

BIG SANDY TO REMAIN TWO-YEAR COLLEGE

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By Herbert W. Armstrong
PASADENA — After much consideration, counsel, fact-viewing and prayer, God has revealed that the college at Big Sandy must remain what He led us to reopen — a two-year junior college.

There are many reasons for this decision. I know well it will come as a disappointment to many, especially at Big Sandy. But it is the point of wisdom, and it is the living Christ's decision.

Consider WHY Christ led me to open Ambassador College in the first place. I was only Christ's instrument. He was preparing, through me, for the Kingdom of God — a new world — a new civilization. He did not need any more college or universities on this world's model. But we did need an educated ministry in a developing and growing Church — besides other prop-

erly educated personnel in God's Work. This world's educational system could not supply this need. God's type of college was a necessity.

It started the smallest — four students and faculty of eight. But it grew. As it grew and expanded into England and Texas campuses, even our own graduate faculty members and administration people and ministers began to liberalize. After 1968 it was becoming over-large and over-liberal. God was not blessing it as He previously had. The Bricket Wood campus was closed and the property sold. Then the Texas campus was closed. The property was sold but the deal fell through. We still had the campus. It was costing about a million dollars a year just to maintain it and prevent deterioration and overgrowing with weeds.

Why did Christ lead me to open Big Sandy again as a two-year junior college? We had more than twice the number of qualified and acceptable student applications as we could accept at the Pasadena campus, now once again God's college. Many were asking what other college

or university we could recommend if there was no room for them at Pasadena. We simply could not recommend ANY. And these prospective students were from our member families.

If some of the Big Sandy two-year students appeared to be ministerial material, they could complete the last two years at Pasadena. In any event, after two years at Big Sandy they could become leaders back home in their local churches.

But now, in the middle of a very successful first year of the reestablished college at Big Sandy, an intensive consideration has been given to the question of establishing it as a full four-year college.

Some have felt the added expense would be limited to two additional faculty salaries during the 1982-83 year, and two more the fourth year. However, I know by experience that a larger four-year college would involve many additional programs and activities and great additional expenditures not foreseen by the present faculty.

Second, the need for additional ministers does not warrant it. We now have a considerable reservoir of Ambassador graduates, many local nonsalaried elders — others who could be — all well qualified to become preaching elders to pastor local churches.

Third, although it appears God has held up the flow of world events toward the Great Tribulation and coming of Christ, we are most certainly 10 years closer to it than we were 10 years ago. And a new resurrected "Holy Roman Empire" is undoubtedly being secretly planned right now in European capitals and the Vatican. It could

EXPLODE in the world news any day now. We simply do not have the time.

Fourth, I am now in my 90th year, and will reach my 90th birthday this summer.

I know that starting something that would escalate into a complex, many-faceted new wing of the Church at this stage IS NOT GOD'S WILL, AND JESUS CHRIST THE HEAD OF THIS CHURCH TELLS ME IT WOULD BE FOLLY, AND NOT THE POINT OF WISDOM.

I know some of us would like to see everything GROW and GROW — would like to have the sun, the moon, the earth, the stars and the universe. But wisdom comes with age and experience, and God emphatically leads me in this, His decision.

This Work is more nearly accomplished — completed — than we have realized!

The IMPORTANT thing now is that we be sure WE ARE READY for the Great Tribulation and Christ's coming!

World in 'last days,' warns pastor general

Regional directors hear HWA

PASADENA — Describing the gathering as "one of utmost importance," Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong conducted a meeting of regional directors, department heads of God's Work and their wives Jan. 13 in the Ambassador Auditorium here.

The pastor general, who had not met with all of the regional directors in one place before, put "very special emphasis on the fact that we are not in an Australian Work, or a South African Work, or a Philippine Work or a German Work. We don't have an American religion that we're taking over to Britain."

He said: "We are a new family, a family that supersedes our flesh-and-blood family. By one Spirit we are all joined together in one family. And it's the family of God.

"His Spirit witnesses with our spirit that we are the children — the sons and daughters — of God. He speaks of us as sons because in the resurrection and in the Kingdom of God we won't be male and female... We'll all be called sons.

"But that relationship supersedes

family relationships. It supersedes national loyalties. It is not a German religion. It is not an Australian or New Zealand religion. It is simply God's truth, the Creator of all the earth and of all peoples of all races of all nations."

Mr. Armstrong updated the regional directors on developments in God's Work, remarking that God was continuing to reveal new truth to His Church through His apostle.

Mr. Armstrong said Church members — including ministers — should build on a foundation of repentance.

"How many in our Church have really repented, who know what repentance really means, really admitted how wrong they were?" asked the pastor general. "How many need to go back and begin all over again?"

The second major act of a Christian, according to Mr. Armstrong, "is to believe God, or believe Christ, because God speaks through Christ."

This belief, said the pastor general,

"is the rarest thing in the world — unless a more rare thing is admitting you're wrong... God can't convert anyone until he admits he is a sinner."

Continuing, Mr. Armstrong commented: "That's why the world's in trouble now. That's why we're going to have a Great Tribulation coming on us, and we're in the first rippling steps of it right now. But the real Great Tribulation hasn't hit us yet, but it's going to hit us."

The pastor general commented on the nature of God and His way of life, contrasting it with the present way of the world.

He said the world is "in the very last days," and that the Church is "getting back on the track. Christ seems to be pleased. He's blessing us with increase.

"Let's keep on with God's spiritual knowledge," exhorted Mr. Armstrong, "teaching them God's way of life, the way that God and Christ have always lived. We're going to be born into the family with them — their Family."

1,300 gather to observe Auditorium anniversary

PASADENA — "I thought you'd be interested in knowing how this building came to be," remarked Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong Jan. 14 to 1,300 students, employees and Church members in the Ambassador Auditorium here. "It came as a result of answered prayer. It came by the will of the eternal living God and His Son and the Head of this Church, Jesus Christ."

Jan. 14 marked the 10th anniversary of the Ambassador Auditorium's ground-breaking ceremony in 1972, according to evangelist Ellis LaRavia, facilities manager for the Work. In his opening remarks, Mr. LaRavia said that the Auditorium "is regarded by artists all over the world... as one of the most magnificent facilities anywhere."

Before showing a 16-mm. film on the Auditorium's construction, Mr. LaRavia introduced executives from the Daniel, Mann, Johnson & Mendenhall (DMJM) architectural firm that designed the Auditorium. Harry Clausen of DMJM was the project director, Fred Lappin was project designer and Stanley Smith served as the principal in charge of the project.

Following the film and preceding Mr. Armstrong's comments, Mr. LaRavia introduced Mr. Smith to comment about the beginnings of the Auditorium.

"The actual conception of the design was after about 70 sketches were made," Mr. Smith told the

capacity audience. "And it happened in England at Bricket Wood [the former English campus of Ambassador College] at the time when I was asked to go over. And Mr. Armstrong and his staff and I sat down and looked at about 70 sketches, and he didn't like any of them. And finally [laughter] he came on the one sketch that has now been developed into the design of this auditorium.

"But it finally did come about," he continued, "and we're very happy that we were involved in it and are still involved in it, because we still come here for concerts, and we don't tell anybody that we're the architects, but we're awfully proud that we are."

He stressed that "the real architect of the building was Mr. Armstrong."

Following Mr. Smith's comments, Mr. Armstrong walked on stage, doffing the metal hardhat he wore on his inspection trips during the Auditorium's construction.

He opened his remarks by comparing the origin of Solomon's Temple with the Auditorium — both were begun with prayers for permission to build. "I asked God to let me know if He wanted me to build... an auditorium here for Him," said the pastor general, "but I would not build it unless or until I had enough means to complete it and to finish it.

"I knew that God would have to (See AUDITORIUM, page 8)



REGIONAL DIRECTORS MEET — Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong (left) addresses regional directors, department heads and related personnel of God's Work in one of the Ambassador Auditorium's meeting rooms Jan. 13. [Photo by Nathan Faulkner]

Reds tighten noose on Central America

PASADENA — The Reagan administration's preoccupation with events in Poland has deflected American public attention away from deteriorating events much closer to home in Central America and the Caribbean. The United States seems helpless to counter Communist inroads in this vital region — America's so-called soft underbelly.

Despite muffled protests from Washington, the Soviet Union shipped a squadron of advanced MiG-23 warplanes to Cuba. The planes arrived in Cuban ports broken down in crates. One version of the MiG-23 can be used as an attack fighter-bomber. It would be capable of striking key American East and Gulf Coast cities. Such a deployment would be a clear violation of the 1962 post-Cuban-missile-crisis agreement whereby the Soviets agreed not to station further offensive weapons in return for a U.S. promise not to overturn the Castro regime.

Nicaragua, the big gun

Worse yet, for U.S. security planners, the Soviet Union and its No. 1 proxy, Cuba, are turning pro-Communist Nicaragua into the military powerhouse of Central America — and a springboard for further revolutions in the region. This trend confirms the worst fears that U.S. officials had when the Marxist Sandinista rebels, commanding a broad

revolutionary front, overthrew the government of Anastasio Somoza in July, 1979. The Sandinistas have since virtually eliminated their democratic partners in the revolution, true to Communist tactics.

Warnings from Washington to Nicaragua to temper its revolutionary, anti-American rhetoric have failed so far to impress either the Nicaraguans or the Cubans. They know full well that, in the aftermath of Vietnam and given the suspicion toward U.S. power even among more-or-less friendly governments in Latin America, Washington is unlikely to intervene militarily to counter the buildup.

Even a blockade of Cuban and Soviet arms shipments to Nicaragua is not in the cards. Pentagon chiefs have told Secretary of State Alexander Haig that the U.S. military lacks the money, manpower and materiel to enforce such a blockade.

Minipower in the making

Nicaragua's buildup is thus proceeding without regard to U.S. warnings. The country's regular army has expanded from the 8,000 men during the time of President Somoza (the alleged repressive militarist) to close to 40,000 today. The goal is a 50,000-man regular army supported by 200,000 reservists—a force greater than the combined strength of all the other Central American countries. It would be the biggest army in all of Latin Ameri-

ca, after that of Brazil.

(The Nicaraguans claim they need the huge army to protect the country from raids by ex-Somoza followers nearby in Honduras and as far away as Florida.)

Of greatest concern to Washington is Nicaragua's obvious intent to become the region's unchallenged air power. Runways of at least three Nicaraguan airports are being extended to accommodate Soviet-made MiG fighter aircraft. The Nicaraguans are expected to take delivery soon of from 12 to 18 older model MiGs, probably from Cuba (expensible because of the new MiG-23s delivered there).

About 80 Nicaraguans have been sent to Bulgaria for pilot training, presumably for handling the MiGs. Rumors persist that some MiGs piloted by "friendly" powers are already in place. Yasser Arafat boasts that the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) pilots are now flying for the Sandinistas.

Perhaps most galling for all (no play on words intended) is the fact that the new Socialist government of France has agreed to sell \$17.5 million worth of "nonoffensive" military equipment to the Sandinistas. The items include two patrol boats, two helicopters and 15 trucks. Despite howls from Washington, the government of Francois Mitterrand claims the sale will help Nicaragua from being totally dependent upon the Soviet bloc for arms. (The

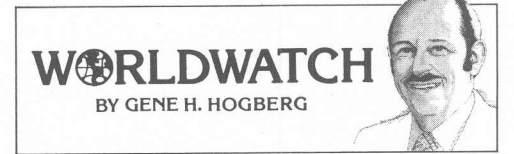
French Socialists generally choose to overlook the "Russian Connection" in so-called wars of liberation.)

'Nice-guy' approach fails

The United States has bent over backward — to an embarrassing degree — to curry the favor of the Nicaraguan government. On a trip to Managua, the country's capital, last August, Thomas Enders, assistant secretary of state for Latin

war. The mind boggles; MiGs in Mexico City? Missiles in Monterey? Certainly several million Mexicans would stream across the U.S. border seeking escape from communism, piling into significance the refugee problem from Cuba, El Salvador and elsewhere in Central America today.

Southward the tide would extend through Costa Rica (which now is forced to create an army again after 33 years without one) to the Panama Canal, still the most vital element to U.S. dominance of the high seas. A Communist clamp on the canal would not only be disastrous to the United States but would place sev-



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BY GENE H. HOGBERG

America affairs, placed before the Sandinistas a remarkable set of proposals, including a form of nonaggression pact and assurances that Washington would put a leash on Nicaraguan exile groups on U.S. soil — all in exchange for a modification of the Sandinista regime's behavior.

The attempt failed abysmally. In a speech a few weeks later, the Nicaraguan government's top theoretician, Daniel Ortega Saavedra, called the Sandinistas "profoundly anti-imperialist, anti-Yankee and Marxist-Leninist." Fidel Castro, who talks by telephone regularly with Mr. Ortega, could not have been more pleased.

The political momentum is clearly on the side of the Soviet-Cuban-Sandinista triumvirate. The United States has simply waited too long. The confident Nicaraguans no longer even try to conceal their aid to leftist guerrillas in El Salvador. Preparing for further assaults, Nicaragua's major Atlantic ports are being converted into deeper water terminals — possibly for use as Soviet submarine bases.

In searching for countermeasures the United States is blocked at nearly every turn of the road. Foreswearing military action, Washington has tried, to little avail, to solicit the help of the Mexican government, hoping that its friendly ties to both Havana and Managua can stem the tide.

Privately, Mexico's leaders are deeply concerned about a Marxist tide sweeping up Central America to spill over into its strategic oil fields just north of Guatemala. Publicly however, Mexico's leadership must maintain its distance from Washington, to assuage internal anti-Yanqui sentiment.

Will Mexico fall too?

Thus the Soviet threat to the very throat of the Western Hemisphere should be able to proceed in two directions, checked only by Moscow's timetable and pocketbook. First of all it will fan out relentlessly northward to the Mexican border, perhaps even Mexico itself.

Max Singer, deputy director of the Hudson Institute issues this somber warning:

"If El Salvador's revolutionary government [of Jose Napoleon Duarte] falls, there seems to be little possibility of preventing either the repressive military regime in Guatemala or the freely elected civilian government of Honduras from being replaced by Marxist-Leninist regimes allied to Cuba. Then drastic polarization is likely to be started in Mexico, which is nominally revolutionary but socially backward. Violent conflict in Mexico would be likely to have serious security implications for the United States."

And that's putting it mildly. One can only hazard a guess as to the impact upon the United States should Mexico ever go communist or ever be involved in a new civil

eral South American nations such as Colombia, Peru, Chile, even Brazil in extremely serious economic straits (to say nothing of Japan, the canal's chief seafaring power).

The Soviets are aiming high — but cautiously at the same time. In Nicaragua, as elsewhere, the Kremlin is proving the value of working through revolutionary groups that appear to be homegrown, thus receiving the applause of the Third World. The leading Soviet expert on Latin America, Sergey Mikoyan (son of the late Anastas Mikoyan) recently counseled the need to build on "military political fronts" like the Sandinista movement rather than avowedly Communist parties, in order to sow revolution in Central America.

The United States has no means to counter this clever warfare.

It now turns out that the Russians won the 1962 Cuban missile confrontation after all. An embarrassed Premier Nikita Khrushchev lost the initial skirmish, having little choice but to ship the weapons back home. However, the future of Cuba's revolutionary government was assured, free to haunt a weakened America in the years to come.

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Just one more thing

By Dexter H. Faulkner

Having to say 'I'm wrong,' difficult thing to admit

"I'm sorry, I was wrong, please forgive me!" How many times have you said to yourself, to others, or even to God in prayer, "I'm sorry, I was wrong"? Those few words are more important to your Christian growth than you may realize.

In a sermon here in Pasadena, Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong asked a thought-provoking question: "Can you admit it when you are wrong?"

My wife and I once were witnesses to a family situation that illustrates the point. We were visiting friends, when their two children came bounding into the kitchen after school.

"Mom," said Tom, half out of breath, "you know what? It's just 15 days till summer vacation."

"You're wrong, Tommy. It's 17 days," Sue, his sister, corrected him.

"No, Sue. It's 15 days. I'm not wrong. You are," Tom insisted, and turning to his mother he pleaded, "Tell her she's wrong, Mom. I know I'm right!"

Tom's harangue went on till his mother lost patience and sent him to his room to do homework. Tom muttered as he reluctantly obeyed: "I know she's wrong. I know she's wrong."

Tom is a youngster who finds it impossible to forgive others because he is not emotionally mature enough to admit being wrong about anything.

Failure to admit wrong is a childish trait, pardonable in small children perhaps, obnoxious in adults. It says out loud, "I can't stand to have someone else appear in a better light

than I do." This is believed to be an outer sign of inner deep insecurity, the low self-concept that causes one to see him or herself as less informed than other people, less to be looked up to as an authority. These people, therefore, are almost belligerent in their attempts to prove the opposite, that they are right. Always right!

"Having to always be right" is death to ongoing good relationships, whether in the family, on the job, or in other aspects of our lives as Christians. It hurts the one who insists he or she is right and creates a feeling of inferiority on the part of the one who must always give in.

Those who must always be right project a thank-God-I'm-not-like-other-men attitude (Luke 18:10-12). They see no reason why they should ever admit wrong.

Someone has pointed out that when husband and wife have an argument each may feel 100 percent right and regard the other as 100 percent wrong, but when one has the kindness and honesty to say to the other, "Honey, I think I was 2 percent wrong," the argument is often 100 percent over.

It is as difficult to be 100 percent right as it is to be 100 percent wrong. When we are wrong we should confess it. One angry father told his child, "Don't be so stupid," and several hours later returned to ask the child's forgiveness. "You are not stupid," he said, "and I should not talk to you that way. Please forgive me." Neither criticism nor such confession were the father's daily habit, but his action stands in my memory as a profound example of how a Christian should act. Too

often, whether in relation to parents and children, husbands and wives, or employer and employee, we think some Christians by their good conduct are saying, "Look at me, I'm perfect." Such arrogance is not Christian at all. Christian example says, "I am far from perfect and need both forgiveness of God and the forgiveness of those with whom I live and work."

We should recognize the trait of always wanting to appear right for what it is and strive to change.

A good first step might be to ask ourselves these questions:

- In most of the things we argue about, what difference does it make who is right?
- Is it worth it to prove that we are right? What would we get out of it? Are we giving or getting?
- Are we getting all worked up — expending emotional energy — on something irrelevant to anything of lasting importance?
- In a week or a month or a year, what will it matter who was right? Can we learn a lesson? Build character?

This approach can lead away from childish attitudes to more mature judgment when one is tempted to prove "I am right."

Let's not forget what the Bible instructs on this matter, "Be not wise in your own conceits" (Romans 12:16). "Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs" (1 Corinthians 13:4,5, New International Version).

We should daily live Matthew 7:12, "In everything do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets" (NIV). Solomon sums it up in Proverbs 26:12: "Do you see a man wise in his own eyes? There is more hope for a fool than for him" (NIV).

Mr. Armstrong asked in his sermon: "Can you admit it when you are wrong? That's one of the most rare things in all the world. Well, if you can't... you have not really been converted. I don't care how much you think you have. Some of us have been kidding ourselves, brethren."

Don't kid yourself. Learn to admit it when you're wrong.

Caribbean Festival sites offer fun, sightseeing, tropical climate

The following reports were compiled by Rod Matthews, manager of the Work's International Office, serving under evangelist Joseph Tkach of Ministerial Services.

By Rod Matthews Bahamas

The Bahama Islands rise out of a 70,000-square-mile area known as the Bahama Banks. The water is so clear you can't tell whether the bottom is 6 feet down or 60. Comprising 700 islands, the Bahamas are covered with greenery and blossoms and fringed with inviting beach.

They are strewn in a northwest to southeast array along a 750-mile stretch from just off Florida to near Haiti. The largest islands are Andros, Grand Bahama, Abaco, Eleuthera and Cat Island. Others are only large enough for two people, with a box lunch tucked into their boat, to have a picnic.

The Bahamas are low-lying islands. Cat Island's Mt. Alvernia, a shade more than 200 feet above sea level, is the highest point in the nation. The islands enjoy the idyllic climate most people associate with tropical seas.

The Gulf Stream bathes the western shores with its clear, warm waters, and steady trade winds sweep in from the southeast. The temperatures — even in the northernmost islands — seldom drop below 60 degrees Fahrenheit (15.5 degrees Celsius) or rise above 90 degrees Fahrenheit (32 degrees Celsius). Most of the rain comes during the summer. The sea around the islands normally ranges from the low 80s Fahrenheit (27 to 29 Celsius) in summer to 74 degrees Fahrenheit (23.5 degrees Celsius) in midwinter.

The site for the 1982 Feast of Tabernacles will be the Balmoral Beach Hotel, Cable Beach, New Providence. The hotel is a 10-minute drive from Nassau's International Airport and 15 minutes from Nassau city.

The hotel has two lighted all-weather tennis courts, volleyball, basketball, shuffleboard, water sports, freshwater pool and a beach. The hotel also has its own private island — Balmoral Island — with three beaches, a bar, changing facilities and water sports upon request.

A championship 18-hole, par-72 golf course is one mile away. Deep-sea fishing, sightseeing, riding bicycles and renting motorboats and motorbikes can be arranged through the hotel. The hotel has a dining room, coffee shop and bar.

The rates are as follows: single, \$50 a room each day; double, \$58 a room each day; extra person, \$16.28 a room each day. There is a \$2 charge for each person to pay bellmen for one-time luggage-handling. Up to two children under the age of 12 years, free when sharing with an adult. The above rates include 6 percent room tax, energy surcharge and gratuities. The rates are for room only. For those wishing to have meals at the hotel the cost will be \$22 each person a day for breakfast and dinner. All hotels add 15 percent gratuities to meal costs.

One block from Balmoral Beach Hotel is the Henrea Carlette Apartment Hotel. It has a pool on the premises and access to a beach one block away. The hotel has a dining room and bar. A special menu is available for Feastgoers.

Breakfast, \$3.75 to \$5. Lunch is available from \$6.50 and dinner from \$15 to \$17. All food costs are subject to 15 percent gratuities.

Apartment rates are as follows: two-bedroom apartments with kitchen, \$86.11 a day for four

people; one-bedroom apartments with kitchen, \$71.54 a day for three people; studio apartments with kitchen, \$57.76 a day for two people. Children under 12 years are free when sharing the apartment with an adult. The cost for an extra person is \$10.33. The above rates include all taxes and service charges on room accommodation.

The Casuarinas Apartment Hotel is about 1½ miles from Balmoral Beach Hotel. It has a pool and a small beach. All apartments have kitchens, and a dining room and a bar are on the premises.

Rates are as follows: studio apartments with a pool view, \$40.04 a day for two people; ocean view, \$49.05 for two people; one-bedroom apartments, \$62.57 a day for two people; two-bedroom apartments, \$84.59 a day for four people. The cost for an extra person is \$13.50 a day. The above rates include all taxes and service charges on room accommodations. Children under 6 are free when sharing the apartment with an adult.

Next door to Balmoral Beach Hotel is the Cable Beach Manor. It has a pool and beach. All apartments have kitchens. It does not have a restaurant.

Rates are as follows: studio apartments, pool view, \$384.90 for eight nights; ocean view, \$423.14 for two people; one-bedroom apartments, pool view, \$385.15; ocean view, \$573.87 for eight nights for two people; two-bedroom apartments, \$716.54 for pool view and \$838.65 for ocean view. Children under 6 are free when sharing an apartment with an adult. The cost for an extra person is \$107.58 for eight nights. All of the above rates include all taxes and service charges.

Meal costs: The approximate cost for meals range from \$4 to \$6 a person for breakfast, \$5 to \$15 for lunch and \$10 to \$25 for dinner. All hotels and restaurants add a 15 percent gratuity to meal costs.

The Bahamas Feast site arranges family activities for brethren. All Feastgoers must book accommodations through the Bahamas Feast Office. Please do not contact these establishments yourself, but await your reply after completing the transfer request.

Barbados

While Christopher Columbus was busy discovering nearly all of the other Caribbean islands, Barbados lay quietly, stranger to the fighting between Caribs, Europeans and Englishmen for possession.

But it was not long before the flat pear-shaped coral island, different in geography from its Caribbean neighbors, was caught up in the wave of settlement. After brief visits by passing Portuguese captains an off-course English ship came upon Los Barbados, as the Portuguese called it, in 1625.

The first settlers arrived in 1627 finding no one on the island — the Arawak and Carib Indians left about 100 years before.

The island attracted English citizens who were being persecuted at home as the crisis between Charles I and the republicans headed by Oliver Cromwell brewed. So many of Cromwell's enemies arrived that the island's politics became distinctly royalist.

Later thousands of Africans were brought in as slaves to work in sugar production, which became the island's main source of income.

Today the emphasis is on tourism. Barbados' early history differs from that of other Caribbean islands, because of its unbroken British rule. The Spanish, French and Caribs did not fight the English on Barbados soil, which in effect has

allowed parliamentary tradition and the rule of law to develop so that today the island boasts the third-oldest parliament in the world.

Pastor General Herbert W. Armstrong visited Barbados in early 1968 and raised up the Church there Feb. 3. The Feast was celebrated for the first time on the island later that year. The 1982 Feast of Tabernacles will be the 15th on this English-speaking island, which gained its independence from Britain in 1966.

The 1982 Feast will be celebrated at the Government Convention Center, Dover, Christ Church, within walking distance of the majority of apartments and hotels.

The convention center is on Dover Beach. There are fine restaurants catering by offering a variety of food. (Flying fish is a must.)

Each year overseas brethren enjoy a boat cruise on the *Jolly Roger*. Hotel and apartment rates vary. Apartments made available to the Church offer the most reasonable rates:

Studio apartment, two persons, U.S. \$21 a day; one-bedroom apartment, two persons, U.S. \$29 a day; two-bedroom apartment, four persons, U.S. \$36.50 a day.

Extra bed in one- and two-bedroom apartments only will be at additional charge of \$4 a night. These rates do not include meals.

All apartments available have cooking facilities. The above rates are subject to an 8 percent government tax, and if there is maid service, there will also be a 10 percent service charge added to your bill.

Dinner for two adults and two children at the average restaurant would be approximately U.S. \$45.

More luxurious apartment rates are as follows:

One bedroom, two persons, U.S. \$66 a day; two bedroom, four persons, U.S. \$78 a day; extra person in room, U.S. \$11.25 a day.

These rates are subject to a 10 percent service charge and an 8 percent government tax. All meals are extra with restaurant facilities available on the premises.

Bermuda

A Spaniard named Juan de Bermudez is credited for discovering Bermuda. He visited there in 1503, but failed to claim the islands for his country. It wasn't until 1609, more than 100 years later, that British Admiral Sir George Somers' flagship *Sea Venture*, on its way to relieve the infant and struggling colony of Virginia, with desperately needed supplies, was wrecked upon Bermuda's reefs. It was a providential mishap that led to the British colonization in 1612.

For more than 3½ centuries Bermuda has remained under the flag of Great Britain, and Bermu-

dians are proud that their country is the oldest British colony with the House of Assembly elected by the people.

About 150 islands comprise Bermuda, 21 square miles in total. The seven largest islands are connected by bridges and causeways. It is this contiguous land formation that gives rise to the title, "The Island of Bermuda."

Only about 20 percent of the islands are inhabited. The largest is Great Bermuda, otherwise known as the mainland. It is about 14 miles long and contains the capital city, Hamilton.

Though Bermuda is far north of tropical latitudes, mild and humid conditions prevail. There are a number of reasons for Bermuda's pleasant climatic conditions, the chief being the Gulf Stream, which flows between Bermuda and the North American continent. This broad belt of warm water tempers the wintery winds that sweep across the Atlantic from west to north.

The average temperature for January is 62.6 degrees Fahrenheit (approximately 16.5 degrees Celsius) and for July 78.4 degrees Fahrenheit (approximately 25.5 degrees Celsius). Rainfall is evenly distributed throughout the year and averages about 58 inches (about 147.3 centimeters). Bermuda is dependent upon rainwater as its only source of freshwater. The water is collected from rooftops and stored in tanks.

Activities include swimming, snorkeling, fishing, horseback riding, hiking, night clubs, golfing, sailing and moped riding. Points of interest are Crystal Cave, which displays the beauties of stalactites and stalagmites. These natural caverns are among the most beautiful attractions of Bermuda. Somerset Bridge is the smallest drawbridge in the world and probably the most photographed. It is just wide enough to let the spar of a sailboat pass through.

A note of interest. Probably nowhere in the world are there so many attractions for sightseers in such a small area. The island is divided into nine parishes, and each has its own distinctive personality and attractions.

The location of the Feast is yet to be confirmed, so no bookings should be placed yet. Since no rental cars are available in Bermuda, it is advisable to reserve accommodations close to the meeting hall.

If the Rosebank Theatre in Hamilton is used again, various establishments are available close by ranging in costs from U.S. \$60 to \$100 a day for each room without meals. If another potential site is used, the brethren would stay right at the hotel, and the cost of a room each day, including breakfast and dinner would be U.S. \$170 (double occupancy).

Another alternative site offers the same price, with cheaper hotels available nearby.

Bermuda does tend to be expensive, and costs should be carefully calculated.

Those applying for the Festival in Bermuda will receive updated information at a later date.

Guyana

Although it is on the South American mainland, Guyana is regarded as part of the Caribbean, because politically and economically it is linked with the other English-speaking territories of the Caribbean. It is bounded by Venezuela on the west, Surinam on the east, Brazil on the south and the Caribbean Sea on the north. It was aptly named Guyana by its Amerindian settlers, meaning "land of many waters."

Apart from the Amerindians, the original inhabitants, the Guyana population includes people of East Indian, African, Portuguese and Chinese descent. The forefathers of these people were brought by European settlers to work on plantations.

In 1499 Spanish sailors visited Guyana, tracing the coastline in search of the mythical city of El Dorado. Further exploration during the 16th and 17th centuries led to the establishment of several settlements by the Dutch, who were the first people to make contact with the Guyana Indians.

In 1621 the Dutch West India Co. was granted a charter giving it control over Essequibo, to which further holdings in Berbice were added three years later.

By 1773 the Dutch had constituted Essequibo, Demerara and Berbice as three separate colonies. Afterward continual rivalry persisted among the Dutch, British, French and Spanish for the possession of these territories.

Finally the British gained control of Guyana, which was known before its independence in 1966 as British Guiana.

The average temperature in Guyana is 80 degrees Fahrenheit (26.5 degrees Celsius) with high rainfall year round. Along the coast, the average rainfall is from 80 to 100 inches and falls mainly from April to August and November to January.

Although not finalized, plans are to have the Feast at Main Stay Lake, inland from the town of Anna Regina, 50 miles from Georgetown. Thirty self-contained cabins and recreational areas are situated around a central dining and meeting hall. Each cabin has a living room, two bedrooms and bathroom facilities.

The site has its own electricity supply, and water is provided by a windmill. The area is wooded, with trails for exploring and hiking. Main Stay Lake is a mile wide, and canoes are available for rent.

Near the camp lies an Amerindian village. Visitors can see Amerindians in their natural habitat and purchase native craftwork. Fishing and hunting skills can be learned and practiced.

Cost: Estimated at \$105 (Guyanese), or about U.S. \$41 a day a person including all meals. (The booking is not definite, as construction is still in progress and prices are estimates only.) Transportation to site from Georgetown is not included.

Jamaica

Jamaica is the third-largest island of the Greater Antilles. It lies 90 miles south of Cuba and 100 miles west of Hispaniola. Jamaica is a mountainous island with its highest peak more than 7,520 feet.

Roughly 150 miles long and 50 miles wide, Jamaica has a climate in which the temperatures vary little except in the mountains. Spring temperatures are from 80 to 90 degrees Fahrenheit (26.5 to 32 degrees Celsius) and in summer from 85 to 90 (29.5 to 32 Celsius); autumn also from 85 to 90. Temperatures drop 1 degree Fahrenheit for every 300 feet of altitude.

The Jamaica Festival site is ideally suited for those looking for a small, intimate group with a decided emphasis on family togetherness.

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How to Apply

An international Festival transfer form *must be completed* to gain acceptance to a Caribbean site because of the need to regulate transfers in 1982. Please follow these steps:

1. Evaluate your expenses carefully from figures given in article. Remember: Prices are likely to rise in the next eight months.
2. If you can cover all your costs with second title to spare, request an International Transfer form by writing to the International Office, 300 West Green St., Pasadena, Calif., 91129, or by phoning toll-free (800) 423-4444. Be sure to mention the site to which you wish to apply.
3. The form will be sent to you with further information on the site, and details of where the form is to be sent upon completion.
4. Wait for a reply from the site coordinator *before* making further arrangements. You will get as prompt a reply as the mail allows.
5. The reply will include housing information if your application is approved. (Accommodation requests at some sites *must* be placed through the Church office there.)
6. In most cases, it is hoped, that those who apply immediately will know of their acceptance or otherwise by the time the U.S. Festival lists reach Church areas in March.

LOCAL CHURCH NEWS

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

The **AKRON**, Ohio, church had a movie night Dec. 24 to raise money for the junior cheerleaders' uniforms. A projector and films were rented from a library. Afterward, eight cakewalks were staged for a nominal fee, and then table games were played for the duration of the evening. Concessions were available throughout the evening. *Lori M. Orsz.*

The **APTOS**, Calif. (formerly Monterey, Calif.), church had a year-end social Dec. 19. Beginning with a potluck dinner, the evening's theme was "Down on the Farm." The Aptos Grange Hall was transformed into a barn, complete with bales of hay. Booths were set up along one side of the hall for games such as balloon shaving, apple bobbing and a fish pond for the children. Prizes were awarded for high game scores, best costumes and a door prize. Much of the credit for the success of the social goes to Bill Mason. *William K. Lear.*

The annual Game Night of the **BAKERSFIELD**, Calif., congregation took place Dec. 19. The variety of activities included musical chairs, a cakewalk, a sing-along and quieter games such as hearts, Risk and cribbage. The evening ended with the presentation of awards. *Craig Jackson.*

The **BALTIMORE**, Md., brethren had a social Jan. 3 to bid farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Marrs and their daughter Debbie as they leave for Detroit, Mich. A buffet lunch and cider were served. There was singing and dancing, and the children played games. Gifts, including a wok, were given to the departing family. *Mr. and Mrs. Jon D. Cook.*

Ladies from the **BENDIGO**, Australia, church closed their season of tennis and badminton with a picnic and barbecue lunch Dec. 15. The children played on the swings and slides and fed the ducks that swam on the lake. The pastor's wife, Kathy Regazzoli, organized the tennis and badminton games at the Eaglehawk Neanger Park Leisure Center. *Rosemary Piercy.*

Most of the **BETHLEHEM**, Pa., brethren remained after services Dec. 26 to enjoy a cold-dish supper at the meeting hall. Meat dishes along with favorite casseroles and salads were featured in the main meal, and choice fine wines and desserts were added delights. Following the meal, the members enjoyed a Fifties Dance, as they danced to their favorite '50s records. Those who won fruit baskets for the best '50s dress in their age groups were Bud Crawford, Ruth Streapy, Kathleen Pasceri, Eric Woodring, Cindy Garzillo and Diane Cressman. In an adjoining room, many took part in a Guess Who It Is old photo contest. The winner with the most correct names was Roseanne Trach, and runner-up was Shirley Meirs. *Gordon Long.*

For members of the **BOWLING GREEN**, Ky., church, the Winter Formal Dance Dec. 12 was the premier social activity of the year. Music was provided by the David Livingston Sextet, a group that does the back-up work for world-famous Billy Vaughn. The band played a variety of musical standards and special requests. The mood of the evening was further enhanced by elaborate decorations and props provided by the Women's Club and designed around the theme "Over the Rainbow." Alana Fentress, wife of pastor Kent Fentress, sang the theme song "Somewhere Over the Rainbow" with the band. She also performed several encore requests. Couples visited from the Madisonville, Ky., and Evansville, Ind., churches. *Larry Hahn.*

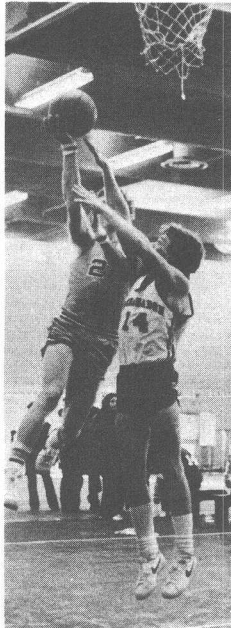
The winter Family Night and Fancy Fair of the **BRUSSELS**, Belgium, church took place Dec. 26. The ladies were busy several weeks in advance knitting, crocheting and sewing items to be sold at the Fancy Fair, which was to raise money for the Work. Other ladies were busy in their kitchens making cakes to be sold after the meal enjoyed together after the Sabbath. Some 10,000 Belgian francs were raised. Skits and musical numbers were performed to the delight of all, with the most entertaining act the impromptu citing of the Ten Commandments by the children. *Susan Carlson.*

Brethren of **CALGARY**, Alta., SOUTH bid farewell to pastor Piet Michielsens Dec. 26. Mr. Michielsens pastored the church for the past 4½ years

and now moves to the Grande Prairie, Alta., church. Neil Earle, pastor of the Calgary North church, will also pastor the South church, assisted by Alan Redmond, formerly the pastor of the Wetaskiwin, Alta., church. Following services, the Michielsens were presented with a silver coffee urn, an autopsyphon and a photo album of the brethren and past activities. Linda Sutton baked a farewell cake, which was out at the surprise buffet luncheon. *Emily Lukacki.*

The **CANTON**, Ohio, church was host at an evening of square dancing, cards and games Dec. 19. Brethren from Akron, Canton and Youngstown, Ohio, attended the event, which took place at the Armory in Alliance, Ohio. Music was provided by the Youngstown church, with their pastor, Eugene Noel, calling the dances. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Scott led the grand march that opened the dance. Richard Nicholson and Dick Gay were in charge of the event. Punch and hors d'oeuvres were served. *Frank A. Richards.*

Members of the **CARDIFF**, Wales, church assembled at the home of deacon



UP FOR TWO — Big Sandy II basketball player Chris Klotz defends a layup by Gerald Pemberton of the Big Sandy I team in Amarillo, Tex. (See "Sports," page 7.) [Photo by Donna Ward]

Eric Wood and his wife Diana Dec. 19 for the first of the winter get-togethers. A Bible quiz was followed by a potluck supper, and charades completed the day. *Hilary Calwell.*

The first social of the **CARLIN**, Nev., church was Jan. 2. Minister Jim Chapman refereed a Bible baseball game, which included all who attended. A potluck supper was served, followed by an evening of fun and games. Adults played Yahtzee and cards, while the children participated in musical chairs, races and fishing for prizes that the older children had made. The children sang some praises to God, accompanied on the piano by Carrie Morgan. Sheryl Curtis had a surprise game for the adult married couples, in which blindfolded husbands tried to find their mates by listening to the animal imitations they made. *Charlene Slagowski.*

CHARLESTON, S.C., brethren had their annual fair Dec. 27, with food, sweets and crafts for sale, games to play and a talent show to watch. *Jo Morris.*

Many **CHATTANOOGA**, Tenn., members decked out in their best 1920s outfits for the church's Roaring Twenties dance Dec. 12. Contemporary dance music was provided by the Chattanooga Church Band. Later in the evening, a duet was sung by vocalists Betty Cowan and Tom Hammett. Tapes of the big band sound of the '20s, provided by Lee Welshon, were danced to. Hors d'oeuvres were provided by members,

and decorations were set up by Joe Gimber and Mr. and Mrs. Dale Pack. Skits about the '20s were acted out at intervals throughout the evening by the Young Adults' Club members and the Bill Cowan Jr. family. *Carla Dailey.*

A country fair for the **COLUMBIA**, S.C., and **AUGUSTA**, Ga., members took place Jan. 3. The brethren enjoyed live animals, continuous music, a kitchen-restaurant serving burgers and treats, a movie house, a country store, art display and games for all ages. Everyone took part in a sing-along of music from the *Sound of Music* movie. Overall director of the fair was Gilbert Brown.

The brethren bade farewell to minister Dave Register and his family as they left Jan. 4 for a new assignment in Delaware. The congregations presented the Registers with a wall clock. *Paul Nowlen.*

DAUPHIN and **YORKTON**, Sask., members met halfway Dec. 27 in a small hall heated by a small wood burner for an all-day snow social, which included games and food. Dennis Lawrence asked everyone to bring chili, and it was all mixed together in one pot. Most went out to a nearby river where a spot was cleared for skating. A makeshift game of broomball was participated in by most of the men. The small children enjoyed toboggan sliding down a hill. *Avid Angrimson.*

FORT COLLINS, Colo., members and their families enjoyed a potluck dinner after services Dec. 19. Special entertainment was provided by a ladies' trio. A cartoon and Walt Disney movie were shown for the young and old alike, while others played cards and games. *Roma Tennison.*

FORT MYERS, Fla., brethren braved unseasonably cold weather Dec. 6 for their annual rummage sale. Unsold items were sold at the flea market the following Sunday. The final tally was \$367, part of which went for an offering. Several ladies baked goods, which brought \$116 of the total. Hot chili and coffee cake were served to the workers. *B. Friebe.*

The **GAYLORD**, Mich., church had a hat social Dec. 19 where everyone wore some kind of hat. The evening consisted of a potluck, the breaking of a pinata by the children and table games. Awards were given for the Most Unusual Hat, the Person That Smiled the Most and the Friendliest, followed by a presentation of a Keeping Us on the Right Track award to minister Gary King. *Judy Sumner.*

Kevin's farm, nestled in the green hills of south **GIPPSLAND**, Australia, was the setting for a church family day Nov. 22. The Spokesman Club provided a barbecue. Dozens of lamb chops and sausages were enjoyed, as well as two lambs roasted on a spit under the direction of deacon Leo Saleta. Hayrides were provided for the young and young at heart, and a variety of games kept everybody entertained. The most popular meeting place throughout the day was the tea stand, where "Wild" Bill Hancock served "billy tea." *Bruce Greenaway.*

Family Night for the **GREENSBORO**, N.C., brethren took place after the Sabbath Dec. 12. Activities began with a potluck dinner. Evening fun for the children consisted of movies, helium-filled balloons and games. The adults enjoyed bingo, cards, games and a log-sawing contest. Arts and crafts and used clothing were displayed. *Vicki Hart.*

The second annual country fair of the **GREENVILLE**, S.C., church was Dec. 20 at the Landmark Hall. Ten game booths were set up, along with a country store featuring homemade crafts and



ALPINE CAMP — European YOU members get ready for cross-country skiing at a winter camp Dec. 20 to 31 in Radfeld, Austria. (See "Youth Activities," page 7.) [Photo by Wolfgang Thomson]

used clothing. The country kitchen served hot dogs, chili, chips, drinks, popcorn and homemade goodies. Joyce Wrenn won the cake-baking contest, and Martin Byrd placed first in the pie-baking competition. After the winners were announced, the cakes and pies were auctioned off to the highest bidders. Door prizes were given in various age categories, and the top scorers of the games were given recognition. Manuel Burdette was master of ceremonies of the talent show, which brought the day to a close. *Paulette Jameson.*

The **HARRISBURG**, Pa., church had an international sit-down dinner Dec. 19. Members and children dressed in costumes representing various countries and enjoyed a meal of roast turkey, vegetables, pumpkin pie and rolls served at the tables by YOU members. Wall and table decorations added to the international atmosphere. After the meal, entertainment was provided by some members and children representing several countries of the world. A live goat added to the fun in an act entitled "Heidi." The final item was "It's a Small World," sung by the children. Prizes were awarded for the best costumes. *Pam Brubaker.*

Sleds, tubes, skis and sleigh rides were the order of the day when the **KALISPELL**, Mont., brethren got together Jan. 3 at the Petersons' place for a winter fun day. The day was clear and beautiful. Adding to the festivities was a chili and potluck dinner. *Carole Peterson.*

Mark Hayward was master of ceremonies for the **KITCHENER**, Ont., social Dec. 12. The theme was "Family Fantastic." The springboard for the evening was a hot potluck, courtesy of the women. Organized activities ranged from table games to basketball, volleyball and stickball. Susan Mantle planned and supervised activities for the tots, with prizes for all. Irene Hayward demonstrated how to spin sheep's wool into yarn, followed by a lesson in knitting. *Wendy Reis.*

An evening of fellowship and entertainment was enjoyed by the **LAKE OF THE OZARKS**, Mo., church Dec. 26. A potluck was served after Sabbath services. For the arts and crafts display, many brethren brought items, such as oil paintings, pillows, quilts, rock collections and blacksmith work. The talent show that followed featured singing and musical instruments, a yodeling demonstration, a stand-up comic and a barber-shop quartet. *Donna Roberts.*

MACKAY, Australia, members en-



CHILDREN'S PARTY — Tacoma, Wash., children model the costumes they made for the International Children's Party sponsored by the Women's Service Club Dec. 30. (See "Youth Activities," page 7.) [Photo by Cris Trimble]

joyed their first progressive dinner Dec. 13. Suggested by pastor Bruce Dean, the meal commenced in Mackay with pre-dinner drinks and hors d'oeuvres at George Zacker's house and entree at Mr. and Mrs. J. England's house. Brethren then traveled to the Camerons' home in Eton, for the main course of roast beef and vegetables, and then to the Dawes' home in Finch Hatton, for the sweets and coffee. *Jim England.*

Members of the **MANCHESTER**, England, United Singles group sponsored a church social Dec. 19. Members enjoyed a variety of snacks, plus homemade beer provided by Mike Monaghan. Peter Gout gave a slide show of Ambassador College, Pasadena. A *ceilidh* (folk dance and musical evening) organized by Nigel O'Sullivan completed the occasion. *Derek Thomas.*

The **MIAMI**, Fla., church enjoyed a country and western dance and talent show Dec. 6 at the Knights of Columbus Hall. A variety of songs, dances and skits was presented, and the brethren danced to the heel-kicking music of the church band. An assortment of hors d'oeuvres was prepared by the members. *Louetta S. Jones.*

The **MONTGOMERY**, Ala., church had a wine and cheese party Dec. 19 after services at the church hall. Evangelist Gerald Waterhouse preached the sermon that afternoon and stayed for the social. *Don Moss.*

The **MONTVALE**, N.J., church had its first social of the year Dec. 12. The evening began with a potluck dinner, followed by a square dance for the adults and teens and sports and films for the children. *Mike Bedford.*

More than 50 **NOTTINGHAM**, England, members and their families and guests stayed after services Dec. 26 for an informal social. After hot soup and a potluck were served, Marlene Cliff and some YOU members gave a short demonstration of group dancing. The evening ended with Mr. and Mrs. Larsen conducted by Colin Sweet. *Ron McLaren.*

The **ORLANDO**, Fla., church had its second rummage sale to raise money for church activities Dec. 20. More than \$700 was raised, despite the cool weather. *Ed Strickland.*

The second annual winter social for the **OTTUMWA**, Iowa, church was Dec. 12 at the YWCA. After an evening meal, the Country Rangers, a country and western band from the Columbia, Mo., church, began to play music for the square dance. George Boothe, a local elder from Des Moines, Iowa, was the caller. Snacks were served all evening. *Cal De Vries.*

About 30 **PASADENA** members attended a party on behalf of Ruth Mowery at the home of Betty Biedler Dec. 25. For the first time in almost two years, 91-year-old Mrs. Mowery left her retirement home to attend the potluck dinner of turkey and dressing. Mrs. Mowery was born in Central City, Neb., and after attending Lake Erie College in Ohio, she moved to California in 1920 and began a 28-year teaching career. After 16 years of marriage her husband, a lawyer, died of a rare disease. After listening to Herbert W. Armstrong's broadcast since 1943, Mrs. Mowery was baptized on the Ambassador College campus in 1959. She is unable to attend services, but she hears sermons by way of audio hookup. *Sylvia Owen.*

Brethren of the **PEORIA**, Ill., church packed their lunches and grabbed their (See **CHURCH NEWS**, page 5)

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sleds and toboggans and met at Trewyn Park Dec. 25. Young and old alike enjoyed the snow-packed slopes, as well as the toys and games inside the pavilion. *Janice Keefer.*

Widows of the PHOENIX, Ariz., church enjoyed an outing to the Phoenix Zoo Dec. 17. The group viewed the animals from a miniature train that encircled the grounds. Many African animals were of special interest, as well as the exotic birds such as the peacocks and flamingos. The day was perfect for picnicking outdoors. *Betty Hoffman.*

Members of the PLYMOUTH, TAUNTON and TRURO, England, churches took a trip Dec. 23. They drove to Southampton, England, by minibus to catch the overnight ferry across the English Channel to France. Arriving the following morning, they drove from Le Havre, France, down to the Paris Office. After lunch, the group looked around Paris, and that night everyone settled down in the accommodations in the Paris Office. The elder members were accommodated in apartments in the building. After a breakfast served by the French brethren, everyone, including a group from the Southampton and the Dutch churches, toured the sights of Paris.

The following day, everyone attended the Paris Sabbath services. Marilyn Kneller translated into English. In the evening, the Paris church presented a social, with dances from all parts of the world. The Ogden from the Truro church won the best-decorated hat contest. YOU members Jonathan Jewell, Claire Kellam, Nicola Fowler and Karlene Fowler renewed friendships made at SEP among the Dutch and French YOU members. After sight-seeing and purchasing presents Sunday, the group made the journey back to Le Havre for the return to England. The members presented the French brethren with a visitor's book signed by the brethren from Britain. *Frank Fowler.*

The PLYMOUTH and TRURO, England brethren heard a sermon on tape by Herbert W. Armstrong Dec. 12. Plymouth members organized a supper for the brethren, and entertainment was provided by the members and children.

Some 27 Plymouth brethren met just outside the city Dec. 25 for a hike along the Plym Valley. Everyone then went to the Joneses' home for an evening of fellowship and refreshments. *K.C. Jones.*

A potluck for the RALEIGH, N.C., brethren took place Dec. 25 at the Kiwanis Community Center. The event provided an escape for members whose unconverted families were observing Christmas. After the meal, the Young Ambassadors Festival film was shown, and then some, including children, played card and board games. *Harlan Brown.*

The ST. LOUIS, Mo., NORTH and SOUTH churches combined to enjoy the annual chili supper, bake sale and chorale show Dec. 19. The show was directed by minister Wil Malone, and its theme was "Put on a Happy Face." The brethren enjoyed such songs as "One Voice," which was a tribute to God's apostle, Herbert W. Armstrong. Proceeds from the activities were earmarked for use in improving the chorale's practice site.

The brethren were joined by the Belleville, Ill., members for a country and western casual dance Dec. 26. Church talent provided the music, with sandwiches, snacks and a cash bar available. Pastor Robert Spence provided a "touch of class" attired in a shirt printed like a tuxedo, complete with top hat. *Doug Graham.*

The SAN BERNARDINO, Calif., brethren enjoyed a special meet-the-ministers potluck after services Dec. 19. Everyone had a chance to meet the new pastor, Jim Peoples; the assistant pastor, Wally Neufeld; and their families. The congregation presented the ministers each with a cake decorated as a bouquet of roses. The congregation also acknowledged the Rioeses' 33rd wedding anniversary that evening. *Art Braidic.*

Families of the SAN DIEGO, Calif., church attended the Junior Theatre live stage production of the musical *It's a Bird, It's a Plane, It's Superman!* Jan. 10 in the Casa del Prado in Balboa Park. A guided tour of the stage and dressing rooms was given by director Don Ward after the performance. Arrangements for the event were made by Nancy Parker. *Susan Karoska.*

The SAN JOSE, Calif., church celebrated Dec. 19 when it achieved a *Plain Truth* distribution of 11,360. In June the members set a 10,000 goal by Passover, and they broke their goal 3/5 months

early. The cardholder goal was 100 and was broken in November. As of Dec. 19, brethren obtained 108 cardholders, 734 waiting rooms and had placed Herbert W. Armstrong's books in 20 libraries. *John Jester.*

Dec. 26 was the night of the SARNIA, Ont., Show 'n' Tell social. After a potluck dinner, the brethren viewed the arts and crafts brought by the members, including woodcrafts, pillows, dish paintings, oil paintings and wall hangings. Even the children drew pictures. After the craft show, games were played. *Iva Mae Grimes.*

The first arts and crafts show and fashion show of the SIOUX FALLS, YANKTON and WATERTOWN, S.D., churches took place Dec. 19. Arts, crafts and hobbies were set up in the hall for all to view. Eleanor Saltzman was in charge of the exhibits. After the meal, Jill Wunder and Penny Larson directed the activities of the fashion show. The entrants walked down through the audience on a raised platform to show the clothing they had made. Little girls and boys, mothers and two men made up the list of 25 models. Descriptive narratives were given by Betty and Ken Churchill. Background music was furnished by pianists Jane Call and Eunice Reis. At the halfway point, Carol Reining presented a solo, "The Rose." Activities coordinator Terry Knutson hopes to make the occasion an annual event. The evening ended with a square dance. *Nadine Van Laecken.*

Members of the SOLDOTNA, Alaska, church enjoyed an evening of square dancing, followed by a sack lunch and pie social Dec. 27. Pies were auctioned by Chuck Franke, assisted by Leonard Ballard. Prizes for the best-decorated pie boxes went to Seth Zorn and Karen Hall. Western-costume prizes were awarded to Josiah Johnson and Annie Hall in the junior division and to Dorothy Dennison and Charles Drown in the senior division. *Fern Ballard.*

As the winter snow fell over the SPOKANE, Wash., area Dec. 26, the gymnasium at North Pines Junior High School was transformed into a carnival midway, and arts and crafts show. With concession bakers, clowns, carnival music and the smell of popcorn, family members young and old tried their skill and luck to win cakes, balloons or other prizes from the dozen booths. There was something for everyone, including free refreshments. A roller-skating party took place the next day for those who still had the energy left over to skate. *Verne Enos.*



YES CARNIVAL — The YES children of Bethlehem, Pa., enjoy a carnival at their kickoff program Dec. 23. (See "Youth Activities," page 7.) [Photo by David G. Kolb]

SYRACUSE, N.Y., brethren enjoyed a winter social Dec. 26 following services. A potluck was served, and the movie *National Velvet* was shown. Other activities were a YOU Bible study and a used clothing display of winter clothes. *Marilynn Denny.*

The TAMPA, Fla., church had a yard sale Dec. 6 and 7. Fund-raising coordinators Bob McClelland and Paul Topash announced that the sale not only surpassed its goal of \$2,600, but had more than doubled it, with profits of more than \$5,300. Pastor Ron Lohr was pleased with the responsiveness of the brethren, who collected goods for more than two months and filled one tractor trailer and two small trucks. *Dale Yates.*

The UNION, N.J., brethren enjoyed an international social Dec. 19 at a nearby high school. The festivities began with a potluck of dishes representing nations of the world. The meal was followed by five dances from around the world, set to the appropriate national music. A slide show of many of the world's different nations was compiled and presented by Glen Prokesch. The brethren viewed a show-and-tell display



GRADUATION NIGHT — Sydney, Australia, North Spokesman Club members display their graduation certificates awarded at the final club evening Dec. 14. (See "Club Meetings," page 7.) [Photo by Philip Weir]

from areas around the world. The evening was topped off with free-style dancing to multinational music. *Dennis R. Pisapia.*

CLUB MEETINGS

The Spokesman Club of AKRON, Ohio, had a father and son night Dec. 20. Beer, pop and pizza were served during the meeting, which was conducted by President Enos Hershberger. Tabletopics were presented by Joseph Zachariah, and the toastmaster was Dave Pavlik. Speeches were given by Don Cline, Mr. Hershberger, Jeff Kostich, George Randall (Most Effective Speech and Most Improved Speaker) and Ron Tenney. The Most Helpful Evaluation was given by Kevin Geiser. Director Mike Swagerty closed the meeting. *Lori M. Oros.*

The ANCHORAGE, Alaska, young adults' and singles' club had a sledding party and chili feed Dec. 19 after sunset. The club had a meeting afterward at the Kraniches' home. *Susan Kranich.*

Betty Anderson was hostess for the Dec. 13 meeting of the ANCHORAGE, Alaska, Women's Club. Icebreakers

Members of the CHICAGO, Ill., NORTHWEST Women's Club met Dec. 20 at this year's meeting place in Wood Dale, Ill. After the business portion of the meeting, an icebreaker was given by Emma Miller, and tabletopics were conducted by Barbara Billingslea. Following refreshments, Angie Latimer shared tips on interior decorating. *Claudia Cocomise.*

The CHICAGO, Ill., WEST Women's Club met Dec. 6 at the Naperville Federal Savings and Loan. President Berna Long called the meeting to order. A social was planned for April 25. Tabletopics were given by Betty Dean, and Paula Ales gave her icebreaker. The main speaker was associate pastor Tim Snyder, who spoke on "How God Values a Woman." *Shari Regnier.*

The CLEVELAND, Tenn., Ladies' Club had its first men's banquet night Dec. 3. Among the special guests were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cowan Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Charles Knowlton and Lorraine Heals. Topic mistress was Ruth Bailey, the timer was Carolyn Dailey and toastmistress was Pam Doss. The speakers were Mary Prevo, Barb Keepes, Carla Dailey, Chris Smith and Annette Shelton. The first half of the meeting was presided over by President Chris Smith, with the minutes read by secretary Carla Dailey, and Vice President Ruth Bailey presided over the second session. Director Charles Dickey gave the overall evaluation, and Mr. Cowan, minister of the Chattanooga, Tenn., church, gave a closing lecture on marriage. Trophies were awarded to Brenda Dailey for Most Helpful Evaluation, Mrs. Prevo for the Most Effective Speech and Miss Keepes for being the Most Improved Speaker. *Carla Dailey.*

"The Role of a Christian Woman" was the theme of a lecture presented by pastor James Ryeer to the DENVER, Colo., Women's Club Dec. 17. After a short business discussion, the tabletopics session was conducted by hostess Sue Winnail. Cohostess in providing refreshments was Darlene Marshall. *Jo Ann Eisman.*

The FLORENCE, Ala., Spokesman Club had a formal dinner meeting Dec. 20 at the church hall. Arrangements for the dinner were made by Shelba Stanley and Donna Patterson. The YOU girls served the meal. Club director is Jim Tuck. *Jan C. Old.*

The Young Adults' Club of EUGENE, Ore., had its second meeting Dec. 19. After a short business meeting, members made their own tacos from ingredients prepared by Richard and Mary Harmon. Following cake and ice cream, members discussed a ski trip planned for January and a service project planned for the spring. *Tim and Lin Rhay.*

The Women's Club of FINDLAY, Ohio, had its annual guest night Dec. 27. "A Night in Italy" was the theme. Ladies and their guests enjoyed a buffet dinner of Italian cuisine. Theresa and Linda Holcomb led the tabletopics. Hostess Rosemary Benedum gave her icebreaker. Regine Knick, who visited Italy and speaks some of the language, gave a look at the Italian people and their customs. Musical selections were given by Barbara and Gary Benjamin, and a skit was performed by Larry Knick and Bob and Phyllis Sloneker. After closing remarks from President Rose Richards and director Karen Diehl, Dennis Diehl dismissed everyone. *Phyllis Sloneker.*

The FLORENCE, S.C., Spokesman Club's midyear ladies' night was Jan. 9.

The men treated their guests to a home-made salad bar and meat charcoal grilled by the members and served to the ladies. Tabletopics were discussed during the meal, after which speeches were given by Michael W. Hewell, Roy Drake, Richard N. Morris and D. Gordon Davis. Pastor Paul V. Kieffer provided helpful and interesting comments. *Charles B. Edwards.*

The KENOSHA, Wis., Women's Club met Dec. 20 for a lesson in self-defense. Michael Greider spoke on what God says about violent physical crime. Donna Beckmon gave instructions on judo, jujitsu, aikido and basic self-defense. Julie Hanes was hostess for the meeting, which had a Southern theme. *Sherry Treiber.*

Thirteen members of the LUBBOCK, Tex., Women's Club participated in a dance-fitness program at their regular meeting Dec. 19. Judy Gauney introduced Lou Ann Howerton, jazzercise instructor who led the group through 12 dance-exercise routines to music. After a supper of low-calorie snacks and salads, a business meeting was conducted, with Fredda Maeker presiding. Officers are Mrs. Maeker, president; Carolyn Shamblin and Martha Magruder, vice presidents; Mary Morris, secretary. Opal Page, treasurer; and Harriet Lane, reporter. Renee Walden is club coordinator. *Harriet Lane.*

The Spokesman and Ladies' clubs of MELBOURNE, Australia, SOUTH had their combined final evening of the year Dec. 14 at Clover Cottage Restaurant. The English-style garden provided a fine setting for the pre-dinner sherris and hors d'oeuvres. Director Ken Lewis opened the meeting with thanks to all the officers, and then comments were made by President Wayne Garrett. The main course was followed by tabletopics presented by Lance Nickson and Gwen Allen. During dessert, toastmaster Terry Kellher introduced speakers Val Bishop, Karl Leiminger, Ruth Garrett and Dennis De George. A gift of crystal wine glasses and a bottle of wine was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Lewis for their direction of the clubs. *Wayne and Ruth Garrett.*

The PALMERSTON NORTH, New Zealand, Spokesman Club had its final meeting of the year Dec. 5. Members' wives were present at the buffet meal and the club session that followed. Speeches covered diverse subjects, and Peter Anderson presented his icebreaker. Arthur Greenwood and Bernie Blick were presented certificates of merit by pastor and club director Loyal Johnston. *Kinear Penman.*

The RENO, Nev., Women's Club had its first gathering Dec. 20 in the form of a tea social in the home of Maria Maydeck, who was assisted by club coordinator Barbara Chapman. Mrs. Chapman announced this year's officers: Barbara Springmeyer, president; Janine Swanson, vice president; Judy Fletcher, secretary; Candy Bonnett, treasurer; and Michelle Wendt, sergeant at arms. Mrs. Chapman presented a brief outline of the year's activities. *Michelle Wendt.*

The Spokesman Club of SPRINGFIELD, Mo., had its first ladies' night Dec. 30 at the Heritage Cafeteria. Guests were welcomed by secretary David Burton. President Mike Frantz explained the club format. Clay Carey was in charge of the tabletopics, in which the women participated. Speakers for the evening were David Burton Jr., Don Carey, Joe Hill and Randy Patterson. Most Improved Speaker and Most (See CHURCH NEWS, page 7)

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Effective Speech cups were won by David Burton Jr. Pastor George Meeker commended the men for the well coordinated session, and explained the goals and purposes of the club. *Polly Rose.*

The **SYDNEY, Australia, NORTH** Spokesman Club's final evening took place in the Sydney Hilton Hotel Dec. 14. Guests included Mr. and Mrs. Allan Gubb and Gary Harvey, pastor of the Newcastle, Australia, church, and his wife. Treasurer Keith McLean led the topics session, which was followed by a three-course meal. After dinner, Phillip Weir added his humor to the role of toastmaster. Speakers were President Bill Houghton, John Chidley (Most Improved Speaker), Bob Barnett (Most Effective Speech), Tom Middleton and Don Bray. Graduation certificates were awarded to Valdemar Buran, Les Lowe, Colin Hardy and Peter Greenfield. Director John Comino and codirector Russell Couston were given gifts from the club in appreciation of their effort in guiding the club during the year. *Ron Morgan.*

The Women's Club of **WACO, Tex.**, met Dec. 7 and 15 in the home of Marjorie Hill to discuss plans for future programs. The club theme is "The Year of the Woman," and this year's goal is to learn more about the role and purposes of women. Mrs. Hill reviewed several newspaper articles about women and gave information from the *True Womanhood* booklet. Virginia Mahan read a list of words and their definitions to initiate a project of vocabulary improvement. Sue Rigdon and Mrs. Hill led tabletopics, in which those present shared their backgrounds. *Jo Gail Fry.*

SENIOR ACTIVITIES

The **BRISBANE, Australia, Seniors'** Club had a picnic lunch, chat and games Dec. 25. Win Thomas was well enough to be present. *Olwin Waterman.*

The monthly **DENVER, Colo.,** widows' potluck luncheon and Bible study was Dec. 16. Ministerial assistant Norman Myers gave the Bible study on gossip. Door prizes were drawn, and the winners were Ralph Brand, Veda McCrory and Clara Hayes. *JoAnn Eisman.*

SINGLES SCENE

The Singles' Club in **BELLE VERNON, Pa.**, welcomed more than 100 singles from 13 church areas Dec. 19 for an afternoon and evening of activities. Following Sabbath services, everyone dined on a potluck dinner. Ministers Dave Johnson and Art Dyer conducted a Bible study in which they answered questions pertaining to single people in God's Church. For the balance of the evening, the singles enjoyed a dance. *Mark Hardy.*

A combined group of United Singles members from the **CROYDON, LONDON and MAIDSTONE, England,** churches enjoyed an outing to the Hastings area Dec. 25 through 27. The first full day was spent on a hike across inland country near the ancient towns of Rye and Winchelsea accompanied by two Church members' dogs, Bessie and Rusty. A get-together and evening meal were organized for the Sabbath, following services and a Bible study for singles at Maidstone by minister John Meakin. After an overnight stay at the home of Bob Gillett, some extended the event with sports activities Sunday. *Robert Pearson.*

Singles from many areas of the United States and parts of Canada participated in a black singles' weekend in **DETROIT, Mich.**, Dec. 25 to 27. Friday afternoon, the singles of all ages came together for a getting-to-know-you dance, followed by a potluck just before sunset. That evening, Earl Williams, pastor of the Detroit East church, conducted a Bible study. Sabbath services were at the spacious Roma Hall, to accommodate the three area churches and the out-of-town visitors. Guest speaker was evangelist Harold Jackson, who later narrated a slide presentation of the Work in Africa, followed by a brief African fashion show. Later in the evening, the highly anticipated black sin-

gles' dinner dance, "An Ebony Evening," took place. The Philadelphians band played, under the direction of Detroit, West associate pastor Maceo Hampton. Many singles managed to get up early the next morning for a fun-filled skating party. *Steve Holsey.*

Twenty **GAINESVILLE, Fla.,** singles attended a meeting Dec. 23 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eli Bastie in Ocala, Fla. After a potluck, Jack Jackson conducted a Bible study on marriage. The group played charades after the Sabbath and had a sing-along. The next day, a game of flag football was organized and played. *Janet Flythe.*

The **HUNTSVILLE and FLORANCE, Ala.,** Singles' Club had its first official meeting Dec. 19. The group enjoyed a cookout by a bonfire and a cold but enjoyable hayride and sing-along at Terry Martin's farm near New Market, Ala. The singles were accompanied by minister Gerald Cooke, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Keith and Mrs. Bobby Doss. The club's director is Lawson J. Tuck, and its deacon is Bobby Doss. *Paul Thompson.*

The singles of **INDIANAPOLIS, Ind.,** met at Doris Beasley's home for a meal after church services Dec. 12. In the afternoon, pastor Vernon Hargrove led a Bible study on the first two chapters of James. *Jayne Schumaker.*

Leonard Schreiber, pastor of the **MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.,** church, and Mrs. Schreiber played host to 50 singles for a potluck and Bible study in their home Dec. 5. Mr. Schreiber commented on problems singles in God's Church face in the world today. *Dick Schindel-decker.*

The United Singles of **PEORIA, Ill.,** had their final 1981 meeting Dec. 20. The activities started with bowling at the Town and Country Lanes, with Steve Sammet as the overall winner. After a chili lunch prepared by Penni Holt, the singles had a brief meeting where they discussed the upcoming singles dance they will play host to. A game of picture charades ended the day's activities. *Joe Kreiter Jr.*

The **SAN JOSE, Calif.,** Singles' Club had the first of its monthly educational nights Dec. 9. The featured speaker was Manny Macias, who gave a personal overview and insight into the nation of El Salvador. The singles drove to San Francisco, Calif., Dec. 19 to see a performance of *The Messiah* by San Francisco's Symphony and Chorus. Many stayed overnight to enjoy the stage play *Fiddler on the Roof* Dec. 20. John Jester reserved the seats for the performances. *Michael Light.*

Singles of the **TRINIDAD and TOBAGO** churches played host to a married couples' and senior citizens' cocktail dinner and dance at Corinth Teacher's College in south Trinidad Dec. 6. Much effort was put into decorating the hall, selecting appropriate music and in preparing the food. *Denise La Bastide.*

Sixteen **UNION, N.J.,** singles adventured into the world of German cuisine at the Hofbrahaus in Atlantic Highlands, N.J., Dec. 26. The trip was the first in a series that will take the singles once a month to a restaurant of international food and drink.

The singles' club had its monthly meeting at Ana-Mae Prohaska's home Dec. 28. A Bible study was given by associate pastor Gordon Harry. After the study, refreshments were served. Club officers Tony Alfieri, Ana-Mae Prohaska and Carl Rupp were present. *Dennis R. Pisapia.*

A group of singles arrived at the home of Doreen Chrobocinski of the **UNION, N.J.,** church Dec. 31. The visitors were from the Greenville and Columbia, S.C., Roanoke, Va., Lenoir, N.C., and Chicago, Ill., churches. The object of the visit was to travel as a group to New York City. It was the first time to see the city for some in the group, including Margie Brown from South Carolina. The group attended the Manhattan, N.Y., church services Jan. 2, and was joined that evening by singles from the Montvale and Union, N.J., churches. The singles split into two groups, the smaller headed for a night of bowling in Jersey City, N.J., and the larger group took the subway for a walking tour of New York City. *Mike Bedford.*

SPORTS

The **ADA, Okla.,** YOU members and peewee basketball teams attended the Big Sandy district tournament Dec. 24. They rode down on the activity bus driv-



ANNIVERSARY PARTY — Richard and Virginia Rice cut a cake at a surprise 25th wedding anniversary party Jan. 20 in the Work's Mail Processing Center in Pasadena. Employees gave them flowers and three silver bowls. [Photo by Scott Smith]

en by Charles Roland and Bill McNealy. The YOU boys' basketball team won the best sportsmanship trophy. *Jan Walker.*

The eighth annual **AMARILLO, Tex.,** invitational tournament took place Jan. 1 to 3 at West Texas State University in Canyon, Tex., with teams from six states and 15 church areas, including a team from Pasadena. Volleyball and basketball games were played on the gymnasium's four courts.

Bible seminars were conducted for the youths, a marriage seminar for the adults and a Bible bowl for YOU David Carley, pastor of the Lawton, and Ada, Okla., churches, conducted the Friday night Bible study. The sermon on the Sabbath was given by Donald Ward, dean of faculty at Ambassador College in Big Sandy. A "meet-a-kid" dance took place Saturday night.

Finals in all divisions took place Sunday. Big Sandy I won the men's division over Big Sandy II. In the YOU boys' division, Wichita, Kan., was first and Texoma, Tex., second. The Big Sandy peewee team defeated Denver, Colo. In mixed volleyball action, Big Sandy defeated Amarillo. Midland, Tex., defeated Denver for first place in women's volleyball. Albuquerque, N.M., was first and Denver second in YOU girls' volleyball. Big Sandy I captured the championship trophy in cheerleading.

The YOU girls' volleyball team-spirit award went to Liberal, Kan. The team-spirit trophy went to Texoma. The overall church trophy was awarded to Big Sandy. Texoma I won the Bible bowl trophy. Amarillo pastor Jim O'Brien remarked, "The most impressive aspect of the tournament this year was the spirit of cooperation." *Sammy O'Dell and Arlene Schley.*

A YOU district volleyball tournament took place in **EUGENE, Ore.**, Dec. 13. Ten teams competed, with first place going to the Eugene Green team, coached by Cathy Bruce. Second place went to Portland, Ore., West, with Medford and Albany, Ore., taking third and fourth, respectively. Pastor Larry Walker praised the attitude of cooperation and sportsmanship displayed by all the teams. *Tim and Lin Rhy.*

Brethren of the **FLORENCE, S.C.,** church had a basketball evening Dec. 19 at the old St. John's High School gym in Darlington, S.C. The evening consisted of two games: the first in which the men and women participated together, and the second game for the younger children. *Charles B. Edwards.*

A cricket match between the **GYMPIE and CABOOLTURE, Australia,** churches took place Dec. 13 at a Gypmie school ground. The visitors batted first, and top scorers for Caboolture were Dick Kooistra with 22 runs and David Walton with 17 runs. Best bowlers for Gypmie were Bruce Smart and Fred Manitsky with three wickets each. In an exciting finish, Gypmie passed the Caboolture score, mainly because of the good batting by Greg Johnson and Mer-

letes and spectators. *Mike Bedford.*

The **NASHVILLE, Tenn.,** church had its fifth annual invitational basketball tournament Dec. 27. Church areas participating in the event were Nashville, Murfreesboro and Knoxville, Tenn., Bowling Green, Ky., Evansville, Ind., and Mount Vernon, Ill. The 12 games played were divided into three categories: YOU-A, YOU-B and men, with each team playing two games. The winners were Nashville, YOU-A; Mount Vernon, YOU-B; and Knoxville, men. The most exciting game of the day was in the finals between the Murfreesboro and Nashville YOU-A teams, when Nashville's Mark Wright hit a 30-foot jump shot at the buzzer, winning the game by one point. Food and refreshments were donated by members for sale throughout the day. *Cathy Sutherland.*

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

The **BETHLEHEM, Pa.,** church had its YES kickoff program, a carnival, Dec. 23. The children participated in the event entitled "Walk Through Bible Land." They were required to participate in 10 of the 15 carnival booths, such as Lot's Toss, Crossing the Red Sea, David's Hiding Place and Ruth's Basket. The youths received prizes for their efforts and were furnished with drinks and baked goods. The carnival was under the direction of John and Diane Cressman. *Gordon Long.*

A 10-day winter camp in **RADEFELD, Austria** provided more than 100 young people from 100 countries with the opportunity to enjoy winter sports in the snowy Austrian Alps Dec. 20-31. Parents, married couples and singles added to the family atmosphere. German-speaking area ministers and their families, along with the Sam Kneller family from Paris, took time out to enjoy a five-day break with the young people.

Everyone found a sport to match his mood: from downhill and cross-country skiing, tobogganing, and ice-skating to shopping for crystal items that make this area famous. Evening activities often included a Bible study especially for the youths, along with games and general fellowship. Several movies were featured, including the film "Behind the Work," as well as sing-alongs and dance evenings. Winfried Fritz, YOU area coordinator, organized the event. *Linda Thomson.*

The **TACOMA, Wash.,** Women's Service Club sponsored an International Children's Party Dec. 30 at the Carl Hilliker residence. The children made costumes, representing different countries, from paper sacks and crepe paper, which they paraded. Games were organized by Carl and Maggie Hilliker. A puppet show, with dolls in native dress, was presented by Laurel Baker and assisted by Jan Palmer, Carol Lackman, Pat Hacker and the children. Refreshments were served by Gloria Gunderson and assisted by Carolyn and Becky Gunderson. *Mary Green.*

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Nov. 5. He attended the Los Angeles, Calif., church. Abner Washington, pastor of the Los Angeles church, conducted funeral services. Mr. Williams is survived by his wife Hortense, to whom he had been married 49 years.

MINOT, N.D. — Ida Schapp, 65, died Dec. 24. She had been a member of the Minot church for 10 years. Mrs. Schapp is survived by her husband Henry, two sons and a daughter.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. — Margean Gary Foster, 65, died Dec. 11 after a prolonged illness. Funeral services were conducted by Carlos E. Perkins, pastor of the Philadelphia church. Mrs. Foster is survived by a son, daughter, sister and brothers.

PORTLAND, Ore. — Aurlene E. Shaulis, 64, a longtime member of God's Church, died July 7. Funeral services were conducted by Richard Parker, pastor of the Kent, Wash., church. Mrs. Shaulis is survived by five children, four brothers, one sister, seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

RICHMOND, Ind. — Nora P. Needler, 65, died Dec. 4. She had been a member of God's Church since 1975. Garvin Greene, pastor of the Muncie and Richmond, Ind., churches, conducted funeral services.

Mrs. Needler is survived by her husband, Clarence, a son James, a daughter Shirley Balthis and one grandson.

SANTA MONICA, Calif. — Dwight M. Williams, 70, died of cancer

Nov. 5. He attended the Los Angeles, Calif., church. Abner Washington, pastor of the Los Angeles church, conducted funeral services. Mr. Williams is survived by his wife Hortense, to whom he had been married 49 years.

SUBLETTE, Kan. — Carl J. Christensen, 76, died Jan. 1 after a long illness. Funeral services were conducted by Kelly Barfield, pastor of the Liberal and Scott City, Kan., churches.

Mr. Christensen is survived by three brothers, Eli, Ozzie and Robert, and three sisters, Ann Sullivan, Violet Bensch and Alice Christensen.

TREYNOR, Iowa — Fred Eyberg, 74, died Jan. 7 after a lengthy illness. He was a retired machinist for the Union Pacific Railroad and a Church member since 1978. Keith Hudson, a minister in the Omaha, Neb., church, conducted funeral services.

Mr. Eyberg is survived by his wife Edna; three sons, Darel, Delbert and Dwane; two half-sisters; one brother; and 10 grandchildren.

WOOD'S HARBOR, N.S. — Violet Nickerson, 70, died Dec. 1. Funeral services were conducted by Jack Kost, pastor of the Halifax, Digby and Yarmouth, N.S., churches.

Mrs. Nickerson is survived by a daughter Donna and son-in-law Clark, both Church members; a brother; a sister; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

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

UPDATE

HONOLULU, Hawaii — Pastor General **Herbert W. Armstrong** spoke to 83 brethren at Sabbath services at the Hawaiian Regency Hotel here Jan. 23, according to **David Fraser**, pastor of the Honolulu church.

Mr. Armstrong spoke for 1½ hours, emphasizing true education and the two trees in the Garden of Eden. There was no sermonette.

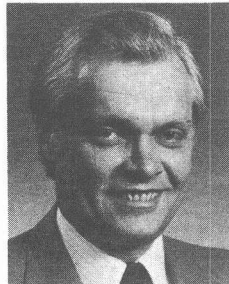
Members flew in from the islands of Kauai and Maui to hear the pastor general. He last spoke to brethren there in January, 1981.

Honolulu suffered a severe winter storm that caused flooding and power outages throughout the week, but the sun was shining when Mr. Armstrong arrived, said Mr. Fraser. The weather bureau had forecast the storm to continue through the weekend.

Mr. Armstrong, media liaison **David Hulme**, personal aide **Aaron Dean** and his wife **Michelle** and Mr. Fraser arrived in Honolulu Friday. Mr. Fraser was in Pasadena for the first week of the refreshing program. He returned to Pasadena Sunday.

Mr. Armstrong left Honolulu for Hong Kong Sunday.

PASADENA — Pastor General **Herbert W. Armstrong** approved the production of *The Plain Truth* magazine in Italian, beginning with the May, 1982, issue, reported **Carn Catherwood**.



CARN CATHERWOOD

Mr. Catherwood, appointed by the pastor general as the regional director of God's Work in Italian-speaking areas, was instructed by Mr. Armstrong to prepare for a "short, fast" Work in Italy and

other Italian-speaking areas.

The pastor general told regional directors and wives (see article, page 1): "The door is open in Italy. For a while we can get into Italy, and that has never been open . . . We're taking advantage of it."

Italy has more than 56 million people, and several areas in Switzerland and Yugoslavia have Italian-speaking citizens. Mr. Catherwood noted that 16 baptized members now live in Italy, and said that "all of them are overjoyed that the doors are opening to give their nation its final warning."

Mr. Catherwood, pastor of the Glendora, Calif., congregation and a part-time faculty member at Ambassador College here, will administer his responsibilities from Pasadena.

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PASADENA — Publication of the first international *Good News* magazine was temporarily delayed for technical reasons, according to **Dexter H. Faulkner**, managing editor.

The magazine will be published in a combined January-February issue in Dutch, Spanish, French and German.

Mr. Faulkner also reported that Pastor General **Herbert W. Armstrong** directed that the English edition of *The Good News* be retitled *The Good News of the World*

available, though costly.

The outstanding warmth of the brethren contributes to the family atmosphere at this site. The brethren in Trinidad and Tobago plan social activities during the Feast.

The island offers swimming in the sea, diving and snorkeling. The outstanding tourist attraction is at Buccoo Reef, a coral reef offshore with glass-bottom boats, snorkeling and a steel orchestra.

Hotels and motels are equipped with restaurants and bars, swimming pools, mini-stores, souvenir shops, laundries and dry-cleaning services. One in particular offers tennis courts, sauna and massage, a golf course 150 yards from the hotel (reduced fees for house guests) with all equipment necessary for play.

Cuisine is primarily European and Caribbean dishes.

Costs (including breakfast and dinner): double room, two persons, U.S. \$75 a day; extra adult in room, add U.S. \$30; children 7 to 12 years sharing with parents, U.S. \$25; children 2 to 6 years sharing with parents, U.S. \$17; 2 years and under (crib charge), U.S. \$5. Lunch for each person is about U.S. \$10.

\$15 and dinner U.S. \$15 to \$25.

St. Lucia

St. Lucia is the second-largest windward island of the Lesser Antilles, located between Martinique and St. Vincent. It occupies 287 square miles of towering mountains, green valleys, sparkling pools and streams. Morne Gimie (3,145 feet) is the highest peak, but for sheer spectacle the majestic Twin Pitons are unsurpassed. Its chief town is Castries.

The climate is pleasant all year around. The average temperature is 80 degrees Fahrenheit (26.5 degrees Celsius). The driest months are from January to May. Activities are snorkeling, fishing, swimming and horseback riding. Points of interest: Twin Pitons; Marrigot Bay, where Admiral Rodney camouflaged his ships with palm leaves to trick the French; and old fortifications at Morne Fortune that overlook Castries.

The Feast site, near the town of Castries, will be one of the smallest ones in the Caribbean, with an attendance of about 180. Costs are likely to be equivalent to those in Barbados (see above), or slightly higher.

Trinidad and Tobago

The islands of Trinidad and Tobago were discovered by Christopher Columbus in 1498. Trinidad is described as "the land of the hummingbird" and "the land of the calypso," because the music form calypso had its origin there. Trinidad comprises 1,864 square miles and is the southernmost West Indian island. It lies off the north-east coast of South America, about seven miles from Venezuela.

Tobago is a 116-square-mile area and lies 20 miles northeast of Trinidad. Because of its geographical position, Trinidad is a gateway between the Americas. It lies just 10 degrees north of the equator. This year the Feast is again on the island of Tobago, which with Trinidad, forms the nation of Trinidad and Tobago.

The climate in Trinidad and Tobago is tropical, tempered by marine winds. The rainy season is from June to December. It is warm all year around with the temperature averaging 80 degrees Fahrenheit (26.5 degrees Celsius).

The site at Crown Point, Tobago, is within walking distance from the airport and from most housing accommodations, so transportation for the majority of brethren will not be a problem. Car rentals are readily

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The setting is a picture-postcard tropical paradise with beaches, a swimming pool, golf courses and activities that include horseback riding, snorkeling and scuba diving.

The convention center at Runaway Bay Hotel is on a quiet, relatively secluded and unspoiled section of Jamaica's north coast. For seven years the Jamaican brethren have delighted themselves and their visiting brethren by planning an action-packed Feast. Activities usually include a family fun show, sports day with events even for toddlers and a cricket game (for visiting Americans — that is "baseball with a spot of culture").

Jamaica Night with Jamaican music and dance lessons and cuisine is a favorite of many Feastgoers. Other activities include a Youth Opportunities United picnic and a singles' mingle. It's a time for families to get away from the everyday routine, and observe a Feast picturing the world tomorrow in idyllic surroundings, while sampling the culture of brethren in this island nation.

Accommodations at the site are available at Runaway Bay Hotel. A number of satellite villas and smaller hotels in the area are reserved for local brethren who can only afford cheaper rates. Rates at the Runaway Bay Hotel are, room only, without meals: single, U.S. \$43 a night; double, U.S. \$53 a night; and triple, U.S. \$69 a night (excluding government tax and service charge).

For those wishing a room with breakfast and dinner add U.S. \$23.60 for each person a night to the basic rate. Most eating is done at the hotel as there are few restaurants in the immediate area and no fast-food outlets.

Meetings will be in the hotel so there is no need to rent a car. A car rental agency does have an outlet in the building, however, if you wish to rent one for a day or two of sight-seeing.

Places to visit include: Ocho Rios with its straw market (approximately 25 minutes from Runaway Bay Hotel by car), Dunns River Falls (where you can climb from the sandy beach up a waterfall, a 14-minute drive from the hotel, Martha Brae (a 30-minute drive from the hotel) where rafting is available; green Grotto Caves (a 10-minute drive from the hotel).

A typical lunch costs U.S. \$12 to

Tomorrow. The international editions will also reflect that title in their various languages.

The retitling will be in keeping with *The Plain Truth* magazine's title, which includes the descriptor, *A magazine of understanding*. Mr. Faulkner added.

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PASADENA — About 300 campers will be able to attend a Summer Educational Program (SEP) on the campus of Ambassa-

dor College in Big Sandy, according to the Youth Opportunities United (YOU) Office here.

The four-week camp will run from July 1 to July 27. Applicants to the Big Sandy SEP should be those who have attended the camp in Orr, Minn., at least once.

Camper applications will be sent to all Church pastors in early February. Camper applications to Big Sandy or Orr must be postmarked by March 15.

Refresher course begins first of two-week sessions

PASADENA — The second Ministerial Refreshing Program of the Worldwide Church of God ministry began Jan. 18, according to **Joseph Tkach Sr.**, director of Ministerial Services here.

Thirty-five of the Work's regional directors and United States Festival coordinators attended the first two-week session, some with their wives, following meetings of both groups with Pastor General **Herbert W. Armstrong**.

The new program, approved by Mr. Armstrong before the 1981 Feast of Tabernacles, will consist of 21 two-week sessions spanning 21 consecutive months. More than 500 ministers and their wives from 127 countries and 650 congregations will participate. There were 15 sessions in the first program.

Each session will include a per-

sonal talk from Mr. Armstrong, updates on various departments in God's Work, topics to help ministers fulfill their tasks, and other Church-related seminars, added Mr. Tkach.

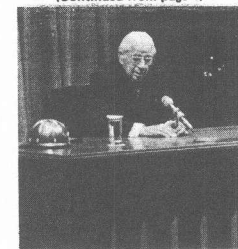
The greater number of sessions will mean smaller groups attending each session, with approximately 30 ministers and wives attending in each group.

The sixth session of the current program is scheduled for the Ambassador College faculties from Pasadena and Big Sandy and session 13 and 14 in 1983 will be for the Spanish and French ministers respectively. Translations will be provided at that time.

Besides the formal lectures, each session will offer optional evening sessions on Work-related topics, and opportunities for ministers and wives to fellowship.

Auditorium anniversary

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10TH YEAR — Herbert W. Armstrong addresses 1,300 in the Ambassador Auditorium Jan. 14. [Photo by Warren Watson]

supply those means," continued Mr. Armstrong, "because I didn't have it and the Church didn't have it."

The pastor general concluded: "God was really supervising this building. He was directing the DMJM people. And in a sense, they were in the hands of God while they were doing it . . . not many are willing to go this far and use the superlatives, but I will say that cubic inch by cubic inch, this is the finest building of the kind of this type of auditorium on the face of the earth today.

"It's not . . . of the supermagnificence of Solomon's Temple. We weren't trying to build that. But as far as we could go in the building of this temporary headquarters of God, this represents God, and it had to be the finest, and it is the finest."

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