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## HWA flies to Europe, receives decoration, conducts meetings

**By Aaron K. Dean.**  
BOREHAMWOOD, England — Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong landed at the Luton, England, airport at 5:15 a.m., May 2, in the Church's G-III jet, beginning the first leg of a planned 24-day trip to Europe and the Middle East.

*Aaron K. Dean, a pastor-rank minister, is personal aide to Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong.*

During the first portion of the trip Mr. Armstrong conducted a Worldwide Church of God board meeting at the British Regional Office here; visited Princess Lilian, widow of the late King Leopold of Belgium; conducted Sabbath services for about 800 brethren in London, England; and addressed a conference of local church elders and ministerial trainees.

The trip began at 10:30 a.m., Pacific Daylight Time (PDT), May 1, in Burbank, Calif., with Mr. Armstrong boarding the G-III with evangelist Ronald Kelly, *Plain Truth* senior writer; Gene Hogberg, *Plain Truth* world news editor; personal aide Aaron Dean; Ray Wright, director of Publishing Services; and Mr. Armstrong's nurse, Elaine Brown.

After takeoff Mr. Armstrong came back from his office in the sky in the front of the G-III to discuss world events and activities of the Church with Mr. Kelly, Mr. Hogberg, Mr. Wright and Mr. Dean.

At 12:30 p.m. a lunch of cantaloupes stuffed with grapes, filet mignon with french cut green beans and baby boiled potatoes was served.

After a dessert of ice cream and coffee Mr. Armstrong returned to his desk where he and Mr. Wright discussed the publishing operations of God's Church.

### Increased 'Good News' circulation

Mr. Armstrong previously approved offering a subscription to *The Good News* to individuals who

had requested religious literature from the Church at least twice. Mr. Wright explained that this offer is expected to add more than 200,000 new subscribers to *The Good News*.

Since this expected growth was not budgeted for earlier in the year, Mr. Armstrong needed to approve the expense.

After discussing that *The Good News* provides a good diet of spiritual food and is a major source of new co-workers and donors, Mr. Armstrong decided that the offer was an investment in the future. On faith, he then approved the release of funds from Church financial reserves to cover the added expense.

Before landing for refueling at Frobisher Bay, Northwest Territories, Mr. Armstrong reviewed samples of paper stock for his new book *Mystery of the Ages*. He also discussed advertising and marketing of the book.

During the refueling stop, Mr. Hogberg, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Dean and Mr. Wright stepped off the plane for some fresh air. After throwing a few snowballs in the 15-degree (minus 9 Celsius) weather, the group rejoined Mr. Armstrong aboard the G-III and continued the flight to England.

Mr. Armstrong played one of the Young Ambassadors Festival films on the on-board videocassette recorder, and afterward the group tried to get some rest before landing at Luton Airport.

At 5:20 a.m., local time, Thursday, May 2, the group was met by evangelist Frank Brown, regional director for the British Regional Office, and Francis Bergin, business manager for the office.

After clearing customs, the group said good-bye to Mr. Hogberg and Mr. Kelly, who continued to Bonn, West Germany, to cover the economic summit for *The Plain Truth*.

After Mr. Armstrong rested at the Dorchester Hotel, Mr. Brown joined him for lunch.

After the meal Mr. Armstrong was driven to Harrods department store for shopping before returning to his suite to make some final additions to the preface of *Mystery of the Ages*.

### Board meeting

At 10:30 a.m., Friday, May 3, the group left the Dorchester for an 11 a.m. board meeting of the Worldwide Church of God.

After conducting Church business, Mr. Armstrong adjourned the meeting and joined about 40 ministers and staff members of the British Regional Office for lunch at 1 p.m.

After a meal of smoked salmon, roast beef, vegetables and ice cream and strawberries, Mr. Armstrong (See HWA, page 3)



**ROYAL DECORATION** — Princess Lilian, widow of the late King Leopold III of Belgium, presents The Cross of the Veterans of King Leopold, to Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong May 5. [Photo by Aaron Dean]

## Brethren 'doing well spiritually'

# Evangelist tours South America

**By Michael A. Snyder**  
PASADENA — "Despite severe economic problems, earthquakes and terrorism, Church members living in South America have extremely good attitudes and are doing well spiritually," said evangelist Leon Walker May 6.

Mr. Walker, regional director for Spanish-speaking areas, returned here April 30 with his wife, Reba,

from a month-long trip to Colombia, Peru, Chile and Argentina.

"The main purpose of this trip was to continue our personal contact with the Spanish ministry, see firsthand their problems and needs, and to update them on administrative and doctrinal matters," Mr. Walker said.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker left Sunday, March 31, for Bogota, Colom-

bia. He met with members in the outlying Bible study in Medellin, Colombia, and with the members in Bogota for the Passover, Night to be Much Observed and the first day of Unleavened Bread.

"While in Colombia we wanted to buy an IBM Personal Computer for our chief translator, Margarita Cardenas," Mr. Walker said.

"Our past procedure was to mail the English [Church literature] manuscripts to her, where she would read them and dictate a Spanish version into a recorder.

"She would then type out the recording on a typewriter, making editorial and style changes, before sending the typed manuscripts to the regional office here in Pasadena," Mr. Walker continued.

With the purchase of the IBM computer, translated copy will be inputted into the computer instead of a typewriter. "That way she will send a floppy disk to Pasadena instead of typed copy. We simply insert the disk into our Bedford [typesetting] computer system, and the article will be ready for editing and layout.

"This cuts out the whole extra step of typing the material into the computer from her typewritten pages," he said. "When you're talking about a 32-page magazine, plus other literature, this represents a big time- and money-saving step."

The Walkers flew to Lima, Peru, April 7, where they were met by Reginald Killingley, pastor of the Lima and Huaraz, Peru, churches. Mr. Walker spent several days with Mr. Killingley and Wilfredo Saenz, who assists Mr. Killingley in Peru. He also spent the last day of Unleavened Bread and the weekly Sabbath of April 13 with the members in Lima.

"We originally planned to visit La Paz, Bolivia, after Peru, but a terrorist threat caused all of the airlines to cancel their flights," Mr. Walker said. "We eventually flew on to Santiago, Chile."

### Earthquake effects

After arriving April 16, Mr. and Mrs. Walker, and Santiago pastor (See EVANGELIST, page 3)

## Projected income lower, reports Church treasurer

**By Leroy Neff**  
PASADENA — At the end of the first third of the year, the income is still lower than projected.

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

Thankfully, this continues to be offset by an almost equal amount that the departments are under budgeted expenses. Although income has not met our expectations, we have a year-to-date increase of 9 percent over last year.

A little background might be helpful to show what has happened. You may recall that last year there was quite a lot of emphasis on being prepared for the Holy Day offerings, resulting in a fine increase in

the spring offerings of almost 30 percent over 1983.

This year, we were comparing our numbers with those larger-than-average increases. And because there has not been the same emphasis on being prepared in 1985, the total offerings were actually less than last year by about 4 percent. This has lowered our overall average for the year to the 9 percent figure.

In view of the lower-than-expected offerings during the Days of Unleavened Bread, I hope we all will be better prepared for the Pentecost offering. Increased income will make possible the hiring of more badly needed ministers to visit new prospective members and to care for the local churches, as well as increase our ability to spread the good news of God's soon-coming Kingdom.



**SOUTH AMERICAN TRIP** — Map shows the route evangelist Leon Walker, regional director of Spanish-speaking areas, and his wife, Reba, took to visit ministers and brethren in April. [Map by Ronald Grove]

# Vietnam syndrome paralyzes United States

PASADENA — April 23, 1985, will go down in history as a milestone along the way of the prophesied decline of American power and prestige.

On that date the House of Representatives defeated a \$14 million aid package for the Nicaraguan counterrevolutionary forces, known as the *contras*. The Senate earlier in the day approved the legislation, but it was nullified by the House action.

The vote was a stinging defeat for President Ronald Reagan's Central American policy. "Few votes will ever be so important to the national security of the United States," the President earlier warned.

The anticommunist *contras* pinned their hopes on what they called "Ronald Reagan's firmness." But they overlooked the lack of resolve in Congress.

In Nicaragua, of course, the scene was one of relief, if not jubilation. The government radio declared the House vote "a disastrous defeat for President Reagan." The Sandinistas did their own lobbying by inviting key House and Senate members to visit Nicaragua.

The Marxist government also campaigned hard over the three U.S. television networks. Sandinista leader Daniel Ortega, an avowed Marxist revolutionary, was seen on all three networks on the eve of the vote. As one former Vietnam correspondent for the Associated Press said, "Today it is almost mandatory to interview guerrillas — you get to see the other side."

After being let off the hook, the Sandinista rulers dispatched Mr. Ortega to Moscow for more aid, in

light of rumored U.S. economic sanctions against Nicaragua.

This defiant gesture took some U.S. legislators by hurtful surprise. Senate Majority Leader Robert Dole said the Moscow visit indicates Congress made "a major misjudgment."

President Reagan announced a trade embargo against Nicaragua May 1 (the United States is still Nicaragua's chief export market).

### Vietnam parallel

Perhaps it's ironic that the green light for further revolution was given as the United States took note of the 10th anniversary of the fall of South Vietnam. Secretary of State George Shultz warned that Central America is in danger of going the way of Indochina if the United States repeats its earlier policies.

Asked what the Reagan administration can do now, Mr. Shultz replied: "Congress has tied our hands completely... We're certainly not able to support those who are fighting for freedom... By law we can't do it."

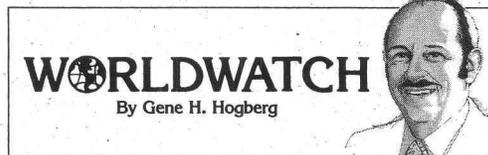
America's leadership remains paralyzed by the Vietnam syndrome. Confusion reigns supreme. The phrase "No more Vietnams" is often heard, yet this phrase is interpreted differently. The same is true with the so-called lessons of Vietnam, which are invoked in debates over defense and foreign policy. Others argue over what constitutes "vital national interests."

Former U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, when asked about the lessons of Vietnam and how they apply to Central America, said:

"On Nicaragua, we are in danger of repeating the same sort of domestic debate — an administration request hard to reconcile with a definition of vital interests. How could something be of vital interest and be only worth \$14 million? And Congress was saying you must make a compromise; you might have nonle-

The former secretary of state explained that the United States cannot afford to fight another Vietnam-style war — a war of limited objectives, of fighting not to win but only not to lose.

In one way, some observers say, Congress has learned this latter lesson of Vietnam. It simply doesn't



## WORLDWATCH

By Gene H. Hogberg

thal aid for the guerrillas. What is the meaning of that? Either it's not a vital interest or it's worth more than \$14 million, or it's worth lethal equipment."

Another supposed lesson of Vietnam that has been expounded is that the government should not forcibly react to a threat to the nation unless it has "full support of the public."

This is a dangerous notion, Mr. Kissinger responded, in the contemporary world of revolutionary "wars of liberation" in which challenges are "almost certain to be ambiguous."

What is to be done, he added, "when a President and his closest advisers are deeply convinced that something is in the overwhelming national interest and they can't carry the Congress or the media with them? This is one fundamental problem."

want to get involved — period!

### Can't see real threat

Of itself, a communist Nicaragua with only three million people does not pose a direct immediate threat to the United States — except, of course, that the Nicaraguans are building a 10,000-foot airstrip of the type that was so worrisome in

Grenada. Long-range missiles would be only eight minutes from U.S. targets.

However, experts stress that the real threat comes from a solidified Nicaragua becoming a regional headquarters — for the first time on the American mainland — for the spread of revolution to the north, through Mexico, as well as to the south, enveloping Panama and the canal, and into the northern tier states of South America, including a vulnerable Colombia.

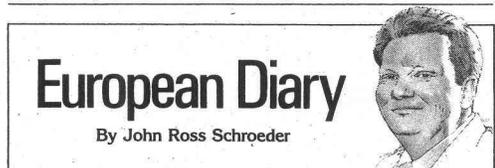
In the absence of decisive U.S. action other nations in Central America know they will have little choice but to follow what one leading Costa Rican civic leader calls "a pragmatic course of appeasement" with a heavily armed Soviet-backed Nicaragua.

"Reliability on the U.S. as a dependable ally," added Eduardo Ulibarri, editor in chief of *La Nacion* in San Jose, Costa Rica, "will vanish among many Central American democratic sectors."

### God's punishment coming

The more mightily Americans sin — abortion, skyrocketing drug abuse, pornography and sexual aberrations running rampant, an

(See VIETNAM, page 11)



## European Diary

By John Ross Schroeder

# 12 nations in the EC?

BOREHAMWOOD, England — Since the European Community's 10 nations will become 12, Jan. 1, 1986, a Scottish reader wrote: "I shall look forward to more articles explaining... Spain and Portugal's coming membership in the Common Market. I had understood that only ten nations would comprise this particular prophecy in the book of Daniel."

Perhaps other *Worldwide News* readers have the same question.

### Points to consider

There are several ways to view



## Letters TO THE EDITOR

**Informative articles**  
The article on Australia by John Curry and Lynn Torrance in the April 1 issue of *The Worldwide News*, was most informative, giving one a broader perspective of the interplay of governments and their effect on worldwide stability. I was also fascinated by the reports of the visit of Queen Sirikit (whom I met while in Thailand) and the interesting craft exhibit she brought with her.

Just the day before this issue arrived, I had been looking at the file index number on my offering envelopes, and thought to myself it would be nice to know what all these numbers mean. There was my answer on page 4 of *The Worldwide News*.

Gladys White  
Regina, Sask.

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### 'Iron Sharpens Iron'

I am really excited by the new column "Iron Sharpens Iron" added to *The Worldwide News*! It is truly fulfilling the Scriptures commanding us to exhort one another daily especially as this age draws to a close (Hebrews 10:25).

Point number two of the article "Steer Clear of Familiarity Pitfall [WV, March 18] really made for exciting and stimulating conversation at Sabbath services!

Audrey McCombs  
Savannah, Ga.

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### 'World Tomorrow'

I watched the program last week and (See LETTERS, page 11)

this enigma. The first is geographical. Some nations have had relatively stable political borders for 100 years or more. Many have changed radically.

The years since the turn of the century have given mapmakers nightmares. The peace treaties at the end of the two great world wars and countless smaller conflicts brought about the exchange, labeling and even relabeling of captured territories. History books are full of maps that show constantly fluctuating political lines and boundaries.

Unstable political borders have marked 20th-century Europe in particular. Whole nations and even empires have disappeared within the past 70 years.

Armenia disappeared as an independent state after World War I. The Russo-Turkish Treaty of 1921

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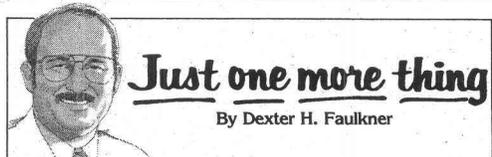
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## Just one more thing

By Dexter H. Faulkner

# Keeping love alive

A woman at the bank told my wife and me that she had finally gotten a divorce after 23 years.

"Wished I had done it sooner!" she exclaimed. "The flame went out long ago. Now I'm free." My wife and I, speechless, tried to hide our sorrow and disgust.

Twenty-three years, two sons, love, sweat, toil and heartache, all for a piece of paper that said "divorced."

My uncle once told me that marriage is like a hot coffee pot placed on a cold stove — it soon cools off. Unless we take precautions, that can happen.

"Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love," Christ said to the Church at Ephesus (Revelation 2:4). But cooled-off love can be rekindled, and relationships can be restored.

How? "Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works" (verse 5). This instruction from Paul applies to our physical as well as our spiritual married lives.

### Keeping love alive

"Remember" — that is the first step. God gave us memories. We must live in the present, but we dream of the future and we learn valuable truths from the past.

Do you recall the time you encountered your first love? I remember my first meeting with the young woman I was to soon wed. As she descended the porch to the yard of her country home in central California, she looked like a fresh flower.

My heart must have flipped several times, because it has never been

the same since. I remember walking in green fields and lovely country roads on warm summer evenings as she slipped her hand into mine and gently squeezed it.

I remember her kissing me as she awoke me to tell me it was time for her labor. Before long she gave me our first son. Such memories re-ignite love in both of us.

"Repent" is the second step. Love includes being able to say you're sorry and really mean it. When was the last time you said "I'm sorry"?

Forgiveness is an integral part of every good marriage. We can easily wrong others — even the one we love most intimately.

We need to change — to constantly strive to improve. Sometimes even little habits can greatly annoy our mate. We should be sensitive and willing to adjust.

Some, when offended, react with resentment and punishments. They hold grudges. They want to get even — even if only by sulking. Anybody can act that way. Remember: God will forgive our trespasses only as we forgive those who have wronged us (Matthew 6:12).

Some of the nicest words we can hear — music to our ears — come in a three-word sentence: "I forgive you." The Bible says that when God forgives us our sins, He remembers them no more. In other words, even though He has the power of complete and instant recall, He chooses to completely forget them.

What an example of forgiveness. When one forgives the other, he or she blocks the incident out of his or her mind and promises never to bring it up again.

Those who genuinely forgive have grasped the deeper meaning of love.

Finally, the third step: We must do the works we did at the beginning. In my case I clearly remember what they were! I proudly tell my children and friends about the young woman who captured my heart years ago.

We were childhood sweethearts. We grew up together and attended Ambassador College together. I strove to never become familiar from the very first date. Our song back in those days was and still is, "Memories Are Made of This." What is yours?

I drove out of my way to see her. I searched for time to be with her, and I always found it. I looked for ways to surprise her. I didn't need a special day or holiday — every day in young love was special, and reason enough for celebration.

Probably one of the most welcome, emotion-tingling phrases any marriage partner can utter is, "I remembered the moment, the event, the day." If you say "I forgot" to your love mate, you're telling a lot about yourself. This is what kills the sparks of love. Evaluate your marriage. How are you doing?

Here are some easy ways to help us remember:

Pay attention. Believe what your mate is doing or saying is the most important thing at the moment. When he or she says something, repeat it to yourself. Write it down. Reread it. Work at it daily.

What are those items you should always remember? Anniversaries, favorite gift items, sizes of clothing, most desired foods and entertainment. Little things are always important in marriage and should never be forgotten. Ask God to help you to remember.

### Love takes work

Love does not grow without proper cultivation and hard work. Scripture tells us: "Be not deceived; God is not mocked; for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap" (Galatians 6:7).

The choice is ours. Love is as strong as we make it. Love is building for eternity. Keep your love growing and alive!

# Chorale concert presents works from musical, sacred numbers

**By Kerri Miles**  
**PASADENA** — The Pasadena Ambassador College Chorale, directed by John D. Schroeder, presented its annual spring concert May 2 in the Ambassador Auditorium. The Pasadena Church Choir, the Men's Chorus and the Ambassador Chamber Orchestra also performed.

The first half of the concert consisted of sacred numbers, which were accompanied on the piano by Allen Andrews, operations manager for the choral groups, and the second half was excerpts from the Alan Lerner and Frederick Loewe musical *Brigadoon*.

To begin the show, the chorale sang "The Creation" by Tom Scott, narrated by sophomore Elliott Wynn; a Hebrew folk song titled "Hiney Ma Tov" (How Good It Is), arranged by Maurice Goldman; Harry Simcove's arrangement of "Onward Christian Soldiers"; "Canticle of Praise," by John Ness Beck; and the Roy Ringwald arrangement of "Battle Hymn of the Republic," with a baritone solo by junior Robert Rodzaj.

Additional accompanists for the

last selection were freshmen Paul Heisler, piano, and freshman Richard Gillis, trumpet.

Next the Men's Chorus performed "Bless This House," an a cappella number by May Brahe; and "Dry Bones," a Negro spiritual, arranged by Livingston Gearhart, with planned interjections by Dan Taylor, Ben Johnson and Mr. Wynn.

The first half concluded with the combined college chorale and Pasadena Church Choir singing two selections by Franz Joseph Haydn, "Achieved Is the Glorious Work" and "The Heavens Are Telling," which featured solos by church choir members, Mr. Taylor, Ingrid Helge and Gerald Bieritz. They were accompanied by the Ambassador Chamber Orchestra.

"Our *Brigadoon*, set in the 1940s in the highlands of Scotland, is the story of two hunters, one from Canada and the other from South Africa, lost in the woods, who come upon a town not on the map," said Mr. Schroeder.

The legendary town, having obtained a miracle, appears for only one day every 100 years to keep it

from being encroached upon by the evils of the world. The two hunters happen upon the town just as it appears and in the middle of preparations for a wedding.

They stay to join in the festivities, and one of them falls in love with the bride's sister.

Upon returning to New York he realizes that his heart is in Scotland, and returns to *Brigadoon*.

The chorale, dressed in the tartans of six clans, performed scenes from a town fair, preparations for the wedding, a sword dance and other numbers.

Mr. Schroeder chose *Brigadoon* because "I love the music, and it had enough numbers for a chorale to sing. We dropped any unsavory parts and were left with a nice story. It had enough decent characters that we didn't lose too much by cutting the bad guys."

Lead roles were performed by sophomore Kevin Armstrong as Sodomore; Kevin Armstrong as Tommy Albright, the Canadian; senior Cheryl Andrusko as Fiona MacLaren, the bride's sister; freshman William Daniels as Charlie Dalrymple, the groom; and his wife, Nonie, as Jean MacLaren, the bride; junior Wil-



**CONCERT CHOIR** — Pasadena Church members (from left) Gerald Bieritz, Ingrid Helge and Dan Taylor perform in the Ambassador College Chorale's annual spring concert in the Ambassador Auditorium May 2. They are accompanied by the combined college chorale and church choir and the Ambassador Chamber Orchestra. [Photo by Robert Taylor]

liam Linge as Mr. Lundie, the schoolmaster; junior William Mason as narrator and the South African; senior Marissa Campbell as narrator; senior Kathryn Austin as Jane Ashton, the New York girlfriend; senior Vance Woodfield as Sandy Dean; and freshman Brenda Colson as Meg

Brockie. Sword dancers were Mr. Wynn, junior Robert West and freshman Carlisle Parker.

Mrs. Daniels served as choreographer, and Mr. Andrews was stage director. The Ambassador Chamber Orchestra provided the music.

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spoke for 30 minutes to the group about the book *Mystery of the Ages*.

While at the regional office Mr. Armstrong also met with David Hulme, director of Media Purchasing for the Church, and Donald Mitchum, president of BBDO/West (Batten, Barton, Durstine & Osborn), an advertising agency retained by the Church. Mr. Hulme and Mr. Mitchum flew over earlier from the United States to check on television opportunities for *The World Tomorrow* in France and Norway.

At 4 p.m. the group returned to the Dorchester, and after a light meal in Mr. Armstrong's suite,

retired for the night.

Sabbath, May 4, Mr. Armstrong was driven to the Kensington Exhibition Centre in London to address about 800 brethren combined from the London-area churches.

After introductions by Mr. Brown and special Sabbath music from the church choir, Mr. Armstrong began his sermon by explaining how the invention of commercial printing led to the wide diffusion of knowledge.

Outlining the origin of humanity through to the coming Kingdom of God, Christ's apostle tied in appropriate chapters from his book *Mystery of the Ages*.

He said that the book placed the Bible in a setting that explained heretofore unanswered questions that have plagued humanity.

God did not intend for the mysteries of the Bible to be revealed and understood until this time of the end, he said.

The pastor general said that *Mystery of the Ages* fully answers these questions and will be available in English, in a hardcover book, free to brethren at the 1985 Feast.

He added the hardcover edition is scheduled to be sold later in bookstores for about \$20, although a subsequent paperback edition will be given away free to those who request one from the Church.

Mr. Armstrong said that many people will not request a free book, although if they saw the same book for sale in a reputable bookstore they would possibly buy it.

He said that by commercially marketing the book it will be reviewed in book publication journals, also increasing the visibility of the book.

*The Incredible Human Potential* and *The Wonderful World Tomorrow* received some favorable reviews when they were commercially marketed.

After the service ended at 3 p.m. the group returned to the Dorchester Hotel.

Mr. Armstrong and his group were joined by Mr. Brown and his wife, Sharon, for dinner at the White Elephant restaurant.

Mr. Brown and Mr. Wright discussed growth of Church publishing operations in the United Kingdom. For example, an offer of *The Good News to Plain Truth* readers who had renewed their subscriptions at least twice, brought a 56 percent response.

This, as they discussed, showed that people recognize the need for learning about spiritual values.

The same offer in the United States brought a 30 percent response.

It is expected that *Good News* circulation should reach 900,000 to one million subscribers by the end of 1985.

At 9:30 p.m. the Browns said good night and the group retired for the evening.

### Flight to Belgium

Sunday, May 5, the group boarded the G-III at Luton for a 10:45 a.m. flight to Brussels, Belgium. Landing at 12:30 p.m., local time, Mr. Wright said goodbye to the group, and went to investigate *Plain Truth* newsstand

opportunities in France.

God seems to be opening spiritual doors in supermarkets in France. Accompanied by Samuel Kneller, pastor of the Paris, France, church, Mr. Wright had scheduled meetings about wider distribution of *La Pure Verite* (French *Plain Truth*).

Mr. Armstrong and Mr. Dean continued to the Chateau D'Argenteuil for lunch with Princess Lilian, widow of the late King Leopold III of Belgium.

Accompanied by Col. Von Cauberg, Mr. Armstrong and Mr. Dean arrived at the chateau at 1 p.m. There they were met by Princess Lilian and Princess Esmeralda, her youngest daughter.

The group talked in a sitting room for about 30 minutes before going to the dining room for a lunch of salad, chicken, potatoes, carrots and ice cream.

During the meal a variety of topics were discussed, including a new book written by Roger Keyes, *Outrageous Fortune*.

This book, written from World War II records, vindicates King Leopold III for his actions early in the war.

Controversy arose after King Leopold, as supreme commander, surrendered the Belgian army May 28, 1940, to the invading German army and remained with his troops.

The Belgian government, in exile in England, repudiated his decision and criticized him for not joining the Belgian government in exile.

King Leopold was held by the Nazis as a prisoner of war in his royal chateau until 1944 and then in Austria until the end of the war. He is credited with saving an estimated 500,000 Belgian women and children from being deported to work in German munitions factories.

The postwar controversy over the king's decision to remain in Belgium eventually led him to renounce his sovereignty Aug. 11, 1950.

The king did not speak in his own defense, but instead suffered with dignity the politically expedient abuse heaped on him by others in England, France and Belgium.

### Royal decoration

The princess asked about Mr. Armstrong's schedule and expressed surprise that he was keeping such a rigorous schedule at age 92.

After lunch the group walked to the library, where the princess

excused herself for about five minutes.

Upon her return Mr. Armstrong told the princess how he considered King Leopold to be a courageous man and a dear and affectionate friend.

He said that an article about King Leopold would appear in a future issue of *The Plain Truth*.

Princess Lilian then reached into a pocket of her skirt and withdrew a box.

She opened it, exposing a decorative medal in white enamel with a gold portrait of the king in the center. She asked Mr. Armstrong if he had ever seen one before. He replied that he hadn't.

She then presented the decoration, *La Croix des Veterans du Roi Leopold* (*The Cross of the Veterans of King Leopold*), to Mr. Armstrong. She said that her husband intended to confer this decoration to him earlier because of his friendship to the king and the Belgian people, but he died before he could present it.

She then presented Mr. Armstrong and Mr. Dean with autographed copies of *Outrageous Fortune*.

She said she intends to accept a previous invitation from Mr. Armstrong to visit the Ambassador College campus in Pasadena, but has not fixed a date.

Mr. Armstrong and Mr. Dean thanked the royal host and returned to the Brussels airport for the 45-minute flight back to Luton.

### Ministerial meeting

After landing at Luton, Mr. Armstrong and Mr. Dean went to the British Regional Office, where Mr. Armstrong addressed about 35 local church elders and ministerial trainees who were participating in a two-day conference for local church elders in the United Kingdom.

Speaking for about an hour and a half, the pastor general discussed the development of the Church and its work and covered some additional material from *Mystery of the Ages*.

At noon, Monday, May 6, Mr. Armstrong and his group boarded the G-III for a flight to Damascus, Syria, where meetings with Syrian officials were scheduled.

(Mr. Dean's account of Mr. Armstrong's trip is scheduled to continue in the May 27 *Worldwide News*.)

## Evangelist

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Mario Seiglie visited the members' homes destroyed in the March 3 earthquake there (see "Update," *WN*, March 18).

"There was originally very little left standing," Mr. Walker said. When the earthquake struck, members were attending a church social.

"I joked with the members there that I doubted we would have much trouble encouraging them to participate in church activities in the future," Mr. Walker said.

The evangelist said that although third-tithe assistance was offered to Church earthquake victims, the members' employers sponsored the rebuilding of the two homes.

"Church brethren also go out each Sunday to help clear debris and work on the property," Mr. Walker added. "It's good to see the unity and concern that these brethren have for each other."

Sabbath, April 20, Fermin Nain was ordained as a deacon.

"I also got a chance to meet with Mr. Filidor Ilesca, who came up from Temuco [Chile], where he pastors a church," the regional director said.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker attended two *Pura Verdad* [Spanish *Plain Truth*] Bible lectures conducted by Mr. Seiglie in the Santiago Tupahue Hotel April 20 and 21 (see "Update," page 12).

The Walkers flew to Buenos Aires, Argentina, April 22, where Mr. Walker met with Alberto Sousa, pastor of the Ezeiza, Argentina, and Salto, Uruguay, churches; and Luis E. Chavez, pastor of the Bahia Blanca and Centenario, Argentina, churches.

"Mrs. [Elizabeth] Sousa is expecting her first baby at the end of May and has been bedridden most of her term, so... they would appreciate prayers for a safe delivery," Mr. Walker said.

### Continued growth

Asked what difference he could see in God's Church in Spanish-speaking areas since he began his twice-a-year trips in 1980, the regional director replied: "Growth. Virtually every aspect of the work in Latin America has grown significantly."

"In 1979 we started with about 80,000 subscribers for the *PV*. Now it's around 200,000."

"Now we have more ministers, more members. Having more ministers — and there is certainly a real need for more laborers — brethren have more access to spiritual meat."

"I also think though that the ability to hold these *PV* Bible lectures really stimulates those whom God is calling," he said.

Referring to I Corinthians 3:6, the evangelist explained, "In a spiritual sense we can plant, we can water with these Bible lectures, but only God can give the increase — and it seems He is now doing so."

# Ministerial Refreshing Program III

## Session 15, April 17 to April 30



**William & Glen Bentley**  
Church pastor  
Bulawayo, Zimbabwe, and  
Lusaka, Zambia



**Elmer & Elsie Conley**  
Local church elder  
Liberal, Kan.



**Ray & Norma Cowan**  
Local church elder  
London, Ky.



**Clyde & Lyda Critchlow**  
Local church elder  
Prince George, B.C.



**Melvin & Barbara Dahlgren**  
Church pastor  
Tacoma and Olympia, Wash.



**Joseph & Beverly Daniels**  
Local church elder  
Pasco, Wash.



**Joseph & Dorothy Dowson**  
Assistant pastor  
Bradford, Hull, Middlesbrough,  
Newcastle upon Tyne and  
Sheffield, England



**Mark & Aloisia Ellis**  
Church pastor  
Sydney, Australia, South



**Joseph III & Brenda Emmerth**  
Local church elder  
Elkhart, Ind.



**Martin Fiorillo**  
Local church elder  
Cleveland, Ohio, East



**James Forrester**  
Local church elder  
Memphis, Tenn.



**John & Susan Foster**  
Church pastor  
Canton, Ohio



**Lowell Foster**  
Local church elder  
Chicago, Ill., North and  
Northwest



**Dennis & Jane Gillen**  
Local church elder  
Paducah, Ky.



**Gordon & Barbara Graham**  
Associate pastor  
Edmonton, Alta., North



**Garvin & Sandra Greene**  
Church pastor  
Midland and Cadillac, Mich.



**Douglas & Martha Hardin**  
Local church elder  
Rome, Ga.



**Vernon & DeLee Hargrove**  
Church pastor  
Columbus, Ohio, A.M. and P.M.



**George Hatch Jr.**  
Local church elder  
Meriden, Conn.



**James & Shirley Henderson**  
Local elder  
St. Albans, England



**Glenn & Dixie Holladay**  
Local church elder  
Birmingham, Ala.



**Noel & Rebecca Horner**  
Church pastor  
Eau Claire, Wis., and St. Paul,  
Minn.



**David & Valerie House**  
Church pastor  
Channel Isles, Godalming,  
Reading and Southampton,  
England



**Clarence & Billie Kay Huse**  
Local church elder  
Pasadena Auditorium A.M.



**John & Hannah Knaack**  
Assistant pastor  
Monroe and Alexandria, La., and  
Natchez, Miss.



**Graeme & Lynette  
Marshall**  
Church pastor  
Calgary, Alta., North and South



**Stanley & Carolyn McNeil**  
Church pastor  
Topeka, Kan., and St. Joseph,  
Mo.



**James & Nell Mortensen**  
Local church elder  
Uvalde, Tex.



**Alvin & Dorothy Nordstrom**  
Associate pastor  
Winnipeg, Man., East and Thunder  
Bay, Ont.



**Richard & Mary Pinelli**  
Church pastor  
Kansas City, Mo., East



**Vernon & Dixie Schemm**  
Local church elder  
Scott City, Kan.



**Gerald & Constance  
Schrarbenger**  
Local church elder  
Denver, Colo., East



**Paul & Mary Seltzer**  
Local church elder  
Minneapolis, Minn., South



**Rex & Patricia Sexton**  
Associate pastor  
Albany and Salem, Ore.



**Steve & Evelyn Shafer**  
Associate pastor  
Seattle, Wash.



**Carroll & Leona Short**  
Local church elder  
Corpus Christi, Tex.



**Ronald & Diane Sower**  
Local church elder  
Pasadena Auditorium P.M.



**Gerald & Donna Steenport**  
Local church elder  
Appleton, Wis.



**Randall & Linda Stiver**  
Associate pastor  
Elkhart, Michigan City and  
Plymouth, Ind.



**David & Rosaphine Stone**  
Church pastor  
Hattiesburg and Picayune, Miss.



**Henry & Edeltraut Sturcke**  
Assistant pastor  
Union, N.J.



**Britton & Donna Taylor**  
Church pastor  
Binghamton and Corning, N.Y.



**Joe & Hazel Taylor**  
Local church elder  
Knoxville, Tenn.



**Eric & Amy Warren**  
Assistant pastor  
Halifax, Digby and Sydney, N.S.



**Abner & Sharon  
Washington**  
Church pastor  
Los Angeles, Calif.



**Kenneth & Kim Webster**  
Church pastor  
Lethbridge, Alta., and Maple  
Creek, Sask.

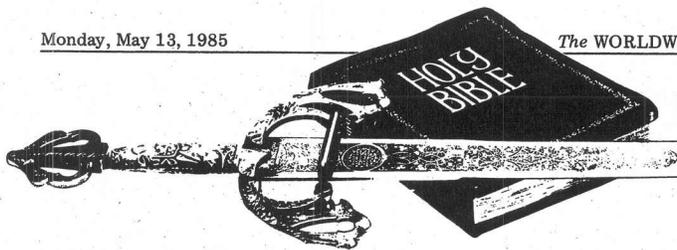


**James & Ella Jean Wilson**  
Local church elder  
Madisonville, Ky.



**Gene & Connie Zhorne**  
Local church elder  
Waterloo, Iowa

Not pictured:  
Della Forrester



# IRON SHARPENS IRON

## Obeying God's law of tithing produces spiritual character

By Earl H. Williams

Money, according to the old saying, makes the world go around. Indeed, much of the society around us is founded on the pursuit, use, abuse and worship of money.

As the apostle Paul said: "For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, for which some have strayed from the faith in their greediness, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows" (I Timothy 6:10, Revised Authorized Version).

*Earl H. Williams pastors the Brooklyn and Queens, N.Y., churches.*

The idolatrous god of money rules the people of this world. Who rules in your life — money or God? Do you worship money, or do you use money to worship God?

God, after all, commands you to use money in worshipping him: "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house" (Malachi 3:10).

But why does God require you to tithe? Who benefits most — God or you? God owns everything — He does not need your tithes (Deuteronomy 10:14). But you need tithing for your own spiritual growth. Tithing produces godly character in you!

### A heart tester

You have a hotline between your pocketbook and your heart. As Matthew 6:21 says, "For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." Is your heart in your pocket?

Who best understands the psychology of money and the human heart? God Himself. Notice: "I the Lord search the heart, I try the reins, even to give every man according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings. As the partridge sitteth on eggs, and hatcheth them not; so he that getteth riches, and not by right, shall leave them in the midst of his days, and at his end shall be a fool" (Jeremiah 17:10-11).

God uses tithing to help you "hatch" godly character. Tithing helps shape the human mind, aided by God's Spirit, into the likeness of God's mind. Let's look at some of the character traits tithing develops.

### Obedience to God's government

Tithing, like no other law, pictures and teaches God's government. Tithing captures the essence of giving — giving in obedience to God.

Realizing the strong sway money has over the carnal human mind and character, God uses tithing to teach us obedience to His government. Your carnal mind can think of a thousand or more ways to spend that 10 percent that makes up a tithe — ways that satisfy legitimate needs, with a few luxuries along the way.

Some may reason, "Well, if I didn't have to tithe, I could be driving a brand new car rather than this old junk heap." But the reason you may be driving an old junk heap may be because of your attitude toward tithing. God wants you to overcome the pull of money so He may give you rulership in His government (Revelation 2:26).

### Loyalty to God

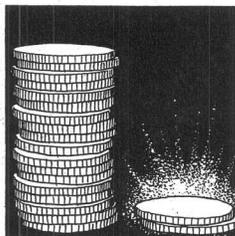
This brings us to the next character trait tithing develops: loyalty to God. Some may say: "God's government

is in heaven, and airmail does not go that high in the sky. So how can I tithe to God and learn the lessons of His government?"

For your growth, the government of God has a branch office on earth. Today, that office exists in the Worldwide Church of God, which exercises the authority and functions of the government of heaven (Matthew 16:19).

God gives the tithe to His ministry. In ancient Israel the tithes went to the Levites, "And, behold, I have given the children of Levi all the tenth in Israel for an inheritance, for their ser-

vice which they serve, even the service of the tabernacle of the congregation" (Numbers 18:21). Today, the tithes go to the ministry of Jesus Christ (Hebrews 7).



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vice which they serve, even the service of the tabernacle of the congregation" (Numbers 18:21). Today, the tithes go to the ministry of Jesus Christ (Hebrews 7).

Though the people and places have changed, the work remains the same — "the service of the tabernacle." But today a spiritual Temple is being built — the people of God (Ephesians 2:19-21). Having His people tithe to His representatives on earth gives God an excellent opportunity to develop and test our loyalty to Him.

Few realize the benefits to others that result from the additional tithe during the third year (Deuteronomy 14:28, 29, 26:12). Not only is this a blessing to the widows, fatherless and stranger, but to God's ministers as well, who are helping to build this spiritual Temple.

The portion used in ministerial salaries from this 10th does not have to be taken from regular tithes and offerings, making it possible to spend more in publishing and broadcasting.

### Faith in God

Obedience and loyalty are vital character traits, but you also must have faith to loyally obey God (Hebrews 11:6). Tithing produces faith.

Tithing is illogical to the human way of reasoning. The way we reason, more can be done with 10 tenths than with nine tenths. We have less after tithing, right? The average person cannot see how he can have more with only nine tenths. That's right — he cannot see it.

But Paul tells us, "For we walk by faith, not by sight" (II Corinthians 5:7). Spiritual vision sees infinitely further than physical vision.

God challenges you to develop faith. "Prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts" (Malachi 3:10) — in effect, "Put me to the test — trust me to make a way out of no way!" You will either trust almighty God or almighty money. There are no two ways about it. You cannot serve both God and money (Matthew 6:24).

Each time you tithe, faith grows. Tithing builds the faith to trust God not only with our physical needs, but with our spiritual needs. You become

able to trust God in any situation, even with your eternal life.

### Love toward fellowman

What is the most important character trait of all? God answers, "The greatest of these is charity" (I Corinthians 13:13). That's right, tithing develops charity, or love.

Earlier we saw that tithing captures the essence of love, which is giving — giving to God. But by giving to God we actually give to our fellowman. How, you ask?

God's tithes preach the Gospel to the world by purchasing literature, magazines, radio and television time. Millions of human beings on every continent hear the Gospel. For the first time they understand the truth

and the way to salvation. You become a co-worker with God, bringing the hope of eternal life to your fellowman. If making eternal life possible for another human being is not love, then who can know what love is? Christ says, "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends" (John 15:13). Your sacrificing, your tithing — your laying down part of your living — is indeed an act of love.

Even the portion of your Festival tithe that you sent to the Church is an expression of that love. You probably realize that it is used to assist others to attend the Festival, who otherwise would be unable to go.

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You probably did not know that the unneeded portion (sometimes called excess second tithe), which is added to the Holy Day offerings, may also be used for the preaching of the Gospel to the world for a witness to all nations.

What a fantastic blessing God has given us in His law of tithing!

### A fantastic law

Tithing is not just a physical end, but a spiritual means to an eternal end. If you develop character through tithing, God promises to "open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it" (Malachi 3:10).

What kind of blessing is it that requires the windows of heaven to be rolled back? What kind of blessing is it that is so big you do not have room enough to receive it? Well, how about the whole universe?

Listen: "What is man, that thou art mindful of him? or the son of man, that thou visitest him? . . . Thou hast put all things in subjection under his feet" (Hebrews 2:6-8).

With Jesus Christ, you will inherit all things (Romans 8:17). What a small price to pay for such tremendous blessings!

So tithe, and reap the spiritual character and the awesome blessings that will last forever!

## Accept compliments properly

By George M. Kackos

"Congratulations, you did an excellent job!" "Thanks for those kind words." "Nobody else can do it, but I know you can. You're a valuable asset!"

*George M. Kackos pastors the Grand Rapids, Mich., church.*

How do you react when someone compliments you? Do you accept or reject it? Does it give you feelings of pride or humility? Do you become overly modest and have trouble believing that you're worth a kind word? Or do you get the "big head" and feel you're better than others because of a good deed you've done? Are you grateful for compliments?

There are many ways to react to a compliment, but what is the right way? Let's examine some points to consider when receiving a compliment.

### Evaluate the compliment

Most of the compliments you receive are sincere, but sometimes they are inaccurate. A person may have an exaggerated sense of your ability, importance or character.

In such cases, it may be necessary to comment on the compliment. For example, Jesus Christ responded to the young man who addressed Him as "Good Master" by replying:

"Why do you call Me good? No one is good but One, that is, God" (Matthew 19:17, Revised Authorized Version, unless noted). Jesus wanted the young man to recognize the power of God the Father at work in Him.

Can you humble yourself in a similar way when inaccurate praise is directed toward you?



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You may encounter insincere compliments. Solomon warned his son about women who use flattery to manipulate a man (Proverbs 2:16). Of course, men can also be guilty of the same problem, as we see in the case of those who approached Jesus Christ about the tribute money (Matthew 22:15-18).

Such insincere words can be like gifts that blind your judgment (Deuteronomy 16:19). You must resist their manipulative influence:

"He who hates, disguises it with his lips, And lays up deceit within himself; When he speaks kindly, do not believe him, For there are seven abominations in his heart" (Proverbs 26:24-25). In some cases, it may be necessary to expose the hypocrisy of a flattering manipulator, as Jesus did.

Fortunately, you don't have to worry about the accuracy or sincerity of heartfelt, positive, unsolicited compliments, and these you can truly enjoy: "Pleasant words are like a honeycomb, Sweetness to the soul and health to the bones" (Proverbs 16:24).

### Remain humble

How you accept a compliment is a real test of your character: "The crucible for silver and the furnace for gold, but man is tested by the praise he receives" (Proverbs 27:21, New International Version).

A person overcome with feelings of inferiority rejects compliments by denying their validity. He can't see those things that are right about himself. This is false humility — a kind of reverse vanity.

On the other hand is the person who is filled with pride. For him, praise adds to his distorted sense of importance. Such an attitude caused God to destroy Herod (Acts 12:21-23).

So what is the proper approach? You should accept sincere compliments and acknowledge your appreciation to those complimenting you. Then let the compliment strengthen your confidence in what God is able to do through you and spur you to even greater accomplishments. But in the process, maintain your humility.

This is what the apostle Paul did. Despite praise he received for his accomplishments, he remained humble. He always gave God the glory (I Corinthians 1:29-31). In addition, he continually acknowledged his spiritual inadequacies (Romans 7:24-25).

Can you follow Paul's example? Can you receive compliments but remain humble?

Receiving compliments is not enough. You need to respond properly. When you do, you will experience the valuable benefit that sincere, uplifting compliments produce.

## 1 in every 633 receives the Plain Truth magazine

PASADENA — Did you know that *The Plain Truth* goes to one in every 633 people on the face of the earth?

*Reader's Digest 1985 Almanac and Yearbook* estimated that the Jan. 1 worldwide population was 4,816,150,776. *Plain Truth* circulation was 7,603,137 as of April 1, according to Boyd Leeson, U.S. *Plain Truth* circulation manager.

The highest proportion of circulation to population is in Canada, where one in 27 receives *The Plain Truth*.

New Zealand has the third-best penetration, with one in 42 receiving the magazine. The United States, with the largest circulation, is fourth proportionately, at one in 48.

Thirty-eight copies of *The Plain Truth* are sent to the Soviet Union, and 74 go to the People's Republic of China.

*Plain Truth* circulation figures are like a living plant. They are constantly changing and growing, said Ron Urwiler, supervisor of the International Mail Section of the Mail Processing Center (MPC).

## Key word: 'flexibility,' reports Caribbean regional director

**SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico** — How does a regional office administer an area larger than the United States that includes the Dutch, French, English and Spanish languages?

"When you have nine full-time ministers serving 1,010 Church members, you learn to conserve your resources," joked Stan Bass, regional director for the English-speaking areas of the Caribbean.

"The complexity of the area requires that we work very closely with Mr. Dibar Apartian and Mr. Leon Walker on a continual basis," he said. Mr. Apartian and Mr. Walker, both evangelists, are the regional directors for French-speaking and Spanish-speaking areas.

The regional office in San Juan serves brethren and co-workers living on more than 25 islands throughout the Caribbean. "This includes the Dutch-speaking islands [Netherlands Antilles] and a few islands under British control," Mr. Bass said in a May 3 telephone interview with *The Worldwide News*.

### New office

In November, 1984, the Caribbean Regional Office moved to new facilities in Santurce, which is part of metropolitan San Juan. "The old office was simply inadequate," Mr. Bass said.

Asked what is necessary to successfully preach the Gospel and feed the flock in the Caribbean, the regional director said, "It can be summed up in one word—*flexibility*."

"Most of these islands have separate governments with different requirements to operate a religious organization," he said.

"This makes it sometimes difficult for our ministers to move from country to country even to conduct Sabbath services."

Mr. Bass cited an example where one government required a minister to complete an application for residency status, even though the minister did not want the status and the government said it used the form even though it did not intend to grant residency status. "Like I said, you've got to be flexible."

In addition to Mr. Bass other office employees are Paul Brown, ministerial trainee; Connie Deily, secretary and receptionist; Domingo Negron,

custodial; and Bryan Weeks, business manager. Three local church elders serve in the area.

### Videotaped sermons

"We have 13 churches and three outlying Bible studies in the English Caribbean," Mr. Bass said. "Since the only way for ministers to travel to services is often to fly, we have some real logistical problems in conducting more than one Church service per minister on the Sabbath."

"Because of airline schedules, a minister might be able to reach another island after conducting services for another congregation on a different island, but he would probably arrive either after the Sabbath was over or when there was insufficient time."

To combat this problem, the regional office bought videocassette recorders. "We use tapes from headquarters and videotape some of our ministers giving sermons. Then we have a deacon play the tape when a minister can't visit the congregation to deliver a live sermon."

He added that some churches receive a visit once a month from a minister, but that most usually receive two each month. Sabbath services are conducted each week in Hamilton, Bermuda; Nassau, Bahamas; Kingston, Jamaica; Bridgetown, Barbados; Port-of-Spain, Trinidad; and Georgetown, Guyana.

### Good growth

"We continue to experience fantastic growth on our mailing list in Guyana and Jamaica," Mr. Bass said. "The other areas continue growing at a more moderate rate."

The *World Tomorrow* telecast featuring Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong airs weekly on eight islands, and the radio broadcast airs on four islands.

"Mr. Armstrong has a very definite following in the Caribbean," Mr. Bass said. "People believe he speaks with the authority of God."

The regional director explained that while people believe Mr. Armstrong speaks with God's authority, "they often don't want to fully submit to all of the doctrines of the Church and merely want to have some kind of loose affiliation with the Church."

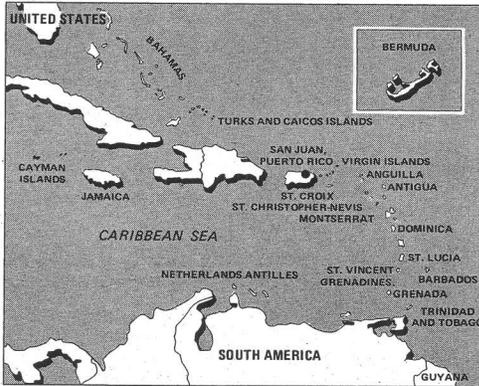
He said the chief problem facing brethren is economic. "Most brethren

have modest incomes, and sometimes have difficulty in making ends meet.

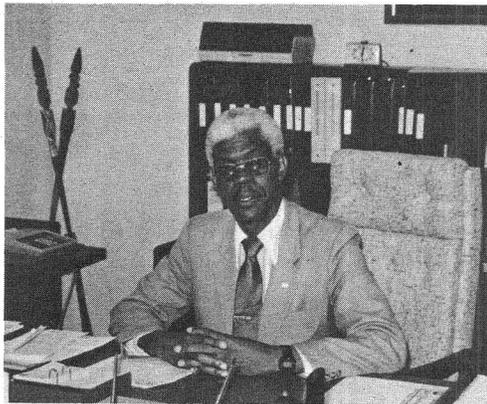
"At one time we had a problem in that we had some countries where contributions exceeded expenditures, and government regulations said we couldn't take the money out of the area.

"We have now solved that problem by arranging to print the Caribbean *Plain Truth* in England using that money, which the authorities will allow."

He said that English-language *Plain Truth* circulation in the Caribbean is about 76,000, including 6,000 newsstand copies.



**ENGLISH CARIBBEAN** — The Church's regional office in San Juan, Puerto Rico, serves members and co-workers on more than 25 islands throughout the Caribbean. At right is Bryan Weeks, business manager. [Map by Ronald Grove, photo by Leroy Neff]



**REGIONAL DIRECTOR** — Stan Bass, pictured at his desk in the new facilities of the Caribbean Office in San Juan, Puerto Rico, has served as regional director since July, 1972. Mr. Bass also pastors the Roseau, Dominica, and St. John's, Antigua, churches. [Photo by Leroy Neff]



## Keys to successful job hunting

# It's not too late for summer job

By Richard D. Mann

**KANSAS CITY, Kan.** — If you haven't found a summer job, it isn't too late to look.

After assessing your skills, experience and financial needs, register with a job placement agency or equivalent wherever you live. Such agencies receive job orders for summer openings from many places. These centers handle summer job listings furnished by business associations in many large metropolitan areas. Many of these jobs, both public and private, are also listed in the classified ad sections of some newspapers.

Richard D. Mann, a member who attends the Kansas City, Kan., South church, has been with Kansas Department of Human Resources for more than 19 years.

In the United States, a Job Service Center is the place to go. While there, check the eligibility requirements for the Targeted Jobs Tax Credit program. Many members of families with low income for the previous six months qualify. Those who meet the criteria can provide substantial tax savings and a strong incentive to be hired by would-be employers.

### What you can offer

Be positive. You are a unique individual and might have something to offer a prospective employer. Your personal, home, school and Church background may provide the skills you need for some jobs.

A hobby, a skill in sports or experience in performing household tasks may prepare you for related sales or service work. Home economics courses can develop specialty talents in cooking or sewing.

Clerical skills learned in school, the timely preparation of your lessons and good work habits are essential in successfully finding work in many corporate offices. Many warehouse jobs require the use of computer terminals or word processing equipment for ordering, shipping and inventory control. Related school courses can qualify you for these positions.

Tips from friends, relatives, Church members and others can help you find job openings. Openings may exist that haven't been publicized. After receiving a valid lead, contact the employer in person — or if that isn't possible, call and say you want to make an application.

You may even want to start your own summer business. Contract with neighbors to keep their automobiles cleaned or their grass mowed and shrubs trimmed. This type of work can be done on an hourly basis or you can charge a flat fee for a month's work.

If a minimum-wage job is sufficient, the fast-food (take-away) industry provides full-time, part-time and summer jobs.

Small shops and businesses can use students for delivery work, sales clerking and stocking merchandise. Golf courses employ caddies and lawn-maintenance workers. And don't forget concession stands at summer sporting events.

Try the library for additional job information. Other sources are bulletin boards at supermarkets, skating rinks and entertainment centers.

### Job interview

What can you do to make the interview a success?

The day before the interview review your experience. What do you have that would make you a valuable employee?

Go to bed early so you can be refreshed and alert. Pray for guidance and favor with the employer. Dress sharp, clean and appropriately for the job for which you are applying. If in doubt, it is better to overdress than to underdress.

Plan to arrive at the reception area 10 to 15 minutes early. This gives you more time to fill out an application. Tell the receptionist why you are there and whom you came to see.

Fill out the application completely. This reflects on your thoroughness. Many would-be employees lose out because they fail this simple task. Be neat. Answer all questions as well as you can.

During the interview be friendly. Allow the interviewer to ask most of the questions. Respond courteously, honestly and clearly. Speak distinctly and use proper English. This is no time for slang. At the end of the interview, thank the interviewer for his or her time.

After several days, you may call to see if the job is still open and if you are still being considered. Continue searching until you have a definite offer of employment.



**NEW OFFICE** — The Caribbean Regional Office moved to new facilities in Santurce in metropolitan San Juan, Puerto Rico, in November, 1984. [Photo by Leroy Neff]

# 30 full-time employees serve in Australian Regional Office

**By John Curry**  
**BURLEIGH HEADS, Australia** — "Seeing our office facility here was an inspiring experience for me," wrote Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong in the *Pastor General's Report* after he visited the Australian Regional Office in May, 1981.

*John Curry is an assistant to Robert Morton, regional director of the Church's Office in Burleigh Heads, Australia.*

Mr. Armstrong had not seen the office before, and he wrote that it was a larger complex than he had expected, with "several executive and private offices, work rooms, an assembly for the local church services, adequate storage rooms, reception, etc."

He described it as "a very splendid building complex."

The Australian Regional Office is at Burleigh Heads, on Queensland's Gold Coast. The area is renowned for its beaches and climate, and is a major tourist destination with easy access to Australia's major cities.

Here the 30 permanent office employees serve an area that includes not only Australia, but also the Indian subcontinent and much of Asia.

The Australian Office has been in Burleigh Heads since 1974 when it was transferred from Sydney. Evangelist Gerald Waterhouse opened the Sydney Office in December, 1959, but by 1973 the high rents and cost of living placed a heavy burden on the Church's financial resources.

To relieve the situation, the regional director at that time, Dennis Luker, commissioned a feasibility study, and the decision was made to relocate the office out of Sydney and to build a Church-owned office complex rather than relying on rented space. After much searching a suitable site was selected in a new industrial park near Burleigh Heads.

The office was moved from Sydney in January, 1974, to temporary rented premises while the building was being constructed. By early 1976, the 14,000-square-foot complex was completed. Timber and brick were used extensively in the construction, both inside and out, to harmonize the appearance and decor with the surrounding landscape. The building is on three acres of gently sloping land, with a lake in front.

The office is divided into five departments, each responsible to the regional director, Robert G. Morton.

### Ministerial Services

Ministerial Services provides support and direction to the 37 full-time and 29 nonemployed ministers in

Australia and Southeast Asia. The department organizes regional conferences, Festival sites and overseas travel arrangements for ministers.

It is headed by William Winner, a pastor-rank minister. He is assisted by Bruce Greenaway and secretaries Sandra Atkinson and Beverley Kelly. Mr. Winner travels throughout Australia on Mr. Morton's behalf, preaching and conducting seminars for members and the ministry.

### Financial Services

The Financial Services Department has a staff of nine, under the direction of Rob Kelly, business manager. In addition to taking care of the accounting functions, the department is responsible for data processing and management of the office facilities. Torin Archer, previously employed in the financial area of the Publishing Department in Pasadena, joined the staff in December. He is helping to develop a computer-based budget projection system. This will enable Mr. Morton and the budget team to more quickly and accurately assess the effect of decisions on the budget before they are implemented.

### Mail Processing

In 1984, for the first time in 25 years of God's Church in Australia, the Mail Processing Department mailed more than one million pieces of mail. This is in addition to the subscription and newsstand issues of *The Plain Truth*. The department head is Reginald Wright, who began working in the Sydney Office as a mail reader in 1967.

He and his staff of 11 receive and open the mail from Australia and 35 Asian countries, adding to and updating the magazine subscription lists, sending out the publications and, where necessary, sending a personal reply to readers' inquiries.

Four lines similar to the Wide Area Telephone Services (WATS) lines were installed in the department so *World Tomorrow* viewers can phone the office from anywhere in Australia for the price of a local call.

Most of the phone calls are received on Sunday mornings, and they are taken by a volunteer staff from among the office employees.

### Media Services

Assisting Mr. Morton in Media Services are Robin Jackson and his secretary, Kathy Tuck. Mr. Jackson communicates with the Church's advertising agents about promotion of *The Plain Truth* in major magazines and the placement and airing of *The World Tomorrow* on television.

In addition, he interfaces with the

Australian printers for *The Plain Truth*, and with ministers and members involved in the newsstand program.

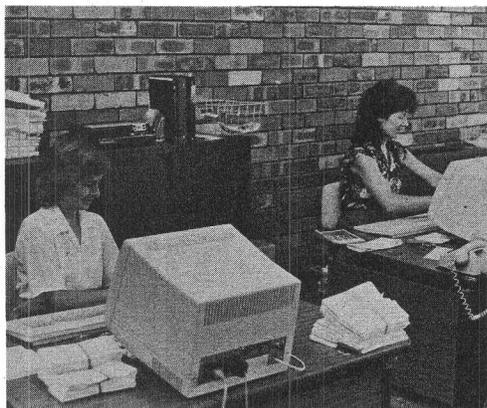
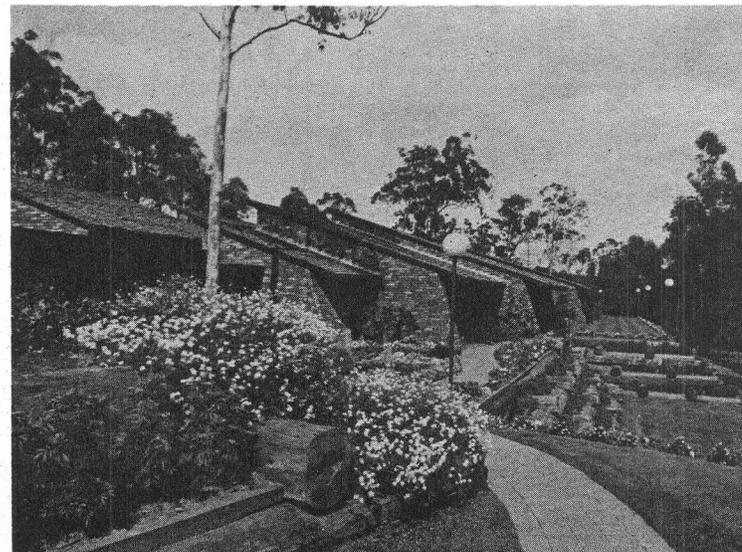
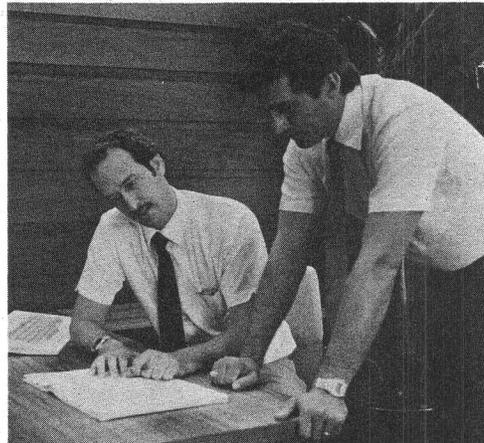
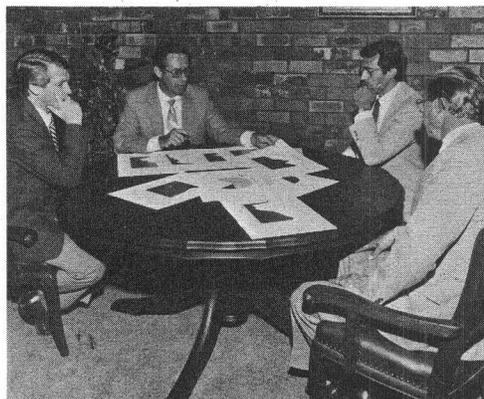
The department also provides internal printing for the office, and a tape service for the blind, duplicating on high-speed copying equipment the master tapes sent from Pasadena.

### YOU

In 1983 a Youth Opportunities United (YOU) Department was set up to implement youth programs approved by Mr. Armstrong. The department head is David Noller, pastor of the Lake Moogerah, Kingaroy and Warwick, Australia, churches.

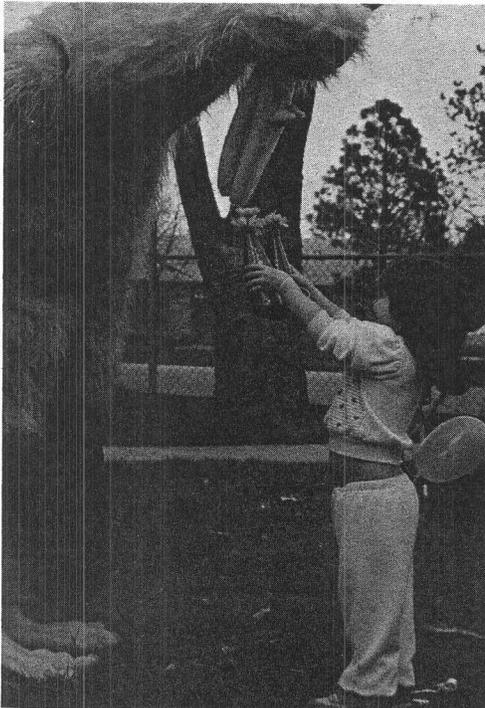
Assisting him are Gary Regazzoli and his secretary, Deborah Denning. They take care of administrative details associated with the various programs, especially the summer and winter camps at the Church-owned facility at Lake Moogerah.

**OFFICE PERSONNEL** — Top photo, staff members of the Church's Regional Office in Burleigh Heads, Australia, prepare graphs and charts during a Jan. 9 to 16, 1984, trip to Australia by Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong. From left: Robin Jackson of Media Services, regional director Robert Morton, business manager Rob Kelly and William Winner of Ministerial Services. Right photo, Mr. Kelly (right) discusses a budget project with Torin Archer. [Photos by Warren Watson and John Curry]



**UNIFIED TEAM** — Counterclockwise from above, Diane Kelly (left) and Fiona Thomas work in the Mail Processing Department; an exterior view of the office building, completed in 1976; and volunteers from the Gold Coast, Australia, church mail out a co-worker letter from Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong. [Photos by John Curry]

# ACCENT ON THE LOCAL CHURCH



**HAVE A WHIFF** — Kerri Barbee, 3, who attends the Topeka, Kan., church with her parents, James and Deborah Barbee, offers Big Bird a smell of her flowers at a children's picnic April 7.

## Areas sponsor spring dinner dances

Two hundred seventy **DAVENPORT, IOWA CITY** and **WATERLOO**, Iowa, brethren gathered at the Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Sheraton Inn for the first day of Unleavened Bread April 6, after which a dinner and dance took place.

Speakers were Steve Nutzman, pastor of the three churches; John Bailey, an Iowa City local church elder; and Gene Zhorne, a Waterloo local church elder. During the afternoon service Mr. Nutzman, assisted by the two elders, ordained Steve House of Davenport and Joe Rehore of Iowa City deacons.

The event began at 6:30 p.m. when preteens viewed the 1984 Young Ambassadors Feast film and *The Black Stallion*. Brethren dined on a catered buffet before an evening of fellowship and dancing.

The new deacons and their wives shared the first dance. Other dances were the Hava Nagila, special YOU dances, a broom dance and freeze dance.

Dancing pipe-cleaner figures were awarded to the team of Connie Zhorne, wife of Mr. Zhorne, and their son Matt, 15, for winning the broom dance; and Paul Graham and Debbie McCoy, who won the freeze dance.

The Golden Slipper Award, for the best all-around dancers, was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Dave Holmes. Mr. Holmes is a deacon in the Davenport church.

Disc jockeys who played selections from the 1930s, '40s and '70s

were Gene Reisner, Doug Kress, George Bushlack, Jerry Rehore and Todd Woods.

On the evening after the first day of Unleavened Bread, April 6, 123 brethren from **BOISE** and **TWIN FALLS**, Idaho, and **ONTARIO** and **BAKER**, Ore., attended the fifth annual spring dinner dance.

The dinner entree was a choice of steak Diane or breast of chicken bear-naise. The Jim Knapp Band, an area group, provided live music after dinner.

Floral centerpieces and wine were given away in a drawing at the close of the evening. Barry Baker took photographs in an adjacent room.

Many members prepared for the event by attending ballroom dance classes last winter taught by Fred Whitlark, a deacon in the Boise church.

March 23, 95 **GREENVILLE**, S.C., brethren and guests from **ASHEVILLE**, N.C., participated in a formal "Night in the Old South" at

the Quality Inn in Greenville.

Guests entered through a bower decorated with magnolia leaf clusters, and women were presented with silk flower corsages. Pink and burgundy napkins decorated the tables, and magnolia clusters surrounded white candles.

Danny Freeman, master of ceremonies, opened the festivities with a dance by the ministers and their wives. A professional dance band played favorites. Also featured were an anniversary waltz for those with anniversaries within six weeks of the dance and two elimination dances, won by Linda Cox and Mark Williams, and Don and Velma Barnes.

**APPLETON** and **GREEN BAY**, Wis., brethren attended a semi-formal dinner and dance March 30 at the Colonial House Supper Club in Freedom, Wis. The menu for the 160 present was chicken, beef, dressing, potatoes, vegetables, relishes, rolls and cheesecake.

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## Brethren honor YOU groups

The Mandalay Four Seasons Restaurant provided a fitting setting for the April 6 dinner and dance commemorating high school graduation for 20 **DALLAS** and **FORT WORTH**, Tex., seniors.

After a meal of Cornish game hens with wild rice, glazed carrots and chocolate and strawberry mousse, the Big Sandy Ambassador College dance combo played dance music for the group of almost 300.

The Young Ambassadors introduced the entertainment portion, launching into a medley of songs and setting the stage for introducing graduating seniors.

Robert Smith, Fort Worth A.M. and P.M. pastor, read autobiographies submitted by the seniors. He presented certificates to Janette Berg, Treyon Bradford, Patrick Davis, Arlene Hawkins, Theresa Mantzke, Donald Trumble and Michael Weaver.

Randal Dick, Dallas West pastor, read biographies listing the academic and social accomplishments of five graduating seniors from his area. Mr. Dick presented certificates to Debbie Parrish, Jerry Hansen, Mary Brown, Karen Terry and Donessa Washington.

Kenneth Swisher, Dallas East pastor, concluded the presentation by

listing the accomplishments and projections of eight young people from his area. Mr. Swisher awarded certificates to Charles Crisman, Reasor Holland, Paul Kennebeck, K. DaLynn Krebbs, Byron Phillips, Memory Scott, Scott Talbot and Ronny Ross.

The **SIoux FALLS, WATER-TOWN** and **YANKTON**, S.D., churches were hosts to a YOU prom weekend that began with Sabbath services March 30. Guests included YOU members and chaperons representing 17 churches in Iowa, Minnesota, Nebraska and North and South Dakota.

After services Ross Jutsum, director of Music Services in Pasadena, conducted a Bible study, bringing to mind the order and infinite variety of God's creation. Mr. Jutsum also emphasized individual responsibility and accountability for the selection of appropriate music.

A prime rib dinner was served in a candlelit atmosphere, after which Mr. Jutsum was disc jockey for an evening of dancing and fellowship.

The host churches provided a pancake breakfast the next morning, after which Bismarck, N.D., won the District 44 basketball tournament.

Robert Smith and Karen Dickerson Colburn.

## Club members attend special meetings

Eyebrows were raised in the border town of **DUNDALK**, Irish Republic, March 31, when Church members of Protestant and Catholic backgrounds from Northern Ireland and the Irish Republic met in unity for their third annual All-Ireland Spokesman Club meeting.

Ninety-three brethren, including wives and dates, gathered at the Ballymacanlon Hotel for a lunch of Irish lamb and trimmings. Members of the Belfast, Northern Ireland, Spokesman and Graduate Clubs and the Dublin, Irish Republic, Spokesman Club then spoke.

The proceedings were begun by Eagar Hickson, a Dublin deacon and the Dublin club's sergeant at arms. Bill Huston, Belfast club president, then took the chair for the remainder of the first half. Raymond Jordan from Dublin conducted tabletopics.

During the second half Gordon Hall, Dublin president, was toastmaster and introduced speakers Danny Campbell from the Ballymena, Northern Ireland, church; Victor Scott from Dublin; and Stuart Foster and Bobby Beggs from Belfast.

Evaluations were given by Seamus McKenna, Frank Watson and Desmond Simpson from Belfast and

Brendan Behan from Dublin.

The overall evaluation was presented by John Jewell, pastor of the Ballymena and Belfast, Northern Ireland, and Dublin and Galway, Irish Republic, churches and director of the three clubs.

March 30 **FLORENCE**, S.C., Spokesman Club members conducted a meeting about China, which

was opened to Florence brethren. Harlan Brown from Raleigh, N.C., gave a slide presentation of his 1984 Feast trip to Nanjing, China.

After a speech by Mike Hewell outlining the history of China, Mr. Brown's slides illustrated aspects of Chinese life-style.

Linda Wood and Edythe Hall and Charles B. Edwards.

## Girls put on fashion show

"Look to the Children" was the theme for the March 30 girls fashion show for the combined **MUNCIE** and **RICHMOND**, Ind., churches. Combined Sabbath services and a dinner preceded the annual event.

The girls made the outfits themselves, but assistance from a parent or adult was allowed. The 32 girls who participated ranged in age from 4 to 20.

The girls narrated the show and provided entertainment. To conclude the fashion show, Michael Shrader sang "Look to the Children," written for the event by Deborah Dolak.

The stage was decorated with a bridge and garden scene with a gazebo. A three-tiered cake (decorated like the stage), coffee and

punch were served.

The purpose of the event is to encourage and recognize homemaking skills among the girls, while helping them to develop poise and confidence.

Michelle Baumgartner.

## Members make taffy, pick grapes

Sixty-five **QUEBEC CITY**, Que., brethren took part in their annual *partie de sucre* (maple sugar party) March 17. After a meal and the traditional tasting of fresh, hot maple taffy spread over a bed of snow, participants played family games inside the *cabane a sucre* (sugar cabin).

In a musical game, guitarist Larry Tredger and flutist Marie Therese Boutin played the first few notes of hymns by the late Dwight Armstrong. Members on two teams then tried to guess the hymn title or psalm number.

Forty-six **ADELAIDE**, Australia, brethren and their children raised \$1,200 March 24 picking grapes for Leo Burings, a leading wine maker in the Barossa Valley, 45 miles north of Adelaide.

From 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. the group picked 16 tons of grapes. Jeff Rosenzweig, who works for Mr. Burings, organized the event.

Robert Scott and Bruce Scotland.

## Youths take leadership class

**ATLANTA**, Ga., **EAST** and **WEST** YOU members attended their third daylong Youth Leadership Training Class April 14 at the Atlanta Marriott Northwest Hotel. The seminar was conducted by seven ministers and headed by Kenneth Martin, pastor and YOU coordinator.

With more than 100 young people present at each meeting, the first meeting covered *The Seven Laws of Success*, including workshops to teach activity organizational skills. The second meeting focused on *The Missing Dimension in Sex*, as well as how to deal with peer pressures concerning music, drugs and alcohol.

The third meeting was about obtaining and holding employment and

a lecture on automobile safety by an officer of the Georgia State Patrol. Each YOU member received a certificate of achievement for successfully completing the course. Awards were presented for overall involvement in YOU, including Bible study attendance, work projects, social activities and participation in Youth Leadership Training classes.

Nancy Ledford and Julie Martin received new Bibles; Julie Kreyer and Paul Vinson received reservations for the Atlanta YOU formal dance April 20; and Jackie Kreyer and Lisa Brooks were awarded full scholarships to the Summer Education Program (SEP) this summer.

Doug McCoy.



**AWARDS NIGHT** — Robert Smith, pastor of the Fort Worth, Tex., A.M. and P.M. churches, gives a certificate to Treyon Bradford, who attends the Fort Worth P.M. church, at a combined Dallas and Fort Worth dinner and dance April 6 commemorating high school graduation.

# Brethren attend variety shows, socials

More than 200 MURFREESBORO, Tenn., adults and children participated in a potluck and variety show March 23 including a YOU awards presentation and cheerleading exhibition.

James Fiddle Jr., Murfreesboro and Nashville, Tenn., pastor, gave a history of YOU and, assisted by Nashville local church elder Robert Taylor, presented YOU awards.

Fifteen acts were performed, including vocal and instrumental solos and "Swinging on a Star," sung by the children's choir. Jim Shannon provided a humorous skit titled

"Janitorial Service." Mr. Shannon assisted Joyce Neely in a skit titled "Minnie and Roy."

In closing Dale McLoud led the audience in singing the folk classic "This Land Is Your Land."

March 16 HAMILTON, Ont., brethren took part in "Entertainment '85," a variety show involving adults, YOU members and Youth Educational Services (YES) children from the Hamilton and St. Catharines, Ont., churches.

The 22 acts included singing, comedy skits, tap dancing and a variety of music played on the fiddle, piano, guitar, accordion, drums, trumpet and flute.

Anthony Wasilkoff, pastor of the Hamilton and St. Catharines churches, and Daniel Fuller, Hamilton assistant pastor, rounded out the evening with a Scottish Donald and Duncan comedy routine, complete with accent and dress.

Master of ceremonies Robert Stimson told jokes between introductions to the various acts. YES or YOU members were involved in all but two acts.

"Old Time Radio" was the theme for the annual REGINA, Sask., church social March 23 at the Lumsden Centennial Auditorium.

Entertainment was patterned after the 1930s and '40s *Major Bowes* (later Ted Mack) *Original Amateur Hour* and was interspersed with excerpts from vintage radio programs. Debbie Johnson, 5, and Kendra Lowthian, 4, the youngest performers, stole the spotlight.

Adding to the evening were food tables decorated period-style and a craft show. Prizes for spot and freeze dances were awarded. The event was videotaped by Les Flory, and brethren viewed themselves on the monitor.

March 16 PARIS, France, YOU members organized a *Soiree Retro* evening in honor of senior Church members. Guests of honor were seated semicircle for a candle-light dinner, planned by Veronique Alcindor, 17, Helene Guilbert, 19, and others.

Room in the center of the hall was

available for dancing, a reminder of restaurants of yesteryear. While dinner was served under the coordination of Sabine Coulin, 17; master of ceremonies Valerie Jacquinet, 18, and host Christophe Guilbert, 18, introduced each part of the program.

Angelique Coulin, Francoise Avouac, Fernand Guepratte and Marie Louise Jacquinet took turns leading the group in song.

In keeping with the theme, Thomas Stevenin, 16, selected music from the 1930s, '40s and '50s.

Twenty-three MIAMI, Fla., singles attended a breakfast March 17 at Bill Baggs State Park on the southern end of Miami's Key Biscayne.

Al Kersha, Miami pastor; his wife, Suzanne; and William Pearson, a Miami local church elder; and his wife, Rita, accompanied the group, which swam, hiked, climbed a light-house and played volleyball.

Everett Corbin, Edward R. Martin, Murray Armstrong, Malika Kebaili and Marsha Sabin and Louetta S. Jones.



SENIORS HONORED — Thomas Stevenin (left) accompanies Angelique Coulin at the Paris, France, *Soiree Retro* March 16 in honor of senior citizens.

## Buffalo Bills defeat Church team

Eugene Marve, a 6-foot-2-inch linebacker for the Buffalo, N.Y., Bills, led the Bills to a 70-48 victory over the Buffalo Bullets, a team from the BUFFALO NORTH and SOUTH churches, in an annual exhibition basketball game March 30.

Mr. Marve scored 16 points as the National Football League (NFL) team defeated the Bullets before 400 fans at Buffalo State College.

Wide receivers Byron Franklin and Mitchell Brookings controlled play through the middle quarters. Buffalo North shooters Ben Eison, who scored 435 points, and Eric Lasch, who scored 399 points while leading the Bullets to a 17-2 season, were stopped short by the Bills' height, quick moves and professional instincts.

The Bullets produced a secret weapon, the Junior Braves, a pee-wee team of Buffalo Youth Educational Services (YES) children.

Warren Heaton III, pastor of the Buffalo South church, hoisted 5-foot-8-inch Carl Mende on his shoulders to give 6-foot-4-inch Leroy Howell, a Bills player, a good-natured punch in the chest after the latter had fouled Carl. Val Matuszkiewicz.

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provided the death knell. The Austro-Hungarian Empire was finished in 1918. Germany was divided into two nations after the Second World War. Polish political borders are no longer the same although the nation itself still exists. Europe is divided by an invisible Iron Curtain.

Who is it to say that there will be no further border convulsions before the final 10 unite into the beast power? Who is to say that the East bloc will always remain the East bloc?

Second, how does one count? Over the years *The Plain Truth* has said, "Ten nations or groups of nations." Should the Benelux nations be counted as one or three? British newspapers and magazines sometimes refer to the Benelux countries as if they were one nation, not Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg.

What about the Iberian Peninsula? Should Spain and Portugal be counted as two nations or one? Although the Portuguese form one of the most ancient states in Europe, its political and economic clout is minor when compared to Spain's. And Portugal has no functioning royal family as Spain does.

Third, consider the religious factor. What countries are predominantly Roman Catholic? France, Italy, Spain, Portugal, the Republic of Ireland and three East bloc countries, Poland, Czechoslovakia and Hungary.

Will such Protestant nations as Britain and Denmark continue in the Common Market? At times they don't seem to fit.

The royal family factor is a fourth

consideration. Some European nations are constitutional monarchies. Nearly all the others have royals in exile. Will some of these royal families be restored to active office?

Some observers pointed out that the Bible says "ten kings" (Revelation 17:12). How are we to understand that scripture? Don't forget that the two major nations making up the European Community — West Germany and France — are not constitutional monarchies.

Any or all of the above factors, in whatever degree, may play a decisive part in determining the final 10. We know the final result, but not the intriguing details. Just how it will work out is purposely not revealed.

Remember, too, this scripture! "Watch therefore, and pray always that you may be counted worthy to escape all these things that will come to pass, and to stand before the Son of Man" (Luke 21:36, Revised Authorized Version throughout). Jesus said prophecy would be fulfilled. God will see to that. But we have parts to play as well.

Jesus also warned: "Take heed, watch and pray; for you do not know when the time is" (Mark 13:33). We know neither the exact timing or the exact details. That's why we need to watch, and that's one reason why *The Plain Truth* is published.

Christ stressed the importance of watching world events. He repeats for emphasis in verses 35 and 36. "Watch therefore, for you do not know when the master of the house is coming . . . lest, coming suddenly, he find you sleeping."

Jesus concluded with a final warning. Notice verse 37, "And what I say to you, I say to all: Watch!"

## Youths watch drivers compete in Safari Rally

NAIROBI, Kenya, YOU members, accompanied by Owen Willis, pastor of the Biante, Malawi, and Nairobi and Kibirichia, Kenya, churches, and Steven LeBlanc, assistant pastor, traveled about an hour north of Nairobi April 8 to watch the final leg of the Safari Rally.

The youths watched some of the world's top drivers negotiate a bend, slide through a mud patch and accelerate at speeds of more than 100 kilometers (62 miles) an hour uphill.

Later the YOU members, joined by their parents and other brethren, attended an afternoon social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sammy Muli. Activities included football and volleyball, while younger children romped in a playground. Tea and snacks were served.

The next day, April 9, a YOU outing took place at Lake Naivasha, about 90 minutes from Nairobi,

where the group went boating and some rowed for the first time, steering clear of a hippopotamus. The group ate packed lunches at a lakeside campground.

The first youth concert in the Kibirichia church was conducted April 7, in which youths sang, danced and played instruments, Mr.

Willis hopes the event can take place annually. A volleyball tournament preceded the concert.

Next morning the youths, accompanied by adults, traveled to Meru, Kenya, to watch part of the Safari Rally.

*Kimani Ndungu and Owen Willis.*

## Areas

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Rose Misco and Kathy Miller provided floral decorations. Gary Ehman, a Green Bay local church elder, was disc jockey for a dance that featured music from each decade of the 20th century.

Pastor William Miller provided a tape of music performed by the original artists. Dance lessons at a previ-

ous social familiarized brethren with the waltz, fox-trot, polka and swing.

The WILMINGTON and LAUREL, Del., churches conducted their third annual combined spring dinner and dance April 6 for 167 brethren and YOU members at the Sheraton Inn in Dover, Del. The group dined and danced to the music of a 12-piece orchestra.

*Steve Nutzman, Mark Mickelson, Irene Selenit, Kathy Miller and Ron and Deidre Keib.*

## Vocalist wins Australian talent contest

By Gary Regazzoli

BRISBANE, Australia — Sharon Toombs, 18, from Toowoomba, Australia, won the first Australian Youth Opportunities United (YOU) talent contest April 21.

Six finalists, representing each of six YOU districts in Australia, performed before about 450 Church members from southeast Queensland at the Twelfth Night Theatre here. Sharon, representing the southeast

Queensland district, sang "Out There on My Own" from the movie *Fame*.

Veronica Miller from Devonport was runner-up. She sang "Sunrise, Sunset" from the musical *Fiddler on the Roof*.

This article was written by Gary Regazzoli of the Youth Opportunities United (YOU) Department of the Church's Burleigh Heads, Australia, Regional Office.

Both the winner and runner-up received scholarships to be used in furthering their musical careers.

Other contestants were Peter Elliston from Melbourne, Margaret Castledine from Perth, Debbie Liu from Sydney and Susan Coleman from Mackay.

Awards were presented by Robert Morton, regional director of the Church's Burleigh Heads Office. Mr. Morton said that the judges and audience missed an important aspect of the evening's events, because they saw only what went on in front of the curtain.

The regional director explained that from behind the curtain during the second half, he was impressed to see the support and encouragement that each contestant received from the other finalists.

Mr. Morton said that not the slightest hint of the spirit of competition was evident among the contestants.

Master of ceremonies for the evening was David Noller, Australian YOU director and pastor of the Lake Moogerah, Kingaroy and Warwick churches.



TALENT WINNER — Sharon Toombs, 18, of Toowoomba, Australia, took first place at the Australian Youth Opportunities United (YOU) talent contest April 21 in Brisbane. Australian YOU director David Noller stands left, and regional director Robert Morton is right. (Photo by Peter Mills)



# Church member regains use of once-severed hand

**By Rex Morgan**  
**AUCKLAND, New Zealand** — Despite prognosis to the contrary, Margaret Burfoot, a Church member here who had her right hand severed in an auto accident Nov. 14, has regained a good deal of the use of her hand.

*Rex Morgan, a local elder, is an employee of the Auckland, New Zealand, Regional Office.*

Mrs. Burfoot, 59, was traveling on an isolated country road, when one of the car's front tires suddenly blew out, sending the car careening into a ditch. The auto rolled over three times before coming to rest in the front yard of one of the only houses in the area.

Mrs. Burfoot was trapped inside the car holding her severed right hand in her left hand.

This is where God's intervention began. Amazingly, for such an isolated road, a truck happened to be following her. The driver had an

expert knowledge of first aid and quickly freed Mrs. Burfoot and stemmed the flow of blood.

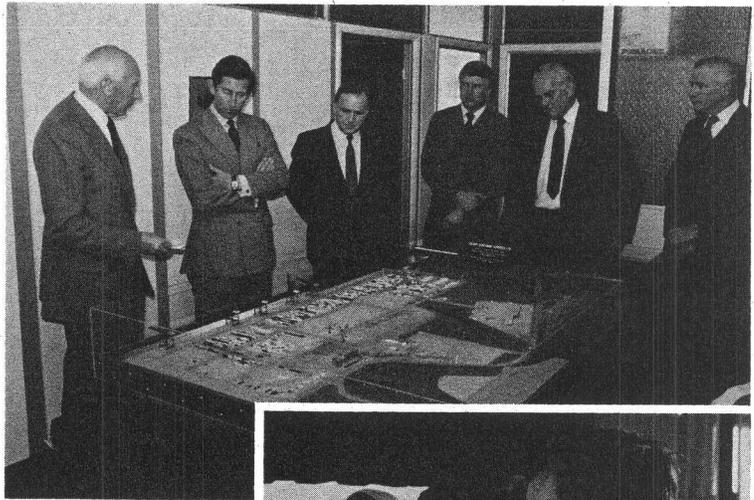
Doctors said she would have died within three minutes if help had not come.

Mrs. Burfoot was rushed to the nearest hospital, where the hand was stitched back on. The first thing that amazed the doctors was the number of cards that poured into the hospital from concerned brethren who had been asked to pray for Mrs. Burfoot.

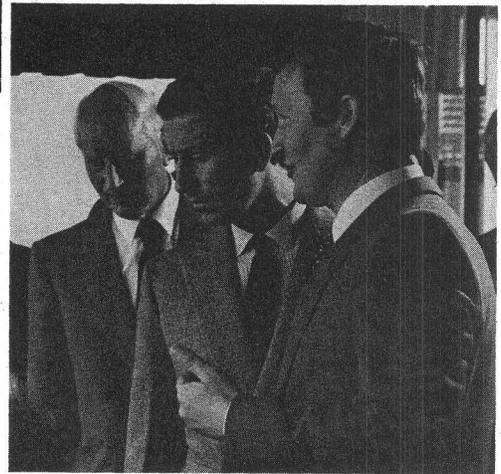
The hospital staff was surprised at Mrs. Burfoot's rapid recovery. Specialists assured her that her hand would be a dead limb — she would not be able to hold a pen or a knife again.

But five months later, Mrs. Burfoot takes notes at Sabbath services with her injured hand, holds a knife while eating and shakes hands with her friends.

She gets checkups and therapy at the hospital, where she still hears comments like "incredible," "amazing" and "unbelievable."



**ROYAL VISIT** — Top photo: John Hovey, a Church member and managing director of the Solent Container Services Terminal in the Prince Charles Container Port in Southampton, England, explains the operation of the terminal to the Prince of Wales April 10. Right photo: Prince Charles and Mr. Hovey listen to an explanation by the shift manager (right). Mr. Hovey showed the prince various aspects of the operation including the computer control system, a container ship and introduced him to staff members. Mr. Hovey said that Prince Charles was keenly interested in everything he saw. The prince is no stranger to ships as he captained a minesweeper in the Royal navy. [Photos courtesy of Solent Container Services]



# Vietnam

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AIDS epidemic that threatens to careen out of control — the closer God's punishment draws near. America's leaders can no longer stand up against, or even in many cases identify, the nation's sworn enemies.

In the April 5, 1983, "World-watch" column, the Vietnam syndrome was predicted to lead to the action that took place in Congress:

"The curse of Vietnam, which crushed America's pride in its power (Leviticus 26:19), stalks the halls of Congress and the corridors of editorial offices all over America . . .

"One gets the distinct impression that, like in Vietnam, the United States will act haltingly, halfheartedly, fearfully — unsure of itself and of public opinion on the home front . . .

"The Soviets and Cubans are not afraid to pour in enough power in Nicaragua to meet the challenge, whereas the U.S. Congress will probably blow the

whistle on the operation."

It was easy to see that this would happen. America's weakness is now fairly predictable. To continue:

"The United States has not learned the real lesson of the war in Vietnam: that, in this world, a nation must fight to win, not to fight a war 'on the cheap' and with the limited objectives against a foe determined to gain vital victory.

"Solomon wisely said there is a 'time of war' (Ecclesiastes 3:8, Revised Authorized Version) — and when engaging in it, like anything else, 'do it with your might' (Ecclesiastes 9:10).

"The Soviets, on the other hand, did learn a lesson from the U.S. debacle in Vietnam, as expressed by Ian Greig, deputy director of Britain's Foreign Affairs Research Institute: 'The American withdrawal from Vietnam,' he said, showed the Soviets that 'American domestic politics would not readily allow U.S. military intervention abroad again . . .

"Truly a national calamity of immense proportions awaits the United States from the ferment in its 'soft underbelly' region."

# Letters TO THE EDITOR

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was struck by the beauty of the buildings and grounds. I particularly liked the dancing in front of the fountain. I called five neighbors in to watch it and they enjoyed it also.

Florence Bongiovanni  
 Pinellas Park, Fla.

I would like to tell you how much I enjoyed the television broadcast about

the Ambassador College singers and dancers. I really enjoyed the young lady and the little girl with the baby lamb and lion. In fact, I watched it again on Sunday. After I watch your broadcast my day seems to go better.

Mrs. Richard Fox  
 East Westchester, Wash.  
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### Campus visits

A few days ago I was privileged to tour Ambassador College in Pasadena. The high quality in character, beauty, education, warmth and friendliness was breathtaking. It is a beautiful example to this world and a beginning of the world tomorrow. I was so excited.

Then I came home and looked at all

the unhappy and empty lives, the grief and suffering going on in Satan's world . . . It has inspired me to get behind you [Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong] and pray for you and this Work more than ever so God's will can be done on this earth.

Carolyn Comer  
 Elk City, Okla.

I went to see your place (the college) last year and I'd like to tell you that it is just so beautiful there. Everything is so nice and clean. Everyone looks so neat and happy. The cafeteria served us good food and I really enjoyed the place.

Claire Carreau  
 South Lake Tahoe, Calif.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Continued from page 10)

the late Johnny Broyles, and David Stephens, son of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Stephens, were united in marriage Dec. 18, 1984, in Jamestown, Tenn. The ceremony was performed by John Comino, pastor of the Knoxville and Crossville, Tenn., churches. The matron of honor was Ann Lambert, and the best man was Denton Stephens, brother of the groom. The couple reside in London, Ky.

Charles: As the number 7 is God's symbol of spiritual completion, we rejoice in the completion of our first seven years together, May 28. May the love and hardships we've shared truly bond and enhance the future of our "little kingdom" as we allow God to build upon and within it. We love you. Your Cathy and little princess, Matthew and Nathan.

To Randy: My love for you is growing as the years we share together go by. Having you for my husband is such a wonderful blessing. Thank you, Darling, for 12 wonderful years! Your wife, Connie.

Brent, Thank you for the best two years of my life. Happy anniversary May 15, I.L.Y. Colleen.

# ANNIVERSARIES



MR. AND MRS. AUGUSTUS JOSEPH

Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Joseph of the London, England, church celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary March 23 with 130 of their friends. The couple, with their two sons, Alexander and Adrian, have attended services in God's Church since the 1980s.

# Weddings Made of Gold

PASADENA — Mr. and Mrs. Willie Adams of Pasadena celebrated their 52nd wedding anniversary April 11. They were married in 1933 in Fernwood, Miss., and moved to Chicago, Ill., in 1954.

The Adamses moved to Pasadena in 1978.

For their 50th anniversary they were taken out to dinner with some friends and given two gold watches by their three children, Tom of Covina, Calif., Myrtle Tate of Pasadena and Willie Jr. of Chicago. They have one grandchild, Nicole Tate.

The Adamses came into the Church through Mr. Adams' mother, who was baptized in 1952. They began listening to the *World Tomorrow* broadcast in 1954.

Mrs. Adams was baptized in 1962 along with two of Mr. Adams' brothers and one of her sons, Tom, in Chicago by evangelist Harold Jackson. One year later Mr. Adams and his daughter, Myrtle, were baptized.

# Obituaries

CHANDLER, Ind. — Joseph H. "Joey" Koller, 21, died March 14 in an automobile accident near his home here.



JOSEPH KOLLER

Mr. Koller is survived by his parents, Herschel and Violet Koller, Church members, and sisters Deborah and Robin and a brother Benjamin, all of whom attend services.

The funeral was conducted by Fredrick Bailey, pastor of the Evansville,

Ind., and Madisonville, Ky., churches.

READING, England — Georgina G.M. "Nan" Taylor, 84, died March 12 after several months of failing health. Mrs. Taylor was baptized in October, 1975. She was buried next to her husband.

TORONTO, Ont. — Rose Capel, 85, died March 1. She left her estate to the Church.

When she retired from auxiliary class teaching at Centre Street Public School in Oshawa, Ont., she was called "a teacher who truly exemplified all that was best in the teaching profession . . . Truly she taught others how to live because she herself knew the secret."



ROSE CAPEL

Miss Capel was baptized in June, 1968. The last four years of her life she was confined to her home with an

arthritic condition.

Funeral services were conducted by Laurie Nyhus, associate pastor of the Toronto East church.

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Charles Waldo Lentz, 75, a deacon in the St. Petersburg congregation, died March 21.

Survivors include his wife, Wreatha, one daughter, two brothers, four sisters, three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Robert Jones, pastor of the St. Petersburg church.

PORTLAND, Ore. — Madeleine Meland, 37, died March 7 of injuries received in an auto accident March 2. Mrs. Meland has been a Church member since 1974, and attended the Portland East church.

She is survived by her husband, Ron, a deacon; and four children, Kim, 15, Karleen, 14, Karen, 11, and Scott, 9.

The funeral service was conducted March 10 by Bryan Hoyt, pastor of the Portland East and Hood River, Ore., churches.

MODESTO, Calif. — Iris Smith, 70, died March 15 after a long fight against cancer. She was born in Baker, Ore., Jan. 22, 1915.

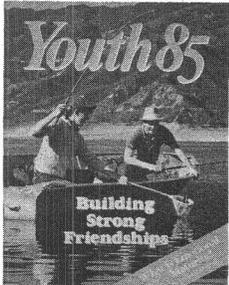
Mrs. Smith was baptized in July, 1976. Although sometimes in pain she attended services regularly. The last service she attended was just two weeks before her death.

Mrs. Smith left no survivors; her husband died several years before her death.

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

PASADENA — A library subscription program added more than 31,000 subscribers to *Youth 85*, according to Ray Wright, director of Publishing Services.

"We rented a list of high school and college libraries in the United States and sent them a specially packaged copy of the January issue," said Boyd Leeson, U.S. circulation manager for *Youth 85*. "Of the 33,000 we sent out, about 85 percent accepted the free subscription offer."



MAY 'YOUTH 85'

U.S. library circulation is now 46,650.

Mr. Leeson added that about 1,000 subscribers are added each month from issues placed in the libraries.

"We're excited about this new opportunity to reach a different audience of teenagers and college students," said Dexter H. Faulkner, managing editor of Church publications.

"This exposes a whole new group of people to Mr. Herbert Armstrong's articles and a lot of positive, helpful advice on how to live that we put in each issue of *Youth 85*."

Worldwide circulation of *Youth 85* for the May issue stood at 181,162, Mr. Leeson said.

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PASADENA — Ministerial Services released the following ordinations:

**Earl St. Denis**, a deacon in the Wetaskiwin, Alta., church, was ordained a local church elder on the first day of Unleavened Bread April 6.

**Charles Lowe**, a deacon in the Bridgetown, Barbados, church, was ordained a local church elder on the last day of Unleavened Bread April 12.

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PASADENA — Beginning with the June issue, *Youth 85* will be available on tape for the blind, according to Garland Snuffer, supervisor of Radio Production and Educational Services for the Handicapped. Previously, selected articles from *Youth 85* were put on tapes of *The Good News*.

The tapes are loaned out for three weeks to brethren who have physical handicaps that make reading difficult or impossible, Mr. Snuffer said. U.S. brethren may request tapes of the magazine by writing to the Worldwide Church of God, Services for the Handicapped, Pasadena, Calif., 91129. Brethren outside the United States should write to the nearest regional office.

Mr. Snuffer also said that tapes of Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong's *World Tomorrow* radio broadcasts taken from the book of Hebrews were sent to all English-speaking congregations the week of April 22 to 26. The four tapes include eight half-hour broadcasts.

Titles of those broadcasts are *Answered Prayer*, *Man's Destiny*, *Salvation*, *Real Christianity*, *The*

*Sabbath*, *Melchisedec*, *Christ: Head of the Church* and *A New Priesthood*.

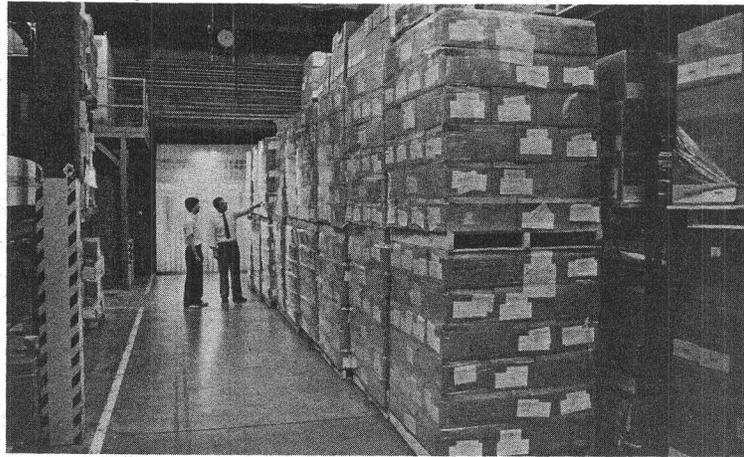
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PASADENA — Ministerial Services here released the following itinerary for evangelist Gerald Waterhouse.

June 1, London, Somerset and Middlesboro, Ky., combined Sabbath services; June 2, Hazard, Ky.; June 3, Pikeville, Ky.; June 4, Paintsville, Ky.; June 5, Mount Sterling, Ky.; June 6, Portsmouth, Ohio; June 7, Chillicothe, Ohio; June 8, Dayton, Ohio, A.M. and P.M., combined Sabbath services.

June 10, Richmond and Muncie, Ind.; June 11, Fort Wayne, Ind.; June 12, Lafayette, Ind.; June 15, Terre Haute, Indianapolis and Columbus, Ind., combined Sabbath services; June 16, Champaign and Springfield, Ill.; June 17, Peoria, Ill.; June 18, Macomb, Ill.; June 19, Ottumwa, Iowa; June 20, Des Moines, Iowa; June 22, Waterloo, Davenport and Iowa City, Iowa, combined Sabbath services.

June 23, Rockford, Ill., and Madison, Wis.; June 24, Michigan City, Ind.; June 25, Elkhart, Ind.; June 26, Plymouth, Ind.; June 29, Hammond, Ind., and Chicago, Ill., West, Southside, North and Northwest, combined Sabbath services; and June 30, Kalamazoo and Coldwater, Mich.



**SEMIANNUAL LETTER** — Coy Colbert (center), production foreman of the Church's Postal Center, and Paul Haymond, postal employee, check some of more than 1.7 million copies of Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong's May 6 semiannual letter to *Plain Truth* subscribers. According to evangelist Richard Rice, director of the Church's Mail Processing Center (which includes the Postal Center), the above letters are part of the about 4.4 million letters that will be mailed to subscribers worldwide. [Photo by Michael A. Snyder]

## 661 attend 'PV' Bible lectures

PASADENA — Ministers conducted *Pura Verdad* (Spanish *Plain Truth*) Bible lectures in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, and Santiago, Chile, according to Keith Speaks, circulation manager for *La Pura Verdad*.

Two hundred eighty-six new people attended the lecture con-

ducted in Santo Domingo April 28 by Pablo Gonzalez, pastor of the San Juan, Puerto Rico, and Barquisimeto, Venezuela, churches.

The lecture at the Hotel Santo Domingo was the first in the country in six years, according to Mr. Gonzalez. Attendance was 17.5 percent of those invited.

According to Mr. Gonzalez, most were in the 25 to 35 age group. He counseled eight people while in the country.

Two Church members live there, and there are 6,100 *Pura Verdad* subscribers, Mr. Speaks said.

*The World Tomorrow* with Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong appears on cable television four times a week, Mr. Gonzalez said.

In Santiago, about 3,700 miles south of Santo Domingo, pastor Mario Seiglie conducted Bible lectures April 20, 21, 27 and 28. Three hundred seventy-five new people attended.

Mr. Seiglie started follow-up Bible studies on Saturday nights for six weeks. He said that 150 people indicated they would like to come.

Subjects covered at the lectures were that the Bible is a book for today, signs of the end time and how to escape the coming tribulation.

Evangelist Leon Walker, regional director of the Church in Spanish-speaking areas, attended the first two lectures with his wife, Reba (see article, page 1).

Mr. Speaks said that about half of the Santiago church began attending services because of the *Pura Verdad* lectures, which began in 1982. About 170 people attend services in Chile, and 9,500 take *La Pura Verdad*.

## INTERNATIONAL DESK

A WORLD VIEW  
FROM MINISTERIAL SERVICES

PASADENA — Michael Caputo, a ministerial trainee in the Italian Department here, and his wife, Leonilda, visited members and prospective members in Rome and northern Italy in February.

Mr. Caputo, an Ambassador College junior, and his wife are from Toronto, Ont., and speak Italian as their native language.

They contacted 17 people during the trip. Ten showed a genuine interest in being baptized, and the other seven are good potential candidates for baptism later. Most prospective members in Italy came into contact with the Church through *The World Tomorrow* with Italian subtitles, *La Pura Verita* (Italian *Plain Truth*) and booklets.

*The World Tomorrow* began airing May 5 on Retequattro, one of the three largest independent televi-

sion stations in Italy. Retequattro has five times more Italian viewers than Tele-Monte-Carlo (TMC), and is heard by network in virtually every part of Italy.

The owner of Retequattro offered the air time to the Church's regional office in Borehamwood, England, in March. Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong directed that the Church accept the offer.

The telecast will continue on TMC, where it began 1½ years ago. TMC reaches northern Italy and many cities along the western coast including Rome.

### Canada

*Plain Truth* circulation is running at an all-time high in Canada. The English and French editions go to 414,594 subscribers, and 613,250 copies are distrib-

uted on newsstands.

In a direct-mail campaign 31,834 or 4.7 percent requested the English-language *Plain Truth*, and 13,295 or 6.7 percent requested the French *Plain Truth* (*La Pure Verite*).

### New Zealand

Another tropical hurricane closed in on Fiji in March, but Church brethren were spared from any injuries. Epeli Kanaimawi, a local church elder serving the Suva, Fiji, congregation, wrote:

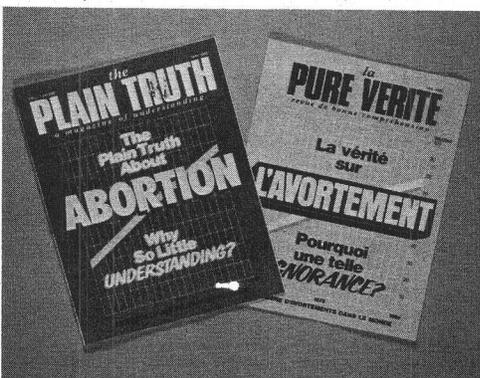
"Please convey our gratitude and sincere thanks to the brethren for their prayers for us in a frightening time of need. With three very strong cyclones through Fiji early this year, this fourth one was to be an experience of a lifetime!

"Listening to the radio announcements on Saturday evening [March 16] and Sunday morning, one could clearly detect the terror and intense fear in the voice of the announcers as they described the path and intensity of hurricane Hina. There was no doubt that Satan was out to destroy us.

"We are grateful to the Eternal for intervening and sparing us from real destruction and death. All previous cyclones that I know of travelled either in a straight line or a gentle curve through Fiji. It can clearly be seen from the maps published in the local papers that the hurricane continued to be pushed away from Fiji's coastline as it approached the western coast of our islands.

"Winds of 120 knots per hour gusting to 160 knots or more per hour were 40 miles off-centre. The hurricane skirted Fiji at distances varying between 60 and 80 miles away — just enough distance from the centre to save the country.

"We have, in a very dramatic and unforgettable way, seen demonstrated the dynamic power of the Eternal and how He is willing and able to move the earth to answer His people's prayers. We thank you deeply for your part in praying for our safety. It has certainly brought us closer to one another in the unity that I am confident the Eternal is well pleased to see in the Church."



**CANADIAN RECORD** — *Plain Truth* circulation in Canada reached an all-time high as more than one million French and English copies are distributed monthly.

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