

A Look Inside The Restored Church of God®



The Restored Church of God, led by Pastor General David C. Pack, is commissioned by Jesus Christ to:

1. Announce the good news of the Kingdom of God to all nations (Mark 16:15).
2. Feed God's flock called out of the world and into His Church (John 21:15-17; I Peter 5:1-2).

The Restored Church of God is committed to freely offering—through the most extensive biblically based websites in the world, rcg.org—thorough and comprehensive PLAIN UNDERSTANDING on virtually every teaching of the Bible, small and great.

The Church's headquarters is in Wadsworth, Ohio, and it has congregations in more than 70 countries across six continents.

Other Restored Church of God projects and programs include:

- *The World to Come with David C. Pack*: a program available around the globe that explains the causes behind mankind's greatest problems—and the only solutions
- Hundreds of free books, booklets, articles, lessons and magazines—many in 11 languages (English, Spanish, French, Italian, German, Dutch, Afrikaans, Swahili, Polish, Serbian and Tahitian)
- *The Real Truth*: a bimonthly news magazine—the continuation of *The Plain Truth*, which was published by the former Worldwide Church of God and had millions of subscribers across the globe
- *The Splinter Explanation Packet*: books and sermons for those with a background in the Worldwide Church of God, which was founded by Herbert W. Armstrong
- Ambassador Center: an advanced liberal arts institution to train future ministers and leaders
- Feast of Tabernacles: an annual international convention held simultaneously at multiple sites around the world
- *The Pillar of the Truth*: a bimonthly magazine for members and co-workers
- *Ambassador Youth*: a quarterly magazine for teenagers
- Ambassador Youth Camp: held annually for the Church's teenagers

The Restored Church of God is experiencing rapid growth worldwide! We continually train and hire full-time ministers, and regularly form new congregations.

For more information, contact the Public Communications Department at 330-334-2266 or communications@rcg.org.



The Restored Church of God®



Purpose and History

The Restored Church of God is an international organization with congregations in more than 70 countries across six continents. With its World Headquarters in Wadsworth, Ohio, the Church teaches God's revealed way of life (Matthew 28:19-20) and preaches the good news (the gospel) of the soon-coming Kingdom of God (Mark 16:15).

The Restored Church of God is independent and not affiliated with other religious organizations. It does not publicly appeal for funds or actively seek new members. Believing that only God Himself can spiritually attract members (John 6:44), the Church is non-proselytizing and non-political. All of its publications and programs are offered free of charge in the public interest.

Established in 1999 by Pastor General David C. Pack, The Restored Church of God traces its history back through the Worldwide Church of God, led by Herbert W. Armstrong, to the original first-century Church established in AD 31 by Jesus Christ.

Following the teachings of Jesus Christ, the Founder of the Church, members strive to live by every word of God (Matthew 4:4), as revealed in both the Old and New Testaments. As did Jesus and the first-century Church, members of The Restored Church of God keep the seventh-day Sabbath (Friday sundown to Saturday sundown) and the annual Holy Days, including Passover, the Days of Unleavened Bread, and the Feast of Tabernacles (Mark 2:27-28; Leviticus 23; John 7:8, 14; I Corinthians 5:7-8).

The original Church was led by a tiny group that eventually had a profound effect on the world of their time. While also having started small, The Restored Church of God is experiencing steady growth and increasing impact around the world. Through its materials, people are learning sound principles to help them lead productive lives and become better examples—and better citizens—in their local communities.

Wealth of Knowledge Through Free Materials

The Restored Church of God, which hosts the largest biblically based website on Earth, provides an ever-expanding array of published books, booklets and articles—all without cost or obligation—to guide those seeking to live God's Way. The material, available in multiple languages (including English, Spanish, French, German, Dutch, Italian, Afrikaans, Swahili, Polish, Serbian and Tahitian), brings plain understanding of the insoluble problems overwhelming mankind, and points to the lasting peace of the world to come, just over the horizon.

To date, the Church has reached almost every country and territory with its programs and materials, and hundreds of millions of items have been downloaded from its website, rcg.org.

The Restored Church of God: The official website of The Restored Church of God offers material explaining how peace will come in our time, how to end your financial worries, why new diseases are appearing and older ones reappearing, whether the United Nations is really mankind's ultimate answer, why modern Christianity is divided, real faith, and the way of "give" versus the way of "get." In addition, the Church offers literature on how to lead a healthful life, the laws to success, how to build a solid marriage, and how to properly rear children.

The World to Come with David C. Pack: This program answers life's greatest questions straight from the Bible and explains solutions for unsolvable worldwide problems and conditions. Each 30-minute episode is recorded in high definition and is available with closed captions for the hearing impaired and those seeking the program in multiple languages. *The World to Come* is available across the globe through its website, as well as its YouTube channel at youtube.com/RestoredCOG.

The Real Truth Magazine: The Real Truth is a news resource that explains the truth about the growing problems confronting society—and also offers daily news updates and insightful articles to keep you informed in a fast-changing world. Topics include major world events, weather catastrophes, geopolitical and military developments, the increase of disease, as well as important human interest topics, such as the definition of true character, how to build a strong marriage, and the keys to success, among many other subjects.

How Is Everything Free?

Unlike other religious organizations, The Restored Church of God never solicits the general public for financial support. Instead, the Church is dedicated to a mission of outgoing concern for all people worldwide. Following Christ's instruction, "freely you have received, freely give" (Matthew 10:8), we offer everything *absolutely free*.

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The Restored Church of God receives financial support from the voluntary tithes paid by its members, who recognize the abundant blessings promised by God to all who obey His tithing law. Both the Church and its people prosper from practicing this proven law from God's Word, the Bible.

There are also others around the world who regularly contribute as co-workers and donors in an effort to help share with others what they received.

Offering Hope in a Troubled World

In an age of fear, chaos and uncertainty, The Restored Church of God, led by David C. Pack, is a voice of truth, providing answers, and proclaiming hope for humanity. Through tools such as video broadcasts, magazines, books, booklets, brochures, Bible lessons, and articles, thousands are learning God exists and that there *is* a bright future ahead for mankind.

Christ said, "I am come that they might have *life*, and that they might have it more *abundantly*" (John 10:10). Understanding this leads to *why* Jesus said His Way represents a life more wonderful—more *abundant*—than most could ever imagine!

As mankind yearns for peace and dreams of a prosperous life, The Restored Church of God is helping people find answers to their greatest questions—and learn to make their lives happier and more productive!

An Overview of Ambassador Center™



Ambassador Center (AC), founded in 2008 by David C. Pack, President and Pastor General of The Restored Church of God, is committed to the development of the whole person. AC is dedicated to helping men and women prepare for meaningful roles in the Work of God by educating students with values that lead to success in life.

AC seeks to achieve excellence in teaching while providing an educational setting that will serve to further character and personality development.



Statement of Purpose

The purpose of Ambassador Center is twofold:

1. To provide a co-educational learning institution for the training of students, including future employees at The Restored Church of God's World Headquarters.
2. To provide a consecrated ministry for The Restored Church of God according to the highest spiritual, intellectual and cultural standards, to serve those God calls to His Church, and for the preaching and publishing of the gospel of the Kingdom of God as a witness to all nations.

Ambassador Center recognizes the necessity of equipping students not only with thorough knowledge and sound understanding of scripture and theology, but also in the liberal arts, affording a well-rounded, balanced education.

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Fact Sheet about the Feast of Tabernacles

Following the biblical teachings of Jesus Christ, members of The Restored Church of God® annually celebrate the Feast of Tabernacles, often simply referred to as “the Feast.”

Each year, Church members travel to various cities and observe the Feast season during eight days. Over the years, members have enjoyed the Feast in various cities around the world such as Taha’a, French Polynesia; Homa Bay, Kenya; Chennai, India; Residencial La Angostura, Peru; and Bournemouth, England. In the United States, locations include Salt Lake City, Utah; Rogers, Arkansas; Safety Harbor, Florida; and Wadsworth, Ohio.

Evidence of Christians keeping this yearly festival can be traced to the first-century New Testament Church started in AD 31. Jesus kept the Feast, as did the original apostles (John 7:1-11; Acts 18:21).

This yearly festival has its roots in Old Testament teachings. Many of God’s servants, including Moses and Samuel, observed it.

The Feast of Tabernacles symbolizes a prophesied time when all of mankind will learn to become more like God, and lead lives of peace and abundance. Church members save a portion of their annual income and use it during the eight days at their site. Family and social activities are scheduled throughout the Feast so members from around the world can become better acquainted with one another. Many visit local tourist attractions with family and friends, and enjoy fine dining establishments available in the area.

Feast attendees go to daily Church services where ministers explain biblical passages about this coming time, teach how to improve interpersonal relationships and marriages, and expound on other Christian-living topics.

Pastor General David C. Pack addresses Church members with unique messages for the occasion and also personally travels to American sites.

The Feast season begins and ends with a day of special meetings and worship. On those occasions, both a morning and afternoon service is conducted, in which the significance of these Holy Days, as found throughout the Bible, is reviewed and explained to Church members.

Further information and detailed biblical evidence about the coming time when all of humanity will enjoy peace and prosperity can be found in Mr. Pack’s free book *Tomorrow’s Wonderful World – An Inside View!* A copy, presented without cost or obligation, is available from the Public Communications Department by emailing communications@rcg.org.



DAVID C. PACK PRESIDENT AND PASTOR GENERAL THE RESTORED CHURCH OF GOD®



As Pastor General of The Restored Church of God, David C. Pack oversees the world's most extensive biblically based websites. He attended Ambassador College and entered the Worldwide Church of God ministry in 1971. He has established more than 63 congregations, authored over 80 books and booklets, written hundreds of articles, and appeared on *The History Channel*. As Publisher and Editor-in-Chief of *The Real Truth* magazine and voice of the program *The World to Come*, he has reached many millions around the globe with the most powerful truths of the Bible, unknown to almost all.

Born in 1948, Mr. Pack grew up in the American Midwest, in Lima, Ohio. Focused largely on sports and competitive swimming for 14 years, and having achieved high school all-American honors, as well as having begun training for the 1968 Olympics, Mr. Pack experienced a major turning point that became a course-altering—and LIFE-altering—event. He began to listen to *The World Tomorrow* radio program, sponsored by the Radio Church of God (later renamed the Worldwide Church of God), and heard Herbert W. Armstrong announce the true gospel of the Bible—the good news of the coming Kingdom of God.

Declining acceptance to Dartmouth College, as well as an appointment to the United States Naval Academy, and numerous scholarship offers, Mr. Pack chose to attend Ambassador College in Pasadena, California, world headquarters of the Church. Upon graduation in 1971, he married Shirley Ochs (who died in 2007), a fellow Ambassador College graduate and former personal secretary to Mr. Armstrong, and entered the ministry. He served congregations in Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, New York, New Jersey, and Ohio, and trained and supervised other ministers in a wider region.

Having begun as a writer in the late 1970s, Mr. Pack's vast array of books, booklets and articles has helped millions learn biblical truths as never before. He has traveled the world, pastored thousands, and conducted many public Bible lectures. Mr. Pack has also held a number of leadership positions that have given him a wide range of ministerial and administrative experience.

Upon Mr. Armstrong's death in January 1986, the true gospel message and virtually every teaching that flows from this most central truth was rejected by his successors. Standing on conviction, Mr. Pack left the Worldwide Church of God in 1993, educating and leading the way for thousands who would follow.

Determined not to compromise his beliefs, Mr. Pack started The Restored Church of God in May 1999. The organization is truly unique, unlike any other on Earth. Under his leadership, it proclaims a powerful and positive message, answering the greatest question on the minds of billions: What is the purpose of human existence? This requires special focus on the scriptural SOLUTIONS to the awful problems, troubles, evils and ills mankind has always faced, but which have grown much worse in the 21st century.

Mr. Pack's and the Church's materials address the everyday concerns of the average man and woman—and do so without soliciting funds, proselytizing or involvement in politics. All literature and programs are offered free of charge and in the public interest. Mr. Pack is dedicated to teaching the only path to world peace—the good news beyond today's bad news. In this regard, he has produced or guided into production a vast reservoir of educational material for people of every age.

The Church's flagship magazine, *The Real Truth*, and the program, *The World to Come with David C. Pack*, reach nearly every nation and territory of the world, including heads of state and other leaders in government, religion, education, industry and media.

To learn much more, read *The Authorized Biography of David C. Pack*.

Discover the Real Truth About Today's World

Analyzing world news, trends and conditions from a unique perspective.

The *Real Truth* is more than a news magazine. It restores plain understanding and reveals the problems, symptoms and *causes* behind the bad *effects* reflected in today's headlines—and points to the *good news* of the only possible solution, now just over the horizon!

Each issue examines the overall *causes* of world events and trends without bias or media spin. The

publication's stance is strictly neutral. Our writers do not take political positions *for* or *against* governments and leaders.

In addition, the magazine outlines the principles of successful living, giving you greater confidence and peace of mind.

Access all *Real Truth* magazine articles for free at rcg.org/realtruth.

