Special Notice to All JETTs and Junior Teens

From Mama CM/FM 6/99

Dear JETTs and junior teens,

PETER and I love you very much and are so thankful for each one of you. You're very special and important to the Lord and to us, as well as to the whole Family. You play a big role in all that's being accomplished around the world—the millions of lives that are being changed and the souls that are being won for eternity.

Although you're growing and are such a vital part of the Family, you may sometimes be tempted to feel that more attention is being paid to other age groups and that you're missing out on a lot of the special privileges and blessings that others are able to enjoy. Yours is one of the most difficult ages of all because you're no longer kids, and therefore you're being called upon to grow and mature and to help carry more responsibility and a bigger load in your Homes, while at the same time you don't get to do some of the things your older brothers and sisters get to do. We know that this is hard for many of you, and we admire you very much and appreciate your willingness to endure and to patiently grow into the young men and women the Lord wants you to become.

We've heard from many of you about the challenges that you're faced with and the difficulties that you sometimes have in understanding the things that are happening in your lives. Some of you are going through trials and tests that are very common to your age group, trials that, although they are difficult, are just part of growing up, and things that everyone must go through at one time or another. Others of you have experienced difficulties that aren't as common, either an exceptionally difficult situation or an illness of some kind that is severely affecting you.

As you're aware, we're constantly asking the Lord to speak to us and to give us His encouraging Words, not only for the Family as a whole, but also for certain individual needs and situations that come up. We certainly couldn't live without the wonderful Words that Jesus gives us, and He is continuing to pour out more and more to us all the time. Although there is such an abundant stream of living waters that it would be impossible to publish them all, we're doing our best to try to get as many as we can to the Family.

In recent months, the Lord has been giving many interesting messages directed especially to young people, and He told us that He was going to keep pouring out His Words and messages in abundance—important and relevant messages for your age group. He said that He wanted to shower you with His love, encouragement and help.

As Peter and I began asking the Lord to lead us step by step concerning an avenue through which to publish these messages, a new Family mag was born. Hence, with this notice, we're very happy to announce the birth of an exciting new pub just for you! The Lord has helped us to put together an illustrated magazine which we hope to get out to you regularly, made up of selections from many of the messages that the Lord has been giving on topics which will be of particular interest to your age group! There are messages concerning friendship, fighting for goals, how to really have fun, how to fight discouragement or overcome shyness—just about any topic you could think of.

Some of the prophecies that we'll be including were given specifically for different ones of your peers in answer to their per-

sonal questions, and may not necessarily apply to your own present situation. But we feel that you'll find them all very interesting. And hopefully, these powerful Word jewels from the Lord will be as much of a blessing to you as the *From Jesus With Love* booklets have been to the older generation.

After the Lord showed us the need for this new publication and the format which He wanted us to use, it still required lots of prayer and going back to Him in order to get His direction and help in making it what He wanted it to be. One of the first challenges we faced was what to name this new pub. There were many different possibilities and ideas, but we wanted to be sure that whatever name we settled on would meet the standard that the Lord had given us, as He had told us that He wanted the name to really mean something and be a true reflection of the powerful and encouraging Words that were going to be inside.

After going over the many options and praying specifically about different ones, we asked the Lord what He had to say about the name "Blade," as it was one that seemed to stand out in particular. Here are some brief excerpts of what He told us:

(Jesus speaking:) The name "Blade" is good because it paints a picture. It's a powerful symbol.... It's easy to use, easy to say, and easy to remember.... "Blade" represents the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God.... For this reason, the name "Blade" is representative of many of the things that I want to do through this new publication. (End of excerpts.)

In another message, the Lord said, "I give to you My *Blade*—sharper than any two-edged sword. I give it to you so that you might use it to defeat the Evil One and his lies, his doubts, his fears, his discouragement, and all the wiles that he uses to try to ensnare you.... You can ... use the sharp *Blade* of My Own personal Words to cut yourselves

free from the brambles and the choking vines and weeds that would entrap you and smother you, and use it to cut a path through the jungle of difficulties that you face as you are growing up.... For this purpose, I give you My *Blade!*"

As you can see, the Lord is excited about this pub, and we are too—another new weapon in our spiritual arsenal, tailor-made for this new day. Although the Lord explained that He was leading us to publish *Blade* especially for you JETTs, He also said that many of the messages are Words that will benefit and touch the hearts of others as well, and He asked us to package them and present them in such a way that they will be interesting and appealing to old and young alike. So don't be surprised if you find your brothers and sisters and even your parents trying to sneak this mag away from you.

We pray that *Blade* will be a blessing to all of you, our wonderful Family, and in particular to you, our JETTs and young teens, as the Lord said that He wanted you to know that *Blade* is your mag! We're very thankful and blessed to have such precious and anointed artists who have taken up the challenge and are excited to help illustrate the Lord's precious Words for you. God bless them!

The Lord is so good to us, and always gives us just what we need. We hope that you will greatly enjoy *Blade*.

Love, Mama