WHERE is the one and only true Church today — the Church founded by Jesus Christ in A.D. 31? Seven major eye-opening proofs identify unmistakably the proclamation of that only true Church!

By Herbert W. Armstrong

**SEVEN PROOFS OF THE TRUE CHURCH**

The first four proofs of the true Church appeared in the Nov. 20 Good News. This installment continues with Proof No. 5.

**PROOF NO. 5**

**THE TRUE GOSPEL**

Couched anything sound more unbelievable? To say the true Gospel of Jesus Christ was not proclaimed to the world during 19 whole centuries—from the middle of the first century until the middle of the 20th—may sound preposterous! Incredible! But true!

The world has heard much preaching about Jesus Christ as a person. That is well—but the Gospel of Christ is the message Christ proclaimed and taught.

Jesus Himself said that many would come in His name—claiming to represent Him—saying that He, Jesus, is the Christ. But in the middle of the first century and the many (Matthew 24:4-5).

Good news proclaimed

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The word gospel means "good news." Jesus brought the good news of the world's only and sure hope! And I do not mean an ethereal, spiritualized unreal hope. He brought the good news of a coming entirely new and real world. A time when the earth will be filled with peace, happiness, joy and eternal salvation!

God's one true Church is virtually alone in proclaiming that good news today!

Jesus was the world's first newscaster—a forecaster, with news for the future—of our generation near the end of the 20th century—when all the world's problems shall be solved, and its evils eradicated! He taught His apostles from the fall of A.D. 27 to the spring of A.D. 31. Yet by about A.D. 53 to 58, that good news of the world's only hope had been suppressed by powerful world forces.

True Gospel Suppressed!

Was what that Gospel message? Of one world and that identifies God's true Church in our time is the fact that as Jesus foretold, His Church would, at this crisis end time, be proclaiming that same Gospel at last!

But first, notice what was written in the book of Galatians around A.D. 53 to 58 to the churches in Galatia:

"I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel: Which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and will pervert the gospel of Christ" (Galatians 1:6-7).

"Again, For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and wickedness of men who by their wickedness suppress the truth" (Romans 1:18, Revised Standard Version).

No wonder we read of "...the Devil, and Satan, which deceive the whole world" (Revelation 12:9).

Gospel prophesied

The prophet Malachi lived among the Jewish colony that had been sent to Jerusalem out of the captivity in the ancient lands of Babylon and Medio-Persia to build the second temple. Malachi wrote about a generation after Zerubabbel, Ezra and Nehemiah. He wrote about 397 B.C.

It is important, because his writings reached only a small portion of Judah and none of Israel (the "lost" 10 tribes). Yet Malachi's prophecy is addressed to Israel, not the minimal Jewish colony among whom he lived. It never reached Israel of those days—hence it is a prophecy for Israel (not Judah or the Israelites of today). IT IS A NOW BOOK!

The prophet Malachi foretold the proclamation of the Gospel, saying, "...the Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple, even the messenger of the Covenant ..." (Malachi 3:1).

Jesus Christ was that Messenger of the new covenant, when the Bible is replete with Scriptures referring to the two appearances of Christ on earth—but verses 2 to 6 definitely refer to His yet-future-second coming.

Yet, he did refer also (in verse 3.c) to Christ's first coming, because this prophecy is quoted in Mark 1:1-2: "The beginning of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God; as it is written in the prophets, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee" (Mark 1:1-2).

Actually, this latter statement applies to both Jesus appearing more than 1,900 years ago and to preparing the way before His second coming in power and glory, as we now see. That is, He is now being prepared from within the one true Church of God! That is another evidence of His identity!

However, in Mark 1, the account continues describing John the Baptist preparing the way before His first appearing, then verses 14-15: "Now after that John was put in prison, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God, and saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent ye, and believe the gospel" (emphasis added).

Gospel of the coming kingdom

The Gospel Jesus brought from God, proclaimed and taught. His apostles was the prophetic message of the coming kingdom of God.

Jesus went all over the Holy Land and teaching this same Gospel. "And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel, setting at nought the ordinances of Moses" (Matthew 4:23).

He taught in parables about the kingdom of God. Jesus said, "... Unto what is the kingdom of God like?...it is like a grain of mustard seed..." (Luke 13:18-19).

Actually Malachi here is referring to the two appearances of Christ on earth—"unto you" (Malachi 1:2). Again, "There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when ye shall see Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, and all the prophets, in the kingdom of God, and you yourselves thrust out" (Luke 13:28).

Jesus sent His disciples out to proclaim the kingdom. "And he sent them to the kingdom of God, and to heal the sick" (Luke 9:2).

He sent another 70 disciples out on a special mission: "The Lord appointed other seventy also, and sent them two and two into every city and place, wherein he himself would come.." And he said unto them, "...heal the sick that are therein, and say unto them, The kingdom of God is come nigh unto you" (Luke 10:1-9).

After His resurrection "...unto the apostles whom he had chosen... being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to [concerning] the kingdom of God" (Acts 1:3-2).

The apostles proclaimed the Gospel of the kingdom of God. Philip, who became an evangelist, proclaimed it, "But when they believed, they were baptized into the name of the Lord Jesus, and they gave many evidences of the kingdom of God" (Acts 8:12).

Gospel proclaimed to Gentiles

The apostle Paul proclaimed the Kingdom of God to the Gentiles. "And now, behold, I know that ye all, among whom I have gone preaching the kingdom of God..." (Acts 20:21).


To the Corinthian church Paul wrote, "But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel, which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed" (Galatians 1:8). And in verse 9 it was made a double sureance to preach any other Gospel!

Yet that Gospel was suppressed about or just past the middle of the first century and was not again proclaimed to the world until 1953 — 19 centuries later—and then by the present living generation of that same one and only true original Church of God established by Jesus Christ A.D. 31!

The proclaiming of that true Gospel was called by Paul "...the one and only true Church of God TODAY!"

**What is the Kingdom of God?**

It "traditional Christianity" has not proclaimed that Gospel—when the Bible is replete with passages showing that was the Gospel Jesus preached, how do they explain ignoring it? The Roman Catholic church simply claims that their church is the Kingdom of God. It is not generally realized that the pope's title, "Vicar of Christ," means, literally, "in place of Christ." Not one merely serving Christ but one who has REPLACED Christ! The Kingdom of God was already here! The papacy had come, in place of Christ, to rule the nations for 1,000 years. And the papacy did rule the "Holy Roman Empire" of Europe 1,260 years — A.D. 554 to 1814! But the popes and all Catholics are "false Christ, false Messias, and flesh and blood cannot inherit or enter into the Kingdom of God!"

Many Protestant churches have simply designated the Kingdom of God as "the church" in general, not necessarily their particular denomination.

Others have spoken of the..."
Europe’s "spirit of Charlemagne"

PASADENA — Nearly 21 years ago, on Jan. 1, 1958, the European Economic Community (EEC) was officially launched, tying together the fortresses of continental Europe’s most important and economically advanced powers — West Germany, France, Italy and the Benelux nations. On another New Year’s Day, this time in 1973, the British Isles straddled nine member states with the addition of Great Britain, Ireland and Denmark.

Jan. 1, 1973, will mark another milestone in the history of European integration, an indicator, on that day the new European Monetary System (EMS), pushed heavily by the German and French, will be put into operation. The initial and crucial currency unit of any such EMS scheme is expected at the next Common Market summit conference in early December.

Enter the ECU

The details of the ESM were covered in the September-October issue of The Plain Truth. It entails keeping the various national currencies tied together like a set of scales in a kind of "super-market" arrangement. In this way, the ECU, a pool of gold and national currency reserves (including Euro-dollar deposits), will be worth $32 billion. The sheer size of the fund is not so much a new "operating capital" but a tool for international diplomacy. The ECU, West Germany’s weekly newsmagazine, Der Spiegel, notes the "monetary revolution" and adds: "Most of the member states have surrendered their individual sovereignty and, what’s more, the ECU is expected to do more than simply stabilize world currencies. It is expected to play a major role in world politics in these tests of power."

The system of the core will be a new "European currency unit" (ECU). The ECU will be translated into existing currencies at fixed rates. The ECU should be useful as a "crisis" currency, the Der Spiegel article concludes.

Who needs a boss?

So who needs a boss? The person that can’t bosses himself (or herself). If a man can’t make himself work, someone must come in and tell him to do it. The man who can’t control his mouth and his own mind (or, for that matter, his own tongue, someone else must speak for him. A group that can’t work together in peace and harmony: Someone must oversee the group members to see that they work right and together. Someone must clean up the mess and answers criticism. The French and the German money men will oversee the entire European currency bloc. The French financial community, and the German financial community, will probably be the leaders in this new "super-market." There are, of course, other "bosses." One is the European central bank. Another is the Bundesbank. But who needs a boss? Do you? Do you judge by the fact that every body has a boss, evidently everybody must have a boss? But how do you suppose the relationship between Christ and the Father is? Do you suppose the Father has exacted standards? New York. Christ (or whatever name the Father has ever had to say, "Now you’ll have to do that over again. That’s not right.")

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**H OW MANY CHURCHES HAVE HEAVEN AT ONE AND THE SAME TIME?**

The dissidents following a man, Garner Ted Armstrong, are now speaking out of both sides of their mouths. They know that God condemns leaving God’s Church and following a man. So, in an effort to take members away from God’s Church, actually three false claims are made:

1) They are spreading the lie that Garner Ted Armstrong is only doing this to take away his father did — FALSELY claiming I left the “Sardis” church to pull away their members and so start a church of my own. The long article & story appearing in The Good News of Dec. 4, 1978, came into being because, following a recent appearance of the Worldwide Church of God’s Church, actually THREE churches appeared in 1973, while in Eugene, Oregon Conference members had a division. I had ordained two elders and two deacons in their local church near the old Jefferson, which I pastored. Half of them, including one elder, Mr. Taylor, and Mr. Helge, refused to meet with them further, though I urged them to remain with the people of God. Meanwhile, about half of all the brethren in the Willamette Valley had remained with Stanberry. They asked me urgently to unite with them after hearing the word of the Salem people who had refused to remain with the Dugger group. For a while I hesitated. But it left only a small membership still with the Dugger division, and I finally agreed to organize them and serve as their pastor — although the Stanberry brethren kept their membership and sent letters to Stanberry, while the Helge family and others, including the Coles, counted their membership with the parent church of the Worldwide Church of God — and Mr. C. Wayne Cole is still with us in the very capable capacity of director of ministerial services.

I continued to pastor the Stanberry group in the Willamette Valley and finally for about a year, I was in Eugene and asked the press for permission to pretend to be a church. We, in the growing Church of God — then Eugene-based — finally had grown to a size where incorporation became a necessity. In no way is Garner Ted doing as his father did, and any claim that he is, is a point-blank lie resorted to, to decrease God’s people and present the Valley as aesiastic. He never takes credit for anything...

2) Again they admit the seven is God’s number of completion — therefore they say Revelation 2 and 3 do NOT make it God’s Church — but recently those two main divisions — Stanberry, Mo., and Salem, W. Va., I was working with in 1945, 12 years after the present “Philadelphia” era came into being, 1933. Note that in that he concedes the seven churches of Revelation 2 and 3 were separate entities, as well... (See SECOND CHURCH, page 9).
Seven Proofs of the True Church

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Kingdom of God as an eternal something (or nothing) "set up in men's hearts." But none of those square with the teaching of Christ and of Paul about what IS the Kingdom of God.

The prophet Daniel knew

The prophet Daniel, who lived 600 years before Christ, knew that the Kingdom of God was a real kingdom — a government ruling over literal people on the earth.

Jesus Christ brought additional knowledge about it, which the prophet Daniel might not have known. Still, Daniel knew there was going to be a real, literal Kingdom of God on the earth.

Daniel was one of four extra- ordinary, brilliant and brilliant Jewish lads in the Judaic captivity. These four men were stationed in the courtly court of Nebuchadnezzar of the Chaldean Empire, in training for special responsibilities in the Babylonian government. Daniel was a prophet who had been given special understanding of visions and dreams (Daniel 1:17).

Nebuchadnezzar was the first real world ruler. He had conquered a vast empire, including the nationJudah. This king had a dream so impressive it troubled him — moved him to tremendous concern. He demanded that his magicians and wise men tell him both what he had dreamed and what it meant. They could not. They were baffled. Then Daniel was brought before the king.

Daniel disclaimed any human ability to interpret dreams than the Chaldean magicians. "wot?" he said, "there is a god in heaven that revealeth secrets, and maketh known to the king Nebuchadnezzar what shall be in the latter days ..." (Daniel 2:28).

First, God's purpose was to reveal to this world-ruling human king that there is a GOD in heaven — that GOD is SUPREME RULER over all nations, governments and kings ...

This knowledge is another proof of the identity of God's true church!

... Thou, 0 king, art a king of kings. Wilt thou not know that there is a GOD in heaven that revealeth secrets, and maketh known to the king Nebuchadnezzar what shall be in the latter days ...? (Daniel 2:44).

This is the dream! It is the Gospel Christ preached! It is prophetic! It is interpreted for you, and for me today! It is vital that you understand!

Read, in your own Bibles, verses 28 through 35. In his dream, this king had seen a stupendous statue — larger than any image or statue ever built by man — so tremendous it was terrifying, even in a dream. Its head was fine gold, its breast and arms of silver, the belly and thighs of brass, legs of iron, its feet and toes a mixture of iron and clay.

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As the most High Ruler over all. For the heavens, being like this Chaldean king, seem not to think of God as a RULER — as the Supreme Head of GOVERNMENT. The Eternal was revealing Himself through Daniel to Nebuchadnezzar — and through the Bible to you and to me today — as a real, all-powerful, GOVERNING GOD who is to be obeyed!

... It is here speaking of the kings, part of God's created world, and part of brittle clay. This, by connecting the prophecy with Daniel 7 and Revelation 17, is referring to the new UNITED STATES of Europe, which is now forming, out of the European Common Market, before your very eyes! Revelation 17:12 makes plain the detail that shall be a union of 10 KINGS or KINGDOMS that (Revelation 17:8) shall re-

The good news

December 4, 1978

The Good News
The Church was called for a very special purpose, in preparation for the Kingdom of God — a purpose not fully realized from the first century until the present generation.
Depression — low spirits, blue moods, gloominess, dejection, sadness, discouragement, despair, feelings of inadequacy, a generally negative outlook on life — afflicts just about everyone once in a while, at least. I am not a doctor, psychologist or psychiatrist. I will not deal with these problems in a technical way, but if you want to deal with depression as a minister of Jesus Christ, who helps people through their trials. I am going to use layman’s terminology and speak from my experiences. I am going to take material from the classes I have taken and the reading I have done on the subject.

Eight causes of depression
I’d like to discuss eight basic causes of depression; some simple and some complex.

1) Poor eating and sleeping habits. The body needs food and time to repair itself each day. When its basic needs are not met, it doesn’t function properly, and sometimes a listless depression results. This commonly happens to students pressed for time, busied by social activities, exams, and the same also happens to elderly folks and people living alone, because “it’s too much cooking for only one.” Poverty may also prevent an adequate diet and thus cause depression.

2) Reaction to drugs, toxic depression. Most medications and drugs can have side effects of one kind or another, even common medications taken for colds. People need to be cautious and heed competent medical advice rather than attempt to doctor themselves up with all sorts of remedies from the corner drugstore.

3) Significantly different changes in bodily functions. These can open the way for depression. Included are such normal bodily changes as menopause, postnatal recuperation, even the normal menstrual cycle.

4) Repressed anger. There is a right time-and use for anger but there is also a wrong and destructive use. God warns people not to let the sun go down on their anger (Ephesians 4:26). In other words don’t keep anger bottled up inside, carry grudges or let it build up until it begins to tear you up.

5) Grief or loss. This is probably one of the largest causes of depression. An interesting study was done in which Americans were asked to list the personal tragedies they most dread. Here are their answers — 10 leading causes of grief and consequently depression: Loss of a child, death of a spouse, a sudden jail sentence, an unfaithful mate, major financial difficulties, business failure, being fired, a miscarriage, divorce, marital separation. All these are very stressful situations.

6) Self-pity and self guilt. I don’t mean just momentary disappointment after bungling some minor situation or task. I’m talking about those who are always immersed in self-pity over an extended period of time. This kind of self-pity can become a self-feeding negative self-image and a negative or cynical outlook toward the world and life. If everything now is perceived as rotten and evil, depression can begin. The future too seems bleak and discouraging. Of course, the Bible teaches us the opposite, that our future is bright, wonderful, busy, fantastic and assured — if our hope is in God and His plan!

7) Suspicions. When someone is consistently doing something he is wrong, a constant depression is bound to result. Of course, one needs to be careful and ask himself if this standards are realistic. No one attains total perfection in this life. All human sins, and all need to repeat constantly and remain in an attitude of repentance (1 John 1:7-10). But if one doesn’t repent and in weakness slips into major sins continually, then depression and discouragement are apt to follow.

8) Living in a depressing environment, like a slam, or in chronic unemployment, poverty, loneliness. We are all faced with sojourners on the earth, looking to a better Kingdom from heaven and to the time when God establishes His government on earth. We can all have hope of a better life. But there are also things one can do here and now to overcome the depression effects of his surroundings and situation in life.

Elijah’s despondency
How then do we face depression and overcome it? Let’s examine and learn from a remarkable example found in 1 Kings, chapters 18 and 19. This is the story of Elijah. Elijah had built himself up for his confrontation with the false prophets of Baal, and he decisively won the confrontation because God intervened for him, even sending fire from heaven to light the altar and burn up the sacrifice, confirming that Elijah was God’s true servant. Afterwards, Elijah had the prophets of Baal destroyed (1 Kings 18:40).

Here is not only a major miracle by God, but the complete destruction of Baal worship at this time — the wiping out of a major religious effort that had been destructive to God. Talk about success; this was total victory!

Elijah was so “high,” it says in verse 46: “And the hand of the Lord was on Elijah; and he girded up his loins, and ran before Ahab to the entrance of Jezreel.” He had run 20 miles ahead of the horses! Here we have one of those major, once-in-life accomplishments and at the same time total physical and emotional exhaustion.

With that in mind, we find in 1 Kings 19:1-2, “And Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had slain all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezabel sent a messenger unto Elijah, saying, So let the Lord God kill me.” Elijah’s feelings were understandable. He was alone, he was discouraged, and he had been used for a long time. To be looked down upon and said years, he had been a prophet and he was by now 87 years old! It is enough; now 0 And then the next step, God said, “Go, return Lord, take away my life; for I am not better than my fathers” (verse 4). He said to him, “What’s the cause of your problems?”

And he said, “I have been very jealous for the Lord God of hosts: for the children of Israel have forsaken thy covenant, thrown down thine altars, and slain thy prophets with the sword, and I, even I only, am left, and they seek my life, to take it away” (verse 10). We see that Elijah is zeroing in on the one negative aspect of his life. He has temporarily overlooked and forgotten all the good.

Notice that God listens to him. God hears him out. He doesn’t say, “No! Go on, it’s not bad.” No, God did not say depression. People with your Holy Spirit don’t ever have depression. You shouldn’t be depressed. Therefore, don’t be depressed, and walk away. No, God listened so well the man had to say. He let him get it all out.

And then God, in verse 11, said, “Go forth, and stand upon the mount before the Lord, and, behold, the Lord passed by, and a great and strong wind rent the mountains, and broke in pieces the stones before the Lord; but the Lord was not in the wind: and after the wind an earthquake; but the Lord was not in the earthquake: And after the earthquake a fire; but the Lord was not in the fire . . .” God is showing that He controls the power of the wind and the earthquake and the fire.

But after the fire, verses 12-13, “StilI a small voice . . .” A still small voice, a voice that was soft and gentle. God was talking to him very softly. God wrapped his face, his mantle, and went out, and stood in the entering in of the fire. And, behold, there came a voice unto him, and said, What art thou doing, Elijah? I think the small still voice is representative of understanding, compassion, empathy, kindness. Even though God has the power of the universe, He still spoke to Elijah kindly, gently, with understanding. So we have seen the three parts of God’s program to help him through his depression.

The first step: God gave him food, drink and rest. The second step: He let him talk it all out! He cried, He got angry again! I believe that in those first steps is a very good way of helping people to deal with depression. It’s applicable for anybody whether a family member, a friend, whoever it may be.

Elijah gently corrected
Notice that nowhere do you find God “chewing him out.” God did not even contradict his statement when he said, “... I only, am left . . .” You’ll find a little later that God corrected him and said that Elijah wasn’t alone; there were 7,000 others, too. But he didn’t correct him with correction when he wasn’t ready for it. He waited.

(See DEPRESSION, page 7)
Mr. Rader, a couple of questions in regard to the news media and religion at the present time — what's happened to the Peoples Temple? I've been noticing write-ups in the press about people getting involved in checking up on so-called religious organizations. In conjunction with religion at the present time — are the ones who own Channel 52, another one of the networks and possibly shouldn't have been sent out, but why? We talk about long length over the weekend, and we... why wouldn't they do so. So he worked another number, another thing. We know it's the same thing. It's not true that we are trying to set another standard, but just that it seems that it's a... that the job, and there is just no end to it. You know you are not doing the right thing by working hard, but then just doesn't change for the moment seems to be any way of escaping it. Maybe the trip coming up? I find it at least easier to relax, and when I get back I'll see if my blood pressure has gone down.

Could you give an update on the New York trip and the foundation? Yes, but I always have to preempt Mr. Armstrong, and he has just written a beautiful comprehensive letter to the entire Church. I would suggest that you wait to get that letter, because you will get involved with all your questions much better.

There was an article in the Los Angeles Times about Mr. Armstrong might have to appear in this buggy case, and I wondered if there has been any update? Or are we going to appeal to a higher court?

This is another area about which there is a great deal of interest by everyone. Mr. Armstrong and I don't want to have to reveal to everyone what we would say would only further the interest of the world at all the reasons why Mr. G. T. Armstrong has been excluded from the Church. So we are going to fight the matter as vigorously as we can. We are actually spending Church energy. Church funds, to keep ourselves from going into court and being killed; everyone sees the defense in that case wanting to say it, which is the full story about G. T. Armstrong, which we are not going to be going to give further. Mr. [Last name] is working on that. He will continue to work on the case, and I would say that we would probably prevail in the long run.

I understand that there are current plans to do a pilot series on TV that will incorporate “The Plain Truth.” Is that true?

That was mentioned in services a couple of weeks ago when I spoke here in Pasadena. Also there are some excerpts from that in the Pastor's Report for the benefit of the ministers. We are intending to do that to save another television show or program. In addition to Mr. Armstrong's weekly television program, and also the Plain Truth program to television. The Plain Truth is a magazine is bringing its magazine to television... 2020 is an ABC American Broadcasting Co. program, 60 Minutes is a magazine and the like. We have had this idea for some considerable time, in fact, when Peter [name] was first started, several syndicates of renown and one of the networks wanted to know if we would be willing to engage in such an effort for Quest... to take Quest immediately to the television medium. We decided against that because if the television program doesn't work it would have deleterious effect of almost an instant character program. They would have gone after another one quickly. But The Plain Truth is a powerful vehicle. It is the best religious magazine in the world and could be made even better as time goes on. It has no competition; there is no other magazine published in the religious field quite like it. And with all of our efforts in the print medium it is natural to try to bring it to television, because there are simply people who do not care as much as they watch television. You have to use your resources as I'm characterized there: spiritual, human, physical, financial, in such a way as to maximize their use. You must use each medium in a way that reaches the audience and lets them know that you are not like the rest.

We are asking ourselves, what is the thought of this plain truth? What is... what is the thought of this plain truth? What we are thinking of is to have a program that we can put on television that will be so good that we can use it to bring more people to the Church of God. So we are going to fight the matter as vigorously as we can. We are actually spending Church energy. Church funds, to keep ourselves from going into court and being killed; everyone sees the defense in that case wanting to say it, which is the full story about G. T. Armstrong, which we are not going to be giving further. Mr. [Last name] is working on that. He will continue to work on the case, and I would say that we would probably prevail in the long run.

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Toronto teen tops in talent

By Dennis R. Robertson
PASADENA — Talent finalists from around the United States and Canada vie for top honors Sunday, Nov. 26, as the annual 1978 Youth Opportunities United (YOU) National Talent Contest Finals get under way in Pasadena.

Michelle Bridges of Don Mills Ont., sang her way to first place performing a piece she had written and composed entitled “Teach Me to Sing.”

“I wrote the song in September, sang it at the Festival in Toronto and won. I couldn’t believe it,” she said.

Even after the 18-year-old secured the victory in the regional contest, she still had little hopes of winning in Pasadena.

“My brother told me I have a voice like Whitney Houston,” she said. “When I saw the others practicing and displayed how fantastic they were, I wasn’t sure. I had a chance. I was totally shocked when they called my name.”

Michelle won $500, which she plans to use to attend Ambassador Auditorium next year.

The second-place winner was Glenda Nirschl of Merrimack, Kan., who performed Charles T. Griffis’ “Scherezade” as a piano solo. Third place went to guitarist Sherri Means of Seattle, Wash., playing her own arrangement of “Romance” and “Malaguena.”

Twelve finalists got the chance to travel in headquarters after they won their district and regional talent competitions. The regional contests were held in October at the various Festival sites in the United States and Canada.

The contestants performed before a capacity audience at Ambassador Auditorium, which included the five contest judges. Headed by Donald E. Gibbons, a state chairman for California’s Music Teachers’ Association, each of the judges is respected musicians, composers or faculty members with years of experience in their field.

Though the performance began at 7 p.m., the judging took place earlier Sunday afternoon with only the judges present. This was done for two reasons: to keep the competition as fair as possible, giving the judges plenty of time to make their decision, and to keep the length of the evening performance approximate to two hours. The winners were selected by 9 p.m., but no one knew who had won, including the contestants, until after the evening show.

Special guest performers in the show were the 1976 and 1977 national winners, Jennifer Stokes and Robert Taylor, plus 1978 talent winner from Seattle, Wash., playing the drums in the first grade.

The old adage, “If at first you don’t succeed, try, try again,” proved to be sound advice for 17-year-old Glenda Nirschl of Merrimack, Kan.

After 10 years of playing the piano and three years of competing in the YOU competition, Glenda took her tradition of Charles T. Griffis’ “Scherezade” to second-place finish in this year’s finals. A $300 prize accompanied the award.

For two years Glenda competed locally against her sister Donna, who also plays the piano. Donna finished third in the national finals here two years ago. Last year Glenda moved a bit closer with a fourth-place finish in the national contest, and this year gained a trip to Pasadena after winning the semifinal competition at Lake of the Ozarks, Mo.

A student at Shawnee Mission North High School, Glenda is also in her third year of studies at the University of Missouri at Kansas City Conservatory of Music. College is definitely in her future plans, she says, and she also has long-range goal of being a concert pianist.

Glenda loves to travel and enjoys photography and all kinds of sports. She is a cheerleader for the church basketball team and participates in the "Teach Me to Sing" program.

Youthful milestones

YOU PROFESSOR

The 12 YOU contestants whose biographical sketches appear here won top honors during the 1978 YOU National Talent Contest in the Ambassador Auditorium in Pasadena Nov. 26. These contestants represented the winners from the YOU semifinals, held at this year’s U.S. and Canadian Festival sites.

Three of the 12 placed, with first prize going to Michelle Bridges of Don Mills, Ont., second place to Glenda Nirschl of Merrimack, Kan., and third place to Sherri Means of Bridgeport, Wash.

See accompanying article on this page.

YOU track program

Glenda is the daughter of James and Marilyn Nirschl and attends the Kansas City (Kan.) North church.

After seven years of playing guitar, 16-year-old Sherri Means of Bridgeport, Wash., decided this year was at good a time as any to enter her first musical competition. It proved to be a wise decision, for at this year’s YOU national contest she captured third place and a $200 cash prize for her own arrangement of “Romance” and “Malaguena.” She earned the trip to the finals by winning the regional competition at the Seattle Feast site.

A junior at Bridgeport High School, Sherri teaches guitar privately for beginners. Even so, she says, she would someday like to earn herself from a top-notch professional for “something to fall back on later on in life.”

Sherri enjoys sports—“especially water and snow sports”—and her eyes are on a career in architectural design. She hopes to attend Ambassador Auditorium, which she calls “the kind of place I’ve always wanted to.”

Sherri attends the Tornakiet, Wash., church with her parents, Richard and Diane Means.

After winning the regional competition at Big Sandy, Texas, Bill Anthony, 15, brought his drum set to Pasadena to perform his self-composed “Drummers Extraordinaire.”

From Wichita, Kan., Bill started playing the drums in the first grade.

This is his second year in the YOU competition and his first trip to the finals. Bill also plays bass and the trumpet and is a member of a progressive rock band, Ultrasonic Express.

Bill is active in his church chapter in both basketball and track and has qualified for the National YOU Track and Field Finals in the shot put and the discus the last two years. He also enjoys water skiing and racquetball.

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SECOND CHURCH?

(Continued from page 3)

REPROVABLE things. Garret
Ted is now doing in a good light.
It is Satan who tries to make us
believe that wrong is right.

But now what about the seven churches of Revelation 2 and 3? I have always said, and still affirm, that these seven messages to the seven churches are pictur-
ing in advance the seven CONDI-
TIONS of the Church.

In the ONE CONTINUING TRUE
CHURCH — but with the Ephesian con-
dition dominant during the first era
or years of time, the Smyrna con-
dition becoming dominant in the
next period of time, and so on with
the Laodician condition outstanding
in the same true Church at about the
time of the great tribulation and climaxing
with Christ’s second coming.

College, Brent plans to major in busi-
ness administration and move on to a
career in business after graduation. A
plumber for 10 years, he says he has
entertained thoughts of a musical career,
but thinks he’ll be best in the “too
hard a life.” Brent also plays trumpet and enjoys
sports such as soccer; fencing; bicy-
crossing and motorcycling. He is the regu-
lar accompanist for his church choir.

I studied your book at least a chapter
a day after the Feast. What a revelation
it was! I now have a better understand-
ing of how God uses the Church to
yield to God to move the power to fulfill
God’s purpose. Please continue to write
and inspire us.

Robert E. Curry
Arlington, Va.

I have read and finished your book, and
I have to tell you what a stinger it sig-
gifies. I have heard such wonderful
truths taught in your book. To sum up:
Georgy Holloway
Sarasota, Tenn.

You have a book and I think every-
thing you have to say is correct. Thou-
shas taught me much about God and
how to trust him more. Would you
have any of these books for my family?
I don’t know of any way, to be able to write
and know the things this man writes and
knows.

LaVerne C. West
New Orleans, La.

I have always said, and still affirm,
that these seven messages to the seven
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the seven conditions of the true
Church. Where, in all the world, will
be covered later.

Colin E. Vanriper
Bastrop, Tex.

I find it difficult to put this book down.
and I am now beginning the 10th chapter. It
gives me a better understanding of the Church. It is a most appreciated and needed
gift.

Helen R. Reed
Houston, Tex.

Just a note to say thank you for the
wonderful book. It serves as a gift, but it was also the fourth Feast, and it was the most
meaningful to me.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Hall
Galveston, Ky.

Some were leaving Jesus when he
ent the night Tim did a stirring rendi-
tion to sing in the Spanish Church.
Tim’s brother, Tom, is an accom-
pney. He regularly performs specia-
 numbers for concerts presented by the Montreal (Que.)
Church. “We especially myself) need re-
building the Church,” he said.

No better gift in this end-time
world could have been given, for you have
summed up the Holy Bible’s revealing of
truth in language easily understood.

Sandra A. Escobar
Cleveland, Tex.

I would like to thank you for the precious
treasure revealed in your book. I just want
to say that after reading this book, I feel as if
myself, what have I been doing in the past
days? A new day has been made and the
newest part of this new world has been given.
I plan to really realize myself and do all my
takers.

Mrs. Albert W. Moore
Mesa, Calif.

It’s simply a fantastic book. It has given
me a renewed feeling of dignity and value.
I am more inspired than ever before and
see the importance of my eternal life. We ap-
preciate your hard work and dedication.
I will use it for the rest of us.

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Letters for the Editor

Wonderful truth said beautiful.

I have just finished reading your book
and I am so grateful for putting these
wonderful truths into such simple, yet
beautiful, understanding. Truly, God has
given me a wonderful book, I will surely
try to inspire you in your future books to be written.

Mrs. Paul Meister
Tecumseh, Neb.

I’m so glad you wrote the book. I just
finished reading the chapter on “Why The
Church?” We (especially myself) need re-
reading the words of three people, one that we’re
the Church are called to beke you and the
ministry in announcing God’s Kingdom
that we need the instruction of the Church
to grow to perfection; and three that with whatever gifts we have we should build up the
Church (the people in the Church).

Ronald Olson
Lakeward, Calif.

Thank you very much for giving us a
copy of the incredible Human Potential. I have read many inspirational passages in the book. There is a new light and truth in your words which
did not yet cross my mind.

Daniel Vassoles
Harper, Tex.

Your book has its own qualities, and
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called by God, is cut off from access to Him Who has eternal life to give.

The Church of God founded

Jesus was crucified, resurrected after three days and three nights in the tomb (another incident proof of the one true Church), and after 40 days ascended to the right hand of God in heaven. Then, on the day of the Feast of Firstfruits (Pentecost) A.D. 31, God sent the Holy Spirit in an amazing display, founding His Church! The number of disciples who still believed after Jesus' 36 years of teaching was a mere 120 (Acts 1:15). They were all of one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance (Acts 2:1-4).

I have purposely emphasized certain words in this scripture, because it was a one-only incident. It never occurred before. It never has since. Modern "Pentecostal" meetings and "tongues speaking" are emphatically not the same thing at all.

Notice carefully! First, they were all of one accord—something often not true today. Second, the Holy Spirit came "all together"—they did not "work it up" by emotionally shouting, as usual in such meetings today. Thirdly, the Holy Spirit came with a sound—they heard it, like a blast of a rushing mighty wind. No such thing occurs today. Fourthly, the Holy Spirit is here twice called "it," not abroad. . . "Word spread rapidly through this once-only amazing experience, and soon the whole world knew of the Holy Spirit. "The multitude set out with one accord..." (Acts 2:47), and were convinced, because every man heard them [the 120] speak in his own language. They were of one mind and one heart! Study this again carefully. The Meade among these devout Jews who came in with them — the 120 — speaking the language of the Medes. And he understood what they were saying. The one Meade heard and understood 120 Galileans speaking the language of the Medes! But the Parthian heard them — the same 120 — speaking his Parthian language! And so on! It was not a "jibberish"—unintelligible — as "tongues people" speak in their own language today! And it needed no interpreter. I will re-member experiences in such meetings, where in service after service the same man rose to interpret — and although the "jibberish" of different ones was entirely different, the "interpretation" had been memorized, and in every case was the same! I saw that kind of experience drive sinners to repentance, and I knew God's truth away in disgust!

Let me add here that God's Church is the Spirit of a "SOUND MIND" (II Timothy 1:7).

The one and only original Church of God was founded on that day of Pentecost, A.D. 31. They were of one mind — like-minded — of one accord.

God ADDS to His Church

The multitude, who came running in, were all amazed — in wonderment doubting and asking, "What does this mean?" Then God's chief apostle, Peter, stood up to explain — to deliver to these thousands the first inspired sermon by an apostle. These devout Jews were "pricked in their heart" by Peter's sermon and asked, "What shall we do?" Peter gave no 20th-century "call" to anyone — asked with no one to talk them into conversion — but answered their question, saying, "Repent... be baptized..." (Acts 2:38). It was the power of doctrine through His apostle, and they continued together with one accord and one heart. Peter and John were added to the church. Not apostolic doctrine and fellowship..." (Acts 4:23, the Church.

The Church "lifted up their voice to God with one accord..." (verse 24). And when they (the Church) had prayed,... the place where they were assembled was shaken, filling them with God's presence. Außerdem: Another incident: The apostles had continued preaching, healing the sick and performing miracles. God added to the Church, but also the persecution grew. Peter again had been put to death. Peter was later raised to life, and the Church was scattered throughout the regions of Judea and Samaria except the apostles. The following Peterverse, persecution had mounted: "...About that time, Herod the king stretched forth his hands to vex certain of His chief apostles..." (Acts 12:1-5, the Church.

Why members called

Not just another example of how the Church works back of the apostles. Remember, the word apostle means "sent by God". Jesus had given the great commission to Peter and the apostles. The Church was already founded and the apostles in getting out the Gospel message, as God's means of:

1) developing in them God's holy, righteous character, qualifying them as kings and priests in the kingdom! So here came another incident showing how the Church backed the apostles. Remember, verse 5 of Acts 12, "... but prayer was made without ceasing of the church unto God for him..." Peter. The brethren stood loyally 100 percent behind of God's apostles.

What happened, when the Church so unceasingly prayed? . . . "... the same night Peter was bound with two chains: and the keeper before the door kept the chain. And Peter, being in prison, received certain that had brought him down with his family, and set down with his Father in his throne" (Revelation 2:26-27).

I have shown that the whole world, except those specially called by God, is cut off from access to Him who has eternal life to give. Jesus "he," not a Ghost or Personage. Filled with the Holy Spirit, it appeared as divided tongues like fire. This was actually seen, sitting on each of the 120. No such thing is ever repeated in so-called "Pentecostal" meetings today.

Now, further, do they today speak with the same kind of tongues? Here again the real Pentecost experience is not in any sense duplicated today. Read on:

"... There were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven. Now when this was noted..." the Holy Spirit that had struck down the whole earth had called them! "...Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls..." (Acts 2:41).

"...And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in the breaking of bread, and in prayers..." Note here this important point! They did not appoint among themselves some "unofficial commit tee" to decide intellectually where they could believe God's apostle. God gave them the true sheep whom He set apart for prison for the night. Next morning, Peter and John were brought before the rulers, elders, scribes, the High Priest and his family. A crowd was brieﬂy but boldly to them. They then threatened the apostles, forbidding them to speak any further about Christ and His Kingdom. Naturally Peter and John, though now inspired by the Holy Spirit, were brazen, and naturally somewhat shaken up and frightened. Being released, they went im-

He proclaimed the good news of the Kingdom, saying...
The apologist’s apostles were NOT sent forth on a soul-saving crusade, but to TEACH those whom God had called and made willing to listen.

Jesus gave His GREAT COMMISSION to the apostles — those sent forth with the message. The lay brethren were added to the Church to support the apostles.

Afterward He appeared unto the eleven .. and he said unto them, go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature (Mark 16:14, 15). Naturally Jesus did not mean every human being on the earth, but all they might reach who would hear. “He that believeth before they were born, God does not hold them responsible — they have not been judged — the responsibility is God’s — not theirs — for they have been hidden from their minds.

But now the time had come when the “second Adam” — Jesus Christ — had overcome Satan and qualified to restore the government of God over the earth and establish His kingdom of God which is the divine family of God, ruling “in the name of the Lord” — and ultimately the universe!

Jesus did not come on a soul-saving crusade to deliver and save and unsaved were not “lost.” Just Judges (13:7)? They were to be in the millennium and Great White Throne resurrection and judgment, not the second one.

Jesus came to overcome Satan and quality to establish the kingdom of God, to call and teach His future apostles; to proclaim the Good News of the coming kingdom of God; to pay out the penalty of the sins of the world by His death on the cross; to be resurrected, thus calling those to continue with God. The Father, So to be resurrected from the dead after three days and three nights in the tomb, making the resurrection to mortal life possible for those who are God’s (in faith) to ascend to the throne of God in heaven, there, as the High Priest of that by His life, He is that living head, to direct the Church and intercede for it with God. And to have the kingdom from God, to come again as the King of kings and Lord of lords, in supreme all-mighty power and glory, to set up and run the kingdom of God! Jesus announced the fact of the coming kingdom, which, by His overcoming Satan, had made it assured!

He specially called and trained His first converts, His followers, and He added verses 9 — but that they were added by some later editor trying to make it harmonize with Matthew 28:18-19.

But the great commission was given to the apostles — not to the Church as a whole — although as cited above, the Church completely, prayerfully, wholeheartedly backed up and supported the apostles. That was their part in the great commission.

Now, PURPOSE of Church

Now let’s get our bearings and understand the purpose of the Church — its function.

Remember, the Church was called out of a world cut off from God — a world, as Jesus said, in which “no man could come to me.” Except the Father which sent me drew him. The great commission was not a commandment to even more Church members to persuade all in those nations to come to Christ, Jesus said plainly “make disciples of all nations.” He referred to those whom God had called — and they were, comparatively, exceedingly few by proportion to the whole population. Then Jesus continued to say, “Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.” That is, to observe all that have come to faith in Christ, to be “with you, always to the close of the present age” (Matthew 28:16-20). Re-formed Standard Version.

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had called and made willing to listen. That is what they were called to do this to today. We are able to utilize modern methods of mass communication — radio, television, the printing press. We teach — the good news of the coming kingdom — to those whom God calls and makes willing to listen. In this way we teach and promulgate the true gospel message to millions worldwide. Our magazine, The Plain Truth, has more than three million subscribers, and estimates are that each copy is read by at least three people — actually reaching nine or 10 million people, and we teach all who willingly listen to observe all that God has commanded His Church and intercede for it with God. And 7) having received the Lord of lords, in supreme authority, authority above all. In that authority above Him in His Church, living Head of the Church. On the human and earthly level, namely authority under Christ is His chosen apostle, God organized ancient Israel, under Moses, with captains over thousands under Moses, then under them captains over hundreds, over fifties, etc., as God led Moses to choose. I will here inject an incident in point. Christ had His apostle to appoint the apostle’s son next under him, because he was the best qualified, in the opinion of the apostle’s executive vice president: Perhaps it was a mistake to use such a modern business title. Nevertheless the son, like David’s sons, Absalom and Adonijah, began to simply take over. He innovated policies he was not authorized to set. He wanted to secularize the college, the magazine, The Plain Truth and even the Church. He wanted this world’s accreditation for the college. He denounced or shanghied away the top-ranking ministers who had been trained under and were loyal to Christ’s apostle.

Meanwhile the apostle, as “one sent forth with Christ’s Gospel message, was going into all the world — and away from headquarters up to 300 out of the 365 days in the year. As the son departed from the ways of his father and God (as did the sons of Eli and King David) the son SHUT OFF ALL AUTHORITY above him. He threatened with loss of their positions in the Work any who he was departing from God’s ways, warning down from the top-ranking ministers and teaching — first in the college, then starting among the Church. Cowed with fear, who knew how the son was destroying the Work of the living God, kept silent.

Finally, four leaders under him took courage and came to God’s apostle, saying, “God forgive us for keeping silent so long, but we were afraid for our jobs. But now we have to report to you that your son is systemically destroying all that Christ has built through His apostle and building something for himself. Like a spoiled child, he wants his own way. God’s apostle, to be not guilty of El’s sin, removed his son from all authority and did not shush him from the Church.

The son had represented that no one dared “take it over his head,” by going to Christ’s apostle — that all authority in a then great worldwide Work of God stopped with him! — that he had shut off all authority above himself. But every authority has no authority to shut off all authority above him. In God’s government, the master authority is still under the authority of those above him. Authority does not end, at any point, under God the Father.

The end of this incident is point that is all in God’s Church now know that the door to Christ’s apostle is always open to all under him!

God’s Church is not a worldly organization. It is a spiritual organization, called the Church of Christ. Yet it is well organized must be to function. The Church is the only body of Christ, the church of children of God — the living family to be!

The HOUSEHOLD of GOD

Actually the Church is, on the human level, the corporate family of God. To the gentle converts at Ephesus, God inspired Paul to write, “Now therefore we are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow-citizens with the saints, and of the household of God.” (Ephesians 2:19). In other words, of the begotten family of God.

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**SEVEN PROOFS OF THE TRUE CHURCH**

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In Ephesians 5 this is shown by analogy, to a man in love with his wife, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself up for it to make himself pure and holy. This is also a true picture of the Church, as accomplished in the body of Christ, living alone and separate from all the world.

The Church, comprised of all believing, repentant souls, is organized as the Bride of Christ, with the Head of the Bridegroom, the living Christ, in the place of the Bridegroom, because Christ is the head of the body, the church.

Not only is the Church organized as the Bride of Christ, but Christ is the living Christ, living alone and separate from all the world, as the Head of the body, the church.

The Church is organized and constructed like the body of Christ, as the building to which Christ shall come and be made Head over all that is in it.

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Seven Proofs

Continued from page 12: Kingdom of Israel and the king­dom of Judah had long been taken out of the land as slaves. A comparatively small contingent was taken back to Jerusalem, 70 years after Judah's captivity, by King Cyrus of Per­ sia under governorship of the prophet Daniel — this was God's promise for our day.

Malachi continued, "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now hereafter, saith the Eternal, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there may be food in your loaves, and prosperity." 1 Chronicles 9:1-14

The only factor that makes the word church sacred is when called the Church of God — in other words, the group, congregation, assembly or church that BELONGS TO GOD. It is God's name connected with that lends sanctity to the name.

"...of all the denominations and sects in Christianity, God's true Church, alone, has understanding of the master plan of God for His spiritual creation of man." (John 7:6, [12]). (To be concluded next issue.)
LOCAL CHURCH NEWS

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

The new congregation in FLORENCE, S.C., came into being Sept. 29, opening services with the hymn, "How Beautiful Is the Name," led by Jon Popenoe, the church's pastor. Mr. Popenoe and the William Street Congregation moved to the new location to serve the area's growing need for religious services. Church leaders hope to meet the needs of the area's residents of all religious backgrounds.

A week earlier, Sept. 21, was the men's meeting at FARMINGTON, Utah, with a number of brethren who now attend the church. The meeting included brethren who now attend the church and brethren who have come to an end. Having attended the meeting, the brethren were treated to a delicious dinner.

CLUB MEETINGS

The KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., church's first officers were elected Oct. 7, taking the position of chairman, secretary, and treasurer. The club's regular meetings are scheduled to begin the second week of October.

The club's activities for the month included a fall festival, a barbecue, and a chili cook-off. The club also sponsored a chili cook-off at the local fleamarket.

SENIOR ACTIVITIES

During the Fall Festival in the LAKE OF THE CHEROKEE, Ark., church, several retired persons were given awards for their contributions to the community. The awards included the "Senior Citizen Award," the "Senior Volunteer Award," and the "Lifetime Achievement Award.

The awards were presented to several individuals, including Mrs. Mary Johnson, Mrs. Sarah Brown, and Mr. James Smith. The awards were presented by the church's senior citizens, who have contributed greatly to the community.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

The Cob Scout Pack No. 332, under the leadership of Mr. John D. Smith, held its annual camporee Oct. 27 in a shopping mall in Richmond. The camporee included a variety of activities, including scavenger hunts, relay races, and a talent show.

BITS AND PIECES

The photo was taken at the Art and Crafts Show at the church on Sunday, Oct. 27, with the theme "Celebrating Our History." The show featured crafts, artwork, and baked goods created by members of the congregation.

ST. CLLEMENT, Channel Islands

When Bob Bishop, pastor of the church here, saw a series of religious groups in the Jersey Evening Post, he contacted the journalist writing the series, Roy McLaughlin. Did he want to know about the Worldwide Church of God? Bishop was interested.

Members of the church, the largest of the Channel Islands, meet once a month in a Waldorf School in London. They include 24 young people and are organized into four clubs, each with its own facilities. The clubs are the Sports Club, the Arts Club, the Music Club, and the Social Club.

The club's main activity is the "Worldwide Church of God" postcard campaign. The campaign is designed to raise money for the church's missionary work.

The campaign has been successful, and the church is able to send missionaries to all corners of the world. The church's mission is to spread the message of Jesus Christ throughout the world.

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Conclusion

The Worldwide Church of God is a unique organization that is dedicated to spreading the message of Jesus Christ throughout the world. The church has a strong focus on missionary work and is working hard to achieve its goal of having a presence in every country. The church's success in this area is a testament to its dedication to its mission.

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BIRTHS

BOWKER, Sandy and Roger, of Brea, Calif., girl, Celina Elizabeth, Oct. 1, 1978, 5 pounds 13 ounces, at a hospital.

CONWILL, Randall and Wendy (Ditmer), of Columbus, Ohio, girl, Christine Marie, Oct. 17, 1978, 7 pounds 4 ounces, at the hospital.


FIELD, Paul and Patricia (Currie), of Anchorage, Alaska, girl, Diana Tracey, Oct. 6, 1978, 6 pounds 7 ounces, at the hospital.

GOAR, John and Eileen (Kane), of Bozeman, Mont., girl, Robin Elizabeth, Oct. 5, 1978, 8 pounds, at the hospital.

HERMAN, George and Frances (Hensley), of Houston, Texas, girl, Dee Ann, Oct. 1, 1978, 8 pounds 1 ounce, at the hospital.

HUMPHREY, Joseph and Patricia (Hart), of Jackson, Miss., girl, Jennifer Marie, Oct. 1, 1978, at the hospital.

JONES, Robert and Mary (Beverly), of Gladewater, Texas, girl, Sandy, Oct. 6, 1978, 7 pounds 2 ounces, at a hospital.

KERN, C. W. and Susan (Heller), of Milwaukee, Wis., girl, Debra Lee, Oct. 5, 1978, 8 pounds 5 ounces, at the hospital.

LAPE, Daniel and Jennifer (Wert), of Aurora, Ill., girl, Tiffany Marie, Oct. 6, 1978, 7 pounds 9 ounces, at the hospital.

LAMB, Donald and Brenda (Fargason), of Mundelein, Ill., girl, Erin Elizabeth, Oct. 9, 1978, 7 pounds 10 ounces, at the hospital.

LEWIS, John and Ann (Pouland), of Cleveland, Ohio, girl, Jennifer Rose, Oct. 10, 1978, 8 pounds 2 ounces, at the hospital.


NUGENT, Thomas and Marilyn (Cleary), of Naples, Fla., girl, Melissa Ann, Oct. 6, 1978, 6 pounds 4 ounces, at the hospital.

O'NEILL, John and Mary (Henderson), of Evanston, Ill., girl, Debbie Elizabeth, Oct. 6, 1978, 7 pounds, at a hospital.

PARKER, Leonard and Patricia (Herman), of St. Louis, Mo., girl, Jennifer, Oct. 7, 1978, 7 pounds 2 ounces, at the hospital.

PATT, Floyd and Helen (Dungan), of Waterloo, Iowa, girl, Sandra Sue, Oct. 5, 1978, at the hospital.

POLLACK, David and Mazie (Furman), of Toledo, Ohio, girl, Shari Sue, Oct. 7, 1978, 7 pounds 4 ounces, at the hospital.

REED, John and Audrey (Thompson), of Alton, Ill., girl, Lisa Marie, Oct. 6, 1978, 8 pounds 8 ounces, at the hospital.

SELZER, Larry and Carol (Nord), of Waukesha, Wis., girl, Jennifer Kay, Oct. 5, 1978, 7 pounds 10 ounces, at the hospital.

SMITH, James and Barbara (Dusenberry), of Corpus Christi, Texas, girl, Carol Lynn, Oct. 2, 1978, 8 pounds, at the hospital.

THOMPSON, David and Susan (Henderson), of Nevins Point, Wis., girl, Jennifer, Oct. 7, 1978, 7 pounds 8 ounces, at a hospital.

WADDON, John and Carol (Rich), of Waukesha, Wis., girl, Terri Kay, Oct. 5, 1978, 8 pounds 7 ounces, at the hospital.

YOUNG, Melvin and Joyce (Peterson), of Evansville, Ind., boy, Melvin, Oct. 5, 1978, 9 pounds, at a hospital.

ZOLL, Donald and Carol (Henderson), of Woodstock, Ill., girl, Dawn, Oct. 5, 1978, 7 pounds 4 ounces, at the hospital.

ENGAGEMENTS

JULY AND VIVIAN THOMAS, of Melbourne, Australia, are engaged to be married to Donald Parker, of Melbourne, Australia.

WEDDINGS

Mary L. Sheehan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Sheehan of Bedford, Ohio, and Lee E. Willman, son of Mrs. W. Willman, of Mansfield, Ohio, were married Oct. 7, 1978, at the parish church. The couple is living in Sandusky, Ohio.

GLENNIE, Elizabeth Susan of the Cordova, Australia, and Neil Neil, son of Donald Neil and Vivian Neil, of the Cordova, Australia, were married in the United States recently. The couple is living in Sandusky, Ohio.

MRS. AND MRS. W. RICHARDSON

Elizabeth R. and Dorothy M. Richardson, sisters of the late Mrs. F. M. Richardson, of Cedarville, Ohio, were named by Donald Parker, of Melbourne, Australia.

MRS. AND MRS. GARY EASO

Sharon Lee Easo, of St. Louis, Mo., and Susan G. Easo, of St. Louis, Mo., were married in St. Louis, Mo. The couple is living in St. Louis, Mo.

MRS. AND MRS. B. STEVENSON

Diane Stan, of Lorain, Ohio, and Janet, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. D. Stevenson, of Sandusky, Ohio, were married in Sandusky, Ohio.

MRS. AND MRS. BILL BUTLER

Jeannette Butler, of the Federal Office in Washington, D.C., and Margaret Butler, of Winchester, Va., were married recently. The couple is living in Washington, D.C.

OBITUARIES


His wife, Nora, survives.

BARTOW, Fla. — Dr. P. Newman, 65, died unexpectedly Oct. 22. He was an alumnus of Lake Mary, Fla. and had been a member of the University of Florida since 1950.

His wife, Eunice, survives.

BENTON, Ark. — Mrs. Helen Hegg, 80, was announced as an accidental accident. The funeral directors were of the church.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — Mrs. Harriett Farwell, 16, died Nov. 5 in an automobile accident. The funeral directors were of the church.

DEBRA FARNWORTH

The Little Rock and Russellville, Ark., churches, announced this week, were at the hospital.

MORWELL, Australia — John Brooker, 57, died of a heart attack Oct. 20, suffered while walking along the beach in Warrnambool, Australia, during the Feast of Tabernacles. Mrs. Brooker, a deacon, served faithfully for many years in the church here.

After living through the occupation of Holland during World War II and surviving in the underground movement in Norway, Mrs. Brooker and her husband, who emigrated to Australia, where they were founding members of the Church in Opp lev, Australia, died.

NANETT, N.Y.— Betty Ann Hendrick died after a long battle with cancer Oct. 24. She was a longtime member and attended the church here.

Mrs. Hendrick is survived by her husband, two daughters and a son. Her family wishes to express their gratitude for the prayers and cards that brightened her last days.

NORWOOD, Ohio — Thomas G. Crafton, 71, a member of the Cincinnati (Ohio) East church, died Nov. 17 of cancer. Baptized in 1959, Mr. Crafton was a retired Norwood Elementary School woodworker instructor. During his years in the Church, he contributed numerous featuring photographic reproductions of the Cincinnati East and North congregations.

Mr. Crafton is survived by his wife Libby (also a Church member); his son, Thomas R. Crafton, and two grandchildren, Thomas and David.

ORANGE, Tex. — Neola Samuels, 74, died of cancer Nov. 7. She was a member of the Worldwide Church of God since 1948.

Mr. Samuels is survived by her wife Kenna. Ms. Samuels may be written at 2213 W. Concho Rd., Orange, Tx., 77630.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. — William M. Rodgers, 82, died Oct. 21 after a long illness. He had been an attendant of the San Antonio church for about three years.

Mr. Rodgers is survived by his wife Marion, a daughter, and three grandchildren. His wife and one grandchild, Robin Evans, are members of the church here.
During the program, host Mr. Jackson asked Mr. Rader, "Just what is man? What is man's purpose?" Mr. Rader's reply was, "I'm not going to be the person to say in the little bit of time that we have left, but just so happens one of the books that I gave you tells the whole story."

Mr. Rader felt up the Incredible Human Potential and said, "It has to answer to everything that you intended to ask in the question, and even that which you probably had not thought about.

PASADENA — Treasurer Stanley Rader was the guest speaker at the Nov. 8, meeting of the Sabbath Minister's Club here. The meeting was attended by about 30 of the Sabbath-day ministers and their wives. One of the main purposes of the club is to help the ministry become acquainted with many of the men fulfilling key roles at headquarters. Mr. Rader began his 20-minute address by reminding the ministers of the heavy responsibility of the ministry and concluded by saying a common characteristic of successful people is their constant search for an outlet that we pay for on the basis of their real worth to us as far as the cost per response goes," said Mr. Lip- press. "For example, the money saved by just using the shops and newsletters that want our magazine and give us free space will allow us to print an extra 300,000 magazines per year, and at the same time give us greater distribution."

Mr. Lippress also said that now that the Work is known by the distributors and the business community, they are coming to us offering their services for free. "They see that the public wants a magazine which in turn gives them much business by bringing the public into their shops and news-stands," he said.

PASADENA — About 94,000 people have been added to the Work's mailing list as a result of recent airings of TV spot commercials for The Modern Tomorrow booklets, according to Richard Rice, director of the Mail Processing Center here. Of that number, 13,169 have already become Plain Truth subscribers and 2,556 have begun to take the Correspondence Course.

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Over 50 east-central-region ministers and their wives met for three days of meetings, Nov. 14 to 16, with C. Wayne Cole, director of Church Administration, and Burk Marron, Charlotte, N.C., area coordinator, in an isolated mountainside area near Boone, N.C. Mr. Cole said he and his wife Doris thoroughly enjoyed being able to spend time with the ministers and their families in such a casual and relaxing atmosphere.

Following the meetings the Coles were guests in the home of the McNees. On Sabbath, Nov. 18, Mr. Cole spoke to the Charlotte congregation before returning to Pasadena.