

and Stephen, which have occurred in S. Europe over the past couple of years:

(1) First of all was when Stephen held a sackcloth vigil in the Rome Disco, supposedly against the disco and the music there, during which time he also slapped Rodent (the AB) in the face. He had been there just days before with Rachel and Emanuele but never mentioned anything against the situation at the time.

Stephen and his group of 20 or so refused to leave the premises at the request of the local disco colony members and leadership. That afternoon the club had to be delayed in opening for two hours while the catacombers, who had brought their friends and people they were witnessing to, had to wait outside. Later that night, Angelo and the musicians led 300 kids in prayer to receive Jesus!

(2) There have been several incidences where Stephen and/or Daniel and Menorah visited colonies all over France and Italy deliberately trying to stir up dissension between colony members and on one occasion got so fired up and violent that he threw one of the brothers, Jacob Hopper, up against the wall in front of the regional meeting. It was often strongly advocated by Mother and Stephen for people to just desert their posts to join them. For example, John Z was a District Shepherd in S. France and just up and deserted his flock without notifying anyone in order to find a replacement for him.

(3) Last Fall while visiting Italy, Mother and Stephen took Mene

away from Vessel and Shula, even though they were cooperating in letting Mene spend time with Mom. As yet, they still have refused to return Mene to her parents, even though they received a message from Rachel specifically stating that Dad said Shula should be allowed to keep her daughter Mene with her. Naturally, this has caused Vessel and Shula a lot of worry and agony.

(4) Mother and Stephen, as well as many of the people they are responsible for, have a bad habit of expecting others to pay their bills for them. On several occasions, their colonies have run up large bills at trailer camps, house rents, etc., which the local AB had to end up paying, as these things were done in the name of COG. They often failed to pay their lit bills, even though their special "border base colonies" were only requested to pay 10% to the AB (actual cost of printing and paper only!), so it had nothing to do with the 35%. They got their lit on credit, but when a default in payment occurred, Mom or Steve would seek goodwill to get them restored, which we'd do at their request, and finally switched over to COD delivery! Even during Mom and Stephen's stay in Florence, they ran up a large phone bill in the flat we gave them free to stay at and then left it for us to pay. The flat was also left a complete mess, physically.

(5) While they obviously have the spiritual insight often times to detect problems, their means of going about to correct them leaves a lot to be desired in positive results, more often than not causing real dissension if anyone steps up to question. Mean-

while, at one point, their "region" of N. Africa had grown to 108 people, only 20 of whom were in Malta or Tunisia and the rest floating around Europe somewhere (while they spent all their time encouraging everyone to leave Europe!). Meanwhile, these 108 people were winning only a few souls per month in total and not meeting the 1000 per person lit distribution. So in terms of productivity, they were certainly not much of a sample.

Anyway, the majority of these incidents are long over with and not present problems, but we wanted to take this opportunity to add it to Kenaz and Hodiah's report. Also listed are a few comments gleaned off the questionnaires in reference to Mom's team:

Zaccheus Star (teacher of Ho & Esther's children): "Incident with Stephen David at Rome '76—the disunity and confrontation was obviously against the MO Letters."

Joseph Swiss, Tunisia: "Mother Eve and Stephen many times wanted people to be loyal to them and their doctrines to a point of being contrary to the Letters, specifically in their counsel about marriage, or

reports, or witnessing."

Rebekah Willow, London: "In my opinion, Stephen David has acted contrary to 'The Law of Love' in using his 'title' as a top leader or member of the RF to practically force his beliefs and liberties on others, as well as taking from others to feed his own desires."

Daniel Pilot, Tunisia: "Mother Eve has, before the 'RNR' Letter, openly to babes and other Family members, denounced the Chain of Cooperation and top leaders such as Rodent and has encouraged people to drop out of the Chain to work with her. I personally think she did this to help the Family and really stuck her neck out, but it caused real division within the Family."

Heidi Miracle, Norway: "On Mom's team there were some cruel situations occurring, done out of selfishness and lack of love for the team. I've never seen such. I don't think Mom knew about it all.

Love and prayers,
Hosanna & Rose.

(MO: "It's about time we got on their sad case! If exposure doesn't do it, maybe it'll have to be expulsion!—Sad Dad, 11/3/78.)

TIPS FOR TRANSLATING THE "FAMILY NEWS"!

Although the "Family News" is not required to be translated and reprinted, it would be a tremendous help to the nationals at this time.

—We have heard pleas from different fields about the need for some kind of translating of the FN.

In translating, there would be no need to make a "duplicate issue" in the exact format as the English copy. We suggest just a quick

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"running translation" article-by-article, typed the simplest way possible, perhaps all the way across the page, and then printed, xeroxed or mimeographed—whatever is quickest, cheapest and most expedient.

No photos, lettraseting or fancy layout needed!—Just the pertinent information in the language of your land, to be sure that all understand! Love, The Editors.



More Sad Reports - ON MOTHER & STEPHEN!

Editors: The situation with Mother and Stephen is so serious that we are publishing more testimonials from former members of their team!

BE WARNED!

From Ruthie Faithful, London:

Dear Dad & Maria,

Mother has accused Michael and me of not having done anything for their team, when in actual fact I was asked to forsake my flee-fund to pay off past unpaid bills, etc. totalling over £300, and we also helped to support their colonies by litnessing, etc.

We have also witnessed many accounts and incidents on Mother's team which have not been according to the MO Letters nor in a true spirit of love, such as stealing money and opening mail, forced forsaking all sessions, stealing wives and husbands without the mate's consent, etc. I deeply regret and repent of the times I was involved in such horrible things. I only hope that everyone will truly have a real metanoia, and that is why I have written to you about these things, because I feel that the people involved need help.

I love you so much and am so thankful for such a loving shepherd. Please don't "put out the lights"

("Hamburger Boat"). We need you so much, and the whole world needs you, because they all need to know about Jesus.

Love, Ruthie Faithful, London.

From Moriah, London, England

God bless you Dad & Maria,

In spite of the RNR, "Mother's team" still exists for quite a few people. Mother has shared with everyone on her team that this Letter does not apply to her team as she was never a part of the Chain of Cooperation. I sincerely believe that they (Mother, Stephen, etc.) are still leading souls to destruction by their deceptions and delusions. —I believe I was one of them!

I first met the Family when I was travelling around France and camped beside the Ark in Casis. I joined some brethren on "Mother's team"—that was 16 months ago. After two weeks the Lord took me to Tunisia. That's where I met Mother and Stephen and Adria. Later, Thaddeus, Adria's husband, and Christopher, their 4-month-

old little baby, came. That's when I became Christopher's childcare worker, as Adria very seldom spent any time with little Christopher, as they were singing in hotels and staying in hotels.

After two months, Mother asked Thaddeus to go to England and to take Christopher with him. He could not care for Christopher alone, so they asked me if I'd like to go with him. I really loved little Christopher, so I said yes. I did not know at the time, but Stephen had suggested to Thaddeus several times that he believed it was the Lord's will for Thaddeus to get together with me. We set off for England. I did not understand why he kept wanting to "get together" with me; I thought he must have an urgent need, so I felt I could not refuse to make love with him. I didn't know he was following orders! However, our relationship was not blessed by the Lord and bore bad fruit. We were staying with Church systemites, and in the entire four months I was there we accomplished nothing for Jesus! We were not supposed to litness, didn't get any books or anything, no FF'ing, etc. Also, we did not know that there were other colonies there to fellowship with.

Finally, the Lord touched Adria's heart to tell me I could go down to Malta with Christopher. Thaddeus stayed in England. In Malta, I continued to be Christopher's mommy. At that time, Adria was in Libya and was pregnant with Stephen's baby.

Mother, Stephen and Adria made it pretty clear to me that they

thought it best that I go back to England and marry Thaddeus, even though I had told Mother that I did not have a burden to marry him. Of course, my choice was obvious, as I was Christopher's mommy.—He did not know anyone else really, not his mother in the flesh nor his flesh father.

I was told to go to England without Christopher and make love with Thaddeus and give him a vision for Christopher. Of course, I was not to go openly saying that, but to "ff" my way in through Thaddeus. Also, Mother told me to get Giddel's phone number, as he did not want to give it to her. She said, "There's ways of getting things." So I went up to England with Beriah (we were staying at Beriah's place in France) while Christopher stayed with another brother in a different town from Adria.

We were told to pick up a van in England that belonged to some brethren in Naples. This is the van that they accused David and Judy Watchman of stealing. At Mother's suggestion to blast them, Beriah yelled at David and Judy and we took the van to his mother's place. He wanted to go up north to his friend's trial the next day. The van wouldn't start, so I suggested that maybe the Lord did not want us to go up north. He said that was ridiculous and that it was just an attack of the Enemy. Then we tried to push the van and it ran over my foot! It really hurt, but the Lord totally spared my foot and again I thought that maybe the Lord was trying to tell us something, but I just felt I was speaking doubt and didn't push