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LOS ANGELES, July 15—A businessmen's group closely associated with the Pentecostal movement, which gives special attention to the phenomenon of "speaking in tongues," reported this week that its membership had doubled in the last two years.

The Full Gospel Businessmen's Fellowship International, whose headquarters are here, made the membership report after its 19th world convention in San Francisco. Leaders of the 21-year-old Fellowship attributed the growth in large part to increased interest in the Pentecostal movement among Roman Catholics.

The Gift of Tongues, or glossolalia, is the power of speaking to a polyglot congregation so that everyone hears his own tongue. The phenomenon was experienced by some in the early days of the Christian church, but the

Pentecostal movement in the United States is generally traced to the first decade of the century.

Until the last 10 years, the controversial phenomenon of speaking in languages never learned by the speaker, nor understood by the hearer, has usually been associated with holiness or Pentecostal church groups, the largest of which is the Assemblies of God.

However, the Full Gospel Businessmen's Fellowship is part of a recent fluid movement that includes both "old time" Pentecostals and "main-line" church members who join outpourings of prayer and praise.

Demos Shakarian, 58 years old, founder and president of the Fellowship, told more than 6,000 delegates to the San Francisco convention that by the beginning of next year,

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Gains Followers

Rolls Doubled in Two Years

the Fellowship would reach as many people as it did during its first 20 years.

"God is using the Fellowship to bring the Holy Spirit movement and His gifts back to the people," said Mr. Shakarian, a dairy farmer and shopping center developer of Armenian descent who lives here.

900 Chapters

The Fellowship now has an estimated total of 300,000 adherents in 900 chapters throughout the world. Some 700 are in the United States and Canada. Mr. Shakarian said the annual operating budget exceeded \$1-million.

Originating here, a new half-hour weekly television show called GOOD NEWS is seen on 34 stations with a goal of 50 stations by the end of the year. Mr. Shakarian predicts the

total to swell to 100 by the middle of 1973. (At press time, GOOD NEWS was already on 50 stations—Editor.) Production costs will run more than \$1-million according to Shakarian, with Fellowship chapters expected to underwrite local station time.

Speakers at the San Francisco world convention pointed to gains in the Fellowship prestige overseas. A successful airlift operation, financed by well-to-do businessmen, charts flights to carry 50 or more members from the United States to other countries for several weeks of intensive personal evangelism.

African Trip Planned

One such airlift is scheduled to leave New York next month for a three-week evangelistic excursion to

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"Wings of the Wind"



"And he was seen upon the wings of the wind" (2 Samuel 22:11)



1. St. Johannes Lutheran Church, Stockholm.

2. Sven Lindahl, right, in Stockholm "rap" session.

3. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Carlson, with Eric Neland, member of Swedish Parliament.

4. Youth Evangelist Bill Lowery in Vienna. Interpreter is Walter Betschel, Salzburg Chapter president.

5. David Pelletier, Jr., with patch over normal eye, gives description of man in audience as God enables him to "see" through plastic eye.

6. Jesus People witnessed effectively to youth in the streets of major cities.

by **RAYMOND W. BECKER**

Editor, Full Gospel Business Men's VOICE

IT IS NO SECRET what God can do"—so goes the familiar song. But often it is positively awesome and astounding what He *does* do.

The 1972 Scandinavian-European Airlift was a glorious experience. Seven years ago the first such endeavor was referred to as the Swedish Airlift because God had laid it upon the heart of Swedish-born FGBMFI Director *Henry Carlson*, of Chicago, to take to his people this great Full Gospel message he had heard in America. Each year the airlift expanded until it took in all Scandinavia—Norway, Sweden, Finland, Denmark, even Estonia. Then it leaped to Germany and Holland, to Austria, to Yugoslavia, and to North Ireland, until in 1972 we were obliged to call it the Scandinavian-European Airlift.

On April 25, all 170 in our party gathered in Copenhagen for our first meeting.

DENMARK

For *Francis Nelson* this was the fourth trip as a team leader in Denmark, and Fran reports that this was the greatest of them all:

"The entire airlift landed at Copen-

hagen and participated in a big meeting in a hall, with Henry Carlson in charge, *Joe Poppell* ministering, and the Jesus People singing and testifying. Another meeting was held on the second night by the Denmark team, and likewise on the third night.

"The Danish people are very reserved and hesitate to go forward to be prayed for in a public meeting. In fact, it is even difficult to get them to raise their hands. The second night *Drummond Thom* ministered and many were saved and healed. But it was the third night that really seemed to 'set the stage' for the balance of the ministry in Denmark.

"The hall was packed—people were standing all around. Drummond Thom ministered. There were tremendous miracles of healing. It wasn't even necessary to pray for the people. They received their healing instantly when hands were laid upon them. Short limbs were lengthened before we could even ask—lengthened right there before our eyes, and before the eyes of a lot of amazed people. It was astonishing! It seemed God was so anxious to do these things that He couldn't wait for our prayers! Everyone tried to find a vantage point so they wouldn't miss a thing. Everybody expected miracles on that night, and God was able to do a great work.

"There were 18 in our team, including eight Jesus People," Fran Nelson told me. "We separated into two groups and each went to opposite parts of Denmark. There were so many cities to cover! The group I was with went to Ronne on the Island of Bornholm, where we held six meetings in two days and again great miracles occurred.

"In the last meeting a lady from Norway who could not walk was brought in. The power of God touched her, she stood up, took a step or two with help, then walked unassisted all around the hall. The people stayed until nearly 11:30 p.m.

"In Randers we joined another team for a couple of days. *Hans Jensen* and Pastor *Paul Konrad* of the Smyrna Church sponsored the meetings. Many were saved and received the Baptism. One man who had not walked for 35 years without help was carried into the meeting but after prayer he walked out unassisted.

"In Aalborg, meetings were arranged by sister *Inger Nillson*. There is no use trying to tell how many were saved, healed and filled with the Holy Spirit, because it was utterly impossible to keep track.

"Drummond Thom and I went to Vejle and ministered to a group in a hotel high on a mountaintop. There we talked with the pastors of that area as well as the leading businessmen, and they were greatly impressed. We remark upon this fact, because

in Denmark not many people approve of the present-day teaching on healing or the baptism in the Holy Spirit. In the evening Pastor *Kurt Christensen* opened his Evangelical Church to us by arrangement of *Alfred Boesenbaek*. We had only a short time to minister because Brother Thom had to catch a plane at nine o'clock, but we prayed earnestly that God might perform the greatest miracle in Denmark—a miracle that would open that land wide. God honored that prayer. After speaking briefly Drummond asked all who suffered from deafness to come forward. Ten responded and their ears were instantly opened. Some who had one limb shorter than the other, saw the limbs lengthened as everyone gathered round and watched.

"In all the meetings many found the Saviour and many were healed and baptized in the Holy Spirit. But the greatest miracle of all was when these people, reticent as they are, surged forward for prayer. Some came from hundreds of kilometers away and followed from one meeting to the next. The miracles were almost unbelievable. In most meetings there were at least 100 to 150 miracles, and they were happening on all sides at once. The thing that struck me was that this year's response was a result of last year's airlift, and last year it was the result of the year before. This is the thing



Catholic and Episcopal priests Phillip Sternig and Russell Amend, respectively, fellowship with Methodist minister James Hosier in Sweden.

that God has promised for these days. He has been raising up leaders in Denmark, and many cities are now planning to establish chapters of FGBMFI!"

Wesley Ropp from Sarasota, Florida discovered something on this airlift that many have experienced. "This was my first airlift. As a result, God has shown me a good many rough spots in my own life that needed prayerful attention. I rejoice for every soul won and every body healed during our airlift, but I also thank God for the deepening of my own spiritual life."

Irene Benner who traveled with her husband Mike, from Painted Post, New York, told me, "Just going overseas was an experience for us. Personally I found the people of Denmark very friendly, very open, very eager to welcome us. One woman who was a great joy to me was a lit-

tle lady in a wheel chair, probably in her eighties. I asked her if she had received the Baptism and she said no, but she would like to. It was such a joy to hear her pray through in her heavenly language. We found many who had been seeking the Baptism for years but no one had given them teaching on the subject.

"One thing we stressed was that we were not anyone special at all. Truly there were mighty miracles, but they were done by our Lord to confirm the ministry and the faith. One girl who had a short leg lengthened, immediately went to pray for her friend, and her friend in turn prayed for *her* friend. It was so very evident the Lord was trying to make us understand that He honors faith in all His children."

SWEDEN

Our Swedish team under the leadership of *Norbert Selking* visited Leksand, Edslyn, Ornakaldvik, Nordsmaling, Sundsvall and Hudiksvall—all cities we had not been able to minister in before. Norbert reported: "The churches were packed to overflowing. There were great opportunities to witness to youth by our Jesus People, in the streets and in the public schools.



Colorful sidewalk cafe along Kurfurstendamm in West Berlin, Germany.



Fran Nelson, second from left, and team that ministered with him in Denmark.



Mr. and Mrs. Walter Betschel and daughters. Photo was taken in the Vienna Woods. He is president of the Salzburg Chapter, FGBMFI.

Gene Bailey ministered in Germany-Holland, Simon Vikse in Norway, and Wm. Warnock in Austria and several other countries.



Alfred Brabec, vice president of the Salzburg Chapter, and wife, Maria, in front of their Parkhotel in Oberalm, Austria.

One can buy almost anything in these fascinating outdoor markets in West Berlin. This one was located just off the main street.



"Many were the miracles and many were the souls—and the bodies—delivered from bondage, and oppression. While we were eating lunch in a restaurant in Nordsmalning the owner, his wife, and daughter accepted the Lord."

One of the miracles of this airlift was pointed out specifically by a Catholic nun, *Sister Mary Francis* in her report:

"In our group that went to Karlstad there were five different faiths represented, besides the three Jesus People, all under the leadership of *Ray Bullard*. As the days progressed, so the calls to 'come and share with us' increased.

"The Jesus People were on the streets day and night witnessing and helping many to accept Jesus. In addition to the regular evening meetings we were invited into several schools. In Lundsberg, the school where the children of top society attend, only two classes were at first opened to our witness. However, because the other pupils kept insisting they wanted to hear too, the teachers shortened the classes so all would have the opportunity.

"At Sandsta, the teachers' training school, we spent a fruitful morning. In the afternoon in Lararkogskolen, while two of our team witnessed in a classroom, the rest were out on the lawn where large interested groups gathered.

"The last night after witnessing in

the Cathedral, we sat on the lawn and talked, answered questions, and prayed, following which several young people sought and received the fullness of the Holy Spirit."

Fr. Maynard Kolodziej, Catholic priest from Chicago, established several "firsts" in his ministry with the team led by *Kenneth Damstrom* of Massachusetts, and including five of the Jesus People.

"Our entire team ministered as a group," he reported, "except in the schools where the Jesus People went by themselves.

"We spoke in St. Nicolai in Halmstad. The large church was two-thirds filled and both pastor and people were open to and pleased with the message we presented. We also spoke in the Pentecostal church in that city.

"In Jonkoping we spoke in St. Sophia Lutheran Church and also in a Pentecostal church. We went to their open market and shopping center and the people listened intently—hungry for the Word of God.

"In Boras we ministered in the Pentecostal church. A young woman received the baptism in the Holy Spirit during my testimony.

"In Varnamo we spoke in the Fildelfia Church that seats 1000. It was filled, mostly with young people. When the altar call was given between 400 and 500 responded.

"We held a revival meeting in the large sports arena in Falkhopping, at-

tended by some 1500 persons. Our hearts were broken because the meeting was so carefully programmed that it left no place for an altar call. We felt definitely there were many present who wanted to find the Lord. That happens when man programs things and not the Holy Spirit.

"We ministered in two Lutheran State churches in Stockholm, and were told it was the first time a Catholic priest had ever spoken in those churches. I also had the privilege of being the first Catholic priest to speak in various Pentecostal churches during our Swedish ministry. Everywhere, the people were very interested in the charismatic movement and especially impressed with what is happening in the Catholic Church."

Gunnar E. Carlson of Chicago led a team of eight to Goteborg where they stayed in a Catholic retreat center and prayed with many priests and nuns.

"During our eight-day stay in Goteborg," he recalled, "we ministered in mission, Congregational and Pentecostal churches, Catholic chapels, and in two Lutheran high schools. The outstanding experience of our group was the miracle of healing of a young lady who was a cripple, on crutches. She had to use a specially built auto to travel around. After prayer she was completely healed and now is arranging to buy a standard car!

"*Joe Poppell* was with our team and he prayed for many. It seemed

there was no end to the prayer lines. In Stockholm, he prayed for a girl with one leg about 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ " shorter than the other, and the leg lengthened as we watched. It was most interesting to observe the reaction of Anna Nyman, a woman reporter from 'Aret Runt,' largest magazine in Sweden, who was present. She had seated herself about a foot away in order that she shouldn't miss anything, and was deeply impressed by the miracle.

"Of the four visits I have been privileged to make to Sweden, this 1972 airlift was especially outstanding because of the tremendous outpouring of the Spirit of God upon those to whom we ministered."

Sister Francis Clare of Ann Arbor, Michigan says of the Goteborg ministry:

"Time stood still. It seemed always to be nine o'clock in the morning, for we were witnessing to the reality of Acts 2 almost twenty-four hours daily.

"The Lord gave us the witness in prophecy many times over of what He is doing, and that He is about to do an even greater thing in the moving of His Spirit over Sweden. Best of all, there were no denominational barriers."

Martin J. Kroeze of Mason City, Iowa together with *Richard Pansing* and *Thomas M. Ferguson* was able to minister in the very large State Lutheran Church in Vasteras, as well as in the Cathedral Youth Center,



Airlift team that ministered in Norway.

the Mission Church (Congregational), the Baptist and Pentecostal churches, and in the coffee houses.

"We found a real hunger for Jesus Christ in all the people with whom we shared," he reported.

NORWAY

On every FGBMFI airlift that touches Norway, *Simon Vikse*, one of our international directors, has led a triumphant team through that rugged and beautiful land of his birth for which his heart is so signally burdened.

This year the Norway team consisted of 20 people. One of them, *Ingrid K. Olson*, told me in an interview in Stockholm: "When my mind scans the two weeks in Norway and surrounding areas, one incident

stands out with great clarity. A gentleman from Nordkapp, up in the northern part of Norway, traveled a long way to get to Bergen to be prayed for. He had been born with his left arm some five inches shorter than his right. As *Rev. Joe Poppell* prayed for him, his left arm grew out to equal length. It was fantastic! I stood there and wept at this evidence of the love and power of our God."

Rev. Bill Wilson, who has made some seven trips to Norway says without hesitation that the 1972 airlift was the greatest, and that the Lord opened the way for the team to visit many areas never before reached.

"My wife and I flew into Trondheim with *Luke Sanford* and his wife. The first night the pastor of the Lutheran Cathedral was our interpreter. The second night it was a Methodist pastor. In Stavanger we were shocked to see the crowd. We had expected about 50 people but there were approximately 1200. It was fantastic! I wouldn't have any way of knowing how many responded to the altar call, for the entire audience seemed to swarm forward. Three sailors spear-headed the whole thing; when they got up and moved toward the altar it broke the ice. I don't believe there was a dry eye in the place.

"Last year we had about 1100 in our Grimstad meeting, but this year there must have been nearly 1600. The story in Kristiansand and everywhere we went was about the same.

Mrs. Vikse was born near Kristiansand and we had a tremendous gathering. Talk about a 'body ministry'—every member of the team was an instrument of God. Where there wasn't time for the preacher to pray for everyone, other members of the team would minister and God confirmed the Word with signs following."

For *Ann Marie Kenback* of Brooklyn, New York, this was the fourth trip to Norway, but her first time with FGBMFI.

"The first place we visited was Haugesund—a large area where narcotics seem to be most prevalent. The kids who are looking for drugs and the drug scene come from all over Norway to that place. We rejoiced to see so many 'turned on to Jesus' when they heard the message that He alone can deliver them.

"Our next stop was Grimstad, a town of American-Norwegians. There Rev. Poppell prayed until late in the evening, for the prayer line was so long. Hundreds joined the praise for the miracles of healing.

"Some of us then traveled to Kristiansand while the rest continued to Oslo. After three days in Oslo our team again divided into two groups, one going to Fredrikstad and the other to Konigsberg, where we held our meeting in one of the famous state churches over 200 years old, having the beautiful artistic work and construction similar in decor to the



Finland team: Arthur Mueller, leader, right, with Guyton Idom and Lillian Pfeiffer.

Renaissance period. It seated 3000 and at one time had been the church of the royal family. Most beautiful of all, we witnessed the presence of the Spirit of the King of kings.

"In those two short weeks we witnessed the yearning in the hearts of many Norwegian people for a deeper walk with Jesus and more of the outpouring of His Holy Spirit.

"In Trondheim, the Wilsons and the Sanfords ministered. In Fredrikstad, where *Ivar Anderson* is the local leader, the business men are now ready to start a chapter of FGBMFI."

Simon Vikse feels this was the best airlift he has ever been on. "We saw more miracles than we ever have seen, and the crowds in some of the cities were much larger than before," he told me.

"Last year in Bergen, there was a Lutheran minister in the meeting whose son was underdeveloped—

couldn't talk. We prayed for him and a few days later the boy began to talk and he has been improving ever since. As a result of that healing, the father later received the baptism in the Holy Spirit and is now working with the FGBMFI chapter in Bergen. This year he came with us to Haugesund and Stavanger and arranged the meeting hall in Stavanger where we met with some 1200 people. There were many other Lutheran ministers who came to the meetings because of that boy's healing.

"When we went to Oslo where the meetings were held in a great auditorium, we stayed at Midtstuen Hotel which is owned by our good friends *Dr. and Mrs. Nils Rohnebaek*. God gave us tremendous meetings in Oslo and tremendous miracles.

"The last night in Norway we divided the team into two groups. Some went to Konigsberg but I went with the group to Fredrikstad. They are about ready to ask for their chapter charter. It is just a matter now of getting the application filled out and sent to headquarters. About 700 people attended that night. Probably 80% of the congregation were Lutherans. The spirit in the meeting was wonderful.

"Before we began to pray for the sick we dismissed the meeting in order to give them the liberty to leave if they wished—but no one left. They stayed with us to the very end. God bless them!"

FINLAND

FGBMFI airlifters have ever in their memory the word of prophecy that came forth during previous visits to Finland regarding God's plan and promised power for a great work to be done by its people. Finland still stands as a wall of prayer holding back the sea of atheism, and it was with much joy that some of the airlifters were able to minister in that country.

Lillian Pfeiffer, who is a Finn-speaking American, was especially able to communicate with the people. She told me during a note-comparing session in Stockholm, where we held a four-day "Konferens" to climax the airlift:

"The Holy Spirit was truly leading us and going before us to prepare hearts to receive the message. There was a great openness among the people — open homes, open schools, open meetings, and open hearts. As the news was spread abroad of what God had done in the meetings, more places and more cities opened to us.

"At the Jyvaskyla School, with an enrollment of 500 students, we visited with the teachers in the lounge and the Lord opened the classrooms to us. We separated into two teams. *Eugene Bright* was the interpreter in

one group of classes and I went to another, not needing an interpreter. We joined in their coffee breaks, had lunch with them, talked with the students and with the teachers. There were many Christians among them. They were full of questions—'Where can we get literature? How can we start a Jesus People movement?' and so on.

"In Kerava, the home town of some of my relatives, we went to the schools and conducted morning devotions. Many stood in the auditorium, there being too many to be seated. Again we visited classes, where we found real receptivity. Some students accepted the Saviour. We invited everyone to attend the evening meeting.

"The main meeting that night was so crowded they sent the youth to one room and the adults gathered in another. The meeting I participated in was a youth rally. After we prayed the prayer for salvation we asked how many wanted to be filled with the Holy Spirit. I could hardly believe my eyes—every hand was raised! It was fantastic! That night many received the Baptism and there were miraculous healings. At two o'clock in the morning we had prayed for the last one, and went home praising the Lord.

"In Turku, the last Finnish city we were in, over 35 young people received the Baptism. The Lord spoke forth in prophecy saying He was go-

ing to use them . . . that He was melting and molding Finland and its people . . . that now the fulness of the harvest is coming and that He will thrust them out into all parts of the world . . . that what God has hereunto done in that country is only a whisper . . . and that these young people will be a mighty shout to the European countries and even their enemies will kneel to praise the Lord with them."

Arthur Mueller's ministry in Finland was more of teaching and prayer, grounding new converts in the Word and teaching those who received the Baptism, about the gifts and fruit of the Spirit. However, the Spirit moved upon unbelievers as well, according to Rev. Mueller, who told me, "There were some unsaved young people present at the teaching session and the interpreter told me some of them wanted to be saved. I asked how many, and one young lady said, 'All of us.' Sure enough, that group found salvation and also prayed through to the Baptism. It was wonderful! We believe the Word we gave there will accomplish much. Those young people are the nucleus of the church; they will spread the knowledge of God's love and grace and power to the others.

"In Helsinki and in Kuopio the miracles of God proved the opening wedge and the confirmation that the Lord was present with us. That paved
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From a Scandinavian Airlift of the past
comes this amazing story . . .



God remembered—and brought me back from the

"LAND OF NO MEMORY"

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UNTIL THE AGE of 19 I was a very clean-cut young man, having begun studies in physics and chemistry at the University of Copenhagen. My mother, a widow, had given me the very best she could offer. I was so confident in my own knowledge and abilities that I was sure my life would never need to be grounded on anything more stable than a good education, and certainly not such a foolish rationale as a "god."

Having gone those first 19 years without severe resistance, I was unprepared when life headed into difficulties. Everything got started all

wrong at the university, and shortly afterward an attack of cancer of the lymphatic system was so destroying my lungs that I was almost suffocating.

Realizing that I was passing away, I lost all interest in life and began fading out completely. So the doctor prescribed a strong—but dangerous drug which can speed up a leaking system, but which really does not cure any disease.

Facing death in the hospital I did not even think of praying to God—for I had never had any person clearly state to me that praying could

help things. This gray hopelessness is a state of mind I would not wish on anyone.

As I began feeling better I began doing theater activity, and there made an acquaintance with hashish, which is the resin of marijuana and the most common illegal drug in Denmark. For one such as myself, with no hope or aim in life, this is the perfect means of sweetening the hours. You just keep drifting on pink clouds and feeling on top of the world all the time—that is, as long as you are “high”. From there I progressed into more powerful hallucinogens such as LSD, mescaline and the whole row of so-called mind expanders.

But the trouble with drugs is that they do not build you up, they rather blow you up so that your world becomes as beautiful and as stable as a soap bubble. Swirling around in my artificial paradise I gradually lost contact with the present world; suddenly paradise turned into hell because I was so all alone, unable to communicate with normal people.

I tried desperately to get out the same way I got in, but it was impossible. My mind had been transformed during all the trips, all the smoking, and no one seemed to be able to help me get it straight. I thought it was nice of people to try but considered myself much more full of insight than they. Veering all the

time between megalomania and desires of self-extermination, the only help was always another drug to send me into “the land of no memory”.

Through them I had become aware of the world of spirits and attracted to the mystery of it all. I had also realized that all the scientific facts I had gathered in my studies formed into a pattern so beautiful and orderly that the explanation could only be a

“My world was as beautiful and as stable as a soap bubble!”

creator of some kind. This led me into the realm of Yoga, astrology and all kinds of occult phenomena. They filled my mind continually but never satisfied the longing of my heart. I was smoking more and more heavily, hoping to forget the accusations that I made against myself; trying to be good but always realizing that I was selfish through and through.

I kept praying to the “highest god” for help. His name I didn’t know for I was unable to believe that any particular religion could be “*the Truth.*”

One day while standing in the zoo singing a song to an ostrich an elderly lady came up and invited me to

a meeting in a concert hall, saying that Jesus would be coming soon. I happened to pass by later and went in. It was an old fashioned revival meeting.

That night I called upon Jesus as my Lord and Saviour and realized immediately that because He had forgiven all my sins I would no longer have to escape from my conscience by means of drugs. From the

***"Immediately my
body started
vibrating all over!"***

first moment I received Christ I knew He was my only hope.

But some days later, as soon as troubles started to worry me, I was smoking pot again; it was a very deep habit pattern. For a while everything got even worse because I had received salvation from God but was too proud to receive the power to walk in it.

The powers of darkness with whom I had become acquainted during my occult period would not let me go. The cancer was making my spleen hurt all the time. So this was another excuse for smoking hashish; it has a mildly pain-easing effect besides the tranquilizing psychic one.

One day Christ answered all my prayers by sending a Christian from the United States, a member of the Scandinavian FGBMFI airlift, who knew what it was to walk in the Spirit. I attended a house meeting where he was speaking. At the end of the meeting a chair was placed in the middle of the room so that anyone with a prayer request could take the chair and let the group minister to him. Recognizing my need for help from the body of Christ, I sat down in the chair and surrendered myself to the Lord unconditionally.

The saints gathered around, laid hands on me and prayed. Immediately my body started vibrating all over, and I was filled with a peace, a light and a love that surpassed anything I had ever thought possible.

To confirm that this experience was from God the brother from America said, "The Lord shows me that your lungs and left side are inflamed. But He is going to heal every damaged tissue." Putting his hand at my spleen exactly where the pain was strongest, he prayed: "In the name of Jesus I command you, cancer: leave his body!" Immediately, the pain ceased and my lungs regained their normal function. It was as if steel wires around my lungs and spleen had been cut so that I regained my freedom.

Also that night I was shown from the Word of God that I was not to

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touch the occult things again. To secure a Christian's walk he must stand back from any kind of sooth-saying, astrology, mysticism or spiritualism. All these phenomena are caused by the interaction of evil spirits and NOTHING good can come from them, no matter how promising they may seem. I was promised that Christ, through His Word, would give me far better revelations. And so He has done.

It was later that I learned that what I had experienced previous to the healing was the baptism in the Holy Spirit. Realizing I should then have the ability to pray in tongues I did so, and have continued to use this form of prayer daily.

Shortly afterward the Lord gave me the opportunity to journey to California where I saw and heard many things happening among believers, which increased my faith and has worked toward my further edification.

By now I have been growing in Christ for three years, and am working at a children's welfare home here in Denmark. God continues to supply all our needs to overflowing with His rich mercy. My constant aim is to exalt the name of our Lord Jesus Christ that He may, through the blood of His redemption and through the power of the Holy Spirit, gain control of more hearts of my fellow beings here on earth. ■

I'm so thankful that someone gave me a subscription to VOICE magazine. At first I would not read it, having been taught differently about the Holy Spirit. I even requested that you cancel my subscription, but the Holy Spirit led me to read the issues I had received. My heart was hungry as I realized that there was more to the Christian life than just being saved. I received the baptism in the Holy Spirit. God also healed me in two ways. As the result of a nervous breakdown I was on heavy medication and addicted to it. God delivered me, He also restored my voice and I now sing with the anointing of the Holy Spirit. Thanks to all who put the VOICE magazine in circulation. I pray for you.

Mrs. M.H., Pontiac, Michigan

Your VOICE magazine is a blessing to me. I am not a business man. I am 26 years old and recently graduated from college. I am an ex-drug user and seller, ex-hippie who was filled with bitterness, hatred and confusion. Glory to God I have received the gift of the Holy Spirit and praise and thank Jesus for the beautiful, fantastic, exciting, electrifying experience of living in the very presence of God! Thank you and God bless you.

J.S., Bellingham, Washington

Before going on a trip I had asked God to give me the opportunity to witness to someone. Two days went by and I was having trouble finding the right moment. On the third day I found a copy of the April, 1971 issue of VOICE in the parking lot of a restaurant. I read "God Gave Us a Miracle." Then I got a chance to witness to the girl next to me. First we talked about the story. Then we talked about the second coming of Christ. What a way to have a prayer answered. I have been so inspired by VOICE magazine.

K.C., Altus, Oklahoma

AIRLIFT: FINLAND

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the way for all our other meetings, and we had capacity audiences. Often we ministered until long after midnight praying for those who came with special needs. It seemed there was no end to the prayer lines.

"God left a witness there that they will never forget."

Osborn Guyton (Guy) Idom from Forest, Mississippi was much impressed by the sincerity and spiritual strength of the Finnish people. He said:

"They would listen carefully, then ask questions that indicated a great hunger for the Gospel and deeper teaching. We ministered wherever requested, not only in churches and universities but also in homes and in several hospitals.

"I am convinced that Finland is prepared to go forward as the Lord leads."

YUGOSLAVIA

On every airlift God has reached in and stretched our itinerary beyond what had been planned. Our airlift personnel, when in the field, is like an army that follows the commands of its general, not always knowing beforehand just where the call will take us, but almost always

it leads to an unexpected miracle or a greater and broader field is opened before us. Such a field was the land of Yugoslavia. *Bill Lowery*, with *Don Jones* and his father, *Everett Jones*, former Al Capone gangster, felt called to go there. A Yugoslavian-born sister, *Milka Baranspchuk*, who knew the language, accompanied them. They returned, as did *Caleb* and *Joshua* of *Moses'* day, reporting a land open to the Gospel:

"Yugoslavia is a country of 20 million people," Bill said. "Approximately 10,000 are born-again Christians and 2,000 of that number are Spirit-filled. We left you and other airlifters in Vienna at the close of the meetings there, and proceeded to Ljubljana, a city of 300,000 people. There we found only one small Spirit-filled work (about 130 people). Progress there is considerably hindered by laws that prohibit passing out literature, holding meetings anywhere except in a church building, and using the public news media for religious purposes. In spite of these circumstances, we had a fruitful time.

"We started right at the border, where Milka witnessed to the guards. God blessed wonderfully. A 26-year-old girl was saved and two believers baptized in the Holy Spirit. Milka was also able to lead the owner and two of the operators in a hair dressing parlor to the Lord, as well as the ticket-taker on a local bus.

“Don and Everett Jones purchased a new bicycle for the pastor of the little Pentecostal church, and one for his wife. This may not sound like much, but when it is the only method of transportation, it means everything to them. That pastor is one of only five full-time Spirit-filled pastors in that nation, we were told.

“Our time there was so pitifully short, but we will long remember the earnest prayers of the Spirit-filled people for help and for a genuine God-sent revival.”

NORTH IRELAND

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. McNutt led a team comprised of *Carl and Susan Jenks*, and *Keith and Penny Ripka*, to that wounded, bleeding land into which Satan has brought his concentrated hatred and violence that so fills the news that no one hears about the move of God in progress there.

“*Hector Crory* and *Harry Ferguson*, president and secretary of the Belfast chapter, met us at the airport,” the McNutts reported. “Keith and Penny went to Newcastle with *Hector Crory*, and we were taken to Portadown by *Billy Burke*, chapter treasurer, where we stayed in their home. We had previously visited with *Billy and Rita* while on the London

Airlift in 1965, as a result of which the first chapter in Ireland was formed.

“We had two FGBMFI meetings in Belfast, one in Ballymena and one in Newcastle and were able to discuss plans to start other chapters.

“We were invited to a Presbyterian charismatic meeting in Belfast and gave our testimony, also a Presbyterian Sunday school in another town and several other places. People were encouraged, and a number were healed and filled with the Holy Spirit.

“We were thrilled to renew fellowship with *Tom Hollywood*, an ex-alcoholic for whose deliverance we prayed during the 1965 Airlift to London. About two years ago he received the baptism in the Holy Spirit and was called to work for the Lord in both South and North Ireland. There he has found a busy ministry testifying and distributing Bibles among believers and in the schools. He is so happy and joyful in his service for the Lord.

“Our report from Dublin is that many Roman Catholics there are being saved and filled with the Holy Spirit.”

Keith and Penny Ripka were thrilled to observe that the Holy Spirit is moving in North Ireland as well as in the rest of the world.

“We attended five FGBMFI chapter meetings while there, and Keith and I were privileged to minister in song and testimony at *Elim Pente-*



Dr. Clarence Fast, left, with J. F. Hoekendijk, director, Evangelie-Centrum De Bron, Dalfsen, Holland.

costal Church, and later in its coffee house. We also fellowshipped at a Baptist prayer meeting.”

Carl and Susan Jenks were much impressed by the wonderful way the Lord worked to lead them to North Ireland—and the fact that just the amount needed for the trip was miraculously provided, as well as a wonderful Christian home in which to stay while there. They report:

“We attended over 14 meetings, most of them on our own and five with the rest of the team. We met in churches, schools, homes, and had an opportunity to talk to all age groups. Had four youth meetings and much youth fellowship. We also had an opportunity to witness to the British soldiers.

“We want to emphasize the fact that there is a very large group of active Spirit-filled Christians of all denominations in the Belfast area.

This, of course, includes the Belfast chapter of FGBMFI.”

GERMANY and HOLLAND

Dr. Clarence E. Fast, pastor of the South Chicago Heights Foursquare Church, who has long had a burden for Germany, told me when I interviewed him in Stockholm during the closing meetings of the airlift:

“Never before have I seen so many doors open to the Gospel! We have sensed something different on this airlift not evident to us before. These people are not so much interested in having us come to preach evangelism as they are to see the power of the Holy Spirit in action.

“In all these lands extrasensory perception, witchcraft, mysticism are being talked of in schools and on the radio as never before. In our meetings we were led of the Spirit in several instances to pray especially for certain people and ask deliverance. Several officers in the chapel in Berlin came forward and made general requests for prayer. As we began to pray the Lord revealed to me that there were some inner unspoken problems. As I prayed several men began to weep. I hesitated, a bit self-conscious, and asked, ‘Did I pray right, sir?’ One replied, ‘Yes. You hit it right on the button.’ That was the

term he used, God answered and delivered.

"At a summer Bible Conference camp in Holland, had we been able to remain another day we would have had the privilege of teaching in a tent that seats 3,000. They invited us to return next year for an entire week.

"In two cities, Eindhoven and Amelo, the churches were so packed they set chairs in the aisles," Dr. Fast continued. "In one place they asked that we close by ten o'clock. We closed at two minutes before ten and turned the meeting back to the leader, but the people just wouldn't go home. Individuals continued to come forward for prayer. The leader, who was a physics professor at the university, said that the Spirit breathed afresh and we continued to pray with people for deliverance and healing until almost eleven o'clock.

"These people don't want general preaching. They want specific Bible teaching. General church meetings were all right, but when we came they appreciated having us speak of the baptism in the Holy Spirit, speaking in tongues, the gifted ministry and the supernatural. This was true in both Germany and Holland."

It was reported to me by letter upon my return to Los Angeles that the FGBMFI in Holland is busy and active, and eager to expand. According to *H. H. Beek*, secretary of the Dutch National Board, there is much

good progressive planning afoot to accomplish this. They have in mind to reprint a pamphlet describing the work in Holland, its activities and potentials. They express themselves as being grateful for our efforts to translate VOICE in Dutch, as well as in German, French, Swedish, Norwegian and other languages. They also want to publish in Dutch the story of the original vision of International President Demos Shakarian, given him by God when first he felt called to establish FGBMFI.

Our team did not have as much time as they had desired in Holland on this airlift, but plan for more people and more time there on the next one. Dr. Fast said, "It was a blessing to meet and fellowship with our men there. The solidity and intensity of their faith ministered to us even while we ministered to them."

In his letter, Secretary Beek asked that we express to our readers their joy at being able to fellowship with us during this airlift and the one last year also, and to thank all who have backed these airlifts and made them possible.

"In Germany this year," Dr. Fast told me in Stockholm, "we had fewer meetings because there were other schedules that conflicted, but that made it possible to minister on several American military bases and to move into Holland. I fully believe that if we can have about 40 people

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South Africa and Swaziland. The cost for each person is about \$1,000.

The remarkable growth of the charismatic move abroad—particularly in predominantly Roman Catholic countries—is credited with providing a ready audience for Fellowship missionaries. Overseas directors are based in Switzerland, Australia, the Netherlands, South Africa, India, Germany, Sweden and New Zealand.

Part of the Fellowship's popularity in the United States is linked to its interdenominational flavor. Mr. Shakarian, who founded the organization in 1950 with 21 businessmen meeting in a cafeteria here, traces the charismatic movement among Roman Catholics to his organization.

He said in an interview that six years ago five students at the University of Notre Dame went to a Fellowship gospel meeting in South Bend. Impressed, they asked the chapter president to "pray for their baptism in the Holy Spirit" in his

basement.

"Within 30 days, 60 more had received the Baptism," Mr. Shakarian said, adding that the movement quickly spread to other campuses and among members of traditionally staid denominations.

Last month 12,000 Roman Catholic Pentecostals met at Notre Dame. In San Francisco last week, the Rev. Joseph Fulton, pastor of the Blessed Sacrament Roman Catholic Church in Seattle, was warmly received and Catholics were estimated to make up one-third of his audience.

The Fellowship sees itself complementing the church and sectarian beliefs are purposely skirted.

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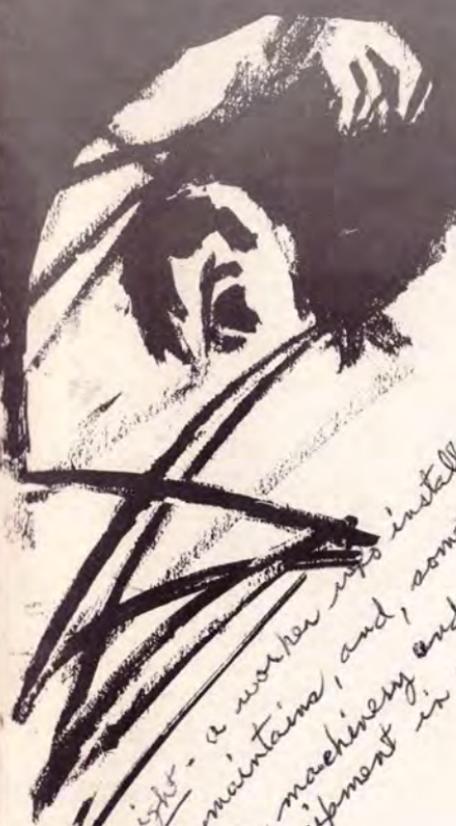
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I prayed for a dead man, and literally saw . . .

A Life Loved Back

"You have loved back my life from the pit . . ." (Isaiah 38:17)

by JOHN FOREMAN



ALTHOUGH I'M ONLY about two and a half years old, for it was in the spring of 1969 that I accepted Jesus Christ as my Saviour and was born again, I have seen God perform many miracles besides that of my own deliverance from sin, which is of course to me the greatest personal miracle of all.

I would like to tell you of one of the most outstanding of these miracles. It occurred at the plant where I work.

Following my conversion and subsequent baptism in the Holy Spirit, my reaction was: "What can I do for the Lord?" I'm a millwright, not a preacher or an evangelistic singer or musician. But I knew there must be some capacity in which the Lord could use me.

Then I read about Christians fasting and praying when they had some special petition to lay before the Lord. Since this was certainly within my ability to do, I went on a fast, dur-

millwright - a worker who installs, aligns, maintains, and, sometimes, repairs the machinery and heavy equipment in a factory.

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ing which time the Lord showed me many things. I have since made fasting quite a regular practice and great blessings have resulted. In fact, I believe it was that practice of fasting that prepared me for the great miracle which I am about to record here.

My wife and I always have prayer before I leave for work. On one Monday morning last year we decided to go on a three-day fast and pray that the Lord would use us as yielded vessels in some special way for His glory. That day passed by with nothing particularly eventful happening.

Tuesday morning, when I went into my carpenter shop, I was rejoicing in the Lord; but instead of offering praises in the usual sense of the word, I was saying, "I love you, Jesus." It seemed He drew so very close to me and all I could think about was how wonderful is my Lord.

That day at noon I received word to go to the shipping area where a big overhead door needed some attention. I gathered up the necessary materials and tools and started off. About midway in the plant I saw Mr. Rice, a big heavy-set man, dash out through a door as fast as he could run, and I knew something was wrong. Jim, the only other Spirit-filled man in the plant, was standing with his back to the door and I knew he didn't see the man running. Putting my hand on his shoulder I said, "Jim, let's pray." Quickly we asked

God to undertake, whatever the emergency. Then I told Jim hurriedly about Rice dashing through the door and of my fear that something terrible had happened.

Running along what we call the 34 Bobbin, we came to a machine and saw that a workman had been caught and wrapped up in a cable reel. Only his legs were protruding. Rice punched the stop button on the machine, then ran to find a pair of shears big enough and with handles long enough to cut an inch thick cable with a steel core.

A reel down at the far end of that unit takes the wire off the aluminum cable, which then goes through a sand blaster that removes the shine. After that it wraps onto another reel where the pressure is about forty pounds per square inch. That was where the workman was caught. A thin wire with that pressure wrapped around a man would probably cut him in two, but fortunately for Allan Freund, this was an inch cable.

Some other workmen took one look and walked away. The situation certainly appeared hopeless. I could have walked away, too, but the Lord stopped me. It was as though I was a different man in a different world and had nothing to say about what was going on. I was literally a tool in God's hand.

I walked to where the man was caught when they stopped the machine. It was about a thirty-inch reel



John Foreman: I firmly believe that faith and assurance was the result of fasting and prayer.

and the body was caught in it backward. One arm was caught. He had probably tried to pull himself free with a last frantic yank and had fallen backward into the reel. It had revolved with him ten times before the power was shut off—wrapped four times around his arm that was stretched away back, then across his chest and his body. It wasn't a pleasant sight. The only part of his body that was free was his left hand. His face was swollen and black. He didn't appear to be breathing.

A workman started snipping at the cables that held him, being careful to avoid the dangerous recoil. Meanwhile I kept saying to myself, "Lord, put life into this body!" When the cables were all severed, I called for some men to help me support the inert body as we took it off the reel.

When we let the man down there wasn't any pulse. Putting my ear to his back and listening, I could hear no sound from the lungs. Still I was praying, "Lord, put life back into this

body." There were some fifteen or twenty people standing there as though frozen, as I prayed on: "Lord, tell me what to do! Apparently this man doesn't have life and I can't make him live—but you can, Lord."

I raised one of his shoulders and felt a vibration quicken within me. I had never experienced anything like that before. I got hold of the other shoulder and raised him up and could hear a sound in his chest. I began to praise the Lord. Just then the injured man's body gave a big jerk and he took a breath. He hadn't been given artificial respiration, but he began to breathe and I knew the Lord had given him back his life. There was no question or doubt—and I firmly believe that faith and assurance was the result of the fasting and prayer because, believe me, *I had nothing to do with it!*

After Freund had been taken to the hospital I was called to a conference in the plant office. It was pretty well established that the injured man was without breath for *not less* than ten minutes, and more probably at least fifteen. That led to the belief that there would be brain damage. But I quietly insisted, "Oh, no. My Father told me there is nothing drastically wrong with that boy, and he will be back to work in a couple of weeks."

Oh, the witnessing that went on in that plant!

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AIRLIFT: GERMANY

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visit Germany and Holland next year, we can keep all of them busy every night.

"In East Berlin they did not know just when we were coming. They only heard from me two months ago that we would come the last week in April or the first week in May. We went to the home of the pastor and while we were praying with him and his wife the doorbell rang. A woman came in and when she saw me she stood aghast for the moment. She had heard we were coming, but had no idea when. However, on that day, though she had been very busy, she felt constrained to go to the pastor's home, but didn't know why until she walked in. Had she arrived a half hour later she would have missed us, and she did so want special prayer. The expression they use, literally translated, is, 'I want you to bless me.' That is the way they indicate that we are the channels of prayer and that God through us will bless them.

"The supernatural is sometimes tremendously astonishing. God has these appointments and if we are receptive and open to the moving of the Holy Spirit then He can do a great work. Similar incidents have marked this entire airlift."

A colleague of Dr. Fast and myself, *Robert Deyarmond*, pastor of the DeKalb, Illinois Foursquare Church,

discussed this same theme with me in the Amaranthen Hotel in Stockholm the next day after the following incident took place. Rev. and Mrs. Deyarmond had ministered with Dr. Fast in Holland and Germany, and we were reminiscing about how the supernatural had been evident in every country we had entered.

Bob said, "Yesterday, you recall, my wife and I had the privilege of participating with you and other members of the airlift in the Sunday morning worship service in the St. Johannes State Church here in Stockholm. A lady was seated in front of us, who had evidently been attending that church for some time. Her prayer book lay open on her lap, and because we sensed a great burden for her, we prayed silently that God would meet her need. Though we couldn't speak her language, at the close of the service we shook hands with her and said, with a smile, 'God bless you!'

"In the afternoon, you remember, you mentioned that you were going to minister in some State church at night—you didn't know which one—and would like to have us accompany you. We agreed, unaware that Henry Carlson had scheduled us to go with a group of the Jesus People to some other meeting.

"As meeting time approached, we did not see you around anywhere and so allowed ourselves to be escorted

to a waiting car which would in a few minutes have whisked us away and to the auditorium where the Jesus People were to minister. I'll never forget the expression on your face when you came down to the lobby, ready to go to your meeting and looking for us to accompany you, and discovered we were headed somewhere else! However, the matter was straightened out quickly enough, and off we went with you, Jesse B. Thomas of Washington, D.C., and the pastor of the church, Anders Johansson, who had so graciously come to pick us up!

"As you know, the sweet presence of the Holy Spirit was in that meeting, as we all were given a chance to minister in word and song, and the invitational response was gratifying. But what you may not know is this, that at the close of the service, as you were ministering to some of the folk, who should approach us but this same woman we had been so burdened for in the morning meeting! We were unaware that she was in the audience. 'I wanted to see you again but didn't know how or where or when,' she said in broken English. 'But I've been praying all day that God would bring you to me!'

"Putting her arms around my wife, she began to weep, telling us between sobs that she was a teacher and the mother of seven children. She didn't know much about the Holy Spirit, but

her heart was hungry. Thankful that she could understand English, we proceeded to tell her more about the Baptism and the gifts and the fruit of the Spirit.

"Dr. Becker—this was a miracle. We were in a strange place and she was in a strange place, for neither of us had ever attended that church before. We simply met by a miracle of God's love and grace, for remember, we would have failed to keep that appointment set up by the Holy Spirit through you, had we gone to the other meeting!"

These little human interest things, reported by so many team members and occurring in so many of the countries and areas visited, are the straws in the wind that show how the Spirit is working everywhere today—not only because of, but sometimes in spite of us.

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It was my personal privilege to minister for the first time in Germany and in Austria, mostly in the company of *Paul Krohnert*, German-born FGBMFI director in Ontario, Canada. Mr. Krohnert is a member of my Editorial Board and the person in charge of translating the VOICE into other languages.

From that first meeting in Copenhagen, we flew with other members of the German team to Hamburg. There I met with *Martin Fahrholz*, our German-language translator, who

had arranged hotel accommodations and an afternoon get-acquainted luncheon. Mr. Fahrholz, who has done a most commendable job of translation since the time when this idea was initiated about a year and a half ago, is now, since my return to the States, being capably assisted in this work by *Walter Betschel*, FGBMFI chapter president in Salzburg, Austria.

Following a blessed evening service in the Pentecostal Church in Hamburg, pastored by *Oskar Lardon*, Krohnert and I boarded a train the next day for Munich, where we spent the night and caught another train early the next morning for Vienna. We were able to witness to many people on the trains.

Following the meetings in Austria, Brother Krohnert and I ministered with *Clair Hutchins* one night in Stuttgart, during his May 2-6 World Thrust meetings sponsored by the local chapter of FGBMFI, of which *Adolf Zinser*, our overseas director for Germany is president. Also participating in the service were two other airlifters, *Harold Herzog* of Waukegan and *James Faubel* of Seattle.

According to Rev. Hutchins, "Germany is the key country right now. With many committed Christians, all that is needed is a spark to set off a revival fire that will spread from Germany throughout Europe."



Rev. Clair Hutchins with Rev. Paul Lauster, his interpreter, in Stuttgart, Germany.

AUSTRIA

"This has to be God!"

So exclaimed *Henry Carlson* as he looked at our airlift team on the platform and out over the crowd gathered for the first of five meetings in Vienna, Austria.

There were Catholics, Protestants, Jews, white, black, yellow, and brown. Truly, only the Spirit of God could bring the ecumenicity of Christian love such as was evidenced there.

"I've been in this Fellowship ever since it started," Carlson continued. "First it was mostly composed of the Pentecostals. Then some Baptists and Presbyterians began coming in, followed by Methodists, Lutherans, and others. They all began to get filled with the Holy Spirit and we thought surely the Rapture had come! Then the Episcopalians came in and we

thought maybe it was the end of the world. Now the Catholics are worshipping with us. *Surely, this has to be of God!*"

Henry Carlson explained, by way of introducing us to the audience: "In our conventions and meetings we never ask what church a man belongs to. To us, it doesn't matter. It's the love of God by His Holy Spirit in our hearts that has brought us together many miles across sea and land to worship Him. It brings us into an intimacy with Jesus that nothing else can do. That is why we are so closely knit together. That's why I love these priests and ministers, businessmen and young people, and everyone gathered here.. Let us rejoice together at what God is doing today, for it is the most tremendous thing."

Austria is a predominantly Catholic country. Nevertheless it is no stranger to the message of Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship International. Readers of VOICE will recall that in the November, 1969 issue we carried the story of *Dr. and Mrs. Laurence Hammond* who, without intentionally setting out to do so, set off a chain reaction that introduced VOICE magazine to several cities and nations, among them being Vienna. Because of some friends who were studying music in Vienna, the Hammonds have spent some time there and have been privileged to lead a number of souls to Jesus Christ.

That was undoubtedly the reason Dr. Hammond, in spite of having had a nearly fatal argument with a whirling airplane propeller several months ago, and the fact he had to arrive in Vienna in a wheel chair, was nevertheless there with the 1972 airlift, praising God that his life had been spared and that his body was mending, and to joyfully greet some of those who had been won to Christ through their ministry.

Before we on the platform offered prayer for Larry's complete healing, he wheeled himself forward and witnessed to the saving, keeping power of Jesus Christ by saying, not without a trace of his usual humor, "I'm one of the few people in the world who has ever survived walking into an airplane propeller! One propeller blade cut my hat off my head. The second blade cut the coat off my body. I found myself on my back on the airplane runway with my left leg and my left arm hanging by shreds. I said, 'Lord, if this is the time for me to go to the kingdom, I'm ready. But if you have work for me to do then give me an alert mind!' A great peace came over my heart.

"A series of miracles saved my life. I lost almost all the blood in my body by the time I reached the hospital 35 miles away. All those 35 miles I was singing and praising God. How wonderful that we can praise God in unknown tongues. What peace

\$70,000 For Soul Winning

The estate described below could have yielded \$70,000 for the Lord's work had it been properly planned, *without costing the heirs one single dollar.*

This is an astounding statement, but the Federal and State tax laws are written to allow Christian organizations this benefit. Here's how:

Mrs. H. passed away in March, 1969 with a gross estate of \$466,172. The total settlement costs were \$148,310. *Her total indebtedness was only \$2,257.*

Through proper planning the following amounts would have been saved:

Attorney fees	\$14,000
Executor fees	14,000
Inheritance tax (certain States)	19,450
Federal Estate tax (at least 25%)	<u>23,000</u>
Possible total savings for Gospel propagation	\$70,450

It is possible that Mrs. H. had a limited income and was not aware of the actual estate value. The estate could have consisted of a few pieces of older apartment buildings, which

she had owned for several years that had high repair costs and low rents, or low income farm land, or idle city lots awaiting a shopping center development. In this case, her income could have been rather small—yet at death, close-out costs actually amounted to \$148,310, and special effort had to be made to raise the needed cash expenditure. The \$70,000 estate savings would have been the minimum.

This sum could have accomplished much in soul-winning through the Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship. For example, it could have approximately financed the filming of 26 segments of TV programs, or the showing of 26 weeks of TV over three stations at prime time, or the printing of VOICE magazine for three months, or the translation and printing of VOICE in a foreign language for one year.

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and what joy it brings. As I came into the hospital I was laughing. I suddenly realized that I was riding in a hearse and I was alive. The doctors thought I was delirious. They told me they had to amputate my left arm and leg immediately to save my life. I told them that I came into this world with two arms and two legs and I was going out, by the grace of God, the same way. The doctors did a wonderful job sewing me together. I believe our God can do anything, but He also moves through His people.

"I was released from the hospital about five days ago. The doctors said I was out of my mind to make this trip, but I replied, 'The Lord Jesus is going with me. I promised our friends in Vienna to be there, and I'm going to be there.' Here I am tonight and I know in my heart that the Holy Spirit is going to do great things in this city and the power of the Lord Jesus is going to be manifest that everyone of us may know that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever.

"When my wife Merikay and I came to Vienna almost two years ago we were received by one of your singers in the State Opera, Reid Bunger. He and his wife Bette opened their hearts to God and were baptized with the Holy Spirit as a result of our ministry. They began to pray for the sick and have witnessed numerous miracles since that

time. What God has done for them. He will do for you."

Reggie Evans, an American friend living in Vienna and studying music, gave his testimony. While he spoke, under the anointing of the Holy Spirit a message came forth through another: "Oh, my children in Vienna, I have come into your presence. Do not reject my call, because it is a voice of love and longing. I bring you joy, joy such as you have never known before and that you can find in no one else except in my blessed Son Jesus Christ. I am in your midst to work wonders. Look to me for my love and for my salvation which I am bringing to you personally at this moment."

Russell J. Amend, rector of St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church in Tonawanda, New York, speaking of the baptism in the Holy Spirit, said, "When my early glowing commitment and love to Christ began to grow cold, someone invited me to a meeting of the Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship. There I saw people speaking with the power of the Holy Spirit. It was in 1970, when I experienced the charismatic gifts, that the full meaning was brought home to me of that portion of St. Patrick's prayer . . . 'Christ be with me, Christ within me, Christ behind me, Christ before me, Christ beside me, Christ beneath me, Christ to comfort and restore me, Christ above me, Christ to win me. . . .' I thank God for giving me

new meaning and new power and victory in spirit and life.”

Most of the members of Fr. Amend’s church have become Spirit-filled in the past two years.

The audience listened with rapt attention as *George DePrizio*, a long-time Roman Catholic missionary to Peru and a Holy Cross Father, who now operates in a worldwide charismatic ministry headquartered in Miami, Florida told them:

“On the day of Pentecost when people began to ask, ‘What does this mean,’ Peter answered them: ‘This is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel . . . in those days I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh. . . .’ My brothers and sisters in Jesus, those words have come to life for us today. God is pouring out His Spirit upon all flesh. The Full Gospel has come to town. People are being rejuvenated and reactivated through the power of the Holy Spirit.

“I thank God that He has lifted me up from my spiritual mediocrity and brought me now into this great communion of faith and love with Christians from all over the world.

“Whether we are sons or daughters, young men or old men, men servants or maid servants—whoever we are—God has promised to pour out His Holy Spirit upon us if we will but seek Him, open our hearts to Him, and permit Him to come in all His power and control our lives.”

Harold Cohen, S.J., chaplain of

Loyola University in New Orleans, La. was also in Vienna. He witnessed to Cardinal Suenens in Belgium on the way home from Vienna (where he had a personal conference with Sister Chrysostom, director of nurses at Franciscan Hospital in Grand Island, Nebraska) and Cardinal Franz Koenig of Austria. Fr. Cohen spent many hours with Cardinal Suenens, witnessing regarding the charismatic move within the Roman Catholic Church in the United States and other countries.

In Vienna, he told his hearers, “The mission of Jesus was this, ‘I am the temple. The water that flows from my heart is the Spirit. I want my people to be in the Spirit—not just to their ankles, their knees, or their waist—I want my people to be *plunged* into the Spirit, to be *baptized* in the Spirit, to *live and move* in the Spirit.’ This was the message and the mission of Jesus.”

Bill Lowery, singing, guitar-playing evangelist who relates primarily to the Jesus People, was quite popular in Austria.

“It costs a lot to serve the devil,” Bill explained to the audience, many of whom were young people. “Alcohol gets more expensive every year. It costs a lot to buy drugs. But the things of God are freely given. Why pay the cost of a home in hell when you can go to heaven for free?”

“There is a song the Lord gave to a Catholic sister that is real popular with the Full Gospel Business



This was the third trip to Sweden for senior citizen (80) H. R. Howlett of Ont., Can. He ministered in Karlstad, where Arnold Axelius is chapter president, and in Stockholm.

Men in America, with the Jesus People, and with the Catholics. It is called, 'We are one in the Spirit.' Isn't it wonderful that when the love of Jesus comes in there is neither Jew nor Greek, hippie or businessman, black or white, Catholic or Protestant. We're all one in Christ Jesus. I've been in Vienna twice before, and am glad to be back. I know that the Lord is going to do great things in this city."

In one of the meetings, Lowery introduced former hippie and drug addict *Peter Bronson*, who testified, "All my life I tried to follow the crowd. I started fighting, drinking, and using drugs to find what the world classifies as happiness. They threw me out of the church because I stole the money and smoked in the restroom and that wasn't religious. I didn't need religion; I still don't. I needed Jesus Christ. And since I have accepted Him, Jesus has never given

me anything but happiness and an inner peace that I tried to find in the world. He can give *you* this happiness and peace when you say, 'I'm not going to follow the crowd, I'm going to follow Jesus.' Give Jesus a chance. You've got nothing to lose. He said, 'I'll give you joy unspeakable and life more abundantly.'"

William Warnock, FGBMFI director from West Virginia, told an evening audience, "This is my seventh overseas mission, the third one into Scandinavia and Europe. I'm married, have a nineteen year old daughter, a seventeen year old daughter, and a fourteen year old son. My wife, two daughters and I are all saved and filled with the Holy Spirit. Our son is also a Christian.

"I first met Jesus in 1957. In 1960 I gave my wife, business, children and everything to the Lord Jesus Christ. It was in 1965, on January 28th that I received the baptism in the Holy Spirit, as Larry Hammond prayed with me. Immediately after this, the Lord impressed upon me to start praying for the sick. In 1966 my wife and I started ministering in the hospitals, and we have seen the love of God flow out in mighty healing power.

"It was my privilege in 1970 to be with a team going into South America. As a business man I travelled with a Catholic priest and two Methodist ministers (I'm a Methodist). We went to Peru and there met

Father George DePrizio. As we prayed, the Lord gloriously baptized him in the Holy Spirit. The love that has developed between us since then is tremendous. Father George and I have been ministering together on this airlift. Isn't it wonderful that a Methodist layman and a Catholic priest can travel and minister in one accord for the Lord Jesus Christ in these last days!"

Chesne Ryman, singing star of the Vienna State Opera and a Spirit-filled Catholic, sang in all meetings we held in that city, as well as in the final conference in Stockholm.

Dr. Ray E. Dalton of Centralia, Illinois remarked, humorously, "You've been hearing from all my Catholic brothers here. As a Baptist, I demand equal time! Not only are the Baptists the biggest group of the Protestants in America, but the Southern Baptists of which I am a member, is the biggest group of Baptists in America."

"I'm an optometrist; but most of all, I'm a Christian. I work at my optometry business just to earn money to go around and witness for the Lord Jesus Christ. Since I received the baptism in the Holy Spirit in 1965 through the ministry of the Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship, it's been my privilege to go all over the world with these airlifts and tell people about Jesus."

During the Vienna meetings, Henry

Carlson related briefly the story of little *David Pelletier*, a miracle of God's grace. He said:

"In our group is a nine year old boy. He's in Finland today with his father and mother and younger brother. Four years ago David suffered a severe, freakish injury to his left eye. The doctors removed the eye and replaced it with a plastic eye. The father, David Sr., believed that God was going to give his son sight even without a physical eye. He prayed to this end for three years.

"The miracle occurred July 16, 1971, at 10:00 p.m. Davey had been in bed but not yet asleep. He ran down the hall, bounded into the living room where guests were visiting with his parents, and shouted, 'Mama, Daddy, I can see out of my bad eye!'—which is what he called it.

"Upon examination, with the good eye completely covered, David was able to see the light from three lamps on in the room, and he pointed to them, and even touched their shades. He also identified a comb held in front of one of the lamps.

"Since that first night, David's vision has improved to where he not only has light perception, but can see objects, forms, colors, movement; *and he can even read.* It makes absolutely no difference whether the plastic eye is in or out.

"Several eye surgeons have verified
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Adventure Into Faith

San Francisco and U.C. at Berkeley Feels
Impact of FGBMFI Youth Revival

OVER 1500 PERSONS crowded the Imperial Ballroom of the San Francisco Hilton Towers Hotel for special youth services sponsored by the Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship, during their 1972 World Convention, July 2-8. At the same time, the Grand Ballroom seating some 3,000 was also filled to capacity for the regular services. The youth meetings were led by Richard Shakarian, President of Youth Crusades of America, Inc., and were an outstanding blessing, not only in the hotel but in a special rally on the campus of the University of California at Berkeley, July 6. It was an adventure of faith to claim the rebellious university for Christ, but that's exactly what Richard did.

As Andrae Crouch and the Disciples were tuning their instruments, hundreds of young people began to gather in the great plaza. Many more stood on bridges and open areas of buildings looking down on the scene.

Richard stepped to the microphone and announced, "Something special is

going to happen at Berkeley today." To this, many unbelieving young people shouted back, "Oh yeah? What?"

Richard responded with, "I am dedicating this university and claiming every person in it for the Lord Jesus Christ." The majority present responded with a great cheer!

As Andrae and his group presented their program of music interlaced with testimonies, Shakarian was suddenly informed that no altar call would be allowed on campus. The Holy Spirit began to form a plan in his heart. He approached Andrae and said, "When I take the rally, back me up with your group."

Stepping to the microphone, he told his expectant audience, "Jesus came to give you freedom. Jesus is the greatest emancipator of all times. He will give you freedom from drugs and sin. *You* can have the same wonderful life that you are hearing about today from these young people."

He continued, "Take hold of the hand of the person on either side of you." While the hundreds readily

complied with his request, he led them in prayer as Andrae Crouch played an invitational song.

Richard asked God to look down from heaven and take these young people who were then yielding their lives to Him, to be His own. In that moment of prayer, those young people were dedicated to God. And as they prayed for deliverance from drugs, sin and Satan, and to be washed by the blood of Jesus Christ and received as a new person—a child of God—a current of electric conviction and Holy Spirit power jolted the crowd.

It was with a warm glow that the campus witnesses returned to convention headquarters at the San Francisco Hilton Hotel.

Outstanding speakers from all over the United States ministered to the young people in the hotel, including Joe Poppell, Velmer Gardner, Jerry B. Walker, Demos Shakarian, Ken Copeland, Ralph Wilkerson, Larry Tomczak, "Holy Hubert" Lindsey, and Austin Wilkerson. They were used by God to change the lives of hundreds of people. Many for the first time in their lives, saw the miracle power of God demonstrated as legs and arms grew out as a result of prayer right before their eyes.

Some of the top musical groups in the United States were represented during the week long series of meetings. They were Andrae Crouch and the Disciples, Sunlight, Danny Lee,

the Dannibelles, Living Sound International, Willy Murphy, and Randy Matthews. This anointed singing created a backdrop for the opening of many hearts to the Lord.

On Thursday night the power of the Spirit was so present that Richard Shakarian felt compelled to continue leading the congregation in song as wave after wave of God's presence swept their hearts. Just before 11:30, he dismissed the audience.

"I felt the presence of God so strong that I could hardly move from the platform," he explained later. "Two young girls came running up to me. One said, 'Richard, pray for this girl's mother, she has a serious problem with her lung.' Unknown to the three of us, this little girl's father who was unsaved was at home lying in bed. At exactly that moment—at 11:30 p.m.—the presence of the Lord became so real that this unsaved father got out of bed, knelt down, took the Bible from the nightstand, placed it on the bed, and laid his hands upon it.

"Simultaneously, the mother, who was in a different ballroom turned to her friend and said, 'Please pray for me; I've lost one lung and the doctor says I have a real problem in my other lung.' As her friend prayed, her husband was kneeling by his bedside in prayer, and at the same time in the youth service I was interceding with the two little girls for their mother." *(Continued on page 42)*



**FGBMFI
World Convention
Youth Meetings
in San Francisco
and Berkeley**

1. Richard Shakarian opened Berkeley campus meeting by claiming the university for Christ.

2. Andrae and Richard witnessed in music and the spoken word.

3. Closing invitation consisted of lives touching lives in mass prayer of Christian dedication.

4. The Living Sound International thrilled youth and adult audiences with their talent.

5. Andrae Crouch and the Disciples were featured in every youth meeting and in many adult services.

6. Capacity audiences filled the auditorium nightly for the special meetings geared to youth.



Richard continued, "When I looked up, the girls were crying. They ran from the room to see their mother. Ten minutes later they returned, rejoicing, and took me to the Grand Ballroom where their mother was. One girl kept crying, 'My mother is healed! My mother is healed!' Praise God, her mother *was* healed."

Reports are now being received from some areas, telling of how the young people carried the revival back to their home churches, where people are now being saved and filled with the Holy Spirit in almost every service.

On the last night of the convention, Richard felt that the young people should be afforded an opportunity to give toward the international ministry of the Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship. In three previous offerings, they had already contributed enough to pay for the expenses of the youth meetings. This special offering, Richard told them, was to be given in faith that God

would multiply it so that the work of the Fellowship might be further extended and blessed. The total amount contributed that night was over \$3100.

When FGBMFI President Demos Shakarian came to speak to the young people, they gave him a standing ovation.

Demos' heart was broken at the sight of so many youth giving themselves completely over to God. Standing before them, he spoke with tears in his eyes as he told how the vision God had given him, is now so rapidly being fulfilled, and of the opportunities God will give to young people when they dedicate their lives totally to Him.

We are praying that the youth who attended the 1972 FGBMFI World Convention will become like Samson's foxes set aflame in the field, that their lives will count for the winning of many souls in their school, community, and throughout the entire nation. ■

AIRLIFT: AUSTRIA

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and certified this miracle. Other eye specialists have shown complete bewilderment. People are receiving Jesus Christ into their lives through this miracle!"

It was my personal privilege to share with our Viennese audiences on three occasions, once relative to

VOICE magazine and twice as the main speaker, giving my testimony of healing and call to full-time service on one occasion and a message on the Holy Spirit in the closing service on Sunday night. God honored these efforts "with signs following," as we ministered to those in need of salvation, healing, and the Baptism during the altar invitation.



The Vienna State Opera House where Reid Bunger and Chesne Ryman, who sang in the FGBMFI Vienna meetings, are featured performers.

Following the close of the meetings in Vienna, Paul Krohnert and I drove to Salzburg with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Betschel and their two daughters. To me, the most thrilling aspect of the FGBMFI venture into Austria at the present time is transpiring around this area, several hundred miles southwest of Vienna. Here, under the able leadership of Betschel, president of the Salzburg chapter, the current strength and future potential of the Full Gospel message as promulgated via the Fellowship, is clearly seen.

Mr. Betschel, Austrian representative for Rank Zerox, has rented a suite of modern offices in the heart of the city, entirely independent of his vocation, from whence he dispenses chapter business with alacrity—meeting with his officers frequently for prayer and planning sessions, and carrying on a worldwide correspondence under beautifully printed, three-color letterheads, replete with the FGBMFI logo and the Fellowship's name in German: *Geschäftsleute Des Vollen Evangeliums Internationale Gesellschaft*. A part-time secretary who donates her time is now, since our visit, also doing whatever typing is necessary to prepare the VOICE

German language manuscript for publication each month, after Martin Fahrholz and Walter Betschel have translated and edited it.

The vision of Mr. Betschel and his chapter men not only encompasses the translation of VOICE and the distribution of other FGBMFI literature, such as the *Shakarian Story* in German, but, as money is provided, the free distribution of German language copies of *The Cross and the Switchblade* to the 3,000 Catholic priests in Austria.

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As the two-week airlift drew to a close, team members gathered in Stockholm for a four-day conference consisting of public meetings in churches, halls and restaurants, and some "rap" sessions, during which reports were given, interspersed with suggestions for improvements in future airlifts to enable us to reach more people. There were regrets too—that lack of time and restricted transportation had not permitted an even greater outreach. In fact, some of the Jesus People who were on the airlift decided to remain longer and continue the great ministry they were having among the young people.



Sven Lindahl, in charge of operations in the Stockhohn area, admitted that the presence of 170 airlifters converging on the area posed almost insurmountable problems as far as transportation to the various meetings was concerned—almost, but not quite. “When we started contacting the local churches,” he told me, “it was like opening up the floodgates to a dam, the requests were so numerous. However, we have many good cars here, and by properly dividing up the



Top: Involved in translation of VOICE into German are Martin Fahrholz, Paul Krohnert, and Dr. Raymond Becker, seen in Hamburg Airport.

Bottom: Dr. Clarence Fast, center, with members of his German-Holland team.



groups, every one has been satisfied. The spiritual results have been tremendous, and we are delighted that you all came and only wish you could remain longer among us.”

Although space does not permit listing the names of all of the 100 members in our regular airlift party and 70 Jesus People who accompanied us, without exception, each contributed in his own way toward making the 1972 Scandinavian-European Airlift the most productive one of all. ■

Top: Adolf Zinser, FGBMFI German overseas director in Stuttgart.

Center: George DePrizio, Catholic priest, effectively ministered in Vienna and other areas.

Bottom: Chesne Ryman, of the Vienna State Opera, sang in the Vienna meetings and in Stockholm as well.



Dr. Laurence Hammond witnessing in Vienna.

A LIFE LOVED BACK

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We had been told that the injured man had a broken arm, a skull fracture, and three broken ribs.

While I was in my carpenter shop on the following Friday, the plant

manager came in and said, "I just came from the hospital. I thought you would like to know that they have our patient up, walking around the halls, and they can't find a thing wrong with him."

That time I really shouted, "Hallelujah!" ■

SIX SCRIPTURAL STEPS TO SALVATION

Men still cry, "What must I do to be saved?" The Bible provides a clear answer. Here are the six Scriptural steps which all must take to pass from death unto life:

1. **ACKNOWLEDGE:** "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23). "God be merciful to me a sinner" (Luke 18:13). You must acknowledge in the light of God's Word that you are a sinner.

2. **REPENT:** "Except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish" (Luke 13:3). "Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out" (Acts 3:19). You must see the awfulness of sin and then repent of it.

3. **CONFESS:** "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9). "With the mouth confession is made unto salvation" (Romans 10:10). Confess not to men but to God.

4. **FORSAKE:** "Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord . . . for he will abundantly pardon" (Isaiah 55:7). Sorrow for sin is not enough in itself. We must want to be done with it once and for all.

5. **BELIEVE:** "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life" (John 3:16). "If thou shalt confess

with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved" (Romans 10:9). Believe in the finished work of Christ on the cross.

6. **RECEIVE:** "He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name" (John 1:11,12). Christ must be received personally into the heart by faith, if the experience of the New Birth is to be yours.

Why not make your eternal decision right now: "I am convinced by God's Word that I am a lost sinner. I believe that Jesus Christ died for sinners and shed His blood to put away my sins. I NOW receive Him as my personal Lord and Saviour and will by His help, confess Him before men."

When you have made this greatest of all decisions, please let us know about it so that we may rejoice together.

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Henry Carlson, Chairman
564 W. Fulton, Chicago, IL. 60660

REDDING, CALIF., Oct. 5-7, 1972

Holiday Inn
Clifton Powell, Harold G. Becker, Co-Chmn.
5250 Huntington Dr., Redding, CA. 96001

SPOKANE, WASH., Oct. 5-7, 1972

Davenport Hotel
Edward McFalls, Chairman
E. 1611—17th, Spokane, WA. 99703

SOUTH CENTRAL (Dallas), Oct. 6-10, 1972

Statler Hilton Hotel
Gail O. Rhea, Sherwin McCurdy, Co-Chmn.
P.O. Box 22252, Dallas, TX. 75222

SALISBURY, MD., Oct. 12-14, 1972

Delmarva Convention Hall
Bill Miles, Major W. Bailey, Co-Chmn.
Box 1504, Salisbury, Md. 21801

COLUMBUS, OHIO, Oct. 13, 14, 1972

Scot's Inn
1-70 and Sinclair Road
Bill Swad, Eric Lambert, Co-Chmn.
Box 111, Columbus, OH. 43230

CLEVELAND, TENN., Oct. 13, 14, 1972

Holiday Inn
David W. Spatafore, Chairman
2114 Peerless Rd., Cleveland, TN. 37311

SOUTH BAY (Torrance, Cal.), Oct. 20, 21, 1972

Del Conti's Restaurant
Wint Baker, Chairman
609—35th St., Manhattan Beach, CA. 90266

NASHVILLE, TENN., Oct. 26-28, 1972

Hilton Inn (Airport)
Hoyt Elliott, Chairman
P.O. Box 96, Nashville, TN. 37202

ALABAMA STATE, Nov. 9-12, 1972

Thomas Jefferson Hotel
Wm. A. Abercrombie, Chairman
1413 Woodland Ave., Birmingham, AL. 35211

RALEIGH, N.C., Nov. 10, 12, 1972

Hilton Inn
Robert C. Roberson, Glenn O. Randall, Co-Chmn.
P.O. Box 1524, Raleigh, NC. 27600

PEORIA, ILL., Nov. 10, 11, 1972

Peoria Hilton Hotel
Bill Scudder, Jerry Mordue, Co-Chmn.
113 Pebble Court, E. Peoria, IL. 61611

SAVANNAH, GA., Nov. 17-19, 1972

Alee Temple & Savannah Civic Center
H. Richard Priestler Jr., W. E. Shaw, Co-Chmn.
54 Jameswood Ave., Savannah, GA. 31400

GREATER NEW YORK, Nov. 23-25, 1972

Americana Hotel
Simon Vikse, Chairman
84 Ganesvoort Blvd., Staten Island, NY 10314

GREATER SEATTLE, Nov. 23-25, 1972

Olympic Hotel
Fred Doerflein, Don Ostrom, Co-Chmn.
Rt. 1, Box 2690, Fall City, WN. 98024

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