



NEWS - BY YOU!

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98 Nationalities PREACHING THE GOSPEL IN.... 87 Countries!

Dearest Family,

God bless you all! Here is an extra little stats report that I'm sure you'll really, really be thrilled by! Hallelujah! This is a listing of what nationalities (by birthplace) we have in the Family!

98 NATIONALITIES preaching the Gospel in 87 COUNTRIES!

We've even got live-in workers of nations we are not now in, and some from nations we've never been to yet! Algeria, Angola, Borneo, Brunei (a UK colony near Malaysia), Cameroon, China, Cuba, Djibouti, Ethiopia, Guyana, Iraq, Israel, Korea, Libya, N. Guinea, Hungary,

Poland and Surinam! (DAD: *Of these 18, the 12 underscored are pro-Communist!*)

Please notice, these World Totals for live-ins do not equal the Totals on the Stats report as not all Homes have begun to use the new Home Servant Report Form which asks for Nationalities! We hope you enjoy this little extra bunch of numbers and are encouraged by it as much as we have been!

Love, Keros, your W.S. Stats Keeper

(DAD: *Amen! The RNR works! We've jumped from 70-some countries to 87 countries & 98 nationalities! PTL!-Tks! Love, Dad.*)

TOP TWENTY NATIONALITIES!

Country	Total Live-in	% of Total Live-in	Live-in Adults	Live-in Children
1. U.S.A.	1,501	35 %	1,132	369
2. British Isles	271	6.3%	192	79
3. Canada	254	5.9%	200	54
4. France	225	5.2%	147	78
5. Italy	217	5.0%	143	74
6. Japan	177	4.1%	141	36
7. Germany	162	3.8%	117	45
8. Brasil	153	3.6%	117	36
9. Australia	136	3.2%	95	41

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10. Spain	114	2.6%	77	37
11. Netherlands	98	2.3%	56	42
12. Sweden	70	1.6%	38	32
13. Venezuela	66	1.5%	38	28
14. Switzerland	61	1.4%	40	21
15. Peru	53	1.2%	43	10
16. Philippines	52	1.2%	31	21
17. Norway	51	1.2%	37	14
18. Denmark	50	1.2%	33	17
19. New Zealand	41	1.0%	35	6
20. Portugal	40	0.9%	28	12

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21. Costa Rica	38	21	17	52. Singapore	4	4	0
22. Mexico	35	13	22	53. Kenya	4	3	1
23. India	34	12	22	54. El Salvador	4	2	2
24. Colombia	30	19	11	55. Nicaragua	4	1	3
25. Argentina	24	15	9	56. Cyprus	4	0	4
26. Puerto Rico	23	9	14	57. Israel	3	3	0
27. Greece	22	7	15	58. Ethiopia	3	3	0
28. Belgium	20	10	10	59. Lebanon	3	3	0
29. Austria	18	15	3	60. Guatemala	3	1	2
30. Indonesia	16	11	5	61. Martinique	3	1	2
31. Malaysia	15	12	3	62. Fiji	2	2	0
32. Hong Kong	13	9	4	63. Iraq	2	2	0
33. Jamaica	12	7	5	64. Poland	2	2	0
34. Thailand	11	4	7	65. Hungary	2	2	0
35. S. Africa	10	9	1	66. Surinam	2	2	0
36. Ecuador	10	6	4	67. Cameroon	2	2	0
37. Panama	9	8	1	68. Korea	2	1	1
38. Turkey	9	2	7	69. Luxembourg	2	1	1
39. Chile	8	8	0	70. New Guinea	2	1	1
40. Yugoslavia	7	7	0	71. Egypt	2	1	1
41. Sri Lanka	7	7	0	72. Ghana	2	1	1
42. Iceland	7	4	3	73. Bangladesh	2	1	1
43. Tunisia	7	4	3	74. Pakistan	2	0	2
44. Dom. Republic	7	3	4	75. Kuwait	2	0	2
45. Taiwan	6	5	1	76. Jordan	2	0	2
46. Malta	6	3	3	77. Guyana	1	1	0
47. Finland	5	5	0	78. Djibouti	1	1	0
48. Bolivia	5	4	1	79. Rhodesia	1	1	0
49. Trinidad	5	4	1	80. Angola	1	1	0
50. Iran	5	0	5	81. Togo	1	1	0
51. Algeria	4	4	0	82. Cuba	1	1	0

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83. Curacao	1	1	0	93. Borneo	1	1	0
84. Libya	1	1	0	94. Bahamas	1	0	1
85. Tanzania	1	1	0	95. Haiti	1	0	1
86. Nigeria	1	1	0	96. Samoa	1	0	1
87. Barbados	1	1	0	97. U.A.E.	1	0	1
88. Tahiti	1	1	0	98. Nepal	1	0	1
89. Brunei	1	1	0				
90. China	1	1	0	WORLD	4,307	3043	1264
91. Honduras	1	1	0	USA (35%)	1,501	1132	369
92. Uruguay	1	1	0	Non-USA (65%)	2,806	1911	895

A Rebuttal to Faithy's Report on Japan!

by FREEDOM GYPSY & WILD WIND,
JAPAN'S VISITING SERVANTS.

(Editor: Because we have received so many letters expressing disagreement with the article "Report from Faithy our Troubleshooter in the Pacific", specifically the part about Japan, that appeared in Vol. 1, No. 4 of the Family News, we are now publishing this one well-documented letter by Japan's Visiting Servants as a representative rebuttal to her report on Japan. The whole truth of the matter is certainly what we are interested in! We apologise for publishing the misinformation and are sorry if it was a discouragement to any!)

Dear Dad, Maria, Rachel & FN Editors,

God bless you and greetings in Jesus' Name! We really love you all so much! We think the RNR is the greatest thing that has ever happened to our work. It's really strengthening the whole work and exposing a lot of weaknesses in the leaders and disciples. It's a desperately needed purging and cleans-

ing. It's like the dream you had "Builders Beware". They were weakening the structure and removing the words. Thank God you caught it in time! TYJ!

We are both really flipped out over the very candid and truth-revealing FN! What a bomb! The FN is so helpful to us all. Exposing the sins, mistakes and failures of others really makes us check our own hearts to be sure that we are really following the good sample of our true shepherds, Jesus, MO and Maria.

Since all of the W.S. publications are supposed to be the voice of truth for our worldwide work, I must now express my deep concern over one of the articles in FN Vol. 1, No. 4: "Report from Faithy, our Troubleshooter in the Pacific", specifically Japan, which I don't agree with completely.

My first reaction after reading this report was that I got really upset and mad because it is just not

completely true or factual. Therefore, I believe corrections must now be made in order to give a true picture of the work here from the viewpoint of the disciples who know the situation better than Faithy who was here for only one month. Either Faithy or Rachel, who wrote the report in the FN, got some wrong information and opinions from somewhere. Our intentions are to set the record straight and correct the errors of this report so everyone can get a clear picture.

We waited two months to write to you so we would have time to discuss this report with dozens of the disciples here, most of whom did not agree with it. Now to expound on the report:

"One of the leaders had even been circulating his own classes." This is true. In fact he was selling these class tapes, a total of 36 hours of Bible and MO Letter classes to the colonies. Almost every colony had a set of the classes which were in English with a running translation in Japanese. However, no one *"gathered them up"* since Faithy's visit. On the other hand, I just discovered that at his office there are many good Japanese MO Letter readings on tape that very few of the nationals have or have even heard of. But now we will be able to make them available! TYJ!

"Faithy was appalled by the living standard there." As far as I know, she only visited three or four colonies out of 20, some of which are very nice and a good sample with high standards. One of the Homes she lived in was a problem Home that folded a week after she moved

out. I don't know about the others she visited. Anyway, she is right that we need to up our living standard in Japan.

"The standard policy is to sleep on the floor rather than on beds and sit on the floor and eat off the low tables. This is how the poorer Japanese classes live, but far from the way the middle and upper classes live according to Faith's observations." She needs to come back here and observe a little longer next time. The Japanese don't sleep on the floor and neither do we.

Most houses in Japan are built with the bedroom floors covered with straw mats, 4 to 6 inches thick, called *tatamis*. They are semi-permanent and only removed if damaged and replaced. The mattresses, called *futongs*, are stored in specially made closets along with blankets and pillows. At night, the *futongs* are laid down on top of the *tatamis*, covered with sheets, and slept on.

Whether or not you sleep on futongs or beds has nothing to do with whether you are high, middle or low class. I have slept in hundreds of Japanese homes, from college dorms to homes of company presidents and recording stars—high, middle and low class homes. I have found that it is only a matter of preference and not class. If you check out the room rates for the nicest hotels in Japan, you will find that the Japanese-style rooms with *futongs* are more expensive than rooms with beds, usually.

Also, it's not the custom to sit on the floor to eat. We usually sit in

the *tatami*-covered rooms on cushions and eat off low tables. Some of the finest Japanese restaurants have seating arrangements like this as well as tables and chairs, whichever you prefer. It has nothing to do with class.

One thing Faithy forgot to mention is that it's the custom in Japan to always take off your shoes before you enter the house. You put slippers on to keep your feet warm. For this reason, Japanese homes are usually much cleaner than Western homes. I heard from one Home that Faithy was tromping around the house with her boots on, which really offended the Japanese disciples who were convinced that she wasn't trying to become one.

"The standard of dress was quite deplorable and no leaders were setting much of a sample." It's true that most of the disciples were not dressing as well as they could or should. Some people were trying to set a better sample, however.

What she said about one leader acting uneasy about FF'ing and existing on almost no sex life is really true. I know the leader well. However, he wasn't all that sick, and he ate really well whenever I was with him, and he usually slept on a bed, at least for a year or so. Her statement, *"The only FF'ing they were doing was geared to reaching foreigners in bars rather than reaching the city fathers"* is almost right on. There was other FF'ing going on to reach the Japanese and some were saved, but they were mostly young. We weren't reaching city fathers. But the statement: *"This resulted of course in their*

having quite serious visa problems with immigrations for all the American brethren there" is definitely not true! I know almost every American here and I know of only one who has had any problem with immigrations officials and it had nothing to do with his visa. It was caused by his unwise behaviour toward an antagonistic immigration officer. But we do need to do more PR work in this area.

"Their work is largely composed of young catacomb kids" is a true statement. We did get too carried away with the catacomb kids vision to the neglect of other things. But her statement *"the only distribution they did was to kids 16 years or under"* is completely ridiculous and not true! Ask anyone who has been faithfully witnessing in Japan and you will learn that most distribution is done to people over 16.

In writing this rebuttal, I feel I can speak for the many Japanese disciples whom we talked to. They all told us the same things. Faith's report is only about half true and did very little to encourage anyone here. Some of it was convicting and challenged us to do better, but the false statements only confused people. This is the truth as we see it! We really love you and are praying for you!

—Freedom Gypsy & Wild Wind; V.S.'s for Japan.

New Address for MO & MARIA!—

M. Nees Clark, Apdo. 35090, Madrid, Spain (with "attn: Keren" in lower left corner. Do not use COG or FOL on the envelope.) When writing, please give your full Bible name and mailing address, so we can answer your letter! Tks! WLY!

Plea from a Homosexual!

ONE OF THE HEART-RENDING LETTERS TO DAD
THAT RESULTED IN "HOMOS!" LETTER No. 719!

Dear Dad & Maria & Rachel,

I really need help with a problem that has made me want to leave the Family for a long time. In the past, I've been counselled by my local shepherds who tried to help me, but they didn't have much experience along the lines of my problem so they couldn't help me very much except to pray for me to be delivered, which they did once and said I'd been delivered, but I still have the problem.

This was the reason I was asked to leave the Home. The only reason I was ever allowed to stay as long as I did, which was this whole past year, is because I am a good litnesser and helped to bring in good funds. My shepherds kept telling me in faith, "You just need to get your eyes on the Lord and stop looking at yourself and your problems." But deep down in my heart I didn't feel that my heart was right with the Lord.

I'm spiritually sick, but I'm still trying to keep going. I don't fellowship at the colony and I don't feel inspired or even led to find sheep to witness to because whenever I do witness I feel like a hypocrite because things aren't right in my life, so I can't really be a witness for the Lord. So I mostly just litness. I litness just about every day. My stats go on the colony total and I'm listed as a catacombs disciple. I live alone and keep pretty much

to myself because of my problems, but I'm getting so lonely I can hardly stand it. I went and visited the colony once, but I don't feel much love. In fact, some of the brothers act self-righteous and I feel awkward and uncomfortable being there.

My problem is over the past couple of years I've gotten into homosexuality. When I joined the Family about six years ago, I was married. My wife only stayed about nine months and then she was asked to leave for repeated lying to leadership and being deceitful. I was kind of stunned and hurt, although our marriage was slowly falling apart anyway. She was the first girl I'd ever made love to successfully. I tried with a few others before her, but was too nervous and couldn't do anything.

Since my relationship with her, I haven't let myself get emotionally involved with women because everytime in the past I've always ended up getting really hurt. All my love affairs starting with my first childhood crush always ended on a sour note. Most of the time I fell in love with girls who weren't the least bit interested in me. I attribute that mostly to the fact that I didn't act all that masculine or aggressive.

One reason for this lack of masculinity was because my mother divorced my father when I was five

years old, and I never had a father-son relationship with a man. Most of the time I was influenced by my mother and sisters. I had a stepfather later on, but we were never close. So because of my mother and sisters' influences I guess I had more of a feminine air about me than masculine. But even when I was a young boy of ten years old, I can remember fantasising about lying on top of other little boys. I never told anyone about that or never really poured my heart out about anything. I just used to hold things inside of me, especially concerning sex.

During this time of living with my mother, she worked around a bar as a waitress and she began to drink a lot and hang around with the wrong kind of people. She started to become an alcoholic and was always bringing different men home to sleep with her, which I didn't like. My older sister was also becoming somewhat of a whore, letting guys use her. This used to really hurt me and make me ashamed and make me go just the opposite and be even more uptight about sex and make it really ugly.

Before I met the Family I had never had any sexual contact with a guy. Not that I didn't think about it, but I was too scared to do it because I'd been accused so much of being a queer in high school. Most of my life I've been attracted to guys more than to girls. I guess maybe because I was so insecure about my masculinity, what attracted me was very masculine guys. I don't like sissy men even now, but I guess some guys in high school

considered me a sissy because I wasn't bold but was afraid of people. So my homosexuality never really came out until after I joined the Family, after my wife left.

I think my first experience was with a brother when I was out at a refuge farm in Ontario, Canada. It was all brothers. There was a shortage of beds so we had to double up. I slept with a brother who I really had an attraction for. Early in the morning I noticed while he was sleeping next to my body that he had a hard on. I just let him lie against me till it was time to get up. I had really been under condemnation from that day. I never told anybody, but I really went through trials. But after that, I'd think about guys when I'd masturbate, and even up till now, although I've tried without much success to think about girls. It's really a bad habit I don't know how to break out of.

I never actually did anything with a guy until two years ago, when another brother and I were on a road team and a homosexual put us up for the night. I slept near the homosexual and ended up masturbating him, but I never let him touch me. He tried to, but I didn't let him because I was scared. I was under condemnation for months and nobody knew what was wrong with me, and I was too afraid to tell, and too ashamed.

Altogether since that time, I think I've had only about 6-8 experiences with guys, and the most I ever did was masturbate them. A couple of times I let them suck me. But the condemnation was so great. I've tried at different times to repent,

and at communions I'd really beg God to forgive me and give me a new chance and it seemed He did and I'd try hard not to yield. But as soon as I'd masturbate, I'd think about guys and that would be it; I'd be defeated right there.

I don't know what would have happened to me if we'd been allowed to have sex with the sisters then. But as time went on, it seemed I got worse till finally I was going to leave because I felt guilty when listening and I'd look at the guys instead of the girls. It just suddenly hit me after so long of yielding: "I'm a homosexual!" It was my life-long fear come to reality. I was afraid of what would happen if I told somebody. That was something I never told anybody.

Finally I did tell my shepherd. He was real sympathetic and we prayed that God would help me get the victory. But that same night when I masturbated I was defeated. But I couldn't tell him that so I just acted like I had the victory, but started to feel like leaving again.

Then the Regional Shepherd came by, and when he found out he called me into the office to talk about it. He asked if I'd been prayed for to be delivered. I said we prayed but not really directly to be delivered. So we prayed again this time that God would completely deliver me. I tried hard to believe I was, but as soon as it was time to go to bed (I had to masturbate every night or I would get real grouchy the next day), as soon as I masturbated I was defeated. But I never brought up the subject again because

I was too embarrassed to talk about it.

So, since that time a year ago, it's just been constant trials and very little victory in that area. I've really gone downhill and lost a lot of faith and usefulness to God. I really love Jesus and the MO Letters and know the MO Letters are the truth. But right now I feel like I'm in the Valley of Baca and can't get out. I never had sexual intercourse with a guy, and which I don't desire.—I think that's disgusting. But I can't be too self-righteous because lusting after guys isn't much better.

I need your help and counsel. I want to change, but it seems impossible. But I know if I don't, I'll never be allowed back into the Home, and I could even get worse. I'm very lonely and need lots of love and affection, especially now at this point in my life. Just before I was asked to leave the Home, I tried to make love with a sister, but couldn't. So I need prayer or just to keep trying to find a girl that can turn me on and love me. What will help me change and get back to Jesus? I'll be waiting to hear from you. Love in Jesus and David,
—A Faithful Follower.

DAD ON "HOMOS!"

"You'll just have to look to the Lord in each case...Nevertheless, we should take a kind, loving, sympathetic and forgiving attitude toward people with such weaknesses...and try to help them overcome them with lots of understanding, love and patience, and perhaps by fasting and prayer." (from "Homos!" No. 719:49,51 by Father David.)