

send spies down to the club where we were to find out what we were up to!

25. Because his boss was quite influential, we advised Chepe to try to stay with his job and witness the best he could. Well, he tried for awhile but it just didn't work—he was so zealous and on-fire! Finally when he couldn't take it any longer, the Lord gave Chepe an open door to sock it to his boss and tell him why his life had changed!

26. It was such an anointed, convicting talk that it drove his boss to the decision point, but he made the wrong one and fired Chepe! Chepe had tried to stick it out with his boss for several months, mainly to protect the work and help get residency, but Chepe had changed so much that his whole countenance and person was visibly altered and everyone noticed it. He couldn't help but witness all the time! Hallelujah!

27. This is not to say that Chepe was a radical revolutionary in everything—he wasn't. He was 35 years old and had a lot of system ideas that needed changing.—The amazing thing was, that for someone of that age, seemingly so set in his ways, successful in business and intellectually inclined, he was so humble and readily receptive to the Truth and willing to dedicate his life to serving Jesus at any cost!

28. Chepe had, previous to this, been deeply involved in the Catholic Church. For four years he was the Secretary-General of the Jesuits, who are often called "the priests' priests", because they are the most intellectual, ardently Catholic reli-

gious order of the entire Church and have special allegiances to the Pope. He had even had a private Papal audience and worked on some of the translations of the Pope's epistles before he came to Tenerife to work.

29. So why did he leave? "For one very normal, natural thing," as he said to Dad. "There it is prohibited to have women, and men must have women; I wanted to have a woman." Dad told Chepe:

30. "Sad to say, as a result of this, something worse has happened among Catholic priests, and this you probably know. Many Catholic priests, because of not being allowed women, have been driven to sodomy, which is worse in God's sight!" Chepe readily agreed!

31. Chepe wanted a woman, but at first he wanted one too much.—That is, he expected the normal system marriage relationship and wanted his wife all for himself. But after all, isn't it natural to selfishly want a mate all to yourself? —It may be, but it isn't super-natural, and that's the realm we are living in—the supernatural Spirit of God!

32. So the Lord had to teach Chepe some pretty hard lessons about sharing: Only a couple months after she became pregnant, Bev had a miscarriage. God used this to really teach Chepe a big lesson about selfishness. Because he hadn't been willing to share all that God had given him with others, and because he had wanted to separate himself and Bev and live outside of the Family, the Lord had taken the child and made Chepe

realise that Bev was not his private possession.

33. And to his credit, Chepe readily received the lesson. He realised he had not only gained a wife, but more important, a Family, and that one reason why we have such true, pure love is because we share God's Love with others. Bev had a few trials about being Chepe's wife,

34. So Dad suggested that Bev be freed to be bait and that Chepe could have another girl for his "mother". Chepe again accepted that just fine and moved in the very next day with Judy and read the MO Letters and had more of his babe's training with her for an additional month. Later he lived with Cancion, who is also Columbian, for several months, and soon graduated into sharing his "mother" with other hungry fish; he just wanted his share of love too!—So Chepe came pretty far along, considering all the changes and tests he passed, and became a full-time disciple for the Lord! Hallelujah!

35. Chepe appeared to be such a

"systemite" when we first met him, but thank the Lord, he turned out to be proof of the old saying, "You can't always tell a book by its cover!" In fact, he even began to change, or rather, throw away some of his covers, soon after meeting the Family!

36. Chepe was so churchy that at first we even thought he might be a Jesuit spy! But he proved himself to be a complete new creature in Christ when:

37. On one of his first visits to Dad's house, everybody peeled off their clothes to go swimming naked in the pool. We teased Chepe to come join us—and he did. Throwing clothes and caution to the wind, he dove into the wild freedom of God's Family of Love and hasn't gotten out yet!

38. Another fish for the Lord's creel and another trophy of Flirty Fishing. So don't be surprised if you get a quick big bite when you're only a "beginner" bait. The Lord's ponds are full of nice hungry fish—and some in suit and tie, like Chepe!

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Sweet Pedro

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1. On one particularly slow night at the club, Arthur, the fisherman for the night, called Dad at home to let him know how things were going: "No one to mention of is here; it's not a very busy night. The only person here at the club whom we know is young Sweet Pedro."

2. Dad said, "Well, let's go after him! Invite him to your table! I love that boy! That boy has the sweetest face! He has the face of an angel. I really love that boy. Now I want him, I want that boy for the Family!"

3. Pedro was an office clerk, in his mid-20's, a Cancer and native Tenerifan. He had been going to the club for several months when he met the Family late in April, '76. Pedro was quite shy and withdrawn into his shell, but yet there was something special about him that made him different from all the other young men at the club. We all loved him from the start and called him "Sweet Pedro".

4. He had first started going to the club with friends to pick up on some of the European women who



"Sweet Pedro" in Tenerife

came to the Islands for just that very purpose. And mainly giving in to pressure from his friends, he had made love to a couple of the young tourist girls, but had never found the true love in life that he longed for inside.

5. He couldn't communicate with these girls spiritually or even linguistically (since they didn't speak Spanish), so these initial sex experiences had left him, as he said, "feeling as if I couldn't stand living with myself, because it was just like an

animalistic, mechanical sort of thing."

6. As was later proved, most of these adverse feelings towards sex in Pedro's mind were a result of the "sex is sin" propaganda of the Catholic Church that teaches that sex is some depraved act resulting from the Fall of Man.

7. One month before meeting the Family, Pedro forsook the idea of chasing foreign women. He decided to look for his "dream girl", and he found her: A Spanish girl from the Island whom he thought he could marry and live with happily ever after!

8. But then he met Sally one night at the club. He was so drawn by her beauty and spirit that his girlfriend soon became jealous. But instead of dropping Sally, he dropped his dream girl and began coming to the club just to meet the Family! Praise the Lord!

9. It was only Pedro's second time at the club after meeting Sally that Dad gave the order to go after him! The very next evening Dad and Maria were the hosts at our table, and when Pedro walked in, Maria soon politely excused herself from the boy she was dancing with, and asked Pedro for a dance. Pedro was completely, though happily, shocked!

10. He had noticed Maria sitting next to Dad and thought she was so beautiful that he couldn't even understand how she could have noticed him, much less want to dance with him. But as they danced, he found out she had not only noticed him, but she knew his name, what kind of job he worked at, and

where he lived!

11. Maria really melted his heart with her tender, loving, personal concern and prepared the way for Alfred, who next witnessed to him with the Word in Spanish. Pedro later said that as he listened to Alfred that night, his head felt like it was spinning and turning! God's Love was already reeling him in! Hallelujah!

12. Pedro just couldn't believe anybody could talk to him about God with such open conviction, and that very night on his way home, he said he felt compelled to stop his car on the side of the road and pray, just like Alfred had told him to do, and Sweet Pedro asked Jesus to come into his heart.

13. As soon as he got saved, he became just like one of the Family, and by mid-May he started coming over to one of our selah houses for Bible classes. While visiting the Family, he met Miguel Americano. Though they both lived in La Laguna, they had never met, but they soon became fast friends. It was through Miguel and Pedro that La Laguna erupted in a witnessing explosion that soon claimed hundreds of catcomb disciples from the campuses of that University town!

14. Though Pedro didn't seem to need sex that much, Dad was concerned that he might not be getting his needs met, and that if we didn't love him up there was always the possibility that he might have to get it from worldly women again.

15. He had heard alot of sermons about Love, but had never had a