Loma D. Armstrong
Academic Center
More About Our Cover...

The LOMA D. ARMSTRONG ACADEMIC CENTER comprising the new Science Hall, the new Fine Arts Hall, Ambassador Hall, plaza with fountain, and the formal Italian sunken garden was dedicated in March. Our cover shows the dedication ceremonies. Students began using these new classroom facilities on the following day. Read the article in the Portfolio section beginning on page 11 describing the dedication ceremonies and the beautiful new classroom facilities.

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What our READERS SAY...

Teen-ager Convinced

"I started giving my tithes to God after I read your article, 'Should a Non-Christian Tithe?' I am only a teen-ager, but shortly thereafter I latched onto the best steady job that I have ever had! And, now I have enough money coming in to allow me to go to my favorite college next year (before it wasn’t financially possible). The other day, I was wondering whether tithing worked. Now when I look back on the evidence, I am ashamed."

Greg R., California

From England

"Before I started to tithe earlier in this year my financial affairs were very low. There is now an improvement and the future is much brighter. On numerous occasions recently I’ve been down to my last shilling, and on each occasion I managed to complete some work and received payment for some. I must have been assisted by God!"

Peter W., Fife, England

Good News

"The January 1968 Good News is the greatest issue yet! At once we were inspired by the news of the festivals around the world, and as an added blessing, pictorial details of the Osage Beach site for 1969. As a native-born Missourian, I just cannot grasp the reality of a Feast site 185 miles from my home! I just cannot be thankful enough for the ordinations, the growth of the Work, and the expansion of the Festival sites. Then I read every word of 'Preview of the Tribulation!' This personal report of Mr. Hans Biegelzer was such a contrast that tears came for an entirely different reason! Just how could I overcome a world that would do this to a people? Well, the answer was right there on the next page in the last section of 'Don't Deceive Yourself,' the clearest explanation of how to overcome the world that has ever come to my attention! This timely reprint is the meat we need in due season, for those of us in our fifth and sixth year in the true Church of God. I feel like I could take the Bible and the January issue of Good News, and nothing else, and restore my own personal wretched and demented life. Now I know of the weighty responsibility that the application of the sacrifice of Christ brings to me personally; that it is imperative that I overcome the world without comparing myself with others!"

L. M., Missouri

Preparing for Teen-age

"I am only twelve years old, but read your magazine and listen to you on the radio. My little brother who is ten likes to have you send me these booklets, The Ten Commandments and The Plain Truth About Child Rearing. My mother is having trouble with my older brothers and sisters."

D. B., Iowa
PROOF TWO

SEVEN PROOFS of The TRUE CHURCH OF GOD

This world is filled with churches! But Jesus said He would build HIS Church. WHICH ONE DID HE BUILD? Here is the SECOND major, infallible, irrefutable, unshakable, positive and ABSOLUTE PROOF of God's ONE AND ONLY True Church!

by Garner Ted Armstrong

There is no group on this earth — shocking as it may seem — which has even one of these seven major proofs of where God is working! Some have a part of one, such as a few doctrinal truths — but viewed in the wrong light! Some may have one, or even two parts of this second major point — but none has even one complete proof from the seven, and that means none has as much as two. Remember, unless all seven are present — there is no proof of the true Church of God!

The devil knows these three signs! Satan knows the Truth about prophecy, about doctrine, about God's Power! But the Devil won't submit to the RULERSHIP of God, nor will he obey what he knows!

Surprising as it sounds — SATAN HIMSELF could show more knowledge of basic truths than ANY FALSE CHURCH ON THIS EARTH!

The big difference is, he will not obey!

But the True Church of God not only believes these basic truths — these great identifying proofs of God's True Church — but obeys them!

A Confusing Jumble of "Names"

The first of the three definite signs forming this second great proof is the NAME of God's True Church. Is the True Church of God the church of Martin Luther? Is it a church named after a certain "method" of church government? Is it a church of the people — that is, a "congregational" church? That would be like saying it is a "church" that you know of churches that are almost "just like we are" in most things — but differ in just a few points of "belief"?

You may think you do — but after reading this whole series of vitally important PROOFS of the True Church of God, you will really know — and know that you know — that there is no church on earth that is even remotely like the one true Church, except in some few, and comparatively minor, "doctrinal" points!

In the first article in this series, we saw the fact that God rules this Church — the only Church willing to unconditionally surrender to Him, humbly accepting His absolute authority in everything! That God is our RULER is proof number one!

PROOF NUMBER TWO: THREE DEFINITE SIGNS!

The second infallible proof of God's True Church is composed of three major parts. In a few cases, a church of this present evil world, or a now dead remnant of what used to be the SARDIS era of God's True Church may have one, or even two of the three identifying signs given in the Bible.

But that is only one part of one proof out of seven! It takes the perfect and complete total — all seven proofs — to really identify the true church Christ built!
NOT a member of God's Church, a true member of the very Body of Jesus Christ, a member of the CHURCH OF GOD — but that he is a member of a church which Martin Luther built! If he answers by any other statement of a similar nature, as I have just mentioned (and you can find all these names listed in The Handbook of Denominations, the book entitled The Small Sects of America, or by looking in an Almanac) then he most certainly is NOT a member of the True Church of God!

The True Name of God's Church

A minister, preaching to God's true people may begin to describe the True Church of God. He may say, in his sermon, "This is the very Church which Jesus built — that living Church which is the very Body of Christ, the Church in which God rules — the true Church of God!"

But is he saying this whole phrase is to be taken as the "name" of the Church? Is this the official title that God Himself places upon His own True Church?

Wouldn't it look a little silly if you were to receive a letter from Mr. Armstrong with "The True Church of the Living Christ -- the Church in which God rules — the true Church of God" as the letterhead?

In other words, brethren, though there are many descriptive passages about the True Church of God in the Bible, it would look a little silly to paint a sign with these as the name to be put over the door.

Wherever Almighty God speaks of His true Church, identifying it by name — the name is always the same! Jesus prayed, "And now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world [but not of the world], and I come to thee. Holy Father, keep through thine own name those whom thou hast given me, that they may be one, as we are" (John 17:11). Jesus prayed the Father to keep His own true people in and through a particular name! Jesus prayed that name would be the name of the Father!

Did the Father honor this prayer? Notice Acts 20 and verse 28. "Take heed therefore unto yourselves," wrote the Apostle Paul to the Ephesian Elders, "and to all the flock, over which the Holy Spirit hath made you overseers, to feed the Church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood."

God did honor the prayer of Jesus Christ! He did give His own name to the True Church!

Wherever the actual name of the Church as an organized Body is given in the New Testament — it is called the CHURCH OF GOD!

Oftentimes, the geographical location was added to the legal name of the Church, "The Church of God"!

There were then, just as there are today, many local congregations of that one True Church, which is a spiritual organism.

The Apostle Paul said, "We have no such custom, neither the Churches of God" (I Cor. 11:16), showing many local congregations! When the Apostle Paul addressed any one of these local congregations, he included its geographical location — just as you, when receiving a personal letter, read not only your name on the address, but also your street or box number or rural route.

Paul had addressed this letter to "The Church of God [which is the true name of the Church] which is at Corinth" (I Cor. 1:2).

Notice a few more examples.

"Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, unto the Church of God which is at Corinth, with all the saints which are in all Achaia" (II Cor. 1:1). "For ye have heard of my conversation in time past in the Jews' religion, how that beyond measure I persecuted the Church of God, and wasted it" (Gal. 1:13). "For I am the least of the apostles, that am not meet to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the Church of God" (I Cor. 15:9). "For ye, brethren, became followers of the Churches of God which in Judaea are in Christ Jesus . . . " (I Thes. 2:14). "For if a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the Church of God?" (I Tim. 3:5). "But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the Church of the Living God, the pillar and ground of the truth . . . ." (I Tim. 3:15). In this example, the Apostle Paul adds the descriptive word "Living," just as he went on to describe the Church as the "pillar and ground of the truth."

Do you see, brethren? The Apostle Paul also addressed the "Church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ . . . " (II Thes. 1:1), and "the Churches of Galatia . . . " but did not intend these to be designated as the one name of the True Church of God to continue down through the ages!

Why "RADIO" Church of God?

Some few of the worldly churches understand a minor doctrinal point or two. Some few of the worldly churches have discovered this doctrinal point of truth about the true name for the Church! They have adopted this name, and call themselves "The Church of God." But a name is to convey meaning! And if these various "Churches of God" of this world are not recognizing God as their ruler, are not completely subject to Him, are not obeying Him, do not keep His weekly Sabbath, the annual Sabbaths, and do not have any of these other seven major proofs — then, even though possessing the name authorized in Scripture, they are not the True Church of God!

Because of a number of organizations of men laying claim to the name of the True Church, just as millions of "professing" Christians have laid claim to the name of Jesus Christ — my father, when wanting to incorporate the fledgling beginning of the Philadelphia era of the True Church of God, for the purpose of conducting the business of God on this earth, was unable to incorporate it as, simply, "The Church of God!"

Realizing the doctrinal truth of God's Word that the various churches were also identified as to their geographical locations, God led Mr. Armstrong to incorporate the Philadelphia era of the True Church of God as "The Radio Church of God."

God says, of this Philadelphia era of (Continued on page 19)
WILL YOU FALL AWAY?

Falling away is a grave and dire possibility! You may be setting the stage for your own downfall by things you do today. Don't take a chance! Read this article and find out HOW you can stand firm!

by David L. Antion

"L"et no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition" (II Thes. 2:3).

This is a prophecy for our time — the end time! It means there will be a falling away from the Truth of God. This also happened in the times of the early New Testament Church. But many hear the truth today. Many understand it and go along with it. Before Christ's second coming there will be a great falling away.

Are you being set up for a downfall? Could you fall away?

Jesus Prophesies Persecution

Love is on the way out in this world. Jesus foretold our time. Notice His Mt. Olivet prophecy in Matthew 24. In verse 5 He prophesies deception. In verse 6 He talks about wars and rumors of wars. Then He prophesies world war, famines, disease epidemics, earthquakes in various parts of the earth.

Jesus says in verse 8 that these are "the beginning of sorrows." Actually the word "sorrows" means "trials" or "tribulation." So Jesus is saying these are the beginning of "tribulation" — the Great Tribulation.

His next words: "Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake" (verse 9).

Think of it! A time of persecution will come on God's people. They will be afflicted — some will even be killed!

God's Church is beginning to come into prominence with world governments. God is making His Work known to the powers in this world. It fits in exactly with Jesus' prophecy. For in order to be hated by all nations we must be known by all nations. God intends to fulfill this prophecy.

Result of Persecution

What will happen under persecution? "And then shall many be offended" — fall away, leave the truth — "and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another" (verse 10).

Persecutions from without will turn some away from God's Truth. Some members will turn against others. They will betray God's people because they themselves cannot stand up under persecution. Could this be you?

With persecution pressuring us out of God's Church, the next prophesied event will be even greater deception. Verse 11: "And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many."

Get the picture! There will be persecution on true Christians — some delivered to death, others afflicted, all hated! Under pressure of persecution many will fall — go back to the world — betray God's members. At the same time a false, deceptive religion will make it's bid to lure away those who are not one hundred percent convinced of God's Truth.

Those who have not really proven the truth to themselves — but who just went along with others — will find themselves confused and befuddled! With the push of persecution and the lure of deception the weak in faith will succumb!

Furthermore Jesus said, "And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold" (verse 12).

Already this is starting. Sin is everywhere in great mountainous heaps! Lies, cheating, competition, hatreds, fornications, adulteries, filth, perversions of all kinds, sadism, murders, are around us every day. We live in the middle of a sin center.

We all know not to pick up hitchhikers. We all know to keep our car doors locked as we drive through the middle of the city. We know to be aware of strangers.

Because of all this sin many of us are losing true love! People are cold today. They don't know how to love. Even in many families fathers do not know how to love and mothers are incapable of expressing true, sincere affection for their children and husbands.

We're suspicious. We're on the defensive. What a tragedy — love and kindness don't fit into our age!

Today women carry tear gas pens and chemical revolvers to stun attackers. Everyone lives in fear. Trying to protect the self people's minds turn inward. There is no place for outgoing concern — real love.

Admit it. You don't love as you should! We're so used to being lied to and cheated we're suspicious of everyone. This is the result of abounding sin.

"But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved" (verse 13). If only we can hold on through this terrible time of persecution, of sin, of false prophets!

At the time when all this persecution, hatred of God's ways, and sin is going on; Jesus says, "And this gospel of the Kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come" (verse 14).

Massive Pressure on Families

One million people obtained divorce in 1967. Is it any wonder?

The greatest onslaught of propaganda ever is now being unleashed against the stability of the home in America and
Britain! Other Israeliish countries are also witnessing the same thing to a lesser degree. The devil and his forces are doing everything they can to promote homosexuality, lesbianism—every perversion! The common, decent family is now the target of every joke! The brunt of every funny situation!

Today we witness such books as: Sex and the Single Girl; In Defense of Homosexuality; Perversions, Sex Crimes in History; Street Walker, etc. The idea fostered in hundreds of novels on newsstands is that it is more fun to have sex outside of marriage and independent of marriage than it is to be married. Marriage is laughed at, ridiculed, scorned.

Women are intimidated away from motherhood and homemakers.

And no matter where you live you are experiencing the pressures applied today!

In the light of these current events Jesus’ prophecy emblazons itself more forcibly on out minds. Notice it!

“And the brother shall deliver up the brother to death, and the father the child: and the children shall rise up against their parents, and cause them to be put to death” (Mat. 10:21).

Here Jesus prophesies whole families being torn asunder! Fathers killing children, children causing parents to be put to death. And brother delivering up brother to death. What a spectacle! What a tragedy!

Notice in verse 19 Jesus said, “But when they deliver you up ...” Thus the whole context of this setting is a time of persecution on God’s people. And Jesus said that during that time whole families will be torn asunder—split apart—hate one another—and betray one another!

“And ye shall be hated of all men for my name’s sake: but he that endureth to the end shall be saved” (Mat. 10:22).

We Know Better Than We Do

Love requires work. It’s a full-time job to stay in love. We must work at love—loving God, loving neighbor and loving mate!

Why?

Because innately we are all selfish. We love self. Love of self is not really love but lust. True love is outgoing concern for others. And we have all been given a super-dose of self love. Self love is natural. Self love is easy. Self love is automatic and terribly powerful.

To love others means, in many instances, to forego love of the self. That takes work. It requires effort and force to turn our love away from self and have outgoing concern for others.

We all know this. We know we need to show more love. We know we need to be warmer and develop more love for the brethren. We know that the bonds of love are not as strong in us as they should be—that we must have fervent love of the brethren—even a willingness to give our lives for those we love—not only in our own families but in the church at large.

Start Here First

We need love—we know it. But where do we begin?

Like so many other things love starts at home!

We need to start building strong family ties. Remember, the prophecies say stress and strain will be put on immediate families. This will cause many to fall away from God’s Church. Many will be offended and betray others. But this offense will start in their own lives as a result of weakened family ties.

How strong is your family? How much love does your family have? How much loyalty do your children have to the family?

First of all no family can be completely tied together unless husband and wife have a fervent love of the brethren—even a willingness to give our lives for those we love—not only in our own families but in the church at large.

God’s Church has printed books, booklets and many articles dealing with husband and wife relationships. WE ALL KNOW WHAT TO DO!

If a man were to ask you, “How can I be a better husband?” you would turn to Ephesians the 5th chapter. You would tell him that husbands are to love their wives even as Christ loved the Church and gave Himself for it.

“Men ought to love their wives as they do their own bodies,” you would say. “A man should be thoughtful, courteous, uplifting and loving to his wife. He should not be harsh or bitter against her. The husband,” you would continue, “should take the lead in the family and rule to the family’s best interest. He must avoid being selfish.

Show your love—demonstrate it through proper affection and gift-giving from time to time. You should praise your wife for her deeds and accomplishments. Tell her that you love her. Tell her how much you appreciate the things she does for you. Take her in your arms and be a lover to her. Make sure your marital relations are proper and right. Seek guidance and help if things aren’t just so.”

Yes, we all know what to do! Are we husbands doing it?

You women reading this article, if another woman came to you and asked, “How can I be a better wife?” you’d know what to say.

Why you’d tell her, “Always obey your husband. Submit to your husband as unto the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the Church. Therefore be subject to your husband in everything. This prevents countless arguments and fights. Every house must have just one head and your husband is the head of it. The sooner you learn to submit the fewer arguments and problems there will be in your household.

Show interest in your husband’s work and hobbies,” you’d tell her. “Praise him for the things he does. Never nag,” you’d say.

“Do little things—extra things—for your husband. Fix his favorite meals. Keep yourself fixed up—beautiful, attractive for your husband. Go out of your way to make him love you more and more. But most of all remember that he is in authority in the home. Never ridicule, belittle, make fun of, or nag at your husband! If you do all this you will be a much better wife and have a happier marriage.”

You could give that advice—but do you PRACTICE it?

Most of you reading this article could give yourselves these admonitions. You know what to do. You may have been told time and again your marriage needs

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Help Your Children Enjoy Their Summer Vacation

With the summer months coming upon us, hundreds of boys and girls in God's Church will be out of school. Being at home for anywhere from six to twelve weeks, they can often become bored, frustrated, and even a source of trouble around the house. How can you make vacation time more rewarding and enjoyable for your children?

by Arthur A. Kirishian

Every boy and girl looks forward to vacation time with great anticipation. It is a time to sleep in late, play cars in dirt mounds, follow streams of water down cracks in the sidewalks, or run through sprinklers on the lawn. It is also a time to play "hide-and-seek," search out caves and old deserted shacks in nearby gullies, charge across vacant lots with kites, go roller skating, or ride bicycles to nearby parks for a game of baseball or cricket.

But after the first two or three weeks of summer vacation, youngsters often become bored with these amusements, and unless parents step in to help them find activities that will spark their enthusiasm and retain their interest, a real problem with discipline can develop.

The Problem

Why do boys and girls get bored in the first place, particularly during the summer months? When children become lethargic and unhappy shortly after the long summer months are upon them, it is because they are far too idle during this time and have no specific goals to accomplish.

After leaving school, where every hour has been organized and filled with one kind of activity, or another, to be cast into a situation where there are, figuratively, days without end with no planned or scheduled event, is just not

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Vacation time is also a time for fishing in the creek.
good, and is the cause of many a child's summer doldrums.

After a few weeks, children lose interest in activities that they have been left to manufacture for themselves. They get tired of playing the same old games over and over again.

In this situation, they become bored and frustrated and finally end up lying around on the back porch or yard, waiting for their human nature to think up some exciting activity!

In order to be happy, children must be kept busy. They must be doing something constructive. They must know where they are going. There must be organization, a plan of attack, a goal, a definite routine—with enough variety to increase enthusiasm, but, of course, not so much that confusion results.

The key then to making your children's summer vacation happy, productive, and rewarding is to properly organize this abundance of free time that has been foisted off on them.

Work

One of the activities that every child should perform during the summer months, and start practicing at an early age, is work. Work is one of the most rewarding and enjoyable experiences in life, and every boy and girl should learn that fact as early as possible.

Whether preschoolers of four or five, or young teen-agers, help your children experience the enjoyment of working—of doing something constructive with their own hands.

Young boys and girls can often start out keeping their own rooms neat and clean and helping mother with odd jobs, like emptying the garbage or picking up paper around the outside of the house.

As they get older, they should be able to help with setting the table, washing and drying dishes, and even ironing their own clothes.

A little later, girls who are mature and responsible enough could perhaps find jobs baby-sitting and cleaning house...
for neighbors. (Of course, care must be taken that your children will always be subjected to a wholesome, right atmosphere.)

Boys might be able to obtain jobs doing gardening work or cutting lawns. These services could even be done on a voluntary basis, at first, to gain the needed experience and knowledge. The value of working without pay, of giving freely, lets alone the learning of a new job, would justify the time spent.

If this is done, however, what will often happen is that the party concerned will pay the child anyway. Then other neighbors will see the fine job your son or daughter is doing and want to hire him (or her) for work at their homes, too.

Earning a little of their own money to buy clothes and pay for school outings, etc., would give children an opportunity early in life to learn how to handle money, and budget it properly, too, as well as appreciate what you have to purchase for them.

Whatever projects or chores you decide, see that your children work this summer and obtain the satisfaction and reward work produces.

Don't underestimate the importance of actually letting youngsters work with you, too. Your children need your companionship, your right example, your patient teaching. They need your love and fellowship. I know we would often rather "shoo" them off to another room so we can get something accom-

plished, but how much more important would it be to take the time to teach your girl to sew, wash, cook, and iron, Mother? And your son to build and repair useful items for the house, Father? This knowledge is so important before they can ever expect to start a home of their own.

There is nothing more rewarding and enjoyable than seeing a family working together, or for that matter, doing anything together.

Don't make the mistake of most parents and say you are too busy to work with your children. You can't afford not to work with them—to just abandon them!

God does not forsake us, or leave us to learn on our own. He is not too busy to hear us or to take time when we come to Him for help and guidance. Just as we need God and His Holy Spirit constantly to lead us in the right direction, so children need your continued loving direction.

So make this summer work time around your house, and see the change it makes in your children's lives.

Recreation

The second key for making boys and girls really enjoy themselves during the summer months is proper recreation. This is apart from the hours they may have to themselves to romp and play in the yard or nearby park (although

Family responsibilities such as feeding a baby (left), or clearing a field (below) are excellent.

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still under supervision). The recreation I am talking about is that where children have an opportunity to play with their parents.

How important this type of diversion is! It may take the form of playing baseball or cards, going bicycle riding, swimming, singing together, or just taking a walk. Whatever the activity, try to make it one where the whole family is able to participate.

Youngsters long for this type of fellowship. Nothing can make an activity sparkle like when mother and father join in.

Parents who take interest in their children in this way will find them more willing to do what they are told, too. Children want to please parents who show their love by taking time to play with them.

Yes, youngsters need to know their parents notice them more than just when they have done something wrong.

So, take time to relax as a family this summer, and try to do it daily. Even if for 15 or 30 minutes, schedule a little time when everyone can gather together and have fun.

Plan activities for when Dad comes home, too, so your children will look forward to his arrival in the evening.

Don't forget fun! Sing-alongs (above) and family picnics (left) are indispensable!

On weekends, a more educational program can be planned, like a hike in the woods, a trip to the museum, or a visit to the fair.

Once every month would not be too often for such an outing. You could even invite other families to go along at times. Make it a real affair!

The fellowship and change of pace will not only bring families closer together, but will actually help you be more productive in your work.

What this means then is a return to "good old" family living. To actually centering our lives around the family. To (Continued on page 21)
Wednesday, March 27, 1968 is a date that will stand out in the history of Ambassador College. It was on this day that the Founder and Chancellor of Ambassador College, Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong, dedicated the magnificent new classroom complex in memory of his lovely wife of fifty years, Loma D. Armstrong.

The dedication was attended by many of Mr. Armstrong’s relatives, and officials from Los Angeles County and the city of Pasadena.

The dedication ceremony took place on the steps of the newly remodeled Ambassador Hall. The invocation was given by Mr. Armstrong and the welcome address by his son, Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong. Mr. Ted Armstrong then introduced the guest speakers for the ceremony.

First to give a brief comment was O. K. Earl, Jr., the chairman of the O. K. Earl Corporation. His firm was responsible for the design and construction of the buildings. He complimented those responsible for doing such a fine job. A big hand was given to all these men, and especially Peter J. Holdstock the senior staff architect, who was responsible for the design of the buildings.

Carl H. Hoelscher, the President of the Pasadena

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Famed Dallas Symphony Performs In Auditorium

"You shall hear plenty of new things..."

Schumann didn't know when he wrote this line that it would be true now, 130 years later. But true it is! True to many AC students and true to many of our guests here Saturday night.

Yes! For this was Ambassador College's second annual symphony concert. To "Recapture True Values" in music, the Dallas Symphony Orchestra came to Big Sandy to bring an evening of entertainment in the form of high-quality, classical music.

The performance began with a flourish as Mr. Donald Johanos, the orchestra conductor, signaled the start of the premiere piece, Smetna's overture from The Bartered Bride.

Concerto for piano and Orchestra in A minor, Opus 54 was the imposing title of the second musical offering of the evening. Mrs. Ruth Walter performed very magnificently the piano solo for this piece. We can all be very proud of the fine job she and the orchestra did on this Schumann concerto.

After the intermission, Mr. Johanos led the orchestra in performing Beethoven's Seventh Symphony. This is one of the best-known of his nine symphonies. Its fourth and final movement is especially known for its rhythmic power and vigor.

Tumultuous applause at the end of this forty-minute work by Beethoven

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Landscaping Plans Projected!

PICTURE THIS IN YOUR MIND: You are walking down the steps from the Redwood Building headed for the men's dorms. As you proceed, you notice directly opposite you across the other side of the pond, below men's dorm #1, an amphitheater. It's constructed to seat thirty to forty people with a barbeque pit right in the center. The whole hillside behind it is terraced and spotted by variegated flowerbeds and sundry shrub gardens.

This is only the beginning of what's planned for landscaping this area of the campus.

Scurrying across the bridge and glancing back at the women's dorms, you are ASTONISHED! A stream rushes down from a beautiful gushing fountain between the northernmost women's dorms, cascades over a twelve to fifteen foot cataract, and then empties into the pond.

As your gaze shifts to the right, you view what looks like another dormitory in the section between the men's dorms. This is a pagoda. It has a massive concrete base and a copper sheathing similar to the outer design of our dorms. In the center is a stone see-through fireplace, surrounded by patio tables and benches. Bursting forth from the base of the pagoda surges a fountain head which sires a rapid brook flowing into and forming as it goes, a series of terraced waterfalls. The series of falls (Continued on page 15)
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New Academic Center Dedicated

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Chamber of Commerce, gave a brief comment on how much Ambassador has done for the community.

Mr. Warren Dorn, the Los Angeles County Supervisor, said that he would do all he could to help Ambassador College become the best college of its kind.

The keynote address was given by Mr. Armstrong. He told how Ambassador College is doing as much as possible to make Pasadena more of a cultural center. He went on to explain in detail just how much of a contribution the college has made to the community.

"A noteworthy transformation is taking place in the west side of Pasadena. This remarkable development is exciting much comment. Many would like to know more about the institution responsible for this outstanding project of beautification which is saving the taxpayers millions of dollars.

"Most Pasadena citizens are aware of the CRA (Community Redevelopment Agency), set up by the government as an agency to draw on tax funds to plan and bring about urban renewal for community beautification. Ambassador College cooperated fully with the CRA, submitting to them the college Master Plan, designed by the world-known firm of architects and engineers, Daniel, Mann, Johnson and Mendenhall, for its new $16,000,000 expansion program in the area bounded by South Orange Grove Boulevard, Green Street, Vernon, and Del Mar. The CRA approved the college Master Plan, and work has been progressing rapidly, financed solely by the college, saving millions of dollars of tax funds."

After a closing statement by Mr. Ted Armstrong those attending the dedication were invited to tour the new buildings. Refreshments were served in the beautiful Student Center.

The dedication was a big day in the life of all those connected with Ambassador College.

Ambassador's Fan Jet Falcon

PACEMAKER OF THE AIRWAYS

Most of you would love to take a trip in Ambassador's latest acquisition — the Falcon Fan Jet. Since this is impossible for all of our readers, we want you to step aboard for a flight through the pages of The PORTFOLIO.

The first thing you notice about the Falcon as it sits on the runway is its striking appearance. As the copilot Mr. Vanpatten remarked, "It's the only jet I know of that looks like it's going 500 on the ground."

You are also struck by the plane's numbers — N111AC. It was actually the 111th plane produced by its manufacturers, Avions Marcel Dassault, a French corporation.

The Cabin

Inside the cabin you are greeted with a spacious and comfortable interior. Our Falcon can seat nine passengers: six individual chairs and three on a couch. Three tables are provided for typing, writing, or general use by the passengers. The couch can also convert into a bed if need be. But don't go away — we've only scratched the surface.

A stereo tape recorder is available for Mr. Ted Armstrong to make a broadcast. Quick communications for our top executives are available via an air-to-ground telephone. And complete pressurization and air conditioning insures the comfort of the occupants — regardless of the temperature outside.

The Cockpit

Now, on to the cockpit! As usual, you are greeted with a maze of complicated instruments, levers, switches, dials, etc., etc. Actually advanced design has simplified the instrument panel of the Falcon considerably over its predecessors. The baby that does the trick is called the Flight Direction System 109B. Most big airliners don't even have it yet. In a nutshell, it provides the pilot with information which allows him to maintain his aircraft in the correct altitude at all times.

The Takeoff

Now let's get off the ground. Our Falcon accomplishes this task courtesy of two General Electric CF 700-2C fan jet engines. If you were down in Long Beach Monday, you didn't see any ugly black smoke pouring out of the jet exhaust like you do on conventional jets. The fan in the jet eliminates it by allowing the engine to burn up what would normally be wasted as exhaust. The fan not only keeps things cleaner, but adds power too. Our Falcon is loaded with power. Its fan jet provides it with 47 percent more power than the equivalent turbo-

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Co-Worker, Letter Answering and various other executive offices.

Total area of the building will be 50,000 sq. ft., which is three times the size of the existing Press building.

Industrial planning is already underway. Our architects, Denkers and Madison of London, have submitted the basic concept. All department heads have carefully reviewed the plans and made certain modifications to fit their individual needs.

The next step — GROUND BREAKING!!

Landscaping

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are actually formed by small terraced pools flowing into one another from the one above. This Aztec-like stream finally resolves itself and spills into a settled mirror lake.

You're probably thinking now "That's daydreaming!"

But it's not really.

These traumatic facelift improvements have already been approved by Mr. Herbert Armstrong. Some of the details could be changed, but the project is past the talking stages!

Mr. Deakins, Mr. Ramsey and Jerry Coleman got the ball rolling when they took an excursion to Hodges' Gardens in Louisiana. They were in hopes of ferreting out some useful ideas for developing our campus. On arriving they were nonplused to discover that Hodges Gardens has about the same layout as our grounds here. But one main difference, Hodges' Gardens is a world-renowned paradise for floral beauty and landscape design.

After returning from Hodges' Gardens, Mr. Deakins went right to work on getting ideas down on paper. He threw in some others he'd conjured up his junior year when he was the campus surveyor. Within two weeks he had a scale drawing ready to present to Mr. McCullough. Jerry Coleman went to work on the artist's concept. Last time Mr. Herbert Armstrong was here, he gave it the go ahead.

Keep your eyes open for these changes!

Dallas Symphony

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prevailed upon the conductor to lead a Tchaikovsky waltz as an encore.

From Pasadena came Mr. Herbert Armstrong to attend the concert. Also many local people were our welcome guests as well as church brethren from here and neighboring areas.

Now the concert is finished, the music over, the orchestra departed. But, music lovers of Big Sandy, do not despair — for surely again next year "...you shall hear plenty of new things."

Pacemaker

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jet. No other business jet can approach the Falcon in its payload capacity. With power galore our airplane is capable of operating from a short 4500 foot runway.

Finding Your Way

So now imagine yourself cruising at 500 MPH at an altitude of around 40,000 feet. Our pilot and copilot turn their attention to achieving the destination. We're a little too high to spot the interstate highway down below, so how do we know where to go? Surely there are maps and charts available, you say. Right! But how do you locate yourself at 40,000 feet? Our Falcon makes it easy. Navigation can be accomplished in a number of ways. The latest and most advanced way is the Doppler System. The pilot can always tell how far he is from track and how many miles he has left to his next leg in his journey. An automatic pilot connected to this system always steers the plane toward the correct location.

Our own Falcon Fan Jet will be a great help to God's Work!
Make Ministerial Visits Profitable!

Why do the ministers visit you in your home? How IMPORTANT is a ministerial visit to you? Of what value is a visit to you? These visits are VITAL to your growth and to your overcoming! Learn from this article how you can make this service God provides truly profitable in your life.

by Fred R. Coulter

God Almighty prophesied of this hideous, wretched society. "But understand this, that in the last days there will set in perilous times of great stress and trouble — hard to deal with and hard to bear. For people will be lovers of self (utterly) SELF-CENTERED, lovers of money and aroused by an inordinate (greedy) desire (LUST) for wealth, proud and arrogant and contemptuous boasters. They will be abusers (blasphemous) scoffers, disobedient to parents, ungrateful, unholy and profane. (They will be) without natural (human) affection (callous and inhuman), relentless — admitting no truce or appeasement. (They will be) slanderers — false accusers, trouble makers; intemperate and disobedient to parents, ungrateful, unholy and profane. (They will be) treacherous (betrayers), rash, (and) INFLATED WITH SELF-CONCEIT. (They will be) lovers of sensual pleasures and vain amusements more than lovers of God" (From the Amplified N. T., II Tim. 3:1-4).

Apply Personally

Read this over again and this time apply it to yourself. God has called us out of the world, we still have to live in it. We are affected by it... and in all too many cases we are still part of it. Which means we are filled with the SAME deep-seated problems. The Bible enumerates these difficulties.

"For you see your calling, brethren, how that not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called; but God has chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God has chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty; and the base things of the world and the things which are despised has God chosen, yea, and the things which are not, to bring to nought the things that are" (I Cor. 1:26-28).

Take the foolishness, weaknesses and baseness, ADD the works of the flesh, which are, ...adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings..." (Gal. 5:19-21), then, stir well and boil in the chaldrons of modern society, and this is how we are when God calls us to the knowledge of His truth! More simply, we are GIGANTIC WALKING PROBLEMS!

But, just because you have repented and have been baptized does not mean that your human nature, with all its psychological quirks and oddities, automatically evaporates out of your being and consciousness. It takes a gigantic change of re-education, spiritual cleansing, from the inside out by God's Holy Spirit. Zealous, urgent, heartrending prayer and study are the most effective tools you can use to overcome them. However, God has provided additional means of help for you, augmenting and reinforcing your prayer and Bible Study, so you CAN overcome more quickly and effectively!

Responsibility of Ministry

The World Tomorrow broadcast, The Plain Truth, and The Good News magazine are effective tools God employs to help and assist you in overcoming. In addition, God commands His ministers to FEED the Flock. They are inspired to give to the congregations the spiritual food through the sermons on the Sabbath, and also during Bible Studies. But these are not the only means God has of helping you overcome personally.

Another extremely important facet of feeding the brethren individually is through the personal ministerial visits. This is one of the ministers' MAIN jobs... which is done willingly, for service and good to help you overcome. "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, to visit the fatherless and widows..." (James 1:27). Christ wants us to visit and personally help the brethren. "For I was an hungry, and ye gave me meat, I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink; I was a stranger, and ye took me in; naked, and ye clothed me; I was sick, and ye visited me; I was in prison, and ye came unto me. Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungry, and fed thee? or thirsty, and gave thee drink? When saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in? Or naked, and clothed thee? Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee? And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me" (Mat. 25:35-40).

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"And he gave some, apostles; and another prophet; and another, evangelists; and another, pastors and teachers; for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ; till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ; that we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, by which they lie in wait to deceive; but speaking the truth in love, let us grow up in all things into him, who is the head, even Christ; from whom the whole body is joined together and made up by every joint forgive, even as God is joined together by every joint with all the abundance of供给 the Flock. They are inspired to give to the congregations the spiritual food through the sermons on the Sabbath, and also during Bible Studies. But these are not the only means God has of helping you overcome personally.

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In this era of the Church, God has inspired an extensive visiting program as a MAJOR ARM of feeding and perfecting the flock, involving all the ministers and most of the deacons. In every Church area there is a visiting program in operation using dedicated leading men to more effectively help serve and feed the Flock. But, in too many cases these all IMPORTANT personal visits, by God’s chosen instruments to help you, are WASTED! And when they are, you have lost an opportunity for Christ to FEED YOU!

An opportunity to overcome these deep-seated physical, mental, spiritual, emotional and psychological problems has been wasted!

WHY?

Because you are so much a part of this rotten society and yet so carnal that you WON’T bring out your problems! We are so steeped in the evils of this world, that in many cases, God’s ministers are treated with the same suspicion and hostility that we see and experience in the world.

Apprehensive Suspicious Attitude

Our minds have been trained to be suspicious, apprehensive and afraid. This carries over into our lives so that we are the same toward God’s ministers. This carnal attitude is one of the greatest hindrances to receiving full value from the personal visits. All too often the attitude is that the minister is “looking for sin,” if he finds sin and problems many suspect he will gloat and exude hideous joy of self-righteousness over “discovering” your sins and weaknesses.

Brethren, this is TOTALLY wrong!

They know you need help. They KNOW you have problems to overcome. In fact, there are NONE without problems! You are still human which means you have human nature! As long as you have human nature, you will have problems.

God’s ministers or the visiting team are not coming to “get things” on you. They are not coming in a super-righteous, haughty attitude to lord it over you by smashing you into the ground.

This is the attitude they have when they visit you. “Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual [that is ministers and visiting teams] restore such an one IN THE SPIRIT OF MEEEKNESS; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted” (Gal. 6:1).

THEY ARE YOUR FRIENDS!

They are not supersnoopers, detectives, 007 secret agents, nor the Nazi Gestapo! DON’T treat them as such.

If you have this kind of suspicious, apprehensive, carnal attitude toward the minister or the visiting team, then you are only cheating yourself. If there are sins that need to be brought out, or the ministers know about, they are there to HELP YOU overcome them . . . NOT TO CONDEMN you, or to spy on you. Yet some have actually refused to answer the door, pretending to not be at home, when the visiting team came!

Brethren, this ought not be!

If this has been your attitude, repent of it, get rid of it, and CHANGE. This is the first thing you can do to make a visit profitable.

How to Act?

“I just don’t know how to act around a minister.” Many are at a loss as to what to do. Some of you are shy, bashful, or just plain flustered when you are around a minister. Then there is the opposite extreme of being gushingly verbose, loud, backslapping and overly familiar. Just how is one to ACT around a minister?

The question is the key to the answer. DON’T ACT! DON’T PUT ON! Just simply relax and be yourself. There is no reason to act or put on when you are visited. The best way to be is just open, sincere, straightforward, friendly and warm.

Of course, you should always have respect for the office the man has been given. But that doesn’t mean that you have to be stiffly formal, shy or nervous, nor that you are doing the minister a favor by graceing him with your presence. To act either way is to let your vanity rule you and carry you away in insincerity.

I have known of people who have actually trembled because of nervousness when visited by God’s ministers or visiting team. Then others are so swelled in their own self-importance that they barely recognize the visiting team is there. Here is how God is going to inspire the minister to deal with you in visiting, serving and feeding the Flock.

"And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle [that does not mean weak] unto all men, apt to teach, patient [that is forebearing], in meekness instructing those that oppose themselves . . . (II Tim. 2:24-25). So just relax! Don’t act or put on!! Chances are, you are not fooling the minister anyway.

Hiding Problems

It is human, natural and carnal to hide problems! "... Men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. For everyone that does evil hates the light, neither comes to the light lest his deeds should be reproved [discovered — original Greek] (John 3:19-20). In the Amplified N.T. verse 20 reads, “For every wrong doer hates {loathe, detest} the light and will not come out into the light, but shrinks from it, lest his works—his deeds, his activities, his conduct—be exposed and reproved.”

Many times members in God’s Church will hide their problems, never talk about them, never mention them, never ask for help. When the minister comes to visit, the “front” goes up. Inside you may be eating your heart out about something, but on the outside all is made to appear well. You try to cover up by idle chit-chat, or talk about generalities, world news, etc. Meanwhile, gnawing frustrations and mind-corroding perplexities which stifle spiritual growth are not discussed. In all too many cases, this has gone on for YEARS!

Many of you have terrible marital problems. But you only gloss over them when you are visited. Consequently, the same basic difficulties you had before
baptism are still plaguing you. Arguing, quarrelling, fighting, bickering, and deep frustrations about sex, child rearing, finances to name just a few.

Brethren, God knows!

You cannot hide your sins and problems. "O God, Thou knowest my foolishness and my sins are not hid from Thee" (Ps. 69:5).

It could be that you are praying about the problems. In believing prayer you ask God to help you overcome. That is fine, and by all means you need to pray about them. But, God might not answer to visit you, you refuse it!

How utterly foolish to ask God for help, to open the way so you can overcome a particular problem; then when God sends that help — His ministers — to visit you, you refuse it!

How?

You refuse God's help because when you are visited your problems are buried, hidden, disguised, concealed and suppressed.

You have wasted a chance to overcome!

Accept God's Answer

Brethren, God is so interested in you and concerned for your spiritual growth, that He sent His personal representative to help you! But, because of vanity, suspicion and fear, causing you to hide your difficulties, you have rejected and refused the help God has sent in answer to your prayers! "Where no counsel is, the people fall..." (Prov. 11:14). Without using that help and counsel God has sent you, you will not overcome as you should. Continuing, "...But in the multitude of counsellors there is safety." Again, "Without counsel purposes are disappointed: but in the multitude of counsellors they are established" (Prov. 15:22).

That is the precise reason many of you are not overcoming your problems! You cannot overcome your problems by hiding them and refusing the available counsel God has provided. You need this counsel. "He that covereth his sins shall not prosper..." (Prov. 28:13). If you try to hide your sins and never bring them out to the ministers when you are visited, chances are you will not overcome them as you ought!

Remember the reason why you are not inclined to bring out your problems is because you were trained that way by a rotten society.

Read II Tim. 3:1-4 again! It is because of selfish, self-centered vanity and wanting to be well thought of that we conceal our problems.

Remember, the ministers will not think less of you if you bring out your problems to them. But, if you refuse the help you have available to you when God sends the minister to visit you — then God will think less of you! As a matter of fact, the ministers will think more of you if you do ask for help, if you have the courage and guts to bare your soul! Next time you are visited, make that visit profitable. Bring out your problems. Open up! Bare your soul and ask for help.

Have Questions Written Down

The fourth way you can make a visit profitable is to have your questions ready and written down. All too often, the same old story is heard, "I had some questions to ask you, but I've forgotten them." It is too easy to let them slip from your mind. Never trust your memory alone. Always have your questions ready and written down.

The best way to keep track of the questions you need to ask, is to have a question sheet. Whenever anything comes to your mind that needs an answer put it on this question sheet. To prevent losing it, keep it in your Bible at all times. Then you will always know where it is. You won't forget them and you won't lose your question sheet. So remember, write your question down and have them ready when the minister or visiting team comes to visit you.

Act on the Advice

Finally, ACT ON THE ADVICE! Do something about it. "Apply your heart unto instruction, and your ears to the words of knowledge" (Prov. 23:12). God's ministers and servants will always give instruction based on God's Word. Listen to them! It is for your good. It is given to you as a friend. "Ointment and perfume rejoice the heart, so does the sweetness of a man's friend by hearty counsel" (Prov. 27:9).

"The fear of the Eternal is the beginning of wisdom, but fools despise wisdom and instruction. My son hear the instruction of your father, and forsake not the law of your mother" (Prov. 1:7-8). God is your Father and your spiritual mother is the Church! God is using the ministers and visiting team to help you! It is just like the loving, caressing, tender care of a mother, with the same concern and feeling that a mother would have for her children. How foolish to reject that kind of help, concern and counsel. "Poverty and shame shall be to him that refuseth instruction" (Prov. 13:18). That is the quickest way to spiritual shame and poverty...reject the advice and counsel God has provided for you! "...but he that regardeth reproof shall be honored" (same verse).

Remember, it is only the overcomers and doers that make it into God's Kingdom. "Therefore, whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock; and the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock. And everyone that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand: and the rain descended and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it" (Mat. 7:24-27).

Do something! ACT ON THE ADVICE given. In fact, it should be a real challenge to you to strive to make as much change as possible by the next visit.

Brethren, take advantage of Christ's personal interest in you. Christ sends his ministers, His chosen instruments to serve, visit and feed you. Work on these points. Get rid of any wrong suspicious attitudes. Don't hide your problems, rather open up and it will benefit for your own good, write down your questions, and finally act on the advice given.

Make your next visit profitable!
Seven Proofs of the True Church

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His Church, “Behold, I have set before thee an open door” (Rev. 3:8). The Apostle Paul said, “For a great door and effectual is opened unto me...” (I Cor. 16:9), speaking of the door God opened before him for the preaching of the Gospel! He said, “Furthermore, when I came to Troas to preach Christ’s Gospel, and a door was opened unto me of the Lord” (II Cor. 2:12). When the Apostle Paul began the second 19-year cycle of the preaching of the True Gospel—and taking the Truth of God into Europe, he spoke of this opening before him as a door!

The door that God has opened before His True Church today is mainly the door of radio! For years, there was only the one small local congregation, up in Eugene, Oregon—but a radio door had been opened, which was growing by leaps and bounds—fast becoming national, and soon to become worldwide!

Therefore, since God has opened this great door of radio before His True Church, it was obvious that to further identify this True Church of God, not alone by geographical location, but by the great door God had opened, that it should be incorporated, legally, as “The Radio Church of God”

In the past year we have pursued the possibility of changing this legal name to “The Worldwide Church of God.” Until recently this, too, was impossible. Now that door is opening. We are beginning to make the transition.

But the actual biblical name of the True Church has always been, and always will be—the CHURCH OF GOD!

WHAT the Church Really IS

God names things, or people, what they ARE! There is real meaning in a name.

When God writes of His Church, He calls it His! It is the Church—and the only Church, that truly belongs to Him. His true Church is directly owned by Him, it is His instrument, His own property, to perform His Work on this earth!

The English word “church” merely means “congregation.” Wherever you find the word “church” in the New Testament, it is translated from the Greek word “ekklesia,” from which such English words as “ecclesiastical” or “ecclesiastics” are derived. The word simply means “group” or “collection” of people! There is nothing holy, nothing sacred, about the word church, by itself. It is only when you further identify which group of people, with the name of God, that there is anything holy about the name!

Therefore, when a person of this world says he or she belongs to the “Lutheran Church”—he is not necessarily misappropriating that name! That is—he is affirming that he does, indeed, belong or pertain to that group of people who follow the teachings of Martin Luther—not God!

Those members of worldly organizations of men, with their human names, are, in most cases, correctly labeled! They are correctly identified! That is—they really ARE an “Adventist” or “Baptist” or “Methodist” group—and they most certainly ARE NOT the group that belongs to God!

“I will build My Church,” said Jesus Christ. And it is His! Jesus Christ is the direct head of the Church (Col. 1:18), which is described as His own body (Eph. 1:23). The only ones who are truly members of that one (Eph. 4:4-6) body are those who have been put into it, by the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Notice, “For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have all been made to drink into one Spirit” (I Cor. 12:13).

The baptism with the Holy Spirit is the receiving of the Spirit at the time of the laying on of hands, after repentance, and water baptism. It is not, as some of the wildest, emotional false churches of this world have said, a physical emotion or speaking in tongues!

Notice, then, it is only those who have received God’s Spirit that are in the True Church. The Church is not a physical building. The Church comes to, and assembles inside of, a building, or a rented hall. But the building is not the Church—but a building! It is that group of converted people, in whom is the very spirit of God, which makes up the Church!

Jesus said we must repent (Luke 13:3, 5). Peter said repentance must precede baptism (Acts 2:38; 3:19). God inspired Paul to say, “For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God” (Rom. 8:14).

“If any man have not the Spirit of Christ,” God inspired Paul to write, “he is none of His!” (Rom. 8:9).

Yet—it is only through obedience to God—through total repentance, complete surrender to God, symbolized by figuratively laying down your life, and your whole being in water baptism, that you may receive the Spirit of God!

Not one of you, brethren, is a member of the True Church of God merely because you attend. Weekly Sabbath attendance, or being at the Festivals—title-paying, participation in social activities, or being “active” in the “church,” none of these things mean, of themselves, you are a member of the True Church of God! Unconverted children, unbaptized ones in attendance at Feasts, or a local meeting, are not members of the body of Christ.

It is only those who have really been conquered of God, who have unconditionally repented, been baptized, and have really received of His Spirit who are members!

They are then joined to Him! They do not join themselves together, becoming a “group” of human beings, known by a certain name. Rather, they become directly joined to Christ!

Notice it! “I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman,” said Jesus. “Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away.”

“Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine: no more can ye, except ye abide in me. I AM THE VINE, ye are the branches: He that abideth in
me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing" (John 15:1-5).

The newly begotten child of God becomes directly joined to Christ! He is the Vine, supplying the life-giving sap from the roots which produces the fruit on the branches!

The branches, or the individual members of the Church are joined, only through the Vine! If any member is not truly in Christ, and Christ living in him, then he is not a member of the True Church!

"That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you," wrote John, "that ye also may have fellowship with us: and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ" (I John 1:3).

The true fellowship of one member of the Church to another is in and through the Father, and the Son! Any worldly organization of men, banding themselves together, in their own fellowship, is just like a group of branches, lying in a pile! Not joined to a productive, life-giving vine, they are unproductive, they are lifeless, they are rotting . . . and they begin to stink!

Do you see, brethren? The name of the True Church of God is a vitally important proof of the Church! It is not to be taken lightly! And it has real meaning.

God names things what they are. If you are a member of His own Church, then you should be named what you are! But if you are a member of a group of people — dead branches — not joined to the only True Vine, then you should also be named, just what you are!

That is why so many of the "names" of the worldly churches are so inappropriate! The "Catholic" or "worldly" church is just that! It is a church of the world — universally so — completely worldly, and not of God! The "Separate Baptists" are truly separate from the True Vine! The "Methodists" do truly have a different method from God's! The "Congregationalists" truly have banded themselves together, as a pile of rotting branches!

There are a tiny few who know the true Biblical name of God's True Church, and have stolen that name. But having this one stolen "proof," which is only one out of three parts of this second major proof of seven, will not ever make them, really, the true Church of God!

How truly grateful and thankful we should be that God, in His mercy, has called us to become true members of the very Body of Christ — truly joined to the Father and the Son, through the Holy Spirit — and not wandering in the spiritual darkness of this blinded world! What a blessing, if we are truly members of the Church of God!

WILL YOU FALL AWAY?

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Instead of building closer family ties through family Bible study, prayer, games, conversation and other common interests which stimulate minds and foster mutual respect; many families sit in front of the radiation center (TV) and fizzle away an entire evening.

Why not do this? "As soon as the children are old enough to understand, indoctrinate them with the idea that the family is meant to be a wonderful place for everybody in it; it's everybody's job to make it a wonderful place for everybody else; it's an enterprise for everybody, by everybody. The family enterprise is a cooperative effort in which father, mother, sister, brother, all have an active interest and a personal responsibility. The family enterprise is the primary and most important activity and responsibility that father, mother, brother and sister have.

"Don't forget this; the children will acquire and carry on the family enterprise if mother and father do their share" (How to Live 365 Days a Year, page 124, emphasis mine).

Time flies! And time is flying toward

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How It Will Happen
Persecution may come when you least expect it. It may come from anyone of a dozen sources. From your job, school, neighbors, unconverted relatives, business acquaintances, etc.

Persecution is not pleasant. When it hits your first tendency will be to get discouraged. Fear will set in and anxiety with it. You will need spiritual strength — contact with God. You will ask for comfort and the support of your mate and children in the church. (Members with unconverted mates must be prepared to face persecution from their own mates, and in general they will be. For they won't expect the same sympathy and comfort from their unconverted relatives as others with family in the church.)

But suppose your family life is torn apart by arguments and bitterness. You and your wife (both church members) have known you had marriage problems for many months or perhaps years. Things weren't even good though both of you knew what to do. You haven't gotten along. And because you and your wife haven't built a strong foundation, your child rearing has failed to be effective!

"General affection is easily generated in a family if there is affection between father and mother. Animosities between the children need never exist if they are nipped in the early bud, and if no animosities ever exist between father and mother. If there is bickering, strife, and verbal warfare in the top brass section of the family, the children will almost surely grow up to be bickering and disagreeable" (How to Live 365 Days a Year, page 126).

Thus the children have no real loyalty to mother or dad, neither do they have any real desire toward God's Church.

Now comes persecution. Frustrated from without — scared and worried — and weakened from within as a result of family problems — your whole spiritual foundation begins to crumble. At a time when you need God desperately, when you need to be fervent in prayer, you find that your prayers are hindered. (See I Peter 3:7.) Instead of comforting one another and turning to one another more fervently, husband and wife begin to accuse, blame each other, and tear one another down.

Jesus prophesied it would happen! Whole families will be torn apart!

Blessed Are the Happily Married
When persecution comes the strong family will unite. Husband and wife will give solace to one another. They will cheer, aid and comfort each other. With strong love for one another they can have fervent family prayer and build one another up. They will build loyalty and strengthen family ties.

They will prepare at home to meet persecution from without. When the husband steps out of the home in the morning he knows his wife is fully behind him. He has the confidence that his children are absolutely loyal and that the whole family is pulling for one another. Because he loves his family deeply he has learned to share that love with members of God's Church — a greater Family! Having love, compassion, mercy toward members of his own family, he extends it to all church members. He feels for them. So does his wife! His children are also concerned about others in God's Church. This family's life has been built upon rock.

Where Do You Stand?
We all know what's right. We know that God commands us to have a happy marriage. We know God commands husbands to love their wives — that God commands wives to submit to their own husbands. God wants us to have a happy marriage and a happy, strong, solid home life. Yes, we know all of this.

Are we doing it?

Jesus gives this admonition: "Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, will I liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock: and the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock" (Mat. 7:24-25).


Are they obedient? Do you talk with and teach your older children? Are your smaller children trained properly? Do they come when called? Sit still? Obey immediately? Answer with respect?

Examine your marriage! Ask your mate how he or she feels about your marriage. Is it satisfactory? Do you communicate enough? Sex problems? Do you bicker, complain at each other?

Then get busy and do something about it!

But what if you don't? What if you go on like you've been going on with strained marriage relations and child rearing problems? What if you never take those drastic steps to straighten out your family problems?

Then Jesus says to you: "And everyone that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand: and the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was the fall of it" (Mat. 7:26-27).

Help Your Children Enjoy Their Summer Vacation

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setting an example of home life as it will be during the Millennium.

In this day and age when Satan is doing his best to break up the basic building blocks and foundation of our society (dissolving the closest replica of the Kingdom and Family of God), we as brethren in God's Church need
to be on guard against his influence to keep us apart. We need to make sure we recapture the true values in family living that have been lost by the majority of people in today's world.

There is a slogan that, “A family that prays together stays together.” But praying together is not enough to hold living that have been lost by the majority of people in today's world. There must be plenty of daily contact and play together besides. Yes, there must be plenty of daily contact.

So let's get back (if man has ever really been there) to really enjoying our children rather than just enduring them.

The more we put into training and helping them the greater will be the joy and happiness we will receive in return. It is in proportion to how much we give.

If we do show this interest and love, it will not only mean the strengthening of God's Church, but a strong assurance that our children will go with us to a place of safety when the time comes to leave this evil society. Besides, who knows whether those who have been lax in demonstrating to their children God's way will even be in a place of protection themselves!

Yes, the family is the most important institution on this earth! It takes work and joint effort to keep it happy and growing. That work is partially fulfilled through having recreation together.

Study

Don't let youngsters spend all their time developing themselves physically while letting their minds stagnate, however. Apply the third key to improving vacation time around your house — plan periods of study!

One suggestion for boys and girls of school age is to have them read during the day while mother keeps an ear tuned in from the kitchen. Reading aloud with meaning and expression can be a real help in improving their reading.

Or, you could just listen while they tell you about a book or story they have read. You could even sit down with them and study lessons that would improve your talents while your children study subjects where they need improvement or additional learning.

What would be even better though would be to have school at home for an hour each day with you, the parent, as the teacher.

Father could build a little desk and chalkboard, or obtain one at a second-hand shop for little if anything.

Then you would be able to receive the joy and satisfaction that teachers receive in training students at school.

It is common for boys and girls to grow up blaming their teachers for not having taught them to read, write, or speak properly. However, most teachers have far too many children in a classroom to give individual attention to those who are having major difficulties. Although they would like to, it just isn't possible.

How much simpler it would be if the parents would spend even 30 minutes a day at home this summer—which is probably more individual attention than students ever receive at school anyway—to help them overcome weaknesses that have appeared in the classroom.

In most cases, then, don't blame teachers, whether they are God's teachers or instructors of this world, for children's lack of learning. It is your responsibility as much as the teachers' to see that your children can read, write, and do their arithmetic.

If your youngsters are weak in any particular subject or field, you could have that weakness overcome by helping them a little each day—this summer. If you don't, you are missing one
of the greatest experiences of a lifetime!

Don't be afraid. Don't say that you could never be a teacher.

If you know how to read, if you know how to add simple numbers, or speak, you can teach children these same subjects.

A good source of information and help would be your youngsters' teachers, or books sent home from school at the end of the year. Additional help could be obtained through the countless teachers' centers located in your area (check the yellow pages of the phone book) where even parents may buy various teaching aids and books.

Or make a family trip to the local library and check out some good books. The trip could even be a recreational outing for the children. There are many helpful books on such subjects as light, sound, water, engines, planes, swimming, plants, animals, etc., that are not only simple enough for junior, but useful for adults as well.

How often Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong has mentioned on the radio, "Parents, can you explain to your children simple household physics?" How electricity lights the table lamp, or how Aunt Gertrude's voice can travel by telephone over 1500 miles in less than a second when it can't even be heard by her neighbors next door? Well, this could be the time to find out.

What about learning what makes airplanes fly, or cars run?

What do you know about aquariums, ant farms, or beehives?

What about planting your own garden, or even fixing the flat tires on the family's bicycles — while studying how air inflates tires? Or even the tire itself — is it really true that rubber comes from trees?

Have you ever wondered why snakes always stick out their tongues, or why fresh water from a river runs into the ocean, and yet the ocean is still salty?

Topics for summer classes at home, don't you think?

We are all training to be kings and priests and teachers (Isa. 30:20). During these summer months when your children are out of school, you could be teaching them a little each day so that when they return to school they will no longer have weaknesses in certain areas of instruction, or so they will have a good background for areas of learning they are yet to cover in class.

You say you don't have time? You need to make time! After all, just what is important in this life? Is it taking care of just the cares of this life or the more important needs of our future kings and priests?

Although growth may be slow at times, you can learn to be a teacher. In fact — I DARE YOU!

Youth Speaks

Finally, to help you see summer vacation through the eyes of your children and perhaps to gain other ideas on what you could plan for summer school activities at your home, here are some papers from grade-school students on what they would like to do during the summer months. Although children are not always a good source of information, their ideas, desires, and interests should be considered and fulfilled as much as possible as they work toward the goals and objectives that we want to accomplish. So here are their comments that I think you will find revealing and informative and at times even humorous!

"I would like to learn how to become a good hair stylist."

"What I would like to do would be to be a gardener."

"This summer I would like to start a new hobby, like to make a butterfly collection. Sewing a dress is an idea, too. I would like to swim and cook."

"In the summer I would like to eat, swim, sleep, and play. But you can't do all those things at once, so first I'd swim, then I'd eat, then I'd play, and then I'd sleep. And I wish I could have a garden of my own."

"I'm going to mow lawns, wash cars, do gardening, and many other things. What I wish to do would be to go to Marineland, Disneyland, Art Museums, fishing, summer school, and many other things. I hope to earn a lot of money for Summer Camp, and get a new bicycle."

"I would like to go traveling to Colorado, Washington, North and South Dakota, Squaw Valley, Texas, Canada, and to the Netherlands. I would like to explore caves, seas, oceans, and land."

"This summer will be an exciting one for me. I'll get to sleep in, then I'll get dressed and eat. Then I'll run outside and jump on my skateboard. When I get finished (skateboarding), I will probably go errand-running. I hope I will be able to go shopping for material so I can sew. I'll have to watch my brothers and sisters."

"I plan to learn how to cook, very well, and learn to be a good housekeeper. And practice the piano, and keep reading. And for a vacation I hope we can go to Lake Shasta. There I would swim, water ski, and try to water ski on one ski, which is very hard, but practice makes perfect."

"This summer I would like to go hunting a lot. There are also families going on a pack trip, and my brother and I get to go along with them."

"This summer our family is going to camp overnights at another family. Most of the summer we will either be having a lot of fun or we will be working."

"This summer I will do a lot of things exciting. One exciting thing is to baby-sit. I try to find interesting games for the children. They like to play games and play with toys. One other thing is to go to the market on my bike."

"I would like to especially improve my spelling and reading! Make pot-holders to sell. I would really like to learn how to make clothes so I could start making some of my clothes. I would also like to learn how to play the piano. I am sure going to be busy this summer!"

"One of the things I want to do is: take tennis class at Jordan High School, because I have a very nice tennis racket."

"First, I would like my ear healed back riding. It looks like fun. I haven't been close to a horse. Last, I would like to collect scraps of wood and build things."

What are YOUR children going to do this summer?