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Greatest FEAST Ever!

*Thousands of God's people met in many parts of the world recently
—for the greatest Feasts of Tabernacles since Apostolic days! Here
is the inspiring news of the Festival.*

by Garner Ted Armstrong

IT SEEMS impossible there *could* be a Feast of Tabernacles better than the one God's people observed in 1959, but the Feast this year really WAS the greatest ever!

So said literally HUNDREDS of God's people, who experienced the richest blessings of God in the inspiring, joyous, jam-packed days of the recent festival!

Fully SEVEN THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED were gathered at the big tabernacle near Big Sandy, Texas to observe the Feast.

Phenomenal Growth!

And, just as Mr. Armstrong expected, the attendance was exactly 30% higher than the previous year! Brethren—I wonder if you can *realize* what this means? Think of it! Just a few years ago, at the last Feast of Tabernacles my brother, Richard David Armstrong, attended, there were only 2,800 people meeting together in the *old* tabernacle, which is now the dining hall. Then, in 1958, the "new" tabernacle was erected. It was only two-thirds as large that year as it is today.

In the fall of 1958, 4,200 of God's people met in the big aluminized steel tabernacle. It became apparent, based upon this phenomenal growth, that the tabernacle *had* to be enlarged immediately!

Then, following the enlargement of the tabernacle to its present size of 376 feet by 121 feet, and not a single pillar or post inside of the entire building,

5,500 of God's people attended in 1959.

It seemed impossible—*surely* the attendance would begin to level off soon! But it didn't!

This fall, *about* 7,100 were packed into the huge building, and it was FULL!

Yes—God does truly BLESS His work—adding to His Church DAILY such as should be saved! But—as God *blesses* His Church with such heartening growth, it also lays a tremendous responsibility and burden upon those of us who are serving God in the feeding of the flocks, and on Mr. Armstrong, who is burdened with the staggering decisions which must be made in all the top-level phases of God's work.

Solid Spiritual Meat

The thousands gathered near Big Sandy heard deep, inspirational, moving sermons, with a seemingly constant accent on the glorious KINGDOM of God, its purpose, *what* it will be like, and our part in it.

Mr. Armstrong set the theme for the Feast with inspiring sermons on WHY God commands its observance, showing us a foretaste of the WORLD TOMORROW—the coming Kingdom of God. It was a real thrill for God's people to live together, study, pray, *grow* together, and enjoy true spiritual fellowship—acting out an actual PICTURE of the Kingdom of God!

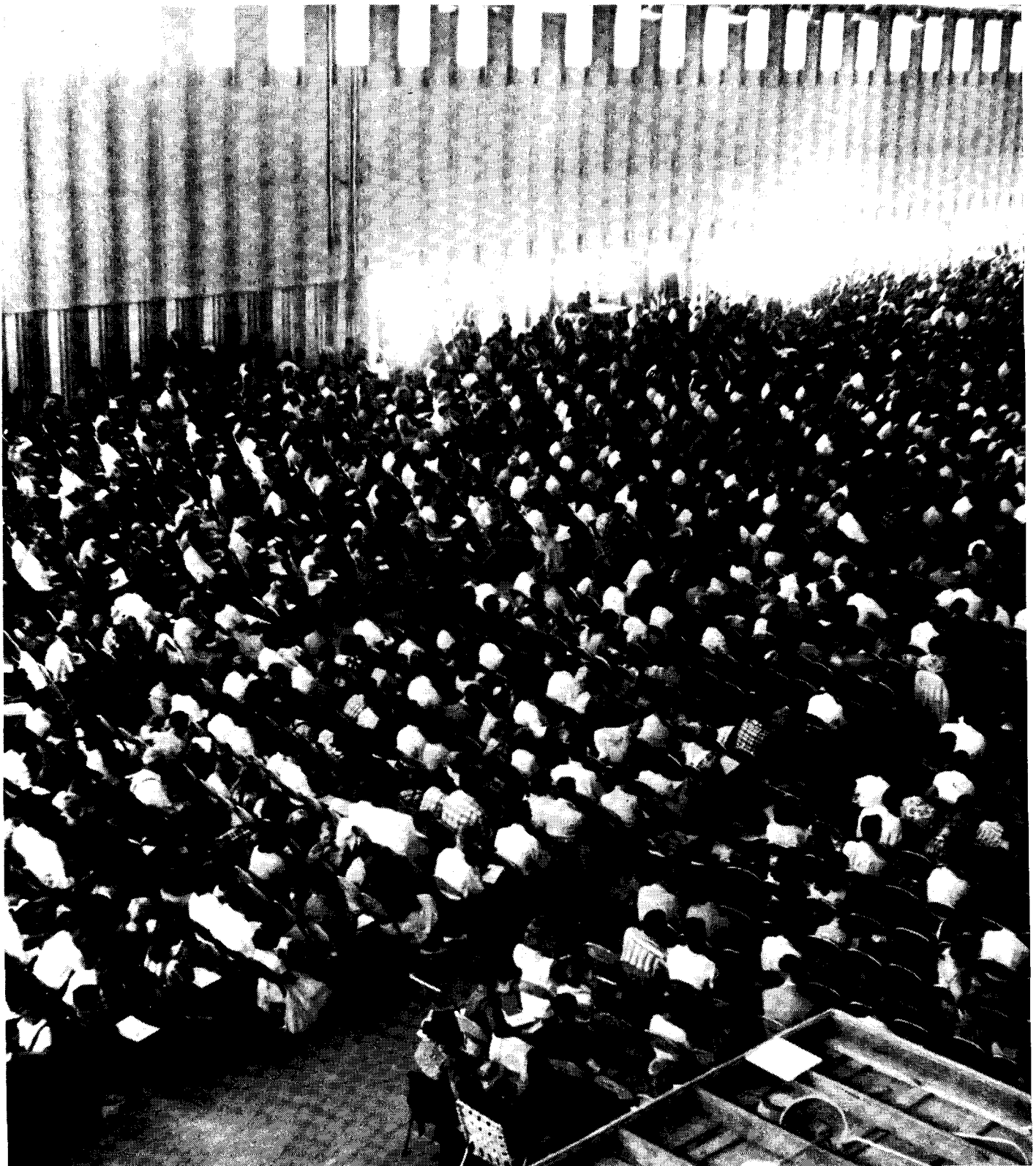
Many of the ministers from local churches around the country had oppor-

tunity to speak. There were sermons on prophecy, child rearing, solid doctrinal messages, inspirational sermons, and many instructive and helpful sermonettes. There was a constant, prevailing theme of OVERCOMING woven like a continuing thread throughout all the sermons.

In addition to the inspiring spiritual blessings, God's people rejoiced to hear the Ambassador College Chorale in many of the services. The Chorale, directed by Mr. Leon Ettinger, presented many magnificent, resounding anthems. Never, it seems, had the Chorale sung with more fervency, tone and quality. Hundreds commented it was the most beautiful music they had ever heard!

Also, the Chorale presented a special night-time concert, complete with costume change, and a colorful backdrop depicting a South Sea Islands scene, done by Ambassador art students. The applause was tremendous, proving how much everyone appreciated such a professional appearing concert, with a well-balanced program of sacred, semi-classical and popular music.

Thousands saw the inspiring documentary film, "The WORLD TOMORROW," giving a brief history of the development and growth of this great work of God, scenes of Mr. Armstrong's broadcasting, of the campuses in America and Britain, and an exciting scene showing the marvelous radio coverage everywhere in the world. Actual announcers' voices introduced the program from



Africa, Europe, Australia and America. It was an inspiring thing to hear The WORLD TOMORROW program in English, Spanish, Russian and German!

But that's not all!

There was time for soft-ball for the young, skating parties, hiking, and other forms of refreshing out-door recreation.

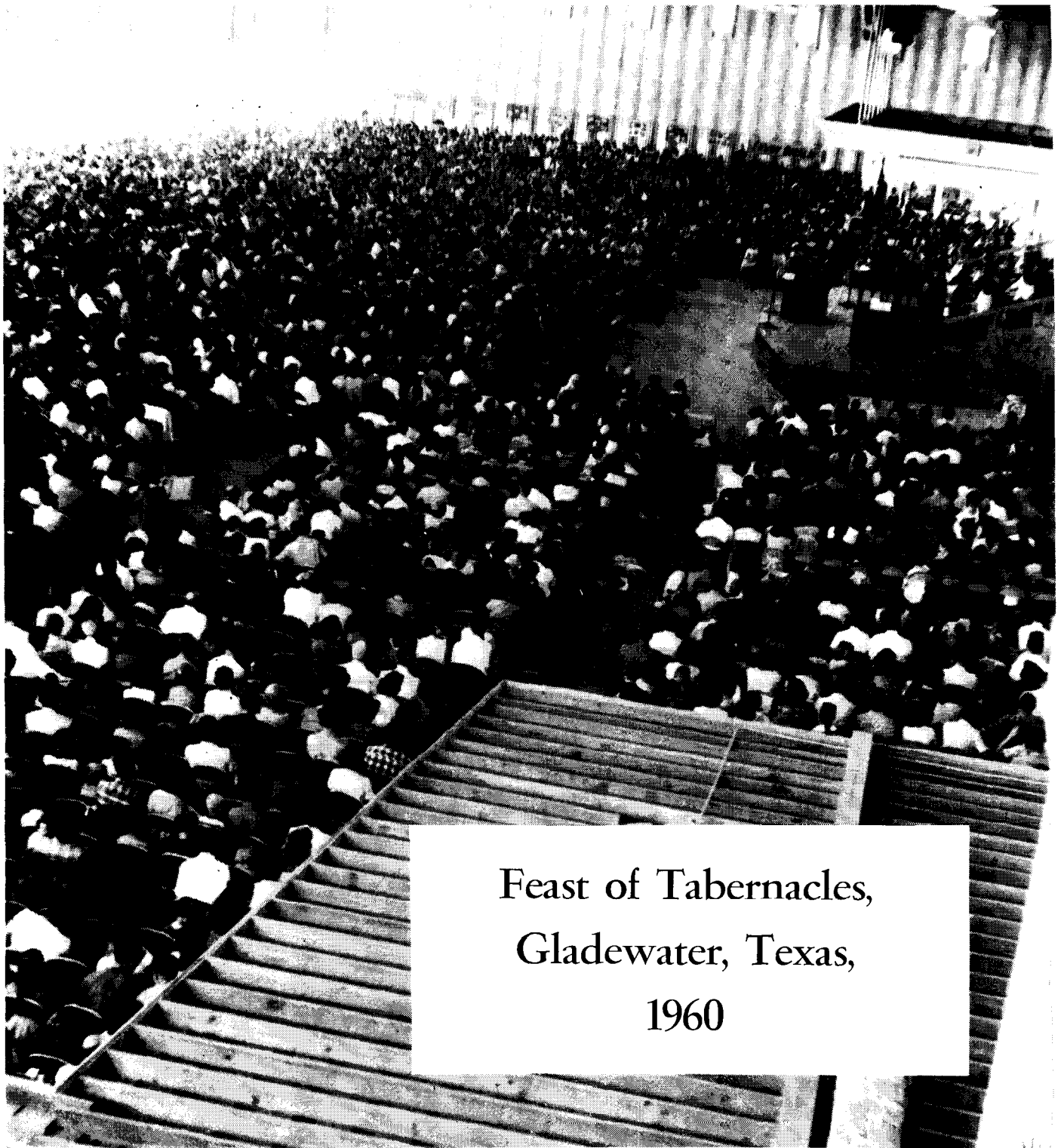
The hours spent in Bible study, visiting, in counseling with God's servants will long be remembered by the many thousands attending.

More Ministers Ordained

Many of the members expressed a real thrill in witnessing the ordination

of more ministers in the Church of God. For those attending their very first Feast, it was an encouraging, moving ceremony—seeing the setting apart of even more dedicated, consecrated servants to shepherd the flock.

Mr. Armstrong, together with the Evangelists, ordained four new minis-



Feast of Tabernacles, Gladewater, Texas, 1960

Here, divided into two pages, is a view of the Feast of Tabernacles. Filling our large building are 7,000 people. Courtesy Leo Dubry Photos.

ters! Mr. Richard Prince, who had been serving in actual ministerial capacity for quite some time, as Pastor of the Churches at Dallas and San Antonio, was raised from the rank of Local Elder to Preaching Elder, Mr. Bill McDowell, graduated from Ambassador College in June, 1960, was ordained as Preaching

Elder. Mr. McDowell, recently married, had conducted a full summer's baptizing tour after his graduation, and then, after his marriage, had gone with his bride, a former Ambassador student, to pastor the Churches at Corpus Christi and San Antonio, Texas. Mr. Ronald Kelly, classmate of Mr. McDowell, and also having

graduated from Ambassador College in June, 1960 was ordained. Mr. Kelly, also a newlywed, had already been given the responsibility of co-pastoring the large Fresno, California Church with Mr. Hoch. He was to raise up a new Church in Sacramento, California, immediately
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Missing Link Found

"Dear Mr. Armstrong:

"I wish to thank you for the back issues of The GOOD NEWS magazine that I received last week. After reading a few articles I said to myself, here is the 'missing link' between The PLAIN TRUTH magazine and the Bible Course that has the 'family quality' of the Church in it. The detailed explanations of a Christian's life certainly pinpointed some very frightening situations that exist in my own life."

Woman from Eureka, California

Editor's comment: All of us should know that The GOOD NEWS is *only* for our church brethren and is *never* to be given to outsiders.

Article Jolts Member

"I am writing you concerning the article I just read in The GOOD NEWS 'Progress Report of the Baptismal Tours.' We all should rejoice in so many being baptized. It also brought tears to my eyes as I read the article. Surely God's servants go through great trials and much suffering while on these baptizing tours. I think it takes articles like this one to give us all a jolt into really realizing just how much we should include these men in our daily prayers."

From Texas

Still Walking!

"God's Church here in Tulsa has already been a blessing to all of us and we have had quite a few sermons that stepped on our toes, but as far as I know we are all still walking! The Church has made us give up some sins that we didn't even realize we had and also some that we didn't feel we had the strength to overcome before the Church was established here."

Man and wife from Tulsa, Okla.

Crippled for Years

"I am writing this to thank you for the prayer you held for me. I followed your instructions and wish to tell you that all pain and discomfort left me at once and today I am as well as I ever was. When I realize this I feel so unworthy. I was unable to sit up or walk unless someone held me upright. I am up and doing things I have not been able to do in years. Indeed I got up and dressed at once and even my arthritis has not hurt me."

Woman from Hermosa Beach, Calif.

Always Ready to Learn

"This sabbath I have studied the article 'Does It Matter Which Days We Observe?' in the September GOOD NEWS. Now I wish to thank you for showing me the correct explanation of Colossians 2:14 (the 'handwriting of ordinances') and of Ephesians 2:14 (the 'wall of partition'). Both of these I have studied many times. . . . Truly the Gospel of the Kingdom is so plain a child can understand when we get rid of our assumptions, and let the Eternal reveal His truth to us."

Minot, North Dakota

Pain Gone Before Anointed Cloth Arrives

"Just recently I requested your prayers for healing; however, before receiving the anointed cloth the pains left my abdomen. I was able to go about my work all last week. I am still busy and feel fine. My daughter, for whom you sent a prayer cloth a few months ago, is going about playing and not suffering as she was."

Woman from Alabama.

Child Saved from Surgery

"My little girl had a knot on the back of her leg, behind the knee. Upon my husband's request she was taken to the doctor. He told us it was a hernia, a rare thing; he'd seen one other case in all his years of practice. He said surgery would be needed to correct it. Within the past year it became worse, although she had been anointed. My husband became alarmed and asked that I call and

make an appointment for the surgery. I called for an anointed cloth, which was delivered immediately. She went to bed still with the hernia, and the next morning all signs of it were gone. My heart is filled with thankfulness to God for His protecting my child from the knives of the doctors of this world.

Woman from La Mesa, Calif.

Dishonest Preachers?

"I was ordained in a Church and if you think that it's easy to live an *honest life* on what they pay you ought to try it. If my wife didn't work we'd be hard put to make ends meet. I quit preaching for a spell but found it was no picnic trying to work for a living so I went back to the pulpit. I have a boy about to turn 18 and am wondering if you'd give him a scholarship in Ambassador College seeing as how we are both preachers."

Preacher from McMinnville, Tenn.

(Editor's Comment: Some of the ministers of this world's churches seem to have an easy life. But *God's* ministers are always busy.)

An Adventist's Admission

"Dear Mr. Armstrong:

"I am so sorry to know that I cannot afford to give more to this work of God because I am a member of another church and have to be supporting the work there and sending the gospel. But you are giving the gospel more plainly according to the Bible and the teaching of Jesus. My people hardly rely on the prophecies of the Bible, their reliance in on sister White's prophecies more for guidance. So I was so glad when you opened the scripture to me fully in all your articles of writing."

Woman from New York

From a New Member

"I want to take this opportunity to thank those of you who made it possible for me to be baptized this summer. I was humbly grateful that I was able to meet and spend some time with the two ministers on the baptizing tour. I was amazed at their free discussion of [the real need of] prayer. I have never met anyone who so openly confessed their dependence on God."

From Arkansas

Boy Prohibited by Parents to Receive Literature

"My parents seem to be devoted to their church. This has proved most unfortunate for me. My mother made me take your literature to the minister to discuss it. This, however, did not discourage me. It only showed me that they have a faith without works doc-

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after the Feast. Ordained to the rank of Preaching Elder, Mr. Kelly and his wife, the former Norva Lee Pyle, also a graduate of Ambassador, are now busily serving this growing two-church area.

It was especially heart-warming to all the members of the Headquarters Church, to see the ordination of Mr. Charles Hunting to the rank of Local Elder in the Pasadena Church. Mr. Hunting, though an older man, having been called of God after years in the service and subsequently in private business, is now a Senior at Ambassador, and Student Body President. His office as an Elder in God's Church will enable him to serve much more effectively in the frequent counseling he must do, and in praying for the sick in the Southern California area.

One member wrote, "I am writing to let you know that I really enjoyed the Feast of Tabernacles. I was so thrilled. I just can't find words to express the enjoyment I did receive by attending the Feast. This was my first year to attend. I enjoyed all the service. The singing was beautiful. The chorale just can't be beat. I have never heard such beautiful music in my life. The ordination of the young ministers was a great thrill . . . the order and quietness of such a large crowd, the good behavior of the children, the smiling faces and pleasant associations with God's people, the delicious food, with the beautiful grounds on which the Tabernacle is located drew me closer to God and gave me a glimpse of the soon-coming Kingdom of God. After being in the midst of seven thousand people with the same mind, same trials and tests, it gave me a broader vision and I don't feel in a little world alone with God and with all the trials and tests to bear . . ."

This heart-warming letter is only one of many dozens we have received from those attending for the first time. If there could be ample space, I know each letter would be equally inspiring to all of you—seeing the real *blessings* God pours out upon us and the happiness they bring.

The Feast in England

Mr. Armstrong was able to remain at the big tabernacle near Big Sandy, Texas for only four days. Then, in the middle of the Feast, he had to fly from Dallas to New York, and on to London, so he could be with those meeting on our own Ambassador campus in England. Mr. Armstrong brought sermons before the congregation assembled in

England for the last two days of the Feast, and on the eighth day, picturing the Great White Throne Judgment.

With many of God's ministers, including several families and students from Ambassador College in Pasadena, and with the brethren from Britain and continental Europe, the atmosphere in England was one of a warm, family-knit group.

Mr. Roderick Meredith, having completed three successful evangelistic campaigns in England, resulting in the raising up of three new churches, delivered inspiring messages on the *meaning* of the Feast, the picturing of the Kingdom of God. Sermons were brought by Mr. Raymond McNair, who is an evangelist in God's Church, and has been in charge of the work in England for about two years; by Dr. Benjamin Rea, former head of the Spanish Department of Ambassador College in the United States, who is now principal of the college in England; by Mr. Ernest Martin, who will be teaching in the college; and Mr. George Meeker, who has been assisting in the churches and office in England for many months.

With nearly 250 people in attendance on our own grounds, it was truly an inspiring and uplifting Feast of Tabernacles.

Large Number Meet in Africa

Mr. J. E. Mwambula, our representative in Northern Rhodesia, Africa, reported that the number attending the first Holy Day of the Feast was 250. However, from a color slide Mr. Mwambula sent to us while we were at the Feast, we are almost certain Mr. Mwambula must have counted only the adult heads of household, for there appeared to be fully more than 600 or 700 people in the picture! Mr. Mwambula said the number increased until there were 475 attending the meetings during the middle of the Feast.

During the Feast there, the District Commissioner wanted Mr. Mwambula to halt the meetings because the Church had not been "registered" at that particular town of Kitwe. Mr. Mwambula, however, showed him the letter for registering the Church at Lusaka, the capital of Northern Rhodesia, and he was allowed to continue with the meetings—showing how God does intervene for His people!

Mr. Mwambula has been working diligently in translating much of the literature, and is going to send some of his translations to be reprinted in this country very soon. He said, "People

are very much pleased to hear that they will receive books in their own languages."

From the Philippines!

Mr. Ortiguero reports: "A full eight-day festival was observed from October 6 to 13. Four provinces were represented. San Nicolas, Pangasinan with three representatives, Lanao, Davao, Bukidnon with about 430 people. We had evening, morning and afternoon services for the first, third and eighth day. While for the other days there were evening and morning services only. The afternoons were free for all. There were indoor baseball, volley ball, hiking, sightseeings around Kiara in the woods and farms of the brethren.

"On the first day there was only 43 brethren who attended the first day's services, but after the first day to the last day many come. On the third there were 329 adults and some children. On the fourth day to the last day still the number increased, and the last day 444 adults were counted and about 150 children."

Mr. Ortiguero concluded his letter, after describing the subjects of the sermons and all that took place by saying: "There were no troubles or confusion made during the Feast and all of us were greatly blessed. After the 13th, many began going home, while Mr. Descargar and I were left in Kiara to keep the Sabbath. Thank you for your prayers and we felt the presence of God and that there was a very happy and joyous occasion."

Work Booming in Australia!

Mr. Gerald Waterhouse, assisted by Mr. Tony Hammer, conducted services in a wonderful Feast of Tabernacles in the land 'way "down under," in Australia! Mr. Waterhouse reported an attendance of 103 on the first day, with the largest attendance of 104 on the eighth day.

During the Feast of Tabernacles in Australia, there were *fifteen* baptized and added to God's Church!

Mr. Waterhouse wrote: "God kept the people well through the festival—not one had to miss because of illness (some were anointed and raised up quite rapidly) . . . as was the case for the entire time of the Festival of Unleavened Bread, God gave us almost perfect weather for the full eight days. Twice, reports came over the radio that the weather was going to turn bad—neither prediction materialized, we are quite sure God saw to that.

"Mr. Hammer and I gave the best sermons of our ministry as a result of extra help extended by God. In each sermon we could feel power that we

just don't normally have to the same degree on the weekly Sabbath. We know this resulted from the many prayers offered up for us in each of the other congregations throughout the world. This help enabled a very remarkable change to be evidenced in the lives of many who were in attendance for the first time. One would hardly believe that people could learn so much about doing things in an organized and harmonious manner in just eight days of proper guidance from the Word of God and through the help of God's Holy Spirit.

"The distance some of the brethren traveled to attend this historical Feast of Tabernacles [perhaps the first Feast of Tabernacles *in all of history* in Australia] was staggering—*some flew two or more thousand miles!*

"One of the highlights of the festival transpired on Tuesday, October 11th, when fifteen people were baptized. This number, supplementing the *nine* we baptized of the local people on September 24th, brought the number of those baptized after the Feast of Trumpets through the Feast of Tabernacles to 24.

"The number who were members in Australia before the Feast of Trumpets was 35 (5x7) and with the inclusion of 7 of us from the United States, the number was 42 (6x7). These figures not only reveal some interesting numerical patterns but also show that God added more than 50% to His Church in Australia in the short period of time between the Feast of Trumpets and the end of the Feast of Tabernacles."

And now, on the heels of this wonderful news of the Feast of Tabernacles in Australia, comes truly inspiring word from Mr. Armstrong that, as a result of his recent visit to Australia, plans have been approved to add a total of THIRTY-NINE NEW RADIO STATIONS IN AUSTRALIA!

This will bring the total number of radio stations in Australia to about the same number as in the United States!

Truly the blessings of God are so incomprehensible, so greatly beyond our wildest expectations, that they are overwhelming!

The Feast in the West Indies

Mr. Leo H. Joseph, whose picture has been run in The GOOD NEWS magazine, wrote a brief report of the Feast of Tabernacles in the island of St. Lucia and said: "I am indeed happy to say though it is the first year we began to have the full knowledge of the festival, we had a very wonderful Feast of Tabernacles. The brethren were not fully prepared for the seven days festival because we did not know anything about

the saving of a 'Second Tithe' for that purpose."

Mr. Joseph then described the services and hymn singing during the Feast and said: "My main sermon was 'The Promise of the Holy Spirit.' There were 40 in attendance, the first service was ended at 1:15 p.m. We enjoyed the delicious meal that was prepared by the sisters. The afternoon service was continued with hymns and different speeches by the brethren, until the sun was set. It was indeed joyful. The time was too short. We did not have any booths made this year, the brethren have decided to go to the forest next year to cut wood to build a big tent for the Feast of Tabernacles of 1961. The hall was decorated in coconut palm branches and flowers. There were arches made in the doors and windows decorated with ferns and flowers, it was very beautiful.

"We can never have enough praises to give to the Almighty God for all the wonderful opportunities he has given us.

"We remembered you all during the days of Tabernacles, I am sure the presence of the Holy Spirit was with us all.

"Remember us always in your prayers. With best Christian wishes to you from the brethren. . . ."

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trine. But afterward my mother took all the literature away from me and tore it up. Please cancel my subscription to The PLAIN TRUTH and the Correspondence Course because the truth should be sent where it will be properly cared for. I am 16 and still under my parent's jurisdiction."

Boy from Texas

What Relatives Think

"There are certain relatives which think I am foolish to go to your church at Akron, Ohio. That's 30 miles from where I live. But I don't care what they think. They say we have other churches near here in Canton which I could go to. I am not going to let these people change my mind. My brother [has] just [become converted]. I told him about your program about two years ago, and he wound up with you before I did. Yet, we have listened to your broadcasts for about 2½ years now."

Man from Canton, Ohio

New York Church Swells

"The New York Church of God is doing very well and growing by leaps and bounds. No doubt our meeting room will have to be changed to ac-

And so, from *around the world*, comes news of a truly heart-warming joyous, wonderful Festival of Tabernacles!

Serious Problems Ahead!

But, brethren, I wonder if we all are beginning *now* to realize the tremendous responsibilities God is shouldering upon us?

As God adds such marvelous GROWTH to His Church, He expects each one of us to *grow*, in like measure, *keeping pace* with the work He is doing!

Actually, by way of analogy, we might say God is showing us we should be growing 30% spiritually stronger every year! We should be increasing by one-third in EVERY direction!

Now to some serious matters.

Regardless of whether we are able to supply a newer and bigger building for next year's *meeting* place at the Feast of Tabernacles, REGARDLESS of whether we are able to arrange a tent, additional building, or temporary structure with closed circuit T.V., or WHATEVER measures we take to accommodate the 9,000 some people we are beginning to expect for next year—we MUST do extensive building!

At the Feast in Texas this year continue (Please continue on page 9)

commode the 'swelling' crowd. Mr. Smith gets more wonderful as the months pass, and Mrs. Smith grows more sweet. Mr. and Mrs. Jackson are two lovely, lovely people and are highly regarded by all."

Woman from New York

Blind Couple Not Misfits

"I received the first set of your records and I sure did enjoy them. Before I received them I felt that life wasn't worth living and I felt that I was a no-good and that I was in the way of everybody. After reading those records I knew that God loved me and I felt ashamed of myself for feeling that God didn't love me.

"You see, Brother Armstrong, I thought all the time that I was just born in the world as a misfit for everybody to pick on. My people made it plain that they didn't want me and I left them and married a blind man like myself for he told me that his people felt the same way about him. However, we have a few friends that come to see us and they are good to us. And we have also gained other friends since we have read your records for they like to listen too."

Couple, McHenry, Mississippi

(Editor's Comment: We send records on a two week loan basis only to those who are blind.)

Gala *Faculty Reception*

God's College in Britain is off to a wonderful start!

by Herbert W. Armstrong

IT'S 11:30 P.M., Wednesday night, October 19th. Ambassador College in England was born last Friday, the day following the great fall Festival. On that day we had orientation of new students in the Assembly Room of the Music Hall.

But now I have just come to our room from the glamorous Reception given by the 33 students in honor of the Faculty. What a setting for a Faculty Reception this is, here in Memorial Hall! More than a hundred attended. Our guests included educators from other schools and colleges, officials of government from St. Albans, most of our neighbors in this immediate Bricket Wood community, solicitors, architects, top officials from Harrods, England's largest and finest store.

Dick Armstrong's Portrait

The portrait of our son, Richard David Armstrong, in whose memory this ornate building is named, looked down from above the mantel upon this sparkling assemblage with just the twinkle of a smile of happy approval, as the guests moved slowly past the receiving line. The Cousins brothers, Bill and John and their wives, who were Dick's only acquaintances and friends during those early lonely pioneer years he spent in London, were startled and shocked to see this amazingly life-like portrait which seemed to make Dick come alive, with



A candid view of the Faculty Reception at Ambassador in the United Kingdom.

an alert half-smiling sparkle in his eyes. It was so startlingly *real* they were shocked and moved emotionally!

The artist who created this remarkable portrait from photographs, movies, and slides, Mr. Morse-Brown, and his wife, were among the assemblage of guests. They are staying here tonight. Mr. Morse-Brown is to begin a new portrait tomorrow morning—of my

wife. This portrait is just for me. I want it hung in my study—either in our new home here, now nearing completion, or in Pasadena. Mr. Morse-Brown is the noted portrait artist who painted the official portraits for Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh (husband of the Queen), Field Marshall Montgomery, the Lord Mayor of London, and scores of others of similar rank. He and his wife are sleeping in the adjoining room, and Mrs. Armstrong begs me to stop typing for fear of waking them.

It is now Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Armstrong is sitting for the new portrait.

The Purpose of Beautiful Surroundings

The Faculty Reception, in the opinion of all, was a sparkling success. Most of the guests were completely surprised at the elegant and cultural atmosphere at our new college.

English colleges may have large and ornate buildings, but they are bare and drab inside—just the plainest of furniture, usually two to six hundred years old—no color. One guest asked if I did not feel that these beautiful surroundings would be a deterrent to study and scholarship. British educators seem to have accepted a thread-worn tradition, which originated they know not when or where, that drab, unkempt, dreary

In the Library at the Faculty Reception, opening the first year of College in England.





Guests becoming acquainted with each other. Miss Ruth Myrick at the piano.

and depressing surroundings are conducive to the easy acquisition of knowledge.

I asked the lady if she could explain why, or in what way, such bare and sombre atmosphere stimulated desire for knowledge or assisted in its easy acquirement. She could not.

"Well, we've always done it that way, you know," was her only explanation.

I explained that thirteen years of this more cheerful and pleasant way had proved, by experience, that it definitely is a vital influence in character building, and an incentive to study and do better work. I explained that Ambassador College follows neither British nor Ameri-

Looking onto the guests below in the Main Entrance Hall.



can tradition, and is utterly unique in the educational world, seeking and disseminating the true values of life—that we find these things practical, rewarding, and vital in the building of fine character in young men and women.

Everyone seemed to agree that this is a delightful and proper departure from an uninspiring and dead tradition. All guests expressed pleasure and approval in this new and happy departure.

An Atmosphere of Happiness

Several remarked about the happiness our students exuded. They literally radiated good cheer. Guests noticed it. They were impressed.

I need not say all this made Mrs. Armstrong and me very happy. Our other ministers, wives, and faculty

Some of our fine young ladies at Ambassador in England.



members were delighted, too. Mrs. Meredith was unable to be here. She and Mr. Meredith are momentarily expecting their third child and second son! Mr. Meredith expected this little fellow to put in an appearance on the 13th because their other two children were born on the 13th. But apparently he is one of these post-war Englishmen, too busy on "tea-break" to get around to the job of being born!

Classes started yesterday afternoon. The college is under way full steam ahead. It holds great promise for the future.

God has granted us the blessing of starting the college here in England in a bigger and more elegant way than we were able to start in the States. But, of course, the entire work of God is now on a much larger scale. And we have less time, now, in which to train the



Enjoying a little punch at the Faculty Reception. Notice the gracious appointments of Ambassador's Memorial Hall.

vitaly needed ministers and other leaders for God's work here.

These beautiful buildings and cultural surroundings are now to be used as a training ground for those who will reach thousands throughout Britain and the world to "Recapture True Values." This is the Ambassador College motto both here and in America.

What the Future Holds

Both in this age and in the "World

"Tomorrow" the Ambassador students who overcome will be privileged to teach others the right way to live. They will teach them to "dress and keep" the good things that God gives—as He told Adam to do in the garden of Eden (Gen. 2:15).

Jesus said: "I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly" (John 10:10). Ambassador students are taught to work for and appreciate good and beau-

tiful things. This is God's way.

Our Faculty Reception last night was a happy foretaste of this busy, productive, purposeful life. It was a splendid beginning for God's college in Britain.

The prayers of all you brethren for God's guidance and blessing in this new college will help make it the success that it should be. "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth labourers into His harvest" (Matt. 9:38).

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ditions in the booth city and the camping area were terribly crowded. As many hundreds of you people who were staying there will remember, the sanitary buildings were entirely inadequate, and there is a desperate, crying need for additional sanitary facilities immediately.

The dining hall was so crowded, so packed, that it took a great deal of extra time to get everyone fed—and, on many occasions, services had to be delayed even until as late as 3:00 or 3:30 in the afternoon.

Think of it! People were being fed from approximately 12:00 noon until about 3:30 in the afternoon!

Mr. Armstrong made a special stop in Texas recently, with our architect from Pasadena who accompanied him, and met with Behlen officials to discuss the possibilities for next year.

As this magazine goes to press, there have been no final decisions made—but those decisions MUST be made, and soon!

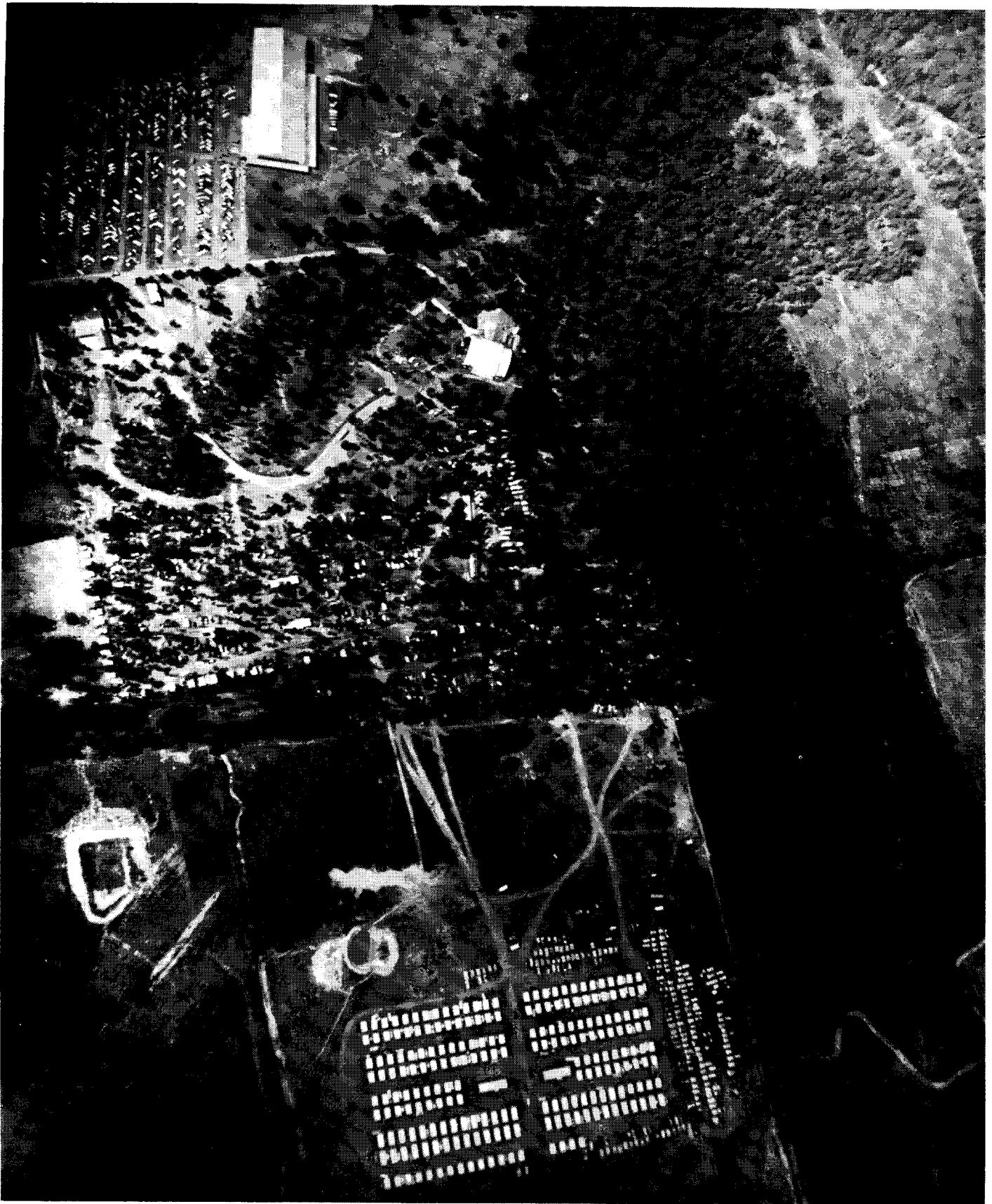
The staggering responsibility which

God is laying upon us is becoming clearer each year!

NOTHING is more important to *your* life than to *accomplish* God's work! There is NOTHING that should take precedence over wanting to *get this work of God done*—see it GROW—and do YOUR PART in it.

Brethren, I want to exhort every single one of you, wherever you are on the face of this round earth, to seriously, studiously, fervently PRAY for Mr. Armstrong and the others who will be counseling with him on these matters.

Let me give you a few staggering facts. In our gathering in the United States we are already *bigger* than the city of Gladewater! We are rapidly



An aerial view of the Tabernacle grounds near Gladewater, Texas. Photo taken by Floyd Davison; pilot Frank Schnee. Courtesy of the 1961 Envoy!

climbing to overtake several of the larger cities in the vicinity. This means that, eventually, if God continues such

a staggering rate of growth, that before the end of this great work God is accomplishing through us, we will have

a conclave of people meeting on our own grounds near Big Sandy, Texas much greater than the size of Long-

view! We will VIRTUALLY have a CITY over there in the East Texas woods as big as the city of Pasadena, California!

This means we are forced to begin to think of *water systems big enough for a city the size of Longview or larger*. It means *huge sewage systems, drainage problems, roadways, walkways, shuttle buses, transportation and parking problems*; it means a huge self-sustaining *electrical plant*; it means such a staggering, phenomenal, imagination-defying *number of things* that it is completely breath-taking!

THESE are some of the problems which Mr. Armstrong and others of the ministers will be discussing in the forthcoming ministerial conference.

Upper right: Mr. Mwambula, by a banana stalk. He directed Feast of Tabernacles in N. Rhodesia.



Left, the church members who attend the local congregation at Chimwemwe near Kitwe.

how you are going to attend the Feast of Tabernacles next year! Many hundreds did *not* attend who possibly COULD have. A staggering number who had attended the year before DID NOT attend this year!

When God's ministers asked for a show of hands as to how many were attending the Feast of Tabernacles for the very *first* time, it seemed more than one out of three raised their hands! That means there is a great TURNOVER of those attending. It means that each year many HUNDREDS who attended the year before, simply *do not attend* the following year.

Brethren, God COMMANDS our at-
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Will you PRAY with them, and really *put your heart* into your prayers, that right decisions will be made?

Come to the Feast!

Finally, brethren—remain steadfast in the faith, don't allow *any* "root of bitterness" or any other thing to draw you aside from the pathway in which God has placed your steps. *Make sure* you are beginning to save your second tithe *immediately*, for the next Feast of Tabernacles! Let NOTHING stand in your way to attend.

To many hundreds of you who are newly converted, and just now beginning to learn of these vital principles of God, you should begin to think seriously right now at this moment of

A view of those who attended Feast of Tabernacles at Kitwe in Rhodesia.



Is This *YOUR* Weak Point?

Here is a timely warning from one of our ministers in Australia.

SOME few of you brethren feel you are not a vital part of this Great Work because you are not a minister or used directly in some way in God's Church. You let feelings of discouragement and despondency come over you without any apparent reason.

Why?

Could it be that the Adversary—Satan—knows DISCOURAGEMENT and DESPONDENCY are the easiest way he has of keeping you from doing your part?

Satan is desperately trying to get each one of you to NEGLECT the gift of God's Holy Spirit which you have received (I Tim. 4:14). If he can succeed, you will forever become unprofitable, unqualified to enter the Kingdom of God (John 15:6).

Satan Against God's Kingdom

The one thing Satan hates above all else is for the Kingdom of God to be established on this earth. Naturally! Because Satan and his demons are going to be stripped of their authority when this great event occurs (Rev. 20:3). They crave authority.

No wonder they are striving day and night to prevent your conversion into the Kingdom at Christ's return to this earth (I Pet. 5:8). We are warned "not to give place to the devil." You must recognize the devices of Satan and resist them (James 4:7). Few understand the *one major device* used by the devil against God's people today! Satan is trying to *make you feel* that the power imparted to each of you through the Holy Spirit of God is not important or vital! Through this clever Satanic device, some of you are *not stirring up* the Holy Spirit of God which He has so graciously given you. *It is time you wake up to this danger!*

CHURCH to Preach Gospel of Kingdom

When *this* Church was built, Christ gave to it the great commission of preaching the Gospel to the whole world, a work which cannot possibly be fulfilled without the Holy Spirit of God!

Why is it that no other Church on the face of this earth preaches the True Gospel of the Kingdom of God? They may understand and preach some fragments of Truth. Yet, not one of them preaches Christ's message. The Church of God is the One Body which Satan is unable to control and prevent from

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preaching this vital message because it is *led by and governed by* CHRIST THROUGH THE HOLY SPIRIT. Consequently, he tries to render useless the human instruments through which the Holy Spirit is working. And, herein lies the danger to each one in God's Church. Your only hope is that you remain yielded to God so He can continually keep you filled with His Holy Spirit!

WITH THIS SAME POWER, *we can complete the work God has given us to do!*

WITHOUT IT, *we will utterly fail!* Unless every member of the Body functions properly, the Body is not going to be as effective as it ought to be in executing Christ's commission.

Satan Introduces Fifth Column

Satan knew he could not stop the spreading of the Gospel by attacking the ministers and lay members who were *filled with God's Holy Spirit*—those who were determined above all else to carry out the commission committed to them! As a result, he had to try another maneuver by which he would attempt to destroy God's true Church.

Satan introduced a fifth-column movement! He stealthily worked in false brethren or turned different ones in the church against the ministers GOD HAD PLACED IN OFFICE OVER THEM. Satan in all of his craftiness knew that the leaders could do little if they didn't have the Church's support—just like a front line of the army without any supply lines to back it up can do little. *Through this method*, Satan set out to break down the very power of the church. And, brethren, *he is still working in the same manner*, trying to get some of YOU to find fault and accuse the ministers, or else get you to let down, become lethargic and not do YOUR PART in supporting this very *Work of God!* We need to recognize just whom we are following whenever we fall into one or the other of these conditions.

Some people, when they get bitter against the ones God is really using to perform His Work, begin to speak presumptuously about them and, yet, appear sincere to those not growing spiritually (II Pet. 2:10-15). This should not sound strange to us. Even the Apostle John was spoken against by a self-styled and self-appointed

teacher who should have worked on the supply line instead of the firing line in the church (III John 9-10). Emphatically, Satan has found that he can work much more effectively by *tearing down the structure of the Church*, by pulling away certain ones *who are needed on the supply line to support this great work of God*. These individuals become disgruntled if they cannot be the "mouth" to speak God's message. They are so filled with vanity they are unwilling to be the hands and feet of Christ's body. Satan knows that if he can disconnect an individual member from the Head of this Church—Jesus Christ—that person will *dry up spiritually and burn in the lake of fire* (Col. 2:19). This Satanic maneuver, when effected, renders useless another of the vitally needed members of the Body of Christ—a member needed not only in this time when laborers are so few (Eph. 4:15-16), but a member of the Kingdom of God who could have inherited eternal life.

You Need Christ

You need to bring "*every thought into captivity* to Jesus Christ" (II Corinthians 10:5) and let Him instruct you through those whom He has called. *You need the same Holy Spirit working through your mind* that is working through the minds of those God has placed over you for your spiritual growth and perfection (Eph. 4:11-12). If you zealously do the part God has called you to perform—instead of seeking to do another's job—you can say with all confidence, "Christ in me is my hope of glory!" The question is, are you living your old life again, with its vanity—or is Christ living in you, doing His work through you as a member of Christ's Body? Remember, we are a part of the Body of Christ now, *only if we as a group do what Christ did in His earthly body!*

Greatest FEAST Ever!

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tendance. It is a *holy convocation*—a COMMANDED assembly.

Surely those thousands who attended the Feast in all parts of the world this year will raise their voices with me in telling those of you who did *not* attend that you *missed* one of the greatest, most overwhelming, joyous, happy occasions of your life!

Don't ever miss out again!