

This may cause those listening to doubt and stumble. If we have difficulty with a change, we should discuss it with a minister or a close friend when necessary. But always keep an attitude of being willing to understand.

Let's not forget the resolution we made at baptism. We made a commitment to positive change, to lead a life of change.

As we approach the Passover this year, reflect upon the commitment we made to live a life compatible with the teachings of Christ. Are we willing to listen and willing to change?

# Ambassador Excellence award 'tradition,' says former mayor

PASADENA—Ambassador Foundation Chairman Joseph W. Tkach presented the fifth annual Ambassador Award for Excellence to tenor Placido Domingo, Feb. 2.

Consuls general and representations from several European and Central American nations were on hand, as well as chairmen and chief executive officers from major banks and corporations in the area.

The group was "the largest and most prominent group of invitees assembled at Ambassador," said evangelist David Hulme, a vice president of the Foundation.

Mr. Tkach described the Foundation's activities and its sponsorship of the Church, and outlined the broad difference between the "give" and "get" philosophies of life.

"He pointed out how the award was presented in a spirit of the

give philosophy to recognize exemplary service to humanity," said Mr. Hulme.

The media covered the event, and excerpts appeared on Cable News Network's "Headline News" and "Entertainment Report."

"We received many positive comments from guests, and several expressed awe and appreciation at how Ambassador could pull so many individuals from different ways of life and professions in one place," said Mr. Hulme.

A former mayor of Pasadena commented that the Ambassador Award for Excellence had "truly become an honored tradition," and that he knew of no other institution that could promote service in this way.



TOP HONOR—Tenor Placido Domingo (center), after receiving the Ambassador Award for Excellence in the Auditorium Feb. 2, with Ambassador Foundation Chairman Joseph W. Tkach (left) and evangelist David Hulme, Foundation vice president. [Photo by Hal Finch]

## El Salvador

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The nation's 38 percent unemployment rate could grow substantially as 50,000 soldiers and guerrilla fighters (10 percent of El Salvador's population) lay down their arms and look for work.

"Although unemployment is high, low salaries are the main difficulties for the brethren," said Mr. Cisneros.

The average salary for city workers is \$75 a month and for rural workers it is about \$65 a month.

But the brethren have salaries that are higher than average. "Those with the lowest income receive about \$150 a month," he said.

The Salvadoran brethren work in a variety of professions. There are businessmen, construction workers, teachers, architects, bricklayers and doctors.

Only about 1 percent of the brethren are unemployed. Many work two jobs to get by. The biggest expense for them is not

housing, as might be expected, but food.

"Most people have to spend between 65 and 70 percent of their income on food" if they are eating enough and eating nutritionally, according to Mr. Cisneros.

"Of course this figure is not totally accurate. If they really did spend this much on food, there wouldn't be enough money left over for housing, clothing, school and other expenses.

"What happens is people have to reduce the amount they spend on food in order to have money for other needs. We try to help the brethren out with third tithe, but there is not usually a lot there."

Inflation is also a big concern for the Salvadorans. During the 12 years of war, costs of food and consumer goods increased by more than 500 percent.

In many ways El Salvador is a land of the rich and the poor, with no middle class.

The Center for Economic and Social Investigations, a private organization in San Salvador, estimates that one fifth of the country's population controls two thirds of the country's wealth.

"Someone from the upper class may be able to pay \$5,000 a month to rent a big house in the suburbs, whereas a lower class family of four may only be able to afford \$30 a month to rent a 100-square-foot house," said Mr. Cisneros.

The economic situation is much worse in rural areas than in San Salvador. In large haciendas (estates) in the countryside, peasants often work 12-hour days for \$2 a day and no medical benefits.

Many children suffer from malaria and die. Only one in 10 peasants has access to clean drinking water.

But for most Salvadorans, rural or urban, their personal financial situation is the same or worse as it was before the uprising started.

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collectors and sinners. He even answered the pleas of a gentle woman who sought healing for her daughter.

Paul wrote in Ephesians 2:14-18: "For He Himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of division between us, having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace, and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity.

"And He came and preached peace to you who were afar off and to those who were near. For through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father."

In Romans 15:7, he wrote, "Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God" (New International Version).

Yet racism, it seems, is never dead, even in the Church of God. It still lurks in many hearts and crops up in various ways, both little ways and big ways, here and there, from time to time.

If our hearts are truly turned toward God, maybe we ought to think of Martin Luther King Day as a time to consider our own feelings and attitudes, and repent

of any racism still lingering there.

Racism is not limited to any one race. It's a human sin, and we all must leave it behind as we press toward the mark for the prize of our high calling in Christ.

Some say, "Well, Martin Luther King had some moral failings." It is all too easy to condemn everything a person accomplished and stood for by pointing to his or her shortcomings.

Since every human being is a sinner before God, such reasoning gets subjective and biased rather quickly.

We generally don't condemn George Washington, Abraham Lincoln or John F. Kennedy for their personal shortcomings. We prefer to remember them for their accomplishments. Let's not err in applying a double standard.

Rather than condemn the man for his faults, we ought to remember what he stood for. He stood for freedom. He stood for obtaining, through nonviolence, the rightful freedom guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution. He stood against fighting for freedom with guns, knives, fire-bombs and terrorism.

Look around the world and compare philosophies. In just the last month there was another terrorist bomb blast in downtown London. Terrorism as a tool for freedom fighting is the rule, not the exception.

But in the true spirit of American democracy and the American Constitution, Martin Luther King Jr. stands out as one who was able to obtain, through nonviolent means, fundamental changes in unfair, racist, oppressive and unconstitutional local laws.

On the subject of nonviolence, Dr. King wrote: "Violence as a way of achieving racial justice is both impractical and immoral. It is impractical because it is a descending spiral ending in destruction for all.

"The old law of an eye for an eye leaves everybody blind. It is immoral because it seeks to humiliate the opponent rather than win his understanding; it seeks to annihilate rather than to convert.

"Violence is immoral because it thrives on hatred rather than love. It destroys community and makes brotherhood impossible. It creates bitterness in the survivors and brutality in the destroyers."

Yet he was branded as a Communist, a rabble-rouser, an

agitator. Consider this: What if he had been like so many others who advocated terrorism and outright racial warfare?

Dr. King was a leader who roused the hearts of oppressed people with the goal of freedom through *passive* (think about that) resistance, through *nonviolence*.

Many gave their lives in that cause, remaining faithful to that ideal of nonviolence. And it worked.

But it would never have happened that way if Martin Luther King had not been the chief leader of the movement, rather than certain others who did not have his vision and commitment not only to justice and freedom, but to obtaining them through nonviolent means.

For us as Christians, who value and prize our redemption in Jesus Christ, and who knock down the walls of prejudice and racism in our own fellowship in the Holy Spirit, the day ought to remind us of the need to examine our own hearts.

Just as Thanksgiving is a time to reflect on God's bountiful love toward us, the Martin Luther King holiday should be a time to reflect on freedom from bondage—something that, as Christians, we can appreciate more fully than anyone else on earth.

The civil rights movement, of course, did not solve the fundamental cause of racism and injustice. And it did not end the hate in people's hearts. Yet it did end the leverage of local laws to support that hatred.

Personally, I am embarrassed by and ashamed of some of the statements that appeared in the *Plain Truth* magazine during those turbulent years of the early 1960s. I am thankful that, through God's mercy, we have grown beyond those attitudes.

I hope all of us look deeply within ourselves and repent of racism and prejudice.

And I hope we can appreciate the life's work of this great American, who sacrificed his life in the struggle to end oppression and open the freedom of the U.S. Constitution to all American citizens.

Let's not look at people with just our eyes. Let's look at them with our hearts, as Jesus did, realizing that the only true unity for humanity is in its common relationship with God—made possible only by the reconciliation available through Jesus Christ.

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### 'Personal' strikes chords

Today marks my fourth time to read and reread your "Personal" in the Nov. 25 issue of *The Worldwide News* on our need to become balanced in our understanding of the proclaiming of the gospel of the kingdom of God, and the importance of our focusing in on the whole gospel, not just part of it.

A lot of good food for thought and digestion and correction. May God bless every one of you with strength, health and goodwill to proclaim the whole gospel message until his will is done for all mankind.

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Your "Personal" column in *The Worldwide News* of July 22, 1991, has moved me to express my thanks to you for your leadership and your love of the truth of the word of God. I truly appreciate the validity and sincerity of all the points you presented in this article about growth and our understanding of God's plan for all mankind.

The accusation of "totally dismantling everything God gave to his Church through Mr. Armstrong" is refuted in every word of this "Personal." I see the great care you take to clearly and simply explain the truths of the Bible in plain English. Nowhere do you take liberties with the context or meaning of the Scriptures to which you refer.

God is certainly leading you in a very powerful way, Mr. Tkach. You always put the Bible first, and so must we. We need articles like this to put out the errors and misconceptions that arise far too easily in our minds.

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# Unleavened Bread Recipes

Following are recipes submitted by the Ambassador College Home Economics Department.

## COTTAGE CHEESE ROLLS

1 cup butter, softened  
\*2 cups cottage cheese, small curd  
1 cup all-purpose flour  
1 cup whole wheat flour  
1/2 tsp. salt

In medium bowl, cream butter until smooth; stir in cottage cheese. In another bowl, mix the all-purpose flour, whole wheat flour and salt together. Add the flour mixture to the butter-cheese mixture and stir until flour and butter are evenly distributed. Dough will be sticky.

Divide dough into 4 equal pieces; shape into balls, using a little extra flour, if necessary, to keep it from sticking to your hands. Chill dough in refrigerator at least 3 hours (or in freezer about 1 hour).

Slightly flatten each ball and lightly dust it with flour. Place between 2 sheets of plastic wrap and roll out in a circle about 1/4-inch thick. Cut into pie-shaped wedges (6-8 wedges per circle); roll each up starting at the wide end to form crescent-shaped pastries.

Bake at 350 F. until lightly browned, about 30-35 minutes. (If desired, glaze with drizzled honey or a powdered sugar glaze.)

NOTE: The dough can be kept up to 3 days in the refrigerator.

\*The smaller and drier the curd, the better. More flour may be needed if cottage cheese is very moist (2-3 cups). Makes 2 dozen.

## CINNAMON MUFFINS

1 cup unsalted butter, softened  
1 cup sugar  
1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour  
6 eggs  
1 Tbl. ground cinnamon

Preheat oven to 350 F. Line the cups of two 12-cup muffin tins with paper cupcake liners. The cups should measure about 2 1/2 inches in diameter across the bottom.

With an electric mixer, beat the butter, sugar and 2 Tbl. of the flour together until the mixture is light and fluffy. Beat in eggs, one at a time. Combine remaining flour and cinnamon and sift them slowly over the mixture, beating batter until smooth.

To make the batter by hand cream the butter, sugar and 2 Tbl. of the flour together by mashing and beating them against the side of the bowl with a large spoon until fluffy. Beat in eggs, one at a time. Combine the remaining flour and the cinnamon and gradually sift them into the batter, beating well after each addition.

Ladle the batter into the paper-lined muffin cups, filling each one about half full. Bake in the middle of the oven for 15 minutes, or until the tops of the muffins are golden brown and firm to the touch. Serve warm or at room temperature. Makes about 20.

## CHEESE PRETZELS

1/2 cup firmly packed, grated, sharp cheddar cheese  
1/4 cup cream cheese, softened  
1/4 cup unsalted butter, cut into pieces  
2/3 cup all-purpose flour  
1/4 tsp. salt  
Pinch of paprika  
Pinch of cayenne  
1 large egg, lightly beaten with 1 tsp. water  
2/3 cup grated Parmesan cheese, spread on wax paper

In a food processor fitted with a steel blade (a mixer may also be used), blend the cheddar cheese, cream cheese and butter until smooth.

Add the flour, salt, paprika and cayenne, mixing until just combined. Transfer dough to a work surface, roll it into a 12-inch log. Wrap in wax paper and chill for 1 hour in the refrigerator (or in freezer for about 20 minutes).

Cut the roll into 1-inch pieces and roll each piece into a 12-inch rope, flouring the surface very lightly, if necessary, to prevent the dough from sticking. Transfer each rope as it is rolled to a sheet of wax paper; brush it lightly with the egg mixture and roll it in the Parmesan.

Form the ropes into pretzels, pressing the ends down lightly to secure them. Arrange the pretzels on a baking sheet lined with parchment paper and chill them



**SPECIALTIES**—Ambassador College home economics students (from left), Patricia Prociuk, Debbie Shuta, Naomi Carlisle and Trish Ozment, prepared these delectable treats with no leavening. [Photo by Mike Bedford]

for 1 hour in refrigerator (15 minutes in freezer).

Bake the pretzels in the middle of a preheated 375 F. oven for 12 to 15 minutes, or until they are golden. Let them cook on the baking sheet for 2 minutes. Transfer the pretzels carefully with a spatula to a rack and let them cool completely.

(If any of the parchment paper sticks to the bottom of the pretzels, it will peel off when the pretzels are cool). The pretzels can be made a day in advance and kept in an airtight container. Makes 12 pretzels.

## CHEESE NAPOLEONS

1 cup flour  
1/2 tsp. salt  
1/4 cup oil  
2 Tbl. milk  
1 cup grated cheddar cheese

Pour flour and salt into mixing bowl; mix. Slowly add oil, tossing mixture with a fork. Add milk and cheese, stir until dough clings together. A little more milk may be added if dough seems too dry.

Place onto an ungreased cookie sheet. Press out and cut into squares. Bake for 10-12 minutes at 425 F., or until brown.

## MAPLE-NUT BUTTER HORNS

2 cups whole wheat flour  
1/4 tsp. salt  
1/3 cup butter  
1 egg yolk  
1 cup sour cream  
1 tsp. vanilla  
1/4 cup melted butter  
3/4 tsp. cinnamon  
1 1/2 cup honey  
2 1/2 tsp. maple flavoring

Measure flour and salt into bowl; cut in butter until flour forms a course mixture. Stir in egg yolk and sour cream, knead; if dough seems too dry, sprinkle a little water on dough and knead in. Shape dough into a ball, cover bowl and chill in refrigerator overnight.

The next day take honey and mix in maple flavoring (if honey is sugared, melt slightly), divide dough into three parts. On lightly floured board roll each into a 12-inch circle. Spread melted butter over circle, then honey maple mixture, sprinkle with cinnamon and nuts; cut into 12-inch pie-shaped wedges. Starting at wide edge, roll up.

Place on greased baking sheet with point tucked underneath. Bake 375 F. for 20-30 minutes. Makes 3 dozen.

## CHEESE TWISTS

1 cup all-purpose flour  
1/4 tsp. garlic powder  
1/8 tsp. salt  
1/8 tsp. ground red pepper  
1 cup finely shredded cheddar

or American cheese (4 oz.)  
1/4 cup margarine or butter  
3-5 Tbl. cold water  
1 beaten egg  
2 Tbl. toasted sesame seed or poppy seed.

Preheat oven 400 F. In a large mixing bowl combine flour, garlic powder, salt and red pepper. Cut in cheese and margarine or butter until pieces are the size of small peas. Sprinkle 1 Tbl. of the water over part of the mixture. Gently toss with a fork. Push to side of bowl. Repeat till all of the flour mixture is moistened. Shape dough into a ball.

On a lightly floured surface, flatten dough with hands. Roll out dough from center to edges, forming a 10-inch square. Brush with egg. Sprinkle with sesame seed or poppy seed. Cut dough into 5 x 1/2-inch strips. Twist each strip. Place on lightly greased baking sheets. Bake in a 400 F. oven for 10-12 minutes or till golden brown. Serve warm or cool. Makes 40.

**Variations: Herbed Parmesan Twists:** Prepare as above, except do not use red pepper. Add 1/4 tsp. crushed dried oregano to the flour mixture, and substitute 3 Tbl. grated Parmesan cheese for the sesame seed or poppy seed.

**Swiss-Caraway Twists:** Prepare as above, except substitute Swiss cheese for the cheddar or American cheese and caraway seed for the sesame seed or poppy seed.

## CHEESE-CHILI PUFFS

1 3/4 cup all-purpose flour  
1/2 tsp. seasoned salt  
1/2 tsp. garlic salt  
1/2 cup butter or margarine  
1/2 cup dairy sour cream  
1 cup grated sharp cheddar cheese (4 oz.)  
1/4 cup chopped green chilies, drained

In a medium bowl, combine flour, seasoned salt and garlic salt. Use a pastry blender or fork to cut in butter or margarine until mixture is crumbly. Stir in sour cream until mixture holds together. Stir in cheese and chilies. Shape into a ball. Cover and refrigerate 6 hours or overnight.

Preheat oven to 375 F. On a lightly floured board, roll out dough 1/4-inch thick. Cut into 1 1/2-inch circles or into fancy shapes with cookie cutters. Place on an ungreased baking sheet. Bake 14 to 18 minutes in preheated oven until puffed and golden. Serve immediately. Makes about 60 appetizer servings.

## GOLDEN DELICIOUS PANCAKES

1 cup cream-style cottage cheese  
6 eggs  
1/2 cup flour  
1/4 tsp. salt  
1/4 cup oil  
1/4 cup milk  
1/2 tsp. vanilla

Blend all the ingredients together in a blender for 1 minute, stopping once to stir down any ingredients that have not blended. Use 1/4 cup of batter for each pancake. Can be used to make waffles also. Makes 20 4 inch pancakes.

## EGG 'N' ONION MATZOS

2 cup whole wheat flour  
3/4 tsp. salt  
1/3 cup butter

1 egg  
2 1/2 tsp. onion powder  
1/2 cup milk or cold water

Add onion to the milk to soak while you are working the flour and butter. Cut butter into flour and salt until like meal. Combine rest of ingredients and add to flour mixture. Stir until mixture forms a ball (if dough is too sticky, add a little more flour) but avoid overworking to keep crackers tender.

Divide dough into thirds and roll out on well-floured surface, adding more flour as needed to keep dough from sticking to rolling pin or surface. Roll until thin, about 1/16 inch to 1/32 inch.

Cut into desired shapes and place on greased cookie sheet. Prick with a fork. Bake in preheated 450 F. oven about 5 minutes depending on thinness, or just until crackers begin turning light golden brown. Makes about 6 dozen, 2 inch squares

## HIGHLAND CRACKERS

1/2 cup plus 1 Tbl. whole wheat flour  
1/2 tsp. salt  
few grains cayenne  
3 Tbl. oil  
1/4 cup grated sharp cheddar cheese  
1/2 cup quick-cooking rolled oats  
1/4 cup cold water  
paprika  
Preheat oven to 425 F.

Into a medium mixing bowl stir together the flour, salt and cayenne. Cut in oil until particles are tiny. Stir in cheese and oats. (If using other than quick-cooking oats, let them soak a few minutes ahead of time in water.) Sprinkle water over mixture, stirring with a fork. (If necessary to make dough hold together, add a little more cold water.)

Form into a ball, flatten and shape into a rectangle. Fold out on a prepared stockinet-covered rolling pin to form a 12 x 7 1/2 inch rectangle. Cut into 1 1/2 inch squares. Place 1 inch apart onto ungreased cookie sheets.

Bake in 425 F. oven until browned, 12-15 minutes. A few minutes before crackers are done, sprinkle with paprika. (If crackers are underbaked they will be soft; if well baked, crisp.)

**NOTE:** To convert Fahrenheit to Celsius, subtract 32 from the number of degrees Fahrenheit (F.) and multiply by 5/9. In other words, C = (F-32)5/9. For example: 300F. = 149C.; 350F. = 177C.; 400F. = 204C.

Some U.S. to metric cooking measures: 1 tsp. = 5 ml.; 1 Tbl. (3 tsp.) = 15 ml.; 1 fluid oz. (2 Tbl.) = 30 ml.; 1 fluid c. (8 oz.) = 236 ml.; 1 dry oz. (2 Tbl.) = 28 g.; 1 dry c. (8 oz.) = 226 g.; 1 lb. (16 oz.) = .45 kg.

Some common food items and weights in grams per cup: Sugar: brown, packed — 212; granulated (white) — 152; powdered (icing), sifted — 95; powdered, unsifted — 123; honey — 332; molasses — 309.

Flour: all purpose or unbleached, sifted — 115; all-purpose or unbleached, unsifted or spooned — 125; whole wheat, stirred — 132.

Oils and butter: butter or margarine — 224; oils — 210.

Dairy products: cheddar cheese, grated — 113; cottage cheese — 236; heavy cream — 236; sour cream — 241; milk — 242.

## Bread products to avoid

Don't assume a bread product is unleavened just because it is flat or that it is leavened because it is puffy. It's a good idea to carefully read the labels before discarding or purchasing any product for the Spring Holy Days. You may be surprised which foods contain leavening agents and which ones don't.

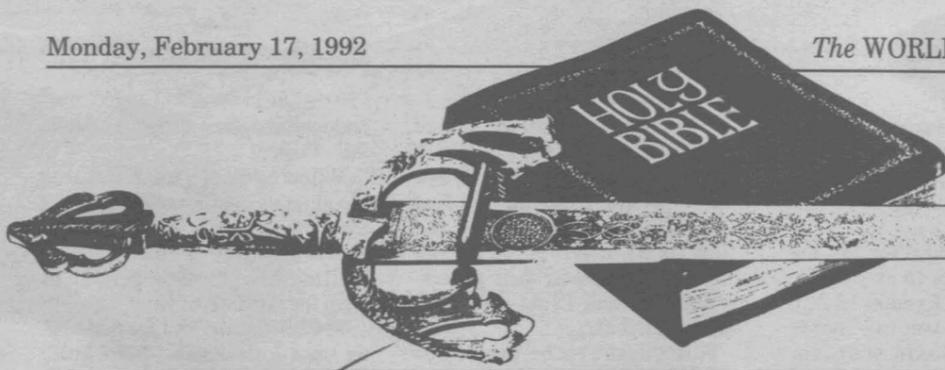
The ingredients to watch for are yeast, baking powder, baking soda, potassium bicarbonate and sodium bicarbonate. Products leavened by fermentation or gas formation with these agents should be avoided during the Days of Unleavened Bread.

Cream puffs, angel food cake, popovers and sponge cake, while light and fluffy, normally do not contain any of the above ingredients and therefore are acceptable foods for the Days of Unleavened Bread. Most pie crusts (except for graham cracker crusts) are unleavened, even though they may be light and flaky.

Pita bread, flour tortillas and graham crackers, although flat, contain leavening. Grape Nuts cereal, while hard and crunchy, is leavened. (Grape Nuts is made from a heavy loaf of bread that has been dried and ground.)

Brewer's yeast, yeast extract (a flavoring) and cream of tartar (a dry acid) are not leavening agents. While often used with baking soda, cream of tartar by itself is no more responsible for leavening than is buttermilk, vinegar or fruit juice.

It's good to be careful of products marked "kosher for Passover." Some brands of matzos contain baking soda or baking powder and say "kosher for Passover" on the package.



## IRON SHARPENS IRON

# Israel and the Passover story: Take a journey back in history

By Ted Johnston

Let's take a journey back in history to the land of Goshen in Egypt. Place yourself in the mid-15th century B.C. Imagine yourself as a family member in one of the tribes of Israel. Together with some two million other Israelites, you are enslaved in Egypt.

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As a slave you have lived a life of constant struggle. But in the quiet evening hours you enjoy hearing stories from the tribal elders about Israel's sojourn in Egypt before they were enslaved.

### Beginning with Joseph

The elders tell how it all began when Joseph was sold into slavery and taken to Egypt. They describe Joseph's dramatic rise from the obscurity of a prison cell to second in command under Pharaoh.

You learn that the rest of Jacob's family followed Joseph into Egypt nearly 240 years ago. Your people prospered for a time in the land of Goshen on the east side of the Nile delta. During that time Egypt came to be ruled by foreigners, the Hyksos, a Semitic-speaking people much like the Israelites. Under their rule Israel grew to become a large and prosperous people.

But the elders describe how everything changed some 80 years ago. The rulership of Egypt changed. Moses would write later in Exodus 1:8: "There arose a new king over Egypt, who did not know Joseph."

The Hyksos rulers, who remembered the legacy of Joseph and were friendly to Israel, were conquered by native Egyptians from Upper Egypt. These new rulers mistrusted the Israelites as Hyksos allies. To control Israel they turned them into a nation of slave-laborers. Your people were treated with severity. It was a time of darkness in the history of Israel.

### Birth of Moses

Shortly thereafter a ray of hope began to shine. A baby was born in the tribe of Levi. His mother hid him for three months from the Egyptians who were intent on killing Israel's newborn males.

Then, unable to conceal the baby any longer, she set him adrift in a reed basket on the Nile, where he was discovered by Pharaoh's daughter. This royal princess, knowing the child was Hebrew, had pity and took the baby to be her own. She named him Moses.

Moses grew up in Pharaoh's court and became a great leader, a learned man and an effective military commander. He became a hope for Israel's deliverance.

Then at age 40, Moses began to sense his destiny. His strong desire was to visit his people. So he traveled to Goshen, where, seemingly quite by accident, he was caught up in a dispute between an Israelite and one of the Egyptian taskmasters. Moses intervened and ended up killing the Egyptian.

Word spread quickly. A price was put on Moses' head and he now faced a big choice: stay and risk Pharaoh's wrath, or flee. He chose to flee into exile.

About 1,500 years later, the apostle Paul would write of Moses: "By faith Moses, when he became of age, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the passing pleasures of sin, esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt; for he looked to the reward" (Hebrews 11:24-26).

Rather than stay in Egypt and try to use his influence to smooth over the event in Goshen, Moses chose to be true to his national and religious heritage.

Moses fled to Midian, in the Sinai, to a people descended from Abraham through Keturah. It ended up being a long exile. Moses was with them for 40 years. And then at age 80, while herding flocks near Mt. Sinai, the God of Israel revealed himself to Moses in a burning bush.

Now Moses is back in Egypt, and you have heard rumors he was given a message by God to tell Pharaoh to free all your people.

The elders say that God said to Moses: "I have surely seen the oppression of My people who are in Egypt, and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters, for I know their sorrows. So I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up from that land to a good and large land, to a land flowing with milk and honey" (Exodus 3:7-8).

God has commissioned Moses to come back to Egypt, confront the new rulers and give Pharaoh God's message: "Let my people go!"

### The first Passover

Then Moses and his brother Aaron assemble the elders of Israel and describe what God intends to do.

The elders believe Moses and spread the news throughout the Israelite villages in Goshen. Some doubt, but most believe. For the first time in 80 years there is hope!

Then Moses takes the message to Pharaoh. But Pharaoh does not believe, and makes Israel's slavery more difficult. But Moses does not back down.

He goes back time and again to Pharaoh, and each time Moses and Aaron perform another astounding miracle. But none of these miracles (most in the form of plagues) cause Pharaoh to relent for any extended period of time. God is hardening Pharaoh's heart for a great purpose.

Together with all Israel, you experience some of the early plagues. As time drags on, you become increasingly discouraged and doubtful. Still, there is a stirring of hope in the villages of Israel.

And then it happens. You hear that Moses and Aaron have called a meeting of the tribal elders. They relate how God told Moses that he was about to force Pharaoh to let Israel go. God was about to

send just retribution and kill the Egyptian firstborn to break Pharaoh's resistance.

Then Moses gives to the elders, and they in turn to you, some rather peculiar instructions. He begins by telling them about a new calendar. He says that this time of the year, the spring, is to be known as the first month. This is different from the ancient Hebrew and Egyptian calendar.

And Moses says that it will be the 10th day of this first month, and on that day every Israelite family is to take a lamb from the fields, bring it into the village and keep it until sometime on the 14th of the month (Exodus 12:3-6).

So, as Moses commanded, you bring your lamb out of the field and into a pen, which for many of the Israelites is a pen inside the house itself.

Then, on the 14th day of the month Abib, it is time for that lamb to be killed: "Then the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it at twilight" (Exodus 12:6).

The Hebrew phrase Moses uses for "twilight" means "between the two evenings," a period extending, in its original sense, from sunset until nightfall at day's end.

Moses later used the same expression in Exodus 29:39: "One lamb you shall offer in the morning, and the other lamb you shall offer at twilight." Here two lambs were to be offered the same day,



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one in the morning and the other at twilight between the two evenings. "Twilight" is used to refer to a period of time at the end of the day.

The lambs that first Passover were to be killed near the end of the 14th of the first month of the new calendar year, as the 15th day was beginning.

God gives further instructions regarding this special lamb: "Now you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of the same month. Then the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it at twilight. And they shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and on the lintel

of the houses where they eat it.

"Then they shall eat the flesh on that night; roasted in fire, with unleavened bread and with bitter herbs they shall eat it. Do not eat it raw, nor boiled at all with water, but roasted in fire—its head with its legs and its entrails" (Exodus 12:6-9).

This rather lengthy process will last well beyond the end of the 14th and on into the night—beginning the 15th.

God continues: "You shall let none of it remain until morning, and what remains of it until morning you shall burn with fire. And thus you shall eat it: with a belt on (See PASSOVER, page 6)

## Learning the value of suffering, through Jesus' experience

By George M. Kackos

"Are you the Christ, the Son of God?" demanded Caiaphas, the high priest.

"Yes," replied Jesus, who then described his second coming.

Ripping furiously at his clothing, Caiaphas cried: "Blasphemy! Why do we need any more witnesses?"

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The chief priests and Sanhedrin members agreed. They wanted Jesus put to death.

To show their utter contempt, they spat in his face and viciously hit him. They blindfolded and stripped him, then asked, "Who hit you, prophet? Tell us!" (Matthew 26:57-68).

More suffering and hours of agony were to come. As Jesus stood before Pilate the crowd roared: "Crucify him! Crucify him!" To satisfy them, Pilate ordered his crucifixion.

Armed with a whip imbedded with metal chunks, a hardened Roman soldier began the scourging. The whip cracked, then hit Christ's body. His flesh ripped away, blood spurted out. Waves of intense pain jolted his weary mind and body. Each lash added

more suffering, more sorrow.

A crown of thorns was jammed on his head, and the soldiers mockingly cried, "Hail, King of the Jews."

At Golgotha, Jesus faced his final hours of suffering. With nails pounded into his hands and feet, he looked down from that gruesome stake. Hanging there, he felt the full agony of his pain and heard his tormentors jeer, laugh and shout epithets (Matthew 27:15-44). "He can save others," they shouted, "but not Himself."

### Our example

Throughout this agonizing ordeal, Jesus set a powerful example for us: "For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps: 'Who committed no sin, nor was guile found in His mouth'; who, when He was reviled, did not revile in return; when He suffered, He did not threaten, but committed Himself to Him who judges righteously" (I Peter 2:21-23).

But do we use his example in a powerful way? Do we rely on it when we suffer for righteousness? Does it help us deal with rejection, cutting remarks, unfair punishment, threats to our well-being and people who let us down?

When these things happen, it is

easy to let anger, self-pity, negativity and resentment poison our thinking and ruin our attitudes. We can cause great harm through negative comments, gossip, indifference and hostility. And we can do this through self-justification in light of the treatment we've received.

To avoid these carnal responses, we need to look to Jesus' example. No matter how badly we are treated, it will never be as bad as Jesus was treated. Yet he handled his trials without sin, and they never got the best of him. So what should we do?

### What we must do

● Always show love. No matter how badly we're treated, we need to respond in love. This is what Jesus did. He put the focus on helping others, even when they were hurting him. This is why he was able to say, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do" (Luke 23:34).

Jesus said, "Love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you" (Matthew 5:44).

Always ask, What response of mine will be for the other person's good?

● See the value in suffering. (See SUFFERING, page 6)

# Passover

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your waist, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand. So you shall eat it in haste. It is the Lord's Passover.

"For I will pass through the land of Egypt on that night, and will strike all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment: I am the Lord. Now the blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you are. And when I see the blood, I will pass over you; and the plague shall not be on you to destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt" (Exodus 12:10-13).

This lamb's blood is to be spilled for you so the Lord can extend his mercy and deliverance to the Israelite firstborn. Around midnight on the 15th, an eerie silence falls over the land. But soon that silence is interrupted by screams and mourning as every firstborn in Egypt, unprotected by the blood of the Passover lambs, dies.

Finally, Pharaoh has had enough. The royal court summons Moses and Aaron very early in the morning of the 15th (it is the latter half of the night, approaching perhaps 2 a.m.) and tells them to take all Israel and get out.

Not much notice for you and your family, but you are ready. Remember, earlier that night you ate the Passover lamb "with a belt on your waist, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand. So you shall eat it in haste" (Exodus 12:11).

## Ready to leave Egypt

Now word spreads; it's time to leave. "And the Egyptians urged the people, that they might send them out of the land in haste. For they said, 'We shall all be dead.' So the people took their dough before it was leavened, having their kneading bowls bound up in their clothes on their shoulders.

"Now the children of Israel had done according to the word of Moses, and they had asked from the Egyptians articles of silver, articles of gold, and clothing. And the Lord had given the people favor in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they granted them what they requested. Thus they plundered the Egyptians" (Exodus 12:33-36).

You and your people do what Moses told you. You don't go to the people that night to plunder them; you did that earlier (Exodus 3:21-22; 11:1-3).

In accordance with Moses' instructions, you and the other children of Israel had made advance

preparations to leave, including asking your captors for compensation. You are ready to leave Egypt during the night of the 15th, at a moment's notice.

Moses' command is for you and the other Israelites to stay inside "until morning" (Exodus 12:22). Does this mean staying inside until daylight? No, in your language, "morning," in the broad sense of the term, begins after midnight in the wee hours of the passing night.

Notice the use of "morning" in Ruth 3:14: "So she lay at his feet until morning, and she arose before one could recognize another." Morning includes the very early hours when it is too dark to see.

Moses' instructions do not mean that Israel must stay in their houses until daylight—but rather until the early morning hours—to ensure they are inside as the death angel passes through the land at midnight.

And then, well before daylight on the 15th, you and your family pick up your belongings together with what the Egyptians have given you, and in the words of Moses writing later, "God brought you out of Egypt by night" (Deuteronomy 16:1).

This is an incredible moonlit night for you—one never like it before, one never like it again.

It had begun with the slaying of the Passover lamb as the 14th ended. Then as the 15th was beginning the lamb was prepared and roasted and then a little before midnight on the 15th eaten with your family. As you ate, you were dressed and ready to go.

Outside, at midnight, the death angel was slaughtering Egypt's firstborn who were unprotected by the blood of the passover lambs.

## A night to be much observed

This was a night you will always remember, and Moses gave instructions to be sure you always would: "All the hosts of

the Lord went out from the land of Egypt. It is a night to be much observed unto the Lord for bringing them out from the land of Egypt: this is that night of the Lord to be observed of all the children of Israel in their generations" (Exodus 12:41-42, King James Version).

This "night to be much observed" is a memorial picturing both Israel's deliverance from the death angel and Israel's march out of Egypt—deliverance from both death and bondage (Exodus 13:8-9, 15-16).

What a joyous event this has been for you, your family and about two million other Israelites! With this incredible exodus, your people Israel became a nation, no longer subjugated slaves, but freed from bondage.

## The saving Passover

Let's go forward into the future of your family. More than 1,400 years after you fled Egypt, a descendant of Israel, a man from the tribe of Judah, the promised Messiah and the Son of God, named Jesus Christ of Nazareth, was born. As a boy and then a man he kept the Passover in similar manner as you began it in Egypt.

But near the end of his life, Jesus Christ instituted a new Passover ceremony. What Israel did as a symbol was fulfilled in reality by Jesus Christ.

No longer were lambs to be slain. Jesus Christ was the Lamb of God and with his sacrifice there was no longer a need for the symbol: "You were not redeemed with corruptible things . . . but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot" (1 Peter 1:18-19).

Christ instituted the new Passover ceremony at the beginning of the 14th day. It was to picture not only his death, which occurred in midafternoon of the 14th when Israel killed its lambs, but the New Testament Passover also was to picture the suffering he would

endure throughout the entire day of the 14th.

When ancient Israel smeared blood on its doorposts at the end of the 14th of Abib or Nisan, they prefigured the Lamb of God spilling his blood to deliver us from the bondage of sin.

In Christ's day, and for that matter since Joshua's day, Israel killed the lambs, not in their homes, but at the central place of worship.

And because there were so many lambs for the Levites to slaughter at the Temple in Jerusalem in Christ's day, the killing occurred between about 3 and 5 p.m. at the close of the 14th.

As perhaps thousands of lambs were being killed at the Temple in Jerusalem toward the close of the 14th, Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God, was dying on the stake only a few hundred yards outside the Temple walls.

## God's Church today

At the beginning of the 14th of the first month, all baptized members of God's Church will gather to keep the New Testament Passover. We will participate in a service instituted by Christ.

As we partake of the bread and then the wine, let's remember they picture Jesus' body and blood, given for us (1 Corinthians 11:26).

The following evening, at the beginning of the 15th, we gather in homes to celebrate the Night to Be Much Observed. We do so to remember the night in which Israel, under protection of the blood of the lamb, was delivered from the death angel.

We also remember how later that night Israel was delivered and began its exodus out of Egypt.

These miraculous events in the history of Israel picture the miraculous deliverance from sin and death that is extended to us through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ.

Thank God for his great plan and for the Lamb of God sacrificed for us from the foundation of the world!

## FACULTY POSITIONS AVAILABLE FALL SEMESTER 1992

Ambassador College invites applications from suitably qualified candidates for the following vacancies:

**Biological Sciences:** A full-time position at the assistant, associate or full professor level to teach undergraduate courses in the biological sciences. Requires a doctorate in biology, ecology or related discipline.

**Business Administration:** A full-time position at the assistant, associate or full professor level to teach undergraduate courses in business administration and management. Requires a doctorate in business administration or management.

**Computer Science/Information Systems:** A full-time position at the associate or full professor level to teach undergraduate courses in information systems. Requires a doctorate in computer science or computer information systems.

**French:** A full-time position at the assistant, associate or full professor level to teach undergraduate courses in French culture, language and literature. Requires a doctorate in French.

**Home Economics/Human Environmental Sciences:** A full-time position at the assistant or associate professor level to teach undergraduate courses in one or more of the traditional home economics disciplines. Requires a doctorate in a home economics field such as food sciences and human nutrition or individual and family development.

**Mathematics:** A full-time position to teach undergraduate courses in mathematics. A master's degree or doctorate in mathematics is required.

Each position requires an earned degree from a regionally accredited institution, an exemplary record of teaching, evidence of scholarship and service and effective relations skills.

### Applications must include the following:

- A letter of application
- A current resume
- The names of three references with phone numbers

### Applications, nominations and inquiries should be sent to:

Academic Affairs Office  
Ambassador College  
Big Sandy, Texas 75755



# Suffering

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Even though we don't like to suffer, we can benefit from it. In fact, some of life's greatest blessings come from suffering.

Through suffering much understanding can be gained and character can be built. This was true for Jesus (Hebrews 5:8). And it is true for us today (Hebrews 2:10).

Think how suffering can change our outlook, filling us with understanding, humility and compassion.

Consider how we can learn to endure hardship, overcome obstacles, resolve conflict and set right priorities. When we catch this vision, we have a positive attitude toward suffering (1 Peter 4:13).

● Rely on God's judgment, justice and strength. When we are rejected, wrongly evaluated, unrewarded or unfairly punished, we want things corrected and made right. But this isn't always possible. No matter what we say or do, things may not change.

So what should we do? How did Jesus handle harsh words, unjust punishment and lack of recognition as the Son of God?

He put the matter into God's hands. He looked beyond human injustices to God's perfect justice.

Doing this gave him great strength to endure affliction and press forward, maintaining a positive attitude (Matthew 26:39-41, Hebrews 12:1-2). There is great strength in trusting God (Philippians 4:13).

We should take great comfort in knowing that justice will eventually be done. "For God is not unjust to forget your work and labor of love which you have shown toward His name, in that you have

ministered to the saints, and do minister" (Hebrews 6:10).

With this hope we can put our suffering into perspective: "For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us" (Romans 8:18).

## Prepare for Passover

Jesus maintained his love, never wavering, never faltering. He saw the value in suffering, embracing it as a necessary part of his calling. He committed himself to the Father, knowing that he would be vindicated and rewarded. He used the Father's strength to resist evil and do good.

As we approach Passover we need to think a lot about how Jesus suffered, how he faced false accusers, how he allowed himself to be beaten, spit upon and scourged, how he hung on that stake in great agony.

Use Jesus' example as a guide and a source of inspiration at times of ordeal. Meditate on how to apply the principles mentioned, and remember Jesus' Passover

promise to be with you and strengthen you: "He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood abides in Me, and I in him" (John 6:56).

## More than a role model

As we walk in Jesus' steps, and learn to abide in him, we can take courage and assurance in the fact that we are not alone. He lives in us through the Holy Spirit.

God not only provides an example for us to follow, he also provides us with the will and the power to be successful. "For it is God who works in you both to will and to do for His good pleasure" (Philippians 2:13).

How joyful we can be that the joyful power of the resurrected Christ is at work in us, bringing us into his perfection. Through faith in him, we are enabled to share in his sufferings so we also may share in his glory (Romans 8:17).

With Paul, we can say: "I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me" (Galatians 2:20).

# "Into all the world..."

Your involvement in the Work produces fruit. This column shows how the Church's publications and the *World Tomorrow* telecast change the lives of subscribers, co-workers and prospective members.

## Plain Truth Bible lectures

I wish to thank your office for choosing Legaspi City as the location of the special Bible lecture. The lecture gave answers to questions I had in mind and further explained the vital role of faith in one's

life. I'll be looking forward to more.

D.R.  
Philippines

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## Norwegian Plain Truth

By coincidence I found a February 1986 *Den Enkle Sannhet* (Norwegian Plain Truth) on the floor of a building site. The contents were so interesting I took it home and read it all. I would like to continue to receive your magazine.

I.B.  
Norway

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## BIRTHS

**ACHANZAR**, Gil and Yolanda (Alvarado) of San Jose, Calif., boy, Jordan Tyler, Dec. 12, 8 a.m., 7 pounds 3 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

**ANASTASIO**, Donald and Linda (Gebhard) of Suffolk, N.Y., girl, Jamie Lynn, Aug. 4, 3:04 a.m., 9 pounds 2 ounces, first child.

**BOGDANCHIK**, Mark David and Suzanne (Meidinger) of Pasadena, girl, Jennifer Suzanne, Jan. 7, 3:35 a.m., 9 pounds 1 1/2 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

**DALE**, Tom and Sharon (Parnell) of San Diego, Calif., girl, Candace Laurel, Jan. 5, 2:38 a.m., 6 pounds 7 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

**DeGUA**, Danilo and Josephine (Borinaga) of Catbalogan, Philippines, boy, Dan David, Nov. 25, 7:50 p.m., 8 pounds 8 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

**DILLARD**, Kent and Sarah (Braeger) of Auburn, Wash., girl, Cassandra Marie, Nov. 13, 5 a.m., 8 pounds 8 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

**ELLSWORTH**, Wayne and Elizabeth (Daniel) of Pasadena, boy, Daniel-Forrest Garner, Jan. 7, 7:10 p.m., 2 pounds 2 ounces, first child.

**FAVERO**, Franklin and Cheryl (Parsons) of Tyler, Tex., girl, Rebekah Olivia, Dec. 16, 7 pounds 7 ounces, now 3 girls.

**HOOK**, Kevin and Michelle (Briden) of Buffalo, N.Y., girl, Tara Marie, Jan. 2, 10:42 a.m., 7 pounds 8 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

**HOWERTON**, John and Marlena (Coffey) of Tulsa, Okla., girl, Alyssa Brooke, Aug. 31, 3:25 p.m., 6 pounds 8 ounces, first child.

**JABLONSKI**, Tim and Diane (Hall) of Tulsa, Okla., girl, Laura Michelle, Jan. 1, 11:10 a.m., 8 pounds 10 ounces, now 2 girls.

**JAECKEL**, Lee and Laura (Kazmer) of Waukesha, Wis., girl, Jessica Paige, Jan. 7, 5:36 p.m., 7 pounds 10 ounces, first child.

**JEANTY**, Jean-Robert and Delicia (Johnson) of Nassau County, N.Y., girl, Catherine Arielle, Aug. 18, 9:39 p.m., 7 pounds 5 ounces, first child.

**LALIBERTE**, Gilles and Carole (Richard) of Campbellton, N.B., girl, Pier-Anne, Oct. 14, 4:23 a.m., 7 pounds, first child.

**LEFAIVRE**, Leighton and Joelle (Richoux) of Abbotsford, B.C., girl, Vanessa Aryn, Nov. 6, 1:06 p.m., 7 pounds 4 ounces, first child.

**MIELE**, K. Mike and Monica (Pace) of Middletown, N.Y., girl, Ariana Louise, Dec. 25, 12:29 p.m., 6 pounds 15 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

**MURRAY**, Jim and Jill (Royce) of Pasadena, boy, Jeffery Royce, Dec. 1, 1:10 p.m., 9 pounds 3 ounces, now 2 boys.

**NAKER**, Bharat and Urvashi (Khetia) of Sydney, N.S.W., boy, Sajan Bharat, Dec. 29, 7 pounds 14 ounces, now 2 boys.

**ROYSETH**, Mark and Colleen (Patzoldt) of Big Lake, Minn., girl, Amanda Colleen, Nov. 28, 10:51 p.m., 6 pounds 15 1/2 ounces, first child.

**SMITH**, Wes and Beth (Brooks) of Birmingham, Ala., girl, Sarah Emily, Oct. 21, 6:15 a.m., 5 pounds 14 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

**TRANSON**, Bruce and Gayle (Lamp) of Phoenix, Ariz., boy, Christopher James, Oct. 3, 6:30 p.m., 7 pounds 9 ounces, now 2 boys.

**WEIR**, Bruce and Anita (Hornor) of Toowoomba, Qld., boy, Cameron James, Oct. 3, 10:35 a.m., 9 pounds 9 ounces, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

**WILLIAMS**, Terry and Andrea (Falcon) of Donaldsonville, La., boy, Benjamin Michael, Dec. 18, 6:46 p.m., 7 pounds 1 ounce, now 1 boy, 1 girl.

**WILSON**, Ronald and Debi (Wright) of Belleville, Ill., boy, Ryan Geoffrey, Dec. 22, 7:44 a.m., 7 pounds 8 ounces, now 2 boys.

**WITT**, Randall and Joy (McFalls) of Knoxville, Tenn., boy, Samuel Jordan, Dec. 20, 6:42 p.m., 8 pounds 9 ounces, first child.

## ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rudolph of Dartmouth, N.S., are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Luana to Jack Flacco of Toronto, Ont. A May 24 wedding is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. James M. Harrison are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter Carla Denise to Melvin Rudolph McKee Jr., son of Melvin R. McKee Sr. and Jean McKee. An Aug. 23 wedding in Virginia is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. James Gayman of Ashland, Ohio, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Diane Renee to Wade Curtis Higgins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wes Higgins of Weiser, Idaho. A June wedding in Ohio is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Plotrowski of Bethlehem, Pa., would like to announce the engagement of their daughter Cheryl Ann to Darwin John, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Sanoy of Saskatoon, Sask. A July 12 wedding in Pennsylvania is planned.

Lyall and Wynnis Johnston of Christchurch, New Zealand, would like to announce the engagement of their daughter Karen Ruth to Scott Jefferson St. George, son of Elizabeth St. George and Terrence Ashley of Auckland, New Zealand. A March 22 wedding in Auckland is planned.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph S. Martin of Knoxville, Tenn., are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Leslie Karen to Mark David Wiens of Boise, Idaho. A May wedding in Knoxville is planned.

## WEDDINGS



**MR. & MRS. BENNO BENTER**

Benno Benter and Waltraud Hoffman were united in marriage Nov. 17. The ceremony was performed by Alfred Hellemann, Hannover, Hamburg and Berlin, Germany, pastor. The couple live in Braunschweig, Germany.



**MR. & MRS. WAYNE ABRAHAM**

Jill Elise Dirickson, daughter of Les and Janette Dirickson, and Wayne "Wayne" Abraham, son of Dr. and Mrs. Abraham Abraham, were united in marriage Sept. 15. The ceremony was performed by Felix Heimberg, Albuquerque, Santa Fe and Farmington, N.M., pastor. Karen Jonas was maid of honor, and Ray Epperson was best man. The couple live in Albuquerque.

Mr. and Mrs. Winston Bothwell of St. Albans, England, are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter Suzanna to Dave Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jones of Bristol, England. The ceremony was performed Sept. 1 by John Meakin, Bristol associate pastor. Zoe Bothwell and Emily-May Banfield were bridesmaids, and Rob Almond was best man. The couple live in Droitwich Spa, England.



**MR. & MRS. REX LEHTO**

Karin Lynn Sheridan and Rex Donald Lehto were united in marriage March 18. The ceremony was performed by James Friddle, Reseda, Calif., pastor. The couple live in Simi Valley, Calif.



**MR. & MRS. PATRICK MCCOY**

Sondra Danielle Russell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel L. Russell of Asheville, N.C., and Patrick Eugene McCoy, son of Judith Wynne and the late John J. McCoy, were united in marriage Sept. 15. The ceremony was performed by Hasadore Hall, Atlanta Northwest and Rome, Ga., associate pastor. Becky Hitchcock was maid of honor, and Dennis Rouse was best man. The couple live in Atlanta.



**MR. & MRS. JEFFREY JORENBY**

Garry and Jeannette Pepin of Elk River, Minn., are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter Michelle Renee to Jeffrey Richard Jorenby, son of Richard and Virginia Jorenby of Madison, Wis. The ceremony was performed Nov. 17 by Gary Petty, Janesville, Wis., and Rockford, Ill., pastor. The couple live in Madison.



**MR. & MRS. MELVIN LLEWELLYN**

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Kling are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter Diana Michelle to Melvin K. Llewellyn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Llewellyn of Lakeland, Fla. The ceremony was performed May 26 by David Orban, Longview and Lufkin, Tex., pastor. Deborah Rickard, sister of the bride, was matron of honor, and Bill Miller was best man. The couple live in Cranberry, Pa.



**MR. & MRS. PETER McCLUNG**

Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Slack of Regina, Sask., are happy to announce the marriage of their daughter Susan Lila to Peter Richard McClung, son of Mr. and Mrs. Murray McClung of Pasadena. The ceremony was performed Nov. 24 by the groom's father, a minister in the Pasadena East P.M. church. Lorna Colleen Slack, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Michael McClung, brother of the groom, was best man. The couple live in Pasadena.



**MR. & MRS. ALAN BARDELL**

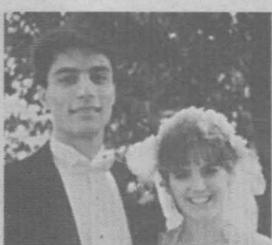
Mr. and Mrs. B.J. Mitchell of Oklahoma City, Okla., are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter Jennifer to Alan Bardell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bardell of Harrisburg, Pa. The ceremony was performed Sept. 15 by Don Lawson, Oklahoma City pastor. Melissa Mitchell, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Andrew Wrightstone was best man. The couple live in Big Sandy.

Mr. and Mrs. Terry Swagerty are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter Deborah Colleen to Michael Pickett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Pickett. The ceremony was performed Aug. 11 by the bride's father, Fairfield and Santa Rosa, Calif., pastor, and the groom's father, a minister in the San Luis Obispo, Calif., church. Suzy Farrow was maid of honor, and Tom Dunn was best man. The couple live in Pasadena.



**MR. & MRS. MICHAEL PICKETT**

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Schnell of Birmingham, Ala., and S. Blair Peters, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Peters of Ringgold, Ga., were united in marriage Sept. 1. The ceremony was performed by George Hart, Bessemer and Jasper, Ala., pastor. Tara Horst, sister of the bride, was matron of honor, and Gene Peters, father of the groom, was best man. The couple live in Birmingham.



**MR. & MRS. SALVATORE RIZZUTO**

Carolyn R. Burger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Burger III of Norwich, Conn., and Salvatore A. Rizzuto Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Salvatore Rizzuto of Bethlehem, Pa., were united in marriage Sept. 8. The ceremony was performed by Larry Wooldrige, Bethlehem, Pa., pastor. Carrie Burger, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Joe Rizzuto, brother of the groom, was best man. The couple live in Emmaus, Pa.



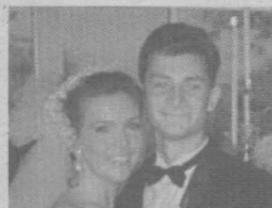
**MR. & MRS. CRAIG TURGEON**

Lisa Dawn Wilcox, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Wilcox of Windsor, Ont., and Craig Allen Turgeon, son of Helen J. Moore of Port Alberni, B.C., were united in marriage Aug. 3. The ceremony was performed by George Lee, Windsor, Ont., pastor. Sandra Brdar was maid of honor, and Doug White was best man. The couple live in Windsor.



**MR. & MRS. RICHARD ANDREWS**

Venida Bell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bell of Baltimore, Md., and Richard Andrews, son of Toni Andrews of Columbus, Ga., were united in marriage Aug. 25. The ceremony was performed by Jim Servidio, Baltimore East and West pastor. Monica Benjamin was matron of honor, and Charles Taylor was best man. The couple live in Baltimore.



**MR. & MRS. ALAN BARDELL**

Mr. and Mrs. B.J. Mitchell of Oklahoma City, Okla., are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter Jennifer to Alan Bardell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bardell of Harrisburg, Pa. The ceremony was performed Sept. 15 by Don Lawson, Oklahoma City pastor. Melissa Mitchell, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and Andrew Wrightstone was best man. The couple live in Big Sandy.



**MR. & MRS. BLAIR PETERS**

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Merritt of San Jose, Calif., are happy to announce the marriage of their daughter Janelle Rosita to Flemming Larsen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Johan Larsen of Copenhagen, Denmark. The ceremony was performed Aug. 18 by John Andrews, Copenhagen pastor. Yolete and Robin Merritt, sisters of the bride, were bridesmaids. The couple live in Denmark.



**MR. & MRS. FLEMMING LARSEN**

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Merritt of San Jose, Calif., are happy to announce the marriage of their daughter Janelle Rosita to Flemming Larsen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Johan Larsen of Copenhagen, Denmark. The ceremony was performed Aug. 18 by John Andrews, Copenhagen pastor. Yolete and Robin Merritt, sisters of the bride, were bridesmaids. The couple live in Denmark.

## ANNIVERSARIES



**MR. & MRS. BERNARD RACINE**

Bernard and Gisele Racine of Laval, Que., celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary July 14.

Richard and Tempes Parnell of Glendora, Calif., celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary Oct. 3. The Parnells have two daughters, Prenece and Kimberly; one son, Carl; one daughter-in-law, Becki; and one grandson, Kyle.

Marvin and Colleen Ebright of Sedro Woolley, Wash., celebrated their 36th

anniversary Oct. 14. The Ebrights have two children, Brett and Cindy; and four grandchildren, Jessica, Nicole, Kymmy and Kyle. Mr. and Mrs. Ebright are a deacon and a deaconess in the Sedro Woolley church.



**MR. & MRS. MURRAY McCLUNG**

Murray and Pat McClung of Pasadena celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary Oct. 7. The McClungs have two sons, Peter and Michael; and one daughter-in-law, Susan.

Tommy and Barbara West of Raleigh, N.C., celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary Dec. 10. The Wests have one daughter, Barbara.

Eddie and Sandra Johnson of Maidstone, England, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary Sept. 3. The Johnsons have three sons, Robert, Andrew and Christopher; and one daughter, Debbie.



**MR. & MRS. BUZZ MARVEL**

Maynard II "Buzz" and Dorothy Marvel of Baltimore, Md., celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary Nov. 27. The Marvels have two daughters, Beth and Amy; one son, Maynard III "Chip"; and three grandchildren.



**MR. & MRS. GLENN TURPIN**

Glenn and Joan Turpin of Pasadena celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary Jan. 12. The Turpins have three sons, Derek, Mark and Carl; and one daughter-in-law, Julie.



**MR. & MRS. KENNETH WALKER**

Kenneth and Sue Walker of Meridian, Miss., celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary Nov. 24. The Walkers have one son, Kenneth Jr.; one daughter, Nita Worrell; and one son-in-law, Jeff Worrell.



**MR. & MRS. CHARLES VOSS**

Charles and Pat Voss of Piquette, Miss., celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary Sept. 16. The Vosses have one son, Chuck; four daughters, Cynthia, Rebecca, Carol and Anna; one son-in-law, Darren; and one daughter-in-law, Martha.

## ANNIVERSARIES MADE OF GOLD



**MR. & MRS. ELLIS KING**

Ellis and Gracie King of Houston, Tex., celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary Nov. 28. The Kings have five children, 14 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.



**MR. & MRS. FLOYD RENNER**

Floyd and Gertrude Renner of Carlin Bay, Idaho, celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary May 8. The Renners have seven children, 25 grandchildren and 35 great-grandchildren.



**MR. & MRS. WILLIE FOSTER**

Willie and Zelma Foster of Emida, Idaho, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary Sept. 16. The Fosters have three sons, Roger, Darrell and Ivan; three daughters, Judy Moore, Edith Moore and Sharon Hall; 14 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

## NOTICES

The Cleveland, Ohio, East and West churches will celebrate their 25th anniversary May 23. Activities are hospitality at 11:30 a.m., services at 1:30 p.m., and an audiovisual show, dinner and family dance in the evening. All activities will be at Tom's Country Place, 3442 Stonery Ridge Rd., Avon, Ohio. Reservations for dinner must be made in advance. If you would like to join the Cleveland brethren in celebrating this occasion, call Greg Thomas at 1-216-748-1248 or write him at 34209 Cooley Rd., Columbia Station, Ohio, 44028.

## OBITUARIES



**MILDRED BROWN**

BROWN, Mildred A., 83, of Detroit, Mich., died Dec. 12 after a lengthy illness. She is survived by one daughter, Emily Menasian; one son, John; one granddaughter, Karen; two grandsons, Richie and Eric; and two great-grandchildren, Sharon and John.



**MILDRED FAVER**

FAVER, Mildred Ione, 86, of Pine Bluff, Ark., died Dec. 27 of congestive heart failure. She is survived by one son, John; two daughters, Charlene Britt and Julie McNeil; seven grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

HARRINGTON, Anna Duemler, 95, of Union, Mo., died Dec. 30. She is survived by numerous nieces and nephews.

PATTERSON, Marie, 87, of Trenton, N.J., died Dec. 17. She is survived by one son, two daughters, eight grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

LESAGE, Doris Madeline, 70, of Arlington, Tex., died Dec. 14. She is survived by three sons, one daughter, six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.



**TERESITA ZETA**

ZETA, Teresita Cuares, 33, of Tacloban, Philippines, died Nov. 20 of cardiorespiratory arrest because of eclampsia, one day after giving birth to a baby girl by a cesarean section. She is survived by her husband, Jun; her newborn daughter, Teresita Jr.; and one son, Joseph Rey.

BROWN, James G., 79, of McConnellsburg, Pa., died Jan. 4. He is survived by his wife, Esther; one sister; three sons; and two daughters.

GREGERSEN, Kenneth, 79, of Columbus, Ohio, died Jan. 4. He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Frieda; one daughter, Carol Reynolds; one son, Bruce Gregersen; four grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

VAN EXTER, Elizabeth, 81, of Bristol, England, died Jan. 8 of a heart attack.

## Waiting to see your announcement?

If so, please don't be concerned if several weeks after you sent it in, you still don't see it in the paper. Because of the volume of announcements received and the limited space available, it may take up to two months before we are able to print your announcement. If more than five issues go by and you still don't see your announcement, please call us at 1-818-304-6077, and we will check into it.

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

## UPDATE

### Punta del Este: Feast site in Uruguay

**BIG SANDY**—The Spanish Department announced a 1992 Festival site at Punta del Este, Uruguay.

The Atlantic coast resort city in South America will be host to brethren from Uruguay, Brazil, Paraguay and transfers from other countries.

The package price for 10 days including airfare, ground trans-

portation, city tours and luxury furnished apartments will range from \$1,250 to \$1,475 a person, depending on the chosen U.S. departure city. Prices are based on double occupancy.

Services will be conducted in Spanish with English translations.

### Services canceled after coup attempt

**CARACAS, Venezuela**—Sabbath services were canceled in Caracas, Valencia and Bar-

session the Russians corrected some misconceptions the Western media have about the situation in Russia, said Simone. They explained that while food is scarce, it is available and starvation is unlikely.

They discussed where Russia is heading, whether President Yeltsin is in control and likely to survive politically, the likelihood of a monarchy being returned and growing interest in religion.

The Russians left Pasadena Feb. 7.

The people at Petersburg Television-Radio are pleased with the relationship developing between them and the Church, said Cliff. "They enjoy being involved in a partnership that is mutually beneficial rather than just holding out their hands for aid."

## Russian

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The Russians were surprised to learn that a telecast requires 140 days for production, from the first focus meeting to the final program.

"Most of their programs are made with little planning," Debbie explained. "They don't schedule things, and if they decide to change a program's format they may do it right in the middle of the program."

They also wanted to know why the Church does not have a young presenter on the telecast. "That's the first time I've been asked that question," said Mrs. Stapleton.

"I said for religious or news programming a younger person lacks the experience and credibility a mature person brings to this type of program."

### All news

Janik & Associates, a media time-buying agency retained by the Church, arranged for a tour of KFWB, an all-news radio station in Los Angeles, Feb. 4.

The Russians were shown how the station schedules its reporters and gathers news. They also toured computer operations and work-shops.

Mr. Yugin was interviewed by a KFWB journalist for a broadcast that evening. After the tour the Russians were invited to tour Janik & Associates.

Later, Cliff and Debbie went with Mr. Radkevich, who produces a dating game, to a live taping of the game show *Jeopardy*.

He wanted to look at set design and lighting, and watch how a Western presenter works with the shows' participants.

But he was most impressed by the live audience, said Debbie. He had introduced a live audience on his show only this year.

In Pasadena Simone translated for Mr. Yugin during an interview by a Pasadena *Star-News* journalist.

While walking through the grounds here, Mr. Yugin asked Simone where the Church got the money to look after the property.

She explained how members support the Church, and he said he appreciated people working together for a cause, whether it be for religion or something else.

"That is what people in Russia need to do, he told me, to get behind a cause," said Simone.

### Media misconceptions

Wednesday evening, Feb. 5, the Russians attended a reception in the Employee Center. Among those attending were Mr. Ames; Gene Hogberg, *Plain Truth* world news editor; Larry Omasta, *World Tomorrow* senior producer; evangelist Larry Salyer, director of Church Administration International; Dan Taylor, research director for *The Plain Truth*; and Herb Vierra, Television manager.

During the question-and-answer

quisimeto Feb. 8 after a coup attempt failed to overthrow President Carlos Andres Perez Feb. 3.

President Perez suspended civil liberties indefinitely, and brethren here expected Sabbath services to be canceled for at least one more week.

### Spider hunting is camp activity in South Africa

**CEDARA, South Africa**—One hundred forty-four campers and 70 staff members attended the Summer Educational Program camp here Dec. 8 to 24.

The camp was directed by Robert Klynsmith, office manager for the South African Office.

Activities were softball, volleyball, netball, soccer, waterskiing, windsurfing, watercolor painting, paper making and participating in the camp radio station.

For many, the high point of camp was a three-day wilderness course at Umgeni Valley Game Ranch, with activities such as group dynamics, environmental awareness, rock climbing, survival techniques, bird watching and spider hunting.

This year's best overall camper awards went to Christo van Zyl and Dorothy Schorr.

### Minnesota congregation honors first centenarian

**MANKATO, Minn.**—The Mankato congregation honored its first centenarian, Robert Kientoff, at a potluck social Dec. 28. Mr. Kientoff was born Dec. 31, 1891.

Ron Peterson, a minister in the Mankato congregation, gave a presentation about the high-

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lights of Mr. Kientoff's life.

### Who are the students serving overseas?

**PASADENA**—Ambassador College students serving on Ambassador Foundation projects in Jordan and Sri Lanka and their mailing addresses are listed below if you would like to write them. Their hometowns appear in parentheses.

Those serving in Jordan are Cory and Colene Erickson; Deanna Eastom (Atwater, Calif.); Valerie Gore (Kenner, La.); Matt Gus (Mullens, W.Va.); Pamela Henderson (Sedona, Ariz.); Lori Hoyer (Olympia, Wash.); Mike McCord (Tulsa, Okla.); Sean Skinner (Livonia, Mich.); Kathy Thornton (Denver, Colo.); Lisa Watson (Bundoora, Vic.); Rob Wilken (Her-

mitage, Tenn.); William Stetter (Powder Springs, Ga.); and Brian Wilson (Loveland, Colo.).

Address letters to IMC Jordan Project, Pasadena, Calif., 91123. May 11 is the last date to mail letters since students return to the United States June 1.

Those serving in Sri Lanka are Dan and Cindi Thompson; Frank Foes (Lincoln, Neb.); Tony Knudsen (Edina, Minn.); Mike Mieure (Montevillo, Ala.); Johnny Overton (Hammond, La.); Ignacio Sanchez (Belen, N.M.); Andy Shamblin (Lubbock, Tex.); Richard Taylor (Villa Park, Ill.); and Tom Votaw (Lexington, Tex.).

Address letters to IMC Sri Lanka Project, Pasadena, Calif., 91123. June 21 is the last date to mail letters since students return to the United States July 12.



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

### Food, clothes, blankets go to Croatian refugees

**MUNICH, Germany**—The Munich and Nuremberg, Germany, and Salzburg and Vienna, Austria, churches donated used clothing, blankets and food valued at more than 20,000 deutsche marks (US\$12,500) to refugees in Croatia.

Members Ivo and Mandica Ivin, Croatians living in Germany, coordinated the project under the direction of Robert Berendt, Munich, Nuremberg, Salzburg and Vienna pastor.

Food was purchased at wholesale prices, and a member who owns a meat production plant donated sausage.

Mr. Ivin received donations from German people belonging

to a vacation club he operates. Other members of the community were generous in their donations.

"The people who received the goods were very grateful," Mr. Berendt said. "Mr. Ivin and his wife risked some danger in traveling along with the truck to make the delivery."

"They came within 15 miles of the frontlines and heard artillery and the noise of battle. The city of Zadar had been hit by hundreds of shells and damage could be seen. The alarms for air and artillery attacks were lifted just before they entered the city."

"They were able to complete their mission and since that time the fighting seems to have stopped," Mr. Berendt added.

Suffering continues on all sides. Many Serbian families, like Croatian families, have become refugees of the war. Neighbors of Mrs. Ivin's family, who are Serbs living in central and western Croatia, lost both of their young sons in the war.

This Serbian family, fearing for their lives, crossed the river one night in January and became refugees in Serbia.



**DANGER ZONE**—Zorka Taubkin (right) is a member in strife-torn Zagreb, Croatia. Left, co-workers Vjera Reiser and her mother, Zorka Reiser.

"The pain and suffering, the human tragedy of this war and of all wars, has left bewilderment, confusion and deep suffering in the lives of so many people," said Mr. Berendt.

"The personal tragedies over



**SPIRITUAL SISTERS**—Minka Mersol (left) and Darka Jesenko, members in Slovenia, Yugoslavia.

and over again cry out for the need of the return of Jesus Christ and the installation of the kingdom of God."

### Hurricane Betsy rips island of Vanuatu

**VILA, Vanuatu**—Hurricane Betsy ripped through the Pacific island nation of Vanuatu Jan. 7 to 9, causing two deaths and millions of dollars in damage.

Only one Church family suffered serious damage. Strong winds and rain demolished the home of Jeannot and Therese Verlily, who live on the island of Malekula.

The Verlilys, temporarily living in a home of thatched coconut leaves, are assessing the cost of wood, nails and roofing iron needed to construct a new house.

The Vanuatu government is supplying the immediate food needs of homeless people, so the Verlilys' needs should be met.

Two other Church families sustained some damage but are not in need of material assistance from the Church.

Hurricane winds flattened the kitchen of Lerosse Kuao, a mem-

ber in Vila, but it has already been repaired by family members.

Member Hnalo Matan lives on the island of Malekula. The winds blew off a sheet of roofing iron, and his furniture was soaked, but Mr. Matan put the roof back on a few hours later.

The hurricane destroyed much of Malekula's fields and crops.

"The people there will have a problem with lack of food for three to four months," said Rex Morgan, Whangarei, New Zealand, pastor, who also serves brethren in Vanuatu.

"They will try to replant everything so it will be ready to use in a few months time," he said. "They have asked the Church to pray about the situation."



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