

APRIL 15-21

WEEKLY REPORT: DEPLOYED ORDER



Almighty God, who shewest to them that be in error the light of thy truth, to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness: Grant unto all them that are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may eschew those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

GLOBAL WEST

United States

North

Religious House: Chicago - South

External: Mass penetration in the Chicago Metro continues to develop and train regional colleagues while recruiting for courses.

Internal: Find the new construct for ecclesiola to be an exciting conclusion to Week I and see real possibilities for its use in the local church.

Contradiction: Allowing mass penetration to fall off on the spirit nurture pole rather than recruiting.

Chicago - North

No Report

Chicago - Rockford

External: In our clergy visitation, encountered many more clergymen who sense the urgency of recruiting in their own local congregation.

Internal: Ecclesiola, as highlighted by the study of St. Anthony, enabled the house to image great spirit depths.

Contradiction: Within our struggle of obedience to the internal structures, the overwhelmingness of that demand blocked in the vision of the house's external thrust.

Religious House: Cleveland

External: We have completed two micro-net weekend blitzes, one in Louisville and one in Indianapolis. At Louisville we had 50 participants and 100 in Indianapolis. We expect 200 at Cincinnati this weekend. The Blitz is an all-day Saturday meeting with local churches to intensify and provide basic tools for local church re-

formulation. Recruitment and set-up are handled by core cadre people in each area. Saturday begins with a contextual lecture on the times and demands and a workshop on blocks, and structures in the local church. After a lunch conversation on local church participation and a short lecture the churches divide up to workshop goals and create a 1/4 quarter time line including course and global participation. Accountability for completion of that task is held at a Common Meal ending the day. This has proved to be an effective construct for both movement and new contacts.

Internal: Our time design this quarter provides for a guest night on Wed. for both adults and children, who have invited teachers and school friends to eat dinner with the children. The children have decided to name themselves the Conquering Monks.

Contradiction: Preparation and recruitment for the Odysseys in the midst of an all-out expenditure of time and troops for the Micro-Net function.

Veronica Hickenbottom: University of Illinois
Monday went to my first Cadre meeting. High Point of the week was my report on "Enantiodroma" by Christou. Grade point average for midterm is 4.0

Michael Ware: Knox College
No Report

Cathy Pierce: Iowa Wesleyan University
Accountability received

East

Religious House: Boston

External: Boston PLC and RSI, midweek and weekend Odysseys completed totalling over 100 participants in Regional movement training during past week. Hudson United Methodist Church approved sponsorship of Local Church Formulation Week later this month.

Internal: Brainstorms done on solitary office and Odyssey evaluation; shift in pedagogy training of house members by assignment to scheduled regional courses. Two guests this week and three friar families expected next week.

Contradiction: RPC model and recruitment, involving both metro coordinators and permeation forces.

Religious House: New York

External: The first of six metro blitz's is planned for Thursday night with a pre-meeting Wednesday night from 10:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m.

Internal: We had a full house over the weekend with a total of 92 people present. Every bed was filled. Visitors were by a youth group from Hennipen Ave. Methodist Church, Minneapolis and RSI participants.

Contradiction: How to be in but not of the metro.

Religious House: Washington, D.C.

No Report

Simms Family: Boston

External: Working toward end of Tufts semester with paper on "American National Style, 1776-1970"

Internal: Have borrowed the Kells' T.V. (Boston House) to watch "Sesame St." Spirit Movement needs to capture such a program.

Contradiction: Carrying out disciplined time design. Days seem to slip by.

Howard Family: Pennsylvania

No Report

West

Religious House: Los Angeles

External: Secular Religious Discipline connects regional people to global journal experiment.

Internal: Guest night highlighted by intentional informality in presence of three clergy families from the L.A. Metro.

Contradiction: Holding the tension between immediate L.A. metro recruitment and recruitment across the region.

Religious House: Seattle

No Report

Religious House: San Francisco

External: New 3-shot model for penetration/formulation of a new metro has been launched. L.A. All systems GO. Seventeen at PLC, 29 at RSI. A course coming off in Fresno with 20 paid registrations in hand yesterday.

Internal: Full youth construct redesigned and in being. Teaching comprehensive Week II construct and Warriors Rationale on Week I. Diana Smith, sojourner -- first friar for a fortnight.

Contradiction: Local church tactics model being grounded in Summer '70 recruitment, local congregation cadre consults and Odyssey recruitment.

South

Religious House: Atlanta

No Report

Religious House: Oklahoma City

No Report

Maddock Family: Columbia, South Carolina

No Report

Europe

International Team: Hahn Family

External: Had two good consultations in Oxford,--one Wednesday night and another Thursday with Baptist Laymen and clergy in the Oxford area. Have lined up appointments in London.

Internal: Met the Odyssey Global at the airport Saturday morning; had good conversations with them; participated in the Common Meal Sunday morning.

Contradiction: Finding adequate ways to re-establish ourselves with old contacts.

GLOBAL EAST

Australia

Religious House: Sydney

External: House members dispersed on penetration and formulation: In Perth -- Jim, In Melbourne David and Rona Ray and in Brisbane, Donna.

Internal: CSI Pedagogy held in 4 hour session on Saturday, RSI pedagogy held at 5 a.m. collegium. First intentional guest night was held last week. Have initial model for Week I and Week II in being.

Contradiction: Continue to wrestle with how we relate to the troops in Sydney region; particularly at the level of their involvement in recruitment. Keeping our own recruitment at top pressure. How to keep all wheels going at national level, specifically in fund raising.

Darwin

No Report

Malaysia

Religious House: Kuala Lumpur

External: Penetration development trips to Ipoh and Kuantan for coming courses. Joe Crocker spoke at the First Christian Family and Social Movement Leadership Course set up by the Malaysian CPFM,--was well received.

Internal: John Slicker and Wayne Marshall home for 2 weeks of holiday and are great enablers in the house.

Contradiction: Mashing ITI set up with ongoing penetration and formulation in the regions.

Samoa

Religious House: Western Samoa

No Report

Hong Kong

International Team: Vance Family

External: Work centered exclusively on ITI.

Internal: New operating structure in Regional Covenant Group: Open, Spirit Conversation, Study (Kazantzakis), Mission (ITI) and Cloning.

Contradiction: A site for ITI.

Philippines

International Team: Fisher Family

No Report

Japan

International Team: Merrill and Oyler Families

External: RSI course in Sendai for missionaries and an RSI and RSI/IIA for Tokyo area.

Internal: We have completed an abstract model for one year in Japan and are presently pursuing housing and employment possibilities.

Contradiction: There is a great need for pedagogical training for both Western and Japanese who are concerned in building cadres. The Japanese trained last summer are fearful of new pedagogical roles because it is so different from usual Japanese teaching style.

Sign: A crucial Korean contact made in Tokyo may initiate Korea consultations and ITI participation.

India

International Team: Joseph Slicker and the Walters Family

No Report

ORDER BASE

External: -The General Conference of the Methodist Church is now meeting in St. Louis; Phil Townley, Fred Buss and Joseph Mathews are there from the E.I.

-Signal courses of the past week included a PLC at Base attended by 21 clergymen and and RSI for Senior Navy Chaplains at Norfolk, Va. Both courses held possibility for breaking open new areas of recruitment.

-Preparation for ITI got well under way as those assigned to Order Work shipped 650 lbs. of materials to Hong Kong.

-Fifth City celebrated opening of new Jet Hanger with a picnic attended by many Fifth City youth as well as 60 adults.

-Fifth City also secured this past week from Cook County three salaries for the 5th City Health Outpost which now has a full time doctor.

Internal: -Signal collegium of past week was JWM on subject of becoming an historical order (transcript on the mimeograph).

-In our struggle with poverty our goal is to spend no more than \$41,500.00 per month which is \$17,000.00 less than we spent per month last year. Currently (as of April 21) this month we have spent \$29,928.14.

Childrens' Academy spent time on subject of sex education in context of Individual and Family. Had an excellent film from CBS "How Life Begins" followed by listening to the heart beats of the as yet unborn Zervigon child and Geoch child.

Contradiction: -Spring weather, spring colds and overflowing health room.

Recruitment for Summer '70.

April 22, 1969

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"But I'll tell you a terrible secret--Are you listening to me?
There isn't anyone out there who isn't Seymour's Fat Lady."

Franny and Zoey-Salingor

RELIGIOUS HOUSES: CONTINENTAL

EAST Religious House: Boston

Both courses came off. Significant house participation on the teaching. Are being consumed with the Odyssey preparation. Must expand dining room facilities from 20 optimum to 35. Will be a squeeze. The practices of work, study, preparation and enablement promise to keep us busy until the last moment. Am reminded of preparation for the summer programs. So far we have oversubscription on 1st Odyssey. Are excited about Religious House being center for Religious retreat.

Parallel curriculum insures that children take their odyssey simultaneously but in different location.

Grace and Peace

WEST Religious House: Los Angeles

The week before Easter was San Francisco week at the L.A. House, with three families visiting. The Seattle-ites had to cancel their proposed sojourn.

An Easter weekend of individual family plans culminated in House Church and new internal and missional structures and assignments.

A week of hard recruitment followed. Weeknight courses have begun. Report cards came home this weekend, and children have plunged into their fourth quarter.

SOUTH Religious House: Atlanta

External: Majority of house out on trips throughout week, and weekend. Planning going on for Odyssey now.

Internal: time/task rationale for house cleaning set up so house prepared for guests at any time. Sigmund and Teresa study going well. House is excited about Teresa.

NORTH Religious House: Hyde Park

After recuperating from the 1st Odyssey, the House evaluated the weekend and began to lay out the content of an extended rule for the Odyssey participants. Micro-Net calling provided the structure for a final assault on PLC recruitment for this week as well as a beginning of Secondary Penetration Colloquy (formerly RPC) recruitment. Goal is 120 Participants for the May 2-3 Colloquy. Ferrays were made to open up 2 additional micros in Chicago and 2 house members

spent Thursday calling on grads in Champaign/Urbana. Wednesday nite was teaching nite for the House members who fill positions on 7 of the 12 schools in the regions; total attendance at all courses was in excess of 200. The south house sent 6 of its members (including 2 children) to Rockford, over the weekend, where they joined in calling on course graduates in Rockford, Beloit, and Madison. Sunday morning 3 house members made the first report to Hyde Park Methodist Church during the worship hour while Joe Buckles, minister, was on National teaching assignment; the congregation senses the excitement and enthusiasm and is eager to hear more details later on.

Internal: At House Church Sunday, the first movement of a member from one location in the order to another took place with Mary Streeter transferring from Hyde Park to the Rockford House. Work structures were shifted to 3 teams of 5 and included Paul Beaumont who had joined the house the previous Sunday. The weekend was a rough one for automobiles, 4 saw the inside of repair shop and one had intimate contact with a Cadillac on the highway north of Rockford.

Religious House:Rockford

Rockford house reports three new people: Mary Streeter arriving from the Hyde Park House, and from Whitewater: Ron Norgard and Jim Rolland for 3 months.

Held the first of four consultations with Charles Street Presbyterian Church on Thursday night.

The whole house participated in calling on lay contacts during the evenings and Saturday.

RELIGIOUS HOUSES: GLOBAL

EAST Religious House: Kuala Lumpur

KL-PLC completed-12-at which 8 Roman Catholics--a real breakthrough. Course went very well. Have already met with one grad, parish priest in Sentul--a real 5th city type area about a course in the parish in June followed by a local church consultation.

KL-RS-1 -6 an all time low

KL-Pedagogy-6-disappointingly low--much last minute conflict--and some began to sense demand and were not present. Beginning recruitment done toward May.

Week of work by teenagers produced newly painted gate and gateposts to receive official sign--we are now visibly located as the Ecumenical Institute--decided it was necessary after losing mail addressed to same--mailman must not have delivered it. Also produced 6 Ur signs on 20" diameter tin circles.

Religious House: Sydney

External thrust: Our news of the week which has excited us most was the arrival on Monday noon of JWM and Justin. It is great to have them here, and discuss our perplexities and excitements and catch them up on our current situation here. JWM is in Brisbane at present, visiting the Hancock family--we expect him back tonight, ready to fly to Perth for the EACC Conference. We hope to have more conversations with him when he returns from Perth next Tues or Wed. Our other news of the week was the second metro meeting held on Monday which we hoped Joe would be here to speak at, but he was delayed in Sanna) at the Presbyterian Ladies College where the principal is a course graduate. There were 34 present, and the meeting went well with a workshop on renewal in the local parish named Bankstown, and goals, strategies, tactics, instruments laid out in a 1 year to 4 year timeline. Joe P did a great job in permeation in terms of the image of the church in the world, Australia, and our own local parish. We feel that the meeting will lead on to the next month's meeting (May 5th) with some serious spirit struggles going on in some of the Metro graduates-- "What does it mean to love the Church deeply" as a parish clergyman.

Our first teaching quarter has begun, with course in Rohe (S.o.) and the Alerdings in Broker Hill last weekend. Currently our 3 International Colleagues are in Adelaide working with local colleagues, recruit trip, permeating and neutralizing wherever necessary.

Internal life: Here in the Religious House we have begun reading Teresa and in our internal life we are still struggling with what it means to care for and be obedient to the cadre. In Bonhoffor's words we are trying to discover what it means to love God in that humanly impossible situation He lays on each one of us.

Justin asked "Does it always rain as loud as this in Sydney" The answer is yes, when it rains it really pours down! Thank you for assigning JWM and Justin to us briefly.

Deployed Families

DEPLOYED FAMILIES

The Terry Leonis Family

Exterior: 1) Speaking engagements growing in numbers: methodist worship conference, ecumenical college youth conference, and 2 local churches in past week.

2) One metro consult, with 3 others scheduled for next month.

3) Now Npls. metro recruitment net established and functioning - first courses will tell how well.

Interior: 1) Continuing family depth theological study of 20th century. Key figures extremely helpful.

2) Regional pedagogy guild. Especially significant for the family

THE MOVEMENT PLANT

The Rupert Barnes Family

Last week Rupert visited the Lake Ports of Northern Tanzania where he met and had a good response from both the Lutheran and Mennonite Bishops of the areas (2 of the 3 most important Protestant denominations in Tanzania.) We seem to be in a strong position for courses there next autumn, especially with the help of Father Moran (R.C.) who is ready to give us almost unlimited help.

Re-visits to Kampala, Uganda area begin to re-open possibilities to have courses there in the autumn. Signal event was meeting with Brothers of Christian Instruction at their Base House in Kisubi where they have an indigenized division of a contemporary expression of religious order started in France.

Dick Sims

Application for discharge as a conscientious objector returned from Department of the Army approved and is on post awaiting processing. Subsequent request to remain in service until expected ETS, October 1970, was disapproved. Will be discharged within a week.

Made RS-I recruitment pitch to two groups, one college, one congregation, in preparation for courses scheduled the next two weekends in Nashville area. Will PO this coming weekend; also the next if I can get another pass or if I have been discharged by that date. Have recruited four persons for the first RS-I, including a brother and sister; can go home again.

No personnel from Fort Campbell community have been registered for either RS-I.

The Hale Prather Family

35 people came to the American Oriental Colloquy this last weekend from five different churches. The basic format of the International Course was used. The address came in Tillich (as Bill Bailey said "like a freight train coming through") Nancy and I feel this is a very important group for the movement's getting on top of the Oriental Ur image. We are in the midst of deciding where to move next, trying to identify their struggle, so their gifts can get into history.

Order of the Ecumenical Institute: Base House

Grace and Peace to the Deployed Order in this fifth week of Eastertide. The way the continually rising Christ comes to us this week is that each person daily decides that he has died to the illusion that someone else is the one who really recruits, or that people in the region will just show up for courses. With intentional scheduling of calling, prospect-getting, and registration, the course registration doubled this past weekend--in comparison to the previous week. Helpful to those having trouble getting out of the tomb were the recruitment sheets which you will find in the Care Package.

The first session of the seminar dealing with A History of Christian Thought was a liberating one for the order. The seminars found, in looking at the past through Tillich--nonweighty and helpful grist in grasping theology for this century. Sheets are in C.P. for the priors that we are using as the study structure--please note the one hour outside the corporate study (this is what you might expect in a like study in a local congregation) and two hours with the body.

To keep you informed about sector work:

Continental office reports that with the tremendous increase in course requests (236 scheduled for this quarter), there is an increasing need to operate like a computer.

Propagation sector is training itself on new machines. The new copiator enables such things as getting papers ready for a course in a matter of hours. Colleagues are reported to have been found staring in fascination at its operation as if it were running a close second to "Laugh-IN".

Development reports that, while contacts with business, government, and single large donors continue--the trend to develop a large base of small givers is on the increase.

Pre-school reports a teacher rotation system in operation to enable each teacher to have experience in each age group by the end of the year. The Student Trainees (SEP) are trained two days a week. The gym, with its separated classrooms is the showplace for the preschool.

Fifth City reports the Academy cleaning up the jet hanger along with the Board of Managers for the use of the jets. There is a study hall for 5th City students. The first session of the Urban World Academy was led by an all-Board member cast, with the two white faces in the group in the back row.

The University Guild reports that it is taking responsibility for University Cadres, and to enable its internal life have created a study hall with accountability structures.

Order sector would request that deployed reports and requests for materials be sent to Nancy Clark.

Keep on Timeline: National Faculty--June 12
National Presidium--June 12-14

Grace and Peace,
Order Sector for the Base House

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O Almighty God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men; Grant unto thy people, that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed, where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

GLOBAL WEST

United States

North

Religious House: Chicago - South

No Report

Chicago - North

External: Day of recruitment with colleagues in Mequon, Wisconsin for RSI and CSITIA in Milwaukee.

Internal: Workshop to implement insights of PSU on Solitary Solitary with emphasis on practices.

Contradiction: Fulfillment of unexpected but crucial external assignments in light of quarter timeline.

Chicago - Rockford

External: Don Long, pastor of Harlem Methodist Church, has decided to seriously explore the possibility of participating in the local church experiment.

Internal: Combined 1-in-3 House Church, celebrating Jubilate Sunday, with the report from Odysey Global and with the presence of colleagues of the Oklahoma City House.

Contradiction: Postponement of our guest night for regional women has blocked the use of our planned guest night rationale.

Religious House: Cleveland

No Report

Veronica Hickenbottom: University of Illinois

No Report

Michael Ware: Knox College

No Report

Cathy Pierce: Iowa Wesleyan University

Accountability received

East

Religious House: Boston

External: House members deployed to two regional RSI courses over past weekend for pedagogical training. Final preparation for Boston PIC to take the break-open form of a "Permeation Colloquy" with an anticipated attendance of 50 regional colleagues.

Internal: Received the Harry Bliss and Ken Whitney families as House friars for the week; two other families for dinner Tuesday evening. Fifteen children now in the House participating in week-long Community and Polis course ~~stitch~~ while on school vacation.

Contradictions: Preparation for Permeation Colloquy, at external and gut levels.

Religious House: New York

External: Weekend spent working in metro and sector nurture.

Internal: Dale Wright guest at House Church

Contradiction: Establishment of functioning net metro meetings.

Religious House: Washington, D.C.

No Report

Simms Family: Boston

No Report

Howard Family: Pennsylvania

No Report

West

Religious House: Los Angeles

External: First RSI of spring quarter held at Wilshire UM; weekend calling days set up for recruitment of spring scheduled courses.

Internal: Struggle with permeation reached new level of intensity in the House as Sue Oberg participated in strike of L.A. City school teachers.

Contradiction: Mobilizing all regional forces for recruitment purposes.

Religious House: Seattle

External: PIC follow-up calls continue with exciting recruitment possibilities opening up for May RSI.

Internal: Welcomed new friar, Carol Bohn from Ithaca Project at U. Of Washington for her two-week stay in the House.

Contradictions: Recruitment for third Odyssey -- finding and pushing movement people who have not been at either of the first two Odysseys.

Religious House: San Francisco

No Report

South

Religious House: Atlanta

External: Visits by the House in four Metros (Atlanta, Columbia, Savannah and Charlotte), including a speaking engagement to the clergy and wives in Winston-Salem Methodist District.

Internal: Visit to the House by Father Augustine, Abbot of the Trappist Monastery at Conyers, Georgia.

Contradictions: Inadequate enablement of Atlanta Region course recruitment resulting in cancelling of courses.

Religious House: Oklahoma City
No Report

Maddock Family: Columbia, South Carolina
No Report

Europe

International Team: Bahn Family
No Report

GLOBAL EAST

Australia

Religious House: Sydney
No Report

Darwin

No Report

Malaysia

Religious House: Kuala Lumpur
No Report

Samoa

Religious House: Western Samoa
No Report

Hong Kong

International Team: Vance Family

External: Several possible sites for ITI in negotiation stage.

Internal: Movement Covenant Group concurred full support for ITI.

Contradiction: Host for ITI.

Philippines

International Team: Fishel Family

External: PIC completed 15 attended, 7 good prospects for ITI in that course alone.

Busy recruiting ITI participants, \$, and sponsors.

Contradiction: Pulling right strings to get potential movement types to Hong Kong.

Japan

International Team: Merrill and Cyler Families

External: 19 in Kobe (Osaka metro) course, 6 of them Japanese. Justin in N. Japan and Hokkaido with Toeda, making strategic contacts re work in Sapporo metro and ITI potential with possible consult this week with Japanese pastors in Sapporo.

Internal: First job obtained by team -- Dolores working half-day 5 days a week, as secretary to business executive. Whole team continuing to seek out job opportunities, at same time having to hold off decisions until housing is settled, since both relate closely to each other. Some leads in housing waiting for work from a couple sources.

Contradiction: Having to waver on ITI decisions and other formulation planning with S.E.A. colleagues when confronted with enthusiastic Japanese colleagues, like Kajiwara -- a definite, if not the definite key man to Japan movement.

Sign: Kobe cadre ~~was~~ covenanted for first time, multi-racial, including two couples who are mixed marriages, struggling with what Japanese-American missional families can be.

India

International Team: Joseph Slicker and Walters Family

No Report

ORDER BASE

External: -Monday morning collegium report from Penetration: 21 courses across the nation and 3 at Base with a total participation of 588.

- Thursday morning the entire Order celebrated with reporting and feasting the official return of Global Odyssey with its indicatives and imperatives for the local congregation.

- Indian Bishops representing the sub-continent at the General Conference of the Methodist Church in St. Louis met with EI's representatives; evolving from the meeting was consensus and support for an India ITI this year.

- The Academy celebrated the half-way point with a night out on the city and corporate attendance of The Damned. Total participation for the second half of the Academy numbers 80.

- The weekend found us hosting the Rockefeller Foundation with very good prospects for substantial financial undergirding.

Internal: The entire pre-school staff dazzled House Church in their new spring garb. They were sent out at House Church for their 7 day Impact East trip during which time they expect to meet the people and see the sights between Chicago and New York and back again.

- Children's Academy curriculum included study of St. Francis and was concretized by a visit to St. Patrick's Cathedral in Chicago where the children were guided by Franciscan Monks around the cathedral...they were all intrigued by observing a bit of relic bone from the Saint.

- Marriage bands were read for the first time for John Klepfer and Michele Ferrone and for George Packard and Keith Chapman.

-Machiavelli highlighted the Seminary in Ecclesiola; it was concluded that Machiavelli had all of paragraph 3 except sentence 7!

Contradictions: Working out the logistical models for Summer '70 in expectation of 600 participants.

GRACE AND PEACE

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April 28, 1969

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"Christ himself was despised by men, and in his direst need was abandoned by his friends and acquaintances to the insults of His enemies. Christ was willing to suffer and to be despised; and do you presume to complain? Christ had enemies and slanderers; and do you expect all men to be your friends and benefactors? How will your patience be crowned, if you are not willing to endure hardships? Suffer with Christ, and for Christ, if you wish to reign with Christ."

The Imitation of Christ—Thomas A Kempis

RELIGIOUS HOUSES: CONTINENTAL

EAST Religious House: Boston

The Odyssey preparations were actually made by the time the participants arrived on Friday night. Had 37 people in the dining room. Cozy!

The whole weekend was powerful, but opening ritual and work—lugging railroad ties—were signal events. Ca men engaged a new dimension of the Journey of the Spirit.

The children were away for the weekend on their own Odyssey which proved to be as powerful for them as it was for the adults.

WEST Religious House: Los Angeles

PIC's and weeknight courses are going strong. There are two pedagogy guilds underway. Odyssey plans are in motion. The House is busy planning for weeknight courses and the follow-up for them.

Public schools having open houses this week—parents of the house are participating in this event.

SOUTH Religious House: Atlanta

Preparation for second retreat (Odyssey) began while clergy visitation continued. Two weeknight courses are now in operation for quarter with 24 in one and about 12 in other.

Signal event was a workshop brainstorming session on how we can cut corners enough to make a dent on our financial deficit. Radical shifts a re beginning next week.

We welcomed Jo Edwards into the House as an intern and are in the process once again of room building.

NORTH Religious House: Hyde Park

Internal: Entire house struggling with the building of 10 minute solitary construct for extended rule. Thanaora returned from Florida--she had become bored with the bourgeois life style. Transported Daniel Addington on his way to Las Vegas.

External: Selective recruitment for second penetration consultation next week.

We have with us a new monk...George Packard

Religious House: Rockford

Much of last week spent in recruitment for secondary penetration consultation to be held May 2nd and 3rd. Calling proceeded as scheduled. High event of the week--the beginning of house college and the struggle with the corporates--particularly poverty. The college construct for next quarter will be the corporates on Tuesday, the Solitaries on Wednesday, and the Journeys on Thursday.

RELIGIOUS HOUSES: GLOBAL

EAST: Religious House: Kuala Lumpur (No report this week)

Religious House: Sydney

Visitors this week were:

M.A. Thomas from India

John English from New Zealand

M.A. Thomas, head of Ecumenical Center in Bangalore--also visited our colleagues--very impressed with Australian movement.

John English, Christian Education Director for Presbyterian Church, New Zealand--glad to be our contact for future courses there.

Spent 4-day workshop, lecture and seminar on 4 year, 1 year goals and 1 year timeline for Parish 5 course, plus CS IIIA, Indiv and Family--16 colleagues of South Sydney Cadre present.

Building model for Religious House continues.

DEPT. FOR EAST AFRICA

The Luceri Berens Family

We had a meeting with the Secretary General of the All African Conference of Churches in Nairobi which has resulted in helpful discussions regarding further courses in East Africa and a probable invitation to one or two members of the D.C. for the All African Conference of Churches in Africa. Every Coast next September.

Internally we had a study week and weekend with concentrated work on the Twelve Citius document and a painful but necessary seven-session study of Teresa. The imperative left with us was to struggle more deeply with meditation and prayer and to spend Monday morning collegiums on order charges in those areas.

The Eric Prather Family

San Francisco's courses are "go" for this weekend. The push is on for the PIC to come off.

The Terry Locke Family

- External: 1) 4 speaking engagements last weekend helped regional finances and recruitment.
2) All 3 courses look good for this weekend. Recruitment not functioning well with minimal efforts.
3) Metro calling on clergy turns up underground polarization regarding the movement (esp. Methodist). Much work needed.
- Internal: 1) Problem of juggling family study and time schedule around regional demands.
2) Looking forward to summer '69 and re-evaluation of our assignment.

Order of the Ecumenical Institute: Base House

Greetings to the deployed Order this April month in the year of our Lord 1969--Century XX:

A celebration in the form of a social service course marked the close of part of the work of the social service guild. A sign of the address of the course was the group of participants who worked in room D three hours after the course's end to plan for cadre formation.

A middle of the quarter reflection on the teaching of the Order reinforced the necessity of a style shift in creating a global movement rather than just a flash in the pan--this time expressed as--in some way saying you care about the last town that has always known nobody cares.

A bright sign of comprehensive care for the children of the Order is the freshly-painted yellow and blue room (Administration 205 and 207) complete with Picasso, moon shots, and wildly-colored curtains. Intention is the image of this structure, created to enable the mission of children and parents--in the preparation, the admission guidelines, and the everydayness of caring for sick children.

As the collages deal with The Imitation of Christ, they are seeking for ways to enable this classical devotional book to be a new kind of powerful tool for the spirit journey of the many men on the street who read it.

Publications has decided that this is THE WEEK to do the impossible. The particular form this time is getting out a new Image, a new IE, and the summer academy brochure--all to be ready within a short time.

In conjunction with the RS-1 course taught by the international team in Venezuela, Joe Slicker and Gene Marshall will be working with the cadre already there in an advanced course.

A note from the Loudermilks and the Campbells found the contacts in Guatemala City quite encouraging and showing promise that the spirit is at work there.

The mystery comes to us this week in the form of 3,000 gallons of paint. Summer will tell us--is it 3,000 colors or just one Beautiful Institute Brown?

The Weekly Report is typed on Monday--please get your letters in before the weekend.

Grace and Peace,

Order Sector
for the Base House