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#### BASEBALL COMES TO PTL

Baseball did come to PTL in the person of former center fielder with the California Angels, The Littlest Angel, Albie Pearson. What a tremendous blessing to hear him tell how God touched his life at the age of six and called him to be a preacher. He told of how he would have his playmates sit on the sidewalk while he would "peach" to them and tell them, "Jesus loves you, and He died on the cross to save you from the penalty of sin (living your way instead of God's)."

Mr. Pearson also shared about his seeking and following a professional baseball career for many years. The Lord brought him once again face to face with His calling through an incident with film star Marilyn Monroe. She made a guest appearance at the stadium, and Albie was chosen to be her escort. He felt God's leading to speak with her about Him; but he didn't, rationalizing that he would offend her. I'm sure every viewer felt with him the ache in his heart as he Con't. on back page



## TBN'S FIRST BIRTHDAY



The day of April 28, was a day of great rejoicing and celebration for it marked one year of broadcasting the glory of God over the air waves from the TBN studios. That evening, PTL became a giant birthday party complete with cake. Our viewers were given a tour of the facilities here at 111 W. Dyer Rd. in Santa Ana, as well as a guide to reminiscing through pictures of events & growth during the past year. The tour started appropriately in our chapel, the heart of our ministry. Many of our partners joined us in

person to give thanks and praise to God for the mighty things He has done in our first year. Pastor Sevell Phillips and Chairman of the Board Paul Toberty - all the staff and many phone counselors - Paul Davis, Marv Martin & Sam Starr of The Monarchs gospel singing group and the Rod Henke family joined in prayer with PTL host Paul Crouch and our many viewing partners to ask our Lord's continuing knowledge, widsom, guidance and blessing for the Network during its second year. Praise God!





### BELOVED TBN CO-PARTNERS

We have delayed our newsletter to you this month believing that any day we would be able to flash the Big News that FCC had granted the license of Channel 40 to TBN. However, we have learned that the FCC staff member working on the Channel 40 transfer had to take two weeks off to fulfill a military obligation, so we have been delayed a little longer than expected. Oh how hard it is to wait, but through it all God is teaching us patience and understanding of His perfect will. God's timing is always just right, so we will continue to wait upon the Lord. May He bless you every one for praying and believing with us for this beautiful miracle.

The information we have from Washington is that the transfer approval could come any day. So continue to praise the Lord for this TV channel for His glory!

In the meantime we have reduced the PTL program by 30 minutes to help conserve funds for the close of escrow. We know you will understand our desire to do everything possible to be prepared for that glorious moment when we take possession of Channel 40 for Jesus!

In the meantime if we can help you or minister to you in any way, please write your prayer request on the enclosed envelope and we will believe with you for your miracle from the Lord. Matthew 18:19.

Every night on PTL the praise reports get better. God is doing a new deeper work of grace in each of us. Well over 100 souls a month are receiving Jesus as personal Savior. Miracles of healing are

being reported every night without exception. Pleace continue to pray for a mighty revival that will literally sweep Southern California! Jesus is coming very soon — **now** is the time to witness to that neighbor or relative. now is the time to warn everyone that time is running out. At our Lord's last call for supper in Luke 14:23 His servants were commanded to

> "Go out into the highways and hedges and compel them to come in . . .

Spirit annointed television is the most compelling force available to the church today - let's use it for the Glory of God and the salvation of souls in these final moments of time!

God bless each one of you, our beloved TBN partners, for your love, prayers and gifts which keep this ministry going forward for God!

Yours to reach the yet unreached.

Paul

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## JAN AND SALLY SAY "THANK YOU"

Thank you, thank you, thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your love and prayers and support of HAPPINESS IS. We have received so many beautiful, encouraging letters, and we wish we had the time to answer each letter personally. Maybe someday the Lord will send us a secretary; but in the meantime with 8 children, 2 husbands, 2 homes 5 and many speaking engagements to be kept up between us, we read each letter, send out the 5 books & recipes, pray for each need, and believe God with you for the answer for all your needs!

We also want to tell you how very much we love and thank you for all the precious memories you have sent us. It always brings tears to our eyes to know you love us as much as we love you. Thank you again, and may the Lord richly bless you.

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## MIRACLES VIA TELEPHONE

One of the most beautiful proofs that God planned, ordained and is sustaining TBN is the fact that so many miracles take place through the PTL program.

"Praise the Lord! May I help

"Praise the Lord! May I help you, please?" With these words, a phone coversation began to balance between life and death. A beautiful miracle came into the studio last week and told us her

"I was planning to end my life that night. I had nothing to live for. I had lost three members of my immediate family within a short period of time and could not take the horror of this life any Elonger. I had my will drawn up at 556-8400.

and my gun loaded. I went into the living room to switch off the TV and end it all when from my TV I heard . . .'Dont you know how very much Jesus love and cares for you? Don't you know that He gave His life for you so that you could live for eternity?' Before the night was over, I had given my life to Jesus; and now I have everything to live for! I owe my life to Jesus and PTL.

Thank you, Partners. It was your love and your prayers and your support of this ministry that made this testimony possible. Wasn't it worth it????

Praise God for phone counselors who are so dedicated to the Lord and this ministry! The Holy Spirit told someone exactly what to say to lead this desperate soul to Jesus. Would you like to be a phone counselor? Call Dean Rowe PTL FOR LETTERS + + + + +
Oh, how we do love to hear
from our partners!! Without your
love, prayers and support, we
could not go on one more day.
Here are a few lines from three
very special letters sent to us
this month.
Mr. & Mrs. Ron Wilson wrote...

"...We felt led of the Lord to
call in a \$1,000.00 pledge
during the Telethon. We had

no idea where it would come from. But He (God) sold a lot for us which we had owned less than one year, and the profit was exactly \$1,000.00." PTL!

Lynda Singer wrote . . .

"...My money pledged to TBN was cigarette money. I'm 31

and have smoked since I was 14... One time I stopped for three years, but the desire never left. After I pledged my cigarette money to your ministry, the Lord not only made it possible for me to quit... but He took away the desire!"

Dr. Whipple (Md.) wrote . . .

"Praise the Lord for:

- a quick FCC ok
- purchase of the station
- more Hawaiians
- Chuck Smith
- Harold Leetsma and God BLESS YOU ALL."

Thank you so much. We'll + share more letters with you next + month.

## A NEW IDEA IN ADVERTISING



A Charismatic Christian car dealership, Bob Harrison Chrysler Plymouth in Fullerton, innovated a new concept of combining advertising commercials with witnessing for Christ. Christian businesses can help perpetuate the ministry of TBN by using TV ads to tell viewers of their services. "TBN will benefit as well as viewers who can learn of businesses where they can purchase items they need in an honest and Christ-like atmosphere." said owner Robert Harrison.

If you are interested in this refreshing, new idea, call 556-8400 for more details. Keep viewing TBN'S programming to see the growth in this area. Thank you Jesus!

# TBN STAFF SHARE AT RALLY

Paul Crouch and his wife Jan were guest speakers at a TV rally for Johnny Barton Associates at the L.A. Convention Center, May 31. Also representing TBN were Woody Blackburn, Graphic Arts Director, and his wife Jean. It was a wonderful evening of fellowship and praise, saturated with God's presence. Paul and Jan shared with those gathered the miracle birth of TBN, and how God has led, directed and provided every step of the way. If you don't have our pamphlet

telling of this miracle, be sure to

come in and get a copy.

After Paul and Jan shared, Johnny Barton exhorted everyone with God's message in regard to being "mountain movers" and not "mountain climbers." Rev. Barton stated that Jesus gave us the "keys" for unlocking the kingdom of heaven in Matt. 16:19 and Mark 11:22-26; and when Christians get a hold of the truths in these words, God's power will be revealed in mighty ways through their lives! When He finished delivering God's message, Mr. Barton prayed individually for each person there.

If you would like any of the TBN staff to share in any of your events, just call. It is always our pleasure to do so.

# Think of your Future Now!

## Earn 8%While You Help TBN

TBN Stewardship Department is pleased to announce its new Revocable Trust Investment Program which allows you to deposit your savings at prime interest rates for the benefit of yourself and your family. When you place funds in a TBN Revocable Trust it simply means that your funds may be withdrawn at any time needed. You may also add to this trust at any time by using this trust, the funds may be transferred to your beneficiary without having to go through Probate Court. TBN Revocable Trusts pays 8% annual earnings. You may have your earnings paid to you or left in your account to accumulate. A Revocable Trust is an excellent way to use funds in the work of the Lord that you would usually save or invest. For more information on the TBN Revocable Trust and other areas of interest to you, please check and return this coupon in the enclosed envelope.

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# EXCERPTS FROM David Wilkerson Youth CRUSADES NEWS LETTER

Article "Media Murderers"
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Editorial by David Wilkerson
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I charge the media, especially television and theater, with outright murder. Manipulated by Satan himself, television writers, movie producers, programmers and administrators have all been caught up in a plot to destroy the blood religion of Jesus Christ. Every true minister of Christ's gospel and every Bible preaching organization is now the prime target of these "Media Murderers" — who seem consumed with a desire to kill the message of the gospel.

Take one recent week for example. Elmer Gantry was a smash hit on ABC. This movie features a minister of the gospel who smokes, drinks, lays with women while hoodwinking congregations with red-hot gospel messages. NBC featured a "Sanford and Son" episode in which black Pentecostals-tongue talking and shouting - were made to appear ignorant, foolish and stupid. Meanwhile, CBS "Preacher Sam" faked wheelchair healings to milk dollars from his congregation. At the same time "All in the Family" did a sacrile-gious take-off on "holy roller" religion, suggesting to the audidence that fundamentalists and evangelicals are using religion as a sedative. To add insult to injury, the Johnny Carson Show on NBC allowed comedian David

Frye to do a mocking impression of Billy Graham that was absolutely libelous. He made Billy Graham appear to be a profiteer exploiting the sale of books and records.

Satan's worst enemy in the media is the true gospel minister who preaches God's Holy Word. Mark my word, a time will soon be upon us when Satan will viciously attack and attempt to destroy all gospel programming. He will never succeed — but Christians should even now begin to pray that the Holy Spirit will sustain and protect those who are called by God to minister through the media. The only way Satan believes he can now destroy God's work is to attempt to cut off the supply line to honest and effective ministries. He has tried everything else and failed. He wants even God's elect to stop supporting evangelistic outreaches. He would convince the world that every appeal for missionary support is unnecessary or dishonest. He hopes in & this way that ministries will die from lack of support.

I have a word from the Lord for all true ministers and believers. Don't heed to these seducing spirits. Never design your program to appease your critics. Don't curtail your worthy appeals for finances just to avoid the attack of these Media Murderers. I am convinced that the only people who will be influenced by Satan to quit supporting ministries will be those who are really looking for an excuse not to give. God's work always has and always will be funded by the sacrificial giving of those who love Christ.

Let it be known also that God has placed a curse on these Media Murderers. These are not only guilty of assassinating modern day ministers — they are cursed with the guilt and the shed blood of every prophet of God from the foundation of the world. Jesus said they would not enter into the Kingdom themselves, and they hindered anyone else who tried to enter.

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described how a short time later he read in a newspaper of her suicide and realized the hurt and guilt that accompanies disobedience to God.

How often have we "fallen short" in just this same way? But praise God, "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." Albie Pearson did confess his sin to the Lord; God did forgive him and has now led him and his wife Helen into the Mammouth Ministry, in Mammouth Lakes, California.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAM



Paul Crouch Jr. & Paul Blackburn inspect the new children's set, Al the crow's home.

Jina is the star of the new TBN children's program. She is a female white bear who has many friends, such as Al the crow, Hilda Hippo, Biz-E-Beaver, Drudge & Ding-A-Ling (both monsters), Tino the brown bear, Charlie the monkey, & we can't forget Fred Pettit who since the age of fourteen has been actively engaged in child evangelism in many churches in the United States as well as thirteen countries around the world.

Fred, of course, is the movement and voice behind the whole series. Fred, in co-operation with the Newport Mesa Christian Church in Costa Mesa, promises to turn out a "Christian Sesame Street" of proportions that will truly excite your heart!

Six children per program will enjoy visits from policemen, firemen and workers from Teen Challenge with drug education—all this topped off with a Bible study. Watch for Fred and all of his gang—soon on TBN!