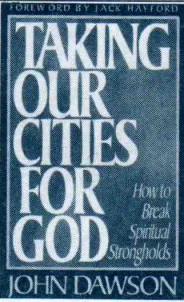


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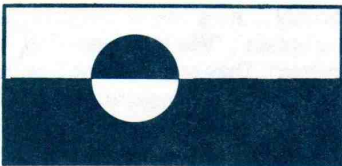
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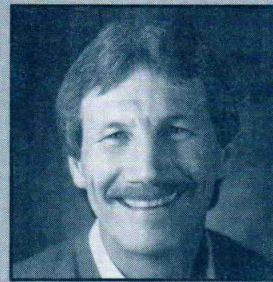
FROM GREENLAND'S ICY MOUNTAINS.....

How many DTS's do you know of inside the Arctic Circle? Well for the last 3 years there's been one in Sisimiut, (Holsteinborg), Greenland - the world's largest island. This year's students were mostly Greenlanders, with some from Switzerland, the U.S. and Canada. Errol and Joyce Martens from Edmonton were leaders, their staff coming from Denmark, Greenland and Canada.



Dear Friends,

I'm just back from Santiago, Chile, where I met with 200 YWAM leaders from all over South America. What an encouraging week I had and I want to share my enthusiasm with you...



Floyd McClung Jr.

Did you know...that in one year, a team of Brazilians has planted almost 20 new churches on Sao Tomé and Principe, Portuguese islands just off the West Coast of Africa?...all in the midst of a cholera epidemic...with healings!

Did you know...that we are working with eight jungle tribes in the Amazon, one of 40 people, another of 400?...and that there is a great need for workers among these tribal groups...please pray.

Did you know...that in 1988 at a special outreach in Cuzco, Peru - the occult "capital" of South America - 1500 gave their hearts to the Lord?...and in 1989 the festival was cancelled!

Did you know...that there are almost 500 workers in Brazil alone?...and that they run an orphanage for street kids, have church-planting teams, evangelistic crusades and seven boats on the Amazon River.

Did you know... that Chilean YWAM'ers did a Torch Run in Antarctica?...getting there on government airplanes, and preaching to scientists from many nations.

Did you know...that our Latin YWAM'ers feel God calling them to other parts of the world?...and that missiologists believe Latin people could be the key to reaching the Muslim world. One is now in North Africa, others preparing!

Did you know...that we have given a fully-equipped print shop to start a publishing company in Paraguay?...and that the leader's wife conducts Bible studies with top government officials.

Did you know...that our street children workers in Bogota are praying about launching similar works in Ecuador and Peru?

Did you know...that in Santiago, Chile, YWAM is starting one of the first missionary training centers in Latin America?...where there are many Bible schools but few focused exclusively on missions.

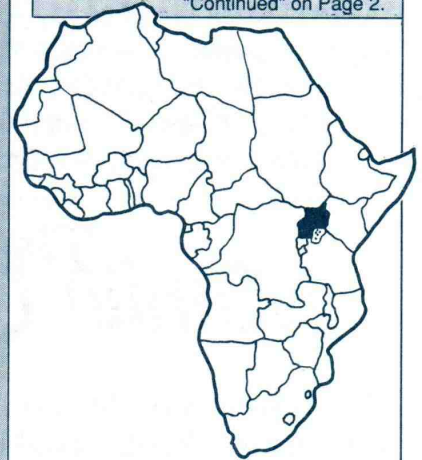
I trust you too, are encouraged by these reports. You have been called by God to serve in your local church and to bring the Gospel to your workplace. But I hope that you will consider yourself still part of the extended YWAM family through your prayer and your giving. Much love to you.
Your brother,

OUT OF THE PASTURE

Here are excerpts from a newsletter by Vic and Dorothy Vogt, twice-retired farmers, Crossroads DTS grads, Mission Builders and just plain "willing-to-go-anywhere-servants-of-God".

"We're back from Mexico! Oh we know most of you didn't know we'd gone, but we had! We were asked by YWAM to go on a special pilot project to teach toy-making to the poor and the orphans, to help them earn a little money...getting through customs was possibly like going through the Iron Curtain, line-ups of people and suitcases being thoroughly inspected. (We could have been sent home or charged heavily for the tools and materials we carried in our four LARGE suitcases.)

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ISLANDS IN MID-AFRICA?

You bet! And these islands are on the second largest lake in the world - (know its name?) And what's more, they're inhabited.

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A TRULY FRUITFUL MINISTRY

More than a million pounds of fruit, to be exact, just in 1989! That's what Gleanings for the Hungry, under the leadership of Wally and Norma Wenge, processed and shipped to needy people. For several years YWAM's central California ministry has been dehydrating peaches and nectarines. Rich in vitamins and nutrients, this good fruit would normally be thrown away by the farmers, but instead finds its way into deprived stomachs all over the world.

Recipients of the delicious chewy fruit, include Oaxaca Indians in Mexico, Cambodians in Thailand and residents of Smokey Mountain - the garbage dump in Manila. The fruit drying season is May-August. Would you pray about giving some weeks of your time to this labor of love in 1990? Write Wally Wenge and offer your services: Gleanings for the Hungry, Box 309, Sultana, CA., 93666, USA. (209) 591-5009. And if you can't go, send a contribution to this great work. Make cheques payable to "YWAM".

First Love

Long time YWAM friends, David and Dale Garratt do what they do best - lead worship. Recorded live by **Scripture in Song** in Auckland, NZ, this cassette tape has something old and something new. Songs include: "Come Let Us Sing For Joy To The Lord", "Robe Of Righteousness", "We Place You On The Highest Place", "Blessed Be The Lord God Almighty", "First Love", "O The Blood Of Jesus" - and much more! (Special Bonus: Bob Fitts is featured!) See Order Form.

The Manila Covenant

This is what YWAM'ers - indeed all World Christians - should stand for. A statement of mission, the Covenant was confirmed at the 1988 Staff and Leadership Conference in Manila. Beautifully reproduced in two colors, you can now have your own free copy, and become part of the Covenant yourself. See Order Form.

Profound & Pithy

Pure unselfishness is being willing to take the least and not be noticed.

Satan never sleeps. He takes no sabbath. Therefore, be alert...put on the full armor of God...and keep it on.

I'd rather tone down a fanatic than heat up a corpse.
- Bishop Handley Moule

Instant gratification is fast replacing eternal goals.

Love is caught, not taught.

Maturity is patient with immaturity.

definition: "psycho-ceramic" - a crackpot.

The supreme happiness of life is the conviction that we are loved.

Overheard at a recent Crossroads DTS: "If I'd known I was going to live this long, I'd have taken better care of myself."

Or how about this? "If I'd known my grandchildren would turn out like this I'd have raised them first."



THE FACTS OF LIFE BY DANNY LEHMANN

Not what you might think!

If you know Danny, you'll know this has something to do with evangelism! This colorful tract in booklet form (16 little pages), gives the Good News in words and pictures for anyone to understand. We'll be happy to send you one free - and show you how to get more.

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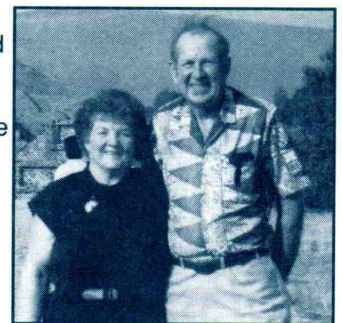
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I prayed and along came an official who took our papers and said "You go, you go." So we went.

The first week was spent in the poorest area of Mexico City teaching toy and puppet making.....the children were friendly, clean, eager to learn, well-disciplined and a pleasure to work with.....for them to have grandparents was very special. Language was limited, but love and play have no barriers. To snuggle up to Vic and measure their small dark hands and feet beside his big ones was their daily delight. "GRANDE" they would yell.

.....we came to serve, however we truly felt cared for.....we found cultural differences but tried to set aside our ways for theirs, so that things would go smoothly.....they made comments like "You are friendly", "You don't complain", "We love you because you work together as a couple". They watched and saw.

So what's next for us? Renovating in Hawaii, Amsterdam or New York? Now we are retired for a second time, what adventures does God have in the future? Care to join us on one?"



Vic & Dorothy Vogt

I WENT, I RETURNED, I FELL

A TRUE STORY

When the test came, I was found wanting.

I'd served with YWAM in another culture, for several wonderfully hard years - some of those years as a leader. It was time to come home for a while, yet I really didn't know the "where" and "when" of my return to missions.

It was good to be home. Yet somehow I didn't fit. I felt awkward in all situations - family, job, even church. I wasn't sure what was expected of me. So instead of talking to someone, I tried to live up to what I thought were people's expectations of me, as a "Christian", or a "YWAM'er", or a "missionary".

I wanted so much to tell people "hey, I'm struggling, I feel like I don't belong, I don't know what's expected of me"; but pride kept me from sharing what was really in my heart. After all, I **knew** the answers, had even counselled others. But just knowing the answers didn't help.

So the test came. God was asking me to totally trust Him

with a relationship. It seemed like He was asking me to lay it down, and I found myself on very shaky ground. I clung to whatever comfort I could get. In spite of all my "knowledge" of what to do, I made a definite, conscious choice. I fell in the sin of immorality.

There was a morning when I woke up and felt so empty inside and so cold, inside and out. I sensed there were demons surrounding me, laughing at my devastation. I knew I had to run back to God and ask His forgiveness.

But even after deeply repenting and making restitution - I knew **how** - I still felt God could not love me anymore. How could I deliberately walk away from Him? I was forgiven, but could He ever trust me again? Would I ever regain my closeness to Him?

The hardest thing was to forgive myself. I had failed God and all those who had believed in me and supported me in missions. Finally, in desperation, I confessed to my pastor and

Donna's Corner

In this "corner", I want to share something I found written in my Dad's Bible. He went to be with Jesus in 1986.

That which I spent, I lost.

That which I saved, I left.

That which I gave, I have.

Simple, isn't it? Or is it?

"Lord, in this life, help me to deal in eternal values."



YOUR TURN

"...once a YWAM'er, always a YWAM'er! We feel we both would not hold credentials (Associate Pastors with our church), had it not been for our two years in YWAM."

Bruce & Betty Olson
Boise, ID.

"Three years ago I left YWAM after 11 years of service to finish a university degree.....I am now more keenly aware of how refreshing it is that YWAM as an organization would affirm to me a sense of value while apart from full-time ministry.....suffice to say I appreciate your hearts and your vision.

Kris Meidal
Seattle, WA.

"Yeah!"

Steve Greisen
Lindale, TX.

"I knew "Joe Ito" (IN TOUCH 3rd Edition),...his joy and wisdom and incredible love of God really ministered to me.....I was overcome with sadness when I heard he had died of AIDS..... thank you for dedicating that issue to his memory."

Kathy Adkins
Central Point, OR.

"I recently obtained Bob Fitts new tape "Sacrifice" and Helen Applegate's book "Anchor in the Storm"...both have helped me very much while I'm recovering from a miscarriage...I found "Sacrifice" of particular help as I've given the lost child and any future children to the Lord."

Name withheld.

"There is a lot of potential in the lives of former YWAM'ers that is waiting to be realized. Much good seed has been sown over the years which has never been brought fully to fruition..."

Bob and Ruth Frost
Escondido, CA.

FOUNDATIONAL VALUES OF YWAM

YWAM isvisionary.....relationship and team-oriented
.....broad structured.....international and interdenominational.....

YWAM is called to value each individual.....to champion the potential of young people.....to recognize the value of a person's godly character over and above his or her gifts, abilities and expertise.....

These and many more of YWAM'S values are in the process of being recorded. If you would like a free copy, check the box on the Order Form and send it right in.

"COMING UP!"

First YWAM Associates Renewal Camp!

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For more info write to :

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See you there!

RE-ENTRY AND FURLOUGH MATERIALS

Returning home, as we all know, can be a challenging time for missionaries.

YWAM Amsterdam has put together some helps for you whether you're on short-term or permanent re-entry. For your kit, just send U.S. \$3.00 to:

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YWAM NEWS ROUNDUP

ISLANDS IN MID-AFRICA?

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YWAM Uganda, under the leadership of Nick and Cheryl deKoning, has seen many of these islanders come to know Christ. Nick and Cheryl are proposing to the local government that they carry out an immunization program, with a mobile medical clinic on a boat, to serve these neglected island people. Did you know the name of the lake? (Victoria)

The Uganda DTS (on right now with a class of 29), costs only US \$150.

Students are required to pay 20% of that - a major challenge in itself. Care to sponsor a student? We'd love to pass along any encouragement you can give. See ORDER FORM.

"TOYMAKER" BEHIND THE IRON CURTAIN

Recently, "Toymaker" was presented ten times in the Soviet Union, (five times in Moscow). In all 75,000 people saw it, including 25 Afghan Generals, Bulgarian Diplomats and the Cuban Minister of Culture, all of

whom invited the team back. Pravda ran a photograph and review on the front page!

HAVE RV - WILL TRAVEL

RESOC (Reborn Energetic Servants Of Christ), is a group of former YWAM'ers with RV's, who travel to YWAM bases to help with projects. In 1989, teams repaired the swimming pool at Richardson Springs, CA; did a landscaping project at Riggins, ID; and installed an underground sprinkler system at the Salem, OR base. Many more jobs are waiting, but the RESOC'ers are few! Care to join them? For info, write to Bud Hennifin, 11508 NE 3rd Ave., Vancouver, WA, 98685, USA. Tel: (206) 573-6251.

SECOND WAVEAN UPDATE

The Cook Island Team, (last IN TOUCH), has had marvelous times of ministry in Canada, particularly in Native Indian Reserves in B.C. They return now to prepare for a March 1st DTS in the Cook Islands, with six or more Native Indians planning to attend. Pray that no hindrances will stand in their way. Thanks to the many Associates who have helped the team.

THE FOURTH EDITION

This, the fourth edition of IN TOUCH, is dedicated to the memory of Ralph Olson, the first serving YWAM'er to die

For its first 15 years, YWAM suffered no loss of life. It was God's grace upon the mission during the formative years. Then in 1975, the Lord showed founder Loren Cunningham, that this special grace must lift. YWAM, like all groups would know death in the ranks.



Ralph and Yolanda Olson, along with their young daughter Roxanne, joined YWAM in Hilo, Hawaii in 1974. (Classmates in their SOE included Jim Dawson, Dean Sherman, Kalafi Moala and Tom Hallas.) A son Jeremy, came along during this time, with the distinction of being YWAM Hawaii's first-born.

Early in 1975, the base relocated across the island in Kona, to eventually become the first campus of University of the Nations. The Olson family moved to California to join a curriculum writing team for International Christian Schools. Suddenly Ralph was diagnosed as having acute leukemia.

The disease moved rapidly, and on March 26th 1976, Ralph became the first YWAM'er to reach heaven. Others have followed.

Loren and Darlene, along with International Councilman Wally Wenge, encouraged Yolanda to stay in YWAM, saying "You will always have a family, a home and a place to serve God with us." Starting with the Montreal Olympic Games Outreach in July 1976, the three Olsons have continuously served in YWAM, mostly in Kona, but with frequent outreaches, particularly to Latin countries. Yolanda is considered a "pillar" at U of N.

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