Christ, let me tell you how usually the largest conclave you came to. Fest sites scattered over Festivals held annually with Festival held in 1978, 1978.

If this were the year 1926, you would have come to such a great and joyous Festival. For as far as I know, no such Feast was held anywhere on earth at that time. Many of you knew that this Festival came to be resumed after many generations—and for those who were present it was interesting to refresh your memory on how the living Jesus Christ restored God's great conclave in our time.

Driven to in-depth study

God called me irresistibly in the autumn of 1926—but to my wife. I had been successful in business. I had dropped out of church attendance at age 18. My wife began keeping God's seventh-day Sabbath. To me, this was religious fanaticism. Arguments with her were of no avail. I was driven to an in-depth almost night-and-day study of the Bible and the doctrine of evolution. That intensive research God opened my mind to proof of His existence and the absolute infallibility of the Bible as God's Word. I had to eat the words I had eaten however—I was forced to find my wife correct. This first six months of in-depth brought me to take a real beating. I was conquered by God—in real repentance and faith. My mind was not clean of all previous ideas, concepts and beliefs—open to be taught from God's Word.

That same study that opened my mind to the truth of God's Sabbath brought me also knowledge. I was in the Philadelphia era Church of this time. I became a conquered man. In the spring of 1927, when we stood in the fork of the world. To know that God cares for us is so awesome, that perhaps you never considered the following.

Surrender of self

At that time you surrendered your own autonomous, independent, self-oriented life to become a God-centered, yielded, converted, Spirit-led and directed person. You said, in effect, "God, you have the prior right to direct my path, for You are my Maker!" You, after resistance and struggle, became a conquered possession, purchased by the supreme sacrifice of the death and life of Christ. You became Christ's servant.

The greatest thrill, the most exciting experience, for which we should be more deeply grateful than anything else, ought to be the simple knowledge felt in every cell of our being that we are Christ's own possession. To know that God cares for each of us, lessers us, and chooses us to be His sons and daughters—this should move us deeply in humble submission to God in heartfelt gratitude.

As one of these God-centered ones of these servants to whom Christ gave His pounds and said do my work till I return (Luke 19:12-15), we should all be very much aware of our need to be in the unity of the faith. We need to work together, support each other, be a team that effectively does Christ's Work so long as we have opportunity till He returns.

Annual Festivals needed

To help us keep our eyes on God's purpose and plan He is working out here on earth. God has given us His annual Holy Days and Feasts. We have the annual highlight of the Church, the Feast of Tabernacles, just ahead of us. We need this Feast! With God's blessings, our submissive hearts and conquered spirits and with our prayers for God's forgiveness and His Holy Spirit to bond us in unity we can't help but have a great Feast.

But, it takes more than just what God can do. It takes what each of us can and must do. Let's let this coming Feast of Tabernacles be like a "gathering of the eagles!" Let's draw an analogy from the words of Matthew 24:23-28. This reference concerns the coming of Jesus Christ as King of Kings. We are exhorted not to believe any and every report about where and when Christ returns. We are told that "...wheresoever the carrion is, there will the eagles be gathered together."

This statement means that wherever Christ will actually be upon His return there will be all those who are Christ's—all those who believe Him, accept Him and who serve Him.

In applying this analogy to us—Christ will be at this Feast of Tabernacles. Will you be where He is? Will we all be gathered like a great gathering of the eagles where Christ (See GOD'S ANNUAL, page 14).

We built later the first portion of what later became the college dining hall, auditorium and offices. Outgrowing that, we added a second Feast site at Squaw Valley, Calif., in the early '60s—then added Jekyll Island, Ga., then Mountain Pocono, Pa., then Lake of the Ozarks, Mo., Wis. of from contact with God, who only has salvation and eternal life to give. Those called specially by God are, on real repentance and faith, reconciled to God by the shed blood of Christ, the Lamb of God.

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Peace in Mideast—for a while?

PASADENA — The 13-day Camp David Mideast Summit ended late Sunday evening, Sept. 17, with a dramatic and largely unspectacular announcement of two important agreements between Israel and Egypt.

The first agreement, called “a framework for Peace in the Middle East at Camp David,” sets out an interim arrangement for limited Palestinian autonomy in the Sinai within a year. Once these agreements are signed, President Carter declared that the talks for the establishment of all settlements, as one of its objectives, “To conclude an agreement between Israel and Jordan by the end of the transitional period.”

Great difficulties and many hard issues remain to be negotiated.

The question of Israeli settlements in the Sinai, for example, was not fully resolved at Camp David. Egypt asserts that settlements must be dismantled and removed as a prerequisite to a peaceful treaty; Israel states that they must be guaranteed in the future during the peace negotiations. Mr. Begin faces a tough time selling the dismantling of the Sinai settlements to the Israeli electorate.

Continuing the process

As we go to press the full facts of the agreements are only now being released. These documents will be studied and analyzed for weeks to come. What is obvious at first glance is that the determination is a fact on the part of both parties to make an effort to achieve this peace. The agreements also do not mention what may have been the major American contribution to the Israel-Sadat willingness to agree to an end of hostilities in the Sinai. To this point, Mr. Begin told reporters the day after the Camp David conference ended that the United States agreed to build two new air bases for Israel in the Sinai, as a start, and that Secretary of Defense Harold Brown had promised to consult with Mr. Begin soon. The agreement also does not mention that the major American contribution to the American commitment is the willingness to agree to an end of hostilities in the Sinai.

The agreements are also careful to avoid promising obstacles on other matters that otherwise could not have been even approached at this time.

For the second Camp David agreement, Mr. Sadat will be able to enlist the support of the United Nations, as one of its objectives, “To conclude an agreement between Israel and Jordan by the end of the transitional period.”

An even bigger problem will be convincing more radical states such as Syria and Iraq to participate in the plan. They view any separate Israel-Egypt negotiations in the Sinai as a betrayal of the Arab cause by Mr. Sadat, and the transition to a Middle East peace agreement as totally unacceptable.

As a result, the question of the future of Jordan and the kingdom of the Hashemites remains unanswered. All local-church news, and announcements that would normally appear in this issue will be run in our next issue scheduled Oct. 3. The Good News will suspend publication of this issue scheduled to fall during the Feast. Normal publication will resume with the Nov. 6 edition.

In the early part of the 20th century a British explorer set out on safari through the desert parts of Africa in search of a lost civilization. After trudging through vine-choked jungles for several excruciating days in suffocating heat, he came upon a remote native village. He approached the camp astounded at what he had found.

“You people are lost to civilization,” he observed to the chief.

“Don’t we belong here?” the chief replied in perfect English. “It’s being found that way.”

WORLDWATCH

By GENE H. ROBBE Go.

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WHAT NO ‘CHURCH NEWS’?

This issue of The Good News does not carry the regularly scheduled “Local Church News” or “Announcements” sections in order that we might give our resources dedicated in large part to preparation for the soon-coming Feast of Tabernacles.

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According to former Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger, who made several trips to the Middle East in search of a peace agreement during the Nixon and Ford administrations, the Camp David advances are so great that the situation in the region has changed for the better, no matter what happens in the coming months.

“Everything in the Middle East has a fragile quality, but this is a basis for the peace that we spoke of,” Mr. Kissinger said on NBC’s (National Broadcasting Co.) Today program. He said President Carter “reserves the gratitude of the American people and the great statesmen of this country. What is clear now is this: if both Israel and Egypt are able to live up to what they are now committed to, an era of peace is possible.” Mr. Begin is supported by his own parliament, especially over the volatile Sinai issue, and Mr. Sadat supports the new initiative. If the new Arab states escape an arms race, he said, we could see peace—or rather a state of non

‘COMING TO THE FEAST!’

WELCOME to the FEAST!

GOOD NEWS Monday, Sept. 25, 1978

We have prepared our three major articles next week, so you will be able to read them in your next issue. They will be: ‘The Kingdom of God—Its Goal and Destiny’; ‘The Kingdom of God and the Louisiana Purchase’; and ‘The Kingdom of God and the Kingdom of Satan.’


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The PLAIN TRUTH About HEALING
Part 6

Healing in the world into which Jesus came and in the world today, out of which Christ has called us. Final summary.

By Herbert W. Armstrong

Monday, Sept. 25, 1978

The GOOD NEWS

"It is important that we KEEP IN MIND that this is NOT God's world — it is MAN'S world, cut off from God and God's ways, yet deceived and led by SATAN.

God created angels before the existence of the physical universe — immortal spirit beings, each individually and separately created. Then God created the heavens — the vast material universe — and proceeded in a dual manner.

But understand this basic truth. God's creating is a DUAL process. In the physical universe, what God created was perfect as far as the first stage of creation that had been produced. But God placed angels on the earth to be used by Him in the finishing stage — to utilize the material already created — working with its elements to beautify and finish its creation in physical splendor and glory. This was merely the testing ground to qualify the angels to beautify and finish its creation, as it is with MAN, was the PHYSICAL state — the stage of creation, as it is with MAN, was the PHYSICAL state — the stage of creation.

Instead of CONSTRUCTION — that of angels placing the materials — the angels were given the plan of RECONSTRUCTION — the dual principle of REPAIR and RESTORATION.

The first phase of man's creation started the dual process. The supreme act of creation — REPRODUCING HIMSELF through Adam — started the second phase of creation.

As the PLAIN TRUTH About HEALING will show in the next part we can't be sure of God's created men without a deep knowledge of created man. We must be able to understand WHY man was created.

The angels are a dual process, so was the creation of angels. Then God created man in His own image — man as an individual and man as a part of society.

Angels, as was man afterward, were created in their initial stage with minds with which to think, with hearts with which to feel, with wills with which to make decisions and choices. God first instructed them.

As God had thoroughly instructed Adam and Eve in His love, His righteousness, His mind and His Government, so God first instructed Adam and Eve in His love, His righteousness, His mind and His Government.

In the Garden of Eden where God placed the man and woman were two symbolic trees. One symbolized God's Holy Spirit and gift of eternal life on obedience. The other, the tree of the "knowledge of good and evil," represented — was part of the forbidden fruit — taking to themselves the right prerogative of determining the knowledge of good and evil — of deciding for themselves the way of righteousness or sin — of the way of determining character. Then, of course, disobedience and rebellion against God's revealed knowledge.

Satan was not allowed to contact Adam until his Maker first instructed him in the way of righteousness. Then the wily Satan got to Adam by deceiving his wife. But Adam was not deceived and willfully rejected God as the source of revealed basic knowledge. He then disobeyed the command.

Holy and righteous character can come only by the free choice of its recipient. Adam had made the decision for his human family — except those God should specially call to make their own decision.

When God "drove out the man" from the Garden of Eden and barred reentrance, "...I will put enmity between you and the woman, and your seed and her seed; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel." (Genesis 3:15)

Now (Psalm 104:30) in six days God renewed the face of the earth for man.

God now had set out on the supreme act of creation —人类的supreme act of creation — RECONSTRUCTION of mortal and physical man. Though composed of matter from the earth, God's goal was for man in His own likeness — form and shape.

The man and woman He created were the first stage in the dual nature of man's creation. This was the physical state — the stage of creation, with which to form and create the spiritual phase.

Man — and GOD

As physical state of man's creation began with Adam, so the spiritual phase began with Christ.

Adam was given an opportunity to qualify to succeed Satan on earth in Christ's throne. But to qualify it was necessary that he reject Satan's way of rebellion and get God's way of give and obedience.

As God had first thoroughly instructed Adam and Eve where to place before them on the earth, so God first instructed Adam and Eve in His love, His righteousness, His mind and His Government.

This revelation of God's revealed knowledge was a dual process. First, His way was revealed to man, and then God called them to His way and to be separate and peculiar — God's people.

The PRE-Adamic world we need to clear our minds from today's concepts and confusions.

To clear the air we need to understand WHY this is not God's world. We need to understand how this world has developed and changed and why God has called His Church to come out of this world and to be a separate and peculiar people — God's people.

The world CUT OFF

And so this world's civilization was developed by man, cut off from God and the revelation of God's revealed knowledge, yet craftily and invisibly known and followed by Satan in Satan's way.

Man has not been free to voluntarily seek and gain contact with God. So God said, "I will put enmity between you and the woman, and your seed and her seed; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel." (Genesis 3:15).

"Noah did not seek God — God called Noah for a definite project. Abraham did not seek God. God called Abraham, and Abraham responded and obeyed without argument. Moses did not seek God. And when God called him to lead the Israelites out of Egyptian slavery, Moses testified, "I can't do it. I have a speech impediment — I stutter." Noah did not seek God, except the special revelation from God.

"We must remember this development is not always progress forward. Too often, under Satan's unrealized sway, with man CUT OFF FROM God and God's revealed knowledge, it has been progress in reverse."

Healing arts in Jesus' day

Into such a world Jesus came — a world that did not accept Him or His teachings.

The medical profession and the medical practice of one of this world's humankind devised phases of a man-made civilization — cut off from God, but swayed and deceived by Satan. Jesus had nothing to do with it.

Let's understand and fix firmly in mind this truth — that the medical profession is one of this world's humankind devised phases of a man-made civilization — cut off from God, but swayed and deceived by Satan. Jesus had nothing to do with it.

But I repeat, medical practice (and I use the word practice)
"That doesn't mean that we're ever going to have enough money
to do all the things that we want to do within a given period of time."

I think that each person who works within a given department should identify some goals, and they should be brought to Financlal Af-
tics, so that everyone in the department can understand the goals that they have set. We will come up with a list of goals for the department that should be shared with everyone. These goals can be very specific, covering areas such as cost reduction, productivity improvements, and customer satisfaction. The goals should be clear, measurable, and achievable, and they should be reviewed regularly to ensure that they are being met.

In favor of going forward, as well as all the things that might be opposed to it.

But we would hope in our meet-
ings and decisions that whatever we do, we don't reduce the number of people. We don't displace the people who are doing a good job. We don't make changes that will affect the morale of the people who work for us. We don't make changes that will affect the quality of the work that we do. We don't make changes that will affect the reputation of the company. We don't make changes that will affect the customers that we serve.

We don't make changes that will affect the environment. We don't make changes that will affect the future. We don't make changes that will affect the society. We don't make changes that will affect the world. We don't make changes that will affect the universe. We don't make changes that will affect the whole.

But we would hope in our meet-
ings and decisions that we don't make any changes that are going to affect the whole.

The old-fashioned suggestion box technique here at Ambassador... is not a bad idea...

The old-fashioned suggestion box technique can be very useful. It can help us to identify problems and issues that we might not have considered before. It can help us to identify areas where we can improve and become more efficient. It can help us to identify areas where we can cut costs and save money. It can help us to identify areas where we can increase our productivity and our profitability.

So it's important that we have a suggestion box in place. It's important that we encourage people to use it. It's important that we take the suggestions seriously. It's important that we follow up on them.

Monday, Sept. 25, 1978
We have just had a splendid and successful meeting of the area coordinators. Reports from them show that in Christ's One and only Church — has weathered this latest storm and now presses on with renewed vigor to finish the great commission.

All indication confirms this. The Work's income holds steadily with a slight increase. The response to the appeal confirms this. The atmosphere at headquarters has taken on a new look — it seems there is a greater peace and harmony. Sometimes the barbershop is a reflector of campus atmosphere. The campus barber told me that he, too, noticed the happy change — all seem to be looking forward to a leap ahead in God's Work.

Let me give you just a few brief excerpts from State of the Work reports from scattered areas.

From the populous New York area Mr. Elbert Atlas reports:

"There are no indications that the difficulties we have been experiencing during the last few months have adversely affected Church attendance. Attendance figures show that we have in Christ's state, New England states, Del- aware, New Jersey and Pennsylvania steady or slightly up. The brethren are standing firm and steadfast and stable. The fine manner in which the ministry in this division is doing in administration has resulted in the high degree of stability and unity.

I feel the men have been doing an excellent job shepherdimg their flocks during these traumatic and troublesome times.

"To the best of my knowledge only three members have left the Church — that is three out of 5,600. One lives in the New York City area, and the others — a man and his wife — live in New Jersey.

Press releases to five or six newspapers announced the time and place of a meeting in Clark, N.J., two Sabbaths ago. Letters were also sent to mem- bers in other fields, to Mr. Armstrong, and to Mr. Ted Armstrong, had, encourag- ing them to attend... a total of five people showed up. Only one was a member... not yet identified.""}

"Mr. Armstrong, because you are the head of this Work under Christ, the ministry looks to you for direction, guidance and coercion. But you are also our father in Christ... I can say as your representative and one of the area ministers the members are doing highly commendable jobs in shepherd- ing the flocks over which Christ through you have made them over...."

"From the West Coast Sac- ramento (Calif.) area, Mr. Man- Smith reports: ""The ministry and the people are committed to keeping the Body of Jesus Christ working together as one unit. There have been a few families that have departed in the past few months, but generally speaking, we have been very close to one family per church or less. The ministry believes in the gos- pel spread and the way to the loyals to the offices God has established to be the centers of Christ's Church."

"From the Cleveland, Ohio, area, Mr. Guy English reports: ""Mr. Armstrong, the churches here are basically very stable. The ministers and brethren are behind you 100 percent as Christ leads us in accomplishing the work of God in these last days. I know of no one here who has left God's Church and is following Mr. Ted Armstrong. Even through the churches a place very stable... some... understood you to say in your letter that we should not pray for Armstrong's repentance and return to God's Work. Many are praying for you as stated by you said why you said..."

"Let me interrupt Mr. English, because I also understand that no one is shut off from me by someone under me who might be (or do) forbid him to contact me. That is all I mean."

CHRIST'S APOSTLE TO THE MINISTRY:
"WE'VE DONE, GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANTS"
TRANDER'S REPORT

In prior years, Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong traditionally presented a financial report to the brethren at the Feast of Tabernacles. Because of the large number of Feast sites around the world it is now impossible to make such a presentation. Many have indicated that this information would be of general interest to the brethren and co-workers. Therefore, we are publishing this report in the pages of The Good News along with a brief explanation of certain key factors.

The Good News is viewed with highest regards by our major lending institutions, and we are continuing to meet our financial obligations on a consistent and timely basis.

Mr. Armstrong wishes to express his appreciation for your continued prayers and loyal financial support.

WORLDWIDE CHURCH OF GOD

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURES
Year Ended December 31, 1977

SUPPORT AND REVENUE:
- Tithes, Offerings, and Contributions
- Festival Fund
- Church Assistance Fund
- Building Fund
- Holy Day Offerings
- Donated property and estate donations
- International income
- Other income

Total support and revenue $87,161,300

EXPENSES:
- Program services
- General and administrative expenses
- Miscellaneous
- Depreciation and amortization
- Interest
- Insurance
- Taxes, licenses, and fees
- Depreciation and amortization
- Miscellaneous

Total expenses $86,420,600

Excess (deficiency) of support and revenue over expenses $(1,260,700)

NOTES ON THE STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURES

1. Basis of Report: Revenue and expense figures were taken from the certified financial statements. In addition, figures were obtained from all international operations and added to the certified figures allowing us to present a worldwide financial statement.

2. Investment in Quest/77: Quest/77 has a circulation of over 300,000 per issue and is expected to be self-supporting by February, 1979. Currently, two major communications conglomerates and several other major U.S. industrial corporations have shown an interest in acquiring Quest/77. We should expect a minimum of $4,000,000 should the magazine be sold at an early date.

3. General Administrative Expenses: General services salaries, administrative salaries and related expenses $4,086,600

4. Deficiency: This deficiency (excess expense over revenue) was met by short-term borrowing from our bank — United California Bank.

NOTE ON CHARTS: To assist the reader in visualizing the financial data, we have prepared the accompanying charts. The first two charts graphically portray the same information presented in the Statement of Income and Expenditures. The third chart depicts the U.S. mail contributions by donor classification. As you can see the membership is responsible for 76.8 percent of all U.S. donations made to the Work.
THE FEAST ADVISER
Things to know before you go.

A little foresight and planning goes a long way in having an enjoyable and profitable Feast of Tabernacles, many of our readers say, and some have written us with ideas for stretching Festival funds for maximum benefit from the Feast.

In the interests of those who will shortly be packing clothes and kids into cars and campers for journeys to sites around the world, we are reprinting these money-saving suggestions from the Aug. 29, 1977, "Worldwide News."

"One of the best ways we have found to exchange motel and eating places is to purchase or borrow a Mobil Travel Guide," writes Jeanette Baker in response to the "W's" May 9, 1977, request for money-saving tips for Feastgoers. The guide costs "about $4," Mrs. Baker continues, "but they include ratings on motels and restaurants as well as telling what to see and do in a particular location. It is very helpful to be able to make reservations at a time of a reasonably priced motel rather than waiting until time to stop for the night and being forced to stay at an expensive place for lack of room in a less expensive place. We have found the Mobil Guide pays for itself in savings on motels and restaurants."

Hire a bus
"Rent a car from a Ford dealer," rather than one of the national car-rental agencies, suggests David L. and Kathleen Francis of Quinton, N.J. "The charge is much less per car in Tucson we paid $49 for seven days and 10 cents a mile. Total cost, $85 for the week.

Arthur and Beatrice Robison of Lacey, Wash., write that 'it would be nice to hire a charter bus and a lot of people could go together from their area or pick up passengers on the way."

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Crow, Jr. of Brooklyn, N.Y., find that dividing their Festival money into categories and keeping it in labeled envelopes helps them to economize. Some of the categories they suggest are for car upkeep, gas and food for one day on the road and at the Feast, expenses after the Feast but before one's next paycheck, supplies, laundries and offerings.

The Crow's also advise keeping money or traveler's checks in the trunk of one's car, not in the motel room.

"Being with three people" in a motel room during the Feast is economical for George James of Toronto, Ont. He also recommends that motel rooms with kitchen facilities be money-saving, providing one uses them instead of eating all meals in restaurants. But he also feels that "meals, especially breakfasts, are rel."

Before leaving for your Feast trip a number of elementary procedures should be implemented to deter the neighborhood burglar says Sgt. Sidney Lyle, crime-prevention officer of the Odessa, Tex., Police Department.

Sgt. Lyle, 40, and wife Pat, members of the Midland, Tex., Church congregation for 3½ years, are the parents of two children and are past presidents of the Spokesman Club and Women's Club, respectively.

Sgt. Lyle has been with the police department for 13 years and has worked with the uniformed patrol division and the criminal records section and served as director of the juvenile division before taking on his present duties as director of crime prevention.

Numerous articles by Sgt. Lyle on what the individual can do to prevent crime appear in various publications along with occasional reports in the former "Worldwide News" and now "The Good News."

The following tips are written by Sgt. Lyle especially for "The Good News" and Church members who will shortly be traveling to Feast of Tabernacles sites around the world.

DETER BURGLAR
Nationally, most burglars live within eight blocks of their victim's home and they usually commit their crime on the other side of town. These criminal types are usually 15 to 20 years old and can be stopped cold in their tracks in most instances by following these recommended procedures.

Before leaving for the Feast, call the police or sheriff; their department and ask that they place your home on close patrol. Most departments will have the patrol officer working your community check your home each day. Be sure to tell them when you expect to return and who to contact in case of emergency.

Arrange for a neighbor to pick up your mail and contact the post office and have them hold your mail and deliver it when you return. You will still want a neighbor to keep an eye on your property as well as to move the customary circulars and fliers left on your door. The object is to make your home look lived in.

Newspapers, circulars and a mailbox (See AVOID RIP-OFFS, page 9)
CAR CARE MAKES SENSE

The Feast Adviser

To help assure that your car is not one of those stalled along the side of the road, these suggestions are offered by the Car Care Council:

BEAT THE HEAT

- Be sure your cooling system is in good condition. You may have made long trips and not have to worry about high temperature because of the cooler climate. How long has it been since you checked your antifreeze-coolant?
- Check the engine oil level, as well as the others. Heavy loads at high speed on long stretches of highway will cause premature failure of components. Make sure the belts and accessory drive belts are in good condition.
- Check them in tires. Heavy loads at high speed on long stretches of highway could bring about failure. Make sure they have plenty of tread and are properly inflated. Check them in the morning, when they are cool.
- How's your oil? Oil is not only a lubricant; it is a coolant as well. Clean, well-filtered oil will help your engine survive the heat.
- Check your transmission. This is especially vital if you are towing a trailer. Most automatic transmissions share their cooling system with the engine. If you are towing a trailer, you should consider adding a transmission cooler. An inexpensive device you can have installed at most service outlets.

GAS WATCHER

Become a gas watcher. Make five gallons of gasoline do the work of six. It's easy when you know how.

Here's a fantasia of suggestions. You'll have to drive to your vacation destination, look into sight-seeing and other services offered, use coupons for your transportation needs while there.

This also could be your opportunity to advance in another travel direction — the direction of exploring what the American Automobile Association refers to as the radius travel concept. It is a scheme of investigating all the recreational possibilities within a geographical circle, the size of which is determined by the mileage you're budgeting for pleasure travel.

Qualified travel counselors can assist. They can help you plan your personally budgeted fuel supply with your travel interests.

Other suggestions:

- If you know some friends who are planning a vacation at the same time, why not try to combine your trips? You also might consider renting a plane, train or bus to your destination and renting a car for and during your drive back. If you order meals and luggages, some airlines give you a 5% discount if you are traveling for business.
- Why not try a nature walk or a bike trip? Or even a bus ride down the road? Much other good food may be found at motel restaurant and were more than likely and outdoor type of setting. In the动机中 you might consider asking for the night before and kept in the ice box. It may be brought along for that purpose. The motorist also found that "breakfast can be a very reasonably priced meal if you order eggs, because the cost comes with the eggs. If you drink your juice in the motel room before departing, then it saves the gas and clothed devices of juice for the large family. If some can get by with water instead of milk or coffee for the meal, you will save even more.

- A "cafeine" can be a good place to economize, but for a large family it can be expensive if people are not conscious of the tendency to put too much of the delicious-looking food on their trays. We have divided portions at cafeterias, usually with no objection from anyone. Another way to hold down the cost is to tell your children they can go back for dessert after the other food is cleaned up. Frequently we have found that they have difficulty in eating all the food they picked up the first time through, so money isn't wasted on half-eaten food in the room.

- Most restaurants serve a full-course meal at noon for about half the cost or less of the same meal in the evening," advises Keith Robert of Callander, Ont. "If a family can adapt to making their main meal in the middle of the day rather than in the evening, they will be dollars ahead.

ICE-CREAM IDEAS

Rick and Peggy George of Garnet, N.C., keep food in their motel rooms during the Feast to save dollars and time. "While many motorists prohibit cooking in the rooms, this doesn't have to prevent eating there. In past years, we have had good success keeping an ice chest in our room, which can hold milk, cheese, yogurt, fruit, juices, drinks, butter, jelly, luncheon meats, cold roast and salad fixings.

If you can't manage to make your main meal in the middle of the day rather than in the evening, you will be dollars ahead.

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TIPS FOR TIPPING:

(Continued from page 7) atively cheap in the southern states and snacks, providing food for your children and adult for the trip. We have had been prevented if the person has remained in the car. Safety belts do two things for people who use them. They help avoid collisions by reducing fatigue and keeping the driver in position behind the wheel during emergency-avoidance maneuvers. If there is a collision, lap and shoulder belts will reduce the severity of any injuries and considerably improve your chances of surviving.

Ponents to your safety belts should be automatic as turning on the ignition. If it's done every time you get behind the wheel, it will soon be a habit.

Race-car drivers always wear safety belts. They've figured out the odds and they enjoy living. How about you?

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AVOID RISK OF TRAVEL

TRAVEL LOCK
Carry to use anywhere. Fits most doorknobs, drawers, cabinets.

Avoid lock vehicles parked on a chair or other similar device while you sleep. There are a variety of handy little metal devices available from hardware stores, discount centers and mail-order houses designed to prevent entry into your room even with a key. The device you pay about $1 and is effective and easy to operate. However, they only work from inside the room. You may well remove valuables from the room when it is unoccupied.

CAR THEFT UP

A contribution from a man in Illinois sums up, "the best route to travel when finished, I felt best healthwise."

You can save your expensive vehi-

A contribution from a man in Illinois sums up the best route to travel was for economical and enjoyable Feast of Tabernacles. "There were, indeed, to be the best of my recollection, only two Feasts out of seven when I did not eat too much or exercise too little. Those were the two Feasts, when finished, I felt best healthwise."

"My tip for economy would be eat instead of thinking of it as highly secure locations. Never leave cash or credit cards in a hotel or motel room even for a minute. Ask yourself who has or may have a key to your motel room. The answer is obvious: maid service and anyone who has stayed in the room in the past.

CAMP SECURE

It certainly would be a disaster if you arrive at camp, everything in order and take the family sight-seeing, you return to find that some thief with a hitch has backed up to your expensive camper or boat trailer and towed it away. Have the attendant show you the corner of your charge ticket. When you sign the ticket and drive off, he places a number to the left side of the eight, puts the ticket in the cash drawer and types your drivers license number. A s a consumer, it is not commodi-

The best protection against auto fraud is preparation. Do not attempt a prolonged trip without first having the vehicle checked out by a reputable mechanic. Of course, the best preparation is not foolproof, and sometimes the unexpected occurs in spite of all we do to prepare for the trip.

When on the road and you experience a breakdown or your car is being serviced, stay with your car.

Have the attendant show you the faulty part as it is removed from the vehicle. And be as sure as possible that the mechanic knows who he is talking about. The safest way to protect yourself is by going through reputable dealers. Some are seeking out neighborhood garages and service stations.

Learn about your own car. Learn how to check the oil, water, battery, fuel, transmission fluids and your own safety equipment will lead you to avoid the most common emergencies by unscrupulous station attendants.

CHECK IT OUT

SAFE, WATCH YOUR HEALTH

Be sure when finishing with the bags, roll them up, tie them in knots and discard them in the garbage can.

Never store combustible fluids in your living quarters or your car and keep them out of the reach of children. Also light your lanterns outside your tent, adjust them and then take them inside.

What if you use a gas stove built into the flames? First, do not take the contents out but collapse the tent after all people are safely outside. Just lose the guy (stay) ropes and let the tent fall. When the tent is on the ground it is much easier to put out the flames.

If, in spite of all precautions, one does get burned, a fast, clean and competent method of treatment is to immerse or plunge the burned area into cold or even ice water. This relieves the pain immediately and diminishes the eventual burn damage. The treated area may have to be kept under water for a period of 30 minutes to several hours. The area can then be bandaged or, preferably, if it can be kept clean, left open to the air. Following this, an ointment or emollient may be applied two or three times daily until healing has taken place.

CARDS ARE CASH

The loss of money is a real blow to anyone's pocket, yet each year many people find out too late that they should have carried traveler's checks. Cash is not the only problem. Credit card theft has become a lucrative criminal venture. Most people treat their credit cards like so much plastic when in fact they should be treated like cash. After all, most Master Charge and Visa credit cards will pur-

Trouble is vehicular traffic - cars, motorcycles, bicycles - and failure to observe commonsense rules that you may prevent the illness from becoming more serious.

• If your child becomes ill with fever or some infectious or contagious disease such as chicken pox, measles or a sore throat, call your doctor or a pharmacist at once. Isolate the child from others and rest as soon as possible.

In doing this for your loved one, you may prevent the illness from becoming more serious.

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give the occupant a pass. Keep in mind that 25 per­
cent of all residents have burglaries occur through doors that are unlocked or locked with faulty hardware. Furthermore, 18 per­
cent of these illegal entries are through unlocked windows. Before you leave for vacation be sure all windows are securely locked and all exterior doors are properly equipped with deadbolts.

You will be less likely to be­

come victimized if you mark your valuable property, such as TVs, stereo, power tools, with your driver's license number. As a follow-up to marking your property, most law enforcement agencies will supply you with window decals. The decal tells the would-be thief that your property is marked.

Keep strawberry trimmed away from your windows so that anyone looking around your home can be seen by an observer neighbor.

Maintain adequate lighting near front and back door.

Ask your neighbors to call the police or sheriff's department any­
	
time they see something suspicious around your home. Neighborhood cooperation is a two-way street. They can watch your property while you are away and you can do the same for them when they are away.

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It certainly would be a disaster if you arrive at camp, everything in order and take the family sight-seeing, you return to find that some thief with a hitch has backed up to your expensive camper or boat trailer and towed it away. Camp traffic occurs more often than you might think. With millions of dollars worth of motor and equipment setting idle and unwanted is it little wonder that some thefts have occurred.

You can save your expensive vehi­

cules by purchasing a reasonably priced locking device especially made for travel trailer security. By installing the locking unit in the hitch cup, you prevent the trailer from being connected to an unauthorized tow vehicle. You can have a lot of camper security for under $15.

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The Feast of Tabernacles

We in the Church probably have more money at our disposal at the Feast of Tabernacles to spend on ourselves and our families than any other time of the year. So some are beginning to look at the Feast of Tabernacles as a vacation primarily, rather than realizing its basic purpose.

The Feast of Tabernacles has a particular purpose for us.

Instituted by God

Let's turn back to Exodus 19 where God began preparing the people for the Ten Commandments. Beginning in verse 10: "And the Lord said unto Moses, Go to the people and consecrate them today and tomorrow, and let them wash their garments (this was for something significant), and be ready by the third day, for on the third day the Lord will come down on Mount Sinai in the sight of all the people, whoever touches the mountain shall be put to death" (RSV). And he warned them again in verse 15, "... Be ready by the third day." And in verse 16, "... the morning of the third day there were thunderings and lightnings, and a thick cloud upon the mountain, and a very loud trumpet blast, so that all the people who were in the camp trembled."

God was getting their attention. He emphasized with His presence the importance of what He was going to give to the children of Israel.

Of course He gave them the Ten Commandments, but He had a lot more to add, which they were unwilling at that time to receive (Exodus 20:18-19). This additional knowledge He had to give to Moses to pass on.

God mentions the annual festival seasons in Exodus 23:14-16: "Three times [or three seasons] in the year you shall keep a feast to me. You shall keep the feast of unleavened bread ... the feast of harvest [or Pentecost], of the first fruits of your labor ... the feast of ingathering at the end of the year, when you gather in all out from the field the fruit of your labor." And of course they were commanded eventually to go up to Jerusalem, to set aside 10 percent of their income, and, if necessary, if the way was too far, to turn that produce into money to use for the Feast of Tabernacles at the place where God had set His name.

And "... three times in the year shall all your males appear before the Lord." God through Moses taught the children of Israel something new, something significant, something that has a great deal of meaning for you and me, that goes way beyond the ability to spend 10 percent of our incomes and to have more physically at the Feast of Tabernacles. It has everything to do with our stability as a Church and it has everything to do with our stability as individuals.

Importance of the feast

The Feast of Tabernacles is not just a vacation. If the Feast falls into that kind of mold in your mind, shake yourselves out of it because you're not going to get the benefit from the Feast that God intends you to have.

Those people of the nation of Israel did not understand God's plan at all. For Israel itself did not keep the Feast of Tabernacles or any of the annual Holy Days for very long. And that accounted for a mood of sinfulness in the Church of God, of our understanding of God's purpose for man kind.

Apart from these annual Sabbath days, you and I can not understand God's plan. We wouldn't have anything to tag various prophecies to. But we're able to look at the annual Holy Days and renew them, revive them and relive them year after year after year and come to understand in greater detail, and individually to greater depth, the reason we're here, the purpose of life and the plan of God. We ought to be seeking as individuals and families to understand this segment of God's plan in our days. And then in verses 23-25, Atonement, the Feast of Tabernacles and the Last Great Day.

Changed by Jeroboam

In 1 Kings 11:26 we find that Jeroboam, the son of Nebat, Solomon's servant, lifted up his face against the king. And in verse 31, the prophet Ahijah said to Jeroboam, "Take for yourself ten pieces; for thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, Behold, I am about to rend the kingdom from the hand of Solomon and will give you ten tribes." So here we are at the time of the division between Judah and Israel.

Jeroboam, new leader of the 10 tribes of Israel, began to worry about his people coming back to Jerusalem to the Feast of Tabernacles. He feared that if they obeyed God's commands concerning the annual festivals they would return to Jerusalem again, and perhaps he would lose his rulership.

Instead of looking to God and depending upon Him to satisfy the nation's rulership, he began to look at it physically and carnally and to try to devise some way by which he could at least in figure keep the laws of God, but keep people from going to Jerusalem.

In chapter 12, beginning in verse 28: "So the king took counsel [about what he could do concerning the Feast in Jerusalem] and chose certain sailers of gold."

And He said to the people, You have gone up to Jerusalem long enough. Behold your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt. And this thing became a national sin, for the people went to the one at Bethel and to the other as far as Dan.

And Jeroboam appointed a feast on the fifteenth day of the eighth month like the feast that was in Judah in the seventh month.

Now this didn't mean that the nation of Israel was still keeping God's Festival, but at a different time. The seventh month was the time designated by God. You can't change the day and expect to come up with the same result. Never after this to my knowledge have 't keep the Feast of Tabernacles to God.

But Judah kept those days, and there were periods of restoration in Judah. They still have a remnant of it. And all the people gathered as one man into the square at Jerusalem on the first day of the seventh month, "the Feast of Trumpets." And when the seventh month had come, the people bowed their heads and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground.

And the temple was there but they hadn't done anything more. They had lost interest in the work they had been commissioned to do, which God had opened the door for them to do, because the people vacillated, weren't close to God.

They prospered only when they had strong spiritual leaders (such as Haggai and Zechariah) for a decade or two. Nehemiah preached to encourage them. And the wall was built in just 52 days (Nehemiah 6:15).

Feasts kept by Nehemiah

And when the seventh month had come, the children of Israel [the people of Judah were now beginning to call themselves Israel] were in their towns. And all the people gathered as one man into the square before the Water Gate; and they told Ezra the scribe to bring the book of the law of Moses which the Lord had given to Israel (Nehemiah 7:73; 8:1).

Now you don't find this kind of sudden wholehearted spiritual turnaround without teaching, admonition, encouragement and example. It was caused by Ezra and Nehemiah. Verse 2: "And Ezra the priest brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding, on the first day of the seventh month," the Feast of Trumpets.

And he read from it facing the square of the Work's Festival Department. (See THE FEAST, page 111)
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"And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, This day the Feast of Trumpets is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn, or weep. For all the people when they heard the words of the law a great assembly was made of some of these people was the first time they went — they went. "Then he said to them at Ashkelon [in the fall festival season], Go your way, eat the fat [not the actual fat, but the meat from fat animals] and drink sweet wine and send portions to him for whom nothing is prepared; "We do the same thing. We have extra second portions for people who have nothing prepared because of some problem come to be holy to our Lord; and do not grieve, for the joy of the Lord is your strength" (verse 10).

And so on the second day they continued to read, Nehemiah 8:14. And they found it written in the law that the Lord had commanded by Moses that the people of Israel should dwell in booths during the Feast of the seventh month. And they did it. One of the greatest Feasts of Tabernacles in the history of Israel or Judah.

For from the days of Joshua the son of Nun [all the way back to the entrance into the promised land under Joshua] to that day the people of Israel had not done so. And there was very great rejoicing (verse 17). "And day by day, from the first day to the last day — and we do the same thing — services every day, though some people think we should just go to services on the annual Holy Days and fast and feast during the rest of the time with 10 percent of our income.

The purpose for the Feast is the services, the movement, and fellowship and lots of fun, or the evening with great gladness. Put those services first. Don't stay up so late that you wake up the next morning too tired to get up and go. ' "... They kept the feast [how it is started] seven days. "The Feast of Tabernacles is a seven-day Feast. "For on the last day was a solemn assembly, according to the ordinance" (verse 18). And we do exactly what Ezra and Nehemiah did, now so many hundreds of years ago.

20th-century Feast

Now turn back to Revelation 3 to the era of the Church. Notice in verse 8 what characterizes this, our period of time. "I know your works [there are works for us to do]. Behold I have set before you an open door, which no one is able to shut. There are no obstacles, but we are able to overcome them by God's Spirit in us, and the fact that regardless of what the opposition is, God will prepare the way or open the door and enable us to do what is to be done.

This year the Feast of Tabernacles will be observed at over 70 Festival sites in England, France, Germany, and Spain. Also this year for the first time, Mr. Armstrong is going to be speaking via 16-mm film at every Festival site on earth. It's being translated into English into German, French and Spanish, so for the first time he will speak to virtually all of the people in the Worldwide Church of God.

God says, "I know that you have but little power." Sure, so did Ezra and Nehemiah individuals. So did Zechariah, so did Haggai and Zechariah. But they had God's blessings because they God's laws, and they kept their festivals. "And yet you have kept my word and did not deny my name."
The Plain Truth About HEALING

Especially when we are so well aware of the progress made by the medical profession in our day.

Forty-five years ago I spoke of the use of medicines and drugs as poisons. Even 32 years ago, and only booklet the Church had, until now, paid much, on healing, spoke of it as prescribing an op- posite poison to counteract the poison in the body. That booklet was never actually written. Un- like all other its booklets it was transcribed from the recording of an ad-libbed broadcast. I said the medical arithmetic was that one poison plus one more poison equals no poison, and I remarked that second-grade arithmetic ought to know that one plus one does not equal zero.

In the early days of Ambas- sador College in the late '40's, Dr. Ralph E. Merrill, M.D., and a pioneer member of the Church, Paustenau, said, “We doctors have been kept so busy treating those sick we haven’t got around to much research into diet and other causes of ill- ness.” But for the past 15 or 20 years the medical people have made considerable progress in this area.

Further, it is true that today most doctors prescribe medicines that are NOT poisons but rather designed to help nature do its own healing.

However NO MEDICINE — NO DOCTOR — CAN HEAL! I have never heard a medical doctor deny that statement. They don’t claim to heal.

I am not saying that God’s people should trust in doctors instead of relying on God and His promises. I shall have more to say about those promises later before closing this booklet.

UNDERSTANDING

At this point we need to clear our understanding on two vital points.

1. God created man in His own image — after His own likeness. Man is wholly material flesh — yet there is a spirit in formless en- tity in each man. Man was made to have a special relationship with God. Man’s potential is to be born into the body of Christ. (Proverbs 9:10.)

Consequently if God made man after His own kind — not after the dumb animal kind — God endowed man with near- creative powers. In the arena of designing and making out of already existing materials, man does have creative ability. At the tower of Babel God said, “... this are reasons why man began to do; and no longer will everything be re- strained from them, which they have imagined to do” (Genesis 11:5, 6). Therefore, to put the brakes on man’s misguided civilizational development, God commanded the language.

Thereafter there was little progress in man’s complicated educational and industrial de- velopment until after the inven- tion of printing. Even then it took time for dissemination of knowl- edge by the printed word until man began to narrow the lan- guage. This is why the Bible was not used to spread the Christian way of life until the 15th century.

But the plain truth is that the first stage — and the last two or three decades.

I must remember this development of mankind. In the first 125 years — and technical knowl- edge and industrial development is also the same. To this day the general public as He was conceived of, created man, with all his abilities. In His vision of the man of God or God’s people, with all his creative ability.

We can take our choice.

But in the even of conversion of one called of God in the present age, that conversion is brought about by the Holy Spirit. First, upon being called of God, granted real repentance and being con- sistent by Him, and having faith in Christ, with baptism, we are promised the gift of the Holy Spirit. There is a definite time when one receives God’s Holy Spirit. But only John has been given the gift by the Spirit.

All other humans do receive initial spiritual gifts. Yet all other humans’ spiritual gifts are conditioned to the degree of obeying God. But, whatever extent we overcome the self and Satan-injected attitude and receive God’s love, faith, obedience — and in prayer and study.

I am aware that God gave His Church for this development is primarily our part in loyally standing behind Christ’s apostles in our part in supporting the great commission. In fact that principle is the basis of calling us to a conversion instead of after Christ comes to rule and reign.

Means of spiritual growth

But another important means God gave His people of time for spiritual growth is relating on him and his promises for healing.

Let’s help you understand. True, God does for us that which we cannot do for ourselves. True, God is the great doer for us — for ourselves, doctors, medicines or knives.

Do not misunderstand. Doctor can be a real help — be- cause they have specialised in learning many things humans can do. A principle for “Lest ye be deceived” to child delivery and binding and setting a broken arm or leg.

Today doctors can do so many other things possible for a human to do short of actual healing.

But the plain fact is that two conditions to miraculous healing by God are obedience and faith. By the requirement of con- dition and therefore growth in, obedience and faith.

Jesus said, “... whatsoever ye ask in my name, that will I do (a promise), that the Father may be glorified in the Son” (John 14:13).

But my father Died

Finally, most a important mat- ter on the subject of faith.

What if one relies on God for healing and lives? I’ve heard so many questions that tend to de- jure doubt of faith that I want now finally to answer that doubt (gall 15:1).

My conversion occurred in the spring of 1927. I first learned about healing in August of 1927

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The Plain Truth About HEALING

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— through the simple faith and heal-
ing of my wife. I was learning rapidly in those days to trust God.

In the spring of 1933 I was visiting my father on his farm near Oregon City, Ore. A crowd ring-
ing around sun-downdown my father told me he had repented and wanted Christ's salvation. I was to baptize him next morning.

My father had been a solid church member and he lived a fine life in a respected Protestant denomination. He was what everyone considered a good man. He had a sure faith in God, a happy, sunny dis-

But he had no little voice to pray to. That night he sang out with gleaming eyes and joyful voice, the old hymn, "Praise Him, Mrs. Lorna Armstrong." Then suddenly, a STROKE occurred. He had been ordained in 1931—3½ years after conversion. I answered my call to preach and my father, I BELIEVED! He died.

I continued praying for him through the night and next morning at 9:40 next morning, he died!

That was my first experience in seeing one anointed and prayed over for healing die. Several astonishing healings had resulted from my anointing and praying. I cannot say I was not shaken — and I can't say how others may be in such a case. But it did not destroy my faith! I prayed, asking God to give me HIS UNDERSTANDING!

I appealed to the 33 faith chapters in the Bible — Hebrews X — and I prayerfully studied. There I found the answer and in my heart I assailed the ASSURANCE — the EVIDENCE of what is not seen! Faith precedes the requested result. And faith and the assurance God gives us until the petition is answered. Faith is BELIEVING what GOD SAYS!

Adam did not believe what God told him face to face. Faith is relying on the veracity of God trusting that what God has promised He will perform. No promise made by God is void. A promise I have often relied on in is do not have to reason with God about it. That’s what is not seen!

By Val Aspens

The time is now for multiple thousands of God’s people in the world to be boldly preparing in eager anticipation for an unusual spiritual high — God’s Feast of Tabernacles. We’re prepping finan-

cially, as we put together the appropriate clothing for the family, the necessary tools and equipment. And this assures that God’s people will know the time is now for the Feast of Tabernacles to begin. (Leviticus 23:43.)

But I am also sure that many have not prepared spiritually for the Feast of Tabernacles. It is a time to dedicate our life to Him and give to the Lord in return for all that He has done for us. Let us be prepared to give all that He has done for us in return.

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God's annual Feast days needed

The true message — the good news of the coming Kingdom, the great destiny and purpose for man — and have submitted your life to Christ, then you have your place in the "pearl of great price." And, before you is a crown of life! A crown that coronates you as one in God's family. No matter how many Fengs we have attended, no matter how long and weary has been your road, let us look ahead now to this Feast of Tabernacles, the harvest and renewed outlook and plan to make the second or maybe the third effort.

Mr. Armstrong has already been defeated by his brethren. And, remember, when the family man votes for the other one where the Body is. You're there where Christ's spirit dwells.

Let's make a Feast a "gathering of the eagles."

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**FEAST TIME**

Jim set down supper dishes for Major and Tobedyguo. The large black car was waiting and began to eat with gusto, but Major sniffed at his dish and walked away. The bagel was in a bad attitude.

In the early day the Wilson family talked about going to the Feast. Major's food and water. Not only that, we do. "But he'll starve there alone," Jim said. 

"No, we can't take Major to the Feast," Jim replied. "We can't take our cat either. Mrs. Higgins will feed both Major and Tobedyguo if we ask her."

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**FORUM WITH STANLEY R. RADER (Continued from page 4)**

weeks, a month or a year. Generally, we've been rather satisfied that we try to operate within budget-wise.

That is, we try to match our resources from all areas with our expenditures. We often find in matching those resources with our department needs that the budgeted expenses exceed the amount of income that we have available. Well, we're not like the United States government.

We just simply can't go out and scramble for money. What we have to do then is go back to the departments, ask them to bring the budget around so that we don't have to go out and borrow vast sums, which means to mortgage our future.

And that's what we're in the process of doing. But I believe there's going to be any retrenchment of any significance in any area.

Mr. Armstrong has just written a powerful message for the Pastor's Report, which unfortunately you don't all share. I'll have to remind him of that. But the Pastor's Report last week stated that we're going to make The Plain Truth magazine a publisher of Mr. Armstrong's section in this issue.

Due to the length of the question-and-answer session with employees and the inclusion of the "Feast Adviser" section in this issue, we are not able to publish all of Mr. Rader's comments at this time but will continue them in our Oct. 3 issue.

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**STORY FOR YOUNG READERS**

By Shirley King

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**FEAST ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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**THE GOOD NEWS**

Monday, Sept. 25, 1978

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**ATLETIC ALLIANCE**

Attention singers at the St. Petersburg, Fla., Feast Senior Citizens Center. The Federal government has invited all of you to come and see why. Also on Oct. 18, 1978, at 9:30 p.m., there will be a live band, hors d'oeuvres, and other activities. Send name, address, phone number, and fee to: "Pearl of Great Price," Atletic Alliance, P.O. Box 75901, St. Petersburg, Fla., 33775.
Tom Simonton, a member of the Oklahoma City, Okla., church, went to Big Sandy, Tex., last year for his first Feast of Tabernacles. After the Feast Mr. Simonton decided to let GN readers know how a first Feast looks through the eye of a cartoonist.
NEWS OF PEOPLE, PLACES & EVENTS IN THE WORLDWIDE CHURCH OF GOD

PASADENA — Following is a list released by the Festival Department of the Festival ministers' speaking schedules for the 1978 Feast of Tabernacles sites in the United States as well as a few international sites and the pastoral administration seminars.

Herbert W. Armstrong will speak in St. Petersburg, Fla., Big Sandy, Tex., and Tuscon, Ariz.; Wayne Cole at Tucson, Big Sandy, St. Petersburg and Savannah, Ga.; Raymond McNair at Wisconsin Dells, Wis.; Lake of the Ozarks, Mo., and Big Sandy; Roderick Meredith at Sarasota Springs, N.Y.; Norfolk, Va., Savannah and St. Petersburg.

Leslie McCullough will speak at Seattle, Wash., and Saratoga Springs; Dean Blackwell at Big Sandy, Lake of the Ozarks and Wisconsin Dells; Herman Hoeck at Pasadena and Fresno. Calif.; Ronald Kelly at Regina, Sask., Calgary, Alta., Saratoga Springs and Fresno; Steve Martin at Norfork and Saratoga Springs; Makara at Saratoga Springs, Savannah and Runaway Bay, Jamaica. Robert Rahy will speak at Lake of the Ozarks, Wisconsin Dells, Regina and Pasadena; Sherwin McMichael at Fresno, Seattle, Saratoga Springs and Norfolk, Va.; David Ambler at Savannah and Lake of the Ozarks; and Leon Walker at Tuscon and Pasadena.

Art Makarow will conduct pastoral administration seminars in Seattle, Lake of the Ozarks, Savannah and Runaway Bay; George Gels in Lake of the Ozarks and Savannah; Georgia in Savannah; Seattle and Fresno; Robert Oberlander in Las Vegas, Nev., and Dale Hampton in Seattle, Lake of the Ozarks and Savannah.

PASADENA — C. Wayne Cole, Raymond McNair and Leslie McCullough traveled to Bricket Wood, England. Aug. 31 to attend a meeting of the board of directors of Ambassador College. According to Mr. Cole, also director of the ministry, the principal purpose of the meeting was to pass a resolution for the sale of the former Ambassador College campus at Bricket Wood. Three United States board members must be present before any official board action.

It appears the campus will be sold for a relatively good price,” Mr. Cole says. "If this is God's will — and we believe it is — then we trust He will give His continued blessing to the pending transaction."

Mr. Cole and Mr. McNair stayed over the weekend to speak to the Bricket Wood and London congregations, respectively, on the Sabbath, and to meet Sept. 3 with British-area ministers. Bram de Lab, director of the Work in the Netherlands; Martin Bode, business manager of the Rome Office; and George Kovansis from Athens, Greece, were also present, according to Mr. Cole. Mr. Kovansis came to the conference to further acquaint Frank Brown, director of the Work in Great Britain and Mr. Cole with information about the potential for a future Work in Greece.

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PASADENA — Dean C. Blackwell, pastor of the Ahliven; Midland and San Angelo, Tex.; church, has been named area coordinator in the Big Sandy, Tex., region according to C. Wayne Cole, director of the ministry, in the Pastor's Report, Sept. 11. Mr. Blackwell will replace Sherwin McMichael, director of the Festival Department.

\[ \text{DEAN BLACKWELL} \]

Dean Blackwell, along with his wife Beverly, will be moving to headquarters to continue to direct the Festival Department, which will be relocated here around the end of the year. Mr. Blackwell is a senior pastor in the Church of Evangelist rank. He has served since his ordination in the mid-'50s as a Church pastor, a district superintend and an instructor at Ambassador College. Mr. Blackwell and his wife Maxine have four children, three daughters and one son.

"He is," says Mr. Cole of Mr. Blackwell, "a dedicated and loyal minister of God's Church, fully acquiesced with his doctrines and has always been very energetic in fulfilling whatever responsibilities he has been given."

BOMBAY — The church in India grew Aug. 12 when six persons, ages ranging from 23 to 73, were baptized in the Olympic swimming pool here, according to Joseph D'Costa, a member of the Bombay church. After the baptisms by Spannolding Kalusangam, pastor of the church, a party was held for all church members.

A Spokesman Club has been formed here as the result of a suggestion taken seriously from Dean Wilson, director of the Australian and Asian Work.

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PASADENA — Jack Martin, former publishing director for Quest magazine, will become staff assistant to Stanley Rader, treasurer and general counsel. The announcement was made at the Festival Department Oct. 4 in a staff media-coordinating-team meeting.

\[ \text{PASADENA — Allen Man­} \]


tefus, 43, a elder in God's Church and former faculty member at the Big Sandy, Tex.; campus of Ambassador College, is listed in critical condition for there at the time. (Mr. Boyce is now on the sabbatical study program here :) Mr. Boyce coordinated the work of commercial artists Herb Corne, Don Hart and Tom Zetti; with ideas provided by Diane Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Her­ridge, Mr. and Mrs. Ron Kennedy and daughter Margo along with Mr. Boyce and his Lady-in-waiting.

"We wanted to make the Feast fun for the children and reinforce the Feast days as Mr. [Herbert] Armstrong wanted them enforced," said Mr. Boyce. "We hope we have added a little happiness to each of our young friends."

\[ \text{LETTERS TO THE EDITOR} \]

A new look

I know that you on the right track and feel more will draw closer to God. I am striving for a closer relationship with Him. You all have my prayers.

Lydia Day

Blieford, Va.

\[ \text{Letters to the Editor} \]

The following letter was received by Herbert W. Armstrong as a result of the Ambassador International Cultural Foundation's sponsorship of the premiere of the movie "The Wild Geese," see photo on this page. The letter was written by the Duchess of Kent's Lady-in-waiting.

The Duchess of Kent has asked me to write and say how much she appreciated the fact that you have done a very great amount for the Star Organization for Spina Bifida through your leadership and hospitality after the premiere of "The Wild Geese," which Her Royal Highness recently attended.

As patron of the Spina Bifida Society, the Duchess felt it was an enormous contribution you have made towards this very worthwhile cause, and she particularly wanted to know that your efforts are greatly appreciated.

Lady-in-waiting to the Duchess of Kent

As announced in the Aug. 14 Good News, the pen­pal project has been dis­continued. All pen-pal letters re­ceived at the GM office as of this issue have been for­warded, but we will not be able to forward or return any pen-pal responses post­marked Sept. 25, 1978, or later.