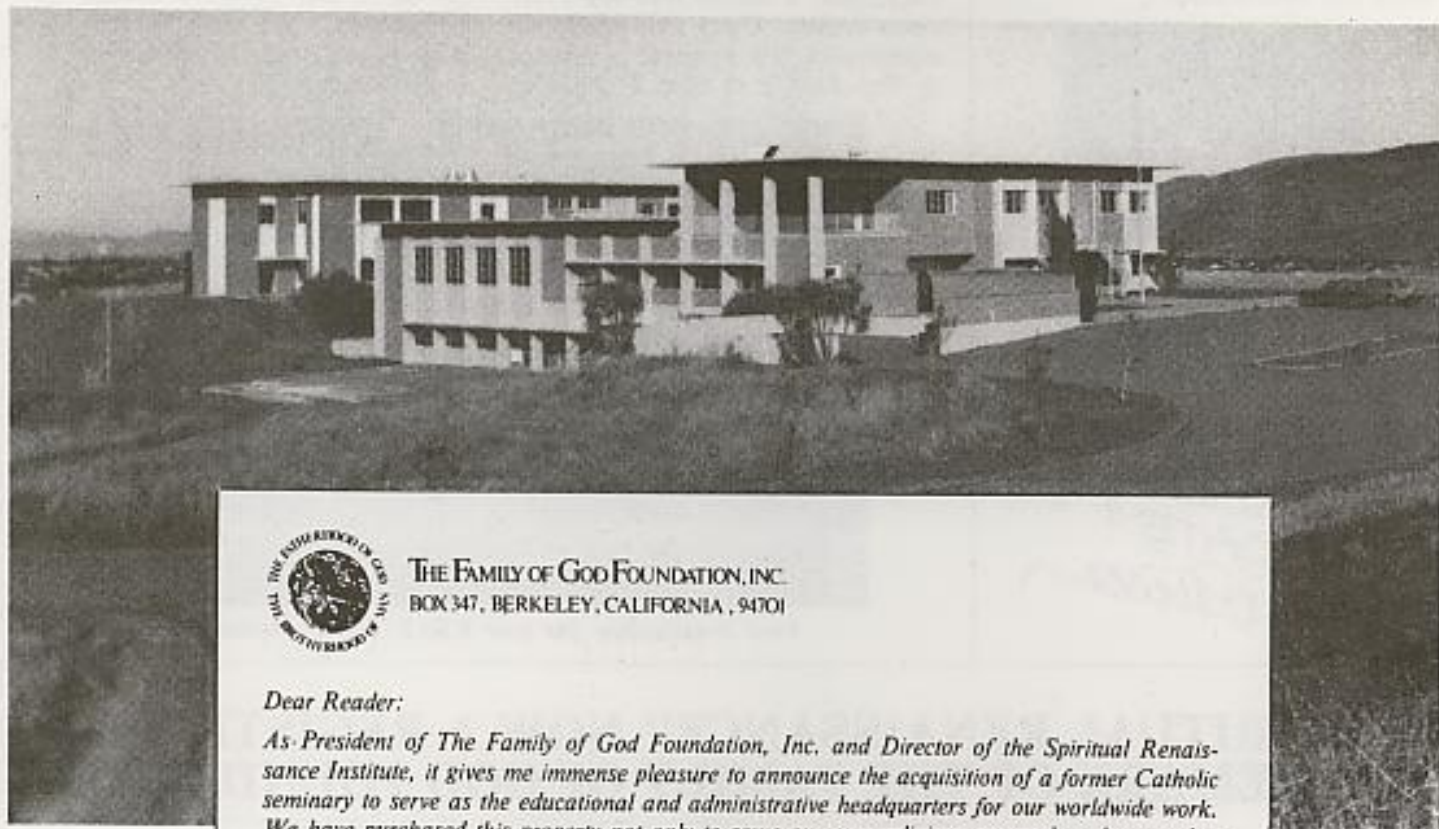


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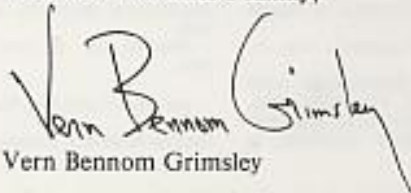
Dear Reader:

*As President of The Family of God Foundation, Inc. and Director of the Spiritual Renaissance Institute, it gives me immense pleasure to announce the acquisition of a former Catholic seminary to serve as the educational and administrative headquarters for our worldwide work. We have purchased this property not only to serve our own religious outreach endeavors, but also to serve the interests of URANTIA Foundation, URANTIA Brotherhood and all students of the Fifth Epochal Revelation.*

*"...the fields are already white for the harvest." (p. 1615) "The harvest is indeed plenteous, but the laborers are few..." (p.1800) "All Urantia is waiting for the proclamation of the ennobling message of Michael, unencumbered by the accumulated doctrines and dogmas of nineteen centuries of contact with the religions of evolutionary origin. The hour is striking for presenting to Buddhism, to Christianity, to Hinduism, even to the peoples of all faiths, not the gospel about Jesus, but the living, spiritual reality of the gospel of Jesus." (p. 1041)\**

*May we all join hands in unity as we march forward under the banners of the mighty seraphim of progress to build the kingdom of God on earth. It is to this purpose that we dedicate this college and our lives.*

Yours in the Father's family,

  
Vern Bennom Grimsley

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Welcome to the first issue of **UPDATE**, News from the Family of God Foundation. In recent months we have had increasing requests for a regular newsletter from many of you who are interested in our on-going work. While Nancy Grimsley's *Family of God DIARY* will continue to fill you in on the details of events connected with the Foundation, the **UPDATE** is designed to give you news "in brief" about the people, work and events here.



*Hope you enjoy this and future issues of the UPDATE!!  
Rebecca*

## CHRISTMAS EVE PROGRAM BROADCAST LIVE OVER 50,000 WATT SAN FRANCISCO STATION

Christmas Eve at The Family of God Foundation was a festive time for more than the traditional holiday reasons. A group of 25 people gathered here to watch Vern present a special Christmas Eve program which was broadcast live on KFOX, a 50,000 watt San Francisco station. Using state-of-the-art equipment, the program originated at The Family of God Foundation

studio in Berkeley and was sent over the telephone lines to the KFOX transmitting tower, which beamed the broadcast throughout northern California, Oregon, Washington and even into southern Canada. Vern's message of peace on earth and goodwill toward all humankind was highlighted by inspirational music performed by Francyl Streano.



*Vern broadcasting live over KFOX, San Francisco.*

## "SPIRITUAL RENAISSANCE" NOW A REGISTERED TRADEMARK OF THE FAMILY OF GOD FOUNDATION

On October 24, 1982, The Family of God Foundation received certification from the United States Patent and Trademark Office in Washington, D.C. that registration has been completed for the words "SPIRITUAL RENAISSANCE" as a registered mark of the corporation.

**United States Patent and Trademark Office**

Reg. No. 1,213,875  
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DAVID SOROKA, Primary Examiner

*Certificate of Registration from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.*

## FAMILY OF GOD FOUNDATION CONTACTED BY EAST GERMAN BROADCAST LISTENER

Throughout the years, we have received correspondence from broadcast listeners living in almost every country of the world. Recently, however, we were contacted for the first time by a listener living in East Germany. For several months Jeff Wattles has been corresponding in German with a young man who originally contacted us to verify that he had heard our SPIRITUAL RENAISSANCE BROADCAST over Radio Luxembourg and to express his enthusiasm about the concepts found in the broadcasts. After several letters were exchanged, a friendship developed between Jeff and this young man and the correspondence has culminated in a copy of *The URANTIA Book* being sent to him last month. We will all be eager to hear his reaction!



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Scenes from past Spiritual Renaissance Conferences.



## 8th ANNUAL SPIRITUAL RENAISSANCE® CONFERENCE SLATED FOR APRIL 23 AND 24, 1983

The Pacific School of Religion in Berkeley will be the site for the first day of the 8th annual Spiritual Renaissance Conference, to be held on Saturday, April 23 and Sunday, April 24. Representatives from the eleven major living world religions will gather to discuss the topic, "The Supreme Goal of Religion," with special attention devoted to those truths on which all religions might find agreement. Moderators will ask questions of the panel, focusing on the goals of religion, the personal experience of individual religionists, and our relationship to God and to our fellow human beings.

The second day of the conference, Sunday, April 24, will be a time for students of *The URANTIA Book* to

continue discussions relating to the issues and topics of the preceding day.

The Spiritual Renaissance Institute, the Foundation's educational center, sponsors the Conference in support of the belief that each religion can learn from the other great spiritual traditions. We believe that such religious cross-fertilization will make a significant contribution toward the dawning of a global spiritual renaissance.

For further information concerning the Conference, write to The Spiritual Renaissance Institute, Box 347, Berkeley, CA 94701.

## 23 STATIONS BEGIN BROADCASTING RADIO PROGRAMS

In the past six months, 21 new domestic and 2 international radio stations have begun programming the ON CAMPUS or the SPIRITUAL RENAISSANCE BROADCAST series on a daily or weekly basis. Domestic stations include:

- KTED Fresno, California
- WEXP Gadsen, Alabama
- WLJS Jacksonville, Alabama
- WAUD Auburn, Alabama
- KMLE Chandler, Arizona
- KACJ Greenwood, Arkansas
- KBRW Barrow, Alaska
- WHEO Stuart, Virginia
- KZUL Parker, Arizona
- KFWJ Lake Havasu, Arizona
- KBBC Lake Havasu, Arizona
- KFCM Hardy, Arizona
- KASA Phoenix, Arizona
- KJAY Sacramento, California
- KLBJ Austin, Texas
- KGEO Bakersfield, California
- KHIG Paragould, Arkansas
- KSMC Moraga, California
- WVPE Elkhart, Indiana
- WSBW Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin
- KTOO Juneau, Alaska

On January 5, 1983 the Cyprus Broadcasting Corporation, a 20,000 watt station located in Nicosia, Cyprus, began broadcasting Vern's SPIRITUAL RENAISSANCE BROADCAST on Wednesday evenings at 10 pm. The station reaches

listeners throughout the entire Mediterranean, Middle East, and United Arab Republic.

### CYPRUS BROADCASTING CORPORATION



Some 5,000 miles to the east Radio ZIZ, located on the island of St. Kitt's, West Indies, began beaming the broadcast throughout the Caribbean. Already, mail has begun to arrive from listeners living in these parts of the world.



## REQUEST FOR LITERATURE

We receive many letters each week requesting the free literature offered on both the ON CAMPUS and the SPIRITUAL RENAISSANCE BROADCASTS. While most letters offer little information about the listener, others such as the one below give us a glimpse into the lives and challenges of the people who hear the radio programs. These letters are a constant source of inspiration to us and a reminder that there are hungry souls everywhere who are searching for the love and forgiveness of God.

*Dear Host,*

*I listen to Campus Student on Sunday mornings.*

*I love the show very much. I would like a copy of your free booklet on "Questions University Students Ask".*

*I'm in Shelby County Jail and am seeking God for my personal Savior. I've been evil for many years and it is time for me to straighten out my life. I sure thank you for your show on WZXR rock radio.*

*Sincerely yours,*



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