

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

January 7, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

The letter count is starting to pick up after a slump following New Year's. The letter count for the week should be over 23,000; however, for the same period of last January we had over 23,800 letters. The money picture is a little better but the increase in this category stands well under twenty per cent compared to the same week of 1965. The brightest spot of the week concerns the demand for The PLAIN TRUTH. Requests for the magazine are at an all-time high reaching fifty-three per cent of the white mail on Thursday.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"We deem it a genuine pleasure to have the privilege of broadcasting a program of the quality of The WORLD TOMORROW. Please accept the enclosed check with our best wishes for the continued success of your fine work. May you have a healthy and happy new year." KXEL Broadcasting Co., Inc., Waterloo, Iowa.

"While listening to your program on radio station WLW in Cincinnati for the first time last night, I was deeply moved. Your story about the ten-year-old who asked why God had taken his brother has changed my life. You see, the same thing happened to me -- when I was ten years old. I am a 69-year-old retired professor, and I have been rejecting God for the last 59 years -- ever since my brother was trampled by a horse in 1906. Not until I heard your answer to that ten-year-old's question, did I realize why God had taken his life. I only wish I could have heard your program 59 years ago." Professor, Oxford, Ohio.

"I heard your sermon Sunday night on KLZ radio. I listen every night to Garner Ted Armstrong. I have travelled around the U.S. for 15 years in evangelistic meetings as a singer and will tell the truth. I have been with some big evangelists, but as far as explaining the Bible prophecies in the light of today's times, I have never heard the Bible explained as clearly as you and your brother Garner Ted explain it." Man, Denver, Colo.

"I listen to your program over station WJRZ, Newark, every possible chance I get. It is a great comfort for me to hear your sane, down-to-earth philosophy in an age that apparently considers it chic and smart to deride such simple qualities as faith, courtesy and kindness. It always irks me tremendously that the station over which you speak concludes your message with the pat little gibberish of your view 'does not necessarily reflect the opinions of the management'. Unfortunately for them -- they might help themselves and countless others if the principles you espouse reflected their own thinking in some small degree." Woman, College Point, N.Y.

"After hearing several of your broadcasts, it is necessary for me to tell you how wrong you are. Although I have not read the Bible, I know it is wrong, and if it is wrong, so are you.

Anyone can see that the Biblical principles of kindness and understanding cannot hold true in any form of human society. I know without a doubt that man is descended from the apes of the jungles and that if there is a superior being, he is descended from the greatest ape in the world. This is obvious to anyone who would care to look at the facts." Man, Clovis, N.M.

"I first heard your broadcast on station WGUN, Atlanta. I was at the point of having no reason to live. I was depressed most of the time, but The WORLD TOMORROW brought me out of it. I want to thank God and you for all the help given me." Woman

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"In the December PLAIN TRUTH, you have an article about the Ten Commandments, and much stress is laid on the fact that the seventh day is the Lord's order for us to worship. Now, I am sure you are aware that Adam and Eve were created on the Sixth day. Did Adam disobey the first part of the fourth commandment (six days shalt thou labor, etc.) or did he disobey the latter part of the above commandment and keep the second day he was on this earth? It would seem that in any case he broke the commandment." Woman, Topeka, Kans.

"I have received my November issue of the PLAIN TRUTH and I'm now reading the article 'True Womanhood.' I tell you sir, in view of the kind of husband that I have, that 'yes, sir,' business seems hard, but if that's the way God wants it then here I go. Really though, I'm just half way through the article and I have been helped immensely. Thank you." Woman, Bahamas.

"I have been giving my PLAIN TRUTHS to the San Diego Public Library, one of the best in the country, always full of students of all ages. I was pleased to find them on file, with a printed sign, as it is such a wonderful magazine. I have not received the October, November and December issues, which I would like to pass on to the library so they will have a complete year's file again." Woman, San Diego, Calif.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS AND QUOTATIONS

"I always wanted to hide when I was going to be criticized or punished. I would nearly collapse emotionally. I see now that it is a very serious weakness. I utterly lack courage! I'm a spineless slave to Mama's home cooking, and look like it. A four-eyed, overweight, 27-year-old boy is not a very good candidate for the Kingdom of God, right?" Man, Bradenton, Fla.

"I have the greatest respect for the excellent work of your artist, Basil Wolverton... I too, am an artist, but try as I might I cannot match his unique style nor his methods of expression. His expressions of such emotions as happiness, horror, terror, anger, etc., are unsurpassable by me or any other artist. His pictures can only be described as stark realism." Man, W.Va.

"It seems like today there is so much confusion and trouble everywhere. I have listened to preachers on the radio preach healing, and I would have my letter ready to write to them for prayer and a prayer cloth, when they would say, 'now send me \$5 and I will send you a prayer cloth and perhaps a book or something else.' Right there would go my letter, for I am a poor person and do not have money to send. It makes you feel like, well, unless you have the fives, tens and so on, you just stay sick." Woman, Granite City, Ill.

"I am a member of Christian Crusade, Tulsa, Oklahoma. As you know we have quite a radio coverage. We have a hard time keeping money enough to finance these programs, and, of

course, it is always a wonder to me how you are able to cover the world and not ask for money. I wonder how long you will be able to do it, but that's your secret and problem. I know your lectures have a tremendous impact, and at a time when most of the news coverage is opposite to yours and mine, and many others' (I hope) views. I will not impose on your no cost policy, but undoubtedly will find a way to contribute in the future. \$1.00 for the postage at least." Tex.

"I am a Baptist and in some way I sure don't like your belief. For instance, believing Jesus was born in October. 'My foot!' He was born December 25th. Don't you ever read the Bible? Stop the PLAIN TRUTH!" Woman, Bimble, Ky.

"My once resentful and antagonistic husband had done all of the following after my two sons and I had returned home from this year's Feast of Tabernacles: filled the refrigerator with food, tidied and cleaned the house, and had a bouquet of roses on the table with a note reading, 'Welcome Home Family.' All this, in addition to footing the bills of the trip, is only part of the many blessings I have received from my efforts to do things God's way." Woman, Fla.

"I just received my GOOD NEWS yesterday and want to thank you for these most interesting and helpful articles, especially the one on spiritual lethargy, about the kings. It makes them seem so much more real and human to have it explained this way. It also shows me how much like them I am! But I don't want to end up the way they did." Woman, Burton, Ohio.

"Has anyone ever proven the Bible to be anything but a fairy tale? If so please indicate. Has anyone ever proven God's existence? If so would you please indicate who? I do not believe that the Bible has an ounce of truth in it! I do not believe that God exists. I listen to you now and then. I am happy to inform you that you are making mockery of the oldest and greatest farce called religion. I am a realist and only accept proven facts as being true. I am only 16 years old, but in the few years I have made up my mind about religion. It's an absolute lie!" Boy, B.C.

"Frankly your strong voice and dogmatic way of expressing the Gospel did appeal to me. You never said, 'Possibly this means this,' or 'I think maybe this is right.' You were positive and sure of the specifics that I did retain at that time; one was the prognostication of the destiny of Germany and the imminent Kingdom. This prediction of Germany I have followed closely since then, 10 years ago, and now I am 20. Still I can witness that every word uttered by you about Germany and all other scripture is being fulfilled infallibly. Secondly, another prediction I have heard you make within the last five years was that Red China would take India section by section, and this seems to be materializing constantly." Man, Stonefort, Ill.

"The Bible Correspondence Course #32 arrived yesterday. Your letter asked me how I feel about these new illustrated lessons. Well -- on first glance the pictures just scared me silly. To have this knowledge and not to act on it is just unimaginable. So I thank you for the further 'prod' to be diligent." Member from Agincourt, Ontario.

"I think this is a good time to say a few words about GOD SPEAKS OUT on the 'New Morality.' At first I was a little shocked when I just turned through it and saw the pictures, but I said to myself, 'I'm not going to pass judgment until I have read every word, seeing everything else I have ever got from Ambassador has been strictly true and honest. I just have to give the book a chance.' I got an even greater shock, shocked into realizing how badly this book was needed. I'll be proud to hand it to my little girl when she needs it. Inside it will be dedicated too, from a loving mother." Woman, Garrison, Ky.

"I was told that we would be blessed for going to the Feast. I was blessed, blessed spiritually and materially. Materially, I was blessed this way, when I got home. My husband

had bought a new washer and dryer and new linoleum for the floor, new kitchen range, toaster, electric frypan, popcorn popper, coffee pot, painted kitchen, a new refrigerator, new dinette set, new heater for the living room, remodeled bedroom, painted it, new bed (queen size), new clock radio, which was answered prayer, so I could listen to The WORLD TOMORROW broadcast. Also, he had put new roofing on all the roof, which also was answered prayer. Who would have expected this? When God blesses, He blesses. God absolutely knows our needs, and is our provider." Woman, Cave Junction, Ore.

"The Church we attend is a Christian Church although now they have turned to Pentecostal. Made us feel like we were not welcome if we didn't get tongues like them. Would you please send us the booklet you offered on tongues. Isn't it awful you can't even attend a church peacefully anymore?" Woman, Martinsville, Ind.

"I am sending you a dollar to help you with your broadcast. I read your Bible Stories. They are very good. My name is Jerry and I am eight years old. I know the Ten Commandments, and I am learning more every day. Will you please send me Volume IV of the Bible Stories? My mother and father read the Bible to me. I don't think I will write anymore because you might have more letters to read." Youngster, Petaluma, Calif.

COMMENTS ABOUT TITHING

"When I estimated my income back in January 1965 so we could send in our tithe of the tithe, I estimated my 1965 income at more than I had ever earned in any one year of my life. I not only earned more, but God has blessed us with an additional \$1,200 which made it possible for us to make necessary repairs on our house and car plus purchasing some much needed clothing for the entire family. Proof once again that God does bless the tither." Man, Canton, Ohio.

INTERVENTION
"Enclosed find a check (for \$50.00). \$18.38 of it was the children's tithe money from their 4-H projects and from vegetables they sold out of our garden this summer. Even though many parts of the state of Pennsylvania were drought stricken, we were blessed with a good supply of rain and fine crops. Many times we had rain that they didn't have only a few miles in each direction. It was our third tithe year and God gave us an extra blessing." Couple, Pa.

"Along with my tithe and special offerings I would like to tell you of just one way God has blessed this family. After discussing with my employer the high rate of interest I would have to pay to the bank if I borrowed the money to repair our family car, to my complete surprise he suggested I not repair the old car but rather pick out a new one of my choice -- he would purchase it for me. In a near state of shock I followed his advise and we now have a brand new car. My payments are whatever I can afford a month, no interest plus a cash discount. Third tithe year blessing, of course." Man, Santa Barbara, Calif.

POOF
"I have tested God and learned a lesson. I know it seems arrogant to test Him, but I wanted the final proof. I stopped tithing for one month. I was at that time out of debt. Now I am \$240 in debt. I am still rather confused as to exactly how it happened. Now I shall begin again and I KNOW that God Almighty will help; if I continue of course. I need no further convincing of the Existence of God." Canada.

"If you knew where these tithes came from you would probably send them back. I own and operate a tavern, store, restaurant all in one. I have prayed that God would help me to get out of this business but I have to live." Woman, Metz, W.Va.

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WEEKLY SUMMARY

The white mail is very encouraging. We received more white mail this week than we did for any week in 1965. The PLAIN TRUTH and the new "Earthquake" booklet have been in heavy demand and contributed a great deal to the good white mail count. Mail receipts for money and the overall letter count began to taper off this week. As of Thursday we had an 11% increase in money and a minus 10% in letters. We have received some exceptional comments this week telling how much help the book GOD SPEAKS OUT on 'The New Morality' has been.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"I have heard your broadcast at various times and on various stations for years. I used to think you were somewhat of a fanatic, but recently I went back and read the entire New Testament as though I had never read it before, putting aside all church indoctrinations I have had, and I was amazed at the simple and 'plain truth' I read." Woman, Bogalusa, La.

"Two or three days ago I listened to you when you spoke of war. I said I'd never listen again, not because I didn't agree, but because it scared me out of my wits." Woman, California.

"Recently I tuned in early on the station for The WORLD TOMORROW, XERB, and heard about 5 different 'religious' broadcasts. Each spent about 1/3 of their time 'begging' for donations of money, or selling everything from trinkets to Christmas cards and (get this !) a copy of the speaker's recent visit in heaven! The WORLD TOMORROW stood out like a bright morning star from the others -- not once asking for a donation." Woman, Sun City, Calif.

"I am in my third year of college and have 16 hours of Greek, 6 hours of Old Testament and 6 hours of New Testament courses. But, when I listen to your program each night over KAAY, Little Rock, I am amazed to find out how much we skipped." "Minister," New Canton, Ill.

"It was your radio program by Garner Ted that helped pave the way for my salvation in Jesus Christ. Since then I have been receiving your PLAIN TRUTH magazine. This has led me to want to know more about you and your present ministry. Would it be possible for you to send me some information about yourself and your stand for Jesus Christ, and your doctrinal statement concerning Christology, Pneumatology, Soteriology, Ecclesiology, Bibliology, Theology proper -- study of God, Anthropology the study of the origin, fall and state of man, and Eschatology?" Ill.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"I have gotten a world of good out of reading The PLAIN TRUTH. It has changed my whole life and now I attend church every Sunday and read the Bible daily. My wife is very proud of me

and she is also an avid reader of The PLAIN TRUTH now. The only arguments we have is who gets The PLAIN TRUTH first. Please keep sending it." Man, San Angelo, Texas.

"I read and enjoy The PLAIN TRUTH even though I seldom agree with all that you print. Many times I have wanted to write you when I did not agree with something you have printed, but I have never found the time. I was so infuriated by your article 'What's Wrong With Today's Music?' (November, by E. M. Walter) that I decided to make the time to write! First of all, I am NOT a Beatle fan, but I do like some of their songs. I am a rock 'n' roll fan, although I have never liked that title for popular music. I have never been corrupted, sexually or otherwise, by popular music! And I certainly do NOT worship popular music. Many people like popular music, but this is NOT idolatry! You say that most people can't tell good music from bad, and I think this includes the author of this ridiculous article. Everyone should decide what kind of music he likes and what he doesn't like. I think it is none of Mr. Walter's business to say what music is evil and what isn't." Man, Dubuque, Iowa.

"Please send me another copy of the November PLAIN TRUTH. One of my lady friends was so enthusiastic about that issue that she 'borrowed' it and now wants to keep it. I tried to explain to her that she can get her own copy free but she says 'a bird in hand is worth 2 in the brush,' so now, please kindly note my empty hand and please fill it with another November issue! Never again will this happen -- I have enough trouble getting mine from my mailman without friends poaching it yet. Sometimes when I get my PLAIN TRUTH it looks like every mailman in the country from Pasadena to Pennsylvania has read it!" Man, South Williamsport, Pa.

"The children use The PLAIN TRUTH and the Bible to write certain stories at school. The teachers ask where they get their information, so they tell them from a magazine from our church. The race riots made one topic for one of the girls. Her teacher said hers was the best in the class. It makes us all feel quite glad, as she had to stand before the class and tell the 'plain truth!' Now she has to write a 2,000 word story on Vietnam. Woman, Basehor, Kans.

"I have before me the January issue of The PLAIN TRUTH in which I have read the article by Richard H. Sedliacik, 'Why the Alarming Increase in Mental Illness?' This article was of particular interest to me as I am a nursing technician at Vanderbilt Hospital's Psychiatric Division. To make a long story short, I will say that the article 'hits the nail on the head.' I am going to take the copy of the January issue with me to our nursing class next week, as I feel the article should be read and absorbed." Man, Nashville, Tenn.

"As a history teacher in the Milwaukee Public School System, my primary interest in a pre-war trip to Europe was to see the places about which I was teaching my teenagers. The historical articles that have appeared in The PLAIN TRUTH have had a particular fascination for me. Mr. Armstrong and his staff reveal rare historical insight, particularly in the European history articles. Three summers ago I was granted a history scholarship in the Graduate School of Northwestern University. My seminar topic was the Fifth French Republic with particular emphasis on the Algerian problem. Any angle of post-World War II history of Europe is intriguing and you are to be commended for the splendid analyses you are making." Lecturer from Wisconsin.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS AND QUOTATIONS

"My sister and my mother think you are being paid by a German from Germany the way you say a United States of Europe will be here by 1975." Man, Denver, Colo.

"I used to see you on the street in Eugene in the 30's, having lived in Eugene since 1911. I also knew Frank Hill and recall the difficult times you had. What courage you displayed, and what faith!" Woman, Eugene, Ore.

"I chanced to tune in about the middle of your plain talk last evening and was enchanted by your technique. I stayed with it to the end to discover what the gimmick could be. It seems inconceivable that it should not be either something for sale (though you say your magazine is free) or a 'pitch' of some sort only to be discovered in the follow-up. Anyway, I am intrigued enough to risk getting my name on the sucker list. My fond hope is that being on this list, you won't waste a lot of printing and postage on me and that I will not be belabored with a lot of second class mailings which will go unopened into the wastebasket. So send me one mailing and one only, unless I write you for more." Man, Waitsburg, Wash.

"You have done it again. Just about the time I start thinking they can't improve any more because you're already tops -- bingo, you do it. I'm talking about your new way of doing The Correspondence Course. It's truly fantastic." Woman, Eugene, Ore.

"I would like to have a copy of your book GOD SPEAKS OUT on 'The New Morality.' I am 28 years old and have been serving as the evangelist for the Church of Christ in Rolla for over 2 years. I teach 4 religion courses for credit at the University of Missouri branch in Rolla. There are about 4,000 students enrolled this semester." "Evangelist," Rolla, Mo.

"Before I saw the truth I saw no reason to want to be saved. If my life eternal or otherwise were spent just 'floating around heaven all day,' I thought 'ugh! I don't even know how to play a harp and my singing voice would stop a proverbial clock.' I'm overjoyed at having a purpose." Woman, Oceanside, Calif.

"My husband is a follower of yours, and in the past year has become increasingly interested in the Bible. He has read your articles on Christmas, and this is the reason for my writing to you. I was and still am just 'crushed' not being able to have a Christmas tree and no decorations; however, we are giving gifts and sent some cards. How do you explain the absence of the usual Xmas at your house? How do you explain to your children the absence of Xmas, when others are celebrating Jesus Christ's birth. By celebrating, I do not mean parties and drunkenness, but by being with family and friends, by going to church, by a special inner feeling of joy, and by thanking everyone for their kindnesses during the year. Do you observe His birth at any time of the year? Do you observe His crucifixion? I know I must seem like an awfully good heathen to you, but I hope you will be able to help me become a Christian. This will be our first Christmas as man and wife, and the saddest because of my husband's views and my mixed-up feelings. With your help, I feel I will be able to change this next year." Woman, Pasadena, Texas.

"What a wonderful surprise was awaiting me when my daughter and I arrived home from grocery shopping yesterday afternoon. Yes -- Volume IV of The Bible Story... I was just like a little kid who has just received some very special gift, as indeed it was -- very, very special! Thank you from the bottom of my heart. Money couldn't buy it from me." Woman, Calif.

"I am a licensed minister and find it hard to find a place to preach the true word of God in our association churches. When I preach in a church a few times, they don't call on me anymore. The majority of our church members of today can't stand the truth of the Bible. "Minister," Houston, Texas.

"Your work and God's way have certainly made a change in our house. My mother and dad are so much more loving and patient; consequently, the latter trait has mainly changed my mother because before she was 'a bit' hot-tempered. It's so wonderful to live in this house and be near my family now. My father and I had always had a sort of 'wall' between us but now it is slowly being knocked down. I'm also not as scared of him as before." Girl, Fort Worth, Tex.

"In your Christmas letter, you wrote that you will give \$10,000 to the one who can prove that you belong to a religion. You better send me the \$10,000 because I believe you are a Mason. You made a big mistake by misinterpreting the beast with 13 horns as Germany. The beast is the United States, and the first 13 colonies are the 13 horns. The Evil One and his Jewish helpers are in this land." Woman, Mauston, Wis.

"No, I wouldn't falsely call you a Jehovah's Witness, or a former Seventh-day Adventist myself. I tell everybody I think you are a second 'Noah,' called of God to warn the people in these 'last days' of the 'WRATH to come.' Am I right? Sure I am!" Man, Danville, N.Y.

"I used to try to understand my Bible, as I felt the need to know God's Word. I would sit down and cry because it just didn't make sense to me. You have changed all of that. What I used to think was a dry, uninteresting book has become the most wonderful book anyone could ever read. I can never thank you enough." Woman, Tulsa, Okla.

"I received your Semi-Annual Letter and enjoyed reading it very much, especially the answer you gave to the question -- 'who are you, anyway?' You answered it beautifully and I'm sure it was clearly understood by everyone who read it. I myself really did not know how you became such an outstanding minister of the True Gospel, but now I do understand how it all happened." Woman, Milwaukee, Wis.

COMMENT ABOUT HEALING

"I am writing to tell you how my daughter was healed twice. She fell on her ankle and could not walk. She was anointed and the pain went away. Again this week, as we were leaving for Bible Study, she slipped, fell and couldn't stand. Again she was anointed, but she could not move her leg. Trouble started -- my mother really told my husband off and blamed him for letting me go to 'that church.' Then my little girl called me to her and said, 'My pain is gone. Look, I can fold my leg.' I called my unconverted husband on the telephone and let him know what had taken place. He said, 'Get ready. I'll take you to the Church social,' something that he was also against. Once again, God intervened and made this house a happy one. Woman, Calif.

COMMENTS ABOUT TITHING

"This is our third tithe year. Although we have been tried financially as we never have before, we have been blessed abundantly and it is all working out. We are expecting our third baby any day and just this last week we had a dryer given to us absolutely free! Then this week we got an unexpected bonus which was 5% of my annual wages for 1965. God really has been blessing us since the Feast of Tabernacles in so many ways, it is too numerous to mention here." Man, Vandalia, Ohio.

"By stepping out on faith and faithfully and obediently following God's laws and commandments, we have completed one year of tithing and not only enjoyed it but closed the year in good financial order." Man, Totowa, N.J.

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The white mail is very encouraging. There are two pieces of literature being requested that are contributing heavily to the good white mail figure. The announcements on the broadcast are creating a lot of interest in The PLAIN TRUTH prompting 40% to 50% or more of those writing in for the first time to request a year's subscription. About 30% in the white mail are asking for the "Earthquake" booklet. The percentage of increase in money improved this week by climbing to over 20%. As of Thursday it appears we will not have a percentage of increase in letters for the month so far.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"The reason I am writing you once again is because today Ted touched on the probable reaction of some people to the broadcast -- namely, 'Oh, ANOTHER religious programme...' Yours is NOT just another programme. It is a worthwhile and constructive one, and heartening to those of us who believe the truths which it expounds. But what of the broadcasts jamming the air (always beginning and ending with entreaties for money)? I fear they turn more people from the Christianity they are pretending to speak for than they attract. Surely you are familiar with these radio preachers. They put forth their claws with all the bouncy vehemence of a carnival barker, and proclaim doom and gloom for all who will not divert their tithes and offering from present objectives into their coffers." Man, Santa Barbara, Calif.

"You are a genius and a wonder when it comes to the spiel of your ideas on radio! This is no flattery, it is a genuine compliment! Wish I had that gift of yours. All other talkers on religion bore me -- not you. You scintillate! I am now an agnostic and on the verge of going atheistic. Can you stop it with your 'Does God Exist?'" Man, Miami Beach, Fla.

"Please tell me how you came to sound exactly like Paul Harvey, the famous ABC Newscaster?" Man, Columbus, Ohio.

"My husband and I were listening to Paul Harvey the other evening, on the radio; he was talking on prophecies in the Bible, etc., and finished by giving your name and address and advised the listeners to write you for a free booklet." Woman, Salem, Ore.

"I was especially pleased when I received one of the WEAW radio programs, to find they had a program that listed only inspirational and conservative programs and found that The WORLD TOMORROW was included. To me it is more than an inspirational program. I think through it God is showing us the path of destruction that people in our country and in our government are on and are leading us. I have only been listening to The WORLD TOMORROW for about 6 months, but it has changed my life. Our people need to become aware of this broadcast...." Woman, Ind.

"I am a 16-year-old girl and an atheist. I am writing to tell you this. When I first happened to hear The WORLD TOMORROW by accident, I thought at once that it was just another

religious show. I thought the man speaking was stupid and I didn't like what he said. Since then I have changed my mind. I have listened quite often to Garner Ted Armstrong and found that at first I hated him, then I laughed, then I listened. Don't get me wrong. I am still an atheist, but I'm less sure of myself and I really want to believe in God because He sounds like such a nice person, but I just can't." Girl, Victoria, Australia.

"I heard your radio program tonight for the first time. I was just coming back from Prayer Meeting from my church (I am a pastor), and I just happened to turn on the radio and listen to Station WLW, Cincinnati, Ohio. Garner Ted Armstrong was preaching, from Proverbs. I want you to know that I heard one of the best sermons of my life and one of the finest speakers that I have ever had the privilege of listening to. I want to find out more about your program -- who sponsors it, will you take contributions, where can I listen to more of the same, etc?" Pastor, Hurst, Ill.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"We are continually amazed at the up-to-dateness of The PLAIN TRUTH. We received our December issue yesterday and discovered the article on 'Christian Atheism,' which only within the past 10 days or so was referred to in articles in our local papers, which told of the idea being promulgated that God is 'dead.'" Man, Elkhart, Ind.

"Take my name off the mailing list. I've had it! I've never seen the like of it -- 48 pages filled with fear, damnation, and the fires of hell! I am so thankful for such leaders as Bishop John Robinson, Paul Tillich and others who have had the courage to give the world a wonderful new approach to man's relationship to his God. It is certainly too bad that William Dankenbring is so immersed in darkness and so crystalized in thought that the message of the book HONEST TO GOD passed completely over his consciousness. And then he has the unmitigated gall to denounce it and call Bishop Robinson an atheist. Your list of atheists must be real impressive. You must have such names on it as Ralph Waldo Emerson, Thoreau, Manly P. Hall, Ernest Holmes, Emmet Fox and many more, for they all have placed God in His rightful place -- the inner heart of man." Woman, Salem, Oregon.

"My wife and I enjoy any and all of your literature. We have been receiving The PLAIN TRUTH since it was a little 2-paged affair clipped together with a paper clip. We have been privileged and blessed to see it blossom out into the beautiful magazine it is today." Man, Calif.

"I was about 14 when I first subscribed to The PLAIN TRUTH (I am now 24). I thought about the articles you wrote and wondered if the events you predicted would happen. I wondered if I would see and know about them and understand. Well, I can tell you that you spoke the 'plain truth,' but it hardly seemed likely that those events would happen then. I remember a history teacher telling my class when I was in the sixth grade that if Europe would unite, it could conquer the world, but that it would never unite because the various countries could not agree." Woman, S.C.

"I just finished reading the article and followed God's rule on true womanhood. You couldn't believe the difference in my husband and children. I always felt marriage was a 50 - 50 deal. 'Who wants a deal?' I can now say I have a marriage, a good one." Woman, California.

"Your monthly letter or periodic letter is of little interest to me, not even valued enough by me to care to continue receiving it. When you learn enough about the Bible to know that it does not always say what it means or even means what it says, I will be more apt to conclude you are on the right track." Man, Festus, Mo.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS AND QUOTATIONS

"I must confess that when I received your wonderful letter in November, I turned to my wife and said, 'Here comes the catch, the letter asking for money.' But as I read your letter wanting to give us, free of charge, your Volume IV of 'The Bible Story' and telling us how The PLAIN TRUTH and The WORLD TOMORROW were started I was ashamed. Please forgive me. We enjoyed your letter very much. By all means, please send us 'The Bible Story' book and also 'The Plain Truth About Christmas!'" Man, St. Albans, W. Va.

"I know that whoever shall take up the sword shall die by the sword, but my friend David got the BB guns and we practiced marksmanship. When it was my turn to shoot, I aimed carefully, but the BB ricocheted on a metal shield and caught David in the mouth. His front tooth was shot out. The root was still there, but was pulled out today. We have learned a good lesson. I am sending \$2.00 for your great work, but because of this accident David could not pay this month. I hope that your representatives come this week." Teenager, Kansas City, Mo.

"I am in receipt of a book sent me by my sister, entitled 'Herbert W. Armstrong a False Prophet' by Robert L. Sumner. After reading it, and checking your booklets he used as proof of your being a false prophet, I find his conclusions misleading and certainly he has used only in part your quotes of the passages he is trying to disprove. So I am continuing reading and studying from your pamphlets and listening nightly to Garner Ted Armstrong over XERB." Woman, Salmon, Idaho.

"I saw in the Sunday paper 'The People' a woman said you made her give 1500 pounds. I do not believe it. I know -- you have not asked me for anything." Woman, England.

"Thank you very much for your book GOD SPEAKS OUT on 'The New Morality.' I have been reading it and it puts a different light on many things. I was in the train the other day, and I saw a young man reading this book. Also in the bus one day I saw a lady reading The PLAIN TRUTH -- so a great many are finding benefit from your books." Reader, Australia.

"I shall never be able to thank you enough for clearing up my misunderstanding of the Bible. Although I have no more than scratched the surface, I am amazed at how little understanding of the Bible I had, even though a councilman and Chairman of the Worship Committee in one of the leading churches in the area. I am also amazed at how little of the truth is preached from its pulpit. Why I put off enrolling in the Ambassador College BIBLE CORRESPONDENCE COURSE for so long, I'll never know. In just the first 4 lessons I've learned more than in 9 years of membership in a nice, new beautiful church -- with a watered-down gospel. This course is without a doubt the most interesting endeavor yet undertaken by me." Man, North Easton, Mass.

"I have just completed Test One of your CORRESPONDENCE COURSE. It has opened my eyes to many things. I listen to your program and I believe my minister does also, because his sermons are on the same topic you preach on the radio. He even preached that Easter was of heathen origin. His sermon today was on 'Atheistic Theology.' This reminds me of your 'Christian Atheism' in The PLAIN TRUTH. This coming Friday the congregation and the President of the Synod will hold a hearing to hear charges held against the pastor for his preaching (sermons People just don't want the truth!" Man, Oshkosh, Wis.

"I heard you say on your program that you are not a politician. I must agree that you are correct. When I was in the ninth grade my civics teacher stated that a politician and a statesman are different. He stated that a politician first thinks about himself, secondly his family, and last

his nation's condition. His outlook is his next election. A statesman first thinks about his nation's condition, secondly his family and last himself. His outlook is the next generation. I therefore believe that you are a statesman rather than a politician, even though you don't deal in politics." Man, Marysville, Pa.

"In February of 1965 I requested you to send one of your representatives to visit me. About 2 months later, your representative did try to contact me. He called my home and my wife told him I was working late and then gave him the number of my employer. He then called me where I was working and my helper answered the phone. My helper, not knowing my last name, told your representative he did not know me. That was the last I heard from him. On January 9, 1966, I was studying one of your booklets and decided to make the request again. I then wrote the letter, sealed and addressed it and put a stamp on it. In less than 5 minutes after I had finished, your representatives were knocking on my door. This is unusual service." Man, Leeds, Ala.

"I am collecting donations for the foundation of the Church of Laodecia, and would be grateful for any remittance your College would like to make." A. B., Wales.

"Things are moving fast in this area. From the new year the Government has made Sunday a normal working day but made the Poya days and the half days before, holidays. (The Poya days are the full moon days and the other three quarter-moon days). This is done on the score that 86% of the people are Buddhists and the holy days of the majority religionists should prevail. I am all for the change, but due to the changes of the phases of the moon, it does not come about that Saturday falls on a Poya day except on very rare occasions! So my problem remains! There is also talk that due to this change the seven-day week may at times become an eight-day week, too! With your recent article that a new World Calendar is in the offing doing away with the seven-day weekly cycle, it seems that world events are truly moving fast to a climax." Man, Ceylon.

"Please stop sending me La PURE VERITE and the CORRESPONDENCE COURSE. I shall remain faithful to the Roman Catholic Church. I don't know if I am right or wrong, but I am too small before God to answer this question." Man, St. Remy, France.

COMMENTS ABOUT HEALING

"Just today we received the anointed cloth for the rash on my son. The rash was almost gone when the cloth arrived. God doesn't wait for the slow-moving mail about healing." Miss.

"Last summer my little boy poured carbolic acid all over his neck and chest. It almost killed him, but thanks to God, he is healed now. Only a couple of scars remain." Woman, Ark.

COMMENT ABOUT TITHING

"For 2 years I paid my tithes. I got along very well with the rest of my monthly bills. But this year of 1965, I did not pay one cent of tithes and I am so deep in debt I don't know what to do. I had to trade cars. I had a 1954 Ford and it played out. I traded for a 1960 Rambler, and isn't much better. I had to have some repairs made on my home and replace a hot water heater. My furnace is out of order, and I had to have some space heaters installed instead. I felt like I could not afford to pay tithes; now I realize that if I had given to the Lord what is His, I probably would not have had as much trouble as I have had. So I am sending my tithes first from now on." Ala

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

January 28, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

The white mail continued to climb to set a new record high this week. Through Thursday the white mail made up 40% of the total letter count for the week. This is also a new percentage high. Because of this heavy white mail more subscribers are being added to The PLAIN TRUTH mailing list than ever before. By contrast the money dropped off considerably this week; however, we still had a 17% increase as of Thursday. Tuesday was one of our lowest days financially for the past two years.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"Until I heard one of your broadcasts at 5:30 one morning on a local radio station (CKOY), I was an atheist. Afterwards, I took your advice and examined the reasons for my convictions. I had none. Would you therefore send me your booklets on 'Does God Exist?' 'The Proof of the Bible,' 'Truth About Earthquakes,' and 'The Resurrection,' so that I am able to decide for myself the existence of God." Man, Ottawa, Ontario.

"For about a month now I've been listening to your program over KWKH radio station. I look forward to your program more and more. I used to listen to your program years ago before I got a television set and enjoyed it then also. I believe it was broadcast from Eugene, Oregon, then and maybe had a different name." Woman, Shreveport, La.

"I don't want to sign my name and address because I don't want any literature, but I don't think it's fair to listen and enjoy (and bob my head up and down in agreement) with your nightly broadcast, without letting you know that I never tire of hearing you 'lay it on the line.' I have written WLW, Cincinnati, thanking them for bringing us The WORLD TOMORROW."

"I listen to your broadcast each night at 11:00 over WLW, Cincinnati, Ohio. I think you have a marvelous voice -- so convincing. You should have been a minister." Listener, Ohio.

"Your broadcasts are having such a powerful impact here in the Willamette Valley that ministers in their pulpits are conceding the validity of your statements. That is really something when you consider the influential members of their congregations. Your work is truly remarkable, and an inspiration and blessing to anyone who seriously listens." Woman, Ore.

"I have been listening to The WORLD TOMORROW off and on for the past 2 or 3 years over WKCY, Cincinnati. Some time ago I heard you say they make pictures and put the name 'Jesus Christ' on them and it looked like the bearded one, Castro. I know because I had one in my billfold. Well, Mr. Armstrong, that picture went right into the garbage can. I was led astray unknowingly. Thank you." Man, Ashtabula, Ohio.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"I became acquainted with The PLAIN TRUTH through a friend and neighbor. As I am sure you know, Southwestern University is a Methodist institution. While I was there I became thoroughly repulsed by any type of an organized church. In fact, I was known for my lengthy harangues against church and religion whenever anyone said anything about theology. However, after going off on a long 'harangue' against religion, my friend handed me a copy of 'Does God Exist?' and a copy of your PLAIN TRUTH and told me to read them. After reading both and doing some considerable thinking about both, you have, as corny as it sounds, given me a hope and a knowledge that God does exist and is around us at this moment." Man, Austin, Texas.

"I want to thank William F. Dankenbring for his article on 'The Power of Believing Prayer.' It was a God-send. My sister and her husband were on the verge of a separation. I prayed fervently about it for a few times and God did hear and answer my prayer." Woman, Ala.

"I have been reading your magazine with great interest. I know that all the things printed there are the divine truth and the Ambassador College course has really opened my eyes to the wickedness of this world's churches. I was a member of one such church and thought that no matter what they believed and taught, it was better than no church at all. I was even teaching young people in this church and have quit because I know that God will one day judge me for the things I do here in His name. I have been so wrong in so many ways. I pray God will forgive me. I will not make these mistakes again." Woman, Moundsville, W. Va.

"A few months ago, I stopped subscribing to your magazine. Well, after hearing the radio program, I changed my mind. Please put me back on your mailing list. I don't want to miss the February issue." Man, Woodbridge, Va.

"An English class of first-year engineering students has chosen to study some of your publishings this term. I wonder if you would send me The PLAIN TRUTH. Our professor played us a recording of one of your morning spiels. Sounds as though we are going to have fun." Young man, Vancouver, B.C.

"I have been recently promoted from Assistant Magistrate, Camperdown to Magistrate, Bulwer. I find your PLAIN TRUTH most interesting and accurate in reporting on world affairs. Your article on 'The Rhodesian Crisis' in the December issue is at least unbiased and substantially reflects the true position. I feel the article should be more generally published because it is apparent that most people not living in Africa have but a twisted idea of what really the position is and they don't seem to care about the future of western civilization in Africa. They also seem to be reluctant to inform themselves properly of the true position. People have become scared of the truth in their own lives; scared of the truth as regards world affairs and scared of the Bible truths lest it would become plain that they must repent of their sins in order to have real peace." Magistrate from South Africa.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS AND QUOTATIONS

"I have a wife and 8 children, and I've been deeply disturbed about their future. That was one reason why I moved from Massachusetts to Alaska -- to get away from this corrupt society. After I reached Alaska, I found that wasn't the answer to the problem. By reading your message, however, I've found the real truth about the living God and have changed my

way of thinking, hoping that by keeping His laws and commandments He may account us worthy to be prepared for the difficult future." Man, Homer, Alaska.

"On the 20th of October, 1965, there was an earthquake here in Missouri. It was supposed to have begun south of Springfield. It seemed to run right under my house. Now I am almost 65 years old, but I never even heard of an earthquake in Missouri before. It sure did seem strange, as the house seemed to go up and down like a huge mole working under it." Woman, Mo.

"I find myself comparing all the terrible events that are happening here in Tuskegee to the Bible, such as, 'Let the heathen rage.' They sure are raging here. Everything seems to be going in such a bad way here. There is no peace here any more. Please pray for us. We need a great change here. The town's morale is at the lowest ebb." Woman, Tuskegee, Ala.

"Please send the Bible CORRESPONDENCE COURSE. My husband has been in the Church of God for over 2 years, so I thought I better look into this, too." Woman, Santa Clara, Calif.

"I am an eleven year old boy and I try to obey God's laws as much as I can. God is more important to me than a ham sandwich, football games and Cub Scouts on Saturday, and some other of the few things I have learned. I feel very fortunate to know all I do and I hope I will learn more. I never feel like I am being missed out on something when I know it is against God's laws." Boy, Los Alamos, N.M.

"Greetings! As I read your exciting and interesting letter my blood ran coldly over my body, my hair stared and my heart knocked at my ribs. I keep wondering whether it's a fantasy or reality to be given the privilege of receiving and enjoying such pure stuff -- your literature." Man, Grenada, West Indies.

"We have to take dancing in school. These dances are the modern Jerk, Watusi, and other dances like that. I don't think these dances are right and people shouldn't do them. In order to get out of this dancing class we must have a written letter from our preacher telling that we don't believe in dancing. You are my preacher, Mr. Armstrong, and I would like for you to send me a letter saying that our church doesn't believe in dancing and that I should be excused from this dancing class." Girl, Springfield, Ore.

"In the past year since I've been trying to obey God, He has truly blessed me beyond measure. My son has been healed of asthma and now God has given us a nice, decent home to live in and made it possible for me to stay home with my children. I can never thank Him enough." Woman, College Park, Ga.

"We were most grateful for the copy of GOD SPEAKS OUT on 'The New Morality' that you sent to our friend and his fiancée. Another member of our fraternity house is engaged and we would like to give him a copy of the book, too, -- or should I say, for you to give him a copy of it, for it is really free. Both he and I are 21, but would you please send the book to me so that it can be presented to our friend." Student, Cal Tech.

"Being a Los Angeles police officer, I can certainly vouch in agreement with you. Crime is certainly on the upsurge. In my opinion, it is high time we as a nation turn to God before it is too late. Keep up the good work. I'm sure that your fine magazine is a blessing to many." Los Angeles Policeman.

"I was very thankful at the receipt of a copy of GOD SPEAKS OUT on 'The New Morality.' My wife and I enjoyed every page and chapter of this book, and my wife indeed was overjoyed at the truths and new experiences we learned from this wonderful book. It has taught us many things of vital importance, some of which we neglected. All the interesting passages, all truths found were to be underlined so that we don't forget, and it is also easy to review. How we thought sex to be an evil thing -- it sounds quite different. A God-plane gift, but the wrong use made everything bad. The care of the young children. This book has become a kind of my instructor because I have started instructing my young sister with the truths found from it." Man, Meru, Kenya.

"We who live here in New York have now had a water shortage, a blackout, and a transportation strike, which finally ended yesterday. I was not personally affected beyond having to pay more to get to Sabbath Services and having to miss Bible Study (which was cancelled). I live in easy walking distance of work. Many others were not so little affected. That is, little by comparison, for some lost jobs, and businesses. What will be our next city-wide disaster? -- a food shortage, or will the weather cripple us next? It is a blessing, whose value is not fully realized, to know we have God's help and protection in these crises. This knowledge which started (for most of us) with The WORLD TOMORROW is still being heard, thanks to all of you." Man, Brooklyn, N. Y.

"About a year ago I wrote to you for my first booklet, then I went to Geneva to ask for the Bible CORRESPONDENCE COURSE. Next I attended the Feast of Tabernacles, where I was surprised by the enthusiasm of your singing, even though I do not speak English and could not understand the words. I came back home delighted by the awesome things we were told. I was a Jehovah's Witness for many years, but had never learned what really counts. I was one of those who seemed 'ever learning, and never able to come to a knowledge of the truth.'" Woman, Nancy, France.

"While I was working as a technician in a hospital laboratory about 2 years ago we had a case of a woman who, all of a sudden, had a great drop in the number of white cells circulating in her blood stream. In fact, if I remember correctly, the number dropped to less than half of the minimum normal number. She had no symptoms which indicated an organic cause for this and neither was she taking any drugs. The only thing that she had been doing differently that she could think of was spraying her room at night with an insecticide containing D.D.T. to keep the mosquitoes away. All night, while she slept, she must have inhaled this spray. She was advised to stop this practice, which she did. Almost immediately her white cell count rose again to a normal level! Although this is only an isolated incidence, and the only one that I know of, I still feel it is very significant." Technician, South Africa.

COMMENTS ABOUT HEALING

"You don't know how happy I am that God healed my lung. I asked you to pray for me and you sent me a prayer cloth. I did as you told me. Now I am completely healed." Woman, Ark.

"Several weeks ago my daughter could hardly see without squinting. The school nurse tested her eyes and put 70-40 on her card. A week later the doctor tested them and they had made marked improvement. We feel they will be completely healed. The school nurse says after checking them again, for a clearance for driving, that she must have had an eye infection or something. We know God is healing her and we are so very grateful." Woman, San Fernando, California.

Weekly Comments

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MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

February 4, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

After a slow start for the first part of the week, both the money and letter count picked up beginning with Wednesday. The percentage of increase in money is encouraging now. The letter count for the week will come to about 25,000. Returns to the Co-worker Letter asking for statements of intention started to pick up about the middle of the week, but they are coming in quite slowly compared to last year. The white mail count is very good this week but is somewhat below the record set last week.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"In comparing your broadcasts with the Bible, I see that you are teaching the truth. You speak with authority, and don't mince your words. This force can only come from God. May God bless this work you have undertaken -- and which is His." Man, Balzanac, France.

"I was a Christian when I was young, but I have lost the faith. Your broadcast gives me hope and the courage to change after so many years of a deplorable life. I don't know how to pray any more, but I pray that God will forgive my sins." Woman, Nantes, France.

"You spoke of rats in India eating up their food, but what about the United States? Here in Battle Creek, we have a large Ralston-Purina factory and 3 years ago, they came out with a new cat food called 'Cat Chow.' They built an addition on their factory and employed about 30 more men. They were 40 carloads behind when they came out with a new dog food and added more help. This plant covers at least 20 acres. We don't have so many rats, but we are feeding millions of dogs and cats while we have little children in our own United States that surely need more food." Man, Battle Creek, Mich.

"Now i may have a wronge understanding but i listen to Garner Ted each knight over WLAC. But i like to know -- where is you at, Hubbard W. Armstrawn? Are you in Pasadena, California, or here or New York state or are you over sea?" Woman, Tuscaloosa, Ala.

"My husband is supposed to leave home at 6:00 A.M. for work but he never makes it at that time. He stays and waits for your 6:15 program. I might also add that it was not always like this with us. We have been married 2 1/2 years and we spent most of that time separated from each other. On our last separation, he listened to your program here in California. I, too, listened to it in Kentucky. We both heard, and now, instead of being 3,000 miles apart, we are really and truly together. We literally spend hours and hours reading the Bible, listening to your broadcasts and then discussing the current subject." Woman, Bell Gardens, Calif.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"Talk about living average. My husband and I live on about \$700.00 per year. We have plain furniture, no TV (and don't want one), no electrical appliances, only a radio and refrigerator. I do a lot of canning. We use an old wood cookstove and we find nothing to complain about. When we look around us and see others who are in debt so deep that they will never get out, we count our blessings and thank God for what we have. I pray that we will always be blessed with as much as we have now." Woman, Mountain View, Ark.

"I wish to cancel my subscription to The PLAIN TRUTH. Although this publication has served to enlighten me immensely with Bible prophecy in light of current world events, I am still deeply distressed with the overall trend in today's news. This is coupled with the recent knowledge that we have entered the Chinese year 4664 -- the year of the horse (Rev. 6:4), i.e. 4666 (Rev. 9:15) (1968). In other words, WE'VE HAD IT. From now on, I would appreciate being the recipient of encouraging news only. Please, my nerves can't take it any longer!" Man, Los Angeles, Calif.

"Thank you for The PLAIN TRUTH. I never knew that you published such an interesting magazine. Its point of view is quite different from what I've read, but nice to read, for it's written quite logically and plainly." Reader, Fukuoka, Japan.

"Concerning your work -- I took one of your magazines, compared the Radio Log then with the radio log of today's PLAIN TRUTH, and was able to show a Pentecostal lady that God is blessing your preaching. As a result, she borrowed your magazine. Up until then she had 'heard that you were evil.' When I asked her if she had ever read your writings she said no. So, when I asked her how could she 'prove all things,' she asked to read your PLAIN TRUTH." Woman, South Roxana, Ill.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS AND QUOTATIONS

"I'm frightened -- I'm torn between your theology and Catholic theology. I simply don't know which way to go. Going to my confessor helps for a day or two, then I find myself back in my old haunts. I find a certain element of truth in both of you. I feel I am now forced to make a choice. I can no longer go on as I am.... Yet, on the other hand, I see so much good in both. I cannot be anything half-way. What am I to do? When I write I'm angered with you. I simply mean I'm trying to prove you wrong, and I can't! (yet). Were it not for my child-like devotion to our blessed Mother, it would be so easy! You see, I have had a blind faith in Her all my life, and it grows stronger as I grow older (36). I have always believed without a doubt." Woman, N.J.

"It has been a long time since I have written you, but a lot has happened since last April. As you know, I divorced my wife in April 1964. I just could not stand for her committing adultery. Well, I took her back in 1965. She shot me with a 12-gauge shotgun last April. She broke both legs. No, I don't want her anymore, for Jesus said, 'It is better to live in a desert alone than to live with an angry woman.' I was in the hospital for over 9 months. My bill is a little over \$10,000." Man, Sebastopol, Calif.

"I want to know if it is all right to gamble marbles at school or any place else, according to the Bible. I am willing to stop gambling them if you tell me it's not right. I have already done it a lot." Boy, Navarro, Colo.

"I listen to your program and read your literature with great interest. Now, I would like, however, to know what your schedule for a typical day would be. You know -- time to rise, time to shine, time to pray, etc, work, play, etc. I realize you may feel that this is prying into your private life a great deal, but I mean it as a compliment. This is you know, the price a public speaker of fame faces, and it very well may be just the kind of things I might like to try to do. Besides, I'd like to know if you practice what I think you preach. At any rate, if you can't or don't want to send this information, I will understand. I will still continue to listen, read and copy you as best I can." Man, Caseyville, Ill.

"Dear Pen Pal: I am with much glad to write you this my humble letter. Before I go to say anything I must first ask your present condition of health. I am a boy of ten years of age. I attended School at Fanti Nyankumasi Local Council Middle School. I am in form one and next year I will go to secondary school at Accra, the capital town of Ghana. My father is a hunter. Try to bring me your photo or any kind of something. If you bring me something, I will bring a monkey skin or parrot feathers. Nothing to say again." Boy, Ghana, Africa.

"I'd like to thank you for the article 'How to Help Your Teen-agers,' by Mr. David Antion. It is clear, concise and straight to the root of the problem. It makes me realize the extent of the common error. My husband's parents and mine did not teach us these things. After 2 children, we divorced and both remarried. Now our once-teenagers are adults and have children of their own. Both are divorced and remarried, not teaching their own innocent children as God intended. If only we had known or realized this truth, the mountain of woe and suffering could have been avoided. I have repented, and come out of the cesspool of this world, but agony remains of the past that I can't undo." Woman, Eugene, Ore.

"My sister and her family embraced your religion completely, and everyone thinks they are crazy, including me, at first. She and I had always been close, so instead of turning away from her like the rest of our large family did, I asked her to explain some of the strange things she was doing. Well, needless to say, I have been in confusion ever since. But, since I've been searching the scriptures, I've been shocked. I can't find that you are wrong, but have found instead that we are." Woman, Elizabethton, Tenn.

"By the way, I'd like to take the opportunity here to say that I think the Ambassador College CORRESPONDENCE COURSE is wonderful! I'm 15 and in the 10th grade this year. I have quite a lot of schoolwork to do so I don't have much spare time, but I MAKE time for studying God's Word because I truly realize the importance of the opportunity He has given me." Teenager, Stafford Springs, Conn.

"Is it wrong to have pictures of Christ? (You ought to see one on the front cover of a leading religious magazine painted by a minister from memory of a vision of Christ! I wrote him a letter and told him he must have had a nightmare instead of a vision!!)." Man, N. C.

"If we had our way you would be on one or two of our biggest and most powerful stations and it would be both morning and night and no charge. It would be financed by the big goofy cigarette and beer advertizers. They drive us nuts with their 'good thing going, double filters, and better and long-lasting taste.' About 6 or 8 tobacco companies and 30 or 40 brands -- about every floor they sweep up is turned into a brand." Woman, Walled Lake, Mich.

"I can look at Mr. Wolverton's wonderful pictures and feel the dry, dusty countryside, the rocks, and all that the pictures contain. Now, it really takes talent to make a viewer see

and feel such as that. I wish I lived at Pasadena; perhaps Mr. Wolverton would give me some drawing lessons. I would not dare ask him, for I am quite sure that he would think I was a very presumptuous woman. But I can wish, can't I?" Woman, San Antonio, Texas.

"May I have 'The Ten Commandments' at your convenience. I used to know where the 10 Commandments were found but not now." Woman, Ontario, Calif.

"How come our wheat costs the people in India \$21.00 per pound? That's highway robbery! Sixty pounds of wheat here only brings about \$1.80 and if they pay \$21.00 per pound, a bushel would cost \$1,260.00. That looks like 600 times too much. It is bad enough to rob a wealthy person, let alone a person who is starving to death. I wish you could be the President of the United States. I sure will vote for you if you will run." Farmer, Salem, Neb.

"We have just completed the book work for the calendar year 1965 and thought you might be interested in some facts. We have been tithing now for about 18 months and December 25th of 1964, decided to observe the Sabbath by closing the store Friday nights and Saturdays, although all the other stores in town are open this one evening and all day on Saturday. I had over 2 months' paid vacation this year, made up of 52 weekly Sabbaths, 3 Holy Days and 10 days off at the Feast. I worked 17 hours less each work week or had over 990 hours off and yet the gross income of the business in 1965 showed an increase of 27% and the net income increased by 30%. I thank God for all the blessings which He has bestowed upon me." Man, Coldwater, Mich.

COMMENTS ABOUT HEALING

"I have just finished re-reading your booklet 'Does God Heal Today?' After wrestling with all the confused ideas I had on this subject, I am convinced that this booklet contains the only truth on this matter of healing. That is why I am writing to ask you to include in your prayers healing for my seven-year old daughter who was born with cerebral palsy. She has good speech and intelligence, but she is not even able yet to sit alone, although she makes valiant efforts. Will you please ask God to help her?" Mother, Clearfield, Pa.

"Everytime I write to you something happens to change my life to a different viewpoint. This time it was quite a few things. First of all, I was healed of my kidney stones which had been causing me a great deal of pain. I could also start fasting, which I hadn't been able to do for months because of the stones." Woman, Los Angeles, Calif.

COMMENTS ABOUT TITHING

"I am receiving God's blessing for tithing. This is my fourth raise since I started to tithe. The income tax people can't see how I do so much on my salary and, do you know something -- I can't either. I have to send proof to them every year I file my income tax. Yes, God keeps His promises to those who will obey Him." Woman, Miami, Fla.

"I am happy to be able to send you \$61.00 in first tithes. My husband gave me \$500.00 from a sale of some real estate. This is also my third year to tithe and the first time I have had anything to give as third tithe. God is wonderfully blessing me." Woman, West Asheville, N.C.

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

February 11, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

The mail count for the week looks fairly good with about 28,000 letters. The money increase for the month took a sharp drop from last week's figure of forty-two per cent. The white mail count has held about steady giving us well over nine thousand for the week. Statements of Intention are coming in quite slowly this time compared to last year, but the response is not dropping off as sharply from the peak returns as it did last year. This is allowing us to gradually gain on last year's figure. However, at the rate the figure is building up it doesn't seem likely that we will show any increase over last year's total.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"Mr. Armstrong, lately your broadcasts have been so moving, so timely. Almost every day in our local paper 'The Odessa American,' there are articles on the drought in South Africa, Rhodesia, the starving people of India, etc. It almost makes one feel that 'The Odessa American' was a patron of your own news bureau service." Woman, Odessa, Texas.

"My husband and I are having trouble in our marriage, and we listen to your broadcasts in the hope of hearing some suggestion as to how he should act, what the correct attitudes for him should be. We are always disappointed -- you only tell the wives how to act. The whole purpose and essence of this letter is -- please lecture men and husbands on their proper conduct and obligation in marriage." Woman, Long Beach, Calif.

"It was strictly by chance that I tuned into your broadcast some 2 months ago. 'Here's some religious nut,' I thought, but I listened. The more you talked in your fact world of reality the more interested I became. My wife and I pray together; we have found a way to salvage ourselves out of the rutted, frustrated ways in which we were living." Man, Medford, Ore.

"I have been listening to you on WCKY, Cincinnati, for the past few months and you have certainly inspired me. I'm a retired Master Sergeant, U.S. Army, and as such was never a church-going man; however, I tried to guide my life as to right or wrong through instinct, knowing in my own mind that there just had to be a God up there somewhere. Through your inspiration, I now am in the process of reading the Bible for the first time and I am beginning to wake up. It's got me to thinking and there's certainly a lot to think about." M/Sgt. from Cincinnati, Ohio.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"In Cameroon Republic here there is no question of whether this PLAIN TRUTH is really wanted. This magazine, it seems, is becoming the most popular magazine in this country, for in most offices that one enters, one will find a copy in front of someone reading it." Reader, Cameroon Republic.

"I want to thank you for sending me your magazine, The PLAIN TRUTH. I have derived a lot of good from it. In fact, due to it I have gotten back into church activities here in our small community. I am asking that my name now be cancelled from your mailing list as I no longer need to be influenced to get on the right path. Good luck to you on the tremendous work you're doing in trying to bring people to the truth." Woman, Plainfield, Ill.

"Recently in our Sociology class, we were asked to bring to class a magazine of our own choosing. Out of the some 35 students, 5 of them had one of your magazines. I looked through it and it seemed very interesting. After an inquiry, I was told the magazine was distributed free of charge. I would greatly appreciate receiving your magazine." Student, Mo.

"I very kindly beg you to be sending me your very second-to-none magazine, The PLAIN TRUTH. I once read it and I was very much impressed by it." Man, Czechoslovakia.

"Thank you for your magazine, but you will never convince me the Messiah was clean-shaven and had very short hair as it is worn now. Why do you say a man is 'effeminate' because he permits his beard to grow and has longer hair than is now the custom? The question of long versus short hair is this: hair down to the middle of the back is long (that's the way a woman should have her hair); hair only down to the shoulders is short (man). Do you think the Saviour went to a barber shop every couple of weeks?" Man, Lakewood, Ohio.

"My sister loaned me 2 copies of The PLAIN TRUTH, November and December, containing the articles on 'Our Mad, Mad Marriages.' I know very well of what you speak, from very personal experiences. I enjoyed the articles very much and am waiting for my husband to read them. As yet we have not killed anyone, but the feelings of hate and anger that you spoke of are with us a great deal of the time. We have 4 little children, the oldest being 7 years and the youngest only 16 months. I am expecting another child in May. I am so very much troubled about the terrible conditions in our home and want to try to make them better. My husband is also aware of the same and we speak of it often but we find that we need more help than just plain talk." Woman, Colorado Springs, Colo.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS AND QUOTATIONS

"In the short time the Ambassador College Press has been working with color reproductions, it is amazing that it is of comparable or even higher quality than The NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC, which has been showing color illustrations since 1910! . . . Since this (Earthquakes) is the second booklet revised, I certainly hope that this indicates that in the future we can eventually look for ALL the other booklets being revised in a similar manner with this addition of color photographs and enlarged print. I would certainly like to see the Ambassador College Press present some of Basil Wolverton's illustrations, which appear in some of the booklets, in color." Man, Washington, D.C.

"Your Autobiography has helped my son see some things that a boy can learn only from another man. Every boy needs a father, but they don't all have one to help teach them the way God intended for a man to be." Widow, La Grange, Texas.

"I notice the Sunday 'People' are after you again, and I shall be interested to hear of your reply to them, either in The PLAIN TRUTH or through another medium." Man from Cardiff.

"I have to agree with one of your students, that when one gets engrossed in this course, it's pretty hard to put it down. I got so wrapped up in the lesson that I didn't get to bed until 2:00 A.M. and 4 hours later I was up, wide awake and ready to go to work at 7:00 A.M. That's pretty good for one who usually is in bed by 10:30 at the latest." Man, Roswell, N.M.

"I thank God for giving me two healthy baby boys during the year of 1965. You see, my husband and I were having quite a bit of trouble when I decided that all of my fussing was of no use. I quit fussing, enrolled in your course, and did my best to be a good wife. My husband quit drinking and running around with other women. I don't know if my changing did it, but he said it did. The look in his eyes is enough to make me know that this is the way God meant me to be." Young mother, Toledo, Ohio.

"While I'm on the subject of money tithes, let me tell you, friends, that from my heart, and I mean this, I couldn't care if you all had Jaguars and posh homes, etc; I would take it that the good Lord is blessing you all for doing His Work, so right and good. By reading that article in the paper thoroughly, one can see the false accusations." England.

"I recently heard a radio discussion on 'Is God Dead?' These things make me boil! Why do they clutter up the airwaves with such foolishness? Here are a few of the things I heard: 'The death of God is a historical event,' 'God has been handed down,' 'Biblical account of Creation out of date,' 'God is dead because man no longer needs him,' 'To 20th Century people, religion is a lot of Mickey Mouse,' 'Western Civilization is trying to make God a jolly good fellow.' These fellows will be hunting for a cave or a rock to crawl under when God shakes the earth and they find out that He is very much alive." Woman, Mars Hill, N.C.

"Thank you for the booklet on 'Earthquakes' that you sent me. I pray after reading it I will try much harder to be the kind of person my Lord wants me to be. I had to grit my teeth to read it, but I am through trying to hide my eyes from the things that are going on in this world. I used to do that a lot until I started to listen to your program, but no more." Ohio.

"In my first letter to you, I was sick in mind and body, and just about to leave my wife over this religion. I asked your advice. I also had my wife's minister out for a talk. I agreed to try to find out what my wife saw in this religion. I started reading the Bible and attending the Church. I used to come home from work, sit down, read the paper, turn on T.V., have my wife bring my supper to me, then go to bed. Now I find that with praying, reading the Bible, and reading all the back issues of The PLAIN TRUTH that my wife has, I need about six more hours a day. Since December I have given up smoking, working on Saturdays, and swearing. But the real thanks of this letter is for the difference between my wife and me. After nine and one-half years of marriage, it seems that we are just now having our honeymoon. For the first time we are a family." Man, Detroit, Mich.

"I have read many of Mr. Armstrong's books and listened to his broadcasts, and I think he is really marvellous and frank. My local pastor says he is a crank and advised me not to send for any more of his books. But I do not know of any other man who has done so much to bring the Gospel to this world." Man, Belfast.

"I get a dollar for every 'A' I get on my report card. The last 6 weeks I got \$2.00. I would like to give you that money so more people can listen to your broadcast or receive The PLAIN TRUTH." Teenager, Wheatland, Wyo.

"As I am now past 3 score and 10 and had 2 families, seems I can qualify for same (The New Morality). I know most all the answers to married life. It's the questions I still don't really understand. So will you please send me a copy of the book entitled GOD SPEAKS OUT on 'The New Morality' at your convenience." Man, Brownsville, Texas.

"I want to say thank you very much for your fine articles and magazine which I have received. Don't let anyone say that reading them is not helpful. I not only read them but also wrote compositions and a term paper about some of the articles. My professors were surprised with the interesting material that I began turning in for assignments. I plan to continue putting The PLAIN TRUTH in as many courses as I can." College student, Berea, Ky.

"The GOOD NEWS article about loyalty was really an eye-opener. I had thought I was completely loyal to God's Work after reading the article. But then after a few hours it suddenly dawned on me that I had been correcting Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong's wording of the broadcast in my mind and now I'm really on the lookout for other evidences of disloyalty I didn't think I had! Thank you for the correction." Woman, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio.

"With reference to the financial backing of your broadcasts and printed literature; your letter on this matter did not give sufficient detail to satisfy my curiosity. For example; it undoubtedly takes an annual budget ranging into hundreds of thousands of dollars to operate on. And the question which I seek satisfaction to, is: Isn't there some individual, or small group of individuals which contribute very close to \$100,000 per year? Either that, or some organization or foundation which contributes a similar amount? If there is such a group which contributes \$100,000 or more annually (a group consisting of 10 to 15 people,) would they object to your identifying them by name? If not, I would like to know who they are." Man, Calif.

"I have spoken of you to 2 Baptist preachers. They both refused to comment other than to say that you are poison. Therefore, please send 'poison' booklet, '1975 in Prophecy.' I think this is the most fascinating reading I have ever come across. Enclosed find a small donation." Man, Memphis, Tenn.

COMMENT ABOUT HEALING

"Last October, 1964, I wrote asking for special prayer to help me overcome my fear of conceiving a child because of a previous miscarriage. A few short weeks later, I discovered I was pregnant. For a while we thought we might lose this child, also, but when doubt crept into my mind I prayed. I thought you would like to know our son is nearly six months old, and his doctor says he is one of the healthiest babies he's ever seen. We call him our little miracle, and if it be God's will, we hope to have more little miracles." Mother, Tulsa, Okla.

COMMENTS ABOUT TITHING

"I have enclosed \$29.00 for first tithe. I am a member, and I know that paying God's tithes pays off. I work for a television shop in Sacramento as a T.V. repairman. Last week the business was sold to one of the employees. He fired the other repairman and practically turned the business over to me. He gave me a raise of \$20.00 a week, and a few days later promised me another raise of \$10.00. I have Sabbaths off and the Holy Days, and time for Spokesman Club and Bible Study. I generally work the other nites because there is quite a bit of work to do." Member, Sacramento, Calif.

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

February 18, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

The white mail is the encouraging part of the mail this week, but even this count has dropped several hundred below last week's count of 9,685. The overall letter count dropped about 5,000 below the figure of last week. We have no percentage of increase in the overall letter count for the month so far and a little less than half of the expected increase for money. There has been an unusual trend in the mail for the past several days of people asking about supposed "contradictions" in the Bible.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"We listen now to your program on KGGF. The most wonderful transformation is taking place in our family. We've just begun to realize the miraculous things God is doing with us. Our sixteen-year-old son is discovering the true meaning of life and fear of God. I can't help but babble on because it is all so wonderful. We have always been a Methodist family, and all our friends are scoffing at us." Listener, Bartlesville, Okla.

"I got a small radio for Christmas and I was hunting for something good to listen to and heard your voice. I never will forget the wonderful things you said. Oh, how I have wanted to know and understand the things you spoke about. I don't know what church you belong to here on earth, but I believe you belong to God's church, and may God richly bless you. Keep on with your straight preaching. It's truly wonderful." Chillicothe, Ohio.

"I hear you on WBNS, Columbus, Ohio, and although I know that God does exist, I am not sure that I understand what you are trying to prove. In other words, what is your 'racket?' Are you a real Christian or just what? Anyhow, I listen to you because, whatever else you are, you are a teacher." Man, Columbus, Ohio.

"I listen to you almost every night and enjoy your program except when you talk about our Lord having brothers and sisters. Then I turn you off. I get sick to my stomach when you say that He had a family. Jesus' mother was a virgin before, during, and after. I would like to request the booklet on earthquakes, The PLAIN TRUTH, and also 'Predestination.' Thank you very much. I'll pray for you." Woman, Garfield, N.J.

"I have just started listening to your radio programme and find it very interesting as well as enlightening. Previously I... followed the general belief about religion and God, that is it was something to be acknowledged but as for really participating or doing our part, well, that was out of the question. After listening to your broadcasts I did some of my own research and to say I was surprised at the things I found that were prophesied about our modern age is really

putting it mildly. It left me with an uneasy feeling and a desire to find out more about the subject. I hope that you continue to keep up the good work." Woman, Mascot, N.S.W., Australia.

"We were very pleased and excited to hear radio 3BA's announcer state that there was going to be a very interesting 'current affairs' programme on 3BA as from last Monday. We now hear The WORLD TOMORROW clearly and at a very suitable time six nights a week. This is a wonderful blessing to us and we hope there will be a large response from the population of about sixty-thousand in Ballarat." Woman, Wendouree, Victoria.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"I have just been reading one of your articles 'Our Mad, Mad Marriages,' and you mentioned wives submitting themselves. Well, if I did everything my husband tells me to do I would not even be sending this small offering. He has forbidden me many times so I send what I can out of small amounts that are given me for my own personal use. I know the husband should be head of the family and it's natural for a woman to lean, but what happens when the post is rotten and there is nothing to lean on or look to for guidance? The name of Christ is as a red flag to a bull to my husband." Woman, Auckland, New Zealand.

"When I wrote for The PLAIN TRUTH, I did so with the idea of getting it for my husband as he had enjoyed the broadcast for several years. It was only after the magazine began coming to the house that I found my husband had been receiving it at his place of business for quite some time. Will you please cancel my subscription as there is no need for you to send 2 magazines to one family." Woman, Lawton, Okla.

"I had studied the Bible for a long time, but I have never had a more clear idea of the message and teaching of the Bible than when I have read your PLAIN TRUTH." Student, Yugoslavia.

"One of the Sisters at the hospital where my daughter works asked if she had any PLAIN TRUTHS. So I gave my daughter an extra one that I had and the Sister expressed a desire for wanting to get The PLAIN TRUTH. I am asking you to please send The PLAIN TRUTH to her. P.S. The Sister told my daughter that the priest said it was one magazine that told the truth, and it was one that they could read." Woman, Hanford, Calif.

"Last year in December I received the \$3.00 money order I sent you for The PLAIN TRUTH. You certainly weren't kidding when you said your literature is absolutely free. I have never had money returned to me, and I have never sent it back doubled." (He sent back \$6.00.) Man, San Francisco, Calif.

"The mystery of the missing PLAIN TRUTH has been solved -- in part. We receive the mail in a small local post office. Our postman has been reading it. Apparently he hides it so the other people in the post office won't know he's reading it. For the last 2 months I have had to ask him if The PLAIN TRUTH has come in yet and it appears in my box that day or the next. I wonder if he knows it's free?" Woman, Helix, Ore.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS AND QUOTATIONS

"At the moment I'm busy reading (actually I should say studying) your book GOD SPEAKS OUT on 'The New Morality.' I don't think I can thank you enough for it, but most of

all, I thank the Lord for using you in this manner. I've learned too much, but I wish I had this book as I was growing up rather than now when I am 28. But now I pray that the Lord will help in turn to teach my children the right way. I would appreciate your book on child rearing." Woman, Republic of South Africa.

"I hear your program every chance I get, even though I get a fairly bad connection. I think that your program is very interesting. I am 13 years old, and I am very confused. I don't know for sure if God exists or not. I have a Bible of my own, but I have only read to the third page. Even after reading just that little bit, there are parts that I don't understand." Teenager, Detroit, Mich.

"Since I have changed my thinking, it has formed a few problems -- I am trying to get my folks to see things now as I do. We get into some pretty hot arguments. What should I do? Let them go and hope they see the truth, or keep trying to convince them? It also seems strange not to go to church anymore or confession or receive Holy Communion. This is accomplished through one's inner self and prayer, is this correct? I really was convinced the Roman Catholic Church was the right religion, but you have convinced me this is not true. What do I call myself now that Roman Catholicism is wrong? Since Christmas, Good Friday, Easter is wrong, what are the correct days to observe -- how do we observe them? I do not understand the Passover, if this is to be observed." Man, Pittsburgh, Pa.

"I am taking your Bible Correspondence Course and I really enjoy it. I have learned more truth from this course, through the Bible, than Catholicism had ever taught me through their catechism and prayer books. All I had ever learned was penance, not repentance. I have thrown out all my statues and my crucifixes because I know that Jesus is a living Saviour and not a dead one." Man, Westminster, Colo.

"I have been thrilled at your understanding of the Bible, especially the prophecies. Thank God that there are absolutes and that you can discover what they are. You see, I have a teacher at the high school who encourages us to ask questions or give opinions on different topics, but at the same time she assures us there are no answers! Thanks for leading me to the true answers." High school student, Alhambra, Calif.

"I don't know if it has ever been commented on, but I appreciate very much the letters that come back with my tithe receipt. I always look forward to them. They always give me a new perspective in my prayer life. The last one especially gives me something to look forward to and also pray about." Woman, Arizona.

"I need another copy of your book on the 'New Morality.' The local Lutheran pastor borrowed my copy and has spoken 3 Sundays in succession on this subject. I've heard elderly ladies, middle-aged couples, and the young people all comment that finally they are getting some half-way decent sermons." Woman, Westville, Ind.

"As a Christian Communist of the strict Marxist-Leninist order (and I defy anyone to find a word in DAS KAPITAL or The COMMUNIST MANIFESTO of Vladimir Lenin or other of his writings on Communist theory and practice which is anti-God), I feel that the accusation against Communism, of being an organization of a subversive nature aimed at the undermining and disintegration of other nations, is an accusation which it is high time was challenged publicly in this country, and I shall take steps to do so." Man, London, England.

"No doubt you have already heard that they are to legalize so-called bull fighting in Houston, Texas. (In my opinion that is entertainment for the blood-thirsty public.) And, at

Thanksgiving time in San Marcos, Texas, free LIVE turkeys were given to those who were lucky enough to catch one thrown from the third floor window of a building. Personally, all these terrible things make me sick inside and bring tears to my eyes. How very much we need the Lord's coming -- only He can ever straighten out this cruel and sad world." Woman, Texas.

"Is it possible that the heads of our nation do not understand the Bible and know what is prophesied for us? You never hear them mention God in any of their planning. They seem very optimistic that peace will be in time and that they will bring it about. Knowing, as you do, how wrong they are, shouldn't you tell the President? Shouldn't they be made aware of the truth?" Woman, Blomkest, Minn.

"On the 5:30 P.M. News (Walter Cronkite), I got the worst shock of my life. A picture of a college in the South -- I understood him to say Wesley College, it came on so quickly and sudden -- of a whole group of young people being taught by 2 young men that God is dead. The instructor would talk a while then have these young people stand up and repeat over and over 'God is dead.' -- just like you would be brainwashed by anyone and to repeat a lie long enough it would become a truth. Really, it was terrible. One of these leaders would stand up before this class (or whatever it was) and act as a cheer leader, having them repeat over and over 'God is Dead.' They even had a sinister look on their faces. Now what can be done about such teaching of the Bible? Maybe you saw this newscast on TV February 7. If not, it was something terrible." Woman, Phoenix, Ariz.

"Please accept my offering for God's Work. I had quite an experience this week. I read a couple of little booklets which were, 'Herbert W. Armstrong -- a False Prophet!' by Robert L. Sumner of 'Sword of the Lord Foundation,' and 'Herbert W. Armstrong: Mr. Confusion' by Roger F. Campbell of 'Back to the Bible Broadcast.' It cost 10¢ and 5¢ respectively to have you denounced by them. I had not realized that you had so many enemies who were so strongly against you. I have read many of your articles that were mentioned in these 2 booklets and in several instances, I saw that they had taken only a part of one of your quotes and then twisted it slightly, so that it meant something different from what you really had said. Or maybe these men really did get a different meaning from your articles than I did." Woman, Tucson, Ariz.

COMMENTS ABOUT HEALING

"I thank God every day for my healing. I had a light heart attack and there was severe pain in my left chest and arm. When I got the letter with the handkerchief, I put the handkerchief over the pain in my chest, and as I knelt down I felt a hot burning feeling under the cloth. It seemed to spread as it went through me. In a few seconds I realized the pain and soreness was gone from my chest and arm. I am so thankful for this healing." Woman, Clarksville, Texas.

COMMENT ABOUT TITHING

"I would like to tell you how we have been blessed during our third tithe year. In past years, we usually have had to borrow money to pay insurance and taxes. But this year we didn't have to borrow. I have been threatening to change jobs because of low wages, but just this Friday when I notified my employer I was leaving, he gave me a raise amounting to \$120.00 a month more. We have had less unexpected expenditure than in the past. So God does truly bless the tithe-payer. Man, Wichita, Kansas.

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

February 25, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

We are receiving more comments about The PLAIN TRUTH going to full color than any other topic. Most are short, general comments of congratulations or saying how "beautiful" or "wonderful" the full color is. Both the money and letter count have continued to drop this week making it the lowest week of the month in both categories. We have received many comments about the "Personal from the Editor" in the February issue answering the question can a person be a Christian if he sins; the subscribers are saying how much it helped them.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"I heard you speaking Friday or Saturday night over KFOX in Los Angeles and was most interested in what you had to say. I am a young man of 28 who for the third time in my short life has fallen from almost the top of the ladder of success to some area slightly short of the gutter. I have given careful consideration to suicide for several months now, but somehow I just can't go through with it because of childhood teachings, so I am just existing in a mire called life. If your booklets can give me the assistance to break this downhill trend, I would be forever grateful." Man, Canoga Park, Calif.

"I inform you that your (and on some Sundays of your brother Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong) sermons by radio arouse the great interest among the people of this area. Drivers listen during their travel, the pastor of our nine congregations urges his parishioners to listen to everyone of your sermons. Also farmers discuss the problems you touch in your program, especially the famine in India, upset weather conditions, possibility of diminishing of farm produce in various countries, juvenile delinquency, etc. I myself and my family listen to your program The WORLD TOMORROW every evening twice: from Dauphin, Manitoba at 6:30 and from Yorkton, Saskatchewan at 8:30." Man, Hyas, Sask.

"I have been listening with much enjoyment to your program for sometime now... I don't of course agree with the central topic of your sermons. I doubt seriously whether you do yourself." Man, Eugene, Ore.

"I just finished listening to your program AMERICA TOMORROW, or something like that, on WBNS, Columbus, Ohio. I was very much impressed. I am a major seminarian studying for the Catholic priesthood. I was struck by your down-to-earth approach to the Bible and morality. This is of course something that all clergy have been working on -- and I congratulate you on your effectiveness. I would like to receive The PLAIN TRUTH at my home address, to be forwarded to me from there. Your promise not to pass on your address list probably meant more to me than most. Our mission groups have a way of exchanging lists." Man, Omaha, Neb.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"I have received the February issue of The PLAIN TRUTH and must tell you it is excellent in every way. I particularly always look forward to reading the 'Personal from the Editor.' In this issue it was outstanding. The PLAIN TRUTH has been very helpful in my life, and I am certain many thousands of folks could truly say the same. Will you please send me another issue of the February PLAIN TRUTH and also the article concerning earthquakes. I had company at my apartment and they were looking at my issue -- they asked if they could take it with them when they left. I feel certain they were interested in this wonderful issue, and I doubt I will have them return it before many people will have borrowed it." Woman, San Antonio, Texas.

"The new color PLAIN TRUTH is beautiful. The article on 'Can a Christian Sin and Still Be a Christian?' (Personal from the Editor) was of a great help to me. I am thankful for all the magazines I receive. I need your prayers." Woman, Englewood, Kans.

"I have been receiving La PURE VERITE since last summer. I have never heard any of our 'cherished' ministers speak as you do. As far as I know, not one of them has ever spoken about the gospel so candidly, so clearly, and with such authority and conviction. As you advise your listeners, I have checked everything you say with the Bible, and I have found them to be in complete harmony." Woman, Bihorel, France.

"I just received my new February issue of The PLAIN TRUTH. I was amazed at the coloring. I do not see how much more you can improve it, but you say you can. What a beautiful magazine it is. I am so very happy to have had a very small part in helping to make your dream come true. May God bless you and your staff more and more, and give you strength and power to keep going forward for Jesus Christ our Lord." Man, Rifle, Colo.

"I'll be satisfied to get The PLAIN TRUTH any time, as long as I get it. I do wish those 10 nations would hurry up and get together, so we won't have to wait so long. It is amazing the way the prophecies are coming to pass." Woman, Elmer, N.J.

"I wish to congratulate you on your new full color edition of The PLAIN TRUTH. I also want to thank you for your radio program. I am only 14 and in the ninth grade, but I have noticed a great decrease in morality in the teenagers of today. The textbooks I have read are full of lies and half-truths. It is a relief to know that some people understand this problem. Many have found as I have that when a person obeys God's laws and gives his life to Christ, even though it's a constant struggle, he is content." Teenager, Sun Valley, Calif.

"I'd love to get The PLAIN TRUTH. It is the best magazine I ever read. I read it from cover to cover (the December issue). I saw it when I was waiting in the dentist's office It took 4 trips to the dentist to complete. I went early the last 3 times so I could finish reading the December issue. I was afraid it wouldn't be there each time, but it was." Woman, Ind.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS AND QUOTATIONS

"I have heard your new book GOD SPEAKS OUT on 'The New Morality' often spoken of and referred to here on this University of North Carolina campus where I am a graduate student. I would appreciate receiving my free copy. I am married and have several children." Man, N.C.

"I am a perfect product of this so-called modern society (if there be such a thing). I am 18 years old, I go to College, and I never believe anything I am told BY ANYBODY, that includes parents, educators, religious, and secular authority. However, I do not want to give you the wrong impression -- I obey my parents, when they are around, otherwise no car or money. I feed back to my educators that which has been fed into my skull, otherwise no credits in the finals (exams). I sit complacently by while I am instructed in the faith in which I am to 'believe,' if not -- I am not acceptable to the grey-haired ruling Clique (influential adults of community). I respect the laws of the province, when the 'fuzz' aren't around, otherwise 'four grey walls shall surround me.' The language in this letter and its foremath may not be the most proper and correct -- I wonder WHY????" Youth, St. John's, Newfoundland.

"Up until 18 months ago I still attended a local organized church with my wife and children. But after continuing my studies through your Bible Course, I began to realize we were not receiving the truth concerning salvation, and of course, not getting any satisfactory answers as to why we existed in the first place. When I would confront someone with a verse from the Bible that contradicted the teaching of this particular church, he would either try to explain it away or evade the question entirely. As a matter of fact, our pastor gave a sermon on why we keep Sunday instead of the Seventh Day and he was so vague on the subject I almost felt sorry for him. So instead of staying in a rut, I simply quit going and shortly afterward my wife quit attending also." Man, Glen Burnie, Md.

"I am a freshman in college and have found that my first semester here has really shaken some of the ideals and truths that I used to believe in so faithfully. Never before have I felt so uncertain of my belief in God and my fellow man. It was not long ago that a friend of mine, a religion major, told me about your program. I thought, 'Oh no, not another one of these holy rollers,' but how wrong I was. After listening to just one of your broadcasts, I felt that there was some chance my shaky faith could be saved." College Student, Chapel Hill, N.C.

"I am a 13-year-old girl...Well, I've got a problem. I told my girlfriend some lies about these 2 boys. I made them up, and told her things and a couple of other girls. Well, since we've been studying, my mother and family, I've been thinking and I've changed. I told my girlfriend face to face that I lied to her about them, and said I was sorry. I've prayed every night to God for forgiveness, and I've been reading the Bible every time that I can." Teenager, Tex

"Yesterday was the first time I have attended a Bible study session, and also the first time that I have attended the Sunday afternoon games and recreation. I was very surprised to see men 40 or 50 years old out playing with, and often out-playing the young teenagers. I enjoyed this activity very much." Man, Omaha, Neb.

"Mom has been sick a lot of her life. She is sick and in the hospital now. We are in a terrible mess financially. I'm not very smart or wise, but I'm almost crazy with worry for Mom and how I'm going to feed my brothers on what I have. Wait, Mr. Armstrong, I'm not asking for money or sympathy, just prayers. Please pray for us. I'm 17, if you are wondering why I can't work. I'll go to work when I get 18. Please don't answer this letter. I'll know you are praying for us. I'm sending this dime. I would send more, but I don't have but 75¢ left. I believe in God and trust Him." Girl, Alexandria, La.

"But why do you continually discredit the evolutionary theory as being contradictory to divine creation? You say yourself that the Bible is 'basic knowledge' and therefore not a scientific

authority on the world and everything in it -- whether it was in a quick 7 days (as we know them) or whether it took billions of years of gradual change to produce man as he is today. Why quibble over how the entire process progressed?" Woman, Spokane, Wash.

"One Sunday recently, my wife and I attended a well-known church here. When the preacher got through with his talk, he brought up the 'business at hand.' In going through his 'accounts' he said, 'The congregation owes us \$40,000 and we intend to get it!' If this is religion, I'm a Chinese Jew. But, thank God, I'm just a plain white Georgia Cracker." Atlanta, Ga.

"I am in the eighth grade. Would you please send me the list of the subject entrance requirements for Ambassador College so that I can plan my following years of school accordingly. Thank you very much." Eighth grader, Renton, Wash.

"Of the many things I've learned which bring great blessings to me, one is the keeping of God's weekly Sabbath. At first my husband refused to believe in its importance. Week after week, however, I kept it faithfully. Not working myself, he gradually ceased. He began to see how refreshing it was, and now from God's Word, he sees how vital it is. How I thank God! As a result he now is as avid a reader of The PLAIN TRUTH and other booklets as I. He knows now that we are Israel and his attitude toward world affairs is considerably altered. Where I used to listen, alone, to The WORLD TOMORROW, he now seeks it out and listens carefully to each broadcast. I pray that he will be truly converted, and that ours will be a real Christian home." Woman, Valdosta, Ga.

"You can see American leadership falling over here (in Vietnam), it seems as if they do wrong on purpose. I guess you know by now that GI's are killing more of their own than the Viet Cong are. It's a sad story to know that over 50% of deaths and wounds are caused by your own. As for the people, they are POOR according to American standards, but they have been happy it seems with their way of life for hundreds of years, even before America was founded. Their ways and customs have not changed from that of their forefathers centuries ago. It is my belief that we cannot change their way of life, and if we could, they would be worse off. I guess I kept re-enlisting because I've never found what I was looking for, but I'm sure I've found it now (referring to the PLAIN TRUTH). I know I'll never serve my present enlistment dead or alive. If I get away from here alive, then I'm getting out as quick as I can when I get back to the States. Yes, if I can get back to the U.S. I'm going to consider my debt paid in full and quit the Army forever. I'm sure that's what I want. It took a long time. I feel like a new man, now that I've found an answer. (This man has 16 or more years in service)." Soldier, Vietnam

COMMENT ABOUT HEALING

"I heard your broadcast on healing last night and I realized I hadn't thanked you for the prayer for my healing. I wrote you about November 1964 to pray for God to heal my back. It is now healed completely. It was healed so slowly that I never knew exactly when it was finished. It doesn't hurt me any more, and I want to thank you and let you know that I am very grateful for your part in the matter." Man, Alamogordo, N.M.

COMMENT ABOUT TITHING

"God has increased my regular weekly salary by \$10.00 starting this week, besides that He provides me with many extras, which would be too numerous to mention. But this I found out: it is impossible to outgive God. Malachi 3:10 stands proved in my life." Man, Toronto, Ontario

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

March 4, 1966

WEEKLY MAIL SUMMARY

The letter and money count are starting to pick up with our normal heavier mail for the first of the month plus returns to the latest Co-worker Letter. However, this increase is not enough to make up for the low mail of January and February. For the first two months of 1966 we have 0% increase in letters and 19% in money over the same period of 1965. We have received over 125 requests for the College Bulletin this week. Many favorable comments about the full-color PLAIN TRUTH are coming in. People are commenting very favorably on the "Personal from the Editor" in this issue.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"I'm really ashamed to say I have never read the Bible. I don't even own one. I guess I've always thought like everyone else that the Bible is one big complicated book. Oh, I've gone to Sunday School and now to church, but I still don't really understand the whole purpose. But now that I have heard your program I intend to get that great book and read it! Maybe I'll get the answer to my many questions." Woman, Mountain View, Calif.

"There is something else that I would like to tell you. That little experiment you often mention on The WORLD TOMORROW in which you ask someone who has been a churchgoer for a lifetime just what are the 4 gospels: I tried it on a sister-in-law who prided herself on her church going. She could not tell me and became quite flustered explaining she had not attended Sunday School." Woman, San Francisco, Calif.

"I will just have to tell you this one. My husband is of unbending, stubborn DUTCH ANCRESTRAL forebears, one generation removed. His mind is like concrete -- 'all mixed up and set.' I get amused at him every day. It is amazing. But I got him on to your broadcast and he is thrilled, enchanted and excited!" Woman, Canton, N.C.

"We listen to your broadcasts over Station WWCA in Gary, Indiana. They announce long commercials right in the middle of your talks. On February 16 the announcer said that several people called about some black clouds overhead and wanted to know whether we were going to have a storm. So he promptly interrupted your program and talked about having no storm. After that a long bank commercial -- then back to your program. About a week before that they did the same thing when they had a fire downtown and had to reroute traffic. This is very annoying to WORLD TOMORROW listeners. I called the station and a man informed me that other stations rejected this program, and they are doing you a favor by putting it on in the first place." Ill.

"I was a "D"-average student in English, but your broadcasts about the world situation inspired some "A+" themes and compositions. I am at a "B" average in overall English now. You don't know how much you have helped me." Student, Lyndonville, Vt.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"For 7 years I was employed in the magazine business, handling over 70 of the most popular magazines. But none of those magazines begin to compare with the quality of The PLAIN TRUTH. So even the readers of The PLAIN TRUTH hold in their hands more of that 'fruit' being produced at Ambassador Colleges. Now that the February issue has gone full color, your statement is even more true than ever -- The PLAIN TRUTH is the finest magazine in the world. And it really is being read, at least in the barber shop where I get my hair cut. The owner of the shop told me that many people read it and at least 2 men read it from cover to cover every month. I have seen a lot of people reading it, too." Man, Bowling Green, Ky.

"I congratulate you on your dream of 39 years. I like The PLAIN TRUTH in color, but at the same time I saw nothing wrong with the black and white editions. It isn't the coloring that puts the issue across but the contents of what is written therein." Woman, Marengo, Ohio.

"We were highly impressed by your magazine. Although we are practicing Catholics and we believe your magazine is affiliated with the Seventh-day Adventists, we like the way your articles hit the nail squarely on the head. There is no mincing of words and you see clearly through all the fake intellectualism and foggy stories around by modern false prophets. As a Catholic who is accustomed to discipline and willing to take orders from God rather than put God in His place, we find it refreshing to read such a magazine as yours. Please sign us up as a subscriber and send the bill to the below address." Man, Philippines.

"I am also happy to mention that, being a regular reader of The PLAIN TRUTH, I have changed myself, discarded the Catholic faith and am following the true teachings of Christ according to the Bible." Man from Ceylon.

"How elated you must feel having your first 'technicolor' issue of The PLAIN TRUTH! I received my first copy this month, and believe me, it is pretty dog-eared already. This is the first time in 20 years I have seen my husband read anything even vaguely related to religion -- and he read several articles. Particularly those co-relating present political issues with Bible prophecy." Woman, Torrance, Calif.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS AND QUOTATIONS

"I do not see why you object to evolution. I consider it one of God's laws. He created man through the process of evolution. God is the Master Scientist, and all the laws of science are His. Man does not make laws of science -- he only discovers those made by God. I am willing to read the evidence against evolution because I claim to have an open mind." Man, Ill.

"I want to thank you for the most wonderful article this month. It is the only article I have read so far. I can't lay it down till I'm through. It is the 'Personal.' I always read that first. And the new all color is lovely." Woman, Ben Lomond, Calif.

"We are having a pretty thin time of it here in India -- not only food shortage and rising prices, but worst of all -- racial hatred. We have to put up with rudeness in buses and trains; my husband, daughter and I have been assaulted by trespassers, and we have great difficulty in getting a servant. Still, we know that if we do not suffer in this world, we have no chance in the next, so we take it all submissively and not philosophically." Lady from India.

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"The 'Personal from the Editor' has always been one of my favorite articles, and the one in this February edition has been a real comfort to me. Just when I start to have doubts about myself it reminds me that I am still just a human being." Man, Cincinnati, Ohio.

"The first lesson of your Bible Correspondence Course has really set me going. I fully intend to inform my parish priest of this and suggest some sermons be made on the subject of the coming of Christ. I really do not think enough of the population of this country fully realizes what is to come. Many have read the Bible but few have really understood it." Woman, New Jersey

"I'm sending my first (CC) test, the quality of which I hope and pray will justify the continuance of the course. I find the study of the Bible so fascinating. I had read the Bible before, but the meaning of much of it was lost completely. It is becoming much clearer now. I am using my new-found knowledge of the Bible in the teaching of an adult Bible class. I have met considerable opposition. The widespread hostility, the distortion of, and the downright disbelief of the Bible among so-called 'good church members' is sickening." Man, Connersville, Ind.

"I'm 17. My aunt wanted me to enroll in your college but, because of that awful 'smog' my dad said no. So I shall go to the University of Eugene, Oregon." Student, Sacramento, Calif.

"One thing surprised me very much the other day. There are 10 people I work with (in a drug store). I used to listen to smutty jokes until I started to listen to you and a few other ministers on XERB. I told some of these girls that I didn't want to hear dirty jokes or to read murder books, sex books and other books. One of the girls said to me 'turn around.' So I did without knowing why she asked this. So I said, 'What is wrong?' She said, 'I just wanted to see if you are sprouting wings yet,' and everyone laughed. They think I am a real square. I feel much better since I listen to you." Woman, San Diego, Calif.

"I was an atheist for 7 long, bitter years. I had the arguments of Ingersol, Paine, and McCable on the tip of my tongue ready to take on any challenger. Then about 4 months ago, I began listening to your program and sent for some of your literature. Almost overnight, I changed. I saw that Ingersol was grossly ignorant of the Bible, even though he had large sections memorized! Paine took snatches of scripture, trying to make contradictions, while in reality all he would have had to do was read a little further and it would explain itself! I saw that McCable's facts proving the pagan origin of 'Christian' doctrines were TRUE. I assumed that he was 'cutting up' the Bible itself. But all this has changed now, thanks to you and The PLAIN TRUTH." Man, Ohio

"I almost had to stop and think if this is my third tithe year. It isn't, but the blessings are raining down. Where I'm employed we are paid an hourly rate plus a fluctuating bonus based on sales. Early this week we were told the bonus is 30%! The highest it's been in years! Also, the superintendent told my foreman that -- if the reason for my not working 5 hours on Saturday was a religious one, I could work an extra hour each evening." Man, Urbana, Ohio.

"Since living according to God's way, we have been blessed beyond words. I, myself, just can't seem to learn enough -- fast enough! In the past 5 or 6 months I have read over 50 of your booklets and some of them 4 or 5 times. I read them to my family; we study on the Sabbath and the rest of the week, each time I read them, I find something new and different." Man, S. C.

"The color pictures in The PLAIN TRUTH are very nice. My 10-year-old daughter looked at them and through the article on 'Famine Stalks the Earth' last night. Some of the children in her grade told the teacher a lot of people were hungry and starving, etc. Their teacher said 'I

don't believe anyone is hungry -- the only people hungry are the dead!' So the American people, including their teachers, are certainly blind or ignorant." Woman, Russell, Iowa.

"I think it's about time I quit freeloading. Please accept this contribution to God's work. I only wish I had heard you 20 years ago, but better now than not at all. Please tell me how to enroll in your Bible Study Course. I do so want to know God's will and way for me, but I'm so thick-headed that I can read a scripture over and still not get the real meaning. If any man can help me, maybe it's you and your staff." Man, Granada Hills, Calif.

"Truly God does work miracles. Six months ago my husband said that he wouldn't give 10% of his income to anyone. Well, last Sunday we were both baptized and now instead of taking 10% of his check and putting it aside he takes 20% -- first and second tithes." Woman, Calif.

"In the editorial of the first (CC) lesson you stated that these lessons, if meeting good response, could go on indefinitely. I sincerely wish they would do just that. The greatest thing about your lessons is that they are the first I have taken that use the Bible as the only textbook. It is the book most authorized for a course in its own study." Woman, Montpelier, Ohio.

COMMENTS ABOUT HEALING

✓ "Mr. Armstrong, about this time last year I got shot through the right arm with a 38 special. It paralyzed my right hand and immediately I requested an anointed cloth and prayer. The doctor who took the bullet from my arm told me that it would be 18 months before I would have any use in my hand or feeling. When I received the cloth, I laid it on my hand as you told me to. The next morning about 4:00 I was awakened and suddenly the feeling came back to my hand, and it is as good as it ever was." Man, McKenzie, Tenn.

✓ "My left eye was completely out when I wrote for prayer and the anointed cloth. It was healed almost instantly. My arm that you prayed for isn't healed yet, but I know it will be in God's own way and time. I had been under a doctor's care for 20 years when God took a hand in my life. Almost 7 years now I haven't seen a doctor and he told me I would not live 6 months without the medicine. I'm so much happier in the care of my Maker. Thanks for your part in my life." Woman, Amity, Ark.

COMMENTS ABOUT TITHING

✓ "I save my tithes by the year now. The first year I saved it came to \$160.00. So when I counted ... I said I will send \$100.00 and keep the \$60.00, so I did. But if I live to be 100 I will never do that any more. I had robbery on top of robbery, every month for 4 straight months." Negro, Scotia, S.C.

"Things have certainly been 'popping' since the Feast. My wife and I have purchased more new furniture than in all of the previous year. Unexpectedly an opportunity came along to get a car 3 years newer than the one we had for a difference of \$50.00. My wife, without even asking for it, was given a part-time job which lasted over 2 months. Last month I was given notice of a very substantial and unexpected raise. Must I add that this is our third tithe year?" Man, Pasadena.

Weekly Comments

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MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

March 11, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

The money increase is continuing to hold at about the 30% mark this week. While we have about 26,000 letters for the week, this gives us less than half the mail increase we would normally expect. A good response to the Co-worker Letter is helping to keep the money figure up. We are still getting many favorable comments about the full color in The PLAIN TRUTH and the "Personal from the Editor." We have also received a number of comments about "Famine Stalks the Earth" this week.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"I listen to your program every night on XEG. Please send me the book on the Ten Commandments. I am 10 years old and would like to have this book because some people say the laws have been done away with. I have been trying to get these certain people to see that they weren't. Thank you very much and may God bless you and your staff." Girl, Conroe, Tex.

"You said on your program to be sure to put the call numbers on my letter, but I couldn't find them. You can just send the books to the box number and they will get here just the same." Woman, Chatham, Va.

"I have been listening to The WORLD TOMORROW over a month on WBNS radio, and each program convinces me more that what it teaches is the truth. Also, I have enjoyed and learned a lot from The PLAIN TRUTH and 3 pamphlets I received. My friends and my family on the whole think I'm a little kooky to spend my time on such things, but that's just tough (I'm 16). I want to live my life right." Teenager, Columbus, Ohio.

"I was listening to your wonderful program about church services. Sir, I would like to express my idea about this program. I am a Catholic, and I am 19 years of age. I would like to say that of all my years I have been attending church, I have never heard a preacher speak as clearly and beautifully about our Lord as you. You make every word you say stay in our minds and also make us feel so much closer to Him. I will be listening to your religious service program every Sunday from now. I also hope to become a nun in the future, therefore, I would like to learn every detail there is about Christ." Teenager, Laredo, Texas.

"Your program has been the first one to turn us away from music, television, etc., at 10:30 P.M. -- for no matter what we may be doing at that hour, we stop for The WORLD TOMORROW. Really, your program has brought a new outlook on this life of ours. Believe me, we are trying to get others around us to 'tune' your way, too." Man, Philadelphia, Pa.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"I just received the new PLAIN TRUTH Friday. WOW! COLOSSAL! The pictures are very attractive, the article headlines are eye-catching and breath-taking, especially the one 'Famine Stalks the Earth.' I'm very pleased with the light blue Radio Log which is noticeably easier to read than previous issues." Man, Cleveland, Ohio.

"I just finished reading the article 'Famine Stalks the Earth' in the February issue of The PLAIN TRUTH. I want to express our appreciation of the full color, also the illustrations in picture which make the article really come alive and real to us. My 10-year-old daughter has really listened more intently to the teaching since she can see the actual pictures of famine and starvation. Maybe it will cause our children to appreciate our abundance of food more instead of griping because there isn't a larger variety each day." Woman, Shreveport, La.

"I'm sorry to have to ask you to discontinue sending me your magazine and Bible lessons for a while. The woman with whom I am living, who is my aunt, scrutinizes everything I do, and destroys my magazines as soon as they are delivered to the door. She has asked me NOT to talk about the Bible as long as I am at her home, since she considers my Bible protestant and fanatical." Woman, Basse-Terre, Guadeloupe.

"Please discontinue my subscription to The PLAIN TRUTH. Had I not read the article on womanhood I would not be writing this. Since I have read it, I have tried to be a true wife. The only disagreement we have had was when I asked my husband to read an article. He forbade me to receive any more material from you. I could secretly receive it but that is not God's way. My husband is now my master (even if he doesn't know it)." Woman, Bloomington, Ind.

"I have read your article in The PLAIN TRUTH and truthfully, it is very sad and depressing. Do you think there is any hope? If all the world's leaders are concerned and understand human existence is at stake, how could they let something happen? Your magazine opened my mind to many things I've never thought of before and has certainly changed my viewpoint on a lot of issues." Woman, Greendale, Wis.

"I would like to tell you how much I enjoyed the anniversary issue of The PLAIN TRUTH. It was very beautiful. The article on famine was simply shocking and heart-breaking. I don't mind saying I cried as I read it. Those who read this article and did not get on their knees and thank God for our many blessings -- certainly didn't deserve to read it. I intend to keep this handy for future use -- when I'm feeling sorry for myself. We in America do not realize when we are well off." Woman, Metairie, La.

"I am 13 years old and in the eighth grade. I know this is a little early to be thinking about college but I have already begun to think that in September 1970, if I don't fail, I will be going to college. While reading this issue of The PLAIN TRUTH I thought how nice it would be to attend Ambassador College. I would like to know more about it. Please send me anything you have that a future student might need and want to know." Teenager, Louisville, Ky.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS AND QUOTATIONS

"I really do appreciate the new dress on the Correspondence Course. You say you will have to go slower on sending the course. Dear friends, when we get so much in the magazine

and all the wonderful printed booklets and single sheets, and with all the lessons we have on hand, it seems almost superfluous to have to have extra lessons. It will take me the rest of my life to absorb all the materials you have already sent out." Woman, Pomeroy, Wash.

"I would appreciate some of your booklets. You and Billy Graham would make a great team -- you from the layman's style of delivery and he from the minister's style. You may be a minister, but your talks are in lay language. Keep up the good work. May God bless you and your work." Man, Chillicothe, Ohio.

"You mention very often the escapades of our young people. Even our small towns do not escape. Just last week one of the so-called tricks here was one where some teenage boys took the top off a metal post where telephone wires come out of the ground and cut all of the wires, put them back and replaced the cap, cutting some 2,000 telephones off. Is there no end to these pranks or the limits to which they will go?" Woman, Sharpville, Ind.

"I will like to pass this on to you, Brother Armstrong. There were 5 murders in the city of Lake Charles in 2 weeks. One of the men runs a liquor store, lives right by my house. Something is wrong with America, Brother Armstrong. America is going insane." Man, Lake Charles, La.

"You may be interested in what happened to us the other night. We had gone to bed about 10:00 and about 11:45 someone threw a beer bottle through our living room window. This sort of senseless vandalism has been increasing all along the north shore area. You wonder what gets into people to make them do something like this. You have said this will increase and it sure looks like it." Man, Highland Park, Ill.

"I was, and still am, in a financial strain, but there is no fear, for God has well proven that when things are turned over to Him, He straightens them out and does it well. I almost lost my home after I told my wife to quit work and to stay home to be a mother to our children. I agreed to bring home the bacon and take the responsibility of being a real father to our 6 children and be a real husband to her, after she left her job. I did not agree to her terms or my own, but to the way God says. Since then it has been touch and go until last Monday, February 21. I called about my home, almost sure I would lose it; instead the man at the mortgage company offered me a part-time job paying more than my regular job. I now have 2 jobs and feel rested and feel like I could hold down another job if need be." Man, Mesquite, Tex.

"Please accept this small offering. It is not much I know, but it is all I could afford. I had allowed myself \$5.00 this week for groceries but this work is more important than food any way you look at it. Things will work out for both of us in our different situations, I am sure. Thank you very much for that inspiring letter and for the opportunity to give." Man, Santa Ana, Ca

"I worked at Lockheed last year and my supervisor said I was the best worker he had seen in 25 years. Everyone told me to slow down, and that I was making them look bad. I didn't care. Everyone's attitude was 'If it's not my job, don't do it,' and put in your 8 hours and get. So I know what you were talking about." Man, Canoga Park, Calif.

"I heard over the radio that 33% of all Americans admitted they don't know what they're living for. I don't know what I'm living for. In fact, at age 13, I go to school and get in trouble for shooting spitballs. Other kids shoot at me and I can't just sit there and get hit. If I tell the teacher, the kids will get me outside. Then I come home and get yelled at because I slop food

like a 2-year-old. Even though I try to do everything well, it just turns out terrible. My grades drop because I have a bigger interest in religion than I do in my school work. Then people start calling me retarded. I'm just plain tired of living at 13 years. If you print my letter, please do use my name -- please use 'Reader.'" Reader, Toledo, Ohio.

"I was very surprised and ashamed to get back my money order. I made a mistake in forgetting what you always say -- that the Word of God is given freely. But I didn't dare to order 2 books without asking to charge for them. Today I sent the money order back again -- not in a bookshop, but in GOD'S storehouse as a contribution for a good Work. Hope you will not send it back this time." Woman, New York, N.Y.

"Why do preachers these days teach that when one dies he goes straight from the death bed to heaven? Have any of you ever tried to teach what the Bible really says about this in a Sunday School class of one of the major faiths? I did, and let me tell you right here, that's as good a way to get voted out of a Sunday School as there is!" Man, Cheraw, S.C.

"I was talking with a Baptist preacher not long ago about Xmas and he said he didn't believe in it either and would have nothing to do with the Xmas festivities, BUT that he had to let his church enjoy it or GET FIRED. How about that?" Man, Hialeah, Fla.

"We were married three years and never had a child. Then we went into our third tithe year and our son was conceived and born in it. Truly, God has blessed us in not only this but many other ways also." Couple, St. Louis, Mo.

"I know that because I am only fifteen I cannot truly understand everything. I have certain feelings about dating, kissing, dancing and obeying your parents. I've never dated because my parents don't think I'm old enough and neither do I. I think kissing is for people who intend to be married and should not be freely given. I don't know if my feelings about these things are right but this is the way I think God wants it to be." Teenage girl, Greenville, Tex.

COMMENTS ABOUT HEALING

"My husband had a stroke paralyzing his right side. We received your letter with the healing cloth, and I did as you said. I read the pamphlet to my husband. I put the handkerchief on his hand and leg. We both prayed then I destroyed the handkerchief. Now my husband can get up and sit on the side of the bed by himself and he is also walking. This week he started moving his fingers. I shall be happy to have my husband well again, even if he never uses his hand. Oh, we are so thankful!" Woman, Marion, S.C.

"In 1964 I asked for prayer for healing for myself and for my little daughter, who is retarded and could not talk. She began to talk in September of 1965 and is progressing rapidly. In January of this year I had a heart check-up prior to removal of infected teeth and discovered I had been healed of heart damage caused by rheumatic fever when I was 17 years old. I am now 46." Woman, Cincinnati, Ohio.

COMMENT ABOUT TITHING

"On February 15, I was employed by a furniture factory at \$1.40 per hour. On February 16, I became Project Director of the county Medi-care program for \$650 per month with a 10¢ per mile allowance. God's tithing law sure does pay." Man, Kingston Springs, Tenn.

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

March 18, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

During the first part of the week we were receiving a good response for the literature announced on the short series of broadcasts about "God is Dead." We are also receiving a very good response for the booklet "1975 in Prophecy" which was announced on last Sunday's program. The money and letter count have taken a sharp drop from last week. As of Thursday it appears the money increase will be considerably below the 30% mark and that the letter increase will be about 5%. The white mail count of approximately 8,000 this week is about the same as it was last week.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"I have been listening to your program for quite some time. You sound like a modern-day 'Noah.' Noah preached for 120 years about the doom that was to come to the world (the flood) but very few people believed him. After all those years of preaching, only 8 persons were saved from the destruction. The way the world looks today, there can't be too many Christians left anymore -- at least here in Toledo it looks that way. Morals, decency, respect, and the better spiritual things of life seem to have disappeared just in the past 10 years." Woman, Ohio.

"Your program arrested my attention this afternoon. Although I disagreed on some points, I must admit I was impressed with your sincerity and many of your observations and beliefs. I think I would be fascinated by the booklet, 'Why Were You Born?' if you would be so kind to send it to me. Although I live in St. Louis, I heard you over Station WCKY, Cincinnati, Ohio." Woman, St. Louis, Mo.

X "For the first time in 10 years of marriage, we are truly a family with a purpose. From the beginning of our married life grace was said, we attended church, and as our children were born I taught them about the Bible. We considered ourselves a 'Christian family.' While my husband did not truly share my feeling of religion, he believed in God. Several months ago we began to listen regularly to The WORLD TOMORROW. My husband and I are now reading and studying the Bible each day. What a wonderful feeling. We have applied things you have said about marriage to our own case. Our children are benefiting from our change. They are much happier and are behaving much better. Now we are a family with a purpose. That is, of course, to live as close to God as possible and to rear our children to do the same." Texas.

"I have been trying to catch you whenever I can. Something which was said on one of your recent programs is the reason for this short letter. Yes, I guess I have formed my own ideas about God by listening to what other people have said. But lately I have dusted off my Bible and started to read." Man, Camarillo, Calif.

X "For some time now, I have been listening to Garner Ted Armstrong, and I can hardly believe some of the ideas I had believed in for so long. How anyone could be so far off in his

beliefs, I don't know. I have learned more from listening to Garner Ted in the past year than I had ever learned in my lifetime. I thank God for him and the work you are doing in bringing the 'Good News' to those who want to hear." Man, Banning, Calif.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

X "You stated on page 1 that by the year 1972 you will be printing nearly 4,000,000 copies of The PLAIN TRUTH. Well, sir, I will be willing to wager a custom-made suit of clothes, up to \$125.00, it will be closer to 5,000,000 copies, long before 1972. Just wait and see. Why do I say this? Real truth travels fast. This magazine has really caught my interest in every detail, and it's going to catch the interest of many more millions of readers because The PLAIN TRUTH is truthful." Woman, Baltimore, Md.

"I'm not at all surprised that you offer your magazine freely, because you act according to God's will. Those of us who profit by it should send offerings so that this great work may continue." Woman, Compiègne, France.

"I would like to tell you how much I enjoyed The PLAIN TRUTH in its new, colorful dress. Also, thanks a lot for the editorial. That is the article I always read first and in this (February) issue you answered a question that has bothered me for quite a while." Woman, Afton, Mich.

"Enclosed is my tithe. Will you please send me the article, 'Why Prophecy?' I wonder if you could sometime print more maps in The PLAIN TRUTH -- especially maps of the Near East, such as Iran, Israel, etc. I'm sure your readers would appreciate this and it would have more meaning if we could place these spots in our minds as we read and study." Woman, Ark.

X "It seems to me that your magazine does not tell the 'plain truth;' I don't know if I want to continue my subscription. If you do not believe in Christmas, you're going a little too far. We should annually observe the birthday of Jesus Christ, who came on Christmas to save us. If we don't observe it, it's as if we do not believe that Jesus came to earth. I agree with you that the Bible does not give us a date, but in order to celebrate His birthday, men had to choose a date. In studying past calendars, they discovered that it could have been on December 25. And if you say that my reasoning is false, I would point out that the other religious holidays don't have fixed dates in the Bible either -- nevertheless we celebrate them! So you would be better off not to worry about dates." Young woman, Nyon, France.

"Your article ('Personal from the Editor') in the February issue of The PLAIN TRUTH was like manna from heaven. As I read it I wept and thanked God for your words of encouragement. I felt a new joy and a new determination to 'overcome' the obstacles in my life that seem so overwhelming. Your article helped me to understand that God does not reject us when we make mistakes in our human experience and that we do not automatically become perfect -- even though we are truly converted. Surely you must have experienced these feelings, personally, to have described them so accurately. It was as though you had peeked into my heart and soul. I thank God for your insight." Woman, Beaumont, Texas.

"May I praise the writers of your inspiring magazine. Their method of writing is very nearly the same in moral content. I am 16 years old, and I was told about your magazine by a good friend, who is 17 years old. In this letter I want to express to you my sincere appreciation for being determined enough to publish such a 'GOOD' magazine. A great deal of faith is inspired in us (teenagers)." Teenager, Carlyle, Ill.

NOTE: The following letter is from Mississippi, U.S.A. "Please send me your PLAIN TRUTH. I hear you at 8:00 (England Time) every night on Radio Caroline North 199, 1500 K.C.'s." Listener, Monticello, Miss.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS AND QUOTATIONS

"We are sure learning what is actually in the Bible through the Correspondence Course. We had been so sure the Lutherans were right, except when we would ask a question on the Book of Revelation. Our minister said, 'You may read it but don't dwell on it because you will just worry when you can't understand it.' We are sure now the minister himself does not understand." Woman, Ridgefield, Wash.

"I really enjoyed reading the book entitled GOD SPEAKS OUT on 'The New Morality.' I am 17 years old, almost 18, but it's hard to believe that I was so ignorant about the subjects of sex and what its purpose truly is. Now I'm very thankful to you for making this book possible, because it sure did open my eyes (and my mother's)." Teenage girl, Whitwell, Tenn.

X "Here is an aside I'd like to write about. Last night on radio a panel of 3 men plus the moderator were condoning homosexuality, and lesbianism. One was a lawyer, another was a psychiatrist, and the third one was a priest. And to know that the Holy Bible clearly tells us in many places the 'queers,' in short, will not enter into the Kingdom of God. What a perverted society we are." Man, Chassell, Mich.

"I have gotten more out of your lessons than I got in 30 years of Sunday School or listening to a dozen preachers. My husband would hardly go to church. He listens to all of your sermons and reads your books and magazine and the Bible, and now he's going to church. You have helped him." Woman, Asheville, N.C.

X "I am an 11-year-old girl. I have been enrolled in the Bible Correspondence Course, I loved my study very much, but I couldn't make a passing mark. I have my school lessons to get at night and I get up at 5:30 in the morning for school. My bus comes before daylight and we're the second to get on the bus. The school is 41 miles away. I listen to your program while getting ready for school over WLAC. I get The PLAIN TRUTH and now maybe you want to take it away from me like the Bible Course was taken away. Will you please give me another chance? I will keep begging till you give me the Correspondence Course and another chance to learn more about my Bible and God's Word." Girl, Waynesville, Ga.

"I had occasion recently, while passing through the area, to visit the Texas Campus of Ambassador College at Big Sandy. A senior student was kind enough to give me a 'guided tour.' May I say I was most impressed, particularly by the evident happiness of the students and their overall general attitude -- completely unlike that of the state-supported college I attended." Man, Houston, Texas.

My youngest daughter has 2 little boys, ages 2 1/2 years and 8 months. Before I could read 'The Plain Truth About Child Rearing,' she took the book and has been using the knowledge and methods described -- and has had wonderful results." Woman, Venice, Calif.

X "We are having the storm that is hitting the Dakotas, Montana, and other Midwest states. People around here were saying nothing could happen again as in the 1920's and 30's. With our modern highways and equipment, it isn't possible for mail not to be delivered or medical aid

not to reach people, etc. Well, we were just shown that it could happen again -- power failures, missing persons, babies born in school houses and patrol cars, and people having strokes are all you hear on the radio over news. Only they don't know how many will be dead when the storm is over." Woman, Hazen, N.D.

x "I am glad to hear from you again, not because there is a financial difficulty, but because I need this prodding, else human nature just does not remind me of this. I am sorry about this human nature; I really would like to go out on the back porch and throw it in the garbage can, but that's impossible -- you know far better than I. So, thank you for the reminder and I will give as I am able." Man, Centre Hall, Pa.

x "Here in West Virginia we are getting surplus foods. The other day I found out this poverty program is controlled by the Federal Government. In May we are supposed to buy food stamps and be given additional stamps free. Please let me know at once if these stamps are the mark of the beast. We are poor as church mice, but we don't need anything bad enough to go to hell over." Woman, Russellville, W. Va.

x "My husband works all night in town and about all day here on the farm. He takes me to church every Sabbath (unless sick) and goes without sleep -- how many men who weren't converted would do that? I don't even ask him -- he just tells me to be ready by a certain time. So God certainly intervenes for those who can not help themselves. He sits out in the car through all the cold weather and waits the 2 or 2 1/2 hours of church and never complains. He listens to your program every night as there is a radio where he works. He never ever says you are wrong on anything." Woman, Russell, Iowa.

"We are Southern Baptists and have been wondering why all of this marvelous information regarding Israel (Manasseh and Ephraim) has never been mentioned before. Thank you for enlightening my family. My mother gave me her copy of 'The New Morality.' My husband and I were overwhelmed and overjoyed as we read it aloud together. After reading it, we knew we must have more of your literature -- we were absolutely hungry for it." Woman, S.C.

COMMENTS ABOUT HEALING

"God intervened and saved our child's life in a matter of minutes when he had a heart attack last month." Man, Lexington, Ky.

"I'm writing to request prayer for my little daughter. She's been having a severe back-ache and fever, and it's causing her to walk on the side of her foot. Last summer when our little boy was born, the doctor said he had a hernia and that if he wasn't operated on, we would lose him. We didn't let them operate, but today there is nothing wrong with him to indicate a hernia. We thank you for your prayers." Mother, Rattan, Okla.

COMMENT ABOUT TITHING

"I have prayed that my husband could understand and become interested in God's Work. Now, my prayers have been answered. He has written for the Correspondence Course, and gave me the money to pay our tithes. I'm sending the first tenth to you, and will put the second tenth back for our second tithe. I pray that God will guide me so I can be a help to my husband." Woman, Nashville, Tenn.

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

March 25, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

The letter count dropped considerably this week. The bad weather in the northern great plains states seems to be one of the reasons. Thursday morning we checked 600 letters and only found one letter from this area. Even though we were not receiving any mail from this large area the white mail is holding above the count of last week. We are receiving some very favorable comments saying how helpful the article "What is Death?" has been. Also we are still receiving some good comments about the "Personal from the Editor."

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"I am a sophomore in the School of Product Design here at North Carolina State University and have just recently started listening to The WORLD TOMORROW. Until I began hearing you I had become very disgusted with both the Bible and my religion. Now I feel that I may be gaining a new outlook on the true meaning of life and religion. . . . You are the first person that I have heard who seems to know what he is talking about on the subject of religion and the Bible. I am thoroughly looking forward to receiving your literature on this and related topics. Thank you." Man, N.C.

"I have been listening to your broadcast over Radio Station KCMO. What an inspiration it has been to my life! I also enjoy The PLAIN TRUTH immensely; please continue my subscription. I was so disappointed when I called KCMO and learned that your contract had not been renewed that I broke down and cried. Please let me know if and when you plan to broadcast again in the Kansas City area." Woman, Kansas City, Mo.

"I have been listening to your program for several months. You kept saying to blow the dust off my Bible. Well, I have a nice Bible -- have had it for years, but it didn't have any dust on it. It was wrapped up real neat and buried in the bottom of a trunk. But thanks to your program and magazine I find the Bible a very interesting book, indeed!" Woman, Georgia.

"I had your position and Garner Ted's mixed up in my mind, but now I've been told by one who has listened to your program much longer than I have, that you are the minister and that Garner Ted is a member of the faculty at Ambassador College." Woman, Clayton, Ala.

"I have been tuning in to your broadcasts on my car radio while driving to and from work and during lunch hour. You might say I am finding God on the freeways." Man, Camarillo, Calif.

"As stated, I have consistently listened in to your programmes and have found them very interesting and illuminating. I was sorry at one stage to hear in your broadcast that the Post Master General was considering closing your station (390) down, of which there must be millions like myself, sorry to see that happen. It is a great pity that the said Post Master General couldn't find time to exercise his powers and see fit to close down a lot of the filthy, sexual and above all

dirty STINKING homosexual subjects on the air. How much lower is this country going to be dragged down in this direction? Where are we heading?" Man, London.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"Please stop being so unhappy about the colored pictures in the last 2 issues of The PLAIN TRUTH. The magazine packs the wallop that will help all of us confused and mixed-up people here in this world get on the track which will mean eternal salvation. I love The PLAIN TRUTH for it has meant much to me, and many areas of the Bible are becoming meaningful whereas before much of it was 'just words with no special connotation to messages that have bearing on this present day.'" Woman, Fontana, Calif.

"It is true that the anniversary number of The PLAIN TRUTH is more elaborate than we could ever have guessed it would be. The beauty, the facts, and the messages are all so gripping. Our words of appreciation tumble over each other after reading and absorbing it. Mr. Armstrong, if your 'Editorial' alone had been the content, it would have been worth the printing of the magazine. To us who are groping, studying, praying, and searching to know the Way to the End, it was like ice cream on a hot afternoon. I have read the 'Editorial' twice and am going over it again, making notes to type so I can have it as a reminder, to grow by." Woman, Big Sandy, Texas.

"I would like to corroborate the findings of Charles V. Dorothy in his article about Argentina. I was born in Rosario in 1933 and lived there 25 years, and I myself have met and know several sailors of the Graf-Spee, a Wehrmacht tank officer, a U-boat commander, and several other Germans, all Nazis. It is common knowledge that there were many submarine landings all up and down the coast, and persistent reports through the years that Hitler was in Patagonia and many of his henchmen with him. Peron, who gave them refuge during the 10 years of his dictatorship, had himself been trained in Nazi Germany and Fascist Italy." Man, Calif.

"My copy of The PLAIN TRUTH arrived this morning. Never have I ever read a more wonderful and instructive article than Garner Ted Armstrong's description of 'What is Death?' My husband passed away just 5 months ago and I've been so very upset and confused; somehow this article seemed to just 'hit the spot.'" Woman, East St. Louis, Ill.

"The new PLAIN TRUTH is beautiful but there is only one complaint -- I miss your 'Autobiography.' Are you going to continue it?" Woman, San Bernardino, Calif.

"Just a word concerning some observations in the article, 'Why Celebrate Easter?' The author of the article takes considerable issue with the statement of our Lord that He would rise again on the third day, and the fact that Easter is celebrated on the second day following. It is common knowledge among Biblical scholars that in counting days or years, the first of the days or years counted is the day or year on which the person is speaking. The day following is the second day, not the first. If the author had been aware of this accepted way of computing time in the Bible, he would not have made the blunder that he did. I am sorry to see him take issue with the Easter Feast in such a fashion. It is quite fitting, I think, that the occasion of our Lord's coming forth from the tomb for our salvation be an occasion for rejoicing beyond measure. Thank you." Bishop, Statesville, N.C.

"Recently one of my members asked me what I could tell her about you, and your radio program, and I had to admit that I knew very little about you and your work. I do not get to listen to many radio programs these days, and I am not familiar with your work. So my member

brought me several copies of your magazine, The PLAIN TRUTH, as well as several of the pamphlets, and I have read them with considerable interest. In fact, I would like to know more about you and about your work. Would a Methodist preacher be welcome among your magazine recipients? If so, I would appreciate your including my name on your 'Subscription' list." Preacher, Rockport, Texas.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS AND QUOTATIONS

"I was shopping in our local supermarket and my 3-year-old was crying. A young man handed me a small paper bag on which he had written your name and address and the following message, which I quote: 'Ask for free booklet "The Plain Truth About Child Rearing." No obligation.' Do send me your booklet. I asked the man who he was and his reply was that he works for your organization and he went on his way. What is your organization? I like children, too." Woman, Plymouth Meeting, Pa.

"I am an 11-year-old boy and I wish to thank you and God very much for the wonderful life you helped me very much get. Without the literature of yours helping me I would still be a 'Man from U.N.C.L.E.' watcher, Sabbath-breaker, pagan holiday observer, and so forth." Boy, Los Alamos, N.M.

"After reading your booklet on 'Which Day is the Christian Sabbath?' I was shocked, to say the least. And not over the article, but your son's picture in the back of the article. From his own program about his personal trips and knowledge I thought he was about 42 or 43. So you can imagine my surprise when I saw his picture." Man, Calif.

"As you know, one of the worst blizzards in history swept through this area (Dakotas). We couldn't move until Sunday. During this period we were forced to stay where we were -- in houses, schools, cars, etc. Seventeen people lost their lives and about 17,000 cattle died. Snow was 15 or 20 feet high in many places. Cars were literally buried. Floods are now predicted for the Red River Valley. If no moisture falls, the Red River is expected to reach a crest of 51 feet. This is 8 to 10 feet higher than last year. We are starting to feel the effects of living prophecy. People, of all things, curse God when something like this happens. Some day we will learn our lesson." Man, Grand Forks, N.D.

"For the past 2 months I have been having a rough time wrestling with the Russian flu. This brings to memory a rumor regarding the quotations of a Negro minister who, while warning his audience about the different types of disease that humanity was subject to, said, 'Most all kinds of diseases can be cured, but brother, when you get those divers diseases, you're a goner.'" Man, Long Beach, Calif.

"Thank you for the literature on make-up and the article 'There's a Hidden Enemy in Your Home.' As you have already observed, this enemy is my own carnal self, and I needed this correction. Maybe this sounds strange coming from a teenager, 18, but since I am the only one in my family who is called at this time, from now on I need to be dealt with as an adult, even though I am not fully matured to that stage of mind. But then as you look around there are few adults who really have matured to the level that is required of them. Whatever I must receive of correction it will be very welcome. Thank you again for your conscientious effort in the service of God. I'll try to study all that I receive very carefully and objectively." Teenager, Austin, Texas.

"In answer to your letter I am enclosing a tithe and offering for the Building Fund. I hope my parents never find out about the offerings I send you because they seem to be opposed to you. They have set down their foot about my going to college at Ambassador, but I have a year yet." Teenager, Texas.

"Some time ago I was discussing religion with a minister. I happened to mention your name and the work you are doing. He said he's heard of you, and has read The PLAIN TRUTH. He said he didn't like you -- the reason being, of course, you're always knocking the churches. It proves once again that the churchmen are a bunch of hypocrites! (Matt. 24:51) If the churchmen would only preach what's IN the Bible, there wouldn't be any red faces among them! Keep digging for more scriptural truths. P.S. If you print this letter in your magazine, just initials please. Thank you." Man, Bishop, Calif.

"Ever since the time I was a kid, when I read the Book of Ecclesiastes, I have had but one deep, stubbornly-burning goal in life and that is not only to 'Fear God and keep His commandments, but also to learn everything there is to know about God and to be able to prove it. This knowledge about God I cannot obtain by studying the thoughts and writings of a lot of so-called great and wise men who are just full of their own opinions, but not facts; who say almost anything, but cannot prove a thing. I am sick of studying about man's half-baked ideas and opinions. I want to study and learn about God and all things related to Him. I want to understand everything that is in the Bible. I want to learn how to live. Also if God would permit, I would like to become one of His ministers. There are my goals that I hope to accomplish at Ambassador." Man, Del.

"One other thing before I sign off -- how do you pray? Now when I pray, I don't do like I have seen others do -- I just start talking to God as if He were right in the room with me. And I level with Him, no two-faced stuff goes. 'The truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth.' And I don't hear any answers, but I think it's because I am talking -- He is too much of a gentleman to butt in. Sooner or later something happens." Woman, Denver, Colo.

"I have noticed that the weather is really getting worse even in Czechoslovakia. The Weather Bureau says that last year's weather was the most extreme since records are kept (since 1775 in Prague). This year we had the warmest February temperatures for more than a century. Last year's flood on the Danube utterly devastated several counties in Southern Slovakia. Western sources brought almost no news about it." Man, Czechoslovakia.

COMMENT ABOUT HEALING

"I want to share my experience of late with you. God has really been blessing me. His power and truth is beyond my understanding. I am living now in a home of my own, have hardly any bills, and just received a fantastic healing. I injured my back and was completely immobilized - helpless. In 2 days I was back at work. Our God is fantastic!" Man, Detroit, Mich.

COMMENT ABOUT TITHING

"You may be interested to know that since I left my last job (the object being to keep the Sabbath), my wages have skyrocketed from 16 pounds a week to 30 pounds a week clear and ne over 50 pounds per week, but expenses run to approximately 20 pounds a week. This may or may not be coincidence, but I cannot deny that I am far better off than I was before." Man from London, England.

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

April 1, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

This week's letter and white mail count is the lowest we have had since December -- the money figure is the lowest since January. Returns to the latest Co-worker Letter just started to come in Thursday. We are starting to receive questions about UFO's since the recent rash of sightings. People are also asking who we are, how did the Work begin, how is it financed, who are Herbert W. Armstrong and Garner Ted Armstrong and which one is the father, and "how can you be the only one preaching the truth?"

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"I began listening to your broadcasts over Radio Station WSHO at noon daily. For the first time in my life I am beginning to understand a little about this world and what is going on in it. I have been a seaman since 1927 and have been to many countries and listened to many people, but you are the first person who has given me a real understanding. I wish I could become a real Christian as I can see this is a man's only hope in this world. May God bless you and your good Work." Seaman, New Orleans, La.

"Your broadcast on the origin of man was very interesting, but I would like to know what is your religion. You often talk about the Bible, which is the basis of Christianity. Are you Catholic, Protestant, or Orthodox? I also have a question that is less discreet: Where do you get all the money to print all your magazines? You are not obliged to answer; you are even free to throw my letter in the waste paper basket." Man, Moreac, France.

"I'm the kind of person who takes everything with a grain of salt. When I first heard your program I thought, 'Ha, ha, he is a nut!' I wanted something to laugh at so I thought I'd continue to listen. But when I put my mind to some of the things you said, it balanced out. Then you got me reading my Bible and it's been some time since I've brushed the dust off of it. Please send me your pamphlets." A/2c from Clinton-Sherman AFB, Okla.

"We are really glad to see the addition of more radio stations in The PLAIN TRUTH radio log. It is encouraging also to hear that The WORLD TOMORROW is preparing for television. I can just see some T-shirted, pot-bellied wrestling fan swallow his cigar and drop his can of beer when Mr. Armstrong points a finger at him through the screen." Man, Cincinnati, Ohio

"I recently attended a FHA banquet and the main speaker of the evening was the superintendent of the high school. In speaking mainly to the young people he said there are 'absolutes.' He spoke about basic truths and values and mentioned the 'world tomorrow.' I wondered if he had been listening to Mr. Ted Armstrong." Woman, Stuttgart, Ark.

"I was driving home from work the other night, listening to Garner Ted over CKDM, when I noticed someone blinking their lights behind me like people will sometimes do when they

want to pass, so I looked in the rear-view mirror and I also saw a red light. So I stopped and Mister Cop comes up and asks me what all the hurry is? So I told him I was wrapped up in The WORLD TOMORROW program and never noticed my speed. So I got a speeding ticket, paid the \$12.50 and I'm still listening." Man, Brandon, Manitoba.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"Some time ago I sent a letter asking you to stop sending me La PURE VERITE. My letter didn't reach you because it had the wrong address, so I continued to receive it. It has turned me to God's way, and now nothing can turn me away from it." Woman, Lanne, France.

"I'm sending in my gift to help with the mailing. These new PLAIN TRUTH's are just lovely. I work in a printing place and showed them the book. I wish Mr. Armstrong would write a few more articles on his 'Autobiography.' It's too interesting to end right now." Ill.

"Your magazine The PLAIN TRUTH has been used as a reference in our university -- affiliated psychology class. It is my understanding that this is available without charge. If this is so, may I please be included on your mailing list?" Nurse, Allentown, Pa.

"I think The PLAIN TRUTH is beautiful and I enjoyed the 'Personal from the Editor,' the best of all the articles as it is always better than the other articles. No offence, gentlemen, as the articles are very good, but just that the 'Personal' is best." Woman, Camarillo, Calif.

"Just received my copy of the February 1966 PLAIN TRUTH. I had not thought it possible to improve the magazine, but the full color is the final touch to a wonderful monthly companion. As a military instructor, I have on several occasions used your PLAIN TRUTH to report to my class on the interesting and accurate items on world affairs during instruction on current events. The PLAIN TRUTH has followed me from Vietnam to Europe and all points in between. I'm sure it has been an inspiration and blessing to many others besides myself." M/Sgt. in West Germany.

"Find enclosed check for \$3.00. We eagerly await The PLAIN TRUTH every month. It is the most soul-satisfying piece of literature that comes to our house each month. Best wishes for continued good luck. Why not have your college compete in 'College Bowl' on Channel 4 from New York, sponsored by General Electric?" Woman, Brooklyn, N.Y.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS AND QUOTATIONS

"This is my tithe for this week. I wish I could do more. I know my salary is a lot less than most of the people, but God has blessed me other ways. One thing is sure, I have peace of mind and my wife and two girls are happy and all the money in the world couldn't buy that. I'm thankful to be putting my little bit where it can help someone else to see and hear the truth of God." Man, East Brewton, Ala.

"Mr. Armstrong, I am only 19 years old. That means that I am not entitled to collect your book on 'The New Morality.' I am not engaged to be married, yet. I have not seen the book, yet, but two boys told me that it is an interesting book. I told them that I am not of age to get the book. The boys told me to send and tell you that I am 21 years of age, so as to get the book. I told them I would not do that. When I do that, I would not be fooling you -- I would be fooling myself, because honesty is the best policy." Teenager, St. Philip, Barbados.

"I received my first copies of The GOOD NEWS this past Sabbath. About 3 years ago, I was one of the smirking skeptics. Then when I really listened, when there was no one to distract me with finky remarks, God allowed my mind to be opened! I continually thank God that I am now one of the called." Man, Shreveport, La.

"Thank you for giving us the privilege of being one of your Co-workers in the Work of Our Lord that you do. We are certainly praying for you and also for all the workers you have. Your own autobiography is enough to give anyone the faith he or she needs. We had always thought of ourselves as having troubles and problems of a small nature, but if we would have had the faith in our Lord you have, we would not have had these problems, probably." Co-worker, Hay River, N.W.T.

"Please send me a large size anointed cloth if possible, that I might use for more than one ailment." Woman, Endicott City, Md.

"Having just completed my first test in your wonderful Bible Correspondence Course, I would like to have some of the free booklets that are mentioned as being helpful in connection with the course. I am so grateful for this course -- my outlook and views and ideas are so completely changed from former times -- I can already say that my way of life has changed, and I will continue to change as I gain more understanding of the Bible. I can now say I fear God but am not afraid! I never knew how all absorbing the Bible is. I am very grateful being privileged so." Woman, Eire.

A woman writes about the children of a relative. "The children loved their father. He had a large BOARD in the barn, and when the children didn't obey, there was a 'board' meeting in the barn. Before he punished the children he told them why he was going to punish them. You didn't hear any back talk to their parents." Woman, Augusta, Maine.

"I just wrote you a note yesterday about my 15-year-old boy being a problem, and yesterday the police came and took him away. He had broken into the school and stolen some money. He also broke into a house and found a gun and shot it in the house and damaged the contents of the house with it. The policemen said he used up 2 boxes of shells. The boy shows no sign of shame. He doesn't smile about it, but seems to be proud of himself. I have tried to bring the children to fear God and to obey. It hurts very much for a mother who believes in God as much as I do to raise criminals. The policeman said, 'for the safety of everyone,' that it would be best to take Steve." Woman, Portland, Ore.

"Just recently a man came into our welding shop, and in spite of the Bible facts that my husband pointed out to him, he insisted man came from monkeys. And with this outlook, you have to wonder if some of these human beings don't have a little monkey blood in them!" Woman, Cambridge City, Ind.

"When I received the first issues of your magazine and literature, I was going to write and say I liked it very much and to thank you. Now, I'm saying take my name off your mailing list. You are a Jew, trying to cancel Christian faith, calling Christmas and Easter pagan holidays." Woman, Upland, Calif.

"We know in this country (Rhodesia) that Mr. Harold Wilson is using the same type of broadcasting in England that was used during the war against the Germans. He is, no doubt, a very clever man, and one day the English will see through him. Meanwhile, we have to fight. You will see in my 'article' (enclosed) how hard it is for us to get the African interested, let

alone to understand politics. If the white races have learned so little of God's way in 2,000 years, how can we expect the blacks of this country to learn it all in 76 years?" Rhodesia.

"This is March 22, 1966, 7:00 P.M., Worthington, Minnesota. We are having a blinding snowstorm. Because of the fact we are having lightning and thunder right at this present time, I must write and tell you. I am sixty years old and have lived in southwestern Minnesota all my life. I have seen lightning in the middle of the winter when it was raining, this is not unusual, but have never seen it in a blinding snowstorm with a loud clap of thunder following. Since I have been writing this note to you, it has flashed four times." Man, Minn.

"I am also interested in receiving the booklet 'Is This the Only Day of Salvation?' A minister has been discussing this, and he doesn't agree with you. He seems to be trying to take the articles apart, word by word, and prove them wrong. This has been quite interesting to me because, by following along with my Bible, I have repeatedly been shown that he is wrong." Woman, Grundy, Va.

"I have seen so much on TV with adults and teenagers kissing -- could you tell me when it's necessary? Isn't it sin to kiss and not mean it? What does God say?" Teenager, Ala.

"I would like you to tell the Vaseline Company to stop putting 14 WHOLE LEMONS in a hair shampoo, and let them know the world is starving very fast. You can put it in your PLAIN TRUTH. P.S. I heard the advert on Radio Luxembourg." Man, Scotland.

"I have decided that the answers to all the world's problems lie in Communism. I travelled from Moscow to Peking. All along the rail journey I saw advancement in industry, in agriculture, and the people were happy. In our so-called 'Christian' countries I saw the peasants dominated by the rich, and the rich were mainly senior members of the Church. This brought home to me Marx's saying, 'Religion is the opium of the people.' I saw the huge confidence trick which the church is. So friend, give me socialism any day." Man, Bristol, Eng.

COMMENT ABOUT HEALING

"My daughter had a planter's wart on her foot. I requested a healing cloth. A little while later she got another wart beside the first one. We knew God would heal her. One day she decided to pick at the wart, and found that the core was drying up and was coming out, in about a week it was gone. A girl in her school asked her how she got rid of her wart. This girl went to have her's cut out by the doctor, and then she got infection. It sure pays to trust in God for our healing!" Man, Duluth, Minn.

COMMENT ABOUT TITHING

"After Mr. Catherwood visited us and told us about the Sabbath services in Ottawa, we recognized that we should keep the Sabbath, pay tithes, and many other things. My husband lost his job. We couldn't pay the rent or any of the bills, but we were happy trusting God. Last week our three children noticed that we had very little to eat, but we remembered the verse that says 'It is better to have a morsel of dry bread with peace than a house full of meat with strife.' Then my husband was offered a job much better than we imagined, as manager of a printing firm, with the opportunity to advance and freedom to keep the Sabbath and Holy Days. Then we received a special delivery envelope with \$24.00 inside. It wasn't signed, but we know that it was from God. We have truly been blessed." French couple, Ottawa, Canada.

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

April 8, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

The overall mail picture looks much better this week than it did last week. Returns to the Co-worker letter came in quite well this week and the response from Members sending in Tithe of the Tithe has been very encouraging. We had a 26% increase in white mail for the first quarter of 1966 over 1965 but only a 1% increase for the total letter count. The increase for money from mail receipts for the first quarter stands at 19%. The on-the-spot comments from Cape Kennedy were very effective -- we have received many comments about this particular broadcast.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"Mr. Ted Armstrong's program the other night, concerning the rockets being launched at Cape Kennedy, was superb. Congratulations and may we be privileged to hear many more of these top-quality programs in the future. I believe this was one of the best programs that I have ever heard on the radio. He is truly inspired by God." Man from Wellington, Texas.

"I'm writing in regard to your excellent program. As you've noticed, I'm employed at Station WORL, Boston, which carries your show. Since taking over the morning shift, I've had a chance to listen, and have become very much alerted to a new way of thinking. I've become so engrossed in your daily subjects that I find myself telling everyone about The WORLD TOMORROW." Man, Arlington, Massachusetts.

"I heard your program the other night. There was something in what you said that made me see what I am missing. I'm going back to church this Sunday, thanks to you." Man, Berkeley, California.

"I heard your program last night on the battery tape recorder. I just want to comment on it a little. I thought it was an excellent program about the space ship's blast-off at Cape Kennedy. I also thought how foolish men are to try to reach the moon. I would settle for this earth any day, even though it is now polluted. In the near future it will be cleaned up. Would like to hear more of those on-the-spot broadcasts, also I am praying for your television programs --to be, that is." Man, Deming, New Mexico.

"The incident you mentioned, about watching 'Candid Camera' -- the only child who said he loved his mother because she spanked him (trying to rear him right)-- was most impressive. I happened to be reared that way, and have been forever thankful. I tried to rear my own son in the same manner, and his responsiveness to your broadcast, in which he mentioned, 'That man makes sense,' is the best answer." Ill.

"I'm so glad I discovered your 6:15 a.m. radio program. Being a confused, mixed-up teenager, I find your sermons on the Bible, present mental conditions among teens, and future events according to Bible prophecy, to be inspiring, shocking, and edifying, respectively. I'm sure this program answers the needs of many people as much as it answers mine. I hope you will continue broadcasting for many years to come." Teenage girl, Redondo Beach, California.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"I always file all of my magazines when they come in, after I have read them. I consider this magazine one of the best that I have ever seen. The article on the world famine sure is an eye-opener for everyone. Then above everything else, we do know what is published in The PLAIN TRUTH is the whole truth. I am greatly surprised at some of the readers getting their fur ruffled a little bit the wrong way, then they do not want the magazine any more. I read my copy from cover to cover, and I have failed to read anything that would ruffle anyone's fur. If the truth will do it, then, Mr. Armstrong, let us continue to get the truth." Man, Kelso, Washington.

"Every year we read about Easter in The PLAIN TRUTH. Every issue near Christmas tells the worldly side of it. You make it sound like it's a sin. No, it's not commanded, but is it a sin? To the worldly, it might be, but to Christians, it is not. Please think of us when you give your comments on our holidays. After all, many Christians read your magazine, too." Woman, Hutchinson, Minnesota.

"I can't remember having seen a letter from a teenager published in The PLAIN TRUTH. I'm wondering if I am the only teenager who reads it. I enjoy reading The PLAIN TRUTH, although it's disheartening to read about the way the younger generation is going. I just wish more teenagers would read this wonderful magazine and wake up!" Teenage girl, Old Town, Florida.

"I would like to comment on the article 'The Beat Generation.' The article was very eye-opening. It gets really sickening to see the boys at school showing such outright rebellion against all authority. Our school recently had \$1,000 damage done by a group of high school boys. This was not the first time it happened this year. We have had several fires set in the school by boys who 'just wanted to watch it burn.' Many of the girls are wearing their skirts 4 to 6 inches above their knees and cutting their hair from 1½ to 2 inches long all over. It all makes me very happy that I am privileged enough to know the truth and come out of this sinful world, and know what true happiness really is!" Girl, Wichita, Kansas.

"The PLAIN TRUTH in color is the most beautiful and thought-provoking magazine printed. There is a cigarette ad, 'The thinking man's cigarette.' Well, yours is 'The thinking man's magazine,' and with God's help, the only one that brings action." Woman, Westminster, Maryland.

"Thank you for The PLAIN TRUTH. Money can't buy the information in it and it cannot be found anywhere else in the world." Man, Detroit, Michigan.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS AND QUOTATIONS

"I feel hurt all the time because I am a Negro. No one can know what it means to be a Negro. It's not because you don't have what other races have, but you hurt because you are hated and pushed all your life without a cause. You hurt because everyone laughs at the way you look. Everyone on earth looks better. You are told this all your life, that is, how ugly you are. No matter what you do in life it is never enough or good enough. You wake up sad and you go to bed sad. You laugh when you want to cry. Some of us make it; others go on dope and drink. I pray for a better day." Negro lady, Chicago, Illinois.

"Our oldest girl came home from school the other day deeply concerned about something. I knew she was thinking about a matter that was very important to her. Just before her bedtime, she called to me and I went to her. She said, 'Mommie, a girl told me today that God was dead and so there is no God. She was wrong, wasn't she, Mommie?' She started to cry and, Mr. Armstrong, I was hurt to think that a child could hurt another child with just a couple of words." Lady, N. C.

"One day my 10-year-old daughter came home from school and told me she was ugly because she didn't have a boyfriend like most of the girls. She said she told them she didn't like boys, so then they said she was a queer. Can you believe 10-year-olds talking like that?" Woman, El Sobrante, California.

"We 4 students at the University of California at Santa Barbara are among the group that you referred to on Station KUDU as those thinking they know 'truth but really do not.' If your booklet can sincerely enlighten us as to the nature of real truth, we would certainly appreciate knowing it." College students, Goleta, Calif.

"Please send me your Bible Correspondence Course. I am 14 years old and very deeply interested in the Bible. I have proved God scientifically and am working on the Bible for itself (as) proof. It sure describes these times to perfection, and really means what it says." Teenage boy, Lansing, North Carolina.

"Why do you folks insist on dwelling on the authenticity of the Easter and Christmas dates? Further, you question the traditional 3 days recorded in the crucifixion and resurrection of our Christ. As a believer and a Christian (perhaps not a good one), I feel that these facts are totally immaterial. The fact that I have a true faith in these events happening is the important thing. Whether Christmas, or Christ's birthday, took place in December, or July, means so very little to me. I truly believe these events took place; this is surely enough. Also, Easter and Christmas should be celebrated 365 days a year in every Christian's heart. Let the juveniles, the immature, and the non-believers argue about the inconsequential." Man, Detroit, Michigan.

"Will you please let me know what day is the day that God rested on. I say Saturday; my husband says your son preaches all through the week and you, Mr. Armstrong, on Sundays. So he says that is the Holy Sabbath. I want to know as I want to keep God's Sabbath." Woman, Parthenon, Arkansas.

"We certainly agree with you about the drought being here; being farmers, we can see what is happening. Yesterday we had one of the worst blizzards both of us have ever been in. If only it had been rain--we need that so much right now. The snow was so hard on the livestock." Lady, St. Edward, Nebraska.

"I am happy to say my sales for last month leaped a fantastic 60% -- all because I have really put to work God's seven laws of success....The doors to new and wonderful opportunities have suddenly been flung open to me. But I realize now that I first had to obey God in every way before He allowed me to prosper. The commissions over and above my 'guarantee' were enough to make a happy difference in my tithe for God's Work. You might also like to know that this is our third tithe year, and our blessings are almost overwhelming! By the way, please send me another copy of 'The Seven Laws of Success' as soon as possible. My boss in California wants to know 'what's up?'" Man, Casselberry, Florida.

"We are three second-year students at the above college (Callendar Park College of Education). One of our subjects is religious education, which we find very difficult and confusing, as our own religious beliefs are still so muddled and uncertain. We would like to know more about the teachings of Jesus, and especially about the meaning of His parables. We would be very grateful if you could let us know where to find information or pamphlets on this subject. We feel that, as teachers, religious education will be one of the most important subjects to instill into our pupils. Therefore, it is our duty to learn all we can on the subject, to establish firm, clear beliefs of our own in order to pass on good moral standards to the children in our society." Three ladies from Falkirk.

"I've just finished reading your book 'The New Morality.' This is my first time to come into contact with your work, and I'm completely amazed. The manner in which you describe the sexual relationship is marvelous. I agree with your views on pre-marital relations. I had always heard that it was wrong, but everyone else seemed to be doing it. Now, after reading this book, I know that I did right." Man, Arkansas.

"You've heard that there are no atheists in a foxhole. That is just when I quit believing. I was a Catholic, went to a Catholic school, and received communion and confirmation. When I went into the Army in '42, I never thought that someday I would be in complete doubt. What made me disbelieve is the slaughter of innocent women and kids caught in the center of a war. The soldiers don't matter for it's 'kill or be killed.' The first time I heard you I told my wife, 'He must be some kind of a nut.' Forgive me. Please send The PLAIN TRUTH. I hope it will be as interesting as you are." Man, Brockton, Massachusetts.

"I visited my sister in Dallas, Texas, last Christmas and she loaned me your pamphlet 'The United States and the British Commonwealth in Prophecy.' At my request she also ordered The PLAIN TRUTH and several other pamphlets. The things I have learned are directly opposite to what I have thought to be the teachings of the Bible. I had never read the Bible until recently. I still do not understand, but some things are becoming clearer to me, with study. My wife and I study almost every night." Man, Lubbock, Texas.

"We received your booklet 'The Plain Truth About Child Rearing' this week. Our oldest son, 12 years, happened to see me reading it and asked about it. A few minutes taken to explain what the booklet was about brought this comment: 'Why, Mom, that's everything you've been saying and doing ever since I was a baby.' It pleases me to find that there are a few other people in the world who have not lost their good sense. Many had almost convinced me I was doing wrong. Thanks so very much." Lady from Alexander, New York.

COMMENTS ABOUT HEALING

"Thank you so much for the healing cloth and your prayers. I don't need a doctor to tell me my blood pressure is normal because I can feel the difference. All my thanks go to God Who has made me well." Lady from Teaneck, New Jersey.

"I pray for you, Garner Ted, and for the Work every day. God just healed my little girl of an ear infection. I called our minister and he sent me an anointed cloth. Over night God healed her. I just pray I will always have the faith I had these past two weeks. I feel so rich knowing I have God on my side." Lady, Mich.

COMMENTS ABOUT TITHING

"Before I started tithing I had no home of my own. Now, after about seven years of faithfully sending in my tithes, I have a trailer of my own, and a place to park it, and plenty to live on. I thank God for letting me be a co-worker for Him." Woman, Clarksdale, Mississippi.

"Life's needs seem to come somewhat easier since we have been tithing. There are thirteen people living here on \$90 a week income, and many a time neighbors and friends ask how we ever manage so well. We do have so very much to be thankful for." Couple, Naples, New York.

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

April 15, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

The percentage of increase has dropped somewhat this week both in letters and money. However, it is running somewhat higher for the month than for any of the three previous months of this year. One factor in our declining mail this week has been the effect of the Easter week-end. Questions regarding Unidentified Flying Objects are still coming in from all over the nation. Except for one or two days this week, most of our requests seem to be coming from people asking for articles announced in The PLAIN TRUTH, rather than from the broadcast.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"Mr. Armstrong, do you give your own speeches or does Paul Harvey speak for you? The narrator last night sounded very much like Paul Harvey. He is one of my favorite radio personalities, and I have been wondering what happened to him and where he was now." Woman, Azusa, Calif.

"I thought the narrator was Paul Harvey, however, at the end of the program the person speaking gave his name and it was not Paul Harvey. Am I correct? That was Paul Harvey speaking wasn't it?" Man, Jacksonville, Fla.

"In 60 years of reading the Bible and listening to many Bible speakers, I do confess that I have never received so much joy and blessing as I have now since listening to Mr. Armstrong on the radio." Man, Kent, England.

"Would you please send me the booklets which have been recommended on your programme on Radio Scotland. The speaker is terrific. He deals with his topics in a very sincere and straightforward way... I find these 30 minutes the most rewarding and spiritually stimulating of the day. If only you could broadcast on BBC, Home, or Light, or even TV. I hope that by God's grace that day may come before it is too late." Man, Scotland.

"I listen to the broadcasts daily, and I have learned again to pray and study the Bible. I cannot tell you how much I have been blessed in just a few weeks. I don't shout at the children anymore. I feel physically well (no more blinding headaches, etc.), my husband tells me I look young and beautiful (in his eyes), and I now thank God for the lonely evenings so I can study the Bible. Yes, God's ways are certainly wonderful! I am so proud to be allowed to be a Co-worker. I pray God daily to bless the Work you are doing and that many more people will be helped through it." Woman, Kent, England.

"Recently I heard you mention an article called 'The Proof of God.' Only the week before my daughter had asked me for proof since her teacher had asked them for such proof in school.

I was dumbfounded as we are a very religious family, but I couldn't come up with anything as the shock was so great. First I got mad, then cried and naturally I started to worry where I had gone wrong. With the 'God is dead' attitude going around, I fear that my daughter will become an agnostic. Would you please be kind enough to send me your pamphlet 'The Proof of God.' If ever we do need God, it is now." Woman, Hewitt, N.J.

"I listen to Le MONDE A VENIR more than to our priest. I am a writer who has traveled a lot, and learned a lot -- but I know that I shall continue to learn. Your writings are pearls of great price." Listener, Paris, France.

"Your morning broadcasts are a source of living water -- really comforting. You preach nothing false -- only the 'plain truth' of the Bible. I thank God for having enlightened me about the end-times in which we are living." Woman, Oullins, France.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"My primary reason in requesting material is to see how these doctrinal statements will compare with my own church, the Baptist. Despite the fact that much which appears in The PLAIN TRUTH often deviates from my traditional beliefs, your arguments on the celebration of Christmas tend to be very well-founded and scripturally supportable. Thus, it would seem that I have arrived at the point when casual perusal of your literature is no longer sufficient. On a number of recent occasions, I have found myself defending your ministry to people in my church, and I want to be certain that I'm not leading others astray with these thoughts." Man, Michigan

"A special word of thanks is due for the article on 'True Womanhood' in the November 1965, issue of The PLAIN TRUTH. Since then, this article has been read and reread along with the Bible quotations and, although quite slowly, there have been noticeable changes in my outlook and attitude of my purpose as a woman. Thank you for presenting this challenge." Woman, Shelbyville, Ind.

"I've been reading in The PLAIN TRUTH an article, 'The Beat Generation' and what you said about the Beatles (I'm speaking of the Beatles only) is COMPLETELY without basis. I have a very good collection and I've heard every Beatle song that has ever been made. In one part of your 'article' you said that 'their music consists of screams, tramlings, shouting and constant beats.' You really ought to know what you're talking about when you print something. You were right about the Queen awarding the Beatles the OBE medal and meeting every member of the British Royal Family, etc. So what? P.S. I happen to be 12 years of age." Boy, Kansas.

"Would you please send me another copy of the March PLAIN TRUTH. Our milkman walked off with mine before I had a chance to read it. I decided not to say anything to him but just write for another one." Woman, Cornelius, Ore.

"Mr. Armstrong, how do you do it? How do you manage to print that beautiful magazine with no cost to the reader? The up-to-date information is overwhelming. Never yet have I felt closer to God than when I started reading your excellent magazine. I would also like to congratulate you on the two most excellent articles in March's issue, 'Race to the Moon' and 'The Beat Generation' -- they were very interesting. The article 'Prophecy Comes Alive in Today's World News,' I found quite interesting. I had never before realized that the crime rate had gone up so intensively. I hope you keep on printing such informative literature." Young lady, Sudbury, Ontario, Canada.

"For quite a long time I have received gratis literature from you, and I read that 'my subscription has been paid by others.' Will you oblige me by telling me WHO are these mysterious people, and WHY they should pay for my pleasure? I shall then know to whom my thanks are due. Your new colour PLAIN TRUTH is really magnificent!" Man from Staffs.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS AND QUOTATIONS

"I am a student from India attending a New York university. When I came to the United States I expected to continue the same pattern of life, but to my great surprise I find that the university atmosphere, though very intellectual, has not much to contribute to the spiritual aspect of the student. In fact, in some of my class discussions, I find the American students totally denying the very existence of God. The more intellectual they are, the more they seem to believe that the existence of God is just a superstition. People may say that I come from an underdeveloped country, and because of the absence of material comforts I have turned to God for help and comfort. I doubt very much if this is so. I would appreciate it if you would send me the pamphlet 'Seven Proofs God Exists.'" Student, New York.

"Just a note to say, When God opened our eyes to the truth we were so excited, and didn't think we could stand it, but with each new Co-worker Letter received the work becomes more exciting." Member, Dickinson, Texas.

"Certainly purity of intention is more precious in God's sight than names, dates and customs. Regarding your articles on Lenten fasting and Easter -- why do you attack the Catholic Church, which is the strongest force -- temporal force -- (and the main target of Communism) for good in the world today? None of us Catholics wish to celebrate anything about Astarte at Easter time, believe me. Christ spoke of other qualities than the observance of certain dates. He didn't bless those who celebrated Passover, but the meek, the pure in heart, etc. May God bless you." Woman, Littleton, N.H.

"It appears my request for a copy of the 'Weird Beast' has not been heeded to... Instead of sending me a copy of the above book, I have been supplied with copies of 'Who is the Beast?' and 'Mark of the Beast,' which I never mentioned in my letter of request to you." Person, Ghana.

"May I also add that weather conditions here in east-central Missouri are so obviously unnatural that almost everyone talks about it, but only God's people know why that is so. Spring work is beginning early and subsoil moisture is utterly lacking. Yet rain is so elusive. 1954 was somewhat that way and our corn crop was a complete failure then. Farm ponds are extremely low and even the fish are dying in many of them." Member, Troy, Mo.

"I would like to relate to you how pleased I am with the Bible Study Course which I am taking. I have finished Lesson 3, and have truly enjoyed it, and am looking forward to my next lesson so very much. It is truly amazing how much one can learn through Bible study, and I might add, I never knew it could be so exciting. At first I didn't think I would have the time to devote to the course as I have a family and am quite busy. However, I make time and look forward to the Bible study so very much. Thank you again for making it possible for others to receive this wonderful course." Woman, Harpenden, Herts.

"By all the things that have happened, I know God is with us in our trouble, for whenever we need anything we get it. For instance, my girl Darlene needed a pair of shoes and my son

Gregory found some that fit her perfectly on a store dummy that had been discarded. Furthermore, our landlord has given us a little more time before we have to move. Other things too numerous to mention have occurred to keep us safe." Woman, Calif.

"I received my Bible Correspondence Course Lesson One over a week ago. I finished the lesson as you instructed -- the very next day. It was so interesting I couldn't stop. I wanted to save some for the next day, but I couldn't leave it alone. It took the entire day -- from 7 to 4. Hours passed like minutes -- it was wonderful. Would you be able to send me Lessons 2, 3, and 4 real soon? I have enough time to do 2 or 3 a week, and I would like to always have one to look forward to the next day." Woman, Orange, Calif.

"I am so upset since you started telling me that Jesus had short hair and no beard. Oh, I could just scream. I would phone if I knew where to get in touch with you before you tell people that Jesus had short hair and so on. Do you know, do you realize you upset all people? For thousands of years the orthodox and many others have holy pictures with Jesus. It costs hundreds of dollars to decorate a church, to put up holy pictures of Jesus, His mother and other saints." Listener, Inglis, Manitoba, Canada.

"I also enjoyed your son's book on child training and thoroughly agree with him on that score. This calls to mind an experience of two little boys who ran away from home, and were not found until early evening, playing -- of all places -- in the train yards. One boy's mother spanked him severely and told him he might have been killed -- he never went back. The other boy's mother never even reproached him, but said she was glad he was safe. He went back the next day and was killed." Woman, North Surrey, B.C.

COMMENTS ABOUT HEALING

"About 2 months ago I wrote concerning my boy, Peter. I asked for prayer for him as he was lacking in mental perception and this was causing him to be disturbed. I want to report that the block has been removed and only God the Eternal could perform this miracle. I know your prayers have been answered and I give all the praise and glory to God. Peter was between one and two years behind the average child according to the school report. In the past 2 months he has advanced to his age level. The school since then has given him an evaluation test and we are waiting for the results. However, we have seen with our eyes and heard with our ears the change in this boy and rejoice." Co-worker, Sudbury, Ontario.

"A few weeks ago my father, who is not a member of the Church, as yet, was very ill, and he had very poor circulation in his legs. The doctor told us it would be necessary to amputate both legs, so Dad asked us to have someone from the Church anoint him, which we did. Although he is in the hospital now, his foot is starting to heal and now it is very doubtful that amputation will be needed." Member, Edmonton, Alberta.

COMMENT ABOUT TITHING

"As of March 22, I have begun my first third tithe year. In times past, I used to wonder how I would make it since rent, food, and car payments left me little money to buy gas and clothes and other things. Then I became engaged and was married on March 19, 1966. My husband earns enough to provide a comfortable living, pay off my car and, most important of all, to provide a home for me to keep as a full-time housekeeper." Woman, Arkansas.

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

April 22, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

The money count is down considerably from last week; however, because of a low corresponding week last year we are holding close to the 30 per cent increase. The number of letters is about the same as last week. The number asking to be entered on The PLAIN TRUTH mailing list is encouraging, but the overall white mail is down from what it was a month to six weeks ago; however, it is slightly above the count for last week.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"I heard your broadcast over my shortwave radio last night, and although reception was poor, it had a strong impact on me. I am only 15, but I can't accept the direction my generation is taking. Their philosophies seem to revolve around materialism and doomsday. Now they even preach that 'God is dead.' In this day of mass confusion and political 'cure-alls' the Holy Bible has proven to me to be the only course of action and belief that is definite and non-contradictory. Thus I would be very appreciative if you would send me your literature. I have one major question though: Are you advocating liberal or conservative action in conjunction with God's work?" Student, Malvern, Pa.

"I am a freshman in the Davenport High School and there's one other boy who listens to The WORLD TOMORROW as often as I do. Every morning before class, we meet each other in the classroom and you hear, 'Boy, wasn't "Garner" fired up last night?', or 'Say did you hear what "Garner" said about...' He and I get a kick out of Mr. Armstrong's force with words, but being far from being 'funny-minded' all the time, we both seriously, and enthusiastically absorb your broadcasts. We both hope they will continue for years to come." Student, Davenport, Wash.

"I know you dislike the show 'Batman' as much as I do, but I don't see why you should get on the radio and run the show down. Are you a great T.V. critic? Apparently, a favorite gripe of yours is the landing of the astronauts, and how the American people are more interested in their T.V. sets. Well, I am one of the millions who was unhappy when they interrupted T.V. for the space shot. They televise such important details as what the wives had for breakfast, and frankly, I couldn't care less. I'm as patriotic as the next soul." Woman, Tremont, Ill.

"I have just heard your program on the radio and found it very interesting. I am not as of yet a parent, but will be shortly. I can tell you honestly, the thought of raising a child has made me stay awake many nights. It's quite a task to raise a child right, and since I'm only 20 I really don't know what I should do. When I think the fate of my child lies in my husband and my hands I want to be sure what we both do is right. I think the booklet you have described will certainly help. I would be most grateful if you would send me one." Mont.

"For years I have been asked what I knew about that heretic Herbert W. Armstrong and his worthy successor, Garner Ted. Since I had not really heard your broadcast I could not give an answer of any kind. I started listening to your broadcast last July feeling that I could get the drift of your theology in a matter of a few messages. Since then I have listened intently to the programs on an average of four or five times a week, and I must admit that I am still listening for the heresy. I have come to have great admiration and respect for your forthright manner in presenting the truths of the Bible. Your belief and trust in the authenticity of the Bible, and your challenge for people to search for themselves and 'stand on their own two feet' deserves my highest praise." Man, Pensacola, Fla. (Baptist Minister)

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"Our school classroom has been discussing your magazine The PLAIN TRUTH. The class has come to the decision that The PLAIN TRUTH does not tell the truth but just someone's opinion. Will you please tell me whether it is the plain truth or whether it is the plain opinion of the author?" Student, Marietta, Ga.

"I just finished reading the article by Mr. Ted Armstrong, 'I Saw Gemini 8 Blast Off.' I was very impressed with the contents. It hit home about as hard as any article I've read for a long time, about my lack of zeal in doing my part but letting God do most of the work. I just won't get into God's Kingdom with that attitude. Thank you very much for that needed prod." Woman, Des Moines, Iowa

"The coloring of the 'Indonesia' article is a work of art, and a pleasure to view as well as to be read, and the paper is the quality that can only be found in the better magazines. Congratulations on a job superbly done." Man, New York, N.Y.

"The other day I was visiting a friend, and happened to pick up your magazine, which I thought was about agriculture because of your cover. I turned the page and started reading and was very surprised; I didn't expect a word about the Lord. My husband and I started reading your article and were very happy to hear some real truth plainly stated." Wash.

"I was surprised and delighted early this week when I found the April issue of The PLAIN TRUTH awaiting me when I arrived home from work. This was, I think, the 4th of April, the earliest date on which The PLAIN TRUTH has ever arrived for the corresponding month. Straightway, I glanced through the pages and noticed immediately the higher quality paper and the even more beautiful color photos--this is the best PLAIN TRUTH ever published by you. My only small regret is that it may seem a long time before the May issue arrives." Man, Yorkshire, England

"Please cancel my copy of the so-called 'PLAIN TRUTH.' I find your ideas about Westerners being God's chosen people as not only foolish but dangerous. Furthermore, if you are so concerned about starving people in this world, I suggest you spend money on helping them instead of printing your magazine in colour, which you seem to think is so important." Man, London, England

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS AND QUOTATIONS

"I should like to thank you for the reception my wife and I received at Ambassador College, Bricket Wood, St. Albans, early in March. We hired a car and felt we would like to

see the college. We meant to drive past the main gate, but as we could only see the cottage from the main gate, we decided to drive just inside. Before many minutes we were greeted by a student who passed us on to a friend who took us to the Administration Building where a lady phoned for a guide for us, and we were shown around and made most welcome. We were most impressed by the buildings and the new gymnasium which was being built, the grace and beauty of Memorial Hall and the happy atmosphere which reigned everywhere we went. We have happy memories of our visit to the college, and have enclosed our tithe for God's work." Man, Wessex, England

"I enjoyed the Days of Unleavened Bread at Sacramento, even though another lady and I had the experience of being robbed on the way home from church. She lost her purse and my Bible (which was rather new). The strap on my purse broke, so it fell to the street and I retrieved it. I thank God neither of us was physically hurt." San Leandro, Calif.

"I am reading an article of where Elvis Presley is now worth \$11 million, and favors trial marriages. On the next page it tells of movie and T.V. stars who have lost from \$5-20 thousand gambling at the Nevada casinos. Is there not a day of judgment coming for all this? It becomes frustrating for people to obey God's laws of decency, to work and struggle to make ends meet, and then to read of where a young truck driver can amass \$11 million on something that does not directly benefit mankind." Man, Seattle, Wash.

"Isn't it time, Mr. Armstrong, that you addressed the United States Congress and the United Nations, and tell the world leaders the plain truth of what they're letting this world head for, unless they repent and turn to their Maker?" Man, South Africa

"Last Monday, April 4, there was a tornado in Tampa, Florida. It struck there first and came onto Cocoa, Florida. They said it blew buses, trailer homes, cars, and trucks around like match sticks--eleven dead and hundreds injured." Woman, Melbourne, Fla.

"There are many hallelujahshouters on the airwaves these hard days, and of all groups, these intruders of week-day privacy, none can compete with God-given common sense. Your program gives me a feeling of security and tranquility I have never known before. To put it in the vernacular of the age, 'You got the story, Dad. Tell it!'" Calif.

"During this past winter--the people--particularly farmers have witnessed two killer storms in North Dakota, South Dakota, and Nebraska. We here in north central Kansas were just on the edge of those two storms. According to statistics approximately 100,000 head of livestock perished--including 50,000 cattle; 45,000 hogs; and 5,000 sheep. The first storm was compared as the worst since the great blizzard of 1888--the year my father was born." Man, Munden, Kans.

"I sent some money at Christmas time and you must have offered some good prayers for me, for I never had money reach so far as it did during the Christmas season. It just never seemed to run out. Please give me some good prayers again. Cost of living is going up, up, up, and it takes so much to live. If my money could always last like it did at Christmas time." Woman, Washington, Pa.

"I cannot tell you how much I appreciate the content of the booklets I have received from you. I am very happy to know God is not dead; indeed I would like to see one of the 'Christian Atheists' explain gravity, create one small insect, complete with its living and

physical system of locomotion, or show me how, he, himself, continues to breathe and sleep, automatically, without any direction from himself, or any other human." Pa.

"Just a final note to thank you for 'God Speaks Out on the New Morality' which I recently received. My husband and I have found much happiness from it and I can now practice birth control with a clear conscience. You can imagine after having two children in just two years of marriage and being only twenty years old, I was terrified of becoming pregnant again, and yet I knew I could not refuse my husband. Your book has set my mind at rest and I cannot thank you enough for that." Woman, U.K.

"We have also had loaned to us a copy of your book entitled 'God Speaks Out on the New Morality.' This has been indeed a God-sent gift to read such truth about our God and His purposes concerning sex." Man, Ipswich, Suffolk

"With the aid of your articles we are trying to straighten out the problems of Easter and Christmas with our minister of the Reformed Church. So far he disagrees with everything we say. He admits that no certain day for Christ's birth is sure, but insists it should be remembered. As for Easter, he insists Christ arose on Sunday and that the reason for Sunday worship is because the Sabbath was changed by the apostles due to Christ arising on Sunday. You see we can go along with you, but our minister has decided not to give up on these discussions. Not much has been accomplished." Woman, Schenectady, N.Y.

"I can't understand how you send the magazines and booklets free without advertisements. When I received them, I could not lay them down, but had to read everything. They make so much sense. I can't understand why the religions do not follow the Bible more closely. I am a Lutheran and they are supposed to follow the Bible more closely than other denominations, yet it is quite a different interpretation than yours. We support our church, but would like to enclose \$1.00 to help with your work." Woman, Pittsburgh, Pa.

"My husband and our 2 children want you and your workers to know what a beautiful and inspiring sight your college in Big Sandy, Texas, was to us when we viewed it recently. It was the most gratifying to see college age boys and girls looking so neat, decent, and respectful. As we drove around the campus, their friendliness was shown by smiles and waves to us. I pray that with God's help my own 2 children will grow up to be this kind of person." Woman, Tex.

COMMENT ABOUT HEALING

"I received the 2 booklets on healing. I didn't remember writing for them, but I thank God they came last Thursday. Our daughter had had asthma all the night before and at nine that morning she still couldn't get her breath too easily. A few minutes after I began to read the booklet on faith, I realized just how much I hadn't depended on God in her behalf. Shortly after I received the booklets she was breathing much easier and sleeping." Woman, Alabama.

COMMENT ABOUT TITHING

"In 1965 we've tithed a full ten per cent. Do you know what God did? He did not give us just \$5.00 per week but gave us an increase of \$50.00 per week. He also put me in an executive position. I now earn almost \$700.00 per month with about another \$1,500.00 per year in profit sharing, as a bonus. Now I ask you does tithing pay off? Ask one who knows. We thank God." Man, Sagamore Hills, Mass.

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

April 29, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

Our letter count is the lowest we have had since the first week of December 1965, and the money figure is the lowest since the last week of January of this year. However, even with these low figures the percentages of increase have been holding steady, and we should finish the month with close to a 30 per cent increase in money and about a 15 per cent increase in letters. Response to the latest Co-worker Letter is just beginning to come in. We are getting some requests for more information about forty wars since World War II.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"I am 25 years old, a Berber by birth, and have lost all my family in the sorrowful events that took place in Algeria. Since 1962, I have been wondering why God took these loved ones from me. I was completely ignorant of God's message to mankind. But after a recent attempted suicide, a hospital friend advised me to listen to your broadcast, and I have been happy ever since." Algerian from Chias, France

"By the way, I would like to know where you got the song for the ending of your program. It is well suited for your program and I think that it is the most beautiful piece of music I have ever heard. If you would try to get the announcer to keep quiet until the music is finished, instead of interrupting, it would be better. And the way your son starts out the program is just marvelous. I like it." Man, Maytown, Pa.

"I really enjoy and relish your morning broadcasts, but I'm a Breton--therefore a Catholic; it's too bad, because I like Protestantism." Student, Paris, France

"Last night on the radio I heard your message regarding man and the source of his soul, and you stated that man does not have a soul. How can you be so ignorant of the Scriptures? If you will please read the Book of Genesis, particularly 2: 7, you will see that when the Lord God breathed breath into the man, the man became a 'living soul.' Perhaps you should not be so dogmatic or so vain in thinking that you know the Scriptures better than anybody else." Anonymous (Would-be Preacher), Chillicothe, Ohio

"I listen to you on KFAX. Although you've 'stirred me up' several times, I thought it best to see what you had to say before condemning you." Man, Dublin, Calif.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"The April issue of The PLAIN TRUTH is just stunning. The new paper, 'Ambassador Gloss,' is of extremely fine quality and just what The PLAIN TRUTH needed. Of

course, not being a professional paper inspector, I could not see the need of a better grade of paper in the other PLAIN TRUTH. But upon examination and comparison I find that it is indeed a very fine improvement." Woman, Baltimore, Md.

"I have just finished reading your apology to Hugh J. Schonfield for your so-called mistake in the criticism in The PLAIN TRUTH of his book 'The Passover Plot.' I am very sorry indeed that you dignified him enough to answer his complaint. What was said in your magazine, which he resented, was not half strong enough, and you nor your editors made the least mistake in anything you said. Of course, he is a Jew and hates the Lord Jesus with a passion. I only wish I could come face to face with him (Schonfield) and tell him what I think of such blasphemy as is contained in that publication. The young editor, who you say made this criticism, is to be commended for standing up for our blessed Lord. He will be honored by our great God for such courage. This man Schonfield will find out before too long what this rejection of the Savior has cost him." Woman, Tenn.

"I had to tell you about the comment my sister said about Garner Ted's picture in the April PLAIN TRUTH. I asked her if she would like to see what he looked like and she said yes. When she saw him she stared at it a little while and said, 'I didn't think he would look this way.' I asked her what she expected and she said, 'I thought he was bald-headed and snagged-toothed.'" Man, Eight Mile, Ala.

"I have graphic this letter to you, to elucidate you about me, that I varied the place. I explained you that I changed the place it was right or true, now. I came where I went. So if you intend to send or consign me The PLAIN TRUTH, above The PLAIN TRUTHS you may write that address written upon this letter. No more sedition. Greetings to you, and the house members." (NOTE: He means he has changed his address.) Man, Africa

"I would like to take this opportunity in congratulating you folks on producing a most enlightening magazine of understanding. I am positive that it is the only good thing that comes out of Britain these days, and the Lord's commandment 'love thy neighbor' is pretty difficult to keep in our present conflict with the ignorant and blind British." Man, Africa

"I have been intending to write for some time to commend you on the superb publication you are now producing in The PLAIN TRUTH in colour. While I have always found this publication of the utmost interest and look forward most eagerly to its arrival, I have found it to have an added interest and sparkle, now colour has been added. As I am engaged in the printing industry myself (proofreading department), I feel that I am qualified to comment on the very high standard you observe." Man, London, England

"I just had to write and congratulate you on the new paper, 'Ambassador Gloss,' you are using in The PLAIN TRUTH. It is wonderful; it really makes a difference in the depth and detail of the color pictures and also improves the looks of the black and white ones. Thank you for such a fine magazine that is really deserving of its name, The PLAIN TRUTH." Woman, Browning, Mont.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENT AND QUOTATIONS

"I want to thank you as I have now thanked God for the article by Mr. David P. Wainwright entitled 'What Are You?' Though I received a full-length view of myself in the spiritual mirror held up by God's minister, Mr. Plaché, during the Feast just past, I had

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 begun to let that mirror fog up again. I still want to change more than I ever have before, but I can feel my carnal nature pulling me down through vain rationalizations. I've been praying that God would 'hit' me again with a real clear picture, one from which I could not turn. My prayers have been answered." Woman, Portland, Oreg.

"Men are given many abilities. Dr. Dorothy certainly ranks high in the field of writing. Dr. Dorothy's expose of the countries and people on the south of us are proving not only educational but fascinatingly enjoyable to read. During his account of meeting the dictator Stroessner, I felt as though I too were right there shaking his hand. Perhaps soon God will use Dr. Dorothy in broadcasting. I certainly hope he has the voice for it or can develop such a voice. I'm sure he is quite an asset to the Work of God." Ohio

"I am really grateful to the friend who directed me to this course. The course is really a challenge by itself. I would not say that I have not been reading my Bible before now, but since I started this Correspondence Course, my method or attitude towards reading the Bible was revolutionized. I was formerly reading the Bible just as I would read any law book for authority purposes without any interest--but why should I have the interest while I was not understanding the Bible. To be sincere, I was not connecting the Bible with my present world, but what a fool I have been all these days. I have really wasted a long and precious time reading the Bible in an upside-down position." Man, Africa

"It was quite by a wonderful accident that we got to know of you. Like so many millions of citizens, we followed the same pattern--the day's work over, the wash up, the meal over, straight to the T.V. box and just sit there transfixed for the rest of the week. And then what luck one evening--around 6:30 P.M. the box broke down and we found you on our transistor loud and clear on Radio 390, and you most certainly pulled us up in our tracks and got us into some real thought." Couple, London, England

"Thanks so much for all the wonderful literature we have received. It is so understandable and enlightening. The Days of Unleavened Bread were really a thrill to us as this was our first time to be together with our brethren and to hear such wonderful sermons. My first Passover with God's people is one I shall never forget." Calif.

"Thank you for the booklet 'Does God Exist.' Thank you for creating it as God created the earth. I always knew God existed, but now He seems like a definite, tangible person, not like a far-off, vague intangible person." Man, Santa Monica, Calif.

"I am a student of comparative religion and have found your organization to be nothing more than a composite rendering of various doctrines of various modern cults. You draw heavily from Jehovah Witnesses, Seventh-Day Adventists, and British-Israelism. I could destroy your doctrines one by one as plagiarizations from other groups. I must congratulate you though on the ingenious way you have built your new cult, because it is truly a well-thought-out system." Student, Mountain Grove, Mo.

"Although I am an atheist, I am interested in modern religions. As I see it, they are an expression of faith in worshipping man, who is a perfect and ideal symbol of creation. I think it would be better for men to serve each other, even though this is rather difficult. Sometimes men need a God who is great, perfect and good, and who always listens to them. It is acceptable to believe in God so long as we don't have to live with Him, give Him the right-of-way, and we are not aware of Him. Anyway, would you please send me your magazine and the booklet, 'Does God Exist?'" Man, Belgium

"I wonder what has happened to the great American institutions of hard work? To-day everyone seems to be out to get something for nothing, but to be certain that they get at least their share. Could this be the first step in the moral decay of a country? No one thinks twice about it--it's the thing to do. You also have to raise a big family because then welfare pays more. I wonder about the wonderful accomplishments possible if the Negroes and white trash would spend half the effort working that they spend protesting, complaining, and demanding? It's the same with the draft-card burners--they don't care about the war, they simply are afraid they will be called on to fulfill their obligation and might even have to work. What would have happened to them in World War II and why doesn't it happen to them today?" Man, Nashville, Tenn.

"I would like to tell you that your literature and your fine Letter Answering Department has helped my mother very much. She and my father were divorced, because of wrong on both parts. Now they are to be remarried and I pray that they will both do their best to make each other happy." Woman, Savannah, Ga.

COMMENT ABOUT HEALING

"A piece of steel or rock got into my eye while doing some grinding. I would appreciate your sending a prayer cloth. I know God will honor your prayers for me. P.S. This piece of steel just came out while writing this--it had been in there for a day and a half. God sure works fast on occasions. It was embedded right in the eyeball!" Man, Albuquerque, N. Mex.

COMMENTS ABOUT TITHING

"I've been tithing for a few months lately because I got a part-time job at school. I am a senior in high school, taking secretarial courses (I get paid once a month). A few weeks ago I put in my application for a part-time job which may lead into a permanent one after graduation. I got the job! After talking to the head of the program at school in which I participate, I was told to continue working this month out. Now I have two part-time jobs bringing in double what I used to make." Student, Princeville, Ill.

"God has given me a series of blessings since my third tithe year started last fall. To begin, I got a \$50.00 a month raise before my third tithe year began. Next, I got a job offer from a town 65 miles from a church with a 25% increase in pay and doing the same type of work, and with the Sabbath and all Holy Days off. There was one hitch--housing being almost non-existent and when available the price being double what it should be. God came through again. I not only found a house, but it is much nicer than the one I left and rents for less than the one I was buying. I must say that if God continues to bless me the rest of this year as He has thus far, I don't know what in the world I will do with it all." Couple, Gainesville, Ga.

"Talk about blessings--I never thought God could bless a person so. Here it is my third tithe year and I couldn't see how I could possibly come out ahead. I couldn't, with pencil and paper, but God doesn't do things with paper and pencil! I just received a check from Social Security according to their new policy for aiding college students under 22 years of age--back payment for the year 1965! And--what a whopper! God indeed blesses the tithe payer!" (Sent in over \$400.00) Student, Ambassador College, Pasadena, Calif.

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

May 6, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

We are getting a very good response to the latest Co-worker Letter, but the percentage of increase was quite low for the first part of the week because we were matching some very high figures for the early part of May 1965. The percentage did fairly well Thursday and Friday. The letter count is not doing nearly as well as the money. The white mail picked up somewhat but was down drastically Tuesday and Wednesday. The overall letter count for the week is just over 20,000 and about 5,000 of this is white mail.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"Quite by coincidence I first heard the program many months ago, over KLZ. Initially, I was intrigued, and then fascinated, until finally I discovered I had become a dedicated listener. Your program has become an integral part of my daily activity pattern. I have become satisfied that you have both feet planted squarely on the ground. I sense very acutely the feeling that your broadcast messages are divinely wrought." Man, Denver, Colo.

"On the night, March 22nd, 1966, I had just finished listening to the Atlanta Braves--New York Mets baseball game from Atlanta. I was messing with the dial of my radio trying to get the wrap-ups on other baseball games throughout the nation, when I happened across WLW... After hearing just a few words of this person who was speaking I could not move my dial further... What he was saying was about everything in general and no greater truths have ever come from the mouth of an individual as was pouring forth from this greatly inspired man." Man, Cornelia, Georgia

"For 18 years of my life I thought I was a devoted agnostic and I had developed into a logical, rational, doubting individual, completely rejecting God as stupidity. Now I realize that I have been searching unconsciously for Him all my life. I heard the broadcast on WIXY. Would you please place my name on your subscription list. Also send me every scrap of paper you have printed that will help me in my search." Man, Cleveland, Ohio

X "Last evening I heard your broadcast. This talk of yours made me sick. You may think that society would sit around and let some crackpot scientist construct a doomsday machine, but neither my friends nor I think they would. The thing that irritated me the most about your talk was your constant reference to the television as 'the boob tube.' Perhaps you never stopped to think how many people are involved in the production, transportation, sale, and maintenance of 'the boob tube.' Besides, my father makes his living by selling and repairing 'the boob tube.' Another thing you repeatedly mentioned was the way all Americans seek entertainment to get away from their troubles. I would just like to see the mental status of the United States if we did not have entertainment to get away from it all. We would probably all end up in the insane asylums. As you can see, you haven't made too good of an impression in the town of Estherville, Iowa." Boy, Estherville, Iowa

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"The PLAIN TRUTH is a beautiful magazine now, this color is an added attraction. It really made Dr. Dorothy's article 'Inside Latin America' come alive, and his daring trip to the 'End of the World.' However, it is a little hard to make myself realize Hitler and many other Nazis are hidden away in South America. This article has convinced me, Hitler is alive and will return." Couple, Aurora, Missouri

"The PLAIN TRUTH magazine which has improved so much in recent months, I consider the most informative and valuable reading material I receive. This includes such publications as Reader's Digest and the National Geographic. I am glad the April issue carried a picture of Mr. Garner Ted as it is very helpful to know the appearance of the man who broadcasts such important and helpful information, in such a forceful and understanding manner. I had planned to request a photo of him and would still like to have one." Man, Cincinnati, Ohio

"I have read your article, 'Drought Is Here Now.' I am a Canadian grain farmer and I should know how I feel about the weather. I have been frozen out two years out of five, hailed out once, and my wheat crop has on two other times been badly reduced by wheat rust... In 1961 it was very dry... I had a fair crop that year... However, if it had repeated that performance in 1962, the following year, Canada would have grown enough to feed her own people and that would have been all. From then on they would have had to turn to their grain reserves. Three years later and then we would have been out of grain. Fifty per cent of all farmers would have had their lands up for tax sale in the meantime. It would take very little to cause North America to be out of wheat." Farmer, Manitoba, Canada

"I have received a copy of your PLAIN TRUTH magazine of March's issue from one of my friends and found that it was a very interesting and useful magazine to me. I am very pleased to learn that you are publishing your magazine freely. Sir, will you please, if you are kind enough, include my name in your list of PLAIN TRUTH readers?" Prime Minister's Dept., Western Samoa

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS AND QUOTATIONS

"At the present time I am in Vietnam on an assignment to teach electronics to personnel of the Vietnamese Air Force in Nha Trang. I am a civilian and I have taken advantage of this chance to meet personally some of the missionaries and to learn about their work, hardships and the growth of Christian teaching in this country and I am truly appalled at the things I have been shown in this very primitive country. From all of this I am sure that the only answer to the ills of the world today and tomorrow is the direct intervention of Jesus Christ. I only hope that I am given a chance upon my return to tell what I have seen and learned while here." APO, San Francisco

"Enclosed is a contribution of \$250 to further God's Work. I would like to contribute half of this amount to the Building Fund. Since I will not be going to the hospital, I felt it was senseless to carry a Blue Cross-Blue Shield hospitalization plan. I am looking to God to handle this and other so-called 'emergencies' for me; therefore I have no need of this money for this purpose. I feel it can better be used in God's Work." Woman, Baltimore, Maryland

"This morning I received Volume IV of 'The Bible Story' and I was greatly surprised that such a book existed. I have been corresponding with you people for a couple of years and I have appreciated the installments in each issue of The PLAIN TRUTH. However, I can see great potential in teaching children as well as grown-ups with the background that this book gives. If at all possible

could you send me the first three volumes which I missed so that I may have this treasure house at my disposal for reference and preparation." Man, Ft. Worth, Texas

X "I am so thankful that we, my mother, sister, and myself, have come into the truth. It's just wonderful. We've learned to really tithe and keep the Holy Days as God wants us to. I know, my father had plans to keep my sister and myself from attending the first Holy Day of the Days of Unleavened Bread. Both my sister and I have very good school attendance records. My sister has missed only 1 day in 11 years of school and I have not missed 1 day since the second grade (I am now a senior). I made up my mind to GO! My sister was determined to go and showed more faith in God than I realized she had. She said that she would beg our father until he said yes. But, after our talking to our father and having faith in the Living God, he said we could go. It was really a blessing." Teenager, Cincinnati, Ohio

X "I am 25 years of age, engaged and am to be married in six months' time. My father is a Presbyterian minister and he advised me to write to you concerning your book GOD SPEAKS OUT on 'The New Morality.' I am sure I would find this book most helpful, especially with the Bible quotations so aptly interspersed throughout the book." Woman, Brisbane, Australia

"I have been wondering why you have stopped Mr. Armstrong's Autobiography in The PLAIN TRUTH. The last time it was printed was the August, 1965 issue. Has it been stopped for good? I have been wondering because it has not been over half a year. It was always very interesting and informative. Plus it helped me to know a little what the Armstrong's are like personally." Army Private, San Francisco, Calif.

X "I have received your literature (2 issues of The PLAIN TRUTH and the supplementing literature). I have found God through the Catholic religion and through the Catholic Bible. I suggest you read THIS Bible more prudently. Discontinue my subscription." Man, Big Rapids, Mich.

X "I am Methodist and so is my wife. She won't even read your books, but I have proved that you're right by the Bible. The preacher came over one night to see me and I was reading one of your booklets. He grabbed it out of my hand, threw it on the floor, and said it was junk." Man, Craigsville, Pa.

X "We have seven children and my wife is taking birth control pills. If I go to confession I'll have to tell the priest about the pills. It's against the Church, so I couldn't receive the Sacraments. No priest can make me believe in the rhythm method because we have four kids resulting from that." Catholic Man, Glen Burnie, Maryland

X "I was looking at the news on T.V. Tuesday night when I was very surprised upon hearing that a 10-year-old boy drowned while attempting to save his 9-year-old sister who also drowned. Firemen and other rescue workers recovered the bodies but it was too late for artificial respiration. They say the children could have been saved because when they arrived, there were about 60 persons just standing there looking. This all happened in the Baton Rouge area." Man, White Castle, Louisiana

X "Here in northeastern Montana we are experiencing the worst blizzard I've seen yet, especially during the spring. For three days now it's been snowing and blowing. So far we have been able to save all our calves from freezing to death. It's pretty rough for those who are born during this storm. We have some drifts piled four feet high and the storm continues onward. Some of the grain seeded earlier, if sprouted, will freeze out and have to be resowed. The weather is really changing in this area of the country; nobody knows what's really going on." Man, Montana

"Thank you for the excuses (for school) for our children which you even sent by airmail. They arrived Friday, April 1, 1966, and the children took them to school on Monday, just in time for the first Feast Day. They were accepted and the children were thanked for them (plus some high school students asked some sincere questions about these days and what they all meant)." Couple, Clayton, Delaware

"On my way to work one Sunday morning I listened to a preacher trying to explain the true church and its location. According to him, the true church is composed of all the different churches, but only the best members of each church make up the Church of God. He explained that there had to be many churches to offer competition. If there were no competition, the ministers would lay down on the job, and people would not come to church. But with all these different brands to choose from, the ministers would work, and the people would come. I do not believe that anyone could be any more deceived than that. That's about the bottom of the ladder." Man, La.

COMMENTS ABOUT HEALING

† "On the night of February 12, 1965, a car driven by a man in a drunken condition came down my side of the road and crashed into my car head-on. Both cars were totally demolished. A four-year-old niece, riding with us, was killed instantly. My wife suffered a broken jaw, a broken leg, a crushed ankle, also many teeth were broken or knocked out. I emerged with several lacerations of the face and knees and severe pains in the abdomen. Now comes the inspiring part; God brought many miracles into play in connection with this accident! First, is the miracle of escaping with our lives. Second, is the fact that my vision remains unimpaired even though a deep cut, half encircled one eye. Third, the severe abdomen pains left in one day after a true minister prayed for me. Fourth, the lacerations of face and knees have healed so well that it's getting hard to tell they were even there. Fifth, to the jaw dropping amazement of the bone specialist that set her leg, my wife was able to walk with only a slight limp and no crutches within nine weeks of the accident! Her leg healed so rapidly that he was able to take her cast off in only five weeks. God even allowed financial blessings due to insurance money we received. We are both enjoying, once more, the excellent health we enjoyed before the accident. Needless to say, we thank God continuously for blessing us so richly." Man, Wade, North Carolina

"Thank God through our Lord Jesus that my wife is improving. I feel certain that your prayers and the power of God through the anointed handkerchiefs you kindly sent are responsible for my dear wife's improvement." Man, San Francisco, California

COMMENTS ABOUT TITHING

"Enclosed please find our tithe. God put us into a new management position where we will be making approximately \$1,000 more per year plus commission. We are also 40 miles closer to God's Church now. We were very blessed in being able to sell our mobile home and lot which enabled us to get out of debt completely. It certainly does pay to tithe." Couple, Mechanicsburg, Illinois

"Enclosed please find our first tithe. I'm really thankful that my unconverted husband insists on paying tithes to God's Church. It seems that since things went all wrong twice because of stopping tithing, he does fear God enough to want to continue in this one point." Woman, Paramount, California

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

May 13, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

The mail has started to drop off unusually fast this month. Normally it holds up through the second week of the month but began to taper off Tuesday. We are not getting the number of loans from Co-workers that we were receiving for the past several months. One encouraging note is the high number of requests that began to come in Thursday asking for the Correspondence Course. Persecution is stepping up in one area. Theodore Epp, of "Back to the Bible," sent a copy of the booklet "Mr. Confusion" to his "Co-laborer" list, which disgusted some of the people on our mailing list.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"I am a sub mail carrier as well as a minister of the Free Methodist Church here in Dansville. On my way to work at the post office I listen to your program. I do so appreciate your way of preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ. You do it in such a way that one would not feel that he is being preached to, and I feel that more can be reached with this type of preaching. You have such a positive attitude and that is what we need in Christian circles around the country." Man, Dansville, Michigan

"I'm sure you will have a lot of news about your visit to Jerusalem before too long. We heard Ted's broadcast last night that he made in Rome (?)--I hope you all have a nice trip." Woman, Milton, W. Va.

"I have listened to your broadcast with interest. I do not know what Church you belong to, and it doesn't make any difference at all, but I certainly like the way you teach the Bible. We need many more like you and your group." Man, Roswell, N. Mex.

"Our next door neighbor called us and said they were listening to you at 11:30 p.m. and had ordered The PLAIN TRUTH and some literature. They said they had noticed how God has blessed us since we were baptized and keeping the Sabbath, so they too are listening." Couple (member), Jeffrey, W. Va.

"During your radio talk you said God had failed to save the world and that He had not intended to save it. Then why did Jesus, His son, come into the world? My Bible says that God sent His son to save it. What are you trying to do? Get those of us who are SAVED to backslide?" Woman, Harrisburg, Fla.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"I would like to thank you for your free magazine subscription. It is among the most remarkable pieces of literature that I have ever read, not so much because of its prophetic nature, but because of its contagious dynamism. It is the only magazine I have ever read

that I feel faces the facts of this World as they are, with no hesitation, hypocrisy, fear, or optimistic self-delusion." Man, High Point, N.C.

"I might add that your magazine came my way when I needed it most. It was this way --I had recently read TIME weekly magazine (New Zealand edition) of April 8, 1966, with the front cover caption 'IS GOD DEAD?' Needless to say, this left me in a state of confusion when so many leaders of various religions were at variance with one another. I was discussing this point of view with a man I had recently met when painting his house. He asked me if I had ever read The PLAIN TRUTH, a magazine about the same size as TIME but in his opinion of superior quality. I informed him I had not and he lent me a few copies which I have since read. These were the January, February, and March editions, and if it is at all possible, I would like to have these back numbers myself." Man, Mangere, New Zealand

"This issue of The PLAIN TRUTH is surprising because it has a photograph of you at Cape Kennedy. You have referred to the fact that you are thirty-nine, but never the less I expected to see a picture of a bespectacled gentleman with greying hair sort of baggy and unkempt. You have said repeatedly how much you deplore unkempt people, but I still somehow expected to see a photograph of a man who looks far different than what you do. You also have a voice that belied your thirty-nine years. You somehow sound much older than that on the air." Woman, Warwick, R.I.

"I do not mean to tell you what to do, but please print more letters from your readers and when are you going to print the 'Autobiography' in The PLAIN TRUTH? When you print the second installment of the 'Autobiography,' please send it to me." Man, Atlanta, Ga.

"It was nice to hear from you from Australia. I am glad you arrived safely and hope you both have a safe trip home. I will be anxious to hear about some of your experiences via The PLAIN TRUTH. Thank you for all the wonderful things you so freely give. I too, would be able to recognize your voice, also Garner Ted's in a million voices. There is none like it--so clear and dynamic. It is a wonderful thing God has blessed you both with." Woman, Detroit, Michigan

"A few days ago I received The PLAIN TRUTH. I was somewhat shocked at some of the thoughts contained therein. However, after checking them carefully against my own Bible, your 'doctrine' makes more sense than anything I've heard in any church I have ever attended. My name is on the roster of the Christian Church, but I have not attended there for a long time for the simple reason that I didn't hear the Gospel. I didn't hear anything that I hadn't heard so many times before that I could quote it all from memory. I heard only the wishy-washy sermon that is preached every Sunday and the usual pomp and ceremony that always goes with it. I should like the booklets listed. If there are any charges, please do not hesitate to say so, I WANT THESE BOOKS!" Man, Joplin, Missouri

"I want to say how my children enjoy The PLAIN TRUTH. My sixth-grade daughter, Joyce, takes The PLAIN TRUTH to school. She says the whole class enjoyed the article on a 'Universal Language.' So you see, even at that age they can understand The PLAIN TRUTH. Thank you for everything." Woman, Craig, Colorado

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS AND QUOTATIONS

"Yesterday I was shown a small booklet that had just been received in the mail from

the Back to the Bible Broadcast. What I am concerned about is this sudden smear campaign. I'm sure you've had your share of persecution but this is the first it has reached my ears. Is God's ministry becoming so well known that it has become necessary to start this 'hate campaign?' This has upset me to say the least. What is to come of it? I've been studying under you for about a year and you haven't lied to me and if you are 'Mr. Confusion' how is it my thinking has become so straight? This home has never been filled with such love, happiness and blessings you can't begin to count them." Woman, Milford, Delaware

"Man, did you ever get jumped on. I received a brochure from the Back to the Bible Broadcast this morning giving you a tongue lashing. Looks like your oppression and tribulation is now going to begin. Why do they jump on you and your staff? Because you have made the truth clear about their ignorance and blindness? Mr. Armstrong, they have quoted from your writings just the same way they ~~do the~~ Bible. They took short sentences, used them to manipulate their scorn of you without the rest of the context. Then they have the nerve to enclose a questionnaire soliciting money. Oh brother! What kind of a deal is this?" Man, Columbus, Ohio

"My eyes have really come open now. I see the value of this powerful work that you and staff are doing for our Lord. At school one day, my class was discussing the existence of God and, do you know, many of them didn't even believe in God. Because one of them said, 'He lets people die.' When it came my time to speak, I spoke. What I said ended the discussion because it was according to the Bible and something they didn't dare deny. I learned it all from your Bible Correspondence Course. God does exist and you can prove it." Student, Conroe, Texas

"Kindly forgive me for such a delayed reply, but I must write to let you know, Sir, what progress I am making with my Bible Correspondence Course. But firstly, Sir, may I ask how could you expect ONLY half an hour a day studies? Well forgive me, but I cannot do it. You see, Sir, this course is so filled with LIFE, real progressive LIFE, that I have not yet sat down to study under two hours. And that is only for PART of the lesson, as I cannot resist re-reading all the time. May God continue to bless you and your wonderful many assistants with long and more useful lives." Man, Castries, B.W.I.

"I would like to make one comment about the changing ideas here in the Minneapolis in regard to the weather. Since last year we had six tornadoes in this area; this year almost every radio station in the area has a tornado weather watch signal. They still treat the effect and not the cause." Man, St. Paul, Minn.

"Last January, due to U.S. regulations for travelers outside the country, I was compelled to take typhoid, cholera, and smallpox inoculations from the company doctor. My employment takes me overseas. This is a common daily practice in our schools and army induction posts, etc., and I am sure thousands have received three shots with no repercussions. However, last January, I must have been given that one in 1,000 injection that either severed or infected a nerve in my arm. With the result that I have been suffering great pain (like a tooth ache) and have almost lost the complete use of this arm. Even my job is in jeopardy from the loss of strength and the pain in this arm. I have been patient a reasonable length of time now, in hopes this reaction would pass away, but four months with no improvement and the continued pain and swelling, led me to believe there has been a mistake made." Man, Miami, Fla.

"I must tell you of something I heard from a friend of mine who was at a party where

the main entertainment was to sit around the smoke pot and other such things. At the height, or low point, of the evening, one person decided to get a black marking pencil and write 'GOD IS DEAD' on the walls. He started writing while standing on a low sink or wash basin. Before he finished writing, the sink collapsed and he fell to the floor. What was left on the wall was, 'GCD IS.' " Man, Kingstown, R.I.

"Your warmth and clarity arouse me to want to obey God. I'm sure all your literature is fascinating, but since it's free, I wouldn't dare ask for it. I am a practicing Catholic, and have always enjoyed attending services, singing, and helping with social organizations as much as possible; but I would like to be able to consult the Bible for myself--though I know what's in it because I still remember the Catechism word for word. At the fair I saw a stand where they were selling Bibles, but I was afraid they were not the true Catholic Bible, so I abstained from buying one." Woman, St. Florentin, France

"My wife and I had been studying natural childbirth and we read Mr. Armstrong's series of articles on childbirth. We felt quite strongly about my being present at the birth of our child, but no hospital would let me, and no doctor would come to the house. My wife went into labor on Friday, one month early. We sent for a cloth and she had the child 49 hours later. I delivered it. It was purple and wouldn't cry. We prayed. I continued to spank. Finally it screamed, turned pink and lived. The placenta wouldn't come. One hour after prayer it was delivered--a total labor of 63 hours for a 5 pound, 17 inch boy. Then the child wouldn't nurse and lost weight abnormally. People found out about the child being at home. I was threatened by men on my job with manslaughter charges if the child died. Then the baby turned yellow with jaundice on Monday and became constipated on Tuesday, only eating some from a bottle of honey, milk, and water. Saturday night--b.m.! All over! Wonderful sight! Sunday, jaundice leaving and he nursed for the first time. He'll live now and I thank God." Man, Nevada, Iowa

"In the January issue of The GOOD NEWS was a letter written by a reader who stated that he tithed in order to GET, and the setbacks he encountered. I also was griping and complaining about my \$25 a week job...why didn't God bless me, et cetera. Your reply: 'Change your attitude, and God will change His' struck home in a most graphic way. I asked for a change of attitude and got it. The next week I received a job paying four times as much as before." Woman, Picayune, Mississippi

COMMENT ABOUT HEALING

"I want to thank you for your prayers for my sister and brother. My sister is home now and doing fine. She did have some toxic poison gathered in her neck (after she came home). The doctor said he would have to lance it but we laid the little handkerchief you sent her, on the swelling, so it went away. Thank God for healing. My brother has still got cancer, but I know if God wills he will get all right." Woman, Newburg, Missouri

COMMENT ABOUT TITHING

"Without a doubt I know this which you are the leader of is God's Work. Since I started tithing I have been blessed in every way--health, a better job, and more food to eat. When I started tithing I was only getting \$15.00 a week, and started by sending \$2.00 each week to you. Now my present job pay is \$62.00 a week. So you can see for yourself what a blessing I have gotten from doing as God commands." Woman, Belzoni, Mississippi

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

May 20, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

The white mail count has climbed somewhat this week compared to the past two weeks. This is due to the new, on-the-spot programs which are creating a lively interest. Response to these programs has just begun coming in this week so the white mail should pick up considerably more next week. The overall letter count has been comparable to that of last week, but the per cent of increase in letters for the month over last May has climbed a few points. Many people are commenting about receiving copies of the booklet distributed by The Back to the Bible Hour. We find that there is a concentrated effort to "push" this booklet by several of the radio preachers that have quite a following in the 'Bible Belt.'

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"I am a serviceman stationed on the Island of Guam. I have been listening to your program on KUAM, the only station on Guam, and I am becoming disturbed by the happenings in the world. Other men on this base must be afraid to hear what you say because they turn off the radio when you come on, and when I listen to you they look at me like I was crazy." Man, Guam

"I must say the other night I heard Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong speaking from Cairo, Egypt--it sure was coming in clear." Woman, Terre Haute, Ind.

"I certainly enjoyed the broadcasts from London and Cairo. This impresses upon my mind more fully the scope and greatness of this most important Work." Man, Sierra Vista, Arizona

"From what I have heard on WCKY, Cincinnati, my husband and I are in complete agreement about your ideas and the Bible's way of raising a child. I particularly liked your program on childrearing. It seems to me that the child psychologists would have seen by now that their ideas of raising a child just don't work. I feel like maybe I'm doing just a little something for my country by raising my children the right way, and by telling my friends about your program." Woman, Waterville, Ohio

"I hear your message daily on WDEF in Chattanooga, Tennessee. I want you to know I enjoy listening to a man that is not afraid to preach the truth. Please send me The PLAIN TRUTH." Woman, Red Bank, Tenn.

"About a couple of months ago at 5:30 in the morning, I was twirling the dial to check the time when I came across your program. I am always interested in any talk on how to get along in this world. I was brought up Catholic, but the Bible is not stressed as an individual teacher in the Catholic Church, as you may well know. Since something still seems to be wanting, will you please send the magazine and other literature mentioned on your program

for this month. At that time of morning the program comes in clear as a bell from Station WWVA. Thank you both." Man, Washington, D.C.

"We really enjoy hearing Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong as he broadcasts from Cairo. The different way that he talked while there, made it even more interesting." Man, Spokane, Washington

"I caught your radio program this morning and found it extremely interesting and informative. It's refreshing to hear 'a man of the cloth' who doesn't sound like one." Man, Webb AFB, Texas

"I've just heard Mr. Garner Ted from Jordan. What a wonderful young man. No doubt you are proud of him." Woman, Compton, Calif.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"After receiving my copy of The PLAIN TRUTH and 'Does God Exist?' I was turned completely upside down! Man, what it took to put me right side up to the plain truth. And all this for free! My only obligation was to read it. I still can't believe it...Mr. Armstrong, thanks so much for the new vitality you have given to my sagging faith in God." Man, Tacoma, Wash.

"Your magazine is unreasonable! Such untrue articles which you exaggerate such as 'God Is Dead' are unnecessary. It is unfair to uneducated people who cannot reason with your untrue articles and then believe them! Please take my complaint seriously." Man, Marietta, Ga.

"I am writing to tell you how much I enjoy The PLAIN TRUTH. I am in the sixth grade and find Dr. Dorothy's article on 'Inside South America' very interesting. It also helps in my Social Studies as we just finished South America at school. I truly enjoy your wonderful magazine. I just wish it came more often. 'The Bible Story' is so good I can hardly wait for your next issue to come out." Sixth Grader, Tacoma, Wash.

"It is with a heavy heart that I am writing this letter to you. In one of these past years you wrote something about our deposed dictator Nkrumah, and I must be frank that I and some school mates of mine condemned The PLAIN TRUTH, saying that you were working as an American agent. But, sir, behold what you said has come true. On my behalf and the behalf of all my friends who as a result of 'blindness' went against it we render our sincere apology. We pray that God would continue to inspire you in this your 'plain talks.'" Man, Ghana, Africa

"I want to thank you for my PLAIN TRUTH. I have read the first article on 'Escape' and also the 'Personal From the Editor.' I was hurt and shocked to find people would call you and your son a false prophet. I would never believe it about the two of you. I read every pamphlet I receive and have my Bible in front of me when I do and check and read all the verses. Sometimes I find myself reading the whole chapter. I would never believe anything that is not in the Bible and every day I try to live by the Ten Commandments." Woman, Tustin, Calif.

"Effective immediately please quit sending your magazine to me. I have searched through every copy looking for The PLAIN TRUTH as to who publishes this magazine and if you are afraid of The PLAIN TRUTH of revealing your identity, then forget it!" Man, Omaha, Nebr.

"I started receiving The PLAIN TRUTH in 1958. I thought, 'A free magazine--ha!' My husband and I decided to keep all the magazines for that year because we expected to receive a bill for them at the end of the year. We were then going to mail back all the magazines as payment! At the end of the year--no bill! It's really FREE! That was a shock! That's when I really became interested in God's true Work." Woman, Howard, Ohio

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS AND QUOTATIONS

"Our pastor and his wife take your Bible Course and The PLAIN TRUTH. Well, he has been doing what you say so many are doing now--preaching to please man, not God. God got hold of him. He did him like He did Jacob--he would not let him sleep or eat. So yesterday he almost burned the church down with what he had to say. The pastor said, 'I have been preaching to please man, not God.' He also said, 'God has opened my eyes to the real truth.'" Woman, Lynn, Ind.

"Your amazing prophecy revealing the events of the future was tonight brought home to me with a real bang. For years you have told of the United States of Europe. Well, tonight I heard Herr Strauss, former Defence Minister of West Germany, tell a radio audience that only an agreement between France and West Germany was needed to begin the move. This would be followed by a federation and then finally a UNITED STATES OF EUROPE. To hear this from such an influential person and then to think back on your own words makes one wonder just how you can be so deadly accurate in your prophecies, but on second thought, you just cannot be wrong because you have God and the Bible behind you, and with this help you must be right." Man, Johannesburg, South Africa

"I must admit I never dreamed the Bible had anything to do with the world of today. I always thought the Old Testament was a history of the ancient Jews, and that the New Testament was just about a very good man who lived nearly two thousand years ago. When I wrote to you last week, I expected your booklets to be full of the same confused sort of stuff that is heard these days from the pulpits of the churches... I was pleasantly surprised... I now look forward to listening in each day instead of tolerating it if the radio happened to be on." Listener, United Kingdom

"Since I have been reading your booklets, I am glad to be a Negro. At last I know who I am and where I am going. I wish all my people could come to know these things and stop all this marching and confusion." Man, Cincinnati, Ohio

"I would like to have all of the booklets that you send out. I'm going to start college soon. I will be working my way through. I plan to be a Methodist minister, and I'm trying to bring those that I work with over to the side of God. I'm having a hard time at it, and I'm running out of 'ammo.' I'm an ex-Marine and I've never had a harder job." Man, Lansing, Mich.

"How wonderful to hear AT LAST--advice concerning child training that is based on the Word of God. I am a teacher in a junior primary school where there is a 'special' class

for 'maladjusted' children. IF ONLY the Bible was held in esteem as the most important and valuable book in the school, what a lot of problems would be avoided." Woman, Kent, England

"You say Christ was a Jew. You are as wrong as you can be. No well-informed Christian would make such a statement." Man, Long Beach, Calif.

"I am a high school girl. My father is a minister of a Baptist Church, and I am a Christian, although you'd never know it. Believe it or not, we have doubts too. Upon this explanation, I would be very happy if you would send me the following pamphlets: 'Proof of the Bible,' and 'The Plain Truth About Child Care.'" Student, Superior, Wisc.

"Please excuse me for writing so soon after the mailing of my last letter. You see, just the other day I came across a birthday card which was sent to me way back in October of 1965, the month in which I was born 22 years ago. The card was written in braille, and on it was this statement from my grandparents: 'Enclosed find ten dollars-- buy yourself something.' Well, Mr. Armstrong, that ten-dollar bill has been laying inside that card for slightly more than six months. I decided not to spend it on something for myself; I decided to send it to you, to help you in your work, and in glorifying God." Woman, Davis, Calif.

"Some day when you have time, will you please preach a sermon on the DIGNITY OF JESUS. I cannot believe that He ever ranted and raved and screamed His message and hung onto His vowels in a rising crescendo like a vaudeville actor enjoying the sound of his own voice. I was frightened as a child, by visiting evangelists, who screamed and shouted and threatened till I ran from the church interior. As I listen to my radio, I still hear some of the preachers using their voices with a rising and falling inflection which is out of all proportion to good delivery. Sudden shouts, dramatic pauses so long that one thinks the program is over. It revives old memories of terror which as a little boy I held from the awful manner in which God's word was delivered. Please assure us all that Jesus was a man of intelligent dignity, who did not put on a vaudeville show to make known His word." Man, Hialeah, Fla.

COMMENT ABOUT HEALING

"On the Sabbath before the Passover, I contracted blood poisoning from an infected finger. Two blood vessels were red all the way up my arm. I called a minister to be prayed for. The next morning you could hardly see the red streaks, and the soreness was nearly gone... So God still heals today as He always has, and I'm sure thankful." Man, Asheville, N. C.

COMMENT ABOUT TITHING

"I needed \$25.00 to finish paying a repair bill on my car. I didn't know where I was going to get it, so we were housecleaning, so to speak, and found a check for \$45.69 that had never been cashed. A check eight years old. Too old to cash but the company made it good with a new check. So I know God does answer prayers, and that it does pay to tithe." Woman, Deanir, Calif.

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

May 27, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

We are continuing to receive letters from those who received the booklet "Mr. Confusion" from Theodore Epp. His effort to turn those on his mailing list against us has backfired. We have received dozens of letters from those who received the booklet saying how disgusted they are with it. We are continuing to receive some very good comments about the broadcasts made in the Middle East and Europe. The money count dropped this week but the percentage of increase has stayed about the same. The letter count is considerably lower than the money count and is barely staying ahead of last year.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"I must say that the broadcast was always interesting, but the on-the-spot broadcast sure makes prophecy and everything that has to do with God's word even more interesting! And I didn't realize how blessed I was when living in the Los Angeles area, for I was able to hear one of the broadcasts three or four times a day, especially the live one at noon time." Woman, Orangevale, California

"Servicemen here on Guam appreciate your program even if you do have to compete with some 85 per cent Catholic populace of Guam." Airman, Guam

"Your present series of broadcasts are alive with reality that they nearly jump out of the radio. The probing questions as to the meaning and significance of the strife in Southeast Asia, the paradoxes in the U.N., the end of the British Empire, the mounting chaos in religion, and the frighteningly clear answers from Bible prophecy really get a person's mind out of neutral and into gear! Have you suddenly dug in with both feet, or have I just had both ears opened?" Man, Jackson, Mississippi

"This is a comment on your religious program delivered by Mr. Armstrong which I believe is called The WORLD OF TOMORROW. I have found this program not only interesting but educational, enlightening and spiritual. No doubt there is a portion of your listeners who also enjoy and receive value from it. Thank you for carrying the program." Man, Webb City, Missouri

"This has been the second day we heard Garner Ted from the Middle East, and what a thrilling experience it is. He said he had to talk quietly because of men walking in the halls of his hotel. I say 'thrilling' because we KNOW what is coming from the inside intelligence service (Bible), and actually being on the most important spot, the Mount of Olives." Couple, La Grange, Illinois

"In regard to your first-hand reporting on the conditions that exist in Egypt, we all suspect that is how overcrowding would affect peoples and areas but are never quite sure un-

til someone on a trip such as yours makes a special report on the studies in the country. The PLAIN TRUTH's most interesting parts are made so by the true facts as given by your people who write the articles. We saw slides of some South American countries by a man who saw the same things you reported down there, but he does not understand the significance of these conditions and events." Man, Belleville, Illinois

"I am a policeman in a town of about 110,000 and sometimes feel like I am in the wrong job until occasionally a small group will stand up for law and order, like The WORLD TOMORROW. While working the night shift I listened to Radio KSTP on a 10-transistor radio in the police car. We receive the program at 4:00 a.m. here. I had tried to listen at 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., but bar disturbance calls, auto accidents, and robbery calls make it impossible. Anyway, I thought at 4:00 a.m. I had it 'made,' but it seems that is the time mothers discover daughters are missing. Anyway, I listen when I can and read at home." Policeman, Pueblo, Colorado

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"If the issues of your PLAIN TRUTH were bound together, it could be called a 'Doomsday Book.' You detail everything that is bad in the world and say nothing of the good." Man, Somersworth, N. H.

"I must say the The PLAIN TRUTH is the most attractive magazine I have ever seen. It is wonderful to see how it attracts the attention of a person when he sees it. He doesn't comprehend the writing (yet), but he can certainly comprehend the color pictures and especially those on drought and earthquakes." Woman, Cushing, Oklahoma

"I must confess a few months ago, I thought four color pages in The PLAIN TRUTH was really plenty. I was wrong. In the May issue the color was much the best ever for realistic color. I like it much better than the garish ads in the slick paper magazines. It's really something. The color cover was a picture that moved me. The cheapness of the carnival in the daytime is always striking. The 'glamor' that is a combination of hiding darkness, and wildly colored lights to allure--truly a fine picture of our time." Woman, Parker, Indiana

"I had a chance to read your magazine on Friday, May 13th and if that is an example of my bad luck for the day, I would like to have it continue. Would you be kind enough to place me on your mailing list." Man, Covina, California

"Thank you so much for your wonderful magazine. Speaking of truth, one can learn so much by attentively reading these articles. Those who talk only about the birth of Jesus Christ belittle Him. It is the teachings of Christ--the Master and Shepherd of His flock--and not just a simple child's story, that we must learn in order to know Him, to honor Him and to serve Him. It's a serious matter; we should take it seriously, and teach our children to fear God." Woman, Geneva, Switzerland

"One would have to be an unbeliever to dare to pretend that your magazine is not the plain truth. It is truth from cover to cover, and it is very easy to understand. I had made a practice of giving my magazines to others after I read them, but I don't want to do it any more. Those who want them can ask for themselves." Man, Genval, Belgium

"In the March issue of The PLAIN TRUTH you state that any farmer who trusted God for protection from insects would be scorned. A family I knew in North Carolina never uses commercial fertilizers, never sprays, or uses any insect pesticides. They use organic fertilizer and 'green manure' crops. They make bird feeding and a care of special interest and plant multiflora roses to entice and shelter the birds. They have bumper crops and no insect problems. Their neighbors do not scorn them. They go about their work peaceably without boasting and let their actions speak for themselves." Minister, Clarksburg, W. Va.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS AND QUOTATIONS

"I take a little paper, put out by a minister that I enjoy reading, but the last one I received had an article in it entitled 'Mr. Armstrong, as Mr. Confusion.' If he had singled out one or more of these modernistic parsons who claim the Bible stories are myths and that God is dead, I wouldn't have taken offense, because either these men are terribly confused or just downright evil." Woman, Boise, Idaho

"I am sending you a little book that came to me through the mail. You may have already received one. If this man would read the Bible for what it says, then he would say he was confused, and not you." Woman, Logansport, Louisiana

"They evidently think you have reached the top, so now they, in their envy, have to tear and slash; hoping to see you topple. That is the way of the world. If you didn't amount to anything, they would leave you alone." (In reference to booklet 'Mr. Confusion') Woman, Billings, Montana

"Your college isn't listed in the library of accredited colleges, I was told. As I am interested in enrolling my son, I am interested in any information you could give us. Did you ever hear this one? Someone told us our son would come out a Communist if he attended your college. Of course, we don't believe this." Woman, Akron, Ohio

"Thank you for The GOOD NEWS articles 'You Can Defeat Discouragement' and especially 'Whose Opinion Counts?' Having grown up in a broken home where there was very little instruction or chastisement given, and having an unconverted mate, I have always been grateful for any instruction from God's servants, and had grown to love our local minister more as a father because of the instruction and correction he has given me. 'Whose Opinion Counts' has helped me understand and respect the authority of God's servants much more and given me a greater love of God also." Woman, Phoenix, Arizona

"Ohio has lost nearly all of its apple crop, plus many other types of fruit. God's prophecies are marching on to fulfillment. The time is certainly running out on man. It's so evident." Man, Grove City, Ohio

"Thank you for your book GOD SPEAKS OUT on 'The New Morality.' I have not read it completely but what I have has shaken my faith in the Roman Catholic religion to an almost meaningless core." Woman, Kincardinshire, United Kingdom

"I just finished Chapter Eleven of GOD SPEAKS OUT on 'The New Morality' and again I must say, 'Wonderful!' so far. It is sort of hard on the Catholics, though--and the Protestants, come to think of it. Yet, if the shoe fits, etc., and so, more power to you!" Man, Manitowoc, Wisconsin

"Again the weather records have been broken. Sunday, May 8, was warm and sunny. The thermometer went as high as 90 degrees. Then at 4:30 p.m. it started getting colder till it hit a record low for this time of the year--31 degrees. Much damage to early gardens and to peach and apple orchards has been reported." Man, Troy, Missouri

"We're having snow! The kids are wearing their winter coats to school again when just a few days ago it was 94 degrees!" Couple, Slayton, Minn.

"I wish that I could send more money but this is my last dollar in my pocket. I'm a yacht broker by profession but due to world conditions, nothing is selling. I'm poor materially, but rich in the Spirit." Man, Newport Beach, California

"About two weeks ago my paddle was stolen from my stroller while outside a trailer house door. I could hardly stand the thought of losing it. I got it when Mr. Jon Hill brought a bagful of them to Long Beach when giving a wonderful sermon on child rearing. Could I possibly get or purchase another one from headquarters? I'm in desperate need! I have five children at determined ages of 7, 6, 4, 2 and four months." Woman, Paramount, Calif.

"I found a perfect copy of the 1964 ENVOY in a trash can and cherish it very much. It's beautiful and challenging." Man, North Highlands, California

"We awoke this morning to find everything covered with snow. Snow isn't unusual in our area, but this is May 9, and it certainly looks weird to see the lilac bushes in almost full bloom and covered with snow. This upside-down weather certainly fits our upside-down world." Couple, Medina, Ohio

COMMENTS ABOUT TITHING

"About tithing, I receive a monthly allowance which I find quite inadequate, but which my husband thinks is enough to keep us in comfort. Before my money is due, I am always determined to pay my tithes, but each month I put it off until I think I can afford it. As a matter of fact, I have never been so short of money. My daughter had a car accident which stopped her earning for two months and everything seems to have been against us for a long time now. I know that I should have enough faith, but mine is not strong enough to pay my tithes when I have large bills waiting to be paid. But I shall try next month." Woman, Essex,

"I have only been in my third tithe year about one month and the Eternal has already given me many blessings. Although I cannot figure it out using pencil and paper, the 'seven-tenths' is stretching to cover more territory than the 'eight-tenths' has in the past, in spite of an increase in withholding taxes!" Man, Boise, Idaho

COMMENT ABOUT HEALING

✓ "I wrote you several weeks ago requesting prayer for my hearing--you responded. I followed the instructions in the letter. I now can hear when a straight-pin is dropped from a two inch height. Thanks for your help. (I know the healing came from Jesus, not you, me or anyone else.) I had no one else to turn to in my problem of complying with Jesus' instructions except you." Man, Sylacauga, Alabama

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

June 3, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

We are starting June with a considerable deficit both in letters and money compared to last June. The increase in money for the first five months of the year is about 20 per cent. At the same time the letter increase is only 3.2 per cent. The Semi-annual Letter is ready to be mailed out now, and response to it should start a reversal of this trend before the middle of the month. The total letter count for June 1965 was 121,058. With a substantial response to this Semi-annual Letter we should top that figure by a good margin.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"Just a short letter of continued appreciation of The WORLD TOMORROW broadcasts over Radio 390. Reception continues to be unbelievably good all over Holland, and indeed most of West Germany, Luxembourg, and even Denmark! The 7:00 a.m. broadcast from 390 comes in clearer than the BBC services here in Amsterdam!" Man, Amsterdam, Holland

"Since I began listening to your broadcast it seems the Bible has been opened before me for the first time. I thought I was quite familiar with the Bible but now I see how very little I knew. I am taking your Correspondence Course but going very slow. This way I can retain what I learn. My family came from eastern Germany and Czechoslovakia. It's hard to believe what will happen." Airman, Ft. Hood, Texas

"Before I listened to your broadcasts on Radio Scotland, I myself did not particularly believe in God, especially in His powers. But now my complete outlook on the subject is completely changed because now I have thought about the subject more deeply than I have ever before." Man, Scotland

"It is great to know that there are still some 'real' Christians in our country. We desperately need people like yourself who are willing to speak out for Christ, especially in the age we are living in when many persons with the education and ability to be of great service for Christ are using their energies against Christ. I hope your program will continue and that you will be used of God to bring the complacent thousands of Americans to a realization of what is taking place in our world and their great need of a Saviour." Woman, Oxford, Ohio

COMMENTS ABOUT THE "ON-THE-SPOT" BROADCASTS

"I pray for all constantly. Especially on your recent trip. Surely I am enjoying Mr. Ted's account of his travels. His account of the trip to the Pyramids, including the camel ride, and its owner was absolutely hilarious. It certainly is different to what I had in mind it would be like. I am so happy the Turkish waiter apologized. That made me feel good. I thank God for you all." Woman, Temple City, California

"Excellent idea to have Mr. Ted Armstrong broadcast from on-the-spot. Please have him go on two or three trips per year, and do this. Makes news, prophecy, and God's Word come vividly true, and alive. Keep it up!" Woman, Seattle, Washington

"Just heard the broadcast from the Holy Land, coming from a mountain near Capernaum. Have listened to three of the broadcasts from the Holy Land, and must say you are doing a wonderful job. They are so informative and so very interesting. Should make all in the U.S. appreciate our native land more and more." Woman, Portland, Oregon

"Just a couple of lines to show how much I appreciate being in a nation that is blessed by God. After listening to the programs on the air of the Middle East, of the poverty, filth, etc., there, it is a real blessing to be here." Man, Conneautville, Pennsylvania

"I have been enjoying the broadcasts from the Middle East very much. On-the-spot coverage adds much to the program. Hope this will be continued." Man, Lenoir, N.C.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"I read some of your wonderful copies of The PLAIN TRUTH while visiting my brother. This happened a few days ago when I had a disagreement with my wife over my not working... and the lack of money. We have seven children and one on the way. I was quite despondent and upset when I left. But, after having read some of your magazine I found the answers that have brought me to my senses. I have returned home and am going to solve these problems instead of running from them." Clio, Michigan

"Recently I had a get-together of high school kids at my house. One picked up a copy of The PLAIN TRUTH. Then the group started looking at it. Now many schoolmates are inquiring about your magazine. My school has a reputation of having the worst teenagers in this area. I think your magazine could help a lot. Please send me all the old editions you can spare. I have permission to place them in our library." Teenager, Washington, Illinois

"The articles are just wonderful. The one on Australia's drought actually nauseated me--the starving animals in the pictures, that is. My husband is in the livestock commission business here in Oklahoma. I showed him these pictures and he said he saw cattle almost every day in the same condition. I was shocked. It is later than we think!" Woman, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

"Yesterday I was talking to a foreign student from Argentina and we were talking about The PLAIN TRUTH's feature on South America. I asked him about the reports of Hitler being seen in Argentina. He said, 'Oh yes, Hitler didn't die, he escaped.' And Eichmann, the man Israel tried, was captured just five houses away from where this student lives." Woman, Ill.

"...I agree with the man who wrote in and called it 'The thinking man's magazine'-- only I think it's also the 'thinking woman's magazine,' too!" Woman, Buckhannon, W. Va.

"The only thing that I could think of to improve The PLAIN TRUTH would be to add a few more pages to each issue. It is the most interesting magazine I have ever had the opportunity to read." Woman, Shreveport, Louisiana

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS AND QUOTATIONS

"Some teenagers in Amarillo, Texas are now getting their hair cut like men because of your reference to the Bible on the subject, and my pointing out the scriptures covering it. The kids are passing it on to each other at the school and you know how things travel by word of mouth, with teenagers." Man, Amarillo, Texas

"Just three or four weeks ago, one Sunday night, we happened to 'tune in' on a program and heard the last few minutes of a well known 'Evangelist,' the one that runs all around the world making a lot of noise. As he got through, he told everyone listening in to 'get your neighbors together, pass around the hat, and get all your nickels and dimes together and send them in to me, we need it very much.' All of my family heard this man's request to 'mooch money for him,' and send it to 'Minneapolis, that's all the address you need.'" Man, Atlanta, Georgia

"I am 15 years old. For several months I have watched my mother doing her Ambassador College Bible Course. She has been fascinated by it and the way she talks about it and the things she tells us have me so fascinated that I would like to take it. Please send it to me." Girl, Dallas, Oregon

"I very sincerely desire a meeting with one of the ministers trained at Ambassador College and baptism into God's true Church. I plan to attend Ambassador College so that I may come into contact with REAL WISDOM and TRUE VALUES! I'm very much 'fed up' with the 'dead' and unusable knowledge the schools of this world are daily forcing upon me!" Student, Sioux Falls, S. Dakota

"My husband is not in the Church, but was so impressed in the change in the children and myself that he has changed. He has become the real head of our family. He is listening to the broadcast, has me read articles aloud, and has 'broken' the T.V. habit." Woman, La Porte, Indiana

"Could you tell me why the Roman Catholic priest in our parish refuses to say anything good about your pamphlets 'The Mark of the Beast' and 'Who Is the Beast?'" Woman, Valencia, Pennsylvania

"I also want to include my thanks to the staff of Ambassador College for the welcome they gave me on my recent visit to the college and Pasadena. The young gentleman who guided me on a tour of the campus was very kind and most knowledgeable about the history of the campus. I only remember his first name--Bob--however, I am sure he is well known by the faculty and students." Man, Columbus, Ohio

"Our son is to be married at the end of this month. I want to give him and his bride the most valuable, precious, and priceless wedding gift, next to the Bible itself. Will you please send me a copy of GOD SPEAKS OUT on 'The New Morality.'" Man, Peabody, Kans.

"Thank you very much for The GOOD NEWS, which I received just yesterday. I was very much impressed by the articles, especially the one on 'Philadelphian or Laodicean.'" Man, Kalamazoo, Michigan

"God is still blessing us. We here in West Virginia have had killing frosts last week and a hard freeze. Temperature dropped to 27 above. People had to replant their gardens. Even strawberries are killed. Ours aren't killed even though a blanket of frost covered them. People can't understand why our strawberries were spared. But, we understand and know that God does protect and bless His people, if we obey His laws." Man, Jeffrey, W. Va.

~~"At this writing we are having heavy rainstorms in our area with high winds and hail. Tornados have been sighted in our county, and in some of the suburbs of Chicago. As yet there have been no official reports of how destructive they were. It has been nice and warm throughout the day, but the temperature is expected to drop severely during the night. So far, right around here there isn't much work being done in the fields. There aren't too many crops in as yet."~~ Man, Plainfield, Illinois

"It is the 13th of May. When the farmers should be getting in their oat crops, they find only mud. Only a few even have their oats planted. The roads are once again breaking up after experiencing a drying-up period of a few days. The ice cover we had over the winter has killed alfalfa and clover. Without those, there won't be much for the bees. Consequently, the honey crop will drop. Prophecy marches on." Couple, Onamia, Minnesota

"As a result of your advice I've supervised the viewing of T.V. programs in my home. In Hundred, West Virginia, three boys, ages between four and eight, were playing Batman. They leaped to their death when they jumped from a railroad bridge into a creek." Woman, Rogersville, Pennsylvania

"For years I was tortured by asthma. It became so bad that every breath became a struggle for existence. God's air becomes very precious when one has to struggle for it. Then I called on God's ministers for prayer. The anointed cloth came, and I have not had one asthma attack since. God took away the misery with a miraculous healing. God truly blesses those who put all their trust in Him." Man, Garden Grove, California

"I sent for an anointed cloth a few months ago for healing of a small cancer just under my left eye. The cancer was here long before I heard The WORLD TOMORROW Broadcast. All told me to have something done about this, urged me to go to the doctor. But, I am thankful I didn't go. I trusted God for my healing. The cancer is gone." Woman, Turtletown, Tenn.

"Last Tuesday my boss called me and my supervisor into his office where they told me my grade raise had come through and it included all the step or yearly raises I had received in the past. They both said, 'This just never happens, but here it has happened to you.' I was stunned and did not say much, only thanked them for their efforts on my behalf, but surely did thank God, for I know who really got the raise of over \$1,000.00 a year for me." Man, Auburn, Washington

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

June 10, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

The Semi-annual Letter was basically all in the mail by the middle of the week. Returns have started to come in but we will not hit the peak returns until the latter part of next week. So far this month we have a considerable deficit in letters compared to last June and are just about breaking even in money. We are receiving a very good response for the literature "Seven Laws of Radiant Health," "Does God Heal Today?" and "What Is Faith?" that was announced on the Sunday broadcast.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"Tonight I heard Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong speak from the Mount of Olives, Jerusalem, Jordan, on The WORLD TOMORROW. I count it a privilege to hear and understand this world prophecy as Garner Ted explained it. This arms build-up is unnoticed here in this country as no one knows the real meaning of it, and that it can lead up to the 'Abomination of Desolation,' and World War III." Man, Carmi, Illinois

"A few weeks ago I was disappointed because they discontinued 'Back to the Bible' on our station (KWFT) at the 8:30 a.m. time. I still miss that program, but praise God, now you are filling that spot on KWFT and I have been so blessed already by your messages." Woman, Wichita Falls, Texas

"I have also been listening to your account of your trip to Jordan, Israel, Turkey, etc., and have been very surprised to hear the descriptions you give. The pictures I've seen and articles also have glamorized the area." Woman, Seattle, Washington

"Mr. Garner Ted's broadcasts from the actual Biblical sites are most revealing, especially about Jerusalem and the Sea of Galilee. It is wonderful to have someone describe the true surroundings and the views where Jesus Christ actually walked and talked, since I probably will never have the opportunity to visit those places in this era!" Woman, Houston, Texas

"You say on your broadcast that everything is free; I find this hard to believe. If I receive all of the above things free, then I'll really know for sure that what you say is true. Most preachers ask for money on their programs. I notice you don't. Could it be you are really preaching the true Gospel?" Woman, Kermit, Texas

"I dusted my Bible off two months ago, and so your program fits right into what has now become my way of life. I feel I have 39 years of neglect to make up for and I don't really have a whole lot of time left, now do I?" Woman, San Diego, California

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"For some time I have been searching for the true Church--someone somewhere who might believe as I do, that follows the Word of God, not the word of a man in the pulpit. I happened to voice my feelings one day to one of the distributors in my Amway group, and he introduced me to The PLAIN TRUTH. Since that day he has loaned me, and I have read, nearly six years' back copies and various literature. May I say that my searching has ended! Please include me on your mailing list for future copies of The PLAIN TRUTH. " Woman, Hilton, N. Y.

"I am finding many answers in your literature and magazine that have evaded me for many years. I have one fault to find with your magazine--that it is not on every newsstand in the world!" Man, Lynn Haven, Florida

"Upon reading the letter to the Editor entitled 'It Hurts,' I was suddenly motivated to write. I, too, am a Negro, and as a result of faithful listening to The WORLD TOMORROW, reading unprejudicially your free literature, and The PLAIN TRUTH, I have been converted. No longer does it hurt to be a Negro. I proved that God is the author of segregation and not the author of confusion. Nobody can help what color he is, but anyone who will thoroughly prove the existence of God and seek His Kingdom wholeheartedly will find success and happiness." Woman, Durham, N. C.

"I was so sorry for that colored girl when she wrote she was always hurt but was just as God had made her and any more girls are always taking sun baths to get black and then the blacker they are, the happier they are. So it looks like people are never satisfied. The black want to be white, and the white want to be black, but the Bible says a leopard can't change his spots. So we should try to be satisfied the way we are." Woman, London, Kentucky

"I have been reading The PLAIN TRUTH for almost two years. Each month, along with reading the thrilling articles, I also look for errors in spelling and half (or misplaced) sentences. The reason I do this is because I have noticed that in some of this world's leading magazines and newspapers I find this type of error quite frequently. It's as though the editors of these newspapers care only for a 'fast buck' in the form of quantity and not quality. So, congratulations: I can see that the editors of The PLAIN TRUTH 'do care' in giving their readers quantity, extremely high quality, accuracy in spelling and very fine print, and fabulous news reports from around the world." Man, Bronx, N. Y.

"I want to thank you and compliment you on the latest (May) issue of The PLAIN TRUTH. It is by far the best issue you have ever printed; that is, color-wise and picture-wise. It compares favorably with TIME, LIFE, and all the larger and better-circulating magazines in the printing industry today." Man, Taylor, Texas

"I love the new PLAIN TRUTH with its wonderful color pictures, but most of all, the PLAIN TRUTH articles contained in it. Nobody tells of all the trouble in Australia, but you have been telling of it for some time now. Several of our immediate ranch neighbors left three or four years ago for Australia to cotton farm and they were very boastful of the country-- Now they are speculating about going to Brazil where the backwoods area is being opened up for cultivation. I know some Australians who sold their property over there and believe me, they never mention the drought, etc. They are glad to be rid of their property in good American money." Woman, Le Grand, California

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS AND QUOTATIONS

"I am especially interested in anything you have regarding evolution. Surely, this must be the biggest fraud in modern education. It represents the basic foundation upon which all modern philosophy rests, and its universal acceptance marked the turning point away from God. P.S. To speak out against evolution in education today is to be branded a professional incompetent." Science teacher, Navarre, Ohio

"You know, Kansas is losing wheat. Up here where we live it has rained once since March--here it is May. Our wheat is almost gone. My husband works for a farmer up here. Our boss isn't too worried about it because he has cattle to replace most of it. But all the other farmers around here don't have anything and they are getting upset. It was to rain every other day for the past week here, but not even a drop." Woman, Delphos, Kansas

"I just received my copy of GOD SPEAKS OUT on 'The New Morality.' I sat down to read a few pages, and read almost half the book in one day. I just could not put it down. It really opened my eyes. Being a college student, I can really appreciate such a book; I have paid \$3.50 to \$4.00 on books comparable in size, but not nearly in information. I would not sell my book for \$1,000. As I write this letter, I'm starting the book a second time, and in each chapter I find more information that I had missed on my first reading." Woman, El Cerrito, California

"This year our expenses have exceeded our income as we had to buy our seed grain and grass seed. A piece in our paper says one-fifth of all Wisconsin farmers have quit their dairy herds. There will be many more if next year is as poor as this year was. Last night we had white frost. We are hoping it did not ruin the apple blossoms as they are so loaded and beautiful. Last year they did not bloom." Woman, Menomonie, Wisconsin

"This April-May issue of The GOOD NEWS is really good news, especially the articles entitled 'The Point of No Return,' 'Are You a Philadelphia Christitan?' and 'You Can Serve in God's Church.' I do not have the ability to arrange words to express just how I feel and the gratitude I have. I thank God daily for you, the program, and all of His ministers. With such meat we should become spiritually fat." Member, Kansas City, Kansas

"I am constantly pleased and surprised at how attentive my children are to what I have learned. Last night after the bedtime prayer my nine-year-old said, 'I really learned something from The BIBLE STORY (Vol. 3) where it said God is drawing people out of the churches. And we don't go to church so He must be helping us.'" Woman, Medford, Oregon

"The pastor where I go to church says he has a ticket to heaven. I don't know where he got it. Maybe he found it in a tobacco patch, since he both raises and uses tobacco. Should I go to this church and fellowship with this type of people? I am puzzled!" Woman, Mary, Ky.

"I met today, in our classroom, the executive assistant of Bishop James Pike... He stood in front of the class saying he knew God was dead because God has not spoken since the Bible was written. I was so perplexed that I could not raise my hand and tell him the real truth... The idea that bothered me most was that he believed it! And was passing on his belief to others in the classroom. After talking to many of my classmates after the discussion, I found that many liked his speech, and when I asked them why, they answered, 'Because he is of the cloth. He has been chosen by God. God would not send us a liar.'" College student, El Cerrito, Calif.

"One more thing. A friend told me her aunt got to taking your study and she was well-to-do financially and you told her to send you \$2,500.00 and she'd be one of the 144,000, and she sent it to you. No one can buy his way into heaven, and no one can say, except God alone, who will be in the number of the 144,000. If you did that, it is sure not the truth of the Bible." Woman, Yerington, Nevada

"We are three Catholic priests who never miss your program. Your approach to Christianity and Christ is very much in line with the teachings of the Catholic Church. Your examples are well taken. Although on a few matters we cannot agree with you completely--your whole approach is most gratifying. It is good to hear a man of God speak to our people in the language of today. Our purposes are to bring mankind closer to the love of Christ. You are doing an admirable job in this regard. If you are ever out in this part of the country, we invite you to stop in and visit with us. We would also invite you to appear in our Church to give one of your inspirational talks in conjunction with our own Bible Service. This is just an invitation--no obligation. In any event, keep spreading the Word of God's love. You have our wholehearted backing." Catholic Priest, Roswell, New Mexico

"My Biology teacher and Principal both talked with me about writing my term paper about evolution. They both wanted me to explain the Bible standpoint. I went into evolution rather thoroughly, refuting point by point the claims of evolutionists and presenting in detail the truth of the Bible. Both teachers were very impressed and I was asked to give the paper in detail to my biology and sociology classes. Several teachers secured a copy of the paper and were greatly impressed with it. I know that without the articles I received from you on the subject this understanding would have been impossible." Student, Taylor, Louisiana

COMMENTS ABOUT HEALING

"I am writing to you to ask for prayer and healing. I don't know what's medically wrong because I am afraid to go to a doctor. All they want to do anymore is cut you up. If God wanted me to be opened up, He would have installed zippers. God has healed my little girl twice through your prayers, and I am believing in Him for this healing." Woman, North East, Pa.

"I had two dollars. I said to myself 'I need to save it to have a growth taken off my eye,' which I had meant to do for the last five years. Then I thought, 'God will take care of the eye. I will send it.' I don't know when, but I happened to notice it was gone the other morning when I went to shave. I thank the Lord for it." Man, Andrews, N.C.

COMMENTS ABOUT TITHING

"Enclosed is our first tithe. God blessed us. We reminded Him we were faithful in our tithes, and asked Him to protect about ten acres of fruit trees. Strangely, some of the trees were in full bloom and laden with frost, but only a few of our trees were affected. The fruit is developing normally. God does protect those who trust in Him." Man, Stow, Ohio

"The enclosed money order is for my tithes. It is a little late. I have carried it in my purse for a week, failing to mail it. Yesterday, I was informed that I had gotten a raise in pay, and immediately I remembered that I hadn't mailed my tithes for last week's pay, and I felt guilty. I will try in the future to be less careless with God's money." Woman, Woodbridge, Va.

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

June 17, 1966

SUMMARY

With returns to the Co-worker Letter and Semi-annual Letter coming in both the money and letter counts are starting to climb. The response to the Co-worker Letter is very encouraging. Returns to the Semi-annual Letter were basically from California until the middle of the week; however, now they are beginning to come in from all over the nation. Almost all are requesting Volume V and nearly as many are asking for Volume I as well. Many members and Co-workers are responding to the Co-worker Letter but are asking for The BIBLE STORY since the books were mentioned in it

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"Lately your son has been telling about his trip to the Holy Land, Rome, etc. I have enjoyed these broadcasts very much. Your son is an excellent reporter and that is an understatement! His quiet tone, on the tape he made from one of the hotel rooms, was a marvel. It was so different from the usual home broadcast. Your son is easily a match for any professional newscaster I have ever heard and I've listened to many of them. And his descriptions of the pyramids, guides, camels, etc., were very amusing and enlightening. Good work! You should be very pleased with him." Man, Penrose, Colorado

"I found Station KMO by accident this evening. Thinking the speaker (yourself) was a news commentator, I was struck by the news and decided to hear you out. Glad I did just that!" Man, Seattle, Washington

"We have been very interested in Mr. Garner Ted's recent broadcasts on his trip, since my husband has been to some of those places. We really enjoy his wry humor, but hope he never gets a job with a travel agency--he'd put them out of business! Thank you again." Woman, Newbury Park, California

"Your talks from abroad were something to hear. Never before have I heard a minister bring such a message so full of tears, smiles, sincerity, and truth. It was so real. I was right there with you. You and all the staff are truly blessed in the richest way." Woman, Reseda, California

"It has been over two years since I first came into the Air Force as an enlisted man. It was when I first came in that I heard your radio program. I've been listening to it ever since and have been blessed by it in many ways. A man can lose a lot of things in life, whether it be his health or some of his material possessions. If I ever lose anything, I can assure you

it won't be the knowledge I have from your booklets and listening to your radio program. Not even the most skillful robber or the most deadly disease can take away the things I've learned from you about life." Airman, Jacksonville, Arkansas

"I was a Catholic, at least nominally, since I only dropped by the church every now and then. The longer I lived the more I came to see the injustice of both church and state and the more I questioned God's existence. One day I happened to hear EL MUNDO DE MANANA and since that day a new desire, a new goal awakened in me. I simply had to write you. The message you broadcast is so totally different from those of the other religious denominations. I can't help but believe that the message you bring is the true message as you find in the Bible." Man, Lima, Peru

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"At the darkest hour in our lives, when we were within one step of the divorce court, a friend helped us by introducing us to the Holy Bible. Within a couple of months, divorce was no longer on our minds. When we mention that the Word of Christ saved our marriage, there are many people who raise their brows. However, to us the Holy Bible is now for everyday reading and learning and we have obtained an inner peace and security from it. Incidentally, we appreciated immensely the article entitled 'Our Mad, Mad Marriages,' and every word is so heart-breakingly true." Couple, Buffalo, New York

"Since January of this year I have been receiving the wonderful magazine of plain truth. My family and I find it so interesting that we spend nights discussing and debating its down-to-earth and truthful articles.... I am proud to say that it's the first publication that my mother, who doesn't read and understand English, made me take the trouble to translate the articles into Maltese so she, too, can take part into the conversations. To tell you the plain truth, it's no trouble at all. On the contrary, I can consider it an honor to do so 'cause the way I figure it out, since I tasted the nectar of knowledge, I try to give it to others to drink." Man, Zabbar, Malta

"Please discontinue my subscription to The PLAIN TRUTH. I find I cannot fully agree with what your articles state and imply. My own church has served me better than I once believed. And I do not choose to forsake it at this time when Christians plan to unite. There are many ways to interpret scripture. Also as a descendant of German immigrants, many articles are quite discomfoting. I'm no anti-Semite either and several friends are Jews. Send my issues to someone else who will appreciate them more fully." Woman, Milwaukee, Wis.

"I am very impressed by your magazine and will print slips of your address so that my patients may send for it." Medical Doctor, Houston, Texas

COMMENTS ABOUT THE SEMI-ANNUAL LETTER

"Thank you for the Semi-annual Letter with its pictures of world conditions. Thank God that He has shown us the only answer to the world's problems and for training us to have a part in solving them. I was very pleased to hear that we can have Volume I and V of The BIBLE STORY. We seem to be on the receiving end of so many blessings!" Woman, Canoga Park, California

"Thank you very much for the wonderfully informative letter that you just sent us. Your clear description of world conditions as they really are, makes it much easier for us to understand what is just ahead. I also want to tell you how much we depend on the very excellent PLAIN TRUTH. Everything about it is great except for the fact that you stopped your 'Autobiography.' This is something we all miss." Man, Yuba City, California

"I received your overwhelming letter this afternoon. A person can hardly believe that people are actually starving and living, like you say in your letter, in filth. I am sick at heart, almost wish I had lots and lots of money to help them all, but as you say, it wouldn't help, only the good Lord can do that. And it will be soon, it can't go on like this very much longer. I have lived 68 years and have never seen the world like it is now. Thanks, Mr. Armstrong, for including me in your generous offer for the book." Woman, Lucerne Valley, California

"Please send me Volume V of The BIBLE STORY that you offer in your letter. It is so nice to have it in book form! I hope that sometime you will issue your 'Autobiography' in a similar way. I have the booklet of your very early days, but yet there is a big gap between that and The PLAIN TRUTH installments which I have." Woman, San Pedro, California

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS AND QUOTATIONS

"This morning I turned on my radio to hear the news. Sometime through the night an earthquake had hit our neighboring state of Virginia. I tuned in a little late to hear everything that was said, but I did hear them say there had been no damage reported. However, it must have covered quite a bit of territory. Surely this is in a 'diverse place' for an earthquake. I don't suppose one was ever recorded happening here before. I have a married daughter living in Winchester, Virginia, and as yet do not know if they felt the quake or not. Just recently I gave them one of your booklets on earthquakes." Woman, Keyser, W. Virginia

"I have heard you say if any catastrophes do happen in a particular section of the country that you would like to be informed. Well, the greatest tornado disaster in the history of Topeka, Kansas, took place yesterday, June 8, 1966. Directly after the tornado, Radio WIBW quoted people as saying, 'Oh, my God, I just don't believe it.' After the initial shock of the disaster, SIGHT-SEERS poured into the areas that had been hit. The radio requested that all people having no business in these areas leave and/or stay out. For a while traffic congestion and curious people presented the most pressing problems. Total damage has conservatively been estimated at 100 million dollars. Residential areas were hit, the downtown areas was hit, Washburn University was almost completely destroyed, and the airport was damaged." Man, Topeka, Kans.

"Here where we live, 25 miles north of Pittsburgh, we had frost both mornings of June 1 and 2. We've covered our garden plants each night, saving our garden, but only time will tell what damage has been done to the wheat and hay crops. The temperature in Pittsburgh for those mornings was 36 degrees, a record for June 1 and 2. How sure are God's prophecies! Famine sure stares us right in the face. And 'to whom can we turn?' We on the farm know that we can plant, but God gives the increase." Woman, Evans City, Pa.

"The weather is really upset. We are having cold weather here; we had frost three nights. Last night it was 32 degrees. We are sending you an offering to use where it is needed the most. Thanking you for everything." Man, Renick, W. Virginia

"In an article of what's called 'Anti-Armstrong' literature, I found over 20 lies, deliberate deceptions, and misapplications of logic. If the author has to write lies about a minister to get the people to follow him, then I am going to take a close look at what he denounced." Man, Jamestown, New York

"I can't understand how intelligent people can persecute you people unless they just don't believe in the Bible, and apparently they don't, and in that case it doesn't make them too intelligent after all, does it? May your works grow, and grow, and GROW." Man, Pomona, Calif.

"I must say I was shocked at your report about the future Protestant ministers. God surely has blessed us Catholics with a fine, excellent clergy which is practically free of this disbelief." Teenager, Covington, Kentucky

"I want to tell you how much we enjoyed listening to Mr. Waterhouse last Sabbath. It was one of the most inspiring sermons we've heard since we started going to Church. He gave us such a clear picture of the purpose of this era of the Church. He also made us realize how fortunate we are in this country as compared to the other countries he's been to." Woman, Modesto, California

"One of the most shocking things I have seen lately was a television commercial. Do you know what they were advertising--religion! 'If you like a friendly Bible Church,' the announcer says, 'come to Fellowship Tabernacle.' And then they went on to say how nice and friendly everyone was there and how big the church was and so forth. Now I've seen everything!" Woman, Phoenix, Arizona

"I must compliment you on your booklet 'Who Will Rule Space?' The pictures were marvelous. But please tell me how you were able to print the Luna 9 photograph in it, and send the booklet to me before my weekly astronomical magazine released the Luna 9 photos? You must have perfect timing in your printing. Thank you so much for this booklet." Man, California

"I was looking through the June, 1965 issue of The PLAIN TRUTH and came across the article, 'Make God Your Partner,' and of all the different people who have been good tithers and those who tithed just for personal gain. Well, you see, I'm one of those who robbed God time and time again, and the last time I stopped tithing God really lowered the boom on me, or should I say, lowered the beam on me, because that is exactly what happened. I was hurt on the job--I had a 5,800 pound steel beam drop on my right hand. It was smashed terribly; I spent 14 days in the hospital and I still have my hand and the use of it. I truly and sincerely thank God for saving my hand. This is really learning the hard way. I could go on with other things that have happened to me prior to this accident, but I won't--I have learned my lesson." Man, La Puente, California

"My health is improving. Two weeks ago I had another checkup and my blood sugar was down. They just didn't know how it could leave so fast. Well, I didn't tell them that one of God's ministers had anointed me." Woman, Talladega, Alabama

"'Prepare for famine!' That article is really eye-opening. We need a storage place. My husband and I were thinking that a cellar could be built under the back porch--concrete floor and aluminum side and top with an entrance from the top. Our back porch is over three feet tall in places." Woman, Edwards, Mississippi

Weekly Comments

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MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

July 8, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

We are receiving an above average number of comments about the article "The New Testament Teaching on Law and Grace." Many people are saying how the article has helped them understand the subject better. There have been very few letters from those who disagreed with the article considering the controversial nature of the subject. We are receiving a good response to the letter asking for "statements of intention." As of Thursday the number coming in daily was still climbing. The letter increase for the month is holding somewhat above the 30 percent mark, but the money increase is considerably below that.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"Mr. Ted Armstrong's current programs on evolution are very well done. Having graduated from college with a biology major, I can truthfully say that this concept of evolution permeates the entire curriculum. It is at first subtly inferred, then assumed and accepted. The emphasis in a class on evolution was on memorizing the material presented and not on objective study of the evidence for and against this subject. It is taught as 'evolution' and no longer as a 'theory.' The strongest advocates that I have encountered, however, were not college professors but the Ph.D.'s and M.D.'s (the so-called educational elite of today) here at the medical center. Having my eyes opened to the truth while attending here has been quite an experience. It hurts to see young, eager minds conditioned to accept anything but the truth, yet it is a joy to know that it won't be for much longer." Man, Jackson, Mississippi.

"I am 14 years of age. Your talks on evolution are very interesting. Whenever my science teacher discusses evolution, I get him trapped. Once he talked of induction, one hypothesis of how man developed. It states that some form of life from other planets brought its kind of life to earth. This life, over a period of time, developed into a man. I asked him where the other life came from and he answered, 'Well,... we aren't discussing that now.' Teenager, Magadore, Ohio.

"You have convinced me that there is no such thing as evolution. All the way through high school we were being taught the eras of time and trying to relate them with the remains of the Piltdown and Neanderthal man found in caves. And now, rather than to try to go back and re-classify these facts in my mind, I shall just try to forget what I already knew and take your facts prima facie and go from here." N.C.

"Last night I listened to The WORLD TOMORROW on KWJJ. After you finished, I wondered if I heard correctly. Were you not correlating the paleolithic man constructed from bone fragments unearthed by paleontologists with the Nephilim mentioned in Genesis? It is a very exciting thought -- if true, it would certainly help convince a lot of skeptical minds that the BIBLE is true. You invited your listeners to write for some literature that you had to prove your point. If you have any left over, may I have some?" Man, Portland, Oregon.

"One other thing, Garner Ted Armstrong's on-the-spot broadcasts from distant lands were really great! I, for one, would like to see this done more often -- the impact was tremendous." Man, Atlanta, Ga.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"I just got the June issue of The PLAIN TRUTH in the mail and am more thrilled than I can say. It is all good, but the article on 'Law and Grace' by William Dankenbring was to the point and so interesting that even my husband read it through. He has always objected to Sabbath-keeping, and needless to say, it has caused considerable friction. After reading this article, and some of the other literature you have sent, he at least is willing to discuss the issue. He is not fully convinced, but I'm sure God is able to." Lady, California.

"We received our PLAIN TRUTH for the month and have never been helped with one thing as much as we were with the one on 'The New Testament Teaching on Law and Grace.' God knows how this opened our eyes to understanding a big question in our minds. It goes to prove if the Lord knows we want the truth and are willing to search it out He will profit us. Enclosed is our tithe and offering." Couple, Hobbs, New Mexico.

"You are making The PLAIN TRUTH too attractive! Someone took my May, 1966, issue. Then a lady called up to borrow my March and April issues, and she has not returned them. Last month another neighbor wanted to borrow a Correspondence Course lesson and though I felt like a selfish goon I said no, but she could very easily send for her own. I am going to bind the magazines you have sent me and I would like to know if it would be possible to get the March, April and May, 1966, issues again." Man, Blythe, California.

"I am asking you to discontinue The PLAIN TRUTH. The prophecies are so disturbing that thinking about them keeps me awake. Give the remainder to someone who can take it." Lady, Scottsbluff, Nebr.

"On the less serious side -- A lady I know in Petaluma, on receiving her first copy of The PLAIN TRUTH said, 'Jim has been holding out on us. He's one of the executives of The PLAIN TRUTH. Just wait till I see him.' I had to explain that was another James W. Robinson, and no relation to me. I am also a James William Robinson." Man, Sebastopol, California.

"I've been a steady listener of your radio program and subscriber of The PLAIN TRUTH for over 8 years. I can honestly say I have never given one red cent towards The PLAIN TRUTH and all the literature I have received over the years which, incidentally, when stacked atop one another measures over 2 feet high." Man, Pa.

BAPTIZING TOUR

"The tour took eighteen days. We visited forty people (twelve men and twenty-eight women) and baptized only three. Most of them are near enough to a minister, Bible Study or church to attend. We contacted people in six states and drove a total of 6191 miles by the time we arrived here in Chicago." Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hoops, Chicago, Ill.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS AND QUOTATIONS

"I am an elementary school teacher. Since there is no ruling in my school district against reading Bible stories, for two years now I've used Volumes II and III for the day's opening exercises. Sometimes schedules are interrupted and the reading has to be skipped. When this happens some of my sixth graders always voice disappointment. This year the part dealing with clean and unclean animals filled them with surprise and 'why's' -- it made a good subject for health class later. Naturally there are explanations concerning the true Church of God that I eliminate from the reading." Member, Clayton, Ohio.

"Many of our country's religious and political leaders seem to be uncertain, confused, and trying to pull in opposite directions at the same time. It is hard for a plain, everyday citizen to know how he can help his church and country. Many church people, it seems, are trying to do a 'Nero act.' They think that if they fiddle long enough, they won't hear the world falling around their heads." Man, Missouri.

"With your new mailing system I now receive my requests within the week, whereas I used to have to wait from two to four weeks to receive my literature." Lady, Rome, Georgia.

"I have been reading the Bible for the very first time, and I must admit that however I may break down each verse and sentence I am unable to comprehend. Would you please send me your Ambassador College Bible Study Course, that I may 'break into' the greatest of all books." Man, Sussex, England.

"Now don't get me wrong. I've heard just this week that you have the 12 apostles in your church, and a man that you call Christ or Jesus. But I've just had the daylight knocked out of me. I've been telling everybody I could what a wonderful man you were. But now, Mr. Armstrong, I'm going to wait and hear from you, for I've been studying your books too long to believe a thing like this." Lady, Semmes, Alabama.

"I want to get all the (Correspondence Course) lessons there have been, and the lesson that is coming. And I want the test. I am in the seventh grade and I want to say that I like the books that you publish. If you have a book on how to understand your parents I want it." Young girl, Wallace, North Carolina.

"You are the first person I've written to for a free book or any other article, for that matter, who has kept his word." Lady, Miss.

"I guess I am among the first of your correspondents, since I first heard you over the air when you were in Oregon about 1934. Your work then was small compared to what it is today and this proves that God has blessed your work." Man, Tacoma, Washington.

"I have an atheist friend whom I am loaning some of your material. For the first time in my life I have been able to answer his questions without the fear of 'ignorance' -- thanks to your Bible Correspondence Course. I look forward to each lesson and feel that I have gained something to be proud of -- a closer view of the inside of the Bible and I've opened the door to the ability and courage to discuss God, without the fear of being ridiculed, because I know what I'm talking about! Thanks -- for the new look." Man, Roswell, New Mexico.

"I wrote to a religious organization telling them I liked the Armstrong messages, and asked if they could give their stamp of approval for what the Armstrongs are doing. I got a letter which included this paragraph: 'You have inquired concerning the beliefs of Mr. Herbert Armstrong. We are therefore enclosing literature which will give you information about this erroneous teaching.' Since then I have obtained several such tracts which attack Mr. Armstrong as a false prophet. These have only served to make me angry, for, in spite of their reasoning, I can't help but feel they do this because they themselves have been pricked by Mr. Armstrong's messages. I will say this, however. With various evangelists hinting that theirs is the one true Bible message, and that others might be false, a listener can become angry and provoked. Sometimes I am tempted to quit all listening and go only to the Bible for the one true teaching. And that, Gentlemen, is what I like about the Armstrong message. He tells people to do just that -- to check it in 'your Bible.' For me, that is enough to make me want to listen to the Armstrongs." Man, Excelsior, Minnesota.

"I am also enclosing a small booklet ('Mr. Confusion') I got in the mail from 'Back to the Bible.' I wish people would look into their Bibles to see if others are right or wrong before they criticize. I am going to write to them and let them know I do not agree with everything they broadcast." Lady, Goshen, Indiana.

"The article on 'The Point of No Return' was so inspiring to us. We realize that the time is really short and we hope that we are ready to land." Members, Eugene, Oregon.

"My one-and-a-half-year-old son had the measles, a sore throat, an ear infection, and swelling of the eyes. My wife wanted to take him to the doctor. I tried at first to stop her, but when I saw it was useless, I let her go. I told her that because she didn't believe that God would heal him, he might stay sick even longer than usual. She said it wouldn't be that way if she took him to the doctor and gave him the prescribed medicine. Two days later he got worse. Then I told her again what should be done. We wrote to you for an anointed cloth and about two hours after the cloth had been applied, he was up laughing and jumping around. She was really happy to see him so quickly healed. If everyone knew the power of God, what a wonderful place this would be to live in." Man, Harker Heights, Texas.

"I bought a newer car last week through a private deal and so was unable to trade in my old car. I was short a few hundred dollars and my boss loaned me the money until I sold my car. I was planning to run an ad in the paper and was going to ask \$600.00 for it. I HAD NOT placed the ad yet, when there was a knock at my door. It was a neighbor whose father-in-law was interested in it. I sold the car for \$650.00 cash and enclosed is the difference of \$50.00 as an offering." Canada

Weekly Comments

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MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

July 15, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

The letter and money count is holding up quite well this week but is down somewhat from last week. As of Thursday morning it appears we will fall below the 30% increase mark in both categories with the money increase trailing the letters again. Returns to the Co-worker and property letters are still coming in quite well but are dropping off from last week. The number of loans have been very encouraging this week. We are starting to get many letters from those who received volumes 1 and 5 of The BIBLE STORY and now they want volumes 2,3, and 4. We are also getting some comments about the hot and dry weather in the middle west.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"I have been richly blessed from your article 'What All Husbands Need to Know.' I found myself sadly lacking in proper love and compassion towards my wife. I prayed about this and your article in this month's PLAIN TRUTH has certainly helped to provide the answer. With regard to this could you send me your pamphlet on 'The Plain Truth About Child Rearing.'" Man, London, England.

"The PLAIN TRUTH is now much more attractive and my husband, who has little or no time for religious magazines, has absorbed the contents of the last two issues before I could get near it! He is an ideal, loving and kind husband, but your article on 'What All Husbands Need to Know' has made him even more so." Lady, Northern Ireland.

"I have been receiving The PLAIN TRUTH for three months and I find it terrific. As a matter of fact, I have used two of the articles, plus the pamphlet on earthquakes, as subjects for my talks in Toastmasters with tremendous interest by the members of our club. I have also used your article on earthquakes as a topic for a talk in our Priesthood meetings (I am a Latter-day Saint Mormon)....I work in an office with about 60 other people. When I received your article on earthquakes, it was my subject for a ten-minute talk in Toastmasters, and then I attached a routing slip to it and sent it around the office for all to read. I think it was the most talked about pamphlet in years around here. Everyone read it. I've told them about your program morning and evening on Radio Station KIRO in Seattle and there are several of our people who now listen to you regularly." Man, Washington.

"The article 'What All Husbands Need to Know' was excellent and very truthful. The reason I say that is because I am writing from the painful knowledge of experience. My wife is divorcing me and that article struck home like nothing I've ever read before. If I could have had the correct knowledge, a tragedy could have been avoided. I pray that all husbands who read the article really take it to heart and put it into practice." Man, St. Paul, Minnesota.

"I work for the Texas Highway Department. Recently a very striking thing occurred at work. As our truck was going down the highway, I noticed a magazine littered on the shoulder of the road. It was a PLAIN TRUTH and the bold letters 'Famine Stalks the Earth' stood out on the page. This fact was very outstanding in that the magazine was lying on semi-parched ground with cracks in it. The surrounding farmlands were badly in need of rain. Since The PLAIN TRUTH had fallen open to that page, the staggering reality of famine was shown to me. I wondered how whoever tossed it out could have closed his eyes to what it said, particularly in that region." Man, New Braunfels, Texas.

"I have been receiving copies of your PLAIN TRUTH and I find it very hard to believe that such a wonderful outfit as yours really exists. But don't you find it awfully hard to be nice in such a world of misunderstandings?" Man, Darby, Pennsylvania.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"On WHP there is a program called 'Comment' at 12:30 during the week. The other day there was a man who called in and asked that they take your program off in the evening at 7:30. I wish you could have heard all the people that called back after that and said they hoped your radio program would always be on the radio. I was so happy to hear that so many people around here were hearing Garner Ted on the radio and were really being helped to understand the Bible. May God bless you in His work." Lady, York, Pennsylvania.

"My husband is from Beirut, Lebanon. It was he who first heard your broadcast and recognized your voice; he used to hear you in the desert of Saudi Arabia where he was working for Getty Oil Company." Lady, Little Rock, Arkansas.

"I have for many years listened to Mr. Armstrong from various radio stations throughout the world. Indeed when I was employed at one time as an announcer with Lourenco Marques radio it gave me much pleasure when I was assigned to the duties of presenting his recorded programmes sent to us from your Johannesburg headquarters. Alas, oft-times it was my intention to write for the magazine, but I never did so until today. I regret the loss of pleasure I have no doubt missed." Man, Bristol, England.

"We would like to have the booklet on 'Giants' that Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong has been mentioning on the broadcasts. The last few weeks have had some of the most interesting broadcasts we have ever heard. Even children find them so. We had a neighbor say to us last week, 'My, you stay all morning at church. How do you stand it? I stay one hour and can hardly stand it that long.' (She is Catholic.)" Lady, St. Louis, Missouri.

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"I want to tell you how very much we appreciate and enjoy your WORLD TOMORROW broadcast. We enjoyed the 'on-the-spot' programs and also we really learned a lot on the programs about evil-ution. I just don't know why anyone who listened to these could keep from going deeper in a study of why we are born and what purpose we have on earth. My husband and I both thank you for your many helps." Couple, Texas.

"Your blanket coverage of broadcasts is making an impact on peoples' minds. I've listened to you and received The PLAIN TRUTH for many years now. Within the past year I've noticed more talk about the program than ever before. Keep up the good work. If you could change my mind about the 'traditional' way of thinking (and you have), then most anybody could see the truth in time, if he'll just listen to you. May God bless you and keep your health in good condition." Ga.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS AND QUOTATIONS

"After reading your ('Member') letter, my heart just cried, that we could let you down in our prayers and our financial obligations for the Building Program -- well, it moved me so much it is hard to tell you." Member, Iron River, Wisconsin.

"Your letter concerning the great need of the Building Fund was like a kidney punch or a punch below the belt to me. It nearly took my breath and certainly brought me to attention! I am in an area (Cincinnati) which has had nearly a dozen young men and women accepted to Ambassador in the last two years and just took it for granted (as thousands of others did apparently) that our offerings were quite sufficient to shoulder our share of this responsibility. I am thankful that God has given you the love, courage, tact, and faith to alert us to this need." Member, Urbana, Ohio.

"The first of the year I sent you a 'statement of intention' with \$5.00 thinking I could continue it, but I decided I couldn't, and didn't send anymore, for which I am sorry. Surely, by God's help I can spend less and save \$5.00 per month to give to this urgent need. I hope you won't ever have to write another letter like the one we just received. I couldn't help but cry. I wish it was possible that I could send you all I earn. God has blessed me so very much, this being my third tithe year." Member, Greensboro, North Carolina.

"Mr. Armstrong, I'd like to tell you something that happened to my husband. When he started to work last Tuesday afternoon, he set his fishing tackle box on the carport. Someone stole it. When my husband saw it was gone, he said he would not stop praying until their consciences bothered them so badly that they would have to bring it back. Sunday afternoon someone returned the box. I didn't think I'd ever see it again, but my husband did." Lady, Monroe, Louisiana.

"Last night we were watching 'Candid Camera' on T.V. and they asked some small children how they thought the world began, and the answers these children gave were amazing. I asked my three older children the same question and they couldn't tell me Gen. 1:1. It really surprised me because we have been trying to learn about God, through your booklets and Bible study, and through the Correspondence School. I have just completed my twelfth lesson, and I find that since I have

been learning, my children haven't. I've neglected them. I guess I expected them to understand what I have been reading myself. I see now how mistaken I have been." Lady, Caledonia, Ohio.

"I wonder if you have ever heard of Atlanta's Lover's Lane? It is situated in one of Atlanta's finest parks. Men and women, boys and girls can go to Piedmont Park at night, stay all hours, to 'pet,' 'court' or do as they please without interference from anyone! It is a police-protected area. We were late to an engagement and made a short-cut through the park but we wished we hadn't! We were never so shocked and embarrassed in our lives at what we saw. It is a disgrace to the city of Atlanta and why the decent people of Atlanta tolerate such is beyond my comprehension." Lady, Kingston, Georgia.

"If there were no Armstrongs in the world it would be a dreary place indeed for the rest of us. I have a feeling that you are doing ~~more good than any other man I have ever known.~~ Man is supposed to be rewarded for his works. Everyone living who has been fortunate enough to know you, can not help but feel as I do, that your reward for your service here on earth could be the envy of every person. In my 90 years of life I have never come in contact with a person who has done more good for his fellow man than you. I hope you will live till that great day you tell us about shall come to pass. I have a feeling that no man has ever lived to be too old to learn something from you. The world could use a million more like you." Elderly gentleman, Missouri.

"Another of God's ministers has bid our Liberal Church farewell and Mr. Kenneth Westby has arrived to carry on the work. I well remember the arrival of a new minister when I was a member of a worldly church. He'd better do as the congregation instructed or boy, we would get rid of him in a hurry! How different in God's Church! We know we will hear the Bible expounded with the very same Spirit to teach and inspire us. What a real blessing God provides His true Church!" Texas.

"Mr. Armstrong, since your letter came, asking us to be praying for the work, I asked God to make it possible for me to help more. In less than two weeks, I was given a 10¢ an hour increase in my salary, which has enabled me to have more tithe money. Is it possible, sir, it was an answer to my prayer?" Co-worker, Longview, Texas.

"I recently saw the Coyote Gulch Flea Circus.... Fleas live exclusively on blood. How did they manage to survive if they had to wait several million years for warm-blooded mammals to 'evolve' so they could eat?" Man, Houston, Texas.

COMMENTS ABOUT TITHING

"Please find enclosed a cheque for \$38.30 which is the sum given to me for preaching. Since most of my material came from your organization, it is only right for you to have this money." Man, New Zealand.

"Since I started my third tithe year after the Feast of Tabernacles, I have had two \$500 bonuses, the promise of one this year, and a new '66 Plymouth station wagon (company car) that I can drive as if it were mine. God surely does bless us when we try to be obedient to His will." Member, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

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July 22, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

The money increase has about held steady this week. The letter increase dropped a few points from last week while the white mail picked up slightly. We have noticed comments from quite a number of people who are "religion shopping." They become interested in religion so start looking into different churches and writing to various "radio ministers." The more they look into various religions the more confused they become. It is encouraging to see the amount of word-of-mouth publicity The PLAIN TRUTH and our literature is getting. Many ask for a subscription to The PLAIN TRUTH because "a friend" or "someone at work" told them about it.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"Your last editorial in the June PLAIN TRUTH was just what I needed to help me plan my English theme entitled 'This is Education?' I only hope I'm still in school after the instructor reads it! My accounting instructor is a very carnal man and once spent a class period telling us how to cheat on accounting examinations when applying for civil service. He has told us that 'we won't last long if we're honest,' and that 'in business you don't always do what is right, you do what you have to do!' He says, 'Anything goes as long as you don't get caught!' Thanks to the truth you have revealed to me, I don't have to be misled by this type of education." Student, Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

"In your February issue you gave quite an account of the drought in India and surrounding countries and I really enjoyed reading it. You stated this drought would reach America and it did. It's here; everything is drying up and the heat is so great. I hope it will be over next month." Man, Bosworth, Missouri.

"I've just finished reading the June PLAIN TRUTH and I especially enjoyed the article on 'Law and Grace.' I agree with the writer. The pastor of the Baptist Church (of which we're members) says you're not consistent in your teaching about law and grace. In all the respect I have for him as our pastor, I disagree with him. The only ones I've heard speak against you are people that never listen to more than one or two broadcasts or don't read or listen with an open mind. I've heard so many comments about The PLAIN TRUTH and the broadcast in favor, that is, from unsaved people even. You'd think born-again people could see you're trying to help the blind to see what they should be." Lady, Milan, Indiana.

"I can't believe that you authorized William F. Dankenbring's article in the June PLAIN TRUTH entitled 'The New Testament Teaching on Law and Grace' -- 27 columns (about 8,000 words) telling your readers that no one can be saved, including yourselves. That is what it amounts to -- because no one can live up to the yardstick you have made." Anonymous, Chicago, Illinois.

"Several months ago I wrote requesting a copy of your magazine. I was curious to find out the nature of your movement. Having read several issues, your message comes through quite clearly (?) Thank you for your consideration and the copies of your magazine. You need not send any further copies." Assistant to the President, Lutheran Synod, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

"Thanks for the full color PLAIN TRUTH. It is a masterpiece in art and clear, understandable writing. I worked as a photographer eight years and as a signal corps public relations photographer in the WACS and I know good pictures when I see them." Lady, Miami, Florida.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"I would like to request any articles you may have which may help me overcome the inroads of evolution taught members of my own family in school. Being just a common, ordinary laborer, I often find my back against the wall in discussion with school-teaching sisters with letters after their names. Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong in his recent messages has pointed out what I should have done long ago -- get off the defensive and ask them some questions. I believe I can find help in the articles you offered." Man, Alexandria, Virginia.

"The WORLD TOMORROW is going out in great power in this area. I enjoy hearing Mr. Armstrong put the evolutionists to shame by telling how many animals are created. I was surprised to know that the woodpecker doesn't have bones in his neck. I was shocked to learn that some creatures have eyes in their tails." Lady, Mansfield, Louisiana.

"I love to listen to you. There's a clearness in all your logic and a fire of emotion and conviction I've never seen in a man before. Thank you for heaping your pearls before me. I don't know that I have the greatest sense of value, but I value highly every word you've spoken in my presence." Lady, Bellflower, California.

"I accompanied you on your round-the-world trip in my mind's eye, as I have been to most places you named during my service career and found, as you, appalling conditions everywhere. I also agree it will take more than our food, clothing and money offers to restore that which has been decaying for centuries. I listen to The WORLD TOMORROW on 390 here in England, and must say in all truth, I have never heard a more vibrant, sincere voice than that of Garner Ted. It is indeed a pleasure to hear an educated man who has something to say on most every controversial issue. Believe me, I don't need news programs, comedy or drama when Garner Ted is on the air; he completely fills the bill." Man, Suffolk, England.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS AND QUOTATIONS

"Our five-week baptism tour ended with 45 met, 5 missed, 11 baptized and 18 old members visited. Messrs. Wainwright and Wilkins are now conducting a two-week Southern tour with approximately 35 visits planned. Only after seeing how the other half of the world lives can we really understand and appreciate how blessed we are to live here, in the U.S.A." Mr. Dibar Apartian.

"I went to Bible Study last night and had to listen while the minister read how fast the cards of statement of intention are being returned to Headquarters. I am ashamed that I was so slow to mail mine back earlier. And such sorrow I never before experienced to read in the 'Dear brethren in Christ' letter about God's great work going backward. It's the most saddening news to be sure. Maybe some of us aren't as dedicated as we think we are. Maybe for real it takes such news to chasten our attitudes." Member, Bronx, New York.

"It is so very nice the way you mention Mrs. Armstrong when you write. It makes us who don't have husbands truly repentant. I do think yours is the most blessed union of today. I love reading about how men from other countries are being called to Ambassador College -- it's just great. You know, I believe your letter just may become as valuable in the future as are the epistles of Paul and other apostles are in the Holy Bible." Lady, Bronx, New York.

"I received my first lesson of your Bible Correspondence Course recently and am thrilled over it, and have almost completed it already. Once I started it, I couldn't put it down and spent about 3 hours on the first day with it! Consequently I am looking forward to the future lessons." Lady, Anaheim, California.

"I would also like to mention that a woman from Uruguay came to my Spanish class and spoke about her country. I asked her who Uruguay did the most trade with; she said that it used to be the U.S. but now trade was mainly with Europe. I also asked her if there were many Germans in Uruguay. She said that there were many Germans -- many who had high military positions. She herself was of German descent." Man, Renton, Wash

"I Would like very much to have Volumes I and V of The BIBLE STORY. A month ago I almost bought a whole set of Bible stories at a cost of \$119.00, but couldn't afford it, so I feel that this is a golden opportunity for me and my family. I'm sure it will help me as a Sunday School teacher." Lady, Cincinnati, Ohio.

"I've just finished your Volume I of The BIBLE STORY and I'm a little amazed. While being an excellent account in itself I found my desire to read directly from the Bible has increased. It seems that after reading it in modern language I've awakened a need to research and go deeper into the truth. I'm very happy and very thankful." Man, Hollywood, California.

"As noted all over the world including Vietnam, I am ashamed and disgusted at American Christians. How much lower in the gutter will American Christians drag down the Holy Name of Christ with their abominable savagery and cruelty to the human race with their false god of materialism, viz., guns and money. I feel that as a true CHRISTIAN I must show my

objection, and as your organisation is pro-American, I ask you to please delete my name from your books and please do not send me any more literature of any kind as I want nothing to do with any American." Co-work London, England.

"Can one contribute money to the noble Work? For I acknowledge that whether your interpretation be right or not, the crime and violence in the world desperately needs your teaching, if it can only be put across to the perpetrators. The church has failed to do it and Billy Graham is almost a music-hall man." Man, Middlesex, England.

"Most of us here in Glen Ullin are still cleaning up from the flood which we had here. Never in my 59 years here in this community have I seen so much water. I am sure that by now you have heard all about it. Anyway, I did not get too excited to be sure. I expect a lot worse things to come in the very near future. Lots of crops were hailed out 100%, buildings wrecked, cattle drowned, roads and bridges torn up, and a lot of household things spoiled, but these are just the beginning of sorrows. May God hurry the day when His Kingdom will come to earth." Lady, Glen Ullin, North Dakota.

"We here in the east are getting a preview of the drought to come on the earth. We had rain here in Maryland yesterday and the ground was so hard-baked it couldn't soak up the water properly. Most of the water ran down the road and into the ditches, taking with it a lot of topsoil." Members, Ridgley, West Virginia.

"In this connection I would like to request your honor to accommodate us some booklet of yours which deals on human health or 'How to Take Care of Your Health,' and 'How to Overcome Your Financial Worries.' For your information I'm the Vice-President of the YMCA Student Body-building of the Philippines, which engaged in the development of physical culture. But as we go through our course we comprehend that we lack something, which is not materially worth. I mean we need divine and spiritual guidance, in order to complete our course." Man, Quezon City, Philippines.

"I want to testify that tithing pays. Last year I received \$1,200 from a trust fund left by my father. Near the end of that year I started tithing. I was receiving \$8.00 a month for some work done here at the hotel. Since I started tithing indications are that the trust will yield \$2,000 this year. The hotel pays me \$25.00 a month, and my employer gave me a \$3.00 a week raise and now a \$10.00 raise on top of that. Indications are that my income this year will exceed last year's by \$1,500. Man, Ocean Grove, New Jersey.

"You will find enclosed tithes in the amount of \$10.00. I started leaving it up to my husband to tell me when to send the tithes and we have not paid any for 6 months. After much trouble with his equipment and labor problems and weather problems, a tire came off a car and hit the front of my husband's truck and caused about \$300.00 worth of damage. I suggested we tithe again and my husband agreed. We now see we must do even better though and send in the first tenth and pay bills with what is left instead of paying bills and sending in tithe if any money was left. I am thankful God thinks enough of my husband to punish him to make him realize the importance of obedience." Lady, Branchland, West Virginia.

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

July 29, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

"We have been getting comments about the hot and dry weather across the middle west and the north eastern part of the nation. People are telling about severe crop damage and some areas being declared disaster areas. We are receiving a good response for the booklets "Why Were You Born?" and "All About Water Baptism" that were announced on last Sunday's program. Both the percentages of increase in letters and money have dropped a few points from last week.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"About a year ago a friend asked me how he could get The PLAIN TRUTH. Last night I met him again and he asked when he was going to be billed for the magazine he was now getting. I explained how he could contribute to God's Work, but that the literature we send out could never be purchased. This is not an unusual incident, but the person involved is quite unusual. He is, perhaps, a multi-millionaire and owns a radio station, is the president of an insurance company and has interests in other businesses. It is interesting to see that God's Work influences some in top positions of society." College Employee, Big Sandy, Texas.

"I am very excited about your magazine. Please send me all the literature I need to become well-informed. I would like to put your magazine on my newsstands because knowledge of the coming World Tomorrow is very greatly needed." Man, Dahomey, Africa.

"I am writing in regard to the pictures on pages 20 and 21 of the July PLAIN TRUTH. I am one of those old fashioned 'odd balls and squares' that still believes in femininity. I didn't know that one has to go to college to learn how to wallow in the mud. Pigs have been doing it since creation. Is that what eventually 'evolves'?" Woman, Chicago, Illinois.

"This letter comes from a homemaker, mother and school teacher, age 24. I was brought up in a religious home where there was Bible reading, family prayer, regular church attendance and participation. Until recently I felt my faith in God and the Christian way of life was strong enough to carry me through the storms of life. Now I experience

feelings of weakness and fear during these dark hours. A friend of mine, who has found the untold comfort and strength from reading The PLAIN TRUTH, suggested that I read it regularly. Will you please place my name on your mailing list? I truly believe that I can find renewed strength but I realize that I do need help." Woman, Montgomery, Alabama.

"The pictures in The PLAIN TRUTH are the most beautiful color reproductions I have ever seen. I notice the circulation of the magazine is increasing greatly. It is a great satisfaction to know that the students at Ambassador College are refined and well cultured. The girls were beautiful in their graduation dresses." Co-workers, Apple Valley, California.

"Discontinue my subscription to The PLAIN TRUTH. You were unable to throw the fear of God into my heart, and equally unable to convince me of the love of God. You may file me among the reprobates, class of 1975." Man, Troy, Michigan.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"I listen every night to your program on KWTO, Springfield, Mo. I love to hear Garner Ted. He is a fine preacher, and so well-read on the Bible. I started listening to the program about two years ago. Up until then I had no interest in religion. I was a professional gambler and a very good one. In the last year, I have quit gambling and drinking. It doesn't interest me anymore. I know you can't live right and do the things I did." Man, Aurora, Missouri.

"As for The WORLD TOMORROW, that is one of the highlights of the day for me. Garner Ted Armstrong is just terrific! His very vivid description of the pyramids was out of this world. I found myself opening windows although it was a very chilly day here at the time. I was so impressed the day he broadcast from the Gateway to Jerusalem, and hearing the horns honking in the background. In fact, every broadcast is just dynamic!" Woman, Buffalo, New York.

"I was just lucky the other evening in tuning in my radio to your broadcast on 'Origin of Life' which I thought was one of the finest messages that I have heard in many a day. Will you please accept my five dollar bill and send me a copy of that message. This was the one you delivered on Wednesday, July 13, 1966. It included the excellent illustration of the ants, how they lived in homes and worked almost immediately after being born and how the army ant learned to cross a river, etc. If you have any other messages that you might send me I will be most grateful to you. I will also appreciate a letter telling me how long the series is to last and how I can continue getting them." Man, Wausau, Wisconsin.

"I have been Lutheran, Baptist, Methodist, Mormon; I have studied with Jehovah's Witnesses and Four Square Gospel. I don't mind telling you I have been 'betwixt and between.' One evening I happened to turn to you on Station KRKD, about 3 weeks ago. May I say I have learned more, and have received spiritually, more from you than all the others. As your program tonight stated concerning arguing the

Bible -- they would all get together and argue the Bible, but could not give me the answers I needed, as you have. I am not very good with words, sir, but may I humbly say thank you for everything." Woman, Glendale, California.

"Today I was at a public swimming pool and your program came over the public address which was automatically hooked into the radio (WCKY, 7:00 pm). My children and I laughed to see the fat man run to turn it off. It seems that some people might be afraid of the truth. Just to prove this the radio was turned back on just as your program was leaving the air, even though it was followed by another religious program. Keep up the good work and bury the devil in truth!" Man, Saint Fort Michell, Kentucky.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS AND QUOTATIONS

"First a word about your policy and your method in getting the gospel out to others. I quote: 'God's way is the way of love -- and that is the way of giving. God expects every child of His to give free will offerings and to tithe.' This we do! We have followed this Bible teaching for years. Yet, we have held back for too long a period, I guess, just to prove that you meant what you said. It's time that we shared The PLAIN TRUTH with others. So enclosed is a check for \$10.00. This will bring us into a little closer relationship with the work of getting the gospel out to others." Marmora, New Jersey.

"My parents and I are in the church, but I am now living with my grandmother. I had been interested in a worldly girl until I really became serious and made my mind up that I was absolutely going to quit her if she didn't start a move toward trying to find God's way. Well, during the past two months she has quit or else started doing the right things. In fact, every PLAIN TRUTH she reads, she puts into practice. In every single thing that I tell her is wrong, she starts doing the correct way. I am so very happy. I am sure she will someday be in our church and come to obey every word of God and see it as I do. God really is a great guy. I have much more enthusiasm and faith -- I have personally witnessed one of His miracles." Young Man, Newport, Arkansas.

"What weather we've been having! First of all, we've been having an awfully dry spell. Everything has been turning brown. Recently the city restricted users of city water from watering lawns, washing cars, etc. And the heat is almost unbearable! It's been over 105 degrees every day for quite a while. They say you can't buy an air conditioner in town, and fans are pretty scarce. In St. Louis they're shutting off electric power, one section at a time, because of overloading." Co-workers, Xenia, Illinois.

"We are sorry to hear of the delay in the Building Program, especially at such a crucial time. I wish we could make this statement for more, and certainly will add to it if it is possible. However, our financial situation is not good. Our wheat was a little better this year than it has been for the last few years. Due to low prices for wheat and cattle, the high cost of machinery and repairs, and unusual weather patterns, we owe \$40,000 more than we did 6 years ago. So we know all too well how Mr. Portune feels when he writes another check." Members, Atwood, Kansas.

"It is very hot and dry here. We are needing rain bad; the gardens and grass are nearly dried up. If we don't have rain shortly the corn will also burn up. So far it has been clouds with no rain, then more blistering heat. I fear this may be the start of another drought such as was experienced in the thirties, only this time I fear it could also be the start of the really severe drought that is predicted to hit around the seventies. It sure makes a person stop and wonder." Man, Sedalia, Missouri.

"I have just finished reading GOD SPEAKS OUT on 'The New Morality' and now feel secure in my knowledge of sex. My collection of 4 parents, a mother and step-father, and a father and step-mother, told me hardly anything and discouraged my asking questions up until the time I ran away for the third time in 1965. I plan to save this book for my wife to read before we marry (whoever and whenever that may be). I am now 19. I am going to attend your college as soon as I can afford it if I meet the entrance requirements." Young Man, Kansas City, Missouri.

"Truly I have much to be thankful for. I believe God's angel was protecting me when I was thrown out of a pick-up when my daughter turned a corner too rapidly. I landed on my head. The next car behind us was a sheriff's car and when he stopped that stopped the traffic behind him. Also it was on a one-way street. The deputy asked if I wanted to go to a doctor and I told him no as I was sure there were no broken bones. I was anointed the following Sabbath. My elbow and chest and left foot have been the most trouble but I know God is healing me." Member, Salem, Oregon.

"I am a boy 15 years old. I sent my first tithe to you in April of this year and here is what God has done for me. So far this year I have made as much as I made during all of last year. I have been holding two jobs. Just after I sent in my first tithe, one of my employers raised my wages. I have found out for myself that it pays to tithe." Teen-ager, Camden, Indiana.

"The state of our nation and world and its obvious headlong rush to destruction and chaos should be clear to every thinking person. We as human beings individually or collectively are powerless to help ourselves, alone. I want to suggest that you call upon the President to use the power and prestige of his office to lead the nation to turn from its folly and repent of our national sins and ask God to deliver us from destruction." Man, Arden, North Carolina.

"You mentioned about curtailing on some things so that we might have more to give. As a child of God I would give the 'shirt off my back' out of gratitude for what I have already received. I am turning everything I have into cash as rapidly as possible, denying myself all luxuries (including wine) out of pure appreciation for the truth. I am doing this not for reward of any commendation either from the Eternal or from man, but wholly out of love. I am content to wait for my enjoyment of things. There is plenty of future time. I just want to spend and be spent wholeheartedly for the truth the few remaining years of my life, so I am giving as fast as I can and only wish that I had more to give." Member, Boise, Idaho.

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

August 5, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

The initial response to the Co-worker letter in both the number of returns and the amount per letter seems to be somewhat above the average response of past Co-worker letters. The number of returns were still climbing rapidly as of Thursday. So far we have not received as many loans as we normally do right after a Co-worker letter is sent out. After slacking off a little last week the amount of money coming in for the Building Fund has started to pick up again. The white mail is X running a little bit ahead of this time of the month last year.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"The PLAIN TRUTH really helps me in my school work, especially my history classes. Believe it or not, I receive more history, geography, and science from The WORLD TOMORROW and The PLAIN TRUTH than I do in my classes. So you can see that they supplement my education. Each day I study my Ambassador College Bible Correspondence Course, I gain more knowledge and understanding of my Bible. The color pictures in this month's PLAIN TRUTH of the Ambassador Colleges add a lot to the magazine's beauty. After seeing these pictures I understand why the students say it is the happiest place on earth." Boy, Ernul, North Carolina.

"Your last PLAIN TRUTH was lying on my lap as my husband and I stopped for gas at a Shell station. One of the attendants noticed it and remarked that we sure knew good reading. He was all for the truth as you put it out." Couple, Sacramento, California.

"When this month's PLAIN TRUTH arrived I was away on holiday with my children. My husband was able to read and understand the article 'What All Husbands Need To Know.' Although he has not said much, his actions are slowly and shyly confirming it. He is feeling his way back and finding us all there. Already he looks better, is much happier and I'm sure that soon he will be strong enough to finish the affair which nearly broke us and come back wholly and be a real husband and father and perhaps the partner that I married. I have hope now." Woman, Kent, England.

"I have really enjoyed reading the June issue of The PLAIN TRUTH and especially the article 'What All Husbands Need To Know.' It is a splendid article, rich in knowledge and understanding and beautifully explained. A wise husband will study and apply these laws and convince

himself whether they work or not. If any woman finds a husband with the good qualities you mentioned, I'll assure you that she will treasure his companionship like a precious jewel." Woman, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

X "Lately my parents have been getting The PLAIN TRUTH, but sometime we 'kids' don't even get to see it. It seems like they never get done with it. So I would like you to please send it to me." Boy, Spokane, Washington.

"I just started receiving your PLAIN TRUTH. I am an airline pilot and carry it with me on my flights and urge my crew to listen to your broadcasts and get your literature. Your programs are wonderful for agnostics, atheists (I was one until two years ago), and a blessing to Christians." Man, Palos Verdes Estates, California.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

X "This morning's radio broadcast by Garner Ted Armstrong, which I heard over radio station XERB, was a broadcast that I think should be repeated and put over the air as much as possible. (It was the first of the series on the 10 commandments.) I can't understand how in the world you do it. But there is ONLY ONE ANSWER, and that is-- it is only because GOD IS WITH YOU. If there is any way I can help you and your Ambassador College in your endeavor, there is nothing that would please me more than to know how, or what I could do to interest others. The average American, I am sorry to say, I'm afraid is MENTALLY LAZY, and WON'T READ. So many of them don't realize, or care that we are traveling the ROMAN ROAD at a terrific speed, and WE ARE DOOMED." Listener, Fillmore, California.

"Do you know that it never occurred to me to pray for The WORLD TOMORROW. It seemed to be so powerful and inevitably successful-- however I will." Co-worker, Lancaster, England.

"Recently I completed four semester hours studying ornithology, not accepting any evolutionary theories, however. Especially after the professor caught a certain lizard and called it the 'great ancestor' of all birds simply because it ran upon its hind legs. Memorizing the families and orders of birds, being able to identify them in the field and from skins, studying migrations, etc. are all I got from one semester. In two programs Mr. Armstrong gave me more practical knowledge than I received in class. Indeed it is a blessing to know that Godly wisdom gives one 'much' more than worldly wisdom. God is a practical God and He gives us wisdom with the ability to put knowledge to work. That is a blessing in itself. As you say 'being stupid doesn't hurt'--it's realizing that you have stupidity that hurts." Man, Weslaco, Texas.

"I listened to your broadcast on July 22nd and really enjoyed it. It was about the different theories of evolution, which are many and varied indeed (and none stay put for long). I have my own theory of evolution, which I believe you will agree with. It is as follows. 'The human race sprang from a hickory tree, and that is the reason we have so many nuts in high places.'" Man, Townsend, Montana.

"I listen to your broadcasting every day over WPIT. I sure enjoy your broadcast. Now I have my husband listening. He said they began talking about your broadcast at work one day, and he found out one of the men is getting The PLAIN TRUTH. So at noon this friend turned his radio on so both of them could listen. The dispatcher where they work told the friend to listen outside the building--he wasn't interested." Woman, Murrysville, Pennsylvania.

X "Thank you for not playing music on your broadcasts. I enjoy the old hymns and the great religious works of the classical composers, but this modern stuff that many religious broadcasters include in their programs rather turns my stomach. The music is insipid, the words are often meaningless and occasionally somewhat blasphemous. The anti-talent of the performers is matched only by the worst of the cat-fight-in-a-boiler-factory (rock and roll) performers." Man, Ukiah, California.

"I just had to stop and write a note to tell you how delighted I was to recognize the voice of Garner Ted Armstrong on our local radio station KSEI Pocatello, Idaho. We have not been able to receive The WORLD TOMORROW without radio interference before, and now there won't be the pressure and tension of missing a key phrase." Woman, Pocatello, Idaho.

"I went to sleep and left my radio on all night. When I woke up, I recalled hearing something about 'the Laws' or such. The trouble was, I thought I was dreaming. A week later the same thing happened, and I managed to wake up just as your address was being given. I called KMOR radio to be sure, and when they said you taped recordings of different messages that were played between 6:00 and 7:00 AM, I decided to get up the next day to hear it. After hearing it, I decided to write to you." Man, Salt Lake City, Utah.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS AND QUOTATIONS

"After my mother had asked me and asked me to read some of your booklets, I read '1975 In Prophecy' and it was so much the truth that it was frightening. I am only 14 and I may not have understood some things as thoroughly as I should, but I did understand a lot. I decided that God's way is really the best, and much better than going through all of the punishment and plagues to come." Girl, Somerville, Alabama.

"I have been going to write to you ever since I got your most welcome letter. However, this year on the farm we have had to contend with late frosts, storms, and an unusual amount of bugs. In general things have been most unpredictable." Woman, Frederic, Wisconsin.

"My parents are members of the Radio Church of God and have tried to teach me the truth about the Bible. Until now I have refused to listen. Recently, however, I have been shocked to see so many of the things they told me would happen take place. I know that my parents are right and I know that I must make a radical change and keep changing and repenting if I want to escape this sinfilled world. I am 17 and have recently graduated from high school." Young man, Anderson, California.

"I want to go to college (I'm thirteen), but today for kicks I picked up a popular teen magazine and boy, was I disgusted. Under the heading of 'Campus Choices,' I was shocked to find, as the favorite topics of conversation, 1) birth control, 2) sex, 3) marriage. Is this discussed at all colleges? Let me quote some rules for being a 'hep' freshman. '1. What people imagine is better than anything you can tell them. 2. Quit school at least three times before you're a junior. 3. Refuse to wear something, like underwear. 4. Discuss how you can tell about a girl's sex life by the way she dances. 5. Tell everyone you were married when you were fourteen, but that you're thinking of having it annulled. 6. Refuse to go to gym or chapel. 7. It's not how you play the game, it's whether you win or lose.' Junk like this nearly turns my stomach. I want a college education awfully bad, but not bad enough to lower my standards that much. (I want to be an interior decorator.) Tell me, isn't there a single campus in the entire United States that isn't polluted with this kind of filth?" Girl, Erlanger, Kentucky.

"While writing to you, I am also listening to hear the sounds of fire sirens. I know some insane person or persons has set fire to a building to touch off more trouble in this city of ours. It is awful. This really is not a race riot. It is Negroes who are destroying property. They are only hurting themselves. They are destroying places where they work, buy food, and have to live. It is bad when the governor has to send in the National Guard to protect people from themselves. P.S. I am a Negro, but I am ashamed of the way some of my people are acting." Woman, Cleveland, Ohio.

"I have searched the Scriptures but I have never found Germany or any of our modern nations mentioned in the Scriptures. What you say of Germany is untrue. You are sadly mistaken in abusing these people who have given so much to the world and to whom tragedy has come for no fault of their own. They are as peace loving as any people, and it is their wish to be left at peace by people like you--as it is their right to be. So please, unless you understand the German people, will you leave them at peace? I am German by descent. I and my best and dearest friends, the Germans, would appreciate it very much if you would stop abusing them and asking questions concerning the tragic event which ended in 1945. It is better forgotten, and many would be better off never knowing about this tragic event since there really is no explanation for it at all." Woman, San Diego, California.

COMMENTS ABOUT TITHING

"We received a check in the mail last Saturday which was a complete surprise to my husband and I. The amount was for \$1,285.16. The money represented my husband's share in his pension from a company that he had been laid-off from nearly two years ago. We had forgotten about it. So you can see we were thrilled and truly feel it was a blessing." Woman, Long Beach, California.

"After my operation I'm in an awfull tite. If ever you help anyone, can you help me? I owe \$150.00. I hafto pay all of it at one time and RIGHT NOW. I've been lessen to you for over 25 years now. I've never heard a man yet come up with a mynestery work like yours. My wife and I have been paying tyes every month that we had it to spare." Man, Oilton, Oklahoma.

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

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WEEKLY SUMMARY

We have been receiving a number of comments about crime and violence. Many of the comments have been about the eight nurses who were killed and the shootings in Austin. We are also receiving a number of comments about drought in the Middle West and northwestern part of the country. The response to the Co-worker letter reached its peak last Monday. As a result the percentage of increase in both letters and money has dropped considerably from last week.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"I am a guard at the North Dakota State Penitentiary. I have neither seen nor heard of your magazine until today when I noticed a copy lying on one of the desks. I picked up the magazine (July, 1966 issue) to page through it. I must admit that at first I had no intention of reading it, but then a couple of articles caught my eye and I read them. Before I knew it, I was reading the whole magazine. All I can say is it is simply great. Your wonderful magazine has answered many questions on the state of world affairs that were running through my mind." Man, Bismarck, North Dakota.

"I would like to subscribe to The PLAIN TRUTH. I am what most people would call a negro, but I know better than that. The Bible tells that I'm Hebrew, a black Jew descended from Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. If you know anything about what I'm talking about, need I say more?" Man, Gary, Indiana.

"Garner has said on The WORLD TOMORROW program that the Bible Story in The PLAIN TRUTH is for children from 1 to 100. I am not exactly sure of how to take that. I am 35 years old, and the Bible Story is the part I enjoy the most." Man, Seattle, Washington.

"In your PLAIN TRUTH (page 21), the Miss America contest never saw the day their women were this beautiful. Pages 22 and 23 are out of this world for physical surroundings. Pages 24 and 25 show what the Tulane University of New Orleans cannot compare with. I am an alumnus there. God has blessed you and I delight that He has. You have a way of saying 'Mrs. Armstrong was the nicest looking woman there,' but I say not only Mrs. Armstrong, but all these young ladies are your Miss America's of Ambassador College." Woman, Shreveport, Louisiana.

"I am a teenager (16) who has read, with some interest, your magazine. In fact, I have been reading The PLAIN TRUTH for some time. However, I cannot accept any longer any of the altruistic drivel offered by any denomination. The presence of denominations itself is a key to the totalitarianistic nature of the present Christian psyche. I seem to sense that Christianity, or any belief in a God, rather than being a comfort, is a crutch whereby individuals can forsake the acceptance of reality for a false faith, an ignorant stupor, and an opiate. To quote one of the Beatles, 'We're not Anti-Christ, just anti-Christian.' Therefore, I wish that my name be removed from The PLAIN TRUTH mailing list. So it must be until Judgment Day or rotting death." Boy, Stockton, California.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"I am deeply impressed with the latest series of The WORLD TOMORROW broadcasts on 'the Law and the Ten Commandments.' Boy! Am I ignorant in the ways of the ETERNAL." Co-worker, New York, New York.

"I am a senior in high school and I have been listening to The WORLD TOMORROW broadcast lately. The sermons on evolution have just been great. I am in summer school this year taking Physical Science and I have learned to question some of the theories in the book and to ask the teacher about certain ones. She has said many times in the last eight weeks that it had never occurred to her to question the book. So this is very positive proof that many teachers are not even aware of what they are teaching." Boy, Dublin, Georgia.

"Recently I listened to The WORLD TOMORROW over Radio Barbados, in which Garner Ted Armstrong spoke on the theory of evolution and the existence of God. In my opinion, the points put forward shattered the theory of the evolutionists and proved conclusively the existence of God. I would have thought that such a subject could be discussed only in complicated scientific language, but Ted presented his points so simply that the simplest of minds could have grasped his meaning." Man, Trinidad, West Indies.

"Perhaps it is a type of evolution in reverse, but Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong is 'making monkeys' out of the professional evolutionists with his logical and devastating radio discourses on this subject." Listener, San Diego, California.

"I have heard your sermons on 'Radio 390,' between 6:30 and 7:00 PM each evening, and believe me I really enjoy it very much. Obviously, you are no fool. Your sermons are really 'down to earth' jobs, and being in Holland I miss my Sunday sermons. Because I am a Catholic, I attend church on Sunday, but the sermons here are in Dutch, a language I do not know." Man, Amsterdam, Holland.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS AND QUOTATIONS

"Last week, I happened to be reviewing a December 1963 issue of The PLAIN TRUTH. After hearing about the brutal slaying of eight nurses in Chicago this sentence on page 45 stuck in my mind. I quote, 'There will be more "strange," unexplainable murders, rapes, and

sadistic attacks upon young children and other helpless victims.' Well, that very night on the news another horrible act took place in Texas. This article called 'Ten Reasons Why Christ Must Return' written over two and a half years ago is as true today as when it was written. Things are getting worse everyday. I pray for God's soon coming intervention in human affairs." Member, Baltimore, Maryland.

"I am twelve years old and am participating in the eighth grade at a junior high school here in Milwaukee. I am now looking ahead as to where I will go for a college education. Over the past year I have been listening to your broadcast and reading The PLAIN TRUTH. I have found them to be a worthwhile help. They have pointed to Ambassador College as a possible future choice. The recent pictures in The PLAIN TRUTH have confronted me with the fact that Ambassador College provides the cultural environment I enjoy and consider a necessity for better study habits. The main reason I have written is to inquire if you have the facilities to handle what I would like to take. The major subject would be Geophysics or Oceanography. The reason I am interested in taking these subjects is that I would like to know more about the world we live on before going into outer space." Boy, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

"Awhile back in one of your co-worker letters, you asked for money (which I had just sent), and for us to please pray for more co-workers. I'll just mention that I did pray and also fasted for 37½ hours." Woman, Belmont, New Hampshire.

"Just a few lines to tell you of conditions around this area. In the beginning of the season the rain was more than enough. In fact, there was so much the fields of wheat across from us had to be burned off because they had rotted. Now we have no rain, and the corn and soybean crops are lost. While riding last night, my husband and I saw the pathetic attempts of the farmers to irrigate. Some of the soil looks like dust and is almost white. The field behind our home is overrun with grasshoppers. I sat and watched two of them eat the bush by our steps. I have never seen this before. We have mosquitoes, flies, beetles, and crickets as never before. I give God thanks that He has blessed us with the knowledge of why these things are happening." Woman, Milford, Delaware.

"Here in the Carolinas and Virginia, hundreds of acres have dried up with not an ear of corn on the stalk. The gardens are almost gone. Little tomatoes sell for 55 and 65 cents per pound when they are usually 10 cents per pound. Furthermore, many people are sick and North Carolina has requested \$7 million more for the mentally disturbed. More babies are dead or deformed at birth. What a rotten mess! The pastors wouldn't dare tell the people what is wrong even if they knew, for fear of losing their jobs." Man, North Carolina.

"In this rapidly closing summer season, as last year, in this part of the state we have only had .70 inch of rain since mid-June. Early in June we had a few small half-inch showers following a series of floods in April. Cattle and goats are rapidly getting to the point of needing additional rations to keep their weight up, as the grass is all dry now, and has not grown for a month or more. On the average,

cattle prices have not been as good as last year, and of course expenses are much higher. Last year cottonseed meal was around \$70.00 a ton, but now it is about \$100.00 a ton." Co-worker, Kendalia, Texas.

"I am interested in why we are having drought for five years. I live in the fruit belt, and farmers blame cloud seeding for not having rain. I tell some it is not so. I explained your articles in the magazine and said 'check your Bible.' But some won't believe. They have publicly threatened to shoot down airplanes." Man, Williamson, Pennsylvania.

"We have 'raised' our children as well as the dog from the Child Rearing book and it works for both. We have recently moved into the city and the noises make our dog bark unnecessarily at times. We started to apply sharp punishment with the word 'no' after the spanking to the dog. It took many trips out to the doghouse, sometimes early in the morning, but we did not despair or give up. Now our trips are shorter. We only go to the porch or window and say the word 'no' sharply, and the dog shuts up. We have had comments on our children's behavior as well as the dog's. So God's law does apply to man and beast. It is a blessing to be called out of this world." Couple, McKeesport, Pennsylvania.

"I was a prisoner of war in Germany. There I saw many pray for help who later denied there was a God. These same people are now attending church Sundays. They won't talk about Christ during the week. They say that belongs in church. One minister asked me to join his church. I said, 'How many Christians do you have in your church?' 'They are all good Christians,' he said. I thought a minute and said, 'Let me put it this way. It's Sunday morning, your people all present, when in marches armed men who tell your people as they march out the door, 'go to the right, deny God and live, or to the left and be machine-gunned to death.' How many would go to the left? How many Christians do you have now?' 'I guess not any,' he answered. He said that was too hard a test to put anyone through. A small group of us captured bomber crewmen were told by the Germans we would be shot as spies if we did not answer their questions. We would have accepted death rather than talk, and only had our self-respect to lose. So I know which way I would go, for now I have so few years left to lose and everything to gain." Man, Longview, Washington.

"God has truly blessed me from the first moment I began to listen to The WORLD TOMORROW program. After I made the first loan, the blessings have come rolling in until it seems I could never ask for more. Let me tell you of just a few. Within two months I was able to purchase the first brand new automobile I had ever owned. I have inherited a home completely furnished and money besides. Our whole Ohio district has been blessed with the start of the Youngstown church (only 17 miles from my home) and the fine ministers who are over us, also the weekly Bible Study and Spokesman Club. These are only a few of the many blessings, for God has healed me many times, given me help in every need, strengthened and comforted me in every possible way." Member, Warren, Ohio.

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August 19, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

As of Thursday it appears that our percentage of increase in both money and letters will be a few points below the level of last week. We are receiving a very favorable response to the article "Don't Store Up Large Quantities of Food." The members appreciate the fact that this was corrected and say it is just another proof that this is God's Church. We are already receiving some requests for the enlarged booklet "The United States and the British Commonwealth in Prophecy."

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"I must also thank you for your wonderful magazine. I was a bit skeptical about getting anything for free, but your word is good. We read about things in the daily papers, but never before have I realized the real condition in this world of ours. Prophecies are certainly being fulfilled. I never realized that the drought in Australia was so severe. Your pictures really tell the story. I have been sitting here studying the faces of the Russians on the front cover with De Gaulle. How horrible they look. Those students from some of our colleges and universities--what a contrast to those who attend Ambassador College. The pictures in your magazine are nice enough to frame." Woman, Los Angeles, California.

"The July PLAIN TRUTH is really amazing. When we first started receiving it, we never dreamed to see it transformed into a thing of beauty. Now, after two years of getting it, it's a double pleasure to pick up and read. When I read 'Genesis vs Geology' by Dr. Hoeh and came to the abrupt end, I was so disappointed. 'To be continued'! I thought, 'Oh, no!' A month seems a long time to wait to finish an article." Woman, Pontiac, Michigan.

"I'm a junior in high school, and when I finish I would like to go to college. I have been interested in your work since I've read The PLAIN TRUTH. My parents have been receiving The PLAIN TRUTH for years and they have enjoyed helping in their small way to keep the radio broadcast on the air. My grandparents and my great-grandparents have also enjoyed reading The PLAIN TRUTH for many years, and enjoy listening to the broadcasts." Girl, Cedar Falls, Iowa.

"A word of appreciation for The PLAIN TRUTH, which I now have been receiving and reading from cover to cover for several months. This is the finest periodical production anywhere, and the contents are absolutely priceless in their scope and vision. History, prophecy and theology, all under one cover and in language so plain and simple that no one has an excuse to misunderstand. How different from the usual magazines from other theological sources, written in such a maze of confusing language that one might suspect the writer is trying to mislead the reader or he is wallowing in confusion himself. Also the color in the July number is without peer. You have made great strides these last six months." Man, Iola, Wisconsin.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"I listen to The WORLD TOMORROW every day over Radio Station KWKH. I have learned more Bible truth in the last six months than I learned in the last 72½ years. I can understand the Bible now as easily as I could understand the newspaper. I am sending you my tithe and sure do wish I were near you or Ted Armstrong. I'd talk you to death." Woman, Shreveport, Louisiana.

"I just happened to turn to your station tonight, and believe me, I was surprised to find that they are still allowing intelligent people to comment and discuss the real problems on the radio. In fact I'm so excited about it I can't even write sensibly." Listener, Whittier, California.

"I hope this broadcast can always be continued because it is changing my mind from a doubtful one to a mind that can see there could have been no other way except God. I am only seventeen and now it is hard not to follow the crowd, but Mr. Armstrong is showing me that restraint on earth means a future in Heaven." Boy, Jacksonville, Florida.

"I have listened to you for six months now over KRKD. I enjoy listening to you because you pull no punches, you speak straight from the shoulder about the news and the human nature of people. You talk about people the way they wouldn't even talk to themselves because they want to live in a make-believe world. I know for I am one of these people." Man, Colton, California.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS AND QUOTATIONS

"Will you please send me the necessary loan forms to make a loan to God's Work. I am eleven years old and have some money put away for college that would be better used now to help spread the Gospel." Boy, Banner Springs, Kansas.

"I am a 13-year-old in the eighth grade. My grandmother from Texas is visiting us here, and she is in your Church. I have read some in your Bible Story books and would like very much to own a set of them. My grandmother said if I would write and ask you, you would send them to me if you had them on hand. Some of my cousins have them, and I think they are the most wonderful Bible Story books I

have ever read. If it isn't asking too much, would you please send them to me? Oh yes, I enjoy coloring them too. You would be surprised how beautiful they are after we color them. We take great pains coloring them." Girl, El Granada, California.

"The news in recent days has been terrible hasn't it? It seems that things have gotten a lot worse all at once. The weather hasn't been good at all. We have been getting some rain to ease the drought but I don't think it has done all that much good. We need a lot more rain. The crops I have seen when out riding in my car don't look too good." Man, Highland Park, Illinois.

"In our area we have had two heavy rains in July totaling over seven inches. The ground was dry and hard and there was much run-off. Many nearby counties have been declared disaster areas because of the drought. Milk production has been dropping, but with very little price increase." Co-worker, Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

"We had a terrible hail yesterday right in this area where we live and also up a canyon near here. The hail stones were golf-ball size and smaller. It took nearly all leaves from the trees and flattened all the other crops. Our garden was beautiful yesterday morning, but very sad now." Couple, Rancho de Taos, New Mexico.

"I am over 80 years old and have been married 60 years to the same woman. God blessed me with a good woman. Some say married life is 50-50. I say if the man and wife are Christians, it is 100% each." Man, Mount Sterling, Illinois.

"The article written by Mr. Dale L. Schurter was one to cause us to think seriously upon what is soon coming. 'PREPARE FOR FAMINE!' We learned several things we can use in keeping food. Then the next article written by yourself and Garner Ted proved two things to us. By correcting the mistake we know this is God's Church, and also we were shown we can easily be in error if we do not keep in God's Power. We must pray, study, and fast about this so we can see the message God has for us. This misunderstanding about the article written has shown us we MUST study more. The time is short and we must be sure we are understanding the message God has for us, by the power of the Holy Spirit. These two articles have been a prod to me. Thank you VERY MUCH. I surely did need this lesson." Woman, Tracy, California.

"I am presently enrolled at Cal Poly, Pomona. I am studying the philosophy of religion and my instructor is trying to prove that 'the proof of God can not be sufficiently demonstrated' by our modern clergy. He is not attempting to teach the 'God is dead theory,' but he challenges anyone to offer non-contradictory statements, written or vocal, to prove God's existence. Please send me your pamphlet 'Seven Proofs God Exists.'" Man, Pomona, California.

"With all my heart and soul I believe if God doesn't soon come to this present evil world it won't last much longer. My race is carrying a chip on its shoulder and just any little thing sets them off to destroy. My race is black and they are talking about 'Black Power.' May the Lord have mercy on them." Co-worker, Huntington, West Virginia.

"You mentioned something in your letter about having to tighten our belts. I have found that out lately the way prices go up. I do think of you because I know what an enormous Belt you have to tug at." Co-worker, San Diego, California.

"I am amazed at the results of taking God at His word. It does make one stand in awe or fear. My father-in-law said recently that I had changed so much that he couldn't understand me. I was so dumfounded by the statement that I replied, 'Thanks for noticing the change. For 51 years of my life I have been receiving the curses-- now I have decided I want the blessings.'" Man, Sylacauga, Alabama.

"I had thought I would not send my Statement of Intention card back because I found it impossible to keep up with all my first, second, and third tithes. So I set it aside and almost forgot about it. Then a couple of weeks ago the subject was brought up after Sabbath services when a member said he was sending in a small amount. (I don't remember exactly what it was, but 50 cents or \$1.00 per week.) I thought that little wouldn't count, but then I began to figure it out. 15,000 members times 50 cents per week would be \$7,500.00 per week or \$390.00 per year. Or \$780.00 a year at \$1.00 per week. I'm sure many members are not aware of how much their little 50 cents to to \$1.00 offering would mean to God's Work. Since I now know, here is my first dollar." Man, Saint Ann, Missouri.

"I am on the staff at the Bexar County District Attorney's office and the everyday occurrences known to this one county alone are enough to curdle the blood. Only the most bizarre happenings hit the papers; therefore the people are not always aware of the rapes, knife cases, incest, etc., which are constantly occurring. I listen to your morning programs on KMAC on my way to a day filled with violence or the results thereof." Woman, San Antonio, Texas.

COMMENTS ABOUT TITHING

"This has been our third tithe year, and so many blessings have been given to us that it is really stunning. There just isn't room enough to list all our physical blessings alone on this page. I wish I could talk to everyone who feels apprehensive about paying third tithe. At first it seemed our faith was tried, but just at the last day God would deliver--in a big way." Members, Sacramento, California.

"Please accept this tithe. It is from a bonus I just received from my employer. I have been employed at the job for five years and never before have I received a bonus in the middle of the summer. On top of that I received a raise starting July 1. We have also received free complete camping equipment for my family through my employer. We have received many other blessings since attending God's church. This is only our first year of tithing. God's way certainly pays dividends." Man, Santa Barbara, California.

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August 26, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

Even though it is getting toward the last of the month the mail situation looks better than it did last week, both in letters and money. The white mail has shown good improvement also. Last week we had 6,257 white letters and this week the count should go up to at least 7,100. This is the first time the white mail count has gone above 7000 since the third week in April. There is a very fine response coming in regarding the latest "Personal" and the picture of Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"Please accept my personal thanks to you for the beautiful picture of you and Mrs. Armstrong in the August PLAIN TRUTH. I have never before cut anything out of The PLAIN TRUTH magazine, but this picture is too lovely to remain in a closed up magazine, to be filed away for future reference. Therefore, I cut it out to be framed and enjoyed. Thank you so much for it and I know all of your readers will love and treasure it too." Woman, Medicine Lodge, Kansas.

★ "I have before me a picture of two fine people. The man looks very strong and his partner so gentle and loving. They both have an honesty and openness that surely is sincere. To me, even though I only know them through their works, I would say this is one couple God certainly made no mistakes with. Mr. and Mrs. Herbert W. Armstrong look as if they 'offset' each other and compliment each other. May God give you many more years to continue doing and spreading His word and may He bless you both for the work you have done." Woman, Birmingham, Alabama.

"The magazine is positively beautiful. Like some others, I miss your autobiography articles. Are we going to get them again? My friend will receive this last copy slightly mutilated — I shall cut out your photo and keep it; it will be an inspiration to me." Woman, San Diego, California.

"I really enjoyed the pictures that were taken in all those places that Christ preached. This magazine hit home on many prophecies. It is too great for me to explain fully. But this is a magazine I'll always review. Some of us will never walk on that ground alive but we can review these pictures that show where you once stood and preached the gospel of the Kingdom." Woman, Fort Worth, Texas.

"We especially like the beautiful picture of the girl graduates from Ambassador College at Pasadena in The PLAIN TRUTH. It makes our hearts rejoice to see such fine looking people who must really be Christians--you certainly can tell by their faces they must be Christians." Woman, Orient, Iowa.

X "I am sending you these tithes. I read a letter in The PLAIN TRUTH that a man had a bad accident on his job because he had stopped paying his tithes. It made me stop and think I had not paid anything since January, so I checked over my bills for this month and found I can pay my tithes this month. It will take all I have after I pay the bills, but thank the Lord I can pay all my bills and tithes." Woman, Carthage, Texas.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"I am a science teacher who, without looking into the Bible, has some ideas about what God is and how we should live accordingly. I have attended very few church services since I have never felt that their God is my God. Their God won't accept you unless you go to their church--what an un-Christian God. On the suggestion of a friend I listened to one of your broadcasts (on station WLW), and have been listening ever since. Your idea that God can be found by logic rather than faith appeals to my scientific nature. Naturally I don't agree with much of what you say, but I can't argue with good logic. I would appreciate it very much if you could send me more information in the form of your booklets." Man, Palatine, Illinois.

"Your son, Garner Ted Armstrong, does an excellent job on The WORLD TOMORROW radio broadcast, which I hear regularly over station WLW. The series on evolution was simply great! Please include some of those radio manuscripts in The PLAIN TRUTH's current series on evolution. Even better, print them in booklet form." Man, Rock Hill, South Carolina.

"Quite by chance this evening, a turn of the radio dial brought me into your broadcast. The subject was what is happening to England and America. Every now and then I would think the speaker was Paul Harvey, but he didn't sound exactly like Mr. Harvey and his program was of longer duration. At the end, I discovered The WORLD TOMORROW and that I was listening to WACE in Chicopee, Massachusetts. The station signed off just then with 'My Country 'Tis of Thee.' I was very much impressed with your program and with the station." Listener, Newington, Connecticut.

"I am greatly impressed by your 7:00 AM talks, they certainly make the day for me. I shall miss your talks if 390 is taken off the air. I hope Broadcasting House goes up in smoke if they take Radio 390 off the air so I cannot listen to your talks." Listener, Sussex, England.

"It amazes me how you know so much about so many things besides knowing all about God. You speak fluently on so many subjects: biology, entomology, etc., and how the different species of birds have the in-bred knowledge of how to earn themselves a living--like the

woodpecker knows that by boring into a tree trunk he gets his. Well, you described it all so vividly I plainly saw that woodpecker digging like mad for his grub; I could hardly listen for laughing. Please send me the booklet 'Why Were You Born?' as I've often wondered why I was and who cared. Your offer of a book explaining the mystery is gratefully acknowledged." Lady, Glasgow, England.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS AND QUOTATIONS

X "Every Monday at noon our daughter walks the south mall from the Music Building towards the tower of the University of Texas to go to eat her lunch. But on Monday, August 1, she went early to her part-time job addressing cards and therefore was at work when the firing started. We thank God for her deliverance." Members, Austin, Texas.

X "There is quite a controversy on some things. We have read the booklet that calls you a false prophet, etc. I think it is horrible. How a so-called man of God can write about another and find no scriptural basis for it, I cannot conceive. My husband and I took your writings and checked with the scriptures, you are sure right. Our eyes have been opened about a lot of things." Couple, Columbia, Indiana.

X "I came into God's Church about a year ago, and my husband was converted a few months ago. We have four children--ages 17, 14, 12, and 7. My three youngest children accepted this as their way of life, but my 17-year-old daughter (who was 16 when I came into the Church) was engaged to a 17-year-old boy. That was her goal--she thought of nothing else and made poor grades in school. We moved away from that city but she still wrote to that boy, and was just waiting until the day she would become 18 years old so she could get married. We sent her to summer camp in Minnesota this summer. When she came back she was completely changed. She doesn't write to the boy now, and her goal is the Kingdom of God. She gets up at 5:30 AM to pray and study for an hour, and then works hard all day. When she speaks of the changes that have come over some of the other girls who were at camp, it brings tears of joy and thankfulness for this part of God's Work. It truly is a miracle the way God changes these young people in just a few weeks." Member, Big Sandy, Texas.

"I have seen that many of the teachings of the Baptist church are pagan, so after much study, prayer and meditation, last Sunday I denounced my Baptist faith. Where should I go to church now? Your ministry is the only one I have ever heard that speaks the whole truth, and I would like to attend a church that will teach me these things and not have to worry about my children learning falsehoods." Woman, Fort Worth, Texas.

"I never remember it being so dry here so early in the season. In the forty-six years I've been here I never had such a poor garden. Nothing gets enough moisture and we don't waste a drop. This year we never had any lettuce, radishes, chard or beets and very few beans... our corn is fifteen inches high and out in tassel. We are not milking our cows regularly and other people tell us that their cows aren't

milking well on such dry pasture. We haven't bought any water yet (others have) but our ponds are very low." Woman, Southern Ontario.

"I have been out of work now since July 8 due to the airline strike. I work for T.W.A., one of the struck airlines, and have been able to work only at some odd jobs. I pray that the airline strike will soon be settled so I can return to my regular job. Men who are in the I.A. of M. Union and on strike are collecting weekly benefits from the Union strike fund--approximately \$30.00 a week. Being a member of God's Church, I am not eligible to collect these weekly benefits. I cannot and will not picket." Man, Finleyville, Pennsylvania.

"I have just finished reading Herbert W. Armstrong and his WORLD TOMORROW, and I find it hard to believe this Noel Smith is really deceived. No one could twist scriptures, etc., without knowing what he is doing. It hurt me very much to see the things he said about you...and the disrespect for authority! After him referring to you as 'Armstrong' and 'Herb,' it just made me sick. I am just thankful every day that God did call you out of this world. We love you, sir, and we know one day this man and many more like him will fall down on their knees before you and ask forgiveness." Members, Asheville, North Carolina.

X "About a month ago I read in a Turkish newspaper that an article about 'Turkey in Prophecy' was published in your magazine The PLAIN TRUTH. This picture report was published in the June issue. I also read that your magazine is distributed in several countries (Australia, U.S.A., Germany, etc.) If possible please send me a copy of this magazine (of June) in the German language." Man, Kirikkale-Ank, Turkey.

Y "I asked for prayers that diabetes would return to normal. Well the June reading was 92 (90 to 120 is normal) and the July one was 92 when taken without breakfast. He had me eat in August before going, and it was only 102. They can't understand it. I am 76 years old and weigh 144½ pounds. I have no heart trouble or high blood pressure. The doctor said, 'you sure know how to take care of yourself--keep up what you are doing.'" Woman, Lancaster, California.

COMMENTS ABOUT TITHING

X "Here is the first tithe of my husband's check. I've been hoping and praying for a way to give financial help to God's Work. So, yesterday, my husband said, 'Here's a check. Pay the bills as you see fit.' And I thought, 'Whoopee!' It's amazing how far that tithed check went." Woman, Munroe Falls, Ohio.

X "We keep very close track of every penny we spend. Therefore, we had the paycheck of yesterday budgeted to the last cent. Yet we came up with a surplus after we had all of our bills paid. We checked our figures over and over and the surplus remains. Enclosed, then, is our regular tithe plus a tithe on this unexpected but very much appreciated blessing." Man, Hamilton, Ohio.

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September 2, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

The overall letter and money count held up quite well through the end of the month even though there was a little drop from last week. We finished the month with a 29% increase in money and an 11% increase in letters. For the year through August we have a 20.6% increase in money for mail receipts and an 8.4% increase in letters. Returns to the latest Co-worker letter started to come in Wednesday. We are continuing to receive many comments about the picture of Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong, and well wishes on their anniversary.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"We enjoy every word of your magazine. You are the only ministers who go all over the world to prove prophecy -- that I know of -- and we are always anxious to read the next PLAIN TRUTH. When anything important happens, like De Gaulle visiting Russia, and many other things happening, we expect to read about it in your PLAIN TRUTH." Lady, Wichita, Kansas.

X "I write to associate myself with a letter in the June issue of your paper written from Ghana. I, with the other colleagues condemned the article ('The Rhodesian Crisis,' December issue of The PLAIN TRUTH). Personally I thought The PLAIN TRUTH was indulging in international politics in general, and summarised the attitude of The PLAIN TRUTH in regard to the article as unwarranted interference in our internal political affairs in particular. Current events in Ghana with the subsequent commission of enquiries have proved you right. You were prophetic! I am now convinced that the true Christian must know what is going on around him so that he may orient himself -- using the word of God as his yardstick. Accept my sincere apology." Man, Ivory Coast, Africa.

"Many thanks for the copy of your magazine The PLAIN TRUTH -- I could not put it down! I never expected to find so much current news in a 'religious' magazine, as most other religious periodicals are often as dry as dust. How you are able to supply this publication free of cost is really marvellous." Man, Sussex, England.

"Thank you for The PLAIN TRUTH; it's very enlightening. I've noticed some things mentioned in The PLAIN TRUTH have, at later dates, been mentioned in various news media. As a matter of curiosity, do certain news events evolve from similar sources or does The PLAIN TRUTH rely solely and exclusively on its own sources? I have also noticed an unequivocal parallel in PLAIN TRUTH prophecy and 'news media' predictions. How may I 'faithfully' ascertain what is occurring?" Man, Miamisburg, Ohio.

"I received the August PLAIN TRUTH. I cannot express enough thanks -- it was so full of truth and real help in so many ways. I was so pleased to find the photo of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Armstrong and enjoyed hearing about their 49th wedding anniversary. I have heard said that how we live shows in our face. I believe that more than ever now when I look at their photo and can see peace and happiness there. God bless them." Lady, Lancaster, Wisconsin.

"I enjoyed seeing the picture of Mrs. Armstrong and you. You are a very lovely and good-looking couple. Your picture denotes everything you have ever written about your happy married life. It denotes love, happiness and contentment and everything to make a happy 49 years of married bliss. May God bless you both with many, many more happy wedding anniversaries." Lady, San Mateo, California.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

X "I must tell you how much impressed I am to hear your programmes of The WORLD TOMORROW on Radio London. I am a student of science myself, reading for a Physics degree. I am very impressed by your logical and most scientific arguments, especially on the topic of evolution! You are one of the few broad-minded people I have heard. Most would spend a lot of time singing church songs or music of some sort on the programme, whereas you get down to brass tacks and alert people to the dangers of the future." Man, Portsmouth, England.

X "I heard your program over KFOX, and I heard your opinions on the other religions of the world as incorporated into a discussion of the first of the Ten Commandments. It seems to me that a Buddhist would have feelings just as strong as would anyone else who worshipped multi-armed, pot-bellied or carved idols, or lion skins, or Jesus. At the tender age of 16 I can see nothing in any religion but a big fairy tale. Please show me that the Christian religion is the one if there is one that is right. I would like to take advantage of the articles you offered free of charge." Teenage boy, Garden Grove, California.

"I have been listening to your program for several years. At first I listened just because you seemed to have a 'gift for gab.' But as time went by your 'gab' made 'sense' and then now it is the 'gospel truth.'" Man, Springfield, Tennessee.

"Preceding this letter, I listened to your program tonight concerning God's law in regard to the tithes. This was most certainly a truly inspiring message. I'm convinced this is truly a living law. I have been blessed beyond the realm of imagination since I have begun to send God's tithe to The WORLD TOMORROW. Some of my best friends

have openly criticized me to my face for sending money to you. However, it is a blessing to me in one way, because I know God has chosen me to help finance His great work. They criticize me for not putting it to work in a local church." Man, Garland, Texas.

X "As a police officer who is thoroughly disgusted with the human race, I can still take comfort in the fact that a straightforward, no-nonsense program like yours can still be heard." Man, Hawarden, Iowa.

"I am a police officer from Chicago. While traveling through Oklahoma the other night on our vacation, I turned on the car radio for the news and instead caught your talk. I never turn on the car radio except for news because I believe it distracts one from driving. Your talk was an exception. I was astounded at how you hit the nail on the head on all counts (possibly because they coincide with my viewpoints)." Policeman, Chicago, Illinois.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS

X "The truth in your booklets from the Bible cannot be broken. A minister in a 'church' I recently attended preached a sermon on Christ's resurrection. He had previously read the booklet 'The Resurrection Was Not on Sunday.' This poor minister, in an effort to disprove what the Bible plainly states, created more confusion than he was able to disentangle himself from. When we were leaving the building I asked him when Christ was crucified and he said he did not know. He said Mark 16:9 was enough proof for him. But believe me, some people he has been deceiving are beginning to see the light through your work. Thank you so very much." Man, Kilgore, Texas.

"I received Lesson One in your Bible Correspondence Course, and I have never in my life read anything so interesting or exciting before. I have been trying for years to fathom the Bible and here it is finally opened to me. I thank God for you and this Bible Course. Please send Lesson Two as soon as possible." Lady, Philadelphia, Pa.

X "I am a Catholic priest from Lebanon, and pastor here. I am a doctor in theology on Canon Law from Rome. All my training looks to me better understood when I hear you or read your publications. Could you kindly tell me if I can help financially in your work. I would be so glad to contribute to your expenses. I am also planning to translate somehow in Arabic your publications for the benefit of the populations of the Near East; of course, without any personal profit. Could you give any suggestions in the matter? I pray for you all and your beautiful work. For some Sundays, I shall announce your broadcast to my congregation." Roman Catholic priest, Brockton, Massachusetts.

"From reading your semi-annual letter, I see that you try to offer a free gift occasionally to readers, like your book on 'The New Morality.' Frankly, I have shied away from accepting them. But your 'New Morality' book has intrigued me. I find myself wondering what it has to say. So please send me GOD SPEAKS OUT on 'The New Morality,' and also The BIBLE STORY, Volumes I, IV, and V." Ohio.

"I have a granddaughter who is 21 years old and is getting married the 17th of September. I would like a copy of 'The Ten Commandments' to give her along with her wedding gift. I am sure 'The Ten Commandments' will be far greater than any other gift she will get, because I am one who knows if you break those commandments you must pay for doing it." Lady, St. Louis, Missouri.

X "The reason for my writing is because I would like to get a church of your belief started back here in the foothills of the Appalachians, near the little town of Grundy, Virginia. I don't know the name of your church but who cares as long as the 'Plain Truth' is taught?" Man, Slate, Virginia.

"I have just received my first lesson in your Bible Correspondence Course and I have never before in my life experienced anything like it. It is the first religious knowledge that I have been able to believe in at first reading without demanding further proof. Although I was brought up in the Roman Catholic faith I could never really understand the significance of the Bible -- in fact, I thought it was completely irrelevant to today's modern way of life, but now I see how stupid I am I cannot wait for my second lesson to begin. I would also like to comment on your PLAIN TRUTH which is so sensational and true that at times I want to bury my head back in the sand and forget everything that you say, but that solves nothing, so please continue to send me it." Man, Belfast, Northern Ireland.

X "Who says the Bible prophesies the future? You criticize other people's hypotheses, but who is to say your interpretation of the 2,000-year-old Story Book is right? Most of the stories in the Old Testament are stories which have been handed down from generation to generation, but in your interpretations you never allow for the fact that they must have been altered while getting passed down. You seem to be setting yourself up as the sole authority on God and Jesus on earth. Can it be that all we other Christians are wrong and only you can see the truth?" Man, Lancashire, England.

X "A wonderful thing happened to us last week. We were very low on money and did not know which way to turn. We had prayed for God to help us with our problem. The very next day we received a phone call from our bank saying that my wife had \$80.00 in an account which she had before we were married. Also the same week I received a raise in pay. It truly does pay to tithe and leave your problem in God's hands." Man, Haysville, Kansas.

COMMENTS ABOUT HEALING

"My wife and I have both been healed of many afflictions by the laying on of hands and anointing by God's ministers by anointed cloths. I was healed of an enlarged heart and kidney trouble." Calif.

"My eleven-year-old daughter was exceptionally sick one evening for about an hour, then God healed her. She slept good; the next morning she was all right, though a little pale." Woman, Ind.

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

September 9, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

The over-all mail is quite encouraging this week even though we had a couple of low days. The money increase is considerably above thirty percent and the letter increase is holding at about thirty percent. There has been a good response to The GOOD NEWS article asking the members to send in excess second tithe now. We are continuing to receive requests daily asking for the revised edition of the booklet "The United States and British Commonwealth in Prophecy."

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"My husband and I have often discussed tithing, but never did anything about it. A few weeks ago we were explaining tithing to our two boys and suggested that they give 10% of their allowance to God. But, this we could hardly expect them to follow through because we weren't practicing what we were preaching. When we received the August issue of The PLAIN TRUTH and read the article on 'Curing Your Financial Problems' that cured us -- enclosed is our 10%. Now we can teach our children how to tithe." Couple, Pflugerville, Texas.

"I have never tithed; I guess I thought I couldn't 'afford to.' We always gave to our church, but never a tenth. I'm sending your WORLD of TOMORROW a part of what we started to save out of our paycheck. We'll try the Lord's way as we should. I'm learning so much by reading your PLAIN TRUTH; it is one magazine that you cannot 'skim' through. And your Bible Course -- I am just a beginner in learning and studying the Bible. Your course -- well, all I can say is thank you for giving me a chance to learn." Lady, Nevada, Ohio.

"Several months ago my wife brought home a copy of The PLAIN TRUTH that she had borrowed from a friend. I sat down and read it and for the first time in my life I found an approach to the Word of God that I felt I could accept and believe. I could write several pages and say thousands of words but they would all boil down to a very warm 'Thank you' for The PLAIN TRUTH ABOUT GOD. My wife and I would like to make our tithe to God through you." Couple, Anaheim, Calif.

"I received my August PLAIN TRUTH this last Wednesday but before it was delivered to me it looked as if it was read by at least a half dozen people. The pages were bent and worn-out looking, so I took my wife's iron and pressed them out flat. Whoever is so keenly interested I hope he took down the address and requests his own copy." Man, Phoenix, Arizona.

"I would be obliged if you would not send me any more of your literature, that is, The PLAIN TRUTH, or any other propaganda. Had I known before the identity of your heretical movement I should never have listened to your programmes or read your literature. I am a 'CHRISTIAN.' My friends and I have discussed this matter and I have been very strongly advised to stop receiving your literature. Many others like myself have learnt all about the so-called 'PLAIN TRUTH' you keep on about." Subscriber, London, England.

"After reading your article in July's edition of The PLAIN TRUTH on Ambassador College, I felt that I must write to inquire about more details concerning this subject. My wife and I are avid readers of your magazine and feel that we would like to know more about your college, concerning the possibilities of becoming students, etc. At the moment I am a divinity student of the Church of Scotland holding a temporary position as minister in this town. I have felt the great need of real Bible study and knowledge which is so lacking within the Church Training Scheme. Your college would seem to afford the answer to this great need." Man, Inverness-shire, United Kingdom.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"I have been listening to your broadcasts over WCKY in Cincinnati, and I have enjoyed Mr. Armstrong's refreshing views on evolution. Whereas I may not agree with all of his opinions, I am greatly relieved to find that there are other views on this subject besides those of the classroom. It greatly bothers me that so many young Americans are seeing only the 'scientific' view. I for one have found that the scientific approach is often baffled by the intangible forces that exist, and can do nothing to teach me how to live with myself and others. As a bewildered college student, I thank you for opening new paths for me to God and the esthetic values of life." Man, Cincinnati, Ohio.

"I have just turned off my radio after listening to your evening broadcast. Incidentally, your broadcasts have completely revolutionised my life; each day I find myself looking forward to the evening and your broadcasts. I am a Roman Catholic, but your talks light up one's heart, and for the first time I am learning to read the Bible and have joined your Bible Correspondence Class." Roman Catholic lady, Liverpool, England.

"This country has been overrun in recent years by the influx of erroneous doctrines from America, and because of this I rarely listen to any programme introduced by an American voice. But this programme is different in that it has the hallmark of rock-bottom truth, and presents facts that can be verified instead of theories which often can not! I look forward to hearing from you." Lady, Luton, United Kingdom.

"When the government does away with the pirate radio broadcasting, does this mean that you will no longer be able to broadcast, or will you be able to use B.B.C.? I think it would be a great pity if you were no longer allowed to broadcast and I have signed a petition protesting against the unfair attitude of the government." Listener, Suffolk, England.

"I was deeply moved by the recent broadcasts recorded in Palestine, Turkey, Italy and Gibraltar, as I served 25 years in the British Army and was stationed in Palestine, India, Andaman Islands, Burma and the Suez Canal Zone. I have also visited Aden, Malta and Gibraltar, and realise more than most how we have had our blessings of possessions and 'gates' taken from us. In many cases we have literally thrown away our heritage. It is only just over four short years since I finished in the Army and I well remember the time when I could walk by myself in uniform in the cities of India -- and walk without fear -- not so now." Man, Yorkshire, England.

"Last night I was running the radio dial looking for a ball game when I ran into your program on WLAC. Although I did not get the beginning, what I did hear really met with my approval and I thought if possible, I would like to use this message at our brotherhood meeting the last of this month. I am not too smart, but I can surely see the conditions of our own country as well as England and the other nations of the world. I can see what will surely befall us if we continue in our present way of life." Man, New Albany, Indiana.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS

"After receiving your article on 'Your Marriage Can Be Happy,' I asked my husband to sit down and read it. He asked me to read and I did. I feel that we've accomplished something at least; I'm going to try and I hope my husband will, too. Regardless, I will. We started by my quitting my job. I gave my two weeks' notice that night. Already I feel more like a woman; for the first time in our marriage my husband makes all the decisions with me -- no longer just each of us pulling against each other." Lady, Long Beach, California.

"The picture of you and Mrs. Armstrong was a really good one. When I read your praise of your wife and also Garner Ted, I cannot help but shed a tear, as I have been married 35 years and my husband has never told me he loves me -- guess he does. I may never know. I have learned to live with it, perhaps not quite understanding." Lady, Lufkin, Texas.

"I should be pleased if you would enroll me in your Bible Correspondence Course. I wish to tell you, though, that I am not a Christian (and the chance that I ever shall be is very, very slim), but a Jew. For many years I have struggled with religion; I have Bibles of every kind and description in my library -- I even have the Quran and the Book of Mormon -- I fell away from God. Finally I reached the conclusion that I never had any real quarrel with God, but with man, and what he has made of God, what he has done to corrupt religions so that now they (not only now, but for centuries) are a divisive, hurtful force. You know history. You know what abominable miseries

man has brought upon man in the name of religion and God. If, under these circumstances, you WILL enroll me in your Bible Correspondence Course, and continue to send me your excellent PLAIN TRUTH, I can promise you nothing but that I shall be a most interested and eager reader and student, and it shall please me to receive your literature." Jewish man, Coon Rapids, Minnesota.

"I have misplaced the pledge card of intentions for the Building Fund. At the time I received the card I didn't think I could afford it at this present time, but after hearing the co-worker's comment of how much 50¢ to \$1.00 counts up, I realize that the \$10.00 that I can spare will help the work. It's hard to realize that such a small amount can add up to the amount required for such a great work." Man, Kent, Ohio.

COMMENTS ABOUT TITHING

"Enclosed is \$26.25 from the sale of a part of my honey crop. My money is so short that last fall I said that I would give half of what I sold to the work. This spring things came my way which I never thought would be possible, and I made three times more honey than last year. So instead of half, I am giving all. As I sell the honey, I will send the money to headquarters." Man, Suffolk, Virginia.

"Enclosed is some tithe money. My wife started paying it and I can see an increase in our income. I wanted to get out of debt first, then pay tithes, but things did not turn out that way. I have decided that without the help of God and Christ we will never be free and I do mean free indeed. So we have asked God to be our partner and business manager. Please pray for us and our business." Couple, Alabama.

COMMENTS ABOUT HEALING

"Some time ago we wrote you asking that you pray for my wife's healing -- she was suffering from awful pains in her side and stomach. We have been trusting our healing to the Lord and we believed He would heal. You sent her the anointed cloth and when it arrived she did as you instructed and, thanks to God, she was healed at once and has not felt a pain since. We just continue to thank God for we know He will heal all our ailments if we put our trust in Him and obey Him. We thank you also, for it was through your prayer we were healed." Couple, Crawfordville, Florida.

"We are going to have a new baby in two to three weeks. With my last pregnancy there was quite a bit of trouble with toxemia and uremic poisoning. I was anointed this time and there has been no sign of anything wrong. This is also the first time I've been able to walk in the last month without pain-killing drugs, because of the way the babies rest on a nerve to my leg. It's quite painful; even so, the drugs only worked part of the time. So you can see 'our cup runneth over' and we are so thankful." Lady, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

September 16, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

We are having to write this summary in the middle of the week because of the Feast of Trumpets. As of Wednesday we had an encouraging 39% increase in money. The letter increase stood at 21%. The article "How to Cure Your Financial Problems" was quite effective. We have received numerous comments from people who have said they are going to begin to tithe since reading the article. There has been a very good response for the combination of literature, "The Ten Commandments," "The Seven Laws of Success," and "The Seven Laws of Radiant Health," announced in the article "How to Quit Making Mistakes."

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"I don't know how to thank you enough. La PURE VERITE has become my best friend. I want to understand today's events in the light of the Gospel, and your magazine has answered questions that troubled me for a long time. I know that many people disagree with you, but that does not matter to me. Many here in the Congo are asking whether you are a religious sect or not, and whether you are Protestant, Catholic, or atheist. What matters is that you are giving people a new life." Editor, The KIKONGO-KITUBA Monthly, Leopoldville, The Congo.

"I have to admit that you print a splendid magazine. The covers which have been in color for some time are just perfect. Yet my minister says that there is great danger that you could teach false doctrine and I might be led astray. So please discontinue sending your magazine to me." Man, Reynolds, Indiana.

"I just received the September PLAIN TRUTH and while I was reading the 'Personal from the Editor' I felt so ashamed for not writing you and giving thanks for the book you wrote on GOD SPEAKS OUT on 'The New Morality.' This truly is one of the most wonderful and beneficial books that has ever been placed on our library shelf. Please accept my belated thanks and know that I think of and pray for you and Mrs. Armstrong and the Work of God, although I may neglect writing as I should." Lady, Bellevue, Wash.

"Today is the first time I have ever seen your publication and I would like to say right now that I don't think you really know what the heck you are talking about. In the March, 1966, issue you printed

an article on what you call 'The Beat Generation.' Well, sir, I am a member of that so-called Generation. I am 21 years of age and proud of it and I do like the music that is popular now and was popular during my Mother and Dad's time. I greatly respect my mother and father. How can you who do not live in that generation judge it? 'Judge not lest ye be judged,' said Jesus. I would like to see the answer to this if you dare print one. Thank you for your sincere time and effort. P.S. Other than that article, I really enjoyed reading your publication." Young man, San Francisco, California.

"I read several articles from your PLAIN TRUTH, thinking I was reading a current issue. The articles reflected the happenings I had recently read in the newspaper, but I found the magazine was three years old. I'm very anxious to read the new issues." Lady, Lynchburg, Virginia.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"I've been listening to you off and on for about five years now. I don't agree with you; however, I think I should at least read your literature in order to fairly evaluate your position. Thank you in advance for the material. I will gladly read it with as open a mind as I can, which means non-critically, looking for the sensibility of your beliefs rather than the insensibility of them. I am eager to be proven wrong and dissuaded from my ignorant and agnostic views." Man, Spenard, Alaska.

"This evening I saw the 3½ hour program on NBC entitled 'Organized Crime in the United States.' At the end, the announcer said that public apathy and general moral laxness are largely responsible for this 47 billion dollar illegal business in America. Then, I heard The WORLD TOMORROW program in which you spoke of the calamities that are soon to fall on our country and the world. I was faced with the truth that Jesus Christ did indeed mean our generation in the Olivet prophecies." Man, West Lafayette, Indiana.

"Following your Sunday evening program from WLW, Cincinnati, there is a program on Station WERE called 'The Pastor's Study' and the Pastor answers questions from whoever wants to call in. It is interesting to hear that many of the listeners call in and quote different things from your program. One woman from Cleveland said she finds that The PLAIN TRUTH has helped her life immensely and feels she would be lost without it even though her friends criticize her for reading it. I thought this would interest you." Lady, Lakewood, Ohio.

"I have been listening to The WORLD TOMORROW for about two years. The true Gospel was so different from what I had always heard (not proven) that I set out to disprove Mr. Armstrong. In trying to prove him wrong, I proved him to be absolutely accurate. I am on Lesson 8 of the Correspondence Course and I have studied many of the free booklets and I am amazed at how God's plan is so practical and easy to understand. Thanks for showing me the way to the truth." Man, Douglas, Georgia.

"I also listen to your daily radio program; I wish you would be from time to time on T.V. I do not believe in God, or that there is a

God. My 3½ years in the First World War made me believe He was a make-up. How can God the Almighty look on all those killings from the air -- horrible concentration camps, thousands of young men drowned like rats (Bismarck, Hood)? How can one believe when high religious churchmen bless warships, tanks, and soldiers to kill, instead of follow the Bible? I give up." Man, St. Petersburg, Florida.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS

"I would just like to comment on your organization. You are obviously the most prominent opposition to the development of life through genetic and nucleic variation in the United States, and perhaps the world. Your viewpoints show considerable original thinking. And whether or not it is correct is immaterial in the light of the good moral effects it has on the general public. And your taunts and jeers (although rather unmannerly) help to spur the scientists on to amass stronger and better proofs. There's nothing like an argument to stimulate one's mind. So far I've been able to counter all your arguments, but keep the ideas flowing; they are quite intriguing and show considerable thought." College man, Caldwell, Idaho.

"I am looking to see if you are right in prophesying that the Germans are coming over here to bring us into bondage. If that really comes to pass, I will believe you are a true prophet." Man, Glen Moore, Pennsylvania.

"Today I had quite a thrilling surprise. My neighbor, who has two young boys, came over and asked me to let her read your marvelous book GOD SPEAKS OUT on 'The New Morality,' as she has read part of it in the one she had gotten at the library. She said it was something she must read and study to help her boys understand. I gave her my copy to keep, so would you please send me another copy?" Lady, Indiana.

"Contrary to what you say, the Bible is a contemptible book that does not fulfill its promises. Most people who believe in it -- priests, ministers, monks, missionaries, the Salvation Army, religious fanatics -- are hopeless. Truly, the real meaning of the Bible has escaped us." Man, Switzerland.

"Is your movement known in Paris? Where do you assemble? I heard about Le MONDE A VENIR through an Adventist magazine. According to the article, you believe in soul-sleeping, in the imminent return of Christ, in Sabbath-keeping (Saturday), and you condemn medicine and throw doubt on the doctrine of the trinity by rejecting the personality of the Holy Spirit. All this intrigues me because I have some similar non-conformist ideas." Man, Paris, France.

"...I am a local preacher at a Methodist Church, and one of the things I have learned is to collect valuable materials for topical messages. I pray daily that you may keep up your doctrine in this age of change and strife for yours is a rich ministry, and you have the prayers of many." Methodist minister, Willingboro, New Jersey.

"I am 13 years old and I go to junior high. In our school, we have so much cheating that you undoubtedly cannot trust your best friend.

On mid-term exams, for instance, girls write the answers on their legs and boys write on their desks. All I can say is, 'It sure isn't a school of honesty.' I don't believe in cheating because the Bible says 'Thou shalt not steal.' And isn't that what they're doing -- stealing the answers out of the textbook? The teachers think it is a school of knowledge. They call cheating knowledge? Only they don't know of the cheating that goes on. Very few kids have ever been caught while doing this and the teachers seem to think there's one in every crowd. But if they only knew!!! Do you have any free, good literature based on 'Why Kids Want to Cheat in School,' or 'Cheating,' or 'The Dishonesty in Cheating?' If you do I would gladly appreciate it if you would send me some." Thirteen-year-old, Iowa Park, Texas.

"The article by Mr. Charles F. Hunting, 'Are You Qualified for Eternal Life--Now?' sure put the fear of God in me. I can truthfully say that to be honest--I am not qualified. I am praying that it is not too late to get started now." Woman, Pullman, Washington.

COMMENTS ABOUT TITHING

"Enclosed find \$130.00 as an offering that we were saving toward a new top for our '51 Ford convertible. It is broken around the back so that it flops in the wind. Money saved from odd jobs this summer was going to replace the top before traveling to Texas and chancing hard wind and rain with no garage as shelter. However, God controls the weather and we are co-workers with Christ." Members, Ulman, Missouri.

"Tithing does pay. I'm not rolling in money, in fact after paying tithes and my bills, I don't have a lot left. But for the first time I can help regularly with God's Work. I can pay my own way to the Feast for the first time, and also have better health now and am able to work. I hope to make better wages in the future so that I can do more to help finance this Work. But in the mean time I am truly counting my blessings and thanking God for them, and thank Him daily for you." Woman, Oregon City, Oregon.

"After hearing The WORLD TOMORROW regarding tithes, and reading the article 'Curing Your Financial Problems' in the August PLAIN TRUTH; also proving it in my own Bible, I made a promise to God on August 12, 1966 that regardless of how much I need the money for myself and family, I would send you 10 percent of my gross income every month. My income is not stable, therefore the amounts will vary from month to month. So I am enclosing herewith a money-order check in the amount of \$14.00 for the \$140.00 gross earned since making my promise to God. I had never realized that tithing was one of God's living laws, and thought of it only for those who could afford it." Co-worker, Warwick, Rhode Island.

"When I received your letter concerning the Building Fund, I thought about it very seriously. So I donated the next 10 cents an hour raise I received to the Building Fund. Six weeks later or so I received another 10 cents an hour raise, thereby proving once again that it pays to tithe." Member, Santa Clara, California.

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

September 23, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

As of Thursday the percentage of increase in money was 26%. This is down from the 41% increase we had Friday a week ago. Through Thursday we had a 20% increase in letters compared to 28% last week. We are getting comments from people saying how much they have been helped by the book "GOD SPEAKS OUT on the New Morality." Many are saying they are ashamed they didn't write and tell Mr. Armstrong this sooner. The money for the building fund fell below what was expected last month and it appears this month will be even lower yet.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"I want to say further I enjoyed part two of the article 'Grim Dilemma of Government' in the August issue of The PLAIN TRUTH. It was interesting to learn of the growing number of nations, and that sixty new nations have been created on the face of this earth since August, 1945. I also enjoyed the map of Africa with its emerging nations and dates of independence--very interesting indeed. I am looking forward to the next issue and part three about how world government will work." Woman, Bottineau, North Dakota.

"In the Library here today I read a copy of your magazine and as a result I would appreciate it very much if you could send me a copy of each issue." (First result of The PLAIN TRUTH placed in the English Public Libraries.) Man, Rossendale, Lancashire, England.

"May I ask you to send me also this magazine because I find it very interesting and it is advised by our teacher." Boy, Antwerp, Belgium.

"I have just been reading The PLAIN TRUTH and the 'Personal from the Editor', and I have heard a lot about 'The New Morality.' If you have a copy would you kindly send me one. Maybe it will be useful to my teen-age daughter. Thank you, and God bless you." Woman, Long Beach, California.

"After reading your August magazine we have decided to tithe. I have been taking the magazine to the laundromat after we have read them and I notice they always disappear. Of course--that's the idea. I hope in this way The PLAIN TRUTH will help others who would never otherwise know about your magazine." Co-worker, Cedar Lake, Indiana.

"After reading your 'Personal from the Editor' in the September PLAIN TRUTH, I realize that I have never written you a personal letter to thank you for the way you have been used to change my whole life. This is my eighth year in God's Church and I have just retired this year from my position as secretary to an insurance executive. I don't like to think about what it would be like to be retired and not know the truth. It would be a dull life indeed! I have read your wonderful book 'God Speaks Out on the New Morality' twice and was thrilled to learn the truth that God had revealed to you in chapters 8, 9 and 10. I am sorry it has taken me so long to write and tell you." Woman, Chicago, Illinois.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"Your current programs concerning the drought are very informative. We live in the Northeastern corner of Indiana. We have never had a drought such as this before. We did have a very high yield of wheat per acre. But much of the corn has not eared. There is no pasture for the cattle and the farmers are chopping the corn and feeding it to the cattle. Some of the fields that do have ears of corn have been nearly half destroyed by the blackbirds or coonas. We have had very little sub-soil moisture for five years. We have had two and a half months of hot sunny weather--usually with two or three weeks without rain. Then when it does rain, it is in streaks and usually lasts no longer than half an hour. We thank God every morning for the heavy dew. We use the organic method for our garden and mulch the vegetables. Then with the heavy dew we do have food." Co-workers, Albion, Indiana.

"Recently I had a firsthand experience of what I have heard you speak about on your program. I saw what was the result of a murder and it was one of the most traumatic of all human experiences. I am stationed on a marine base as a corpsman or medic, and I see firsthand some of the results of violence. Hardly a week goes by when I do not see or hear of some incident which gets sickening at times." Man, Quantico, Virginia.

"I am 18 years old and tonight I came in from my usual routine of going out on the town. I turned on the radio to find some good music, but instead I listened to WLW in Cincinnati. The program was called 'The WORLD TOMORROW.' I have had a great many good experiences while serving in the army, including meeting my fiance in Germany. However, I feel that I have fallen away from practices in Christianity. I feel that the booklets brought to my attention on this program might help me. Please send me your entire selection of booklets and pamphlets." Man, Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

"For over a month now I have listened to your programmes either during the morning or evening--sometimes both--whilst driving or commuting. I suppose, like most people, I have heard them all--Billy Graham, you name them, but apart from being impressed by their oratory and sincerity, envious of their talents and goals in life, I have felt nothing of what they themselves feel, at least nothing that lasted longer than the programme. You--well, you have made me write my very first letter to anyone or any organisation remotely connected with

radio, T.V., or the newspapers. I have always considered people who write in this sort of way as some sort of 'nuts'--so, I've joined the 'nuts.'" Man, Essex, England.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS

"I am anxiously awaiting my first Feast of Tabernacles, and Mr. Royer's article sure makes me realize that I must be extra careful to have the correct attitude." Woman, San Pablo, California.

"May I say how much I enjoyed your book 'God Speaks Out on The New Morality.' It has certainly given me food for thought and made me more determined than ever to follow the path that God wants us to. I have started by being a better wife to my husband now that I know the right way to go about it. I only wish I had the chance to read your books years ago. What a lot of unhappiness we could have avoided." Woman, Scotland.

"I have just finished your book 'God Speaks Out on The New Morality.' I really don't think I could have read it at a better time, for I am just entering college. With my father's consent, I am giving it to my girl friend of 12 years. I think she will agree whole heartedly with your book, and I know I do. One major reason is that we are both joked at a lot for our moral beliefs, and it is really great to hear someone say that we've been right from the start and just about everyone else is wrong. Thank you for writing such a book!" Student, Fullerton, California.

"I would like to receive your booklet on child rearing (I passed it around to some of my friends whom I thought needed some help from another source). You'd be surprised at some of the comments I received. Personally, I agree wholeheartedly with you. Some say I'm old-fashioned, but there are some things that never grow out of date, such as rearing children, and the Bible." Woman, Ramah, New Mexico.

"One of the members of my congregation has highly recommended your publication 'The New Morality.' I would be pleased to receive a copy from you to investigate what you have to say." Minister, Des Moines, Iowa.

"I just received The GOOD NEWS today and was very much impressed by the articles. It was so interesting I could not lay it down. I especially enjoyed the article, 'Are You Qualified For Eternal Life--Now?' and 'What is Genuine Humility?' was also wonderful. Thank you very much for The GOOD NEWS." Woman, Bottineau, North Dakota.

"The article in The GOOD NEWS by Mr. Hunting on being ready for eternal life NOW frankly shook me more than I care to admit. I'd better re-read it daily. There is too much that I just haven't overcome yet. I want to be positive." Man, Portland, Oregon.

"You know one letter read at services woke me up to what I was doing wrong in regard to the Building Fund. One man had written to acknowledge recognition of the same fault in himself when another member had said he was sending 50 cents or \$1.00 a week for the Building Fund. Figuring that 50 cents a week for every member totals quite a

the Bible, but if I had had the advantage of your books and your son's broadcasts I could have incorporated them into my lectures to my classes since I always taught high school age." Woman, Pottsville, Pennsylvania.

"I wish to say that I was healed of an appendicitis this last Sabbath day. I am so happy and thankful that God has love and mercy for His children. Now I can say that I have more desire to serve and give as I am able and wish I could do more financially for the Work." Man, Bell Gardens, California.

COMMENTS ABOUT TITHING

"Last week when I sent in my tithe it seemed so very small, so I took some money I was going to buy groceries with to make the tithe a little larger. Well, I'm not short on food because of it. I never had so much food on hand in my life this past week. A cousin of my husband stopped by with melons, squash, and cucumbers (some of which were already made up and canned). The list is so long, I won't take your time, but we also got \$50.00 to put on a new rug. So now I can send this extra offering to be used where it is needed most. My prayers are for you all." Woman, Durand, Wisconsin.

"I am only 13 and this is the first time I've tithed. Already I've been blessed. Just this afternoon I was cleaning up and I found a nickle and a few pennies. This first tithe is only twenty cents and I've been saving for a few months now, but it's a tenth of what I have. I've asked my father for a booklet on marking your Bible and all he had was one that didn't go into much detail. Could you please send me a pamphlet on how to mark your Bible? Thank you." Girl, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

COMMENTS ABOUT CANADA TOURS

"I had the most wonderful event happen to me and my sister and that was meeting with one of God's ministers in the person of Mr. Carn Catherwood. This man is truly gifted with the Spirit of God. There was not one question pertaining to the Word of God that he did not shed light on. His answers were pure and straight-forward, right from the heart. There were no 'I assume,' 'We think' answers. There was no going around a question, he struck directly at the root of the questions. His answers were positive and bore fruit, they were not just empty words. Never have we met a man so gifted in the works of God. The things relating to the coming Kingdom and the purpose of our being here on this earth is the most wonderful news a person could ever hope for. To think that we too will become as Christ some day is beyond our wildest imaginations." Man, St. John, New Brunswick.

"Thank you sincerely, sir, for sending your representative, Mr. Wilson, out to Mud River where we live, to baptize us. We are very grateful to be baptized into God's true Church and pray daily that we may grow in grace and knowledge with the help of God's Holy Spirit." Members, Near Prince George, British Columbia.

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

October 14, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

We are receiving many comments as a result of the article "The Questions Evolution Can't Answer." The PLAIN TRUTH readers are not only saying how much they appreciate the article but many are relating their personal experiences with animals, or are asking for articles on certain animals. There have been requests for articles on animals ranging from the "American Opposum" to the "Bombardier Beetle." We are also receiving many good comments about the Feast of Tabernacles at all four sites in the U.S.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"Although I'm only 15 years old I still receive two copies of your magazine monthly. I find them very helpful in my biology and history classes. The pictures and information are great and provide an excellent source of material for extra credit in high school. I have just finished reading your article on the earthquakes here in study hall. Although I find it very interesting, it is also a basis for alarm. For further information on these earthquakes, I would like you to send me the booklet 'Truth About Earthquakes.'" Girl, Holdingford, Minnesota.

X "The PLAIN TRUTH is the best magazine ever published (and we subscribe to 28 magazines)! Your literature has kept me from divorce, suicide, and nervous breakdown. Thank God for the wonderful work you are doing." Woman, Klamath Falls, Oregon.

X "Your article 'You Should Not Work for Money' was excellent. I have known this to be right for many years now and have proved it to myself in business. If I keep in mind and practice serving the needs of my customers to the best of my ability and be consistent with God's laws, good financial fruits result! It doesn't happen overnight, but with patience and faith it eventually does!" Man, Fenton, Michigan.

"The October, 1966 issue of The PLAIN TRUTH is the finest issue I have seen yet. (I have been receiving the magazine since 1964.) I'm a senior in high school and your magazine is a big help to me in my study of government. I just finished reading the article on evolution. It really made me stop and think and appreciate the wonder of God's creation. It's almost too good to be true that such a wonderful publication is absolutely free!" Co-worker, El Paso, Texas.

x "I have just finished the article on 'The Questions Evolution Can't Answer.' It was really interesting--what a lot of research went into this. I'll be looking forward to some more of these articles. They have been written with some really witty things in them, and I am one person who enjoys some humor. So many people don't have any joy in them, and I think it's very sad when they can find nothing to laugh at. I make it a point every day to really laugh, even at myself." Woman, Brownsville, Oregon.

"I have just finished reading your article on the woodpecker and the Archer fish. I really enjoyed it. Mr. Armstrong, there is an animal or fowl I would like for you to explain in your magazine, The PLAIN TRUTH. That is the duck-billed platypus. I have heard many stories about it. I have heard it was evolving from one thing to another." Woman, Fort Worth, Texas.

"I really enjoy the October issue of The PLAIN TRUTH. I think your article 'The Questions Evolution Can't Answer!' is one of the best articles that has been in The PLAIN TRUTH. I think you should have a series of articles in the magazine on this subject to show God's love and wisdom, and to disprove evolution. Something that would really disprove evolution and that I would like to see in the magazine is an explanation of the honeybee." Reader, White Sands Missile Range, New Mexico.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"Tonight I happened to be sitting in my car waiting for my wife to finish an appointment with her doctor, and I was delighted to hear one of your broadcasts. It gives me much pleasure and satisfaction to know that at least one other person still believes in child discipline. I was beginning to wonder if I could be wrong, but after hearing your speech I am convinced that we are too lenient. You referred to Hell's Angels and it just so happened that I was sitting across the street from this same movie, and it seemed that there were as many adults going in to watch this trash as there were youngsters. I saw many mothers taking their youngsters. I guess the children had put pressure on dear old mom." Man, Charlotte, North Carolina.

"I'm in the U.S.N. and in Viet Nam right now. I haven't been home for quite some time and there are a lot of things I miss. One of them is listening to your program and reading The PLAIN TRUTH. I never really enjoyed listening to preachers or ministers on or off the radio, but my mother always listened to you. One day I was at home doing nothing so I listened with her. I was amazed by what you said and how much sense it made. From then on I was constantly by the radio waiting for your program and always read your literature. I would like to keep reading The PLAIN TRUTH, so would you please send me a copy." Man, Viet Nam.

"I used to listen to your programs at six-thirty in the mornings before going to work. Now since the time has been changed to twelve-thirty I can no longer listen to it. I listen to the programs on Sunday mornings, however, and was shocked to hear that today only one out of

every one hundred theologians believe that Jesus Christ is coming again to this earth." Man, Oakland, California.

"I must say that you are one of the few radio speakers that can capture my attention; my undivided attention, at that! I am but fourteen years, yet I am able to comprehend all that you say, because your statements are simplified. I speak so strongly of your program that seventy-five per cent of my class now listens to you; they really love your program." Boy, Houston, Texas.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS

"Brother Armstrong, I was shocked the other night while listening to Billy Graham. He said the gospel would not be good news if it said he had to keep the Ten Commandments. It is no wonder our people are in trouble when the so-called leading men of God say you don't have to keep His law. I thank God for you, that among all the confusion one voice still proclaims the truth." Woman, Hollister, Florida.

"Yesterday, in the kitchen, I picked up a paper--a paper that had come as a wrapping from the boutique. It was a page from the Ambassador College Correspondence Course. What I read in it was so interesting that I am desirous of reading the entire course, beginning from Lesson One. So I write this to request you to kindly post me the complete course of the Bible Lessons." Man, Mount Lavinia, Ceylon.

"I want to thank you for sending me the book GOD SPEAKS OUT on 'The New Morality.' I let a friend of mine read the book because she's getting married. I may have made a mistake, because she liked the book so much she let her husband-to-be read the book and now she tells me they argue about it, but I'm sure it will turn out well." Man, New York, New York.

"We have again experienced a tremendous blessing from God. With working oftentimes by contract in the carpenter business, one doesn't always receive a steady pay. But today the last day of working for awhile, my husband was given part of (or better than part of) the money he was supposed to finish the job for. The rest will be given to him when we return from the Feast of Tabernacles after the work is completed. We certainly do see God's miracles working with His people in the world today." Couple, Thurman, New York.

"I have just attended my first Feast of Tabernacles at Squaw Valley. It was really great! The fellowship with the brethren was tremendous. I'm already looking forward to next year's Feast. But I want to put into practice, by God's help, the sermons I heard in the meantime." Man, Whittier, California.

"I have just returned from the Feast of Tabernacles at Big Sandy, Texas. My first to keep, and it was wonderful. I feel like I have grown a foot taller spiritually speaking--how I did enjoy all of it. And you, Mr. Armstrong, with all of your humility brought tears to my eyes. I know you and Mrs. Armstrong have suffered greatly, but surely when you look out over the sea of people you can see your labor has not been in vain." Woman, St. Louis, Missouri.

"We wish to thank you for making it possible for us to attend the Feast of Tabernacles at Long Beach this year. It was the best Feast ever. An extra thanks for selecting our lodging at the Del Mar Hotel... The desk clerk at the Hotel Del Mar remarked to us it was a pleasure having the Church people there, hoping we will return next year. The manager of Brad's Cafe was so pleased with the Church group he asked us if we would return next year, too." Man, Fresno, California.

"We returned home safe from the Feast, and the best one I ever attended. I'm praying those good sermons I heard will stay with me in such a way I can better overcome my old self. Jekyll Island is a very beautiful place, and I think God loves beauty." Woman, Paducah, Kentucky.

"Thank you for having had special and earnest prayer for me, and my healing. I was so glad and happy to receive the cloth, and as soon as I got it I put it over my eyes and then over my heart for the healing of the eyes, and poor circulation. I feel and firmly believe God has healed my eyes and my poor circulation." Woman, Goshen, Indiana.

X "I have been studying the Bible for seven years, and I must admit that you give the most logical explanations I have ever read. Most denominations leave the important questions unsolved. Most ministers and priests say you cannot understand the Bible without having studied theology. But it is not so." Man, Aiseau, Belgium.

"I appreciate your method based on a quote from the Bible (I am referring to Matthew 10:8), but I'm sure that your magazine must cause you numerous expenses. I have told no one at the seminary that I receive your magazine since I fear that it might be misunderstood. However, this is my sincere way of being ecumenical and of rediscovering the Bible with you." Catholic Priest, Autun, France.

"Last night was superb--I don't know any words to describe the wonder of the performance given by the chorale and Big Sandy talent. I haven't laughed like that in years. Neither have I been so thrilled at any music such as given by the chorale. God has given us such beautiful young people. This was a wonderful night to look back on for years to come--and I'm sure, though I do not know how, that they will be even better next year. I hope we all are and I know we better be." Member, Gladewater, Texas.

COMMENTS ABOUT TITHING

"I sent you a mere 25 cents a week or two ago with a letter (I should say, a volume). Since I sent it I received my relief check with an unexpected raise of \$2.50, exactly 10 times what I sent you." Woman, Erie, Pennsylvania.

✓ "I want to tell you it surely does pay to pay your tithes. I sent in our first tithes and my husband received a raise. I started out paying \$5.00 a month. I didn't think I would ever be able to send more. Today I sent \$40.00. It is just beyond words what God has done for us." Woman, Baisden, West Virginia.

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

October 21, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

The percentages of increase in both letters and money improved over last week; however, we are still considerably below the 30% mark in both categories. There has been a very favorable response to the article "The Questions Evolution Can't Answer." The mule poses a question to a number and they have asked for information on it. We have received an unusual response to a recent Sunday program on water, air, and food pollution. Several people are requesting a copy of the program or literature on the subject.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"Thank you for my September PLAIN TRUTH. They are really getting better and better--if the 'Obituary of the British Empire' can be called better, but at least it is true. The display maps are quite enlightening. The British Prime Minister repeatedly warned that it is sheer laziness, as you say, that is the cause of our troubles. Britain is the Sick Man of Europe, true again; tighten our belts and work harder; right, some should. Well, I am sick and grieved at our plight, and I pray the Lord will open peoples' eyes before it is too late." Woman, Glamorganshire, United Kingdom.

"I have just received the September issue of The PLAIN TRUTH and being a British subject can not agree more with what Mr. Raymond F. McNair says in his article--very aptly put--as 'Britain--Sick Man of Europe.' My congratulations to Mr. McNair on his fine truthful articles." Woman, North Wales, United Kingdom.

"I have received my October issue of The PLAIN TRUTH. The pictures of the woodpecker and archer fish are just wonderful. They are so life-like, I feel like I could almost reach out and touch them. The articles on both are very interesting." Woman, Little Rock, Arkansas.

"In your article 'The Questions Evolution Can't Answer' in the October issue of The PLAIN TRUTH, you asked for stories of animal instinct, etc. Anyone ever observing a dog giving birth to her puppies will agree they really know what they are doing. We have had several dogs we have raised from puppies and had never seen a baby puppy to know they even existed. But each mother did precisely the same thing. When it was time for the puppies to be born, each found a place where she would have privacy and quietly had her puppies unaided. Each knew exactly how to take

each one as it was born and bite the sack and cord off of it and lick it dry and keep it right near her. Each knew to feed it at intervals regardless of her own needs. Not being taught how to give birth and tend to puppies, it had to be by animal instinct given by God at creation. Woman, Dallas, Texas.

"I want to tell you how much I appreciate the 'Personal from the Editor' column in the October PLAIN TRUTH. It came just when I needed it most. My husband and I have been having trouble because of my belief in this work, and you have shown me, through this column, what I have been doing wrong. I know now that my actions are much more important in helping him understand God's Way than all the talking I could ever do. Please pray that he may come to know the truth." Woman, Mathiston, Mississippi.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"After hearing you speak, over radio, I was determined to get more information and have now received my third issue of The PLAIN TRUTH. Your voice was so very sincere, inspiring and I was overwhelmed by it. I had given up my belief in God but thanks to you, I have regained it!" Woman, Baltimore, Maryland.

"On Sunday, October 9, on your program 'Food, Air, and Water,' we were very upset by something you said. You said that the very moment we were drinking water, that it was flushed down someone else's toilet a few days ago. It was a very impressive program all the way through. But, we are afraid to turn the radio on now, when we are eating, because at the time you said that we were eating supper. To date, I'm still unable to drink water." Farmer's Wife, Lancaster, California.

"Early this past summer we were riding in our car, when quite accidentally we happened upon The WORLD TOMORROW. I was greatly impressed, interested, and sent for The PLAIN TRUTH and various booklets. At first my husband was skeptical, but as summer wore on we found ourselves timing little evening rides to coincide with Garner Ted Armstrong's message. We became so well acquainted that we call your son 'Garner Ted.' No disrespect is intended; it's just a mutual feeling of personal warmth he engenders." Woman, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

"I have listened to your programs for several years. I had respect for your ability to talk, for the knowledge of the Bible and world news, but there was something lacking, and I had to attend the Feast of Tabernacles to find out. I found that I did not have love for you, the way I have now. I saw an entirely different man than I had pictured. I saw a man with love, mercy, and compassion for human beings. And you, Mr. Armstrong, through Christ created a deep love in me for you and the other ministers, and members of the Church of God. I began to realize I was in the right Church this time and I will not forget you and the other ministers and brethren in my prayers. God bless you more." Man, Mountain View, California.

"Your programs have a very splendid significance for me--you see, I am a probation and parole officer and since my formal training includes majors in sociology and psychology and minors in philosophy and theology,

your efforts are especially well-received. It struck me that, if available, our district offices would find your broadcasts (and written excerpts) invaluable in our rehabilitation work. Keep up the good work and please send The PLAIN TRUTH." Man, Roswell, New Mexico.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS

"I have read the write-up in the 'News of the World' and to show what I think of it here is an offering for the Feast of Tabernacles. That advert would have cost you a lot of money and you got it all for nothing. I don't believe it will do what is intended to do, but go forward with a leap." Woman, Kent, United Kingdom.

"Today I saw an article in the 'News of the World' about your organisation. I am a well-balanced person, and I always attempt to stand upon neutral ground in matters concerning myself and others. The article was heavily biased against you and the organisation. I can't reject the things you say. I cannot reject Bible prophecy. I realize money is needed for the work. I am afraid of being 'done.' It is human weakness. I will send contributions when I can. If you truly represent Christ, good will, peace and happiness, then this matter will be overcome. Time will tell.!" Man, North Wales, United Kingdom.

"About eight or nine months ago I was in very good financial condition, thanks to God, because I was tithing. Since then I stopped tithing and because I stopped, suddenly found myself in a terrible financial state. I had to hire a lawyer, which cost me quite a bit of money, and also found myself far behind my monthly installments. A few days ago I decided I had better start tithing again so I am sending ten percent of my earnings to you every week from now on. Just today I received a check for \$15.00 as a gift from my Dad because he thought I could use it. Mr. Armstrong, as the verse in Malachi states: God surely does bless the tither." Man, Schuylkill Haven, Pennsylvania.

"I am very fearful of our nation's future and have tried to safeguard myself, family and possessions as best I can. For the first time in my life I own firearms and have cut slots in my garage door so I can sweep the driveway with lead in case of attack. I also have lengths of chain secreted around the premises should I need them. Of course I have done the obvious--more flood lights and vigilance. Reading back the above, it sounds insane, but that's what I'm doing in this Land of the Free." Man, Los Angeles, California.

"Let me please write you this. I have done many foolish things in my life. But I asked God if there was a God to show me a miracle. He did, much to my shame and sorrow. I was hit with a lightning bolt or thunder ball. My feet and self suffered. I prayed for our Lord God Almighty to forgive me for asking for such. Even the concrete blocks were split only an inch away from my feet and body. I couldn't hear and was too stiff to move part of my body. I found out this much--don't ever doubt our Creator. I'm sure sorry I ever did." Woman, Vienna, Illinois.

"You are so right when you say miracles are unpredictable. In July of this year, my hot-water heater blew up totally. Right in the

same mail box, with a letter from you, I received my check from the insurance company. It was considerably more than I could have sold my house for, had the house not blown up. I'm sending the tithe and thanking God that no one was in that house when it blew up." Woman, Port Townsend, Washington.

"We have just returned from Squaw Valley, from a very inspiring meeting. This was our first Feast and we really feel we were 'out of this world.' The weather was ideal, the people so friendly, and the sermons more inspiring than we could have dreamed. Many of our ideas were changed and we can only pray that God will forgive us for our sins of selfishness and self-importance." Members, Point Roberts, Washington.

"I'm wondering what you may know of something I heard last week over XEMO, by Richard Cotton. I tuned in the middle, and have sent for that script #231--'RATIONING--AFTER ELECTION!'" Woman, Flagstaff, Arizona.

"I just returned from Jekyll Island Friday, and it seems that every Feast of Tabernacles seems to be the best one and I do think that is correct, because God's ministers seem to be inspired of God to give us the messages up to the minute. I believe that the ministers gave us more grave warnings than ever before or maybe it seems to me that way. I believe that is also correct because I am sure that God is warning us through His ministers more urgently as the end of this age comes closer and closer at every Feast." Member, Live Oak, Florida.

COMMENTS ABOUT HEALING

"Thank you for sending the anointed cloth. My back is better, so much so the doctor said he did not want to adjust the bones at this time. It would just irritate the condition. It was so much better that the adjustment wouldn't be necessary." Individual, Stow, Ohio.

"I re-read the booklet on healing again, before I used the cloth you sent me. I am grateful and happy to say that the pain and swelling in my left leg is gone. The knee is a little sore yet at times. Thank you so much for sending it." Woman, Richland, Missouri.

COMMENTS ABOUT TITHING

"I've got to tell you this--last week we had \$10 to our name and I took a dollar and sent it to you. Well, my husband had just started this job he is on and yesterday when he got his check he had been given a 20 cents per hour raise, above the other men's wages. Believe me, every time I think about it, I thank God. Enclosed is my tithe for this week." Woman, Cave Junction, Oregon.

"I am contributing about 50% of the amount I receive for my vegetables plus \$16.80 or \$35.00 weekly. I only wish I could contribute a week's salary instead of 10%." Man, Wilmington, Illinois.

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

October 28, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

We are continuing to receive a very good response to the October PLAIN TRUTH. The two articles getting the most comments are the "Personal from the Editor" and "The Questions Evolution Can't Answer." The number of subscribers being added to the mailing list for The PLAIN TRUTH has been quite high for the last week. The amount of white mail is also up compared to October 1965. As of Thursday it appears the percentage of increase in both letters and money from mail receipts will be just about the same as a week ago.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"As for The PLAIN TRUTH, I found the last issue the best. The color and pictures make for a high-grade product, but the content was of even greater import. First, do NOT proselytize members of one's family. This was so appropriate and reassuring. The archer fish and the woodpecker effected such a collapse of the theory of evolution. I had always felt the theory grossly faulty, but never having studied it, felt incompetent to attack it. Thank you for the ammunition and send a few more rounds in later editions." Reader, Salinas, California.

"Please cancel The PLAIN TRUTH you are sending to the address below. Though it may be a good magazine, it deals too much with the plain truth of too many things that I wouldn't care to know about. The only way I can help others is through prayer, and I hope my prayers do help those in need of which you write about." Woman, Marietta, Georgia.

"I wrote you a letter about a month ago and told you that I thought The PLAIN TRUTH was changing it's way of writing. I said it wasn't as powerful. Well I'm very sorry I said that Mr. Armstrong, after reading this October issue I can see that I've made a mistake. The PLAIN TRUTH for this month is the BEST one I've seen since 1964. I hope you didn't receive that letter I sent you. I feel very sorry I wrote it. Of course this shows that everyone should pray for The PLAIN TRUTH. God's Church should pray that God will INSPIRE the writers of this GREAT MAGAZINE. I will pray for the November issue." Man, Portland, Oregon.

"What a fabulous publication your PLAIN TRUTH has become. I subscribed several years ago, but it was nothing compared to the mag-

azine you are now printing. Being an editor of a weekly newspaper, I appreciate a good piece of literature. The PLAIN TRUTH has my vote for a magazine that is not only tops in editorial content, but also in its production and printing. It is fantastic the amount of material you pack into a single issue." Man, Winthrop Harbor, Illinois.

"Please stop sending me The PLAIN TRUTH (so-called). I am getting sick and tired of hearing you preach law, law, law, and prophecy, and more prophecy. These two subjects are all you ever talk about on the radio and in your magazine. You never, and I mean NEVER, mention the spiritual birth and the necessity of being born again. So, if you send me any more copies of your magazine, they will be thrown in the fire and certainly not be read!" Man, Trenton, Texas.

"The October PLAIN TRUTH came Saturday, and was the best yet. Every single article was so good and interesting and the editorial hit the nail right on the head. It described me (up to a couple of months ago) to a T--an overzealous fanatic! I've since learned (the hard way) that silence is really golden. I only found God last May, and did just what you said you did--tried to push this miracle (to me) on everyone I loved. I wanted it to happen to everyone, but I learned that some don't want it (I think because they don't know what it is--and never will till they find it themselves). Garner Ted Armstrong's article on evolution had me laughing out loud and getting funny looks from my spouse. I have not ever tried to convert him, by the way. He's a better person than I am." Woman, Eaton, Colorado.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"I am very sorry I cannot tell you what station I was listening to at the time. A tornado hit nearby and delt destruction and damage. The only reason I had the radio on was to see if we were to be struck next. I then heard the speaker on this date. Extend my thanks to him." Woman, Linn Creek, Missouri.

"Your programs have brought religion down to earth and not in the 'cloud 9' area like in so may other religious shows and programs." Man, La Crosse, Wisconsin.

"We hear and enjoy your program very much. Both my wife and I have had our lives changed through your preaching and exhorting us to study our Bibles. We are Negroes and had thought in times past that God had somehow overlooked all colored people in His many blessings. But now we know that He loves all men and we are truly grateful that He has called us into His great and awe-inspiring work." Listeners, Saint Louis, Missouri.

"I listen to The WORLD TOMORROW over KRLD, Dallas, and I think it is very interesting. I am a young college student, a freshman, and have encountered many new ideas since I finished high school. The most bizarre and weird thing is the overwhelming number of students who do not believe in the existence of God. Many do not believe He is just dead, they say He never even lived. Only last week, a fellow student told me that he did not believe in God. He said that man created God and not God created man. I really do not know exactly what to say to him, but

told him that I would enjoy talking more to him later. He wants scientific definitions of God, something to be put in test tubes. I do not believe God can be put in a test tube, but I sure would like to have your booklets on 'The Proof of the Bible,' and 'Does God Exist?'" Man, Denton, Texas.

"I have a problem sleeping due to nerves, and last night was one of the nights that I couldn't even go to sleep so I turned on the radio and listened to your program for the very first time. I am a Christian and am a member of an independent baptist church, 'with a small b,' and am interested in good reading material. Would you please send me your book 'Why So Many Denominations?'" Man, Meridian, Mississippi.

"Would you please send me a copy of the book 'Why Were You Born?' I may be only 10 years old but I heard your broadcast and I liked it. It was very interesting. You may be surprised why I would want this book. Our teacher is talking about the evolution of man, and I was wondering if you could give me some information on this topic. Even myself I do not believe that man came from a monkey. Thank you for your co-operation." Boy, Gerry, New York.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS

"I am 14 and in the ninth grade. I have been listening to your program for the past 3 years. My parents are Jewish, and they expect us (myself, and 5 younger brothers and sisters) to grow up as Jews too. We have not been to any Jewish groups for quite a while. My problem is this -- I have proved satisfactorily to myself that Jesus does exist. But I am afraid to mention this to my parents. The last time I started to bring this up (I had gone to church that night with one of my neighbors; we had just moved in), my mother mentioned sending me to a Hebrew Sunday School. I don't want this. I know I should tell them that I have given up the Jewish religion, but how?....Will prayers be answered if one is not following all the commandments? I do pray quite often before tests, and I think that they are answered. At least my average grade is 'A'." Jewish girl, Dallas, Texas.

"I was amazed to hear the statistics you quoted on increased crime. Out of all the prison population in the U.S.A., less than 1% of them are from the ranks of organized crime. That statistic places me among the remaining 99% of small-time criminals that do the Big Time. I was a criminal, not because I did not know right from wrong, but for the simple reason I was never taught the wisdom of doing right-- not until I came in contact with you, The PLAIN TRUTH, and the Bible Course. The convicts that have known me over the past eight years cannot understand the change in my attitude and outlook. They once considered me a choice accomplice in crime, but now I tell them to forget it because I will starve to death before I am ever willing to commit another crime. You stated that your program and literature were directed toward the unconverted sinner. I hope that in reading this letter you will see an example of just how successful your work is! I feel that God has forgiven me for my past record and perhaps in the wonderful world tomorrow, people will forgive, too." Prisoner, Columbus, Ohio.

"Oh, if only we didn't have to return to the city -- to this society -- this kind of government -- it was so wonderful to be away from it for two whole weeks during the Feast of Tabernacles. For a while I tried to forget completely how life is in the world, where here in Evansville, especially in the summer, our little son sees and hears so many things that we wish he could be spared of forever. Often we hear awful language from the 'elbow-close' neighbors. One day our son heard the woman next door in a crying, bellowing rage cursing, using God's name in vain, and slapping her two little girls! The children were crying as they scampered out the door with the 'mother' (?) yelling that she hoped she never saw their ugly little faces again. Our little Joey was observing it very closely, then he came to me and said, 'I love you, Mommy.' We plan to move out to the country soon -- but soon into 'The Wonderful World Tomorrow.'" Woman, Evansville, Indiana.

"Please send me your book 'Child Rearing,' recommended to me by Mr. Hinden of the Catholic Social Service." Woman, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

"Enclosed is the bill for the deposits of your members who stayed at Douglas'dale Lodge. This was my first year of meeting any members of the Radio Church of God, and I could not have wished for a nicer group of people. Thank you for sending some of your people to our lodge, and we look forward to further association with the Radio Church of God." Woman, Tahoe City, California.

"Last month I started tithes; I sent you \$3.00 to help toward your wonderful work. Today I won \$100.00 in cash -- I never expected such a big reward." Woman, Peru, Indiana.

"Because in a few areas the people choose to live on each others' doorsteps you call it a population explosion. You know there is no population explosion. Any child in the third or fourth grade can prove there is no population explosion nor, biologically speaking, can there ever be one." Man, Swan River, Minnesota.

COMMENTS ABOUT HEALING

"My son suffered a kidney failure. I have learned now by experience God's wonderful blessings and healing power. Every doctor that has seen my son's medical records has said no one can live in such a condition. My son not only goes to school full time but he's very active in school activities. I was told he could not possibly live more than 6 weeks. He was anointed. That 6 weeks stretched into 5 years. He's more active now than ever. Some agnostics might think his kidneys began to function again. But this cannot be so! His kidneys have rotted away!" Woman, Tacoma, Washington.

"Thank you for your cooperation in sending the healing cloth to me during my operation on my back. I'm writing to let you know that since using it as directed I'm up and will be reporting for work this coming Monday. You will be hearing from me more often, and as my pay increases the tithes for God will increase." Man, Cleveland, Ohio.

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

November 4th, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

The following are our percentages of increase for the year through October: money from mail receipts only - 20.8%, letters - 10.5%, white mail - 17.2%. The amount of money for the Property Fund dropped quite low last month. Returns to the latest Co-worker Letter are starting to come in quite well. We are receiving some requests for the booklet on the Millennium that Mr. Armstrong mentioned he was working on. We are still receiving a good response to the last "Personal from the Editor" and "The Questions Evolution Can't Answer."

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"My wife and I received The PLAIN TRUTH this month like we always do, we thumb through it and then go back over it and read it. This time, however, I started thumbing through it, looking at the interesting pictures, and almost split my sides laughing at the cartoon of the woodpecker. The cartoon was very good, but also it does point out the fact that it is different from other birds. It definitely shows me that there is a God who has created all that is." Man, Molson, Washington.

"I would like to compliment The PLAIN TRUTH. It really helps me in my school work. The other day we had a test on Britain and I knew most of the answers because I read The PLAIN TRUTH. I am 11 and in the sixth grade. My mother reads The PLAIN TRUTH. We go to the Tacoma Church. It is a real blessing to be in God's true Church." Girl, Shelton, Washington.

"I have now received my first copy of The PLAIN TRUTH and am in the process of perusing it with the greatest of interest. The two photographs of Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong in this issue brought about the same reaction for me as, I suppose, to many other readers and followers of your broadcasts: He doesn't look the way I expected him to look. He looks like a 'swinger.' Please excuse the expression. My mother says he's a 'swinger' in the Kingdom of God. I do agree." Girl, Honolulu, Hawaii.

"In your October issue of The PLAIN TRUTH, the 'Personal from the Editor,' it's no wonder I lost a wife and family. I sure wish you

would have printed it three years ago, because I made the mistake of telling my wife the plain truth. Now I have nothing left to look forward to but the World Tomorrow." Man, Sunman, Indiana.

"I believe that your magazine is one of the most revealing and honest magazines I have ever read. There is, however, one thing that I would like to know. Is it accidental (or am I mistaken) that all the members of your editorial staff are men. Usually a magazine has one or two women on the staff. I have a feeling that you are trying to say something???" Man, Artesia, New Mexico.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"The following stations are the ones I hear The WORLD TOMORROW on: WLAC, WSM, WCKY, WNOE, WOAI, KRLD, KTRH, KWKH, XEG, XELO, WBRC, and KAAY. The article by Mr. Ted Armstrong in the October PLAIN TRUTH was really good. I had never heard of the Archer fish, and even though I've seen woodpeckers all my life, I never knew anything about them, except they pecked holes in trees...All my life I've had pets, been around animals, and have observed their different instincts and ways. I have cats that like hamburger meat and one that doesn't. Even in animals as well as people the taste buds are different, and what caused this? I have dogs that like soap suds. I have cats that like lotion, perfume and deodorant when it is applied to the skin." Member, Vicksburg, Mississippi.

"When I first heard the broadcast years ago, I had imagined Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong as some long-necked, bespectacled and hysterical preacher. But after listening some more he became more interesting and then seeing his photo on one of the magazines I see he is a 'regular guy.'" Man, Seattle, Washington.

"I am 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ years old and I am writing in to tell you what I think of your programme on the wireless. Half the things you say are rubbish. You talk about people as though they are all juvenile delinquents (which they are not by a long way). You say things against people which you know are not true--it is just something to say. All you are doing is taking the micky out of Britain. She may be up the creek now, but she will find someone to get her out of it. We don't need your help." Girl, East Barnet, Hertfordshire, England.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS

"For some time I have been a diligent student of your Bible Course. As I studied I would read the lessons to some of the other residents in the building where I live. In the course of a meeting a lady belonging to a Roman Catholic congregation was mentioned. She often asked me about the meeting in my apartment, and I would answer her questions believing that she too was interested in Bible teachings. Such was not the case. One day I returned home from work and found in my apartment the lady and a priest who, while reading some prayers from a book, was sprinkling holy water (according to him) all over my home. This he said was to remove the demons. And this was not all. To my surprise my reference books, the lessons you had sent me, my booklets, and my Bible were no longer there." Man, Bogota, Columbia.

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"I just received 'The Seven Laws of Radiant Health.' I find it very good, I have been living close to it and know it. But there is one very important thing that you left out and that is goat milk. I have been drinking it for 35 years. I find it the most healthful food on earth. You just don't get sick when you drink it. I drink a half gallon a day and I am 79 and still going strong. I think you preachers should preach more goat milk and we would all have better health. You should read Proverbs 27:27. I was surprised when I didn't see goat milk in this booklet. Goat milk will cure TB in six months, in case you didn't know it. So it would be good if you would preach goat milk once in awhile." Man, Pleasant Grove, Arkansas.

"I wonder how scientists explain the old black cow that eats green grass and gives white milk that makes yellow butter?" Woman, Chattanooga, Tennessee.

"How pleased we were to find the number one Bible Story in our mail box. We have three young sons. Two were just coming home from school for lunch. I had to pull it out of their hands to get them to eat lunch, so as not to be late for school! How excited they were to look at the pictures. They are ages 7, 6, and 3. Now they have heard the story of Noah's ark many times, but the pictures really made the story come alive. Thank you again. It does a mother good to hear her children ask questions about God's plan!" Co-worker, Columbus, Ohio.

"A remarkable change has come about in the life of my 17-year-old son. He became involved in serious trouble last winter. But now, since he has been reading the wonderful literature you have been sending me, and reading the Bible with new understanding, he knows who he is, where he came from, and why he was born. On his last visit to the probation officer he was able to extract a promise from this officer to subscribe to The PLAIN TRUTH for the benefit of other misguided youngsters. On the basis of this interview, the probation officer recommended that Louis' probation be dismissed!" Man, Lakeside, Oregon.

"Now may I tell you how the GOD SPEAKS OUT on 'The New Morality' affected me? I was never so happy to be a woman. I have seven brothers and I sometimes resented being a girl. After reading your book and all your literature, I feel that there is a glow about me that everyone should be able to see. About a year ago I wrote for advice on converting my husband. Well, I was politely told to keep my mouth shut, and to pray to God. This year my husband is a convert and has even told me to send in our tithes! God does indeed answer prayer. Thank you so much." Woman, Luck, Wyoming.

"I am a 15-year-old who has spent six weeks of her summer to the fullness. What I mean is that I was among the children accepted to Imperial Summer Educational Program. I can't express my thanks to you as much as I wish I could but I can tell you that it really helped me. I not only learned to ski, swim, canoe, horseback ride, and shoot a gun, but I also learned how people will live in harmony in the Kingdom of God, and I can hardly wait. Sure the discipline was tough, but I enjoyed every minute of it! It is really an experience I hope more kids will take advantage of next year--I intend to!" Girl, Batavia, Ohio.

"Well, Mr. Armstrong, I didn't think I would ever want to write you. I must, however, since I was privileged to attend the Feast of Tabernacles while visiting my father in beautiful Squaw Valley. I was very impressed with your talk which you gave to teenagers (actually it was applicable to all walks of life), since I am still single and am currently watching the race to the altar of some of my friends. If only they knew just how serious a step in life marriage is!! Your talk, without a doubt, was the most frank and sincere speech which I have been privileged to tune my ears to. In all my five years at college, I have never heard a professor talk so soundly!" Man, Houston, Texas.

"Thank you for the September GOOD NEWS, and especially Mr. Dibar Apartian's article, 'Thy Kingdom Come.' I thank God that I can still cry, but now all my tears are tears of joy, gratefulness and thankfulness, and not the tears of self-pity that I cried for so many years. Mr. Apartian's articles are such a blessing and carry such a tremendous emotional impact!" Woman, Tazewell, Virginia.

"In my last letter to you, I think I told you I was to have surgery on my knee. Well I had the surgery on June 14, 1966, and the doctors gave me too much plasma and my heart swelled up. It burst my lung open. Now I have heart trouble, and my T.B. is active again." Co-worker, Denver, Colorado.

COMMENTS ABOUT TITHING

"Just a short note to let you know tithing pays. I have never been out of debt once in the last five years. I have always had to spend every dollar on bills and barely allow enough for myself. Then I began tithing. That at first made things even more difficult. Finally, I am free of debt. I owe no one. What a blessing God had given me. I have just received my first check on which I do not have to pay on long overdue bills. Truly, tithing is a blessing and it really does pay." Woman, Chicago, Illinois.

↓ "I never thought I would be writing a letter on how tithing works. Three years ago I started tithing to see if I would prosper the way the Bible says. For six months I tithed with whatever I had, if I had anything at all after paying the bills. Nothing happened. I was on a meager income then and it didn't change. Then I quit--still nothing happened. For two years I stayed on the same meager salary. Then I started tithing again, not for gain but just because I thought it was the right thing to do. This time the tithe was the first payment out of my paycheck. After over a year of regular tithing and without a lustful desire for gain from it, I finally got a raise, and then another, and a third one. Three raises and two promotions in less than four months. I have the same employer I had the first time, but now God has recognized me and has worked through my boss to prosper me. It isn't just tithing--it's sincerity that counts." Man, Tacoma, Washington.

INTER-OFFICE

To: ALL WHO RECEIVE WEEKLY COMMENTS

Date: November 7, 1966

Department:

Subject: TYPOGRAPHICAL ERROR IN WEEKLY
COMMENTS OF NOVEMBER 4

From: JOHN WILSON

We are sorry for the typing error in the Weekly Summary of the WEEKLY COMMENTS which caused some people to think we had a minus increase in money, letters and white mail. The lone hyphen which preceded these figures was meant to be a dash. Be assured we do have a plus figure in all these categories.

Rather than waste the rest of the page I may as well give you another comment or two and fill you in on some of the news. The weather here in Southern California is wet and soggy after an all night and day rain. It is still coming down with a promise of more tomorrow.

The PLAIN TRUTH is just starting to roll off the press. We had a somewhat rocky road with this one, but we will soon have it in the mail.

Mr. Armstrong has been working on the Semi-annual Letter and we hope it will be ready to run soon after we finish with the PT and the GOOD NEWS that is following hard on its heels.

We have a new Cheshire mailer coming in soon and hope to have it set up in time to run part of this PT. Circulation has in operation a 1401 Computer now and will be able to give us mailing labels in "four-up" which will run nicely on the new Cheshire. This mailing machine will help us tremendously in mailing out the Semi-annual Letter. With our present equipment we could average about six thousand an hour in addressing them, but with the new equipment we will be able to do upwards of twenty thousand an hour.

Here are a couple of additional comments we pulled out. You may not believe the last one. I don't know whether to believe it myself!!

"After giving up in tattered dismay years ago on learning anything relevant to the Bible or useful in life from a major organized religion, I became--and I suppose I had been since the so-called "age of reason"--the sincerest of agnostics, and took three degrees in search of the same information I'm offered free from you and the Ambassador College Bible Correspondence Course, plus, of course, The PLAIN TRUTH. In college I studied the Bible as history, as literature and as allegory but neither church nor schoolroom offered the Bible as the Word of God and God's testament to man as you offer with bluntness, clarity, wisdom and thorough research. You show that you are compelled to prove your own points just as you have proved that the Bible demands proof of itself. Splendid! Most ministers would flee to the hills if they were faced with such responsibilities. As news editor of a daily newspaper, hardly a day goes by that I do not play first page a story that you broke months before,

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particularly in the developing Middle-East crisis. This can be no accident." Man, Hot Springs, Arkansas.

"Over four years ago I read a copy of The PLAIN TRUTH which explained about our duty of tithing. We have practiced this faithfully ever since. My annual income runs between \$25,000 and \$30,000 per year. So each year, I and my family gather around a stone alter in our back yard and burn, as a offering to the Lord, between \$2,500 and \$3,000. We pray the Lord that our offering will be acceptable in His sight. By this method, if God wishes to place our tithe in any particular preacher's bank account, he can use His infinite wisdom in transferring our tithe and offering to the right place. We feel that the principal of burnt offerings is so well laid down in Scripture, that our family method of tithing is according to God's will." Man, New Milford, Connecticut.
(Misspellings as in the original)

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

November 11, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

The response to the latest Co-worker Letter is coming in quite heavily this week. The income for the last weekend was the highest since last December. Our increase in both letters and money will be above thirty percent compared to the same period of November, 1965. There has been a good response for the article, "Why God Is Not Real to Most People." This week we received a very inspiring letter from a woman in Arizona. We felt it worthwhile to reproduce the entire letter for you to read.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"I had wanted a personal copy of The PLAIN TRUTH at all costs, but whenever I ask my friend how he gets his, he will puff up in pride and say, 'Well, it's none of your business to know.' It was just last month in September that I took the pains of scrutinizing your September issue and BINGO! -- I made a wonderful discovery -- 'The PLAIN TRUTH is sent free to anybody needing it.' Captain Flint was never happier when he struck up a treasure at Portobello." Man, Nigeria.

"I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart for the 'Personal from the Editor' of the October PLAIN TRUTH. You said never preach to unconverted people. This has taken from me a great weight. I wrongfully 'assumed' it was my duty to try to have others saved. From the study of the Bible I should have known better. Thank you for the guidance of the true ways of God." Man, Washington, Pennsylvania.

"With due respect, I humbly wish to apply for registration as a subscriber of your fee-free magazine The PLAIN TRUTH. Sir, a few years ago, I met a friend holding this magazine. I was so fascinated by its captivating title -- The PLAIN TRUTH -- that out of sheer curiosity I asked to glance through its pages. After scanning through a few lines, I became interested and pleaded with the friend who offered to borrow me a copy at the end of every month whenever he gets finished reading it. Since then, I became a regular reader of your magazine. Sir, my continuous reading of the magazine has not only acquired me the habit but a profound interest in Scriptures and has made me conscious of my relation with God, the world and its happenings. As such, my

failure to read a copy is a real miss of a valuable information and happiness. But to my disappointment, this kind friend has been transferred from here to the North of Ghana, about four hundred miles from me, which has automatically snatched from me the opportunity to enjoy the sublime magazine I used to. I therefore humbly beg you to include my name in the list of subscribers of your fee-free magazine -- The PLAIN TRUTH -- and mail a copy to me each month. I should be grateful if you would kindly endeavor to send me old copies too, starting from the time of its publication." Man, Accra, Ghana.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"You threw out this challenge one morning -- most self-professing Christians can't name the first 4 books of the New Testament. Well!! I quickly and indignantly proved 'to' you I could! However, I later realized that had you said, the first 5, I'd have been lost. I guess you could say I was stung into action. I memorized from Genesis to Revelation. Now that I have, the greatest satisfaction is how much this knowledge speeds the Bible study. P.S. It also taught me a great lesson -- knowing the name of a book doesn't guarantee knowledge of the contents!" Woman, Pontiac, Michigan.

"I have been listening to your very wonderful program over WLAC at 5:30 a.m. for some time now. And just a plain old truck driver like me just doesn't have the words to express just how I feel about the 'Good News' that you have shown me, nor how much it has helped me, nor the 'good' feeling I have gotten from listening to you and reading the various pieces of literature I have requested of you. I requested a subscription for my mother-in-law, and tried to 'cram' this wonderful Plain Truth down her throat. When I found I was butting my head against a stone wall, I gave up. So what happened? She wrote in for her subscription on her own and tells me it's a wonderful thing." Man, Lansing, Michigan.

"Recently I listened to a radio program on which Paul Harvey was expounding the existence of God, the truth of the Bible, etc. During the course of the program he often mentioned and recommended a few booklets, two of them being titled 'Does God Exist?' and 'Why Were You Born?' I am rather curious as to whether these booklets are simply full of the type of illogical logic and faulty inferences that Paul Harvey often uses or whether they possibly contain thought-provoking or interesting material. As I understand, the booklets are available to whoever desires them. I would like to request a copy of each of the above-mentioned." Man, Columbiana, Ohio.

"Will you please send me the Bible Correspondence Course. I am 92 years old, and have been listening to The WORLD TOMORROW for several years on Station KWJJ, Portland, Oregon." "Young lady," Portland, Ore.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS

"'One picture is worth 1,000 words,' but when it is a picture of Lincoln, on currency that has been refused by any preacher anywhere, that is news. When you offered your literature absolutely free, I was

person on earth due to your knowledge of how unworthy you are to be receiving so many blessings. I must say, you are being rivaled by some of us Negro brethren who heard this eye-opening sermon. I earnestly desire all brethren of the Negroid race to receive these facts so graphically illustrated by Mr. Turner. It should fill us, not only with joy, but with a closer relation with God and a deeper love and respect for God's Work at headquarters which has taken so keen an interest in us as to devote the amount of time it must have taken to research and develop this truth. God surely is no respecter of persons. I sincerely hope that all our brethren will grasp the depth of what has been done for us." Member, Brooklyn, New York.

"In Kenosha's paper tonight there is a warning of the danger from wild rodents. It states, 'It is just naturally assumed that every skunk is rabid now.'" Woman, Kenosha, Wisconsin.

"Would it be plausible to send all evolutionists on a picnic? This would afford them an opportunity to make objective observations of the behavior of ants. Which human general has been so successful in organizing his soldiers, or accomplishing his objective as the ant? It is doubtful that the sandwich has been made which the ant cannot conquer. Anyone who attributes an ant's sandwich-snatching ability to coincidence just doesn't picnic enough. No sir, it's gotta be planned!" Woman, Birmingham, Alabama.

"I am an Air Traffic Controller, employed by the Federal Aviation Agency, and have been so for the past 28 years. I am enclosing a clipping from our local newspaper which was dated October 26, 1966. This indicates we had 1,418 airplanes land and take off during a 24-hour period. Breaking that down further it amounted to 91 airplanes per man per hour. As you perhaps know, Air Traffic Controllers, are just little unheard-of, behind-the-scene bodies, who receive no glory and very little credit for a job that is daily being well handled. Thanks to God for His help in this job. Without it, air travel would be impossible. Now I'm a man who is looking real hard for that good news you keep telling us about. If now, in addition to this volume of air traffic we have, each family added one helicopter, I feel that even with God's help it would be impossible to cope with." Man, Wichita, Kans.

COMMENT ABOUT TITHING

"We have just finished our third tithe year, and what a year it has been! Until close to the Feast of Tabernacles, everything was just running well as could be expected. Then it began to happen. First we sold our business, contracts, territory, and machinery for a good price. The business would have failed soon if I had continued without converting to the rapidly expanding color process. This would have shackled us to long years of heavy debt. Before the deal was closed to sell our business, I was offered a job with a large national concern. What's more, they contracted me. Before accepting the job, I in earnest delivered them (the 'new employers') the equivalent of a Spokesman's Club six-minute speech. The result was a \$2,500.00 pay increase before I started to work. That is quite an annual increase. Enclosed is an offering for the amount of my first week's pay, that I received today." Member, West Columbia, South Carolina.

cynical. When you claimed to return any money sent in payment for it, I was skeptical. When you actually did return it, I was incredulous. When you failed to enclosed a stamped, self-addressed envelope together with some form for sending the same money back under terminology which would obviate any possible entanglement with the Department of Revenue, I grew hopeful. When you included in your form letter no mention of need, I was convinced." (This person enclosed a beautiful pastel of Mrs. Armstrong). Portrait painter, Denver, Colorado.

"Is there a church where the TRUTH is taught and practiced today? I will not be part of groups that devote all but 15 minutes of one and a half hours of 'services' to calling names of sick members, bowling team scores, chili supper dates, Boy Scout meetings, bazaar sales, Christmas tea dates, etc. Maybe if there is any time left, there will be the reading of a few Bible verses and a little speech on news events. The people with the most money and influence hold church offices and govern the 'body.' Needless to say, they are of questionable character. Please, won't you advise me?" Woman, Reeds Spring, Missouri.

"The laws here are so lax that murderers are sometimes released on bail. Rapists are booked and turned loose. In one recent incident, a man who had been drinking entered a hospital and raped a patient. A nurse testified against him and he was arrested, booked and released. He later went to the nurse's home and threatened her. She screamed and her neighbors came. He was again arrested, booked and released. With laws like this, how can they expect crime to decrease? Malicious destruction of other people's property is becoming much too common--burning cars, pushing parked cars into the ocean while the owners are fishing, breaking into schools, snipers, running cars off the road at night. It seems all the more shocking because this is such a small place as compared with a large city. I guess human nature is the same everywhere." Woman, Agana, Guam.

"I am trying to find copies of Bible prophecies that were written and sent out through a radio station on a program -- The WORLD TOMORROW. This was over 20 years ago. The two pamphlets were 'United States in Prophecy' and 'Russia in Prophecy.' As the years have passed, I have noticed that the unknown author has prophesied correctly, particularly, about the Holy Land and Russia. It's later than we would like to think. P.S. Are you the same Herbert W. Armstrong who helped publish The PLAIN TRUTH and did your address used to be P.O. Box 111, Eugene, Oregon?" Woman, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

"I joyfully take this opportunity to thank you, Dr. Hoeh and all those involved in helping Mr. Rufus Turner amass the wealth of information delivered to us in the Manhattan P.M. Church on October 29. I refer to the discovery and linkage of the Negro today and his true ancestry. This is the SECOND greatest discovery of the century to my way of thinking. What a blessing! What stupendous grace God has allotted to us Negroes today, to know who we are, who our ancestors were, what they were like, and most of all, what we as a people are fighting today. True, all have human nature, but each ethnic group has certain definite characteristics. I am overwhelmed with the mercy the Eternal has shown to the Negro in allowing as many of us to have a chance to be among the firstfruits. I have heard that you feel yourself to be the most blessed

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MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

November 18, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

The money and letter counts have both held up quite well this week, giving a substantial increase in both categories. But the white mail has not kept pace with the rest of the mail for the month, showing only about thirteen percent increase over the same period of November last year. We have already received several sympathy cards for Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong in response to the "Personal From the Editor" in the November PLAIN TRUTH. This indicates there should be a very fine overall response to this "Personal."

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"The article 'Prepare Now to be a King' in the October PLAIN TRUTH is staggering. It reveals to us just how far we have yet to go. At this sitting I studied through only the third area and realize I have a vast territory to cover in learning and putting these things to practice in my life. God help us as true Christians to be big-minded and see the dire need of asking God to help us exercise these qualities of the Mind of Christ." Woman, Akron, Alabama.

"Last month's article regarding strikes ('You Should Not Work For Money') came at a time when people can think about these problems. During this past month here in Detroit the grave diggers went on strike, causing bodies to pile up. Also the garbage collectors went on strike. I can see if this keeps up how diseases will get out of hand in the near future." Co-worker, Detroit, Michigan.

"I recently received my first PLAIN TRUTH. To my surprise, here was a magazine that I could really enjoy and appreciate. I've been taking NEWSWEEK for about 3 years and haven't learned what was behind the headlines and issues until your magazine came to my house. At our school, St. Thomas Aquinas is overwhelmingly stressed. As you know, one of Aquinas' demonstrations for the existence of God is design. Anyone who studies design, even to a very limited degree, notices that all the theories of Darwin on evolution just don't hold water. The strange fact is, our dashing Jesuit professors barely, if at all, realize just what design means. The popular idea is to be satisfied thinking we were once monkeys. Mark Twain may have had the right idea when he stated the reason that God created the monkey was that He was

displeased with man. We can also say that the monkey evolved from man instead of the other way around. This is just as logical, and after all, it is easier to go from a superior to an inferior stage. Idiots never become smart, but many smart people do become idiots. Our various mental hospitals are simple witnesses to this fact." College man, San Francisco, California.

"I just thought I'd mention an incident that happened to my cousin who is taking physiology in high school. My cousin started asking some questions about evolution, so after telling him jokingly that he might be kicked out of class if he used this material, I replayed one of Garner Ted Armstrong's tapes about evolution and the woodpecker and let him read 'The Questions Evolution Can't Answer' in The PLAIN TRUTH. Yep! You guessed it -- he backed his physiology teacher into a corner in front of the whole class, and the teacher told him to 'shut up' or he would not pass the course. He shut up!" Member, Toledo, Ohio.

"After reading several editions of your magazine I can't help being impressed. You have outstanding, very well-informed people edit everything. Also, no one is critical of anyone (not even in the article you wrote the retraction on because someone got offended). The quality of the magazine and the people who edit it are excellent." Man, Texas.

"I was prepared to accept your magazine on its face value, but it seemed too good to be true and I wondered where the pay-off came in. I might have known there was a catch, and it crops up in every issue -- 'Russia,' the old bogey-man. I find the same subtle articles in READER'S DIGEST and it inclines me to the belief that there must be a subsidy for printing this kind of anti-Soviet propaganda." Man, Coventry, United Kingdom.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"My husband and I both listen to your broadcasts whenever we have an opportunity. He is a police officer here and personally knows the officer you have described as quitting the force and retiring to the ranch. He is very disgusted with his job also and would probably do the same thing if he could afford it. The gardeners out in the Golden Gate Park who water the lawns and set out the little plants earn far more than he does and get to work outside in the daytime. He has to work in the worst district in town and can't get on the day shift for at least 10 more years (not then if he gets a promotion). As a Sergeant he would have to start all over putting in his quota of years on the night shift." Policeman's wife, San Francisco, California.

"I heard your broadcast last night (I've been listening for about 3 years or so), but I'd just like to tell you how much I liked last night's, when you mentioned the English literature class you had, and spoke of Hamlet's views. I admit I never thought of it quite the way you brought it out -- about an imaginative person's imaginative views, etc. Last year in high school senior class English literature, I really got almost sick at my stomach at Wordsworth's 'Intimations of Immortality,' and junk upon trash of Greek philosophy, pagan Satanic lies, along with skepticism and German rationalism. This year Freshman

English is the same. I hate having to read this junk and study it. I wanted to just tell you this because of how well you hit the nail on the head again as you always do, but this time on one of my pet gripes." College Freshman, Vermillion, South Dakota.

"The recent broadcasts have been even more dynamic, the best ever. Mr. Ted Armstrong makes the truth so clear, so logical, so easy to grasp. We depend upon this ministry, as many others must, since we are not near a congregation. We eagerly await every letter, every magazine, pamphlet -- even a tithe receipt -- to reassure ourselves that we are 'in touch' with other brethren. We are so happy to be a small part of this greatest endeavor on the whole earth -- and we are just beginning." Members, Lowville, New York.

"I heard you for the first time on Station CKLW, Canada, but I live in Birmingham, Michigan. I was sitting in my car waiting for my children while they were trick and treating. I put on the radio and got you." Woman, Birmingham, Michigan.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS

"I have been noticing that I've been down in my spiritual life and I didn't know what was wrong. Last night Mr. Armstrong said on his broadcast to try reading the Bible on your knees and it was really enlightening. It was much fuller and the meaning seemed to be so much deeper, just as if it were indelibly stamped on my mind. Today at work I could still remember most of what I had read!" Man, North Carolina.

"Concerning the present situation in West Germany, I should like to tell you that I have been watching the course of the present government very carefully and with some concern. Hard to believe, as it may seem, I know it's nevertheless true that we are heading for another uprising of fascism and belligerent nationalism here in Germany. Being a member of the West German armed forces I've been able to see for myself the growing amount of discontent and anti-Americanism, especially among the senior officers. I'm beginning to realize what is shaping up and I'm glad that I've been warned." Man, West Germany.

"For over two years a friend and I have been watching this build-up of earth changes that is increasing at a rapid rate. For instance, according to the Geodetic Survey Reports I get weekly, over 31 quakes have been reported in southern Nevada since August 12 of this year! We record the quakes reported on a US-Alaska map to keep a more visual record of the earthquakes. We believe that they are definitely telling a story for any thinking person. We started out to record all of the quakes from over the world on a world map, but found it would take more time to record them than we had to spare. In fact, a secretary would have been advisable to keep track accurately, so many have been taking place." Man, Austin, Texas.

"Just two weeks ago a man and his wife in my home community let their little 4-month-old baby die of malnutrition. Their other four children were almost starved, and were put in a hospital to be nourished and cared for. This 26-year-old man was a friend and buddy of our youngest son 10 years ago. So it seems pretty close to home that such

things happen. This poor little darling's fingers looked like claws, and the soiled diaper had dried on it so that when the diaper was removed, it pulled the skin and flesh off the buttock of the dead body. The parents were both drunkards. It surely is a sordid, heart-breaking affair." Member, Evansville, Indiana.

"It was very nice to receive the Co-worker letter from you. We were surely happy having you with us every day of the Feast at Big Sandy. You are a fine example of God's servant on this earth. When I'm changed I want to get to know you better, and Mrs. Armstrong, too. There will be a long line but we have eternity." Members, Minnesota.

X "I received the Co-worker letter of October 27, 1966. I didn't realize so much had happened since the Co-worker letter of January 29, 1960. Thank you very much for calling our attention to these facts. Mr. Armstrong, I was very thankful to receive this letter, but up until this past Feast of Tabernacles at Big Sandy, I would say to myself, 'Oh, No! Not another letter!' I just did not want to give anything extra, but during the Feast, God really showed me how wrong I was and now I am happy to receive the Co-worker letter. I plan to set aside money from each payday I receive, to be sure to have something to send when I receive them." Member, Dora, Alabama.

"You folks should be in our part of the country at this time. We have over 9 inches of snow, and the trees still have a lot of leaves on them; any number have not yet turned yellow." Man, Toledo, Ohio.

"Please send me Lesson One of your Bible Course. I am 11 years old and in the fifth grade, and go to Imperial School. I am sending a check for tithe from my paper route, \$1.00. I love to go to school." Girl, Gladewater, Texas.

COMMENTS ABOUT TITHING

"I am inclosing \$60.00 for my tithe and offering, as I have been blessed. The lady I went to the Feast of Tabernacles with paid all my expenses going, and staying with her in her room. I am 92 years and 4 months old the eighth of this month. I am on welfare when I am home. I raised a good garden. I feel like God has surely blessed me, and I can thank Him for giving me the opportunity to help a little."

"Once again I have been blessed so I'm sending you \$1.00, as my grandmother sent me \$1.00. Last year I was blessed to find \$20.00 and I gave God back two out of it. I'm 10 years old. I don't take the Correspondence Course yet. Soon as I get a little older I am. My mother told me \$1.00 reached about 500 people. I hope this dollar will go that far. I have been sending in tithe money since I was six years old. Since I've tithed I have been blessed so much this year. I got four new dresses. I had appendicitis and Mr. Noel came by and anointed me, and I was healed right away. I had been sick for three days and was getting worse until he came and anointed me. I sure have been blessed a lot." Girl, Dayton, Ohio.

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MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

November 25, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

X The department has been busy all week getting out the Semi-annual Letter. By receiving voluntary help from the college, Church brethren, Spokesman Clubs, Choir and Imperial High School, we have been able to get over three hundred thousand ready to mail by Wednesday afternoon. By working until noon on Thursday and all day Friday we hope to have all of them mailed. The mail itself has been rather low this week but the percentage of increase has held up quite well.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

X "I just want to thank you from the bottom of my heart for the Editorial in the November issue of The PLAIN TRUTH. You've really shown me how evil and rotten I am. I am so ashamed of myself when I compare my life with the life of Carole Mattson, a girl near my own age. She's accomplished so much more good in her life than I did. This article made me break down and cry so hard that I couldn't even read. I just had to stop and pray to God for forgiveness of my sins. I'm changing my life from now on and I really see how much I can help my younger sister and brothers. I want very much to be an example like Carole Mattson. I just hope that more young teenagers like myself can have open eyes and put the article to use in their lives. God bless you and guide you to write more articles to inspire the teenagers, who so desperately need it!" Teenage girl, Citrus Heights, California.

"It was with very deep emotion that I read your Editorial in the latest issue of The PLAIN TRUTH. I have never read a finer tribute to anyone than the one you wrote about your granddaughter, and I do thank you so much for allowing us to have this small glimpse into your personal life! I have always been very deeply interested in this granddaughter, as I remember so vividly the tremendous miracles surrounding her birth and we, also, have a daughter who is almost the same age -- she was 17 last July. I just hope and pray that she can develop the same attitude that your granddaughter exhibited in the last years of her life. I am sure that your Editorial will have a very profound effect upon all who read it as it did upon me." Woman, Eugene, Oregon.

X "A few weeks ago a boy on my hall walked into my room and picked up a PLAIN TRUTH and told me that he had heard of that magazine before. He then proceeded to inform me that it was a proved fact that the magazine was under direct control of the Communist Party, whereby I offered him a choice of leaving my room under his own control within 10 seconds or leaving immediately thereafter under my control. He left. I wonder if you could help me just a little with some of my homework. On December 6, I must help present a seminar report on the topic 'Is Segregation Morally Defensible?' On the panel with me are two ultra-liberals and a Negro. Since undoubtedly you are better versed on that subject than I, perhaps you could guide me just a bit on what course I should take. I might add that my professor admired draft-card burners and especially civil right demonstrations." Football player, Georgia Tech.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

X "I have been listening to your program for only the past week, and you know, I have 14 years of service, some of which was spent in combat, but this is the first time I have been really scared. At first I ignored your predictions or should I say, opinions, but then I began to read the Bible along with what you were saying. This world is slowly but surely carrying itself to hell." Serviceman, Beaufort, S. C.

X "My name is Frank Gustafson and me and Captain Domnie West work on a tug boat named the Warrengas, and we listen to your program every night on radio Station KAAV, Little Rock, Arkansas. We work between Tampa and New Orleans. We would like you to send us The PLAIN TRUTH." Listeners, Tampa, Florida.

"Please send your free booklet on 'How to Have a Happy Marriage.' Having failed in 3 short marriages (65 days for all 3), I'm looking forward to reading your booklets." Man, Phoenix, Arizona.

X "I am writing you this letter to see if you can send some booklets to my step-father. He speaks Spanish. He cannot read my booklets. He said he had received two booklets from Big Sandy, Texas. He has the booklet on 'The Seven Keys to the Book of Revelation' in Spanish, but he wants more books. He likes The WORLD TOMORROW on WLAC, so he asked me to see if we could get him some books. He is 106 years old, but he still likes to read and he believes in the Radio Church of God and likes the program very much. He said he would like to go to church very much." Member, Eckman, West Virginia.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS

X "We are homesteaders in the Susitna Valley, and though our income is limited, our farm provides our fuel, clean wholesome meats, grain and eggs, and plenty of pure water, and with good 'stewardship' we have not been in debt in years. We have been blessed with 9 healthy children, none of whom has ever needed a doctor. We give praise and thanks to our Heavenly Father for uncountable blessings He has showered upon us and to the Church of God for its guidance and instruction." Couple, Willow, Alaska.

"I am sending \$10.00. I have been ill for almost 5 years and have a low income. I am well pleased that you always consider and appreciate the small tithe. I get mail from several other people, who must buy the names, and they ask you right out for \$50.00, \$100.00, or \$500.00. It seems so hard to read this when you only make \$39.20 a week, and have \$33.45 clear." Woman, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

"There is so much to learn and so little time to study it all. Thanks for the handkerchief for healing. As you said, God does it in His own way and He has started on me where it was needed most. I don't think I told you I have need for healing in 4 ways, each a miracle of its own, as nothing can be done for me except for healing from God. I am still standing firm on His promise. He said He would and He will. His promise is true and He has started on me where it was most needed and, oh, how I thank Him for it. There is much more but I am sure of His promise. It will all come in time. Each healing will be an absolute miracle as all had been done for me that could until I read your booklet on healing and received the handkerchief. A few more weeks and a way of feeding me besides by mouth would have been necessary, but thank my Eternal Father, that is where He has started the healing, where it was needed the most. Thanks so much for all your concern." Woman, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

"I notice at the junior high school where I work nights as a janitor (I listen to American Airlines good music till 5:00 a.m. when your program comes on) that we have man 'Erectus' and the Neanderthal man. Now don't dismiss the husky Neanderthal man lightly, because Minnesota could have used him the day they got clobbered by Michigan in football 49-0. He could have scored for Minnesota and looked good doing so with his light blue eyes and facial expression remindful of the Mona Lisa, in that you are not sure if he is smiling or not. But who wants to look back at Neanderthal when Christ is soon to return in great power and glory?" Man, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

X "As you said in your letter I get sick and tired of happenings in this world. A person grows tired of such, but it doesn't seem to affect some people as it does others until it gets close to home or home itself. About a week or so ago one of my sisters started to correct one of her children. The 12 year-old boy fought back, breaking her nose and bruising her face. She went to the doctor to get her nose reset. Her husband follows construction work and is gone about half of the time. Money seems to come ahead of everything with some people. Something is lacking there and I'm not to judge. I tried to talk to the boy, but without much success. I have taken notice that what you have been saying for years some newspaper editors are beginning to open their eyes to, but it is years late." Listener, Kirbyville, Texas.

"Recently my brother Ron died. We were stunned because he was only 22 and things like that only happen to other people, not your own loved ones. Ron and I were the only ones in our family that believe this way, but my oldest brother, who had charge over it, had Mr. Baird from God's Church deliver a funeral service for us. My family has always thought we were crazy, believing in such 'fanatical stuff,' but they were very much impressed with Mr. Baird's sermon. It was beautiful and so comforting and hopeful. My mother said she had never heard a funeral preached in this manner. My stepfather, who thinks we were

heretics for leaving the Catholic Church, said, 'Mr. Baird spoke the truth.' I don't know how many people said things which showed they were favorably impressed. Even if God calls none of them, they will remember Mr. Baird's words one day." Woman, Truxton, Missouri.

"Night before last I saw on T.V. the story and findings of Dr. Leakey, who believes we once looked like apes. I don't yet know if it's pity or disgust I feel for a man and woman who have spent their entire lives crawling around in the dirt on their hands and knees trying to make a monkey out of their Creator. Won't it be a shock to them when they learn how they were made and who their Creator is?" Woman, Tobinsport, Indiana.

X "I am very grateful for Lesson 11. It has helped me a lot on really understanding creation. Recently on television there was a show on Dr. Leakey's 'great discovery.' It was unbelievable when he found a skull and claimed that it was a man's. Anyone could see that it was an ape's. He put clay over the skull to give it a face. It was the exact image of an ape. Some can say they came from an ape, and some may act like one, but as for me, I would be afraid to think that one was my ancestor." Woman, Wheeling, West Virginia.

COMMENTS ABOUT TITHING

X "We have gathered our crops and I am enclosing a check for the tithe and offering. This is our sixth year, next year is our land Sabbath, and God has certainly blessed us as He said He would. God has given us the most profitable year we have ever had in our lives! And this at a time when much of the cropland around us was a complete failure. Many fields here have little or no crops on them, just weeds and grass, some even joining our land are like this because of failure to get the crops up from too much dry weather in the planting season. Yet God caused all of ours to come up and He has given us a very good crop and an extra high price for soybeans. This is really the most profitable year we have ever had and we know it does pay to obey God's laws, not only in spiritual ways, but also in physical ways. We are very grateful to God for His abundant blessings in allowing us to be able to send more for the support of His work." Members, Walnut Ridge, Arkansas.

"This is my daughter's first tithe. She saves her first and second tithes out of the \$1.00 a week I give her. I work and she goes to school and does more than her share of the housework, and the \$1.00 is such a small amount to give her, but she's such a wonderful daughter and she never complains. Good children are certainly a heritage and a blessing and I sincerely pray for God's Kingdom to come so that all parents will know the blessing they receive when their children are taught God's ways. It came too late for my son, but my consolation is knowing he, too, will have his chance. Isn't God's truth a blessing and strength and comfort!" Member, Inglewood, Missouri.

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MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

December 2, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

We finished November with more than a 30% increase in both money from mail receipts and letters. Returns to the Semi-annual Letter have begun to come in. Response from Members and Co-workers began last Sunday and we had our first returns from Regulars on Tuesday. We are receiving a good response to the November PLAIN TRUTH -- especially the "Personal from the Editor." In addition to letters, scores of sympathy cards have come in as a result of the "Personal." We have also received many requests for information on dating following the recent programs on the subject.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"I received my November issue of The PLAIN TRUTH and was very pleased with 'Seven Keys to Mental Mastery.' I have been studying myself trying to find where I had failed with my family. Now after reading this, I'm beginning to understand myself, and the strange ways in which the Lord works." Man, Denver, Colorado.

✓ "I have been reading the latest issue (November) of The PLAIN TRUTH. When I read the 'Personal from the Editor,' it just made me think of how bad I have been for years. I have come to a conclusion that I had better start studying my Bible and Correspondence Course more....I am a 13-year-old girl of a family of ten, and am the second oldest. With all my studies and babysitting, I hardly find time to work on my Correspondence Course. But I am going to find the time, no matter what." Teenage girl, Santee, California.

"Mr. Armstrong, I don't know when I have read anything so moving and poignant as your Editorial this month. It had a profound effect on me and my attitude. Your granddaughter was not only an example to her family, but to anyone who reads this magazine. Thank you so very much for letting us know your 'Little Princess,' so that we may profit from her splendid example. Your last line reminds me of Psalm 22:26, a beautiful verse. Thank you again, for you shared your grief at being deprived of her companionship temporarily, you and Mrs. Armstrong, to help many thousands of us to attain to that same resurrection." Lady, Denver, Colorado.

"I received my PLAIN TRUTH yesterday and was struck greatly by your 'Personal from the Editor' column; it was a joy to read of your lovely granddaughter Carole Ann, although I am sorry that she is gone. But when I read how loving and helpful she was to her parents, and how she really tried to do better, I felt great inspiration, because I often think myself so unworthy of every blessing I've been given. I have parents who have done a great deal for me, and made sacrifices for me, and yet when I was younger I showed hardly any appreciation and gratitude, just taking it all for granted. I never even knew how to show any love for them, unlike Carole. But now, at 20, I'm a member of God's Church, and I've never loved my parents more than now, and thanks to God's mercy, I'm learning to show them love and appreciation, although I've still a long way to go. They are not a part of God's Church, but are patient with me. And reading of Carole, I was filled with hope and I, too, have determined to make the effort she made, and I hope I will succeed even only half as well as she did. Thank you, Mr. Armstrong, for helping me through your article, and especially for writing so much on Carole. I, too, know she will live again." Young Woman, Aberdeen, Scotland.

✓ "We have long appreciated receiving The PLAIN TRUTH and other materials we have received from your organization. It has been increasingly evident, however, that you had an ax to grind, in favor of the Jews, and persecuting the German race....Garner Ted was in the Middle East recently. He proudly had his picture taken out in the open with a Zionist Jew buddy, showing the poor Arab soldier in the background peeking over his barricade. This picture, among other things, proved that the Jew (and Ted) knew they could trust the Arab not to shoot first. But the Arab knows that he could never trust a Jew. You people know firsthand that the Syrians, etc., do not even have enough to eat, and are not match for those murdering Jewish tanks that are invading their country relentlessly, so the propaganda you are publishing in the magazine can only mean one thing -- you are aiding and being sponsored by the Jews." "A Subscriber", Salt Lake City, Utah.

"There has been a mistake made in the mail. I asked for The PLAIN TRUTH but was sent the ASTORIAN SCROLL." Woman, Beverly, Massachusetts.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"For some time now, I have been listening to your broadcasts over WNAX located at Yankton, South Dakota. If they have benefited me in any way, it has been such as to arouse my curiosity. To put my feelings plainly, through the years, I have become an agnostic. Never deep inside would I deny the existence of God, but through years of trouble and disappointments I found it pretty hard to believe strongly in the God you speak so surely of. I think the one point more than anything else that has kept me listening and slowly beginning to wonder is that you refer to Jesus as a man's man and not the extremely gentle creature a lot of churchmen try to project. I have tried to create an interest in church but incidents have happened that make (or rather made) me disgusted and as a result I withdrew and became more disgruntled." Man, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

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"I have enjoyed listening to your talks on marriage and dating. I am 22 years of age and I am not married. Let me tell you, you think teenage kids have problems -- try being single in Kansas City and working 40 hours a week. If you do go to single groups, including church groups, you just about have to be a big, oversize kid, that has nothing more to offer but to drink and act like you are a real man of romance. I myself would prefer just a nice date, maybe making cakes or cookies and have some clean, decent fun for once. Have you ever tried to be single at 22 in Kansas City? There is no place for you, not even a place in the churches. They've got all kinds of high school programs, but would you believe it is impossible to be single anymore and have any decent social life? I agree with you that people tend to want to grow up too fast or maybe I'm growing up too slow." Man, Kansas City, Kansas.

✓ "I have been listening to your program for quite a long time, and the truths are very startling. I am 12 years old and have gone steady once, and wouldn't go steady again if I was paid. I was conned into sexual intercourse because she liked it. I am going with seven girls now and have fun, no sexual things, just love for them. We sing around and are just a bunch of idiots. We pull tricks on our mothers and laugh it out. I would like 'The PLAIN TRUTH about Child Rearing.' Thank you so very very much." Boy, Rancho Cordova, California.

✓ "In your campaign against shoplifters you mentioned the fact that things are stolen from the Navy and other branches of the armed forces. You spoke as if you thought the armed forces didn't owe their slaves a living. The government has no right to enslave people by putting them in the armed forces anyway so this in itself justifies stealing from them. I'm not a thief either, but if I end up in the service and think I can get by with it I'll steal everything I can get my hands on, whether I need it or not. I don't steal from supermarkets, or anywhere else, I don't cheat on my income tax, I shave, I wear my hair short simply because I think I look better that way; but when I end up in the service it will be justifiable and I don't need to try to justify it (stealing)." Man, San Francisco, California.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS

"I am an avid football fan, so comment on the advantages of 'change because of need.' Imagine the supreme joy, when in about a million years, a 'new special BRANCH' of human beings evolve that have, due to need, developed knees that can absorb a side block or a clip without being sidelined for the rest of the year, requiring no surgery." Man, Midvale, Utah.

✓ "I know what physical misery is too, Mr. Armstrong, because I go to a school that is run especially for the handicapped. I see all kinds of cripples here in school -- in fact, we have several students here who have had as many as 18 operations performed on them. Can you imagine the pain, misery, and the suffering some of these kids go through? We won't even mention the times of anguish when the operation was not successful or, worse yet, made the twisted, tortured body even worse! In my accounting classes we have had students who had to write with their pencils in their teeth because they can't use their arms or don't have

arms. Sometimes I wish every member of God's Church could see the courage that many of the students have despite their physical handicaps, some are indescribable. Picture if you can, a happy fellow who is quick to laugh, who has his hands growing off his shoulders -- he has no arms! Worse yet he has no legs -- his feet are mere stubs growing off the hips! Yet this fellow is outwardly happy. But you should see him go on his wheelchair or amble down the hall on a pair of artificial legs and a pair of high crutches! What I'm getting at is this -- these young men and women, and quite a few adults, are terribly handicapped in the cruel fight for survival in this dog-eat-dog society, yet they have something all of us in God's Church are going to need in big doses soon -- that's courage and the drive and the willpower to get the job done despite the weaknesses of our flesh! Well, I thank God that I am only deaf, that my legs are not damaged enough to keep me from walking. I'm happy that I have these handicaps in some ways, although of course, I'd just as soon not have them. What I mean is that ~~I have learned some valuable lessons from them and I'm sure they have added to my understanding and helped me to build some much-needed character.~~ Member, Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

✓ "There is a new magazine out called 'Adam.' On page 1, inside the cover shows Burt Lancaster, movie star, standing before a table. On either side a man occupies some kind of a chair -- absolutely clothless, nude! Mr. Lancaster, unashamed, faces the camera and he doesn't even wear the proverbial 'fig leaf.' He was asked how he felt. 'Cold,' he replied. When asked about the production of actors in the nude, he said, 'It was handled very respectfully.' Well, that puts the skids under motion pictures. Expect anything now after this one. We may now not blush at topless bathing suits. In fact, a current movie shows a couple of girls with a piece of cloth around their waists that would put a woman's pocket handkerchief to shame. I thought you'd like to know the latest in family entertainment now coming up." Man, Harlingen, Texas.

✓ "Organic farming (the natural, normal methods God wants and commands His people to follow) surely has been a blessing to us again this year. Even with the prolonged summer at 100-degree temperatures, our vegetables continued to yield, and I believe we made as many this year as we did during our bumper vegetable crop in 1965. Actually we made more spring vegetables, as it was wet then. Our Irish potatoes yield doubled this year over the triple increase in 1965 over 1964, and we planted a 100-pound bag of seed tubers each of the three years." Man, Taylorsville, Georgia.

"Mr. Gerald Waterhouse has been visiting our church area (Greensboro and Fayetteville, North Carolina) for the past week. The sermon given by him and the slides shown made me really realize the importance of God's work. I realize more that God is there and means business." Member, Greensboro, North Carolina.

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

December 9, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

An all-time high for letters in one week has been set. As of Thursday morning we have 71,800 letters for the week and will probably raise that figure to about 90,000 by Friday. The previous weekly record was set in October 1964 with 65,600 letters. The money figures don't look nearly so good. It appears we will end the week with a five to ten percent decrease over the same period of last December. Two other letter records were broken this week--the number of letters for a weekend and the number of letters for a single day. Both of these records had stood since June 1962.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"Your series in The PLAIN TRUTH on Christian living is most excellent. There has been a crying need for articles such as this for quite some time. By all means continue the series on evolution, and in fact, expand them to include articles on animals and insects also. These articles are very absorbing and stimulating. Reading and meditating on the different characteristics of these creatures makes one stand in awe of the great intelligence and engineering skill of the Creator. This series should run indefinitely -- since there is an infinite variety of fascinating creatures to report on." Man, Plymouth, Pennsylvania.

"Students in my history class are very fond of bringing in copies of The PLAIN TRUTH for class discussions. I would like very much to subscribe to your magazine so I can know what's really going on in this world and communicate this truth to my students. Thank you!" Teacher, Fullerton, California.

"Thank you for the articles that you send but please don't send The PLAIN TRUTH or anything else to us, as we do not have time to read. Besides, we do not care what goes on in this world, as we know it will be burned up in time. We also don't care what time, as our life is hid in Christ." Woman, East Palatka, Florida.

"I just read the November issue of The PLAIN TRUTH and the 'Personal from the Editor.' I'm only 15½, but this writing moved me. Deep in my heart I know your 'Princess' will live again one day. I hope I live that day also. About one month ago I started getting 'sassy' to my father. He corrected me but to no avail. Then when I read this

article it brought a change of mind on my part. I hope my father will forgive me of this. But if he doesn't I couldn't very well blame him, as he wasn't sassing me, it was I who was sassing him." Boy, Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

"When I received the November edition of The PLAIN TRUTH, I opened to the first page and began reading your article about your granddaughter. By the time I had finished, tears were streaming from my eyes. For the first time I really took a good look at myself. This article made me realize how blindly I was going through life, not caring what kind of character I had. I'm 18 and haven't much character to show for the years I've lived. I have had every opportunity to build a righteous character, but turned my back every time. So when I read your article I felt so ashamed of how I'd been acting toward everything....With God's help I'm going to change my ways. So when He looks down upon me He'll smile and say, 'Well done.'" Girl, Ripon, California.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"I listen to your program whenever I can pick it up of a morning as I get ready for school. This morning you talked about teenagers, the things we do to help and also to ruin our lives. I thank you for your very frank opinion. I am 16 years old and I am very grateful when an adult takes the time and cares enough about us to try to tell us a few facts about the real side of life. Many adults are afraid to mention sex before teenagers. They are afraid we will do the wrong thing until it is too late. Then all they do is run you down the mill. More people need to have the courage to stand up and tell us teenagers the real facts of true, honest, decent living. Thank you very much for trying to do your part." Girl, Aynor, South Carolina.

"I heard your broadcast from a Nashville station, early morning. I was quite amazed to hear an intelligent discussion of exactly what human nature is really like. I might add my feeble amen to the most brilliant and to-the-point sermon (if that is what it was) I have ever heard in my 64 years of ill-spent existence. On my trip to California and Florida this fall, I was quite afraid to stop my car with the doors unlocked, also had a scout hatchet on the seat with me, to part the hair of any would-be robbers. Not that we are not all robbers, but I dislike the inconvenience of being worked over, and that new bit of dumping gasoline over the victim then igniting same, does not appeal to my esthetic sense and is overheating and annoying." Man, East Lynn, Massachusetts.

"Your prophecies sure don't take long to happen, for it isn't long before everyting you say is either on radio or T.V. or a headline in the papers." Man, Napa, California.

"We were returning home from the Feast of Trumpets and stopped at a hamburger joint to get the boys a snack to eat while travelling. To our surprise Mr. Ted Armstrong's voice was booming out over the loud-speaker where some sort of stuff called music usually is played and

heard. We were simply amazed to hear The WORLD TOMORROW at a place like this. The people seem to be doing real good business." Members, Rainsville, Alabama.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS

"The GOOD NEWS was full of interesting articles this time. I especially was interested in the one about the Philippine Islands. God sure is a wise God, isn't He? Using the weakest to confound the wise." Member, Modesto, California.

"We do wish to say how much we enjoyed hearing Mr. Gerald Waterhouse as well as seeing the movie slides he brought. It was truly worth seeing. We can see very well why other people think the colleges are very beautiful. They are very beautiful and well-kept. We do wish he would have had some pictures of Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong and his family. That would have been real nice. Maybe they will next time. Anyway we think it was really something worth seeing. God's Work is really growing. And we can't thank God enough for all He has done to help us, and to help you in every way." Members, Rock Hill, South Carolina.

"We are in the midst of the worst fall drought since the 'dirty thirties.' In our immediate area we have been blessed with good crops this year, but unless we get snow and rain it will be a different story next year." Man, Partridge, Kansas.

"I want to thank you for your time spent on me. Please speak to God for me and my family. Thank Him for the children He has given us, and for the little one (or ones) that we will be receiving in about ten weeks. Mr. Armstrong, the good Lord has given us five single children and two sets of twins. We sure are blessed with a family. Some people say how can you take care of such a large family. I just tell them to live by the Bible and everything will work out fine." Co-worker, Reedsville, West Virginia.

"I would like to say that babies are the dearest, most precious gifts the Lord could bestow on a person. I love them very dearly. I will be going to the hospital in about 9 weeks for our tenth baby." Woman, Reedsville, West Virginia.

"I confessed with my parish priest yesterday. He told me I couldn't be absolved of my sins because they're so great. I have been condemned to hell for all eternity--tormented forever, never receiving the forgiveness of God. I don't know what to do. Is there any way I can avoid this horrible fate? Please help me--I'm so bewildered I'm unable to think!" Woman, Lima, Peru.

"My study group and myself are puzzling about whom we are going to work for for president in '68. We sort of like Governor Wallace--we like his looks and somebody told us that his concepts fit those of us British Israelis. We think it would be perfectly wonderful to have a British Israel president, don't you? We think it would go a long

way for Christ's Kingdom on earth, don't you? Then, of course, there is Governor Romney. Do You like him? He is a Mormon and Mormons are British Israel, aren't they? Which do you think would be best--Wallace or Romney? We hope you say Wallace. We like his looks. We think he'd make a handsome President. Or what about Reagan? Does he think along British Israel lines? He is nice-looking. What do you think?" Woman, Marysville, California.

"I can see that the people of Vietnam need help, but I don't see how the people of the United States are going to be able to bear the load. The people here, like those at home, take advantage of the men stationed here. We have the Vietnamese do our laundry; they charge more than it would to send it to the cleaners back home. We have showed them how to use inflation--everyone wants to get rich quick....In our company of 270 men I find only a handful that do not use profanity. The profanity that they use while talking is bad enough but the thoughts that occupy their minds is worse. All they talk about is girls and the good time they had the last time they were drunk. I know that most of the men think I am a fool for not getting in on the so-called good times. I don't like what I see. I see them come stumbling in early in the morning drunk and sick. I just think to myself, 'So that is what a good time is.'" PFC, Vietnam.

COMMENTS ABOUT TITHING

"I am sending you my tithe and I hope it can be put to good use. My faith in God must be rising because I am sending this money that rightfully belongs to Him instead of paying a traffic ticket which I recently received." Man, Jacksonville, Florida.

"Here is God's part of our weekly income. What a great blessing and pleasure it is to send this money. I know you have heard it before, but here it is again: My 90% is going farther and getting me out of debt quicker than the 100% did before. I have it in black and white, so to speak, and it's amazing." Man, Wayne, Michigan.

"I am eight years old. We have been going to church in Youngstown. We have been going since August. We have not been going lately because the car won't work. My mother has been reading The BIBLE STORY book. I have been enjoying it. She was reading to us about tithing. When she was done reading, I went to my bank and found that I had to send you \$1.55. It is not much, but it is some." Girl, Cambridge Springs, Pennsylvania.

"I was going to send my usual \$3.00, but after reading your letter with my return receipt I just had to send this \$5.00 that I made picking up walnuts. You know, I was going to get me something I just thought I needed but decided the world needs these messages so much more. I really don't need it that bad, and if just one soul wakes up and starts a new life for Christ, my \$5.00 is mighty well-spent." Woman, Sherrill, Missouri.

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

December 16, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

The percentage of increase in letters is continuing to run well above the one hundred percent mark. While the letter count is up the amount of white mail has dropped quite low, especially for this time of the year. Rather than dropping off the white mail should start climbing at this season. The money percentage improved slightly this week but it still doesn't look good. In order to climb to a thirty percent increase for the month, we need considerably more money for the last half of the month than we received during the first half.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"After reading your 'Personal from the Editor' column this month, I was reminded of an incident that happened about 6 years ago. A friend of mine, a young man in his early thirties with a wife and 2 young sons, became violently ill one evening. The doctor diagnosed it as a liver ailment which would require immediate surgery. Rather than submit to surgery, my friend chose to die. For a long time after that I thought it was such a waste to make a decision like that. I could not understand how a person could commit himself so wholly to God. Since then, I have come to understand what faith is and what that young man had in mind when he had his choice. Thank you for your article and the faith-strengthening message it brought." Man, Ohio.

"The article in the November PLAIN TRUTH, 'Seven Keys to Mental Mastery,' has given me more courage to face coming trials. Thanks for the letter you sent me." Member, California.

"I would like to compliment Mr. Roderick C. Meredith on this article 'Seven Keys to Mental Mastery.' I'm sure this article is helping thousands of others as well as myself in getting a larger insight into the tremendous responsibilities of Christian living." Woman, New Mexico.

"I would like to know, are the letters you print in The PLAIN TRUTH from real people? They seem to be real. Some people tell me that the people there make them up and print them. I say they are real, but my best girlfriend says they are not. Please let us know." Girl, West Virginia.

"Could we please get The PLAIN TRUTH. My husband was in the hospital and his doctor handed him an issue. It has made our home happier." Woman, Florida.

"Keep The PLAIN TRUTH coming. I've read and enjoyed it for 13 years -- free. It's getting bigger and better year by year. I read it through and give it to a Baptist deacon and he reads it (he's 82) and gives it to his pastor (age 83) and he reads and preaches by it. It helps him keep up with world news of yesterday, today and tomorrow." Man, Oklahoma.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"I have most of your booklets, and I often re-read them. I pray for enlightenment by God's Spirit so I can gain the most from your broadcasts and literature. I was Catholic from birth and submitted myself to their teachings until I heard your broadcasts. I am alone in this community and would like to know how I can keep the Passover and other Feast days." Woman, Nogent-en-Bassigny, France.

X "Enclosed you will find some tithe money in sort of an odd amount, \$22.23. The reason is this: I figured my tithe money at \$20.00 and got to thinking about the broadcast costing \$10,000 for thirty minutes. So I did a little more figuring and came up with this:

Thirty minutes----	\$10,000.00
One minute-----	333.33 1/3
One second-----	5.55 33/60
Four seconds-----	22.22 3/15

So here is \$2.23 added to make enough for 4 seconds of broadcasting The WORLD TOMORROW, which does seem like a very little bit.... So, if this is just enough money for 4 seconds' time, I hope it pays for a good deep breath to talk with while some other co-worker follows along who can contribute enough for radio time to use it up." Co-worker, Ohio.

"Thank you for the recent broadcasts on marriage and dating. This certainly is close to us, because we are a product of early dating. I was 15 and my husband was 17 when we married. If God had not called us when He did, I don't believe our marriage would have lasted another two years. I hope these broadcasts will open the eyes of thousands of teenagers and save them the agony we went through." Woman, Virginia.

X "I would like to have your booklet on how to get along with your mother-in-law for your husband's happiness." Woman, Texas.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS

X "I am 13 years old and until about two years ago, I never really realized there was a God! Oh yes, I heard of Him in people's speeches and mentioned after someone sneezed. But do you know what really told me? The BIBLE STORY! Can you believe it? Mr. Armstrong, I love it and none of the allowances in the world could pay for it." Girl, Penn.

"A lady of the school of contemporary art theory stood before a fine painting by one of the old masters, scorning the lack of imagination, when suddenly a stranger spoke up and said, 'Lady, you're not judging that painting; it's judging you.' When your booklet, 'The Ten Commandments' arrived, I sat down to read it, a big black grease pencil in hand to write 'NUTS' across every misrepresentation of the scripture which I was certain I would find in it. Now I am enclosing thousands of dollars to help send it to others. My husband graphically stated it thus, 'You were all set to say "nuts" to it, but instead it said "nuts" to you.' Woman, Colorado.

"This past Friday night was a night I shall never forget. We attended the special Bible study at the Atlanta Church to hear Mr. Waterhouse speak. What it did for us (my husband, Linda and myself) only our Heavenly Father knows. This being the first time for us to hear Mr. Waterhouse speak, we were awe-struck by the dynamic way he speaks, explaining and expounding God's word. And by the way our minds so readily received this message, sent from God by this man to the people of God's Church. I know that when you hunger for the truth you will receive it." Member, Georgia.

"We just received the last GOOD NEWS and how we do marvel at the way God inspires His ministers to write the very articles we need --- things that give us more and more understanding; things that inspire us on to greater zeal; things that help us so much in our spiritual growth. Thank you, and thank God for all of them. We considered the one especially helpful by Mr. Richard Plache, 'Why do You Want to be in God's Kingdom?'" Member, Indiana.

"A disturbing fact is the news that a long-playing record of Hitler is now a best seller among the German youth, coupled with the gains by the new-Nazis. There will certainly be trouble if the authorities are not very watchful." Man, Essex, UK.

"Here is my first tithe. I am in the fifth grade. My mother makes me keep it and I'm glad! I hope it will help in God's Church." Girl, Iowa.

"Please send me an anointed cloth so God will heal my ear infection. Thank you! P.S. Purpose of this letter already accomplished --- before the mailman took it!" Woman, California.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE SEMI-ANNUAL

"I just read the new Semi-annual Letter and I believe it is the MOST INSPIRING letter yet. And I pray its results will truly be fruitful." Member, California.

"I have just finished reading the Semi-annual Letter. It makes me wonder where our faith is. I say I pray sincerely --- not for things but for understanding and wisdom. (I prayed once for a sweetheart when I was young --- I got him. I never prayed for myself again.)" Woman, Colorado.

"I have read your letter dated November 21, 1966, but in spite of what you say I ask you please to accept my small check enclosed." Woman, Pennsylvania.

X "Our sincere appreciation for the Semi-annual Letter --- we always keep these letters and file them, and read them from time to time. The point that is most vivid in your letter is 'Jesus said --- "that where one's treasure is, there will his heart be also."' Member, Alabama.

"The prospect of reading about how the World Tomorrow will be like is thrilling! I've been looking forward to just such a booklet. It will certainly be a help in encouraging our children to look forward to God's Kingdom. My sincere thanks for preparing it. It's most wonderful that it can be offered free." Woman, California.

HOFFER'S EXODUS FROM HUTTERITE BABYLON! (FROM VANCOUVER COMMENTS)

The response from the Churches of God across Canada for the Manitoba brethren is nothing short of fantastic. Over 20,000 dollars have been donated for them and 130 boxes of clothing and household utensils were shipped from Vancouver. Many offers from entire households of furniture to deep freezers, jobs and "you name it" have come in. God certainly does return 100-fold to those who are required to give up things in this world.

"Enclosed you will find my first tithe which I've been saving for quite some time now. I'm very sorry I can't send any more than that. I've just had the opportunity to come out of one of the Hutterite Colonies here in Manitoba and will soon begin to work in the city and will therefore receive wages and be able to pay more tithes. Without God's divine intervention in our lives we just simply would not stand a chance. Some of our brethren here at Teulon have as many as 10 children --- in fact that's the average Hutterite family --- 10 children --- and leaving with only the shirt on your back and 10 children and a wife to support is not a very pleasant situation." Mr. Mike Hofer, Teulon, Manitoba.

"Here are our tithes of \$15.00. Just who do we thank for all we've gotten from the Church of God? I just know there are no words for me to express our thanks, but I'll try anyway. To be able to get out of the Hutterite Colonies, even now, is just beyond words --- my husband says beyond description. We are still looking for homes but I know God will show us a home. I wish I could say thank you to everyone, and thank you Mr. Armstrong for telling us to go out at last." Mr. & Mrs. Edward Hofer, Beausejour, Manitoba.

"We have been thinking of the Hutterite brethren, and we do feel ashamed because we think we have had it pretty tough at times in the past, but these people really have had it rough. We shall be praying for them." Members, Calgary.

Weekly Comments

from

MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

December 23, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

This week has been an excellent one both in letters and money. A spontaneous response to the latest Co-worker Letter has brought the money figure from a minus percentage for last Friday to about a fourteen percent increase as this week draws to a close. It appears that the money for the week will set an all-time weekly record. Our letter count for the week has been about 50,000. This could possibly bring the total letter count for the month through Friday to more than 225,100 letters. That would set a new monthly record. The previous monthly letter record was set in October 1964.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"While reading the article entitled 'Syria Raids Israel--Where Is it Leading?' in the November issue of The PLAIN TRUTH--also at the same time the news of the day was being broadcast on T.V., and Jordan and Israel are very much in the news--it was startling! I had just read it in The PLAIN TRUTH, and here now it's starting to come true. It's frightening, but reassuring that Christ's coming is not too far off." Man, California.

"A fantastic magazine! Never have I seen a better approach to writing articles or have I ever come across magazine articles of such relevance or importance. Your two articles in the November issue, 'Iron Curtain Gathers Rust' and 'The Crumbling Commonwealth' are a most excellent and balanced view of the two situations. I am sure articles of such calibre and quality will also greet us in your next issue." Man, Durham, United Kingdom.

"In recent weeks your periodical has come to my attention through the hands of a doctor who is one of my colleagues. At that time I was doing work on the living conditions of the American middle class family and I was greatly depressed by what I found. It was then that he handed me The PLAIN TRUTH. Now, he is not the type of person who would try to force his beliefs upon another. On the contrary, he is a very quiet and reserved gentleman. After I read part of The PLAIN TRUTH, I no longer doubted his motives. I will never be able to repay him for this act." Professor, Ohio.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"I am a teenager, 13 years old. I will be 14 February 10, 1967. I have been dating since March, 1964....You did not ask my opinion, but you are getting it anyway. I don't believe in going steady unless the couple is serious about each other, and old enough to know what they really want in life. I think also they should be of the age where they may get married if they wish; therefore prevent the female's getting pregnant before marriage. I also don't believe in having sexual intercourse while engaged (or having a 'trial marriage'). Even though I don't believe in going steady at such a young age, I have gone steady with three boys and dated around 20. I don't believe in necking on the first three or four dates at least, anyway, and I don't believe in petting at all, because it only leads a guy on and makes him want more. I listened to part of your program tonight and wish I had heard it all and all your other programs on sex and dating--or anything concerning teenagers. I really enjoyed it because you told the truth. Tonight was the first time I ever heard you speak." Girl, Oklahoma.

"Mr. Ted Armstrong has been talking on marriage, and teenagers--going steady, necking, etc. I just hope it would be possible for these broadcasts to be made up in a booklet. Our daughter Barbara is in grade five at school and she told us a girl in her class (11 years old) who came to school with her hair all done up fancy and said she was going out on a date that night. I know if it could be put into a booklet it would be very helpful to us as Barbara gets a few years older. And I'm sure she would learn God's way by being able to read a booklet like that over and over. I am happy at the training Henry gets at Spokesman Club, but I wish he would have been home to hear the broadcast tonight. My own neice had to get married at 16, produced five children then put them into an orphanage and divorced her husband. Now she is 'remarried' but has just run off again." Listener, Ontario, Canada.

"My husband and I were married nine months ago, he was 18 years old and I was 17. This is one teenage marriage that, with God's help, will work out. We now have a nice apartment. I finished high school after I got married, and both my husband and I have full-time jobs. We also have a small amount in the bank for savings. The only threat to that happiness now is the fact that my husband may be drafted. I know that because God has helped us so much already, He will help us more in the future. We have no children, because we want to be able to give them a good life, when we decide that we're both ready to really settle down and be full-time parents. We know that God is on our side and whatever happens will be His will." Woman, California.

"After hearing your speech on our local radio station about teenage crime, corruption, psychology of infancy, childhood, adolescence, emotion, personality, and motivation, etc., I congratulate you on your wonderful talk; it impressed me very much. Please send any books you have, to help fight crime." Man, New York.

"Your broadcast of tonight, just now concluded over KULA, regarding the Negro janitor who found that sack of money not too long ago came as quite a surprise to me. I remember reading about it in our local newspaper. However, our newspaper never printed what happened to this man and his family later because of their honesty. Your description on your broadcast tonight came as somewhat of a shock to me....Speaking of crime, all is not well out here in the so-called 'Paradise of the Pacific' either. We here in Honolulu are experiencing, too, the muggings, rapes, burglaries, robberies and murders. Every day our two daily newspapers are giving us the latest 'box score' on crime in general and adult or juvenile delinquency in particular in our community. We have our share of sniping too. In fact, one of our police officers was shot and killed by a 19-year-old sniper on the Pali lookout. The 'topless' girls are here too. So are the anti-Vietnam types and draft-card burners. Even our once-staid University of Hawaii is having its share of riots a la beatnik." Man, Hawaii.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE GOOD NEWS

"I received my GOOD NEWS yesterday and am in the process of reading 'Are You a Spiritual Drone' written by Raymond McNair, and want to thank him for such an inspiring article. It is simply amazing how little one knows about the things around us we take for granted. This is another little creature, the bee, that disproves evolution. Thank you again." Member, Colorado.

"I have appreciated the latest GOOD NEWS very much. 'Are You A Spiritual Drone?' really makes a person examine himself and not like what he sees. All the other articles are tops, too, especially the one on the Philippines. I like these articles on our brethren in other parts of the world, not only so that I can feel more like I really KNOW them, but also so I can keep in mind how blessed this nation is and how thankful we should be to live here instead of taking things for granted and even griping, when we have brethren who have to live in such poor conditions elsewhere and yet they are joyful and probably have much better attitudes than lots of us do." Member, Indiana.

"All the articles in the last GOOD NEWS were extremely interesting. I especially enjoyed reading the enlightening story of the Philippine work and commend Mr. Docken on a job well done." Member, California.

X "I am sending \$1.00 extra to help out since reading Mr. Armstrong's last letter. I didn't think it would be possible to send any extra but after reading the article 'Why the Philippines?' I decided if they have to exist on fish and rice for three meals a day, surely we can extract \$1.00 from our grocery money to send in for the work of God....We should all stop and think how much we have to be thankful for just being an American and having plenty of food and clothing. Even those of us who think we're poor have so much." Member, Georgia.

"I just received my GOOD NEWS today. The article on Petra was quite an eye-opener. Anyone who thinks we will have all the comforts of home better read this over many times. The article 'Why Do You Want to be in God's Kingdom?' was wonderful and very comforting to me. To think that God should want me to be one of the rulers! I hope I qualify. It will be an honor to carry out whatever position God will give me." Member, Ohio.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE CO-WORKER LETTER

X "Yesterday we received the co-worker letter and as members, we really want to do our part to help. We were really jarred to hear how critical the growth is and to realize the extreme need that you have to send out this letter and even enclose the stamped envelopes. We are inclosing a special offering along with our tithes and wish it could be much more. We pray also, that God will help all of us member-co-workers to be more diligent in our personal finances and do more to help spread the gospel." Member, Washington.

"I received your 'Emergency' letter a few moments ago, and I am very much saddened at the news of a decrease in tithing and offerings--so much that immediately I knelt in prayer to God for help and awakening of all co-workers to realize the importance of giving even in sacrifice at this time of the year when Satan is most active in blinding the people with lust. It is hoped that prayers and offerings will pour into headquarters for the rest of this month--and that the offerings will make up for the deficit. I know that many of us will send in only small amounts of our sustenance budget, but also that these small amounts may make up a difference. I pray that they do. Enclosed is \$5.00; and I thank God for the privilege of making this contribution. And I thank you for the letter of request and information that calls for this gesture." Member, Oregon.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS

X "I am a teenager, 17 years old, and have converted myself to the Bible by a process of logic, and I know no other person who shares my beliefs. I am of above-average intelligence and excell in school, and yet I find the wisdom and intelligence revealed in the Bible to exceed anything I could ever hope to attain. Because of my religious beliefs, I have brought the adversity of my own family upon my head. I have found that loyalty to God means enmity with the world. I used to, very foolishly, be a very conservative Republican, and now I refuse to salute the flag--the flag of a nation, as all other nations, under the god of this world. I plan to devote my life to the promulgation of the good news of the coming kingdom." Boy, California.

X "I am planning on leaving the U.S.A. for a small South American country, Paraguay, unspoiled by inhuman commercialism, so I could live on natural poison-free fruits, vegetables, nuts, and have peace of mind and prolong my life by living in more natural environment." Man, Fla.

Weekly Comments

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MAIL RECEIVING DEPARTMENT

December 30, 1966

WEEKLY SUMMARY

Monday the old monthly letter record of 225,045 was passed and the new mark should go up to about one-quarter of a million letters for December. Since last December was our record month for money, and we didn't top that figure until this past Wednesday, our percentage of increase for mail receipts is quite low. Thursday morning another Co-worker letter was mailed out. We have been receiving some excellent comments about the new booklet "The WONDERFUL WORLD TOMORROW--What It Will Be Like" this week.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE PLAIN TRUTH

"As I read the enclosed article concerning the Japanese business outlook and another article from the December 7, 1966 'Ft. Wayne Journal Gazette' which starts out: 'A quarter of a century after Pearl Harbor, Japan is again established as a giant among Asian nations. It wants to be a friendly giant. Relations with its neighbors range from uncomfortable to cordial. It is promoting trade but underplaying politics. Some critics have speculated Tokyo is peacefully trying to establish the "greater East Asian Coprosperity sphere" that Japan failed to impose by force. A Japanese Peace Corps is at work.' The article continues by listing a country-by-country rundown of Japan's image in the eyes of other Asians....I picked up the February, 1963 PLAIN TRUTH, and refreshed my memory concerning the article on page 3 'Japan--Future Super Giant.' Three years ago you were writing news in advance that today I am reading in our local newspaper." Man, Indiana.

"Since I have started receiving your magazine it has helped me a lot in my history and geography classes. My teacher took me aside one day and asked me if I was doing extra lessons in these subjects. I told him 'no', I was just reading a wonderful magazine called The PLAIN TRUTH, in which I got most of my facts. So he introduced this magazine to the students and they all decided to write for it." Man, West Indies.

"I was greatly enlightened by Dr. Dorothy's article, 'The Greatest Story Never Told.' I enjoyed the other articles, also the pictures are so lovely." Member, Mansfield, Louisiana.

"The article 'The Greatest Story Never Told' was so very good. It was nice to read a true magazine article about the birth of Jesus without having to edit it mentally like all the world's stories. So much in magazines has the Catholic touch to the writing." Member, Ill.

COMMENTS ABOUT THE BROADCAST

"I have heretofore heard and enjoyed several of your Sunday morning talks. I am three score and ten and this is the first time, I am not too happy to say, that I have taken the time to comment on a radio program. Your message this morning was truly a masterpiece. In my 35 years in politics and public service, as corporation counselor. I have never heard a talk so studded with common sense and which so devastatingly pointed out the sham and uselessness of what the great majority of our people consider success and happiness." Lawyer, N.Y.

"Please accept the enclosed checks as follows: \$28.00 as first tithe and offering, \$10.00 an additional offering in response to the recent co-worker letter. We are all concerned greatly for the radio broadcast. I was in England for the Feast of Tabernacles and Mr. Hunting, as well as all of the other ministers, was greatly concerned for Radio 390. I had the opportunity of meeting the first person brought in the Church and God's work as a result of that station and I feel sick at heart that it has been put off the air. Mr. Armstrong's broadcasts about marriage and dating are SUPERB--please continue, I pray. They are so needed. Thank you for everything." Member, Ill.

"The radio programs on marriage have been exceptionally interesting and so much to the real cause of trouble. I was glad to hear the comment that others found this particular subject so needful also. The programs on teenage dating and practices are so needed. I wish they could be heard in junior high and senior high schools across the country. I don't mean to leave the college age out either. So if you're keeping a chart--chalk up a vote for enthusiastic interest in this subject. Of course I rarely miss a program and I find them all interesting and helpful and thought-provoking; but teenagers so desperately need this knowledge even if they aren't aware of it!" Okla.

"We listen to you over WLAC, WGUN, and WCKY. The current series on how to select a mate is very, very interesting and timely. I surely hope more of the young people contemplating marriage will really let these very vital truths sink in and put them to use. Thank you very much." Members, Taylorsville, Georgia.

"I have just been listening to The WORLD TOMORROW. The promised series on how to pick a mate is just what is needed. I wish I had known about it when I was young." Member, Chicago, Illinois.

COMMENTS ABOUT "THE WONDERFUL WORLD TOMORROW--WHAT IT WILL BE LIKE"

"I am writing this letter telling you how much I really enjoyed your book (and let's not forget about the newspaper) The WONDERFUL

WORLD TOMORROW--'What It Will Be Like'. As I have read about the wonderful world tomorrow, I can surely look at the sick, sick world today and see what kind of condition it is in. This book written by you and your son Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong has sure been an eye-opener to us. Thanks ever so much. You are truly feeding the flock. P.S. I just happen to work in the Press, and helped print this book. It gives me great pleasure to know that I help put out a book of this nature. By the way, on page nine in the new book it has a picture of an old man gambling on one of those one-armed bandits. There is a sign right in front of him that says 'Buffered Aspirin' two for 99 cents. I wonder how many aspirins that sign alone has sold. I just imagine that after a man loses about \$25.00 he is ready for about two boxes of aspirins. These advertisement agencies sure know where to place their signs to do the most harm (I can't say good in this case)." California.

~~"What world news on 9-7-6004--I'd wish that date for today!~~
Thank you very much for your book The WONDERFUL WORLD TOMORROW. It made me want to dream, and I know it will be a better REALITY." Calif.

"What an experience! Through the 'New World News' for the last hour or two, I have actually lived in the World Tomorrow. 'Millions Hail King of Kings' caused tears of joy and thanksgiving. I had to get up for Kleenex so often--finally just brought the whole box along to the chair and proceeded to lose all thought of this present wicked world, and savor every word, every picture in that remarkable newspaper. It is an answer to prayers asking God to make the World Tomorrow real to us now, that we may not waver when things get rough. Thank you so much." Member, Mesa, Arizona.

"Since your last letter explaining about the new book The WONDERFUL WORLD TOMORROW, I had been eagerly anticipating the arrival of it. You can imagine my excitement when I found it in my mailbox. In fact I was so excited about it that when I started reading it I couldn't stop until I had completed it. It is wonderfully written and I just don't have words to express my feeling after reading it. The way you explained the positions the Bible patriarchs would hold in the world tomorrow is really amazing. I suppose it was only natural to wonder what kind of job I would be doing in the world tomorrow if I qualify. I suddenly realized that I don't excell in anything and if I expect to hold an office of any kind I certainly have an awful lot of faults to overcome." Woman, Stockton, California.

"I wasn't expecting your paper about 'World News' with the new book, and it was really a surprise. The articles were wonderful. I kept laughing out of sheer joy as I read some. Such marvelous things, they hardly seem like they are just around the corner from this present world. I wish it were now. After that, I couldn't wait to read the booklet. I learned a lot even from the first eager reading and as tomorrow is the Sabbath, I will have a chance to study it more deeply. To think that I may have the opportunity to help teach people the right ways! Thank you very much." Woman, Yuma, Arizona.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS

"I work for Catholic priests and discovered one 'Father' listens to Garner Ted Armstrong and thinks he's very good, practical, sensible, and 'down-to-earth.' I said, 'Thank you--he's my pastor.' He was dumbfounded and asked about the broadcast and I showed him the ENVOY and he was amazed with it all, and most especially the scenes from the Mikado and Bartered Bride as he admits to being a ham actor in the pulpit. The beauty and richness had him open-mouthed. And when I told him it wasn't just for show, and that our wonderful students really used it, he was overwhelmed. He told me he doesn't quite dig this business of heaven and hell the church teaches. I was wondering if he could be hit with Mr. Hill's article! I'll have to think on that a while. They also have a large display of literature for sale in the church entrance and I wondered what would happen if I slipped a 'True History of the True Church' in with theirs! Haha. Mr. Hargrove warned ~~me one time to be careful with a sense of humor because some people~~ just don't have them. I think I'll heed him." Woman, Arizona.

"You no doubt have received much commentary concerning Mr. Waterhouse's tour of the church. For three fact-packed solid hours, he unfolded and laid bare before us some small part of the inimitable plan our creating God has for those who will be faithful now in the few small things each of us is tried by. He made the Kingdom come alive. He burned into our minds the vast importance of obeying God in every detail. He made us know this means that every word in The PLAIN TRUTH and The GOOD NEWS is sent to us from Jesus Christ through His Church headquarters. I am deeply thankful for the blessing of the word of God delivered to us through His servant, Mr. Waterhouse." Ala.

"Mr. Waterhouse visited God's Church at Greensboro recently and that was a real blessing! After his sermon on Friday night nobody moved for 3 or 4 minutes! We were just stunned and captivated by the sermon on the soon-coming Kingdom and what the job of the Philadelphia Church would be. I thank God for men like Mr. Waterhouse." Man, N.C.

"I have a friend that lived in Texas, and he visited your college at Sand Springs, Texas. He tells me of the booze that was available to anyone there that desired it. I have sent you hundreds of dollars to spread God's Word, and you took God's money, and bought booze with it. I had so much faith in you as a true leader in God's work, but not any more. I am asking you to take my name out of your files; I don't want any more of your literature. This will bring our relationship to a close." Man, Kirksville, Missouri.

"Enclosed is my check for first tithe and one for a freewill offering. The money for the offering was part of some money I was saving for a car payment, but figured the work of God was more important than a car and secondly, if I were meant to have this car then God will help me keep it. But I am tired of letting the important things in life go and worrying about unessential items. I just hope That God will forgive me for not having sent it sooner." Member, Ill.