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Pastor and Mrs. Hooley with Prime Minister Menachem Begin

INTERNATIONAL SINGERS TOUR ISRAEL

After many months of intensive planning and preparation, the International Singers left Denver on Monday, November 12, for a three-week singing tour of Israel. Led by their director, George DeGraffenreid, the 13-member group sang and played in kibbutzim, moshavim, city auditoriums and military camps throughout the tiny Mideast country. They returned December 2, tired but elated with the tremendous success of the trip. Pastor Robert Hooley and his wife, Carol, accompanied the Singers for the entire tour.

The trip was sponsored by Faith Bible Chapel as part of an ongoing program by the church to foster friendship between the United States and Israel and to carry a message of love and encouragement for the Israelis. That message was delivered musically in Hebrew as well as in English, to the delight of both civilian and military audiences

from the southern tip of the Sinai peninsula to the northernmost portion of the land of Israel.

On the part of Israel's military, the tour was hosted by the Israeli Association for the Welfare of Soldiers, headed by General Nathan Nir. This is an organization much like our own U.S.O. It is highly regarded in Israel and provides many personal services for the benefit of Israeli Defense Forces. Through the invaluable assistance of this Association, the Singers were able to reach literally thousands of military men and women, some at small outposts and some at the larger bases such as Sharm El Sheikh, where more than 1,500 army and navy personnel were in attendance.

The Singers were warmly received everywhere they went. Nationwide publicity in newspapers, radio and television quickly thrust them into the "spotlight" throughout the land. It is conservatively

estimated that 75 per cent of the people in Israel were exposed to the music of the International Singers, and they quickly became in popular demand.

Such widespread attention led to the videotaping of a special telecast featuring the group. The 40-minute program was shown nationwide in Israel on Saturday, December 22, greatly adding to the effective coverage of the tour.

A highpoint for Pastor Hooley and his wife was a 20-minute talk with Prime Minister Menachem Begin in his Jerusalem office on November 28. The prime minister was in good spirits and most gracious in his comments, and he thanked them for the blessings brought by the International Singers to the soldiers of Israel.

In turn, the Hooleys presented Prime Minister Begin with two albums of songs the Singers had produced in Colorado,

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**Amen
Corner**

**MESSAGE
OF LOVE**

by Robert Hooley

It was a great privilege and honor for my wife and I to accompany the International Singers on their second Israel singing tour November 12 to December 2. The warm reception we received from leaders and people all across the nation was overwhelming.

Some 10 trips to Israel have left me with the sobering reality of that which is written in Numbers 23:9, "For from the top of the rocks I see him, and from the hills I behold him: lo, the people shall dwell alone, and shall not be reckoned among the nations." The expression, "the people shall dwell alone," has certainly found a literal fulfillment in the subsequent history of the Jewish people.

The following letter just received from Israel (writer's name deleted) is so illustrative of the text in Numbers:

"How heartwarming to be remembered so fondly by friends from afar,

especially so when erstwhile friendly states have turned cool towards Israel, and others are ready to sacrifice us on the 'oiltar' of Arab sheiks.

"Your holiday greeting is a reminder of the glorious period symbolized by the miraculous cruse of pure olive oil found in the Holy Temple. Then, as now, it is a case of the few against the many. Being in the minority has ever been our destiny. Just where does our strength to hold out come from, if not from the Almighty who is the greatest minority imaginable, a minority of One?"

"We shall be thinking of you, as we kindle the Hannukah candles, for the light you have brought to our hearts."

Today the Christian church is truly beholding a great fulfillment of Bible prophecy, that is, the regathering and establishment of national Israel into their God-given land. May the Almighty help us to see our personal and individual responsibility in identifying with each phase of this inspiring and glorious restoration.

The International Singers did a superb job of imparting a message of love and solidarity with Israel on their recent tour. It is my prayer that Israel won't have to feel alone in this hour of history.



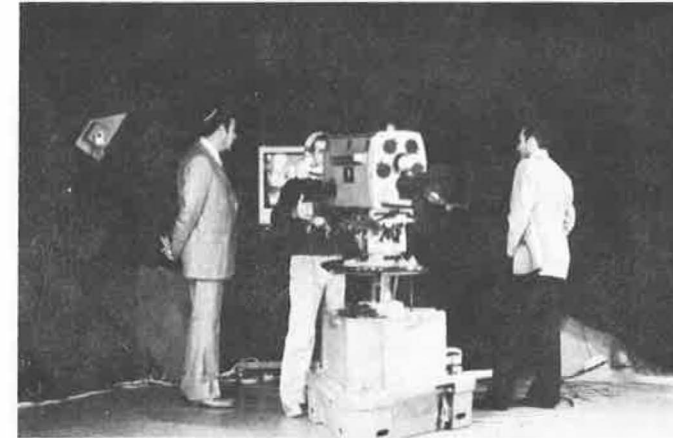
International Singers in Jerusalem TV studio



Performing for small group at army camp in Jordan Valley



Presenting the ever-popular "Goldilocks and the Three Bears"



One of TV cameras used to make special show.



Pastor Hooley being interviewed for nationwide TV show



"When I say you laugh . . . everybody will be laughing"



A delighted audience at Kfar Bilu



Singers on stage at kibbutz Ramat Efa'al



Making videotape for special TV appearance

Youth on the Move

With the beginning of a new decade, our hearts need to be more and more turned toward God and His Word.

Psalm 145:1 says, "I will extol thee, my God, O king; and I will bless thy name for ever and ever." God inhabits the praises of His people, and we need to praise Him more and more. Psalm 142:5 says, "I cried unto thee, O Lord: I said, Thou art my refuge and my portion in the land of the living." During this new year we need to make God our portion, and exclude all worldliness in our lives. Praise, and holiness should be our goals for 1980.

Psalm 146:2 and 5 sum it up for the new year: "While I live will I praise the Lord: I will sing praises unto my God while I have any being. Happy is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help, whose hope is in the Lord his God."

Christian Ed. Notes

A policeman in Haifa, Israel, tracked a band of smugglers by applying a verse from the Bible, a book he had studied from his youth. The gang used donkeys to cross the border into Israel. Although the smugglers escaped, the policeman did capture some of the donkeys.

His first step was to withhold food from the animals for several days, and then he turned them free. As the prophet truthfully spoke, "The ox knoweth his owner, and the donkey his master's crib," the hungry animals led the police directly to the smuggler's hideout.

The truths of the Bible are ever-living, as practical, effective and relevant for today as when written. The Christian education provided at Faith Bible Chapel is aimed at planting the seed of the living Word of God into people of all ages, trusting that good fruit will be produced. Peter said, "Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever."

Whatever your age or experience, studying the Word of God will produce lasting results in your life.

Int. Singers Tour Israel (Cont'd)

entitled "To Israel With Love" and "The International Singers: Encore."

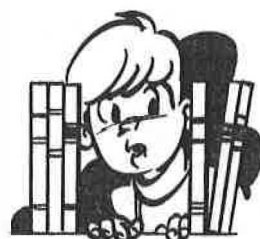
The International Singers' tour of Israel was a great blessing to the people of Israel. Hearts were deeply touched by sincere love, tears were shed, fresh hope was kindled — to God be the glory.

THE WEB OF TIME

We are caught in the web of time. There is no escape. Though at times we rebel, we have to submit to the numbering of our years, our days.

But we are blest with memories. We watch our youth as they trip up and down the stairs so easily. And so quickly they go. As we remember, it seemed that we would be forever young, but time slowly and securely draws the web around us, holding captive our physical beings.

But our souls are forever young. Time has no claim on them; time cannot



THE BOOK SHELF

The vision of Faith Bible Chapel Library is challenged by the thought that the quality of the educational program of our church is gauged by its library. Our desire is to strengthen each and every Faith Bible Chapel ministry and individual in the education of Christian truths.

All of you who have used the ministries and services of the library have encouraged us this year and inspired us for the new year.

We have asked God for many things, and we are anxious to share His blessings to us with you all in 1980.

The Time Is Now

Hans Christian Andersen is thought of mostly as the writer of fairy tales. However, one of his most priceless thoughts had to do with time: "Time is so fleeting that if we do not remember God in our youth, age may find us incapable of thinking about Him."

The preacher in the Book of Ecclesiastes said the same thing in a bit different way: "Remember also your Creator in the days of your youth, before the evil days come and the years draw near when you will say, I have no delight in them."

Age sometimes has the tendency to deaden one's desire for God. The time to seek God . . . is now!

hold them captive. Soon we shall shed this house of clay and emerge so softly and so quietly on wings to our heavenly abode, where time cannot enter. There will be no days, no weeks, no years — only eternity.

Our Lord gives us just one life to live on this earth, and it goes by so swiftly. Only what's done for Him shall endure and go with us into eternity.

Grandma Mary Scholten

Schedule of Services

The presence of the Lord has been so real and precious in all the worship services at Faith Bible Chapel. Be sure you don't miss your portion of the blessing in this active and growing church. Come and join in with the worship and fellowship.

SUNDAY

9:30 a.m. — Sunday School
10:30 a.m. — Worship Service
7:00 p.m. — Evening Service

WEDNESDAY

6:00 a.m. — Men's Prayer Meeting

THURSDAY

7:30 p.m. — Midweek Service

In Luke 18:1, Jesus said that men ought always to pray, and not to faint.

In James 5:16, the Apostle James said that the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.

Come early and fill God's house with prayer for a half hour to an hour before each Worship Service on Sunday and on Thursday. You'll feel the difference that prayer makes, because prayer changes things.

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