

KEYNOTE ADDRESS!

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Opening Talk to the Lat. Am. TTC Teens!

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Paul Papers: Did you all bring your pens & your notebooks? (Teens: Yes, Sir!) We've got a surprise for you. Do you like surprises? Remember we went to great lengths to tell you to bring your notebooks & your pens? Well, this time you don't have to take notes! (Everyone laughs!)

You mean we brought you all the way here & you don't have to take notes? No, because you know what we're going to do!—This is Grandpa & Maria's suggestion. You know how sometimes somebody is talking & you're listening & you're writing notes. You write & you look up & you write something down & you miss things! Every time you put your head down & you look up again you're missing something. I remember one of the first times I was ever in a talk with Grandpa, it wasn't a whole roomful of people, I was the only one in the room with him! I was real nervous because this was my first time that I was going to be on my own in Grandpa's room, & we were going to have a business talk. So I was standing there with all my pens & notebooks ready & I think I'd already knocked over my glass of water because I was so nervous.

But I started writing notes & he said, "Son, I don't want you to take notes, I want you to listen! We're going to record this all anyway, so don't worry about it, just listen & concentrate, OK?" So that's all you have to do!—Listen & concentrate! Dear Auntie Lois is going to take notes for you & she'll type it up & we'll photocopy it & you'll get notes to review! (Teens: Wow!... clapping)

By the way, we want to tell you how brave we thought you all were last night to get up there & give your names & your ages & where you're from, in front of 150 people. I know exactly how you feel because I feel really nervous now too, except I can't sit down after I say two words! But we just want you to know that we're not any different than you, except that we might be a little older than you. We used to be teens too, did you know that? Ha! A long time ago! We were teens when we joined, most of us, but we can still be teens in our hearts, right? (Teens: Amen!) A lot of times we look in the mirror & we say, "Who is that old guy in the mirror?"—Because in our hearts we still feel like we're your age in a lot of ways.

We go through the same trials that you do & we get embarrassed & nervous when we're up in front of a bunch of people & our stomachs are in knots. Faithy & I had to do meetings all over the United States & Canada & Europe & we always knew whose day it was to talk, because sometimes she talked & sometimes I talked. Whoever's day it was to talk got diarrhoea right before the meeting! Whoever was sitting on the toilet, we knew it was their turn. (Faithy: We called it the anointing!) (Everybody laughing.) So we're just like you, no different.

One thing we're going to do is experiment, because this whole Teen Camp is an experiment. We hope that you're going to learn a lot from it & we know we're going to learn a lot from it. What we're going to do is read MO Letters, of course, & read the Bible & lots of things.

So we're going to have a reference team. You wanna know what a reference team is? A reference team is a team that looks up references! Maybe we'll do it by teams. Did you choose your teams yet? (Teens: YES!) Oh boy, what are your names? (Teens: Lord's Lovers.) Lord's Lovers, wow, right up front! (Everybody calls out their names as Paul P. asks for them.)

Each team has your little flag where you sit, don't you? I think Watchman made those, God bless Watchman. Everybody will get a chance & we'll have a reference team up front. You'll get a microphone & we'll maybe read the verses or refer to them & you can look them up & quote them real loud for everyone, or you can read them out of your Bibles, OK?

And sometimes when you're reading MO Letters, do you find words that you don't quite understand? (Teens: Yes, Sir!) So do I! I found one today in fact that I didn't quite understand. So we're going to have a dictionary. Our reference team can also look up the word in the dictionary & give us the real definition of the word, OK? Because we're supposed to study to show ourselves approved unto God, so sometimes we even have to look up words, OK?

We'll rotate your teams' seats so you teens won't always have to sit in the back there. Some of you teens will come up here & you'll get to sit everywhere. Do you like changes? (Teens: Amen!) Well, you'll get lots of changes around here. (Everyone laughs.) Not because we're planning all the changes, but it's just we don't know what we're doing. So the first day we'll try something & if it doesn't work we'll try something else. Probably at the end of two months we'll really know what we're doing!

So, are you ready to begin? Well, there's one thing we'd like to ask. As I told you, we're nervous, I'm nervous, I'm speaking for myself, but are you nervous? So would somebody like to pray for us, so we're not nervous? OK, Esther. And would somebody else like to pray? We really really desperately need the Lord's help. We need His protection & His leading & all of these things, & prayer over the equipment too.— In all of these things, we really need serious prayer. So who would like to pray for these?

(Family: Thank You for this time to have this meeting together, Lord, & learn the Word, & thank You for our dear shepherds who are taking care of us. Really help them, & show them the right things to say & help them not to be nervous, Lord, but give them real faith. And help us all to cooperate, & really bless them for their faithfulness, Lord, & give us all a good time. In Jesus' precious name, amen.)

(Family: Jesus, we thank You so much, Lord, for us being together. And we thank You that You're here with us, Lord, because You said where two or three are gathered together, You're in the midst of us. TYL! Do bless this time as we fellowship with You &

with Your Word, gathered together at Your feet. Give us open & receptive hearts to receive all that You have for us, Lord. And also lead & guide everything that will be done. Really pour out Your Spirit upon us & give us a beautiful time. And also protect us, Lord, put Your angels 'round about us, & keep our security & protect us from anything that's not of You.)

(Paul P. prays:) We thank You so much for our Family, Jesus. Thank You for the one who started it, Dad, & for Mama, who stood beside him. But really You're the One Who started it, Lord, because this Family started many many years ago, it actually started really at the foundation of the World. We thank You Lord that now the ends of the World are upon us, that this is the Endtime that the Bible has been speaking about for thousands of years. Many wise men & prophets would have loved to see this day, Jesus, we know that from Your Word. How much more would many wise men & prophets have loved to sit at Your feet, Lord, when Dad speaks Your Words for this day. We count our blessings, that we have a chance to sit here, some of the only teens & different adults chosen from this whole part of the World, this whole Western Hemisphere, to sit at Your feet, Jesus, to hear Your Words, & to receive the training that we so desperately need.

Lord, we just really pray that You give us all a clear, open channel & help us to put aside any cares of this life, so that we can think about the cares of Your life, Jesus, & 100% tune into You. We pray that You anoint this time that we have together, & help us all to tune in entirely, Lord, in Jesus' name. TYJ!

Does anybody know generally how many teens there are in the Family? There must be at least 300. But you know what? Out of all of the teens in the whole Family, you're the only ones sitting in this room right now! This is a Camp that Grandpa & Maria had the vision for!

Remember last night when everybody was saying where they were from? There were people from Brazil, Peru, Argentina, Canada, the United States—that's a lot of territory, isn't it? Did you know that Grandpa & Maria & the entire Family are paying the way of all the teens that came from North America? The teen's families pay their trips, however they are getting here. But they are going to be reimbursed. And that's going to amount to a lot of money! And they're going to take care of you all the time you're here. You won't have to have any expenses at all.

So if you have any needs you can ask for them. It might be like that story that Dad tells about these people who came down to visit the missionaries in Mexico. They said, "Well, you can ask for anything you want & we can probably explain to you how you can get along without it!" But you be sure & ask for anything you want, & if we can we'll try to get it for you.

That's all out of the goodness of Dad's & Mama's hearts because they want this! Dad's been talking about teens for years & now you're teens & he said that you teens are going to be used in the Endtime! You know the Story of Heaven's Girl? Well, that's not just a story, that's really going to be happening! And do you know how long from now that's going to be happening?

Well, let's look at it this way. Jesus is going to come back very soon, much sooner than we expected. And before you know it those Heaven's Girls & Heaven's Boys are going to be right out there! Who are those Heaven's Girls & Heaven's Boys?



So you've got a very short time & by the time this camp is done you're going to have even less. So these two months are going to be pretty important, right? These two months are going to be the beginning of that short last period of time before Jesus comes, and your training during these two months

will prepare you to take on your responsibilities as Heaven's Girls & Heaven's Children & Heaven's Boys.

It must be important! Have you all read the Letter, "The Searchers"? Well, Damaris & Lois & Juan were sent out as Searchers. They were sent to Latin America, they've held all sorts of meetings, in Mexico as well. And Faithy & I were sent out as Searchers & we went to Europe & North America with one other Searcher who is not here. But do you realise that Grandpa & Maria thought it was important enough to bring in the Searchers from everywhere to Mexico, & not only to Mexico but to this Camp! Not that we're anything special, but we stopped what we were doing to do this! We were still on our Searcher mission in the United States & we came here because Grandpa & Maria really believe in you & they really want to make sure that you can get all the training that we'd like to pass on to you.

So why do you think they really want to do this? What do you think is their motivation? (Teen: They want us to be strong in the Word & be good samples...)—Amen. That's right. Very good answer!—Because they love you, everybody here!

And do you know what? We had to send in the names of all the teens that were going to attend & Grandpa & Maria read them all & they know you're all here & they wanted you to be here, every single one of you individually, so they must love you, huh? (Teens: Amen!)

OK, so the next question I guess we should ask ourselves is, what is our purpose in being here? Anybody got any ideas? Yes, Honey? (Teen: To learn.)—To learn, good. How do you learn? (Teen: By your mistakes!) That's a good answer! You learn through your mistakes. Well, sometimes we don't, sometimes we keep making them but we still don't learn. But, that's a real good answer.

We're here to be trained & to learn, so we're learning to be what? (Teens: Revolutionary soldiers for the Lord!)—That's right, revolutionary soldiers! Systemites? (Teens: No!) Kids that are going to go to church? (Teens: No!) Kids that are going to get into the latest fashions & ... (Teens: NO!)—No, revolutionaries, that's right, exactly! (Teens: Amen!)

And it's an Army! Now, you're probably too young to have been in the Army. I was never in the Army, but I've been in the Lord's Army for about 15 years & I'd venture to say it's better than any other Army you could be in! Has anyone here ever been in the Army, any of you older teens? Matthew & Pedro. What was it like in the Army in a few

words? What are the things you remember about the Army? (Family: It was awful!) (Everybody laughs!)

OK, did you learn anything good from the army? (Nicholas: Yes, Sir, I learned to obey my leaders because they knew things that I didn't know & when an emergency occurred I had to be counted on to do what I was trained to do.) OK, good answer.

Well, we're in an Army! They want people in the armies but they don't let everybody in. They say to some people, "Well, your leg is too weak to march on all of the marches so we don't think you'd be best in the army!" Another one says, "Maybe you're not army material!" But we believe that you're all Army material. We believe that you can be part of the Lord's Endtime Army & you already are! But we want to maybe share some things about what an Army is like, OK?

This is a brand new Letter, & you're going to get to read all of it but we are just going to read a little bit of it now. It's called, "We Are It!" (#2222) This section is called "God's Army". (Paul P. reads that section.)

A revolutionary Army then is a job to which you've been called. Do you believe that? "We are soldiers who are at war with the Devil!"

Do you know the story of Gideon's band? Maybe we can read that. I won't read you the whole thing but maybe you can read it later this evening in your teams. It's Judges Chapter 7. (Reading a little of the chapter.) So Gideon had his army & the Midianites had their army.

So the Lord was saying to Gideon, "You've got too many in your army, Gideon, because I want to give you the strength for this battle, so you can't say you won by your own strength."

So he must have started out with 32,000. 32,000 people were in that army & he said, "Well, if anybody is afraid, you guys can go home. This is just for fighters." 22,000 of them went home & he was left with 10,000. What did the Lord say? "Uh-oh, what are we doing now? All of our people went home." Is that what they said? No!

"The Lord said unto Gideon, the people are yet too many! Bring them down to the water & I will try them."

What does "try them" mean?—Test them. It's a trial to try you. He said, "To see if they mean business, let's give them a few trials."

Do you get the picture of what they're doing? How do dogs lap water? They get right down like this, right down on their faces

right in the water & slurp, lick it up.

So this big group of 10,000 people, most of them got down & looked right in the water & lapped it up, but some other ones, 300, got down on their knees like this & scooped up a little water & drank, & those are the 300 that the Lord chose. I wonder why?

Have you ever looked in a pond of water? What do you see? (Teens: Yourself!) Yes, yourself! So most of these people just sat there looking at themselves & they weren't looking at the enemy, they weren't keeping their eyes open. They were just getting into themselves!

What happened?—The Lord sent them home because they were just into themselves! There were only the 300 that really meant business, that didn't lose the vision of why they were there. There was an army all around them! The army could have attacked them while they were down sticking their heads in the water. But there were 300 that looked around, kept the vision all the time! They drank the water, but they still knew why they were there!

"So everyone that lappeth the water with his tongue as a dog lappeth, him shall thou set by him..."

The rest of the story goes on & with 300 people they won the battle in a very unorthodox way, with pots & pans! You can read the whole story. But how many did he start out with? (Family: 32,000)—32,000, & he went down to 300. That's less than one percent!



Well, do you want to be part of that one tenth of one percent? (Teens: Yes!) OK, we'll read a little bit more about Gideon's Band...(Reading.)

You are the leaders of a new movement! You are the cadre! You wanna be a part of the ones that go home? (Teens: No!) Well, the Lord can do it with 300! Who wants to be in that part? (Teens: Me! I do!) Yes, so do I!

Does everybody know what a drag is?

Does anybody wanna be a drag? (Teens: No!) Wanna be pushers? (Teens: Yes! Amen!) OK, so if you don't want to be a drag, you had better start pushing, amen? Don't you be the one that slows everybody down with your problems! We have gotta reach the top of this glorious mountain! Who wants to be a part? (Teens: AMEN!) Well, it's going to require a lot of hard work.—A lot of physical hard work & a lot of spiritual hard work & a lot of emotional hard work. Are you willing?

There's an expression in the army, it's called "Boot Camp". This is Boot Camp! Why don't some of our army people tell us what Boot Camp was like? (Matthew: Boot Camp is also called basic training & it only lasted for two months, as a matter of fact. That was when even though you said you wanted to join the army, they wanted to make sure you had what it takes. You had to go through Boot Camp & if you didn't make it through Boot Camp, you didn't make it any further. It was really hard. They would get you up at 4 o'clock in the morning & it didn't matter if it was raining or snowing, you would go out & stand in line & do whatever you were told. No matter what it was you had to do it. And if you made it through it, praise God, you got to go on!)

So this is a type of a military Boot Camp! This is not Summer Camp. This is not recreation. This is not a place to come & find a new boyfriend, or a new girlfriend. It's not a place to come because everybody else came. This is Boot Camp for those who really mean business.

Sometimes you read in the news about terrorists. Do you know what terrorists are? Well, they don't speak very highly of them in the newspapers. They say they blow up trains & do all of these violent things, but these terrorists are usually teenagers! They're young teens about your age or maybe a little older. They actually take them into camps away from the city, nobody really knows where they are, & they train them. And they put the revolution in their hearts. Then those young teens go out & they are willing to die for those things! They're willing to be blown up with the bomb, because they mean it so much!

But we have a much bigger Revolution that we want to put in your hearts. But you have got to be willing to go out & die to yourselves! Please don't go blowing up any bombs, but there is a parallel.—Because we are getting all of you teens together in a Teen Training Camp for the Lord! You're being trained! Do you know what you are being trained for?—To take over this World

for Jesus!

This Training Camp is for revolutionary Christians!—Not systemites!—Not systemites who just like to go to church or who just like to go in part way! This is for people who want to go in 110%! So that's the choice that you have to make. We might as well let you make this decision now, because if you don't want to be here 110%, this is the best time to choose. If you want to give it a try, we're here to help you make it. OK? Who wants to be a part? (Teens: Amen!)

We all had to make a choice to join the Family. I think I had just turned 19 years old when I joined the Family & I had to make a decision to forsake all. To forsake all wasn't so difficult for me because at that time I was just travelling with a backpack & an extra pair of blue jeans, so there wasn't much to forsake. My clothes didn't mean that much to me.

But I found out that what I had to forsake was my life, my own way of doing things. That's the kind of "forsake-all" each one of us had to make when we joined the Family. And as you read in the Teen FSM#25, just because you are born in the Family doesn't necessarily mean that you are really in the Family. You all have to make the same choice that we made when we joined, because we had lots of other things we could do. You know Apollos who does all the condensations? Well, Apollos came from a very wealthy family in Houston, Texas. Recently we were in Houston where we met some of you & we went to Bear Creek Park & that's where the Family was living when Apollos joined. The campgrounds were pretty nice but they weren't living in nice bungalows, such as we are living in here. They didn't have such a nice dining room. They were living in tents & it rained most of the time.

One particular time, Apollos' father was trying to get him to come back to his family, his brothers & his sisters. He drove out in his big limousine, you know, those big big black cars with dark windows. He wanted him to come home for Christmas dinner. Now Apollos' dad is a real systemite. Of course, we're not talking about your mummies & daddies, they're pioneers & they're going for the Lord. But I just want to explain what some of us had to drop out of.

So he came up to him & it was pouring rain & they had just eaten chicken feed that day, milo. It wasn't very good food, it wasn't as good as Tracy has prepared! Apollos came out & he had a plastic bag over his head or something & a raincoat & it was

raining & pouring & he was standing beside his dad's limousine. His dad's electric windows went down, bzzz, & his dad looked out & said, "If you come home for Christmas I'll give you a motorcycle, I'll give you your own sports car, I'll give you anything you want! An apartment! All these things!" Apollos was a young teen & he probably thought about it for a second.

But you know what he said? "No way!" And he turned around & walked back to a leaky old tent & rain & a bunch of chicken feed. Well, why would somebody do that? (Teen: Because he really loved the Lord.) Amen, good answer. He wanted to be a part of Gideon's band & he really loved the Lord & he found that what was in this Family was worth more than the whole World could offer.



Look at Juan! Juan is from a very wealthy background, he could have been anything he wanted, probably. But why is Juan sitting here right now & working day & night, running around in the pouring rain to make this Camp work?—Because he found in this Family what he could never find in the System.

Now some of you haven't had those experiences. You haven't had a chance to really go out & taste it in a big way, right? Take a shortcut!—Don't! We tried it & that's why we're in the Family.

Faithy: Apollos said, "I have to stay with my real Family for Christmas. I can't leave them." His father got so mad, he just rolled up the window & just drove off, he was really furious. Because Apollos had just been in the Family two weeks, but he already knew that we were his real Family & he was ready to die for us, no matter what it cost him, he was going to stick with us.

Watchman: At that time in Family history we had a lot of people from the very very upper crust of Houston, a lot of young people who were from the best families, living out in the freezing cold in the winter! It was such a testimony of everybody's

dedication that the news media used to come out there with cameras, when it was freezing. It was freezing cold & the reporter was bundled up in this big fur coat & he said, "And they're still out here tonight in Bear Creek Park, these young people!" It was a testimony, as these kids could have had anything, but they were living in freezing cold. Many times your sleeping bag would get wet. And you know what it's like to sleep in a wet sleeping bag in the cold! Kids just like Apollos had just given up everything to serve the Lord & it was a tremendous testimony to the whole city.

There were two brothers we met, Joseph & Seth, who were underaged teens & they couldn't actually join the Family right then so the Lord put them to the test. They couldn't stay on the property where the tents were. They had to stay across the road so they brought their own little pup tent & their two sleeping bags. You know what a pup tent is? You can't even stand up in it. And every night they had to sleep there & they could come over in the daytime. And one night there weren't enough tents so they offered their tent to the Family.

Paul P.: They slept in their sleeping bags & it rained that night, & they were sleeping in mud puddles, but they didn't go home! They were from really rich families, they had anything they wanted, but they chose rather to "suffer affliction with the children of God than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season." That's what this Family's all about!

Joseph told us the story of when he first met Dad. He knew they were revolutionary Christians, he'd read a little Bible & he really wanted to be a part of it. One day they were in this little building & there was a pot-bellied stove where they tried to come in & get warm around it.

All of a sudden this man walks in & he's wearing a 3-piece suit. Do you know what a 3-piece suit is?—Like a businessman wears, & he was an older man. Joseph was just 16 years old or something & he said, "Who's this?" It was Grandpa, & Grandpa was coming home from seeing Fred Jordan in Los Angeles, so he had to wear a suit that day. He walked up & in his pocket he had a little hanky, a handkerchief, but it wasn't a real one. I don't know if you've ever seen them—it was a little hanky on top but it was plastic on the bottom. So Dad walks up to the stove & says, "This God-damned handkerchief is just like the System!—It's plastic! You can't even wipe your nose on it, you can't wipe your bottom with it, you

can't do anything with it!" (Teens all laugh & clap!)

So just remember this Family is made of people who are willing to forsake all! So think about it. It's not for half-hearts, it's not summer camp, kids, this is real Teen Training for revolutionaries! Right? (Teens: Amen! Yes!) And I think you can all make it because we made it. We had a few problems but we made it, so if you hang on, you'll make it too.

Now training is an interesting word, isn't it? What's child training, does anybody know another word for child training? (Teen answers: Chastening?)—Chastening, chastisement is child training. "You mean, you're going to get chastened, you mean you brought us here to chastise us?" Yes, (teens chuckle) we did, because we have to be willing to take whatever training the Lord gives us, & it says that "No chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous, nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them that are exercised thereby." (Teens join in quoting the verse with him.) You are exercised thereby if you let it work in your life. So are you ready for that? (Teens: Amen!) Even that kind of training? (Teens: Amen!) Even chastisement? (Teens: Amen!) Even punishments? (Teens: Amen!) OK, the Lord heard those!

Now we're not going to make it any harder for you than the Lord makes it, but some of you might remember we were talking about yieldedness at some of our Searcher meetings. It's really easy to pray: "Lord, help me to be yielded." Well, the next day something happens & you say, "Lord, why did this happen to me?" And the next day something happens & you say, "Lord, what are You doing?" He's answering your prayer, He's helping you to be yielded! You pray for humility—well, how do you get humility? You get humbled, right? Isn't that how it happens? (Teens: Amen.) OK, so if that's what you want, if you want training, you're going to get it. Are you willing to take it? (Teens: Yes!) OK, good!

It's going to take regular study, a lot of hard work, you're going to have to obey, you're going to have to follow rules, you're even going to have to follow suggestions & you're going to have to be cheerful about it too, happy. What's Uncle Paul T's slogan? (Paul T.: "If you're happy to be here, please notify your face!") So sometimes you might not feel too happy, you might think it's a real trial, but if you're really here for Jesus & you really want to be here, then you've got to keep a smile on your face &

do it anyway. OK? (Teens: Amen.)

Have you ever been to a cafeteria? You go through the line & you see all these things & you think, "Shall I take that or maybe I'll take that, a little of this & a little of that" & you choose what you want to take. This is not a cafeteria, you're not going to get to choose! You're going to sort-speak "Eat what's set before you". Are you willing to eat what the Lord puts on your plate? (Teen: Amen!) All of it? (Teens: Amen!)

So I guess the question is: Are you ready to be remolded? (Teens: Amen!) And remade if necessary? (Teens: Amen.) Are you? (Teens: Amen!) PTL! ILY! Here's Auntie Faithy! GBY!

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Faithy: Well, I know what it cost me to be here. I don't know what it cost you, but I know that before I came here I had some tremendous entrance exams. Do you know what entrance exams are? It's when you have to really sit down & count the cost of something that you're going to do, that the Lord wants you to do. I'm sure that you all heard the message that we sent to you, no?—About what it was going to cost you to be here & that it was going to be a tough military Boot Camp, that you weren't coming for any type of recreation or revival, that you were coming here for what? (Teens: Training!) And to make a... (Everybody: Revolution!)

So we're here to make a Revolution, but that Revolution begins where? (Teens: In your heart.) So if I'm going to be a part of a Revolution, the first Revolution that has to happen is in me, & I have to be willing to let my own heart be revolutionized first! So I had to really sit down & count the cost because a lot of restrictions were put on us about coming here—things that would be required of us here, sacrifices that would need to be made & how we have to be to live here with you. Some of it was not easy to hear, because it meant actually giving up loved ones & it meant giving up personal desires & giving up things that maybe I wanted to do. But it meant that I could come here & be able to impart to you this spirit of Revolution that made the Family what it is today & what it costs from the very beginning to be a part of the Family. That cost hasn't changed!

So even to join this Revolution, to be here at the Teen Camp with you, has cost something for me personally. I had to sit down & count the cost to see if I was going to be able to finish what I was sent out to do. There were personal sacrifices involved

of different kinds & there were things that I was required to give up to be here. So maybe some of you had to give up things, maybe you had to give up personal relationships, maybe you had to give up a boyfriend, maybe you had to give up a girlfriend, or you had to give up something back there in the System to be here, or even something back there in the Family, if you came from the mission field.



But the point is that once you make the decision, it's a Revolution that begins in our hearts & then we can't turn back, & we can't doubt it. Sometimes the Devil really comes in to make us doubt & fear & say, "You're not going to make it!" Did you have that problem? Did you think, "What if I don't make it? If I give up everything to be here & then I don't make it, where am I going to be?" This is a tough training that you're going to experience, it's a training that's going to train you most of all in one particular thing, & that's what the Lord's trying to teach all of His revolutionaries, whether you're old or a young teen.

—He's trying to train us all in one very important point, & that is submission! —Submission to each other. Do you know what that big word, "submission", means? —Submission to God's will? It means to put my will under someone else's will & submit to their will—submit to their order, if it's my leader, submit to God's will in a man. And submit to the fact that God has made them my leader or my elder or my brother or my sister, because sometimes you even have to submit to your own brother or sister in the Lord, don't you?

So this is a real Revolution & I couldn't come here with half a heart, I had to come here for one thing & one thing only, & that was because I wanted to live & die for Jesus! I got really tested on the thing that's the hardest for me & one of my biggest weaknesses, which is in the affairs of the heart, giving up someone that I love very much. But these things are what the Lord requires of soldiers! Soldiers go to

the battlefield & sometimes they're gone five years & they don't see their wives, they don't see their children—in the System! Businessmen that we meet when we're travelling have been away from home for months & sometimes years, stationed way out in the middle of nowhere, far from their homes & families. They do that for money, they do that for the System! Soldiers in the military go out & risk their lives on battlefields in the System, for what?—For pride, for country! How much more we should be willing to give up those things for Jesus! (Teens: Amen.)

I just want to say that if it costs us something, that's good, because it has to cost us something to make us tough soldiers. It has to cost us something for us to be willing to fight & die for it. It has to cost us something to even begin the training. So be thankful if you had some tough entrance exams before this training, if you had some battles & the Devil really fought you on every front before you came here to the camp. It's going to take us putting ourselves & our problems aside. We call it "putting them on the back burner". In other words, they have to wait until later, because we're not here for any other reason but for Jesus! (Teens: Amen.)

When I was sitting in my chair all alone in my room for a few days, dictating some lessons that I had just recently learned about my life & where I had failed the Lord & missed the mark a few times, I realised that the most important thing in my life right now, after all these years, is to regain my first love for Jesus that I had when I was your age, a teenager.—So that Jesus would become the most important thing in my life. I realised that it didn't matter what it costs. It didn't matter if it costs a lover or a husband or a family or anything. It had to be all or nothing, & I had to be willing to give it up for Jesus, for this Family, for you!—Because that's what it costs to be a real soldier!

I realised that that's the most important Love in my life right now—Jesus! He has become my all-in-all again, because before this, over the years, I went astray from my First Love, which is Jesus. It's really easy to start putting other people in that place where Jesus needs to be, & you may find this to be one of your toughest tests as well, because it's easy to lean on a person you can see. You think, "I need that, I need that person, I need that love, I need what they have to give me, I need it." But what I realised is that Jesus' Love satisfies everything, everything! He is the

the best you could possibly have! Take it from somebody who's made a lot of mistakes along that line!—I've come back to the realisation that following Jesus is worth living & dying for.

Only Jesus is worth giving my life for & worth sitting right here for, but it costs something to have that Love of Jesus burning in your heart, that Love of Jesus which really makes you want to live & die for Him! You can't want to die for Jesus on your own, Jesus has to have a hole, so you have to forsake something, don't you? (Teens: Amen.) What do you have to be to be filled? (Teen: A hole.)

So you have to empty yourself of all your desires, all your wishes, all the things that you want, & you have to just say, "Jesus, I'm a hole, now You fill me up, You fill me up with Your desires, with Your revolutionary spirit so I can take this military Boot Camp training for You! You fill me up, Jesus! You give me that love that is greater than any other love in the World!" Be here for Jesus because that is the only thing that will help you to make it all the way through this camp. That's the only reason you should be here.—Because you've decided in your heart, "I'm not here to get to know these other kids, I'm not here for the fellowship, I'm not here to find a lover, I'm not here to find a mate, I'm not here to find my own personal desires, but I'm here for one thing. I'm here for Jesus, because He gave His life for me & I want to give my life for Him! He died for me, why shouldn't I be willing to die daily for Him?"



Be His now!—The Wedding can wait for the Rapture!

I found out that Jesus, Lover of my soul, is the greatest Love & the One I don't want to lose, because for a while I neglected Him, I filled my heart with other loves, other people, & I found out that it didn't satisfy. And I couldn't give that love Grandpa shared, the Love of Jesus that brings people into the Kingdom of God. I couldn't give it freely, because I had my heart too full. But when Jesus has an empty

hole that He can fill up completely, He can just take it & use it any way He wants to! He can take us anywhere He wants to take us, even to take me to the United States, which was the last place that I wanted to go. In this World! Jesus made me willing to do that, He put a love in my heart that made me willing to go through any hardship, forsake anything for Him.

That's what made the Family what it is today. That's why I joined this Family as a teenager. It wasn't just because I was born into it, I had to start from the very beginning to forsake all to follow Jesus, & that's what I'm returning to, right now, talking to you. I've decided again to follow Jesus no matter what it costs, no matter who I have to forsake, no matter where He sends me in this World. It's going to be worth it because Jesus is the best! (Teens: Amen!) The Family is the best! (Teens: Amen!) And Jesus satisfies! (Teens: Amen!) And if you don't believe me, you just go out there in the World & try everything you want to. But you'll find out, as all these backsliders have been telling us in the U.S., that the Family at its best! (Teens: Amen!) They went out & they tried all these things & they wasted years. They said, "Wow, only Jesus is what satisfies!" & they came back.

Some of you here have been in the System, haven't you? You tried it, you know, don't you? How many here know that Jesus is better than the System, raise your hand. You know it!—Even if you haven't been out there in the System, you have been witnessing to people that are in the System. Why do they listen to you, why do they receive Jesus? Why? (Teen: We've got the Truth.) Because they know what you've got is better than what they've got! You've got the Truth, that's right! And it's better than what they've got! But you've got the Love of Jesus in your heart, & what could be better than that? Haven't you had boyfriends, girlfriends? But you found out what? Who satisfies? (Teens: Jesus!) Who really fills up your heart & motivates you to want to do something for other people? (Teens: Jesus!)

So in this camp you're going to find out that the only ones of us that are really going to make it through, or even make it from today on, are the ones that are going to decide "I want to follow Jesus & Him alone. You can take the whole World but give me Jesus, because only He can satisfy, He's the best!" (Teens: Amen!) Girlfriends will leave you, boyfriends will leave you, people will break your heart, even fall you, but Jesus will never fall you!

So as I was sitting in my chair praying about coming here & talking to you, I said, "Lord, why are You making me forsake all again? Why is this so hard? Why are You breaking me again? Why is it I have to keep forsaking all?" It's because the Lord wanted me to be able to tell you that Jesus is the best & we've got to give it all up for Him to be here! So if it seems hard in the coming days, even if it seems hard today, just think what it would be like without Jesus, without that Love filling your heart. Just think about that & you'll choose this day whom you'll serve. "If God be God, then serve Him. If Baal be God—the System—then serve it. But as for me & my house, we will serve the Lord!" Are you with us? (Teens: Amen!) Hallelujah! TYJ!

Amen, Lord, let's have a little prayer. (Everyone praises & Faithy prays:) Thank You, Jesus, that we are a Revolution for You. We're not a movement with monuments that are cold & standing still & going nowhere, we are a movement, a Revolution that is changing lives & bringing happiness & hope to those who don't have any hope. We have Your love, Jesus, which is the best. Every day people commit suicide because of lost love & because they have no hope in their lives, they have nothing to live for. But we have the Family, we have You, Jesus, we really can know what we're here for & we can have such a trust in it, that we know it's worth dying for.

Lord, You gave Your life for us, Jesus. Help us to be willing to give ours for others! Help us not to count how hard it's going to be, Jesus, but help us to think how it would have been if You hadn't died for us, if You hadn't been willing to forsake Your Father & Your Heavenly Home & all Your Loved Ones There to come to this filthy World. Help us to be willing, Lord! You even came as a little Baby & had to suffer growing up in all this filth, but You did it for us, Jesus. You suffered so much, Lord, help us to be willing to do it for You to save others. We have a whole World that needs You, Lord, & we have so little time left. We're faced with the Tribulation & the End-time now. We need to be tough, we need to be enduring, we need to be willing to suffer any sacrifice, & yet not even call it a sacrifice.

So Jesus, I really pray right now for every heart here, that You will touch them with Your Spirit & Your love. Help them to receive it & open their hearts to realise that without love, it's nothing. This whole World is nothing, the System is nothing. Most people have to live their whole lives

without Your love, Jesus, but we have it, Lord. We pray that You'll help us to say "yes" to You today, to say "yes" because of what You did for us, Jesus.—To say, "I'm willing to take up my cross daily & follow You, Lord, no matter what it costs, no matter how lonely it is. I know You'll never leave me or forsake me, I know You'll take me all the way to Heaven." Thank You for it, in Jesus' name. Amen.

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(After small break, the keynote session continues:)

(Paul P. prays): We look back on our years of serving You, Jesus—whether it's two or three or four or five or ten. You've always been there, You've always seen us through. So help us to continue to serve You, Jesus, until You come back & round us all up. Then we'll have eternal fellowship that's never going to end.

So we really thank You, Lord, for all the lessons that You're teaching all of us. We pray for Auntie Damaris now, & the things she's going to share, that the lessons we learn will really help us, but that they can also be used to help others, Lord, because we are all men of like passions & we all go through these things. We're all teens, we're all learning in some way. It's our time to decide whether we really want to follow You, Lord. You said when we were a child we thought as a child, we spoke as a child & we understood as a child, but now it is the time for us to put away childish things & to be adults, mature before You & to take that stand before Thee, to decide to follow You all the way.

We pray right now for Aunt Damaris, that You help her now with everything that she shares. Help us to be open & receptive, in Jesus' name. (Teens & all praise & thank the Lord.)

Damaris: TYJ, TYLI It's such a blessing being here. Just as Paul P. & Faithy were saying about the decisions we are all having to make in our lives, it seems like a real special time right now in the entire Family, a time where the Lord is requiring us to make that personal decision in our lives of what we really are here for.

I know in a lot of ways I feel I've only been in the Family for about a year, because I think it was just about one year ago that the Lord finally really started getting through to me, & I made a decision to really follow Him with all of my heart. I know before that time I was in the Family, but so much of it was for myself. I geared everything around what I wanted to do & I wasn't really giving everything to the Lord.

I didn't have my own personal walk with Him! But it changed in this last year, because of the beautiful visit that I was able to have with Grandpa & seeing him, & getting some of the Endtime classes, which D.V. will be coming out shortly.

It was just such a beautiful experience for me to sit there & see him & see someone who was only there for the Lord. He wasn't there for anything of his own, he didn't care what his surroundings were like, he didn't care what his situation was like, he was really like Jesus & he loved the Lord & that was what he was there for. I saw in myself that I didn't have that, I couldn't say that I had that real dedication in my life because so much of my life was geared around me & what I wanted—my mate, my children, my surroundings, my everything. But it was seeing that sample of real total love & dedication & loyalty to the Lord, someone who was really denying himself & giving himself to the Lord that made me see what I had to do.



In these last years, there's not that much time left, we don't have a lot of time left to really get the Message out. I know that Grandpa is counting on each & every one of us, I know that's why he's putting so much into the teens right now, because he's counting on you. He knows you can do it, he knows it's in there & he really wants to help in any way that he can, because he needs us to get out there & get that message across.

I have 3 teens myself & I can't say that I was very close to my children when they were little. I was one of the nagging mommies—"do this & do that & make your bed, you don't put your clothes away right." But just in this last year, right after I opened up my life to the Lord & made that real firm

dedication in my life, I began to feel much closer to my children—I'm thankful for the beautiful training they've received. They have been able to receive a lot of beautiful training under different people that have worked with Sara. I've learned to understand them through the things that I've gone through. For the first time I can say that I feel in real unity with my children because we have gone through the same thing.

It's not something that the Lord's requiring just of the teens right now, He's requiring it of all of us.—Teen Training is for all of us! No one's singling the teens out, it's like we all have to get on, we all have to make that decision in our lives.

A real beautiful thing happened just recently with my daughter. She's a very very "good" girl, a lot like her mommy. I knew exactly how to act around the right people, I knew how to put on a real good show around the right people, & my daughter was a lot the same. She knew how to be real good & she hardly ever got corrected. And all of a sudden she got herself into a situation where people were having to correct her for things & they were trying to love her with real love, trying to get her to have that real dedication to the Lord & to be there for Him. For the first time, it was a very difficult situation for her. She was confronted at one point & she had to make that decision in her life of what she was really here for.

She was sent to her bed to decide what she was really here for, & GBH, she sat in her bed & she told me that she really cried out to the Lord, because she knew that at that point in her life she couldn't just be here because her mommy & daddy were in the Family. She really had to have love & motivation in her life. She said that she's really happier since!—She really prayed, she counted the cost & she wrote a beautiful prayer to the Lord in a reaction, that she wanted to serve Him with all of her heart & all of her soul. I'm super thankful. Now I feel so close to her because both of us are going through so many of the same things. I can relate to her so much easier now, because we are learning so much together.

I know together right here & now we're all learning. The adults are in Teen Training too, we're just older teens. We're all learning that—to genuinely be here 100% for Him & not for anything else! I think we're all seeing that it's so easy for many other things to choke out love & dedication. I know in my own life & in my daughter's life there were so many things that distracted from

the straight & narrow.

Grandpa's been talking about Heaven's Girls & Heaven's Boys. We're not going to be able to say, "Well, when that happens, in the Endtime, of course, we're going to be that!" It requires that faithful study now, it's truly giving our lives & having that real dedication in our lives now. The Lord will be speaking to us in that still small voice & expecting us to go out & do the impossible. In order to do just like Heaven's Girl is doing, we've got to start now! It has to be a faithful study each & every day where we're learning to listen to that still small voice, so that in those days when He tells us to do the impossible, we'll have that boldness & we'll have that conviction to get out there & do whatever He wants us to do. It starts right now!

I was seeing that, that I could go on with the life I was living selfishly, worrying about my mate & my situation & all, but the End is so close! There's not that much we have to give up, because there are not that many years left before we are going to be facing Him, when we are going to be standing right there & He's going to be giving us our crowns & our name. I knew I just couldn't go on any more, I knew I had to make that decision in my life to give my whole life completely, 100% to Him. I have to keep doing it every day, I can't rest on the decision I made in my life a year ago. But through the Word & letting those visions speak to us & letting them come alive, we can have the vision & really go on for the Lord.

It's a beautiful time in the Family right now. You feel that we just don't have that much time & Grandpa's counting on us. I know how much he loves you teens. I sat there & I heard it & I know how much he's counting on us to get out there & really do the job, & we can't fail. He would get out there & do it himself, but he can't, he's got to stay where he is & keep feeding us the Word! We've got to take up that challenge & do it! There's very little time left to really give everything to Him!

The future is what we're living for, it's not for right now. I know previously I have lived for right now & what I could have right now, but we don't have very much longer, to give of ourselves, truly to deny ourselves, to get out there & do the job & have that closeness & that link with the Lord.

Paul P.: Why don't you tell us about the older teens? When we were all at Grandpa's house, they called us the "older teens" (Some of the teens chuckle). We all lived in a dormitory. I'll let Auntie

Damaris tell you about it.

Damaris: When we first heard about our mission & that we were called out to be Searchers, we were all brought together to live in Grandpa's house & to learn some valuable lessons that we really did need to learn before we could go out. It was a real basic babes' training, something that I hadn't received that much of in the Family, because when I joined with Peter, because we had known each other before in the System, we were married after about three months. As soon as you were married in the Family in that time, you were leaders. So I really missed a lot of my babes' training then.

It was a real exciting time at Grandpa's house. We had our babes' training there! We were all grouped together in one big dormitory-type room. I know I was very used to being a leader in my own right, very used to my own room & my own privacy & my own things & my own toilet & nobody telling me anything. But it was quite different all of a sudden living together in this big room about half the size of this room with no private room, we just had little dividers, but everybody was pretty much in one room. So we had to learn to respect each other's time, we had to learn to be quiet & not run away with our own inspiration when we were excited about something, since there were five other people in the room that were trying to get their work done. All of a sudden we had to start using the same toilet.

Falthy: Guess who she's talking about "running away with inspiration." (Everybody laughs.)

Damaris: It wasn't only Falthy!

Paul P.: Lots of funny things happened. Probably you all are assigned little jobs. Well, we had our little jobs to do too—clean the toilet, sweep the stairs & things like that. It was somebody's job to clean the toilet, but one of us—we won't say who—said, "This toilet stinks! Phew!" But the lesson was—and we had to learn this lesson too—if it stinks, maybe you should go clean it!

Falthy: Amen!

Paul P.: That was the lesson the Lord was trying to show us, & that's the way you get your Teen Training. It may not be a whole bunch of big things, but it's a lot of little things like that. But those little things are big things in the Lord's eyes! That's where you get your training!

Falthy: We can find out that our attitude stinks more than the toilet! (Everybody laughs!)

Damaris: It was in little things like that where we really learned a lot of valuable lessons. We learned a lot about

denying ourselves & really being there for the Lord & loving each other & overlooking a lot of these little things & seeing the Lord in each other. It was a beautiful experience & one that I know that I needed to personally go through. When we went out on the Searcher mission, a lot of the things that we confronted in that room together, being together & learning to love each other, were all the things that we did pass on.



We also had some teens in our room, & we learned to take correction even from the teens, even though we were the so-called leaders that were called in. Our teens were correcting us for things because they had been there a lot longer than we had. We saw that we had to take that correction & if we did something wrong, we just needed to be shown the right way, & that was the most important thing, nothing else mattered. We just really needed to receive, to be that holy hole, that yielded vessel that so many of us have been talking about & preaching about for so long! All of a sudden we got stuck in a situation where we had to practice & live those lessons!

It's a real real blessing being herel! It's a blessing to be able to be with each & every one of you. I know that Dad & Mommy love each & every one of you so so much. It's just a very special time when He wants us to make that real dedication in our lives & to forget ourselves & to get out there & do the job that is set before us. We don't really have that much time left & we do need to show that love & all that we've been so privileged to receive, being in the Family for as long as we have been. Grandpa & Mommy are counting on us to really get out there & do it. They're investing a lot in each & every one of us. TYL!

Paul P.: Do we have any other stories that happened in our Teen Training? We

learned all the basics. You might think when you go to visit the Folks that you're going to be the big leader & you think you're going to be a big cheese or something. Do you know what a big cheese is? (Teens: Yes.) Well, there's a quote that Grandpa says about leaders too: "The cream of the crop today may be the stinking cheese of tomorrow!" (Everyone chuckles.) Sometimes leaders get to be stinking cheese, because we get so sure of ourselves that the Lord has to put us back to babes' training again!—And that's the training that's most important, that babes' training! That's basically what you're going to get, you're going to get babes' training but you're also going to get leadership training. So here's sweet Auntie Lois with something about food.

Lois: I just wanted to share some things that we all learned at Grandpa's house. They might seem like just little things, but it's like Auntie Damaris was saying, the little things really aren't little things because they're what make our Family what it is. I have some teenagers of my own too. I have a 13-year-old & an 11-year-old & a few other little ones.

When I went to Grandpa's house, I realised that my teenagers had a lot of habits that weren't so good. Because when I went to Grandpa's house, I saw all the things that are written in "Life with Grandpa". Have you all read the "Life with Grandpa" stories? They're really beautiful, aren't they? They're really inspiring. But they're not just stories, they're not just something to read & not just something that somebody made up, but they're real life stories, real life with Grandpa. And that's really how it is in Grandpa's house!

In my own little family with my own children, we weren't really so diligent in some of the little things in "Life with Grandpa". We didn't take all the little lessons really completely 100% to heart all the time.

Grandpa said so often that it takes a lot of loving to make a house a home, & they have a lot of loving in their house & it all works together to make their house a real Home. And that's what we all need in our Homes & in our lives too. So all the little rules in the "Life with Grandpa" stories all have one reason & one motive behind them—& that's just love!

The purpose & the motive behind all the little rules is love! Sometimes it's for safety.—They make little rules so the children don't hurt themselves, or in the kitchen so the adults don't hurt themselves cooking. Some of the rules are for health, so that we don't get sick, & stay clean, for

our protection—all kinds of reasons. But it all boils down to what? (Teens: Love.)

So one of the things I learnt in their house was how really diligent & faithful they are with the food the Lord gives. Because they consider that whatever is set before them on the plate just comes straight from the Lord. The Lord provided it & He put it there! Sometimes the children & even some adults have a little bit of a trial about what it is. I don't know if any of you here have a trial about liver? (Teens: Not so much.) How about vegetables? (Teens: Yes.) (Teen: I don't like eggs that much.) Well, I don't either too much, but the Lord made them. (Another teen: I don't like eggplant.)

Well, I'll tell you what. At Grandpa's house, some people don't like certain foods there either. But you know what? There's a Scripture in the Bible that says, "Eat what is set before thee, giving thanks." That's the motto they go by in Grandpa's house, they are really thankful for whatever is set before them, just knowing that it comes from the Lord, it's a blessing from the Lord! The Lord's promised to supply all of our needs & He does. Even the little ones, if they don't like something in Grandpa's house, they're not allowed to push it away & not eat it. They pray & ask the Lord to help them to like it or to help them to get a victory over certain foods, so they can fulfill that Scripture & eat whatever is set before them.

So it might seem like a little thing, but it is really important because the Lord supplied every bit of the food that's on our plates. Would the Lord supply anything for us that isn't good for us? (Teens: No!) No, He gives us what we need & what's good for us. Some things that we don't like are good for us, so we do need to eat them. If we're faithful to eat what the Lord gives us, then He'll use it to make us strong & healthy & we'll get all the nourishment we need.

So I just wanted to share this lesson with all of you because it was a big lesson for me. Some of my little ones are picky eaters, if they don't like something they kind of pick at it. Some of them sit over their plate for a long time. We made rules first with my younger children that they just had to sit there until they ate it. They just sat there, & PTL, they finally ate it. But at Grandpa's house they pray, if they don't like something they ask the Lord to help them like it. They really pray desperately & they get the victory.

Also in Grandpa's house they don't waste their food. They don't leave a little bit or crumbs on their plate or a little quarter of their eggs that they were served,

they eat it all. Because wasting is really a sin at Grandpa's! He said wasting is a crime. We don't waste our water, we don't waste our electricity—we turn off the lights when we're not using them. All these seem like little things, but are they little things? (Teens: No!) Grandpa feels the same way about our food, so we need to eat everything that's on our plates.

Paul P.: There's a little saying at Grandpa's house, about "dishwasher's friends". Do you know who the dishwasher's friends are? They are the ones that eat everything off their plate & mop up their vegetables with their bread & their plate is almost spic-&-span clean by the time it comes to get cleaned. That's a "dishwasher's friend".

Lols: Another thing it teaches you—it may seem like a little lesson—but it really helps to teach us these big principles. These little lessons teach us these big principles that Paul P. & Damaris have been talking about, of real yieldedness & being submitted & obedient, because it takes yieldedness & sacrifice if you don't like something just to say, "Well, the Lord supplied this & I'm just going to eat it anyway, I don't care. LHM not to get sick & LHM just to eat it." That takes real sacrifice & denying yourself. From even a little thing like that we can learn real big lessons.

Falthy: I just had a little word about being saving. I used to really wonder why Grandpa was so strict with us about saving water & all this sort of thing. Even when we lived in the trailer when we were teenagers, he taught us how to wash our hair in a cup of water & how to take a bath in just a bowl of water. So one time in Lima, Peru, the electricity got knocked out & downtown Lima had no water for about 10 days. No running water! I mean, Systemites didn't know what to do! They could hardly survive. I remember we had one jug of water that was given to us by a neighbour or something. It was amazing how I had learned in that training that he had given me as a teenager, that I could wash my hair in a glass of water! It was the most amazing thing to see that training when you are desperate & you are under wartime-like conditions, you need that kind of rigid training to survive.—And that's why we have it. (Teens: Amen.)

Lols: But we have delicious food here. (Teens: Amen!) You'll learn to love it. It's really important to be thankful & appreciate the cooks too! (Teens: Amen!)

Paul P.: Just remember that the Lord put it on your plate, but in this case who's paying for it? (Teens: Grandpa!) Grandpa & Maria are paying for that, so if

you didn't eat all that's on your plate, what are you saying? "I don't want to eat it, Grandpa, sorry." It's just like he's taking you out to dinner every night & every day. So just think about it that way, OK?



Now if you get too much on your plate & you can't eat it, that's understandable, so just don't get too much on your plate. If you serve yourself or the servers serve you or whatever, just take as much as you feel you're going to eat. And if you take a lot on your plate, well, you're going to have to eat it, because you served yourself or you asked for it, OK? That's one thing that Auntie Sara really stresses at home with all of the children—with Techi & everyone—that it's the missionaries who bought that food for us. It is actually the missionaries of the whole Worldwide Family that have a part in every piece of meat on our plate, or every vegetable or even eggs or liver. I don't like eggs either—but I still eat them! It's a big trial for me! Every day I have to eat my eggs, but I know I need them. (Teens chuckle.) It's like having trials, isn't it? Nobody wants trials but you know you need them, you know they're good for you.

Lols: Does everyone want to go to the mission field? (Teens: Amen!) Well, sometimes on the mission field, like in the East, in India & different places, they have exotic foods.—Things that you are not used to & not familiar with. You don't always get spaghetti & tacos & things like that. But we've learned to love the food on the mission field! It's delicious, but sometimes it takes prayer & asking the Lord for victories & just realising that it is what He supplied.

Also if we have a real positive attitude towards all that is set before us, it's a good sample to others too. Because people in the World & the System aren't like that, if they don't like something that's on their plate, they don't eat it—and they murmur about it & complain! But for us to have the opposite sample, to be very thankful to the Lord & praising Him & eat up whatever it is, can be a real testimony of what a revolutionary Christian you are & what our Family is. So even a little thing like that can go a long way!

Paul P.: OK, would you like to hear from Uncle Paul T. now? (Teens: Amen!) Almost all of us older teens have children, teens. I also have a daughter, she's twelve years old, & a little boy who's eight years old, & they're in India right now. Also Uncle Juan has daughters, one of whom is here. Uncle Paul has some children too.

Paul T.: Well, I don't have a lot to say today, but I just have one little announcement to make. But as I'm not a very good reader, I have to use my little ruler. I think everybody here is a pretty good reader, not like me. Did you know that I didn't learn to read until I was ten years old? I went into Grade Three class & the teacher gave me a book to read & I just about passed out. (Teens laugh.) She said, "Read it, read it!" & I looked at the page & I didn't know a word! (Teens chuckle.) I kind of did like Grandpa's daddy when he had to sing the song with the missing lines, I just kind of looked at the picture & I thought, "Well, maybe I can make up a story!" (Teens laughing!) Well, the teacher didn't have a book in her hand at the moment, so I got by for a couple of sentences. Then she discovered I couldn't read!

So I don't know how many of you ever had a problem with reading or had a little difficulty, but if you're a little like me, when you have to read sometimes, you stumble over words. But TTL, He helped me & it was just a miracle that I ever learned to read. I'm glad that I did because I've had to do a lot of reading since! (Teens chuckle.) And I had to learn to spell. I could hardly spell my name! Have you ever had to fill out a form? I couldn't remember how to spell my name, it was so embarrassing! But I don't know, this probably never happened to you! When I became a teacher, then they discovered I couldn't spell & I could hardly do anything. I couldn't read, I couldn't spell & I had to do all these things! It was so embarrassing, but eventually, TTL, He helped me. I still have to call on people every once in a

while, "How do you spell that word or this word?"

So don't feel too badly if you're a little bit like me, God can do a miracle. He did it for me, didn't He? (Teens laugh!) Thank you.

Paul P.: You even taught high school.

Paul T.: Yes, I taught.

Paul P.: Does everybody know who Uncle Paul is? (Teens: Yes!) He does all those big thick volumes of childcare material—"Activity Books" & all that. He worked on all that real hard along with a lot of other real faithful people.

Paul T.: Since then the Lord helped me. I've taught almost every grade from grade one to first year university. And by the grace of God, we got out some new books. But today I had this little announcement to do & I could not think how I could tell this to you. But TL, we found this little note from Mommy & she says it so much better than I could. So I'm going to let you figure out what the announcement is from the Letter. Are you ready? (Teens: Yes!) Can I put on my teaching voice? (Teen: Yes!) Are you going to sit up straight? (Teens: Yes!) Oh, good! (Some adults laughing!)

If I tell you the title, you'll know. So, I'm not going to tell you the title. (Teens: Yes!) It says, "New disciples have a lot of other things that they need to keep their minds on without being distracted by emotional & sexual involvements. If they get sexually involved, then they're going to get emotionally involved & then..."—Oh, oh, oh, it looks like I'm missing a line, I wasn't following with my ruler! (Teens chuckle.) I hope you follow with your ruler. You might have to. Wouldn't that be a good idea?—To follow with your ruler & even follow with your finger? Because every time I look up I start to lose my place.

Who guessed the Letter? Oh, I've let it out already. Would you tell me? (Someone responds: "Sex For Babes".) Oh, I'm afraid some of you have been reading already! Yes, exactly right! "If they get sexually involved, then they're going to get emotionally involved & it's going to take a lot of their time away from the Lord & the Word. In almost all religious groups, sex is forbidden either totally or at least initially." Oh, what a word that is—"initially"! Who can give me a little definition? We won't look it up just now. (Teen: In the beginning, excellent! "Even the ones that do believe in love & sex & marriage"—I don't know which ones do—"do not allow it at first because they know what a distraction it is. The kids that join these other groups, whether they're cults or

an established denomination"—Oh, some big words here!—"usually have to stop sex either permanently or for quite some time." Are you guessing what I'm going to say? (Teens: Amen!)

Well, "Sex is a big responsibility. It gets you emotionally involved." Ever happen to you? (Few teens: "Amen", & other teens chuckling.) "And physically involved (Teens chuckling.) & often results in pregnancy." (Teens laughing.) I'm a grandfather! (Everyone laughing.) The day, the hour, the very moment my teenage daughter got the invitation to come here, she was in labour. GBH, she wanted to come but she got a new little baby, so GBH.

"If these involvements start immediately after you join the Family, then you cannot devote as much time & thought to the Lord & the Word & the many things you have to learn & all the ministries we have to teach you & all that you need to get involved in." So, Mama says, "I don't think it'll hurt you to abstain for a few months." Mmmm, that's a good one. Who'd like to give us a definition of "abstain". Oh, there's a good lad. (Teen: Maybe like hold off?) (Lots of laughter!)

"Our early disciples didn't have sex for years.—Of course we lost a lot of them because of it. (More laughter!) But I think if they had known that eventually they could have sex, then perhaps they would have been willing to stay. They were willing to give up everything else & endure all kinds of other hardships, so I think they would have been willing to give up sex for a certain period of time, if they had known that after a few months they were going to be able to enjoy it. And I don't think it would have been such a problem." Amen.

"I think that with new babes"—teens?—"it's a little too much for them to get involved in all kinds of relationships with all kinds of people." TLI "There's also the problem of diseases & things that we may contract which they might not be strong enough to endure or to understand. They've got so much catching up to do & so much learning to do, that they don't need the distraction of extra relationships. They need to first work on their relationship with..." (Teens: The Lord!) Oh, you've got it memorised. What kind of Letters have you been reading? (Teens laugh!)

"If they see"—uh oh—"if they see their elders & others in the Family enjoying mates & sex, they should just remember that in every group, no matter whether it's religious or secular, seniority always has advantages. You always have bonuses & special privileges for those in leadership."

Paul P.: Then once you become a leader you don't have time for it any more! (Teens laugh!)

Paul T.: "Our babes shouldn't be jealous or envious of that because those are the rules, that's just the way it is &"—oops, I lost my place—"& that's just the way it is & it's that way everywhere in the World & in every kind of group in any kind of organisation. New people coming in aren't trusted with as much, nor do they get as many benefits or privileges as the ones that have been proven faithful for a longer period of time. I suppose we'd have to set some kind of general rule that for a few months"—maybe say two months?"—"they just shouldn't get involved & they shouldn't have sex. Of course, they can (pause) masturbate!"—(Teens laughing!) TYL, TYL—"but they don't have to get involved with members of the opposite sex or their own sex either." (Teens laughing.)

"We know from experience they can"—now there's that big word again—"abstain for a little while because our early disciples did it for so long—some for many years. Sure, it was rough, but they were willing to do it because they loved the Lord." (Teens: Amen.) "It's a good test of what you are willing to sacrifice & endure for the Lord."



Let the Lord be your First Love & always keep Him in that place!

Did you come to Teen Camp for sex? (Teens: No!) Or for the Lord? (Teens: The Lord!) Well, you won't be disappointed. "A lot of our new disciples never even had sex before they joined, especially many of those who in the more conservative Third World countries"—Mexico?"—"where they aren't so progressive & they haven't had the freedom to do it. So I don't think a few more months of going without it is going to hurt them any." (Teens: Amen.)

"Requiring a time of abstinence will also ensure that we don't stumble them by giving them too much responsibility in having all the emotional & physical strain of sexual relationships & perhaps getting pregnant within a month or two. That's quite

difficult for most people.—A new life for the Lord, a new lifestyle, new Family, new rules, new education, new mate, new child, new feelings, new everything. If they do get involved with someone in their first months & they continue in the Family, then they don't get as well-grounded in the Word & in the Lord." Did you hear what Auntie Damaris said about when she first joined? It's true, you really do need to get grounded. "It just doesn't seem to make for very good strong disciples." TYL, God bless Mama.

"So even though abstinence"—that big word "holding off"—"doesn't keep people's mind off sex"—sure your mind will wander a time or two, she says—"but it keeps them from getting so personally involved with each other & they are able to accomplish more for the Lord." (Teens: Amen.) TYL "With one person, at least you know they are standing by themselves & they've got to answer to the Lord for themselves." And I think that's one thing Mommy said, Sara even said, that they really want you to know that it's you, you are making decisions now all on your own!

I wonder if you realise that when I joined the Family, the shepherd was a teenager & so was everyone else—literally! I was ancient! They would just look at me like, "He'll never make it. We'll put him in a sleeping bag on the floor, he'll last a day or two." I lasted a day or two & I was still saying, "Wow, wow!" Then they said, "OK, it's toilets tomorrow."—Scrubbing toilets, memorising—"The old guy's still around!" TYL So that's literally the truth, I was the only one over 20. So I know you can do it, because you're just the same as the Family was when I walked in.

"But when you get two together"—oh, now I've lost my place, LFM—"but then when you get two together you've got double trouble." I have lots of problems, on my own, but nobody here has problems, I guess. (Teens chuckle) "And you get two & you get more problems. Having to abstain from sex really showed what our early Family was willing to sacrifice & that they were 100%ers. They stuck around in spite of everything. So our new disciples needn't feel so persecuted if they don't get to immediately jump right into bed with someone." (Few teens chuckle.) TYL. "And I don't think they should be jealous of the older ones that are having it. Babes should be happy that they don't." (A teen: Amen.) TYL, God bless her, she's standing on the promises here, she's going on for the Lord & I know you all are.

Are you getting the point of this Letter? (Teens: Yes!) We're all soldiers!

(Teens: Amen.) "They should be happy that they don't, so they can concentrate on getting strong & really learning what the Family's all about & learning to be good witnesses. So there are lots of cases where people have to go without sex for a few months & sometimes a few years. It should be something that they can look forward to when they do get strong in the Lord spiritually, which is the main thing." What is the main thing? Who was listening? Oh, I've got you! Oh, there're hands going up! I thought I left you on the last curve! (Teens: To get strong in the Lord.) Yes, the main thing is to get strong in the Lord! "Then they can manifest their love physically & sexually & they can enjoy it more & be able to handle it a lot better, because initially it could be too much to handle."

"The less responsibility you have, the more single-minded you can be. Our biggest responsibility is learning the..." (Teens: Word!) "Learning to be strong Christians & strong..."—(Teens: Soldiers!)—"for the"—(Teens: Lord!) "We're supposed to be an"—(Teens: Army!) You know the whole thing! TYL "Why should we burden them with such a big responsibility & such a distraction when we're really trying to get them in the Word & really make them strong in the Lord. We've lost a lot of babes by letting them get involved & fall in love with someone that didn't return their love & they were heartbroken over it. We're an Army & when babes join, they need to go through their initial training & Boot Camp. We hope without the complications of personal relations—Oh, a lovely little poem! (Quotes in poetic meter:) "Without the complications, of personal relations." (Teens laugh.) TYL for that slogan.

"They need time to fall in love with Jesus & the Word first, (Teens: Amen.) then later when they are stronger they can be trusted with the added blessing of sexual fellowship." TYJ!

Paul P.: God bless Uncle Paul T., Isn't that sweet? (Teens: Amen! Teens applaud!) Well, before Uncle Juan starts sharing a few more things, we just want to let you know that of course this is a special situation for right here. We want you to know that, for two months only. Can you handle it for two months? (Teens: Yes!) But of course when you go home the rules & guidelines are found in "Teen Sex" ML 2061. But just remember, I was living with a girl & having sex regularly several times a week when I joined the Family, & then suddenly I abstained for four years or something. Four years!—You guys only have to go two months, & I stuck it out. So do you understand?

That's Grandpa's & Mama's suggestion for the Teen Camp. We "older teens" are under certain stipulations too, because the most important thing is that we've only got two months together & we've got to make it count. And if we're spending all of our time thinking of all the pretty girls walking by as we're trying to memorise, or we're walking up to the boys' rooms & we're thinking how we can make a conversation—this probably hasn't happened, but just say it does! (Teens laugh!) If we were thinking along those lines, well, that's a lot of valuable time & we could be using it for memorising & we could be getting in the Word & we could be reviewing our notes & all these things, because we've only got two months & we've really got to make it count, OK? Can you hang on for two months? (Teens: Yes!) Abstain? (Teens: Amen.) Hold off! OK, here's Uncle Juan.

Juan: PYL, TYL! I have to keep thanking the Lord because it's hard for me sometimes to realise that I'm here. I just feel so blessed, such a privilege to be here with you all! Talking about "older teens" I feel like I'm one of you, just a little older, but I feel I have so much to learn. There's so much to be thankful for & the love of Daddy & Mama just amazes me. Perhaps the greatest lesson that I've been having to learn in this past year of my life is about their love for us & how they really care for each one of us here & what a wonderful blessing it is for each one of us to be here.

Imagine, out of billions of people in this world—there are billions—there are



160 of us sitting here, sitting at His feet just because Daddy & Mommy love us so much! We here, we're making history today! (Teens: Hallelujah, TYL!) All the Angels in Heaven are rejoicing right now for what's happening! We have been chosen & none of us have done anything to deserve this blessing. I'll never forget the first day I had the blessing of arriving at Daddy & Mama's Home. I felt like a mess, I still do, but I mean I thought that of course they didn't know what a big mess I was. I thought I had been able to really fool them.

But I remember I saw Mama & she called me & said, "Come & talk to me." So I came & I was so nervous, just shaking, thinking "Oh no, she's going to discover what a mess I am!" She was hugging me & I guess I was shaking so much that she realised that I was so nervous. So she said, "What are you nervous for?" I said, "Well..." She said, "You probably are nervous because you think I'm going to find out what a mess you are, huh?" (Teens laugh!) And I said, "Yes, I guess so." She said, "Well, don't worry about it, I know you're a mess!" (Teens laugh.)

And here I am, they know what a mess I am, they know I'll probably blow it right as I walk out of this room, but they still love me! I have the blessing of being here, sitting here with you all, to sit at His feet right now & to hear from the Lord the wonderful lessons that He has for us. There's only seven years left & Jesus is coming, there's no time left & we have been chosen! Why? We don't know, for we did not choose Him, He chose us. It's such a blessing for us to be here, so let's take advantage of every second that we are here! Please, let's really make it for the Lord! There's less than seven years left & there's a whole World yet to conquer! It's not just our little world here in Mexico or the U.S. or in Peru or in Ecuador. Let's conquer the World! (Teens: Amen!) Let's have a World vision! Let's keep our love for Jesus!

I just love listening to the stories of our early pioneers. I've sat for hours listening to Ebed or Watchman or to all of those people. I mean, you talk about radicals, we were! But somehow some of us old bottles lost that spirit. I've listened to Watchman telling stories of when he got put in jail. Persecution also came to Peru just recently & we were shaking in our boots. What if we go to jail?—Not that anybody should ask for persecution. All of a sudden I would think of Watchman who was 17 years old when he got put in jail. What did he do?—Started witnessing to all the blacks, to all the Mexicans, & to all the

white trash that were there in jail, converted them to the Lord & got a beautiful song, "I Can Hardly Wait for the Day". What happened to that spirit?

That's why you are the ones that are going to help us win the World for Jesus!—Because this Revolution got started with teens like you! When I joined I was 25 years old, had a wife, had two children at the time, I had gone to university & had gotten three degrees, joined a Home & my shepherd was a 16-year-old boy. He taught me what I hadn't been able to learn in eight years of university.—To love Jesus. So why wait, you're leaders today, we're leaders today! Let's make each of these days count, let's just give our all to Jesus, let's learn how to love the Lord together! (Teens: Amen!) Let's learn how to love His Word, because that's what's going to make us strong.

I'm truly learning how to live the quote about every day becoming the happiest day of my life. As I sit here I can honestly tell you that today I feel like the happiest man in the World because I'm here with you. We're all sitting at His feet & we're all going to learn lessons together, but most of all we're going to learn how to love Daddy & Mama & the precious Words of life & love, & love Jesus!—Because He's coming, He's coming soon! It's not fiction, it's a reality!

I'll never forget the first Heaven's Girl chapter that I got. The thing that impressed me the most was in the Introduction. There was a paragraph that said, "This is not a fairy tale, this is not fiction, this is the Truth!" That's it! This is the Truth, we have the Truth, we have Jesus! That's all that counts. (Teens: Amen.) TYL that we're here—so let's become militants for Jesus! (Teens: Amen!) Let's go out & conquer the World! (Teens: Amen!)

I don't know if you all read the news or not, about all these problems that they're having in jails in Peru, terrorists are just getting killed, causing a revolution. For what? A lot of those kids are your age! If they're willing to give their lives for nothing, shouldn't we be willing to give our lives for the Truth? (Teens: Amen.) The terrorists are trying to set the people free, because in Peru there is a big difference between the rich & the poor. The poor have hardly anything to eat while the rich have everything. So that's what they're doing it for. But we are not only going to help them physically, but you get them saved you're giving them Heaven forever! (Teens: Amen!) Not just food to eat for today, but food to eat forever! If these

people are willing to give their lives for that cause, shouldn't we be willing to go out & forget about everything that isn't important, forget the past? (Teens: Amen.) Even forget the future! Just think about today, what can we do today to really love Jesus & help win others to Jesus today? TYJ!

So I just wanted to tell you that, how thankful I am for the blessing of being here, & I thank the Lord & I thank Daddy & Mommy for their love, for allowing me to be here with you all. I really pray that we can all learn precious lessons of love together. In Jesus' name. TYL!

I wanted to request a song because it expresses what I want to do with my life today. This day I genuinely want to rededicate my life to the Lord & I pray that we all can do it as we're all sitting here together. We can just close our eyes & think about Jesus & perhaps have a time to really rededicate our lives to the Lord, & to Daddy & Mama, because they are Jesus to us. They are the ones that gave us the Word, they are the Lord to us because the Word is the Lord.

(Music begins, wholehearted singing of "All I Want To Do Is Serve Him". All praise the Lord after song.)

Paul P. prays: Thank You so much Jesus. Lord, do put it in each of us just to serve You with our whole hearts. Already we don't even have two months left of this summer camp, it's less than two months now. Every day ticks away. Whatever we learn today is what we keep of today & the rest is gone, Lord, except for the notes we take & the verses we memorise. We know that Heaven's Girl is just around the corner. Lord, we don't see Heaven's Girl pulling out her Memory Book, we don't see her pulling out her Volumes or Daily Bread, she probably doesn't even have them any more because she's too busy, she's out there. She had to store up the Word in the months preceding the Great Tribulation. Lord, help us all to realise that that time is now, it's right now, it's today, it's tonight, Lord, it's after we eat, it's those few precious minutes when we're lying in bed. We could be reading something or memorising something, putting more in our lives that's going to help us in the future!

Lord, help everyone here to realise that they are being trained as leaders. That's what Dad said & what we read today. —Not just leaders of tribes or leaders of three or four brothers & sisters, Lord, but everyone in this room is very soon going to be leading thousands! Thousands of people are going to come to us, every one here, & they're going to ask us for direction. Lord, You said that in the Endtime, many shall

seek unto us & those of understanding will have something to give them. But how shall we understand unless we learn it now? How shall we know these things unless we put it in our hearts now? So help us, Lord, each one of us, to rededicate our lives & yield to You fresh daily. Help us to realise this is what makes this Kingdom stand, & this is what is going to make this Kingdom go into all the World & preach the Gospel to every creature. It's going to be those daily lessons that we learn, those little things, those memory quotes, all of those things.

So help us, Lord, to seize this precious opportunity that Jesus & that Grandpa & Maria have given to us. Help us not have to say two months from now, "If only I had! Why didn't I do more? It was such a golden opportunity, every day I could've learned so much, there was so much time. I never had that much time before to read the Word & to memorise, to learn those lessons & get that training." Help us to realise it's today, Lord. Help us to get everything we can out of it, so we won't look back on this time & say, "If I only had, if I only had done more". Help us, Lord, not to wait around & have to be convinced that this is right, help us to convince ourselves right now! Help us to make a firm commitment in our lives right now that we want to give our all tonight, today, forever, Jesus! In Jesus' name. (Fervent praising & thanking the Lord!)

Paul P.: Are you excited? (Teens: Amen!!) We used to have a call to arms. We hadn't been yelling it a lot lately because they might get the wrong idea what kind of Revolution we're talking about. But Grandpa used to walk in the room & he would say (real loud) "Revolution" & everybody would yell "For Jesus!" Now I won't say "Revolution" very loud, but you can answer loud if you want, OK? (Paul P. whispers:) Revolution! (Teens: FOR JESUS!!) Revolution! (Teens: FOR JESUS!!) Revolution! (Teens: FOR JESUS!!) HOLY GHOST! (Teens: POWER!!) HOLY GHOST! (Teens: POWER!!) HOLY GHOST! (Teens: POWER!!) Amen, we've got it!

So you all survived the meeting! (Teens: Amen!) Are you happy you came? (Teens: Amen!) Well, we have a little time, you could hug a few people. Why don't we thank the Lord for the food since we're all together. (Teens: Amen.) We don't have to be in a rut, Grandpa's house changes every day. So we've got to be open to new things, right? Should we thank the Lord for the food together? (Teens: Amen!) (All say "Thank You, Jesus, for this food!" together.)