

portant to have a sharp focus all throughout the movie. One good way to certify the clarity of the picture is to zoom & focus on a very big close-up before filming, then zoom back to where you will want to start shooting; everything will then be in focus no matter how much you use your zoom, as long as you & your subject do not change positions.

GOOD CLOSE-UPS ARE VERY IMPORTANT. Set your camera far enough to include all the performers, but close enough to be able to dive into their souls with good close-up shots. Do not keep the unnecessary elements or performers in the picture. Get closer to the person talking in order to capture all of what he's saying or doing, without being distracted by the rest of the set-up. But make sure you don't get so close that you scalp out the top of their heads. Leave enough space to include a great deal of their hair.

YOU WILL PROBABLY HAVE TO STOP MANY TIMES when taking an interview, so to keep the continuity of the image & the sound you should start on the same person, same sentence, same train of thought so you don't disturb the viewers' attention, unless the train of thought was finished & you can start with a new person. We even suggest to people when they don't know what to say or can't find a word, to end on a smile instead of making faces, & the operator will know to stop. If they make a bad grin, then you have to go

back to erase it which can cut the spirit.

7. LIGHTING IS A WHOLE ART IN ITSELF, & can really make or break an atmosphere. Nothing can beat God's beautiful creation as a back scenery. However, bright sunlight will give hard features & harsh shadows & will make your subject quint & wink. It is better then to film in the shade or semi-sunlight.

BACKLIGHTING (BEHIND THE SUBJECT) CAN ADD A HEAVENLY TOUCH, a "halo", but make sure that the light does not come out directly as it is hard on the eye, distracting for the viewer, plus very bad for your camera lens. Even a candle on a table which could give a nice effect, or any other direct source of light, can actually damage your lens!

8. ARTISTIC NUDES: Of course, God's final creation in the form of a woman's body can add some very enjoyable variety if done artistically, sweetly & romantically. (See "You Are What You Watch".) Good but not harsh light, draping & panties (no crotch shots), soft musical background. However, the Lord loveth the cheerful giver, so make sure the model does it willingly & joyfully, not just because she feels she has to; otherwise it will show in her face & "deprive the viewer of the pleasure of receiving".

9. WHILE TRANSPORTING YOUR VIDEO you will find out that it is quite a bit of equipment

to carry around, & it needs to be well protected, both while you are filming & while you are travelling. It is a very expensive & delicate instrument, sensitive to condensation, too much vibrations, extreme temperatures (don't leave it in the bright sunlight) & dust.

WE FOUND THAT A PADDED RUCKSACK IS VERY PRACTICAL, when we use our video a lot, to carry VTR, mikes, cords etc. with a shoulder bag for the camera. But while going from one place to another, a foam-padded trunk, on wheels if possible, is ideal. When we got our video,

DAD & MARIA REMINDED US TO DEDICATE IT & claim God's protection & blessing over it, as with our constant travelling in a camper we certainly need to be doubly careful & ask God to keep it from all these inconveniences which are hard to avoid when mobile.

THERE IS CERTAINLY A LOT MORE WE COULD WRITE, & we are discovering every day about the thrilling new means of showing & sharing the good news with the world, but we hope that these few points will be of some help & inspiration to future VMs. "Wow! This video ministry is exploding, & I believe it's going to really pay for itself if not financially, at least spiritually, particularly in too isolated Homes who haven't got the fellowship that they need." PTL! WLY! —Paul & Marianne.

Fighting The Good Fight of Faith In Healing!

Prayer Request!

From Shuly Bolivar, age 16, Central America:

Dear Mo,

HOW ARE YOU? I'VE GOT SO MUCH TO TELL YOU to make up for the months I haven't written. I've come back from a 15-day visit to the hospital where they did tests on me to find out what I had, because I had very severe anemia. My parents were really going thru' it, since 2 years ago my cousin at 15 died of leukemia. They did many tests on me, which were not very nice.

I HAVE A DISEASE CALLED "LUPUS", but I have it inside. It's when the connective tissue gets inflamed & then the body makes antibodies against it & tries to disintegrate it. I have anemia & arthritis as symptoms.

THE DOCTOR TOLD ME THE DISEASE DEFORMED MY FINGERS & he took photos of them & then of my face, so I asked, "Is my face deformed too?" He said, "No, you're lucky because lupus deforms the face too, but it hasn't touched yours." Whew.

I CAN'T GO UNDER THE SUN'S RAYS AGAIN for the rest of my life & have to go around under an umbrella or hat. (It's really a humbler, especially when people yell at you down



the street, "Where's the rain?" & look at you as the latest arrival from Mars!)

THE USUAL TREATMENT IS WITH ASPIRIN & CORTISONE, but they gave me a weaker drug than cortisone & the aspirins which gave me really bad gastritis, so now I use suppositories instead.

EVERYONE'S PRAYING THAT I GET HEALED, & the Lord is really helping me thru' this time of testing. It's a pretty painful disease, especially the arthritis, but I know that the Lord is taking care of it. My Mum has been a real angel, helping me stagger here & there, pouring vitamins down my throat etc. etc.

I WON A SCHOLARSHIP AT SCHOOL, for 1/2 price, but I'm still too weak to go. The lady next door is teaching me crochet which is good therapy, & I'm learning Russian too. It's really a challenge. I turned 16 the

30th of August & my school-mates gave me a surprise party. It was really nice. If it's the Lord's will for me to go back to school I'm sure He'll provide the money.

HOW'S EVERYONE OVER THERE? The MO Letters are really inspiring, especially "I Was Sick", hal! Please pray for me. I'll be praying for you. Tons & tons of love, Shuly.

Our Special Child!

From Merryheart & Nimshi Smilin'; South America:

Dear Dad, Maria & family,

WE WANTED TO LET YOU KNOW ABOUT OUR LITTLE BABY Julianna, who was born Feb. 26th here on our new field of South America. We found out she is a Mongoloid child & very special, as your Letter "Handicapped?" talks about. We are so thankful for that Letter! It seemed like it was written especially for her as it came out when I was about 6 months pregnant with her.

SHE IS REALLY SMALL (only 8 1/2 lbs. at 6 months) & has gotten very sick & almost died once with an intestinal infection. It got us all desperate to say the least, & we have been learning so many lessons of faith thru' it all. Just recently she started having spasms & we took her to the hospital (before really praying).

WELL, WE GOT DOWN TO BUSINESS & PRAYED & received that we should take her home & trust Him to either heal her or take her to Him. It was a real test, as many of the doctors & staff thought we were wrong, but she's doing much better ever since. Also, I learned that a lack of B vitamins could have caused the spasms & the lack of digestion she seems to have. So I am

improving our diets following the guidelines from some of the recommended books. It was a lesson to me to find out more thru' the recommended books, as I never knew a baby couldn't get B vitamins from my milk if I didn't take them in some form.

JULIANNA IS OUR 6TH CHILD, & I think I was taking babies & health & life for granted. So the Lord is using her to wake me up & also to teach us all to be more loving & all the things you said in that Letter. So we are thankful, & she is truly so like an angel. Wish we had a picture of her. Will try to send one when we get our film developed.

ALL THE OTHER KIDS ARE DOING FINE. We've been singing at restaurants, the park & hospital, & Lord willing tomorrow, on the road! We love you so much & thank you too for all the Letters. We couldn't possibly make it without them. God bless you. Much much love, Merryheart, Nimshi & family.

Prayer Power Works Miracle!

From Freedom & Wild Wind Gypsy; Japan:

ABOUT 10 YEARS AGO WILD WIND'S MOTHER JOINED A STRANGE RELIGION here in Japan called "Soka Gakai", which is now one of the fastest growing religions here & in many other countries too.

BUT HER MOTHER SOON DECIDED TO QUIT that religion because she felt it was bad for her. But when she quit, one very strong member of the religion came to her home to convince her not to quit. When she couldn't, the lady then became very violent & said she was going to pray that Wild Wind's mother would become very sick,

& she then stuck her in the neck with a needle!

WELL, IT SO HAPPENED THAT WILD WIND'S MOTHER SOON BECAME MENTALLY ILL & spent the next 10 years in & out of hospital & taking drugs to help her sleep, & as a result she was becoming like a zombie, in very bad shape.

ONE NIGHT 8 MONTHS AGO WHEN PRAYING FOR HER MOM, Wild Wind told me the story of the incident with the strange religion. That's when we realised her mother was either oppressed or possessed by some evil spirit from Soka Gakai.

SO WE DESPERATELY PRAYED & rebuked the foul spirit in the name of Jesus, & we claimed a complete deliverance for her Mom. When we went to visit her parents this month,

WE COULD IMMEDIATELY SEE THAT HER MOTHER WAS A CHANGED PERSON! She had a glow about her. She was smiling a lot now & could sleep without the drugs & was almost back to normal for the first time in 10 years. She told us that just after our last visit when we prayed for her is when she began to feel better.

PRAYER POWER WORKS MIRACLES! We gave her a set of Bible tapes in Japanese so she can hear God's Word daily to strengthen her spirit. She said she believes in Jesus & knows Jesus helped her. Praise God! Love, Freedom & Wild Wind.

Resist the Devil's attacks & he will flee!

From Lucy; U.S.A.

I HAVE ALWAYS HAD A PROBLEM WITH ATTACKS OF THE DEVIL ON MY HEALING. When I first joined the Family as a babe & was really going for God, the Devil attack-

ed me with a big blow. I didn't know how to fight. It happened 2 other times & really caused me to doubt my place in the Family. I just wasn't hanging on to the Lord, so I left.

NOW SINCE I'VE MADE THE DECISION TO TRF & to start serving the Lord again, the Devil attacked again. For the past 2 months I have been in severe pain with fevers & having to stay in bed most of the time. I knew it was the Devil fighting my decision to serve the Lord, so I read the Bible verses from the Mag over & over. It really encouraged my heart.

THE DOCTORS FINALLY FOUND A HUGE MASS OR LUMP on my female organs that they couldn't diagnose. Two weeks ago they rushed me into emergency surgery. I was really in prayer & the Lord brought to mind Bithia's testimony about her kids praying for her. I asked my little 2-year-old boy to put his hands on me & to really pray for me "in Jesus' Name".

WHEN THE DOCTOR WENT IN TO HAVE A LOOK during surgery, he was shocked to find nothing there! Praise God! It was there, & then it wasn't! The night before surgery I had a chance to share some childcare tips from the Dito Letters with one of the nurses. She was so receptive & really loves to hear about Jesus. She was really touched by the miracle of my healing & knew that my son had prayed for his mom.

ALTHO' LAST MONTH I WASN'T ABLE TO GET UP & AROUND TO LITNESS, I am going to be working hard at it this month! My heart is so encouraged to have such a wonderful victory out of such seeming defeat! I am so thankful to be one of the Lord's "live ones" & not one of the Devil's "already dead ducks". Resist the Devil & he will flee! Love, Lucy. ■

SO MANY WONDERFUL THINGS HAVE HAPPENED since our testimony in Mag 8.

First of all, there have been 8 new additions to our Home here in Canada in the past 5 months! This includes a brand new "knew" disciple, Christina, born to Reuben & Katrina. The simplicity & beauty of a newborn has a magical effect in melting a Home together. Everyone walks slower & quieter & with more concern for each other, TTL! We'd like to introduce our other new disciples—

THE LORD BROUGHT BACK 2 GRADUATES TO FULL-TIME SERVICE—Jacques & Amos! On his first visit, Jacques was really amazed: "The Family has really changed!" & for sure the new "Family of Love" was what he was looking for & helped to wash away past fears he experienced under the chain. Four months after joining, God did another miracle in letting his 4-year-old daughter Denise come live with us.

ANOTHER WONDERFUL MIRACLE HAPPENED when we were looking for a large truck to move materials to our new refuge. Jacques had a friend Mark who agreed to lend us his truck & do the driving. While driving he started asking questions so Jacques read some Bible & finally led him in prayer to receive Jesus. As they opened the Bible, the dark cloudy sky suddenly lit up with sunshine. Mark took it as a sign from Heaven & joined the next week! Hallelujah

OUR NEWEST BROTHER PETER first met us at his city college where we were litnessing. He said a popular Bob Dylan song kept going thru' his head—"You Gotta Serve Somebody". He was very sour on life, hard & cynical on the outside, but after only 2 visits to our Home he really melted under the warmth of God's love. Now he's one of the

They're NEW!

New Hearts & New Lives!—Witnessing & winning souls at home & preparing for the mission field!



(top) Peter, Katrina Chittim with knew one Christina, (middle) Jacques, Amos & Mark, (bottom) Denise & Mary. Photo by Reuben. They're distributing 20,000 Letters a month & winning 1,000 souls!

sweetest & most on-fire guys around!

LAST BUT NOT LEAST, OUR 2 NEW LOVELY SISTERS, Mary & Lize. Mary had been witnessed to several times by different Family members & had a close friend with us. She had tried several different philosophies, religions etc., trying to find the answer. After these experiences there was no denying the obvious difference between the love & truth she found in the Family compared to other false ways.

LIZE FIRST MET A ROAD TEAM THE DAY AFTER PRAYING for God to lead her to His people. Her life had been relatively free of problems but she wanted something more. Well, her answer came very quickly & she followed Peter & John back to the loving arms of her new Heavenly Home!

BABE TRAINING CAN BE HARD, SACRIFICIAL & TIME CONSUMING WORK, especially for small Homes. But as Dad says, "The worker is more important than the work", & stopping to train new leaders real

ly pays in the long run. In addition to constantly getting out over 20,000 Letters a month, they have been averaging 600-1000 souls also. It's truly amazing what these loving & on-fire babes can do!

IN CLOSING WE'D LIKE TO EXTEND AGAIN OUR INVITATION TO HELP MISSIONARY FAMILIES in needy fields if you'll just send an informative prayerletter about yourself & your work. Since our last offer we've been able to help over 50 Homes with regular donations.

In return we've received many inspiring testimonies & photos from other countries which have greatly increased the vision of our disciples & even helped open some doors for them overseas.

WE'VE FOUND THAT THE MORE WE'VE GIVEN the more He has heaped upon us enabling us to get mobile with campers & tents, supplied 8 other Homes with survival food, plus equipped a large refuge for 30 people.

Love, Reuben Chittim & family.