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Developments in Papua New Guinea

By Rod Matthews, Mission Developer

Papua New Guinea is a developing nation in the Pacific, north of Australia. Much of the country is mountainous and travel is difficult. The Worldwide Church of God has a congregation of about 120 people in the highlands at the base of the highest mountain in the country, Mt. Wilhelm, which is 14,800 feet high.

Mining rights have been granted in the area very close to the church. Mining for copper will start in 2014. The local people are subsistence farmers and rely on water from the river for their needs. The mine will dramatically affect the mountain they identify with, fill the air with dust and risk water quality.

Mining could bring with it other problems, such as alcohol and drug abuse, prostitution and HIV. Other mining operations in the country and in other developing nations have resulted in illness and loss of traditional land, and in some cases the people's cultural identity. The traditional landowners in these situations are often poorly represented or ignored, result-

ing in alienation and conflict.

There are four tribes in the area, with the possibility of conflict among themselves and the mining company and its employees. In this culture, payback or revenge is common, and tribal disputes in the country have escalated in the last few years, particularly with the use of firearms, including automatic weapons funded by drugs. Law and order is a serious concern for the nation.

There are some potential positives: an improved highway, communication, a proper airfield, medical facilities, schools and job opportunities.

The Mt. Wilhelm members request your prayers for the following:

“While we would prefer that the mining does not take place here, we seek God’s guidance and intervention upon the hearts of government officials and commercial operators to see and take seriously the needs and circumstances of the local people in all decisions they make.

“The congregation seeks to grow in wisdom by becoming attuned to the undesirable influences that have the potential to put the community at serious risk, and we want to become wisely proactive in taking advantage of the new opportunities.

“We want the environment to be protected for the health and well-



Proposed mining site near Mt. Wilhelm.

being of all who are in the area.

“We pray that law and order will prevail.”

Assisted by Australian churches

Mt. Wilhelm’s annual congregational festival was held in the Highlands with the theme “The Glory of Christ” because he alone is worthy of glory and honor and praise.

Pastoral coordinator, Mark Latham, and his colleague, Matthew Gudze, traveled to Mt. Wilhelm from Australia and reported the highlights, which included the blessing of nine little children and presentations by the church youth and children’s church group. Two church hymns printed on a large cloth screen were a great help so the whole congregation could sing and learn to read in unity.

A ground-turning ceremony was also conducted for a new church building.

Donations of clothing, wool, Bibles, books and medicines from churches in Australia and from the public were

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gratefully received. Literacy class materials were also delivered to help in the education of the congregation. Next year five women will graduate from this class.

Cooperation between Australia and Papua New Guinea is strong, with women from the Sydney congregation donating money to purchase a sewing machine, cloth and a stove so the Mt. Wilhelm church can better provide for its members. The Bathurst congregation donated money for the printing costs of a magazine. The Canberra congregation contributed to purchasing cement for the new church building in Mt. Wilhelm, and the Wollongong congregation covered the travel costs so Elizabeth Genora from Port Moresby could travel to Mt. Wilhelm to lead women's ministry activities and encourage the women in the congregation.

An annual general meeting of the church board in Port Moresby was conducted. The PNG congregations wish to thank everyone for their prayers and gifts and give God the glory for the work he is doing in the region and in the lives of his people.



Greetings from the Mt. Wilhelm congregation and the children.

Worldwide

The WCG in Asia	Members, congregations, and new congregations since 1995.		
Bangladesh	380	12	12
Brunei	1		
Dubai	30	1	
China	5		
India	86	5	1
Indonesia	11		
Malaysia	124	4	3
Myanmar	17		
Nepal	1		
Pakistan	1		
Singapore	21	1	
Sri Lanka	224	5	4
Thailand	47	1	
Total for Asia	968	25	20

The WCG in Europe			
Austria	11	1	
Belgium	36	2	
Denmark	17	2	
France	391	11	
Germany	163	5	
Italy	132	13	8
Malta	5	1	
Netherlands	127	4	
Norway	28	2	
Portugal	23	1	
Spain	57	3	1
Sweden	15	1	
Switzerland	143	3	
United Kingdom	871	46	
European total	1,980	97	9

Statistics compiled by Randal Dick for the August 2007 elders conference. Membership statistics in some areas are based on attendance, or conservative estimates. Some small groups were counted as churches. In some nations churches are affiliated with the WCG but are not counted in our statistics. Totals are not exact due to rounding.

Presence of the WCG

The WCG in Africa

Angola	350	2	2
Benin	10	1	
Botswana	15	1	
Burkina Faso	1		
Burundi	20	1	1
Cameroon	350	6	5
Dem. Rep. Congo	900	5	5
Ghana	500	9	6
Ivory Coast	2		
Kenya	831	29	28
Lesotho	26	1	
Liberia	200	2	2
Madagascar	200	2	2
Malawi	339	12	11
Mauritius	47	1	
Namibia	12	1	
Niger	2		
Nigeria	450	12	7
Reunion	4	1	
Rwanda	400	3	
Seychelles	2		
South Africa	696	19	3
Swaziland	12	1	
Tanzania	2		
Togo	70	1	
Uganda	379	11	8
Zambia	258	15	15
Zimbabwe	399	11	4
African total	6,500	159	99

The WCG in Australia & the Pacific

Australia	1,434	36	4
New Zealand	183	9	
American Samoa	2		
Cook Islands	1		
Fiji	49	3	
Papua New Guinea	69		
Solomon Islands	30	2	
Tuvalu	1		
Vanuatu	35	1	

The WCG in the Philippines

Philippines	6,225	82	23
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The WCG in North & South America

Canada	4,476	64	4
United States	10,873	362	23
Northeast	4,005	135	8
Southeast	3,346	112	5
Western	3,522	115	10
Caribbean	929	24	
Antigua & Barbuda	8	1	
Bahamas	142	3	
Barbados	110	1	
Bermuda	28	1	
Dominica	28	1	
Grenada	33	1	
Guadeloupe	55	2	
Guyana	43	1	
Haiti	15	2	1
Jamaica	93	4	
Martinique	150	1	
St. Lucia	48	1	
St. Vincent	22	1	
Trinidad & Tobago	154	4	
Latin America	757	40	
Argentina	58	2	
Bolivia	20	2	
Brazil	56	6	6
Colombia	132	2	1
Costa Rica	15	1	
El Salvador	10	1	
Honduras	53	2	
Mexico	242	15	4
Nicaragua	5		
Peru	40	3	
Puerto Rico	10	1	
Uruguay	87	2	
Venezuela	29	3	
Total, the Americas	17,035	490	39
Worldwide total	34,500	911	194



Ministry Coach Training – Investing in the Future by Investing in Lives

The WCG churches in Beaumont, San Bernardino, and Victorville, CA, pastored by Tom Ecker, hosted two Ministry Coach Training Workshops: in Glendora on Nov. 3 and in Beaumont on Nov. 4. The workshops were facilitated by Randy Bloom (director of Church Multiplication Ministries) and Ken Williams (Regional Pastoral Leader).

What is a “ministry coach”? A ministry coach is one who joins in the spiritual journey of someone else to help him or her discern God’s call and to be fruitful in ministry. Good coaching increases ministry effectiveness by helping people develop their gifts, establish ministry goals, stay focused and make progress.

Workshop participants learned about the importance of ministry coaching to ministry growth and development. Statistics show that new churches whose pastors had no ministry coaching experienced an 80 percent failure rate, while new churches whose pastors had a ministry coach found the opposite to be true—they experienced an 80 percent success rate.

The presenters led the group into several enjoyable and educational exercises that were designed to help participants develop “listening and question-asking” skills—the two overarching skills required of good coaches. Each exercise illustrated the point that effective communication is a skill that needs to be properly developed.

Effective listening and questioning skills are practiced within a coaching framework referred to as the five “R’s” of coaching:

- Relate—establish relationship and agenda
- Reflect—discover and explore key issues
- Refocus—decide priorities and actions steps
- Resource—support and encourage
- Review—evaluate, celebrate, and revise plans

One of the attendees, Tammy Nijssen, Worship Ministry Team Leader

in Victorville, gave this review, “The most important thing I got out of



Above: Tammy Nijssen and Daniel Zamorano in Beaumont. Below: Romy Degolacion and Ezer Maninang in Glendora; Paul Sniffen and Jeff Swartz in the background.

the workshop was not to be so quick to give advice or answers. Listen to the other person and just keep on listening.... This doesn’t only apply to spiritual coaching, but in our daily lives. It is all about giving to others our time and attention, not being so quick to offer opinions or give orders. Thank you Ken and Randy

for giving us this wonderful information.”

Elders who attended along with team members from the churches they serve included Dennis and Lorraine Pelley, Bermie Dizon, Leonard Raught, Paul and Leigh Sniffen, Raul and Sylvia Ramos, and Tom and Alberta Ecker.

This one-day workshop exposes participants to an effective tool for producing “disciples who make disciples” and ministry leaders. If you haven’t had the blessing of this workshop, and would like to be trained as a ministry coach, why not contact Church Administration & Development for details on how you can enjoy this special training opportunity? —*Todd & Lela Duncan with Tom & Alberta Ecker*

2008 regional conferences

- Feb. 8-10 — Southern California
- April 4-6 — Portland, Oregon
- April 25-27 — Chicago, Illinois
- May 16-18 — Union, New Jersey
- May 30-June 1 — Denver, Colorado
- June 27-29 — Lexington, Kentucky
- July 25-27 — Dallas, Texas
- Sept. 12-14 — Kansas City, Missouri
- Nov. 14-16 — Orlando, Florida

A **Pastoral Orientation class** will be held in Glendora, Jan. 18-21. This class is open to interested members.

The cost for this training will be \$495 for an individual or \$570 for a couple. This covers housing for four nights, breakfasts and lunches plus all handouts and resource material. For those who will commute each day, the cost is \$95. This includes lunches, handouts and resources. The additional cost for a spouse will be \$75. For more information or to request an application, contact Nancy Akers at nancy.akers@wcg.org, or phone 1-800-574-2299, ext. 2331.

Church Multiplication Workshop in Pasadena, CA

Randy Bloom, Church Multiplication Ministries director, conducted a church multiplication workshop for the Pasadena Spanish congregation. The workshop, titled “Prepare to Parent,” explores the key characteristics of a church that reproduces (plants) new churches. It also addresses the major misperceptions and obstacles related to church planting.

Randy preached a sermon prior to the workshop entitled “Connecting People to God Through New Churches.” Translation for the day was provided by Raul Ramos, pastor of the Pasadena Spanish congregation, and Gustavo Aguilar. To schedule a workshop for your congregation, contact Randy Bloom at randy.bloom@wcg.org.



Participants at a Church Multiplication Workshop in the Pasadena Spanish congregation.

Randy has also scheduled several Church Next training sessions for 2008. See www.wcg.org/events for locations and dates.

Assessor Training Sessions in Glendora, CA, and Memphis, TN

Ken Williams, district superintendent for the western U.S., conducted two assessor training sessions—one in Memphis, TN and one in Glendora, CA. These assessors help potential church plant leaders clarify their gifts and calling for church planting.

In Memphis, George Hart, Frederick Moore and Mike Rasmussen received training. In Glendora, Bermie and Carmelita Dizon, Tom and Alberta Eckert, and Raul and Sylvia Ramos received training. So far in 2007, 19 assessors have been trained. For information about asses-

sor training, contact Ken Williams at Ken.Williams@wcg.org.

Interviews for Church Plant Leaders

The CMM assessment team interviewed two ministry leaders as potential church plant pastors. Kevin Phillips, from Lancaster, SC, was interviewed on June 20, and Anthony Mullins, from Kennesaw, GA, was interviewed on September 26. Assessment team members believe these two have strong potential for church planting leadership.

The assessment interview does not guarantee results; it only serves as a predictor of potential effectiveness in church planting ministry. The assessment team makes recommendations to Church Administration & Development regarding licensing and hiring church plant pastors.



Kevin and Anthony are in the process of developing their “New Church Proposal”—a comprehensive plan for launching their new churches. This plan includes:

- developing a team of gifted ministry leaders,
- developing culturally relevant ministries and worship services,
- financing their new churches.

Kevin and Anthony need your prayers. If you or your congregation would like to partner with them in their challenging new ministries, please contact Randy Bloom.

Community Thanksgiving in Big Sandy, TX

A wonderful community-wide Thanksgiving service was held in Big Sandy, TX, on the evening of Sunday, Nov. 18. New Beginnings



Assessor Training. Top photo, George Hart, Ken Williams, Mike Rasmussen, and Frederick Moore in Memphis. Bottom photo, Ken Williams, Tom and Alberta Ecker, Silvia and Raul Ramos, Bermie and Carmelita Dizon in Glendora.

Christian Fellowship WCG was privileged to host the event, which is sponsored each year by the Big Sandy Ministerial Alliance. There was much to be thankful for.

At least ten churches were represented, with 175 men, women and children in attendance, of varied denominations and ethnic backgrounds. Overflow seating with a television hookup was provided in the fellowship hall adjacent to the sanctuary.

After the welcome and opening prayer by New Beginnings Pastor Sonny Parsons, the service featured heartfelt congregational singing and pledges to the American and Christian flags. Then, presentations providing recognition of two successful Alliance ministries this year were made: the fourth annual Community-Wide Vacation Bible School, presented by Pastor Liz Elkins of Gospel Lighthouse Church, and the Agape House, a food, clothing and financial ministry to the needy operating year-round in Big Sandy, presented by Sharon Hill of Solid Rock Fellowship. An offering of over 1,000 dollars was taken up in support of the Agape House Ministry.

Afterwards, the community-wide congregation was treated to musical performances by eight church singing groups and choirs. The musical

variety found in the Body of Christ was enjoyed by all, especially the performance by the children's group from Rock of Calvary, a black church in Big Sandy.

Following the music, a short message was given by Pastor Parsons, expressing thankfulness to God for his blessing of unity in the people of Christ in Big Sandy, and encouraging everyone to remember and practice the "one-another" verses in the Bible: love one another, pray for one another, care for one another, etc.

After the benediction, a time of fellowship (and lots of good food!) was had in the fellowship hall, strengthening the bonds of Christian love even more.

—*Jerome Ellard*

VBS in Philadelphia, PA

After two years of planning, God blessed New Covenant Community Bible Church (WCG Philadelphia, PA) with a successful Vacation Bible School. Instead of the normal through-the-week format, the church hosted the VBS on four consecutive Sunday afternoons in August. This enabled over a dozen widely-scattered volunteers to participate without missing work during the week.

One of the WCG churches from Georgia kindly passed on VBS materials they had used last year, enabling the church to keep costs down. Twenty-four children participated and enjoyed praising and worshipping God, working on crafts and many other activities. Most importantly, they were taught God's Word.

The event was spearheaded by Hinka Gilbert and Ruby Reid, and honorable mention goes to the artistic Ford family, who provided beautiful hand-painted backgrounds, signs, and even a stuffed moose to go along with the Arctic Adventure theme.

—*Joseph White*

Harvest Festival in Myrtle Beach

The recent "Gathering in the Harvest for Jesus" convention held on

Oct. 4-7 at the Springmaid Convention Center in Myrtle Beach, SC, was inspirational and uplifting.

The speakers for this convention were Paul David Kurts, Charles Young, Dan Rogers, Keith Brittain, and Howard Blakeney. We were enlightened daily with the presence of God by the singing of various choirs, leading of the praise and worship teams and the inspiring sermons. A family dance with a variety of music was enjoyed by all. Many attended seminars on marriage, youth, and finances. In a worship service at the Street Reach Homeless Shelter, where we served the needy a meal, we were blessed to share the love of Jesus. We donated \$500 each to the MS Foundation, the Street Reach Homeless Shelter and WCG Next.

During this convention eleven people accepted Jesus Christ as Savior. We give him all the honor and praise. There were 280 people in attendance on the final day of the convention.

—*Howard D. Blakeney*

2007 Festival in Sardinia, Italy

From Aug. 25 to Sept. 1, 90 members from all over Italy and guests from various parts of the world gathered in Alghero, on the island of Sardinia, for a celebration of Christ.

The theme of the Festival was "Faith Today." Worship services, prayer meetings, celebrations of the Lord's Supper and Praise and Worship evenings reminded us of the fact that Jesus Christ is both the author and perfecter of our faith, and that without faith we cannot please God.

Excursions to the surrounding area (land and sea), eating meals together and other activities helped renew and build new relationships with members from all parts of the world.

The guest speaker this year was John Halford. Other guests included representatives of local evangelical organizations. We also had a local bookstore displaying a cross-section of Italian evangelical literature in

our meeting hall. A significant part of the profits of the sales were given to our church in the form of a special offering.

Festival participants valued and enjoyed the spiritual edification they received and the warm fellowship that took place. Location and dates of next year's festival will be announced shortly. Members from all over the world will again be cordially invited!

—*Daniel Boesch*, Italian National Director, boesch@tin.it

Women's ministry in Kalamazoo

The Sisters in Christ of Kalamazoo, MI, is a women's ministry that includes women from nearby church areas. They are involved in outreach programs and services along with spiritual growth and development.

The August meeting was hosted by Catharine Sturdivant. The theme was "being helpers of one another's faith," from Romans 1:11-12. The meeting began with the song "Light Your Candle, Go Light Your World," by Kathy Troccoli.

After lunch the women gave testimonies about what and who had inspired or encouraged them. They shared stories of mentors/people, music, trials, and testimonies. Scriptures were provided to augment and expound further to assist the women in their quest for faithfulness and helping each other.

A handout with questions to motivate the women for a "spiritual tune-up" was given with numbers on them that corresponded with a gift.

—*Catharine Sturdivant*

30th Anniversary in Tyler, TX

The WCG church in Tyler, TX, celebrated its 30th anniversary on Sept. 30. Around 35 were in attendance. Past ministers Richard Bydlon and Kenneth Swisher and current minister David Orban attended. Mr. Swisher gave the sermon on the topic of trusting God's providence.

The Tyler church was started by Donald Ward on July 2, 1977. Over the 30-year history of the church,



Service to the community in Clarksville, TN

Once a month, youth from Worldwide Grace Fellowship in Clarksville, TN, cook and serve a meal for the residents of the Salvation Army Shelter. From left to right: Kayla Williams, Will Peters, Mariel Tomes, Keribeth Williams, and Josh Porter.

the WCG congregation in Tyler has moved the location of its worship services six times, changed its name to New Covenant Fellowship and moved its services to Sundays. Five charter members remain: Adam Adair, Lindsay and Ozie Cary, Everteen Ford, and Larry Kepler.

After services, members and guests gathered at a park for a barbecue picnic. After lunch the children played football, horseshoes and tug-of-war with the adults. Past and present photo albums were available for members to view.

Pastor Receives Honorary Doctorate

Luciano Cozzi, WCG pastor in West Warwick, RI, received an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from St. Thomas Christian College & Theological Seminary on Oct. 7. Dr. Zamekio Jackson, president of St. Thomas Christian College, traveled to Rhode Island to present the award.

In more than 20 years of ministry, Pastor Cozzi has received various awards and certifications. He is a certified biblical counselor of the International Association of Biblical Counselors, a member of the Ameri-

can Association of Christian Counselors (AACC), a certified credit counselor, is certified in Critical Incident Stress Management, is the secretary and a board member of the Rotary Club of Pawtuxet Valley, an alumnus of Leadership Rhode Island and a certified mediator and conflict resolution specialist.

Pastor Cozzi began his education in Italy, where he was born. He came to the United States in 1980 to attend Ambassador College, where he earned his B.A. in Theology with distinction. He also received a M.A. in Biblical Counseling with high distinction from Trinity Theological Seminary in Newburg, IN, and was awarded a gold membership in the National Omicron-Psi Honor Society for academic excellence and community service. He is currently a candidate for a Ph.D. in Biblical Counseling.

Dr. Howard Eyrich and Luciano co-authored a textbook entitled *Marriage and Family Counseling*, which has been adopted by two Christian colleges. He has also authored a number of journal articles and booklets, including "A Glimpse Into Eternity," "Finding Peace With God," and "The Problem of Suffer-

ing: A Biblical Theodicy."

Luciano Cozzi has been a pastor for more than 20 years and is constantly seeking new and better ways to serve the church and the community. He is the Senior Pastor of Grace Family Church of Rhode Island, in West Warwick, and of the Living Hope Christian Fellowship in Gales Ferry, CT. He teaches Biblical Counseling to a number of individuals from different churches and charitable organizations in the community.

His classes are accredited for certification by IABC, and the church is in the process of being recognized as an affiliated biblical counseling center. In addition to regular weekly services in both congregations, pastor Cozzi holds two Bible studies each week, one for the congregation and the other for medium-security inmates of the Adult Correctional Institute. He produces the Word of Hope Sermon Series through a collaboration of the two churches he pastors, which send sermon CDs to 14 states in the US and ten other countries, including several in Africa and Asia.

Luciano and Suzanne have been married for 25 years and have two children: Daniel and Elisabeth (Cozzi) Iannelli. Luciano and Suzanne are a great example of love and of a family that works together in love. Because the churches he pastors are family-oriented churches, they are always looking for ways to reach out to the community and lead new people into the family of God. In the words of Naomi Bone, a deaconess of Grace Family Church of Rhode Island, "God has blessed us tremendously by sending Luciano, Sue and their children to our neck of the woods."

—Naomi Bone

Detroit East member honored in employee publication

Gloria Walker, member in Detroit East, MI, was featured in her employer's employee newsletter. Read the story on our website, <http://www.wcg.org/together/08/jan/events.htm>.



Births

Sophie Marie Arnold and Samuel Mason Arnold, Sept. 27, fourth daughter and first son of Anne (Bredemeier) and Paul Arnold, of Albertville, MN.

Dacota Jade Davidson, Nov. 18, first daughter of Craig Rhys and Sharina (Van Landuyt) Davidson of Paradise, CA.

Katia Ariel Rebecca Gordon, May 6, fourth child of Peter and Christina (Hleboff) Gordon, of Dallas, TX.

Autumn Campbell Smith, May 6, first daughter of Meredith and Sean Smith of Sacramento, CA.

Elder ordinations

John Bekker, Perth, Australia

Jimmy Boone, Talisay, Philippines

Gary Childers, Raleigh, NC

Cesar Dela Paz, Dubai, United Arab Emirates
Ludiha Omadjela Disashi, Binza, Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of Congo

Jeanette Engblom, Wetaskiwin, Alberta

Denoel Ferraz, Madrid, Spain

Dorothy Jackson, Opelika, AL

Dorothy Nordstrom, National Women's Ministry Coordinator, Canada; Grande Prairie, Evansburg, and Westlock, Alberta

Sonia Orosco de Vengoechea, Barranquilla, Colombia

Michael Roth, Van Buren, AR

Ministry changes

Kalengula Kaoma, area pastor for Malawi, Zambia and Zimbabwe, was appointed Mission Developer for all African nations north of the Republic of South Africa.

James Henderson, national ministry leader in the United Kingdom, has been named Mission Developer for Europe.

Mark and Joanne McCulley have moved to Denver, CO, where Mark will serve as pastor of the Denver North and Colorado Springs churches.

Wedding

James Scales of Bridge City, TX, and **Joyce Fay Hankins** of Silsbee, TX, were married on Oct. 13. They attend in Beaumont, TX, where James is the co-pastor.

Obituaries

Jean A. Brockmeyer, 74, of Delhi, IA, Oct. 31. She is survived by her husband, Neal; four children, Glenn (LaNette) Brockmeyer, Linda (Phil) Maitland, Karla (Dan) Kelley, and Paul (Hiroko) Brockmeyer; 11

grandchildren; one great-grandchild; a sister, a brother, and a sister-in-law. Jean was preceded in death by her parents, an infant son, Gary; a brother, sister-in-law, and a son-in-law.

Robert G. Brown, 64, of Mt. Pleasant, IA, Oct. 12. He was a member of the Family of Faith (WCG) church in Cedar Rapids, IA. He is survived by his mother, his brother Gilbert Brown and his wife Margaret; two nieces and eight grandnieces and nephews.

Richard Cadan, 60, of Austin, TX, Sept. 15. Richard began attending WCG over three decades ago, and was an employee at the Pasadena headquarters as a plumber in the 1970s. He continued as a plumber in the Austin, TX, area until his health began to decline seriously a few years ago, dealing with several onslaughts of cancer. Richard leaves behind many loving extended family and friends.

Mary Elizabeth Cottingham, 97, of Columbia, MO, Sept. 12. Her husband, George, and an infant daughter, Ada Jean, preceded her in death. Survivors include five sons, George, Jim, Tom, Curtis and David, six daughters, Elizabeth, Mary Jane, Margaret, Florence, Elaine and Sarah Jo, 22 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren and four great-great grandchildren.

Edna F. Evans, 76, of Kenai, AK, Oct. 2. She was a long-time member and the mother of Jack Evans, pastor of the Family Church of God/WCG in Kenai. She became ill with lung cancer seven years ago. She remained an inspiration to all who knew her.

Glenola D. Junge, 75, of Fayette, IA, Oct. 26. Survivors include her children: Jackie (David) Garlow, Tom (Carol) Junge, and Judy McGuire; a son-in-law, Jeff Lau, six grandchild-

dren, five great-grandchildren, two sisters, a brother-in-law, and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, John, a daughter, Ruth Lau, a sister and a son-in-law. She was a member of the WCG church in Cedar Rapids, IA.

Alma Elfrieda Kleier, 90, of Argyle, WI, Oct. 22. She was a member since 1959. She attended Abundant Grace Church (WCG) in Deerfield, WI. She is survived by two brothers, seven children, 13 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Alicia A. Pirog, 75, of Chicago, IL, Oct. 1. She was a member for 50 years. Alicia is survived by four children and their spouses: Terri and Larry Cortelyou, Ginny and Tom Martin, John and Carol Pirog, Maryann and Fred Stevens, eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Mary Simcik, 90, of Granger, TX, Sept. 17. She and her husband, Lad, became part of the WCG in the late 1940s. They attended the San Antonio church, then the Austin church. She is survived by three sons, Johnnie, Robert and Larry, several daughters-in-law, grandchildren and other family members.

Jackie Reemes Spurgeon, 73, of Pasadena, CA, Oct. 29. He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Doshia, and nine children: Jackie Jr., Dovonne, Brian, Tim, Phyllis, Rhona, Marlon, Aaron, and Ellen, 12 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; a sister, Phyllis, and a brother, Frankie. He was baptized in 1958 and worked for Ambassador College 33 years.*