

From Kitchen

BB-10-Z-75

The "Free Kitchen" or restaurant opened on February 24, 1960. On the very first day 18 people were fed; the second day ~~20~~ 100 were fed. During the first month alone an average of 2800 meals were served. Mr. Archie Lymus, one of the workers at the free kitchen said that as time went on the ~~people~~ formed lines 3 and 4 people wide. Children who had not even so much as a diaper were given warm milk and food. Probably the only food

that they had had in days. ~~At~~ The Peoples Temple Restaurant under the direction of Pastor Jim Jones fed hundreds of needy children in Indianapolis, Indiana. At 975 N. Delaware Street Indianapolis, Indiana.



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Free Kitchen

Free Restaurant: - 975 N. Delaware, Indianapolis, Indiana
opened - Feb. 24, 1960

1st day: served 18 people

2nd day: 100 fed.

1st month - an average of 2,800 meals
served per day. \approx per week.

Mrs. Archie James working there said as
there went on people pushed levers 3 & 4
deep around block.

Children who had not even so much
as a diaper were given warm milk & food -
often the only food they had had in days.

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Free Rest:

Clothing, } commissary. - people cd. get any kind
grocery } of food they wanted.

Welfare - sent people there ~~to~~ bec. P.T.
wd get them jobs.

Other "Free rest." wd make people pray for an hour
before they'd get a meal. - These groups
resented P.T. Free kitchen etc. they didn't:-

Ppl. wd. line up at 7:30 am for lunch-

All kinds of ppl.-

wd. some times be almost frozen to death.

Fire test. located in basement of church. - ppl. in
church - well dressed etc. - wd. complain the smell
of cooking foods wd. drift upwards - threatened
to quit church if didnt stop feeding the people.
Said it "was a house of God + they didnt want
it stinking from cabbage."



Rev. James Jones
ON opening day at
The Restaurant.



Mrs Libbie Timmons
ON opening day she
helped at Restaurant
3 months moved to Ohio

Restaurant opened Feb. 24-60
first day feed 18 people
Second day feed 100 people
average first month 2800
Meals was served at
975 N Delaware St.

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of Huntington
w mother

Rev Archie I Tam
3 month had pa
many people s
know Mrs Hibbi
going to Ohio
Beam felt lik
of the road
to think of dir
would help me
Bro-Tames was
I must convince
to the house
I talk He dont
want to talk about the restaurant
We went out at 7:30 pm we waited
until 12:30 AM I told him I would
wait as long as he wanted. Suddley
he began to ask questions I told
him I wanted him to help me in Rest.
FINLY he promised to come 1 hr
a day 5 days a week first day
he stayed about 2 hrs each
day a little longer Then I kneo
every thing would work out allright



Mrs Marceline Jones
 ON opening day at
 The Restaurant.



Mrs Rheaviana Beam
 on opening day worked
 at restaurant for 1
 year took off for
 1 year to care for
 New Baby girl



Mrs Olive Kitchman
 Mrs Evan's
 ON opening day ladies
 cooked for The Restaurant
 First 8 months

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Mrs. Doris Smithley
Harris children re

Russel and Cinda Harris was brought
to people Temple Tree Restaurant on
March 20, 1960 parents of children are
Robert and Shirley Harris They
refused to take children home
They said they didn't want to live
together so make a home for these
children they first left Cinda Bro.
old. Next day they brought Russel
home and gave them to me and
Rev James told us to take good
care of them I was unable to
care for the children since I was
expecting a new one some friends
of ours came from Huntington Indiana
they felt in love with the children
the children loved them they took
them home with them to stay
I don't know where Mr Harris lives
Mrs Harris was sent to Central
July 25-1961 Welfare awarded the
children to Rev & Mrs Duke Smithley
Huntington Box 344 Indiana.



free restaurant



free restaurant

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Young People group
1502 N New Jersey St.
Rev Jones took on trip

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P.M.

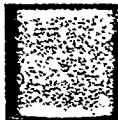


Singing group
1502 N New Jersey

Children that have
their life. BY

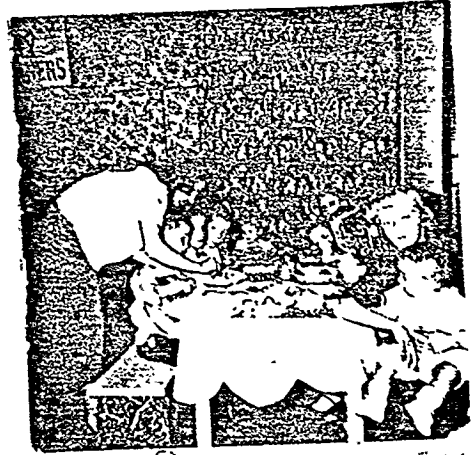


Eddie Guenwe.
3 years in our k





The Men ON First day
who had their Dinner



Some of children AT CH
had Sunday DINNER



Rev Jones giving out
Awards ON day
From High school



Youth group AT
LUNCHING.
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Henson Rights

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1960

J.J. 7/17/73

Executive Director of Mayor's Commission on Human Rights.

29 yrs old. -

at that time P.T. - at 1012 + Delaware in Indianapolis.
(founded 6 yrs. before) - ~~had~~

no salary from ministerial work.

Church - 2 nursing homes - extensive free meal,
grocery + clothing service.

graduated from Butler Univ.

In first 2 weeks as director, Jimi integrated
3 local restaurants to offset owners fears that
bec. of integration, they wd. lose customers,
~~for~~ Jimi got dozens of friends + church
members to eat at those restaurants.

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Harassment:

dozens phone calls, hate letters, threats.
Several people who publically supported
integration received threatening or racist
letters w/ J. name forged.

J. refused to get evicted # "bec I might
be cut off from someone who would need me."

Physical abuse: trees slashed - Women spit
on Marcy to the car - J.J. to doctor's office
stones constantly thrown through windows -
So often that church cd no longer

1960 - Direct Human Rights.

Harassment: involve bldg. ag. glass breakage.
Dynamite found in Church's coal
pile.

S. Washbas punched on door.

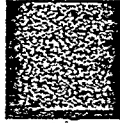
chased down RR tracks - tore clothes off.
shot at him, stoned him.

women had to be escorted to work by dog or
by men + dog both. bec. it got so bad.

threw Molotov cocktails at house - hit the dog.

He went out there ... (add details)

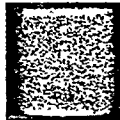
killed animals - skinned cats, alive. - beat
his dogs.



threw garbage, crap etc. threw windows.
ground glass in food.

STABBINGS:

- 1) ^{man} got out of car - stabbed him in shoulder.
- 2) "X" on chest.



Work for Integration:

Indian Methodist Hosp. in terrible pain.
w/dn't sit down or rest until hosp. integrated.
Walked up & down halls, demanding they move
beds. - BIRs integrated within 24 hrs. -
#

boycott rest: heard made w/ cone in
through back door - J.S. hit the ceiling -
fumbly forced to integrate - Church
held a "sit-in dinner."

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Brazil
dates?:

estab. exchange - bought children (5 shoes -
siphons) ate out of garbage pails - a late
system - Jim ~~said~~ got children decent
food, made sure all were well fed.

Made clothes + provided all necessities.

out on
street at
7^o
begin
plot.

lt. DeHany stated: Jim had "ambition"
felt need to go to top of a certain
hill nearby. Went there w/ some
others (what?) + found 6 young
children ^{the} standing around
their dead mother. Oldest child
was 9 yrs. old. All they owned was

One rooster under a box. Curry & Shewery.
There were the 15 children in the
bycharge.

15 mo: 1300 chld. died on street from
epidemic of gastroenteritis + shishkamosis
(a parasite which enters at feet + kills)
No sanitation.

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Exemption

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Adoption - Mary Tachette

When I attended ~~the~~ P.T. Apostolic Church
975 ~~W. Cedar~~ on Delaware St in Ind. ~~Ind.~~
J.J. made it possible for us to
adopt a Korean orphan who has been
a precious member in our family
for many years since that time.

Kim Unida was one of several ^{foreign} children
who were adopted in 1960.

A fund was established by members of
the congregation to pay the costs of transporting
the children here and the legal fees
arising ^{when}. Any family ~~who~~ wanted
to adopt a child, the church would
place the child in their home ~~with~~, using
this fund. The program was financed
by church dinners, collections and revenues
from a church operated cleaning agency.

Jim Jones set the example for this
"lesson in religion" two years before when
he and his wife ~~also~~ adopted Eun
Ok Kyung (Suzanne) and Pac Chi
Oak (Lew Eric), ~~and Kwan~~.

Adoption of Children

1960

"Lesson in procedural adoption"
Fund est. by church to pay costs of
trav. children here + for legal
fees. - Church paid for these costs
for families interested in adopting
Hebrew-Amer. orphans.

Jan adopted 3 K.-A 2 days before
church program got underway:
Suzanne
Luis Eric
Stephanie (?)

Agnes
Sue
Low Eric
Jimmy Jr.
Steven Gandhi Jones

Missing Report

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Nursing Homes:

2137 Alabama St. Ind, Ind.
College Ave -

hosp. wd. refer most hopeless cases to him bec. he
wd always take them.
wd take people w/out \$ + give 1st class care.
People in other nursing homes p.o. by this.

totally integrated.

beautiful meals - all they cd. eat -
fresh fruits + veg. - best of meats - steak.
Everything cooked fresh.
Linen completely changed - at least once

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exactly the same.

- ~~Every~~ Individual care - treated pat. like
part of family - aides encouraged to
talk w/ patients, play chess, etc.
- all kinds of activities for patients.
- birthday, Xmas - gifts, cakes, parties.
- flower gardens -
- everything kept spotless.
- didnt take any way out - most expensive
foods, etc.
- Other nursing home directors asked him: "how can

a day. - complete bed bath every day.

Patients clothes kept ironed.

RN on every shift

6 aides for 24 people.

Aides - best paid in city. \$2. per hr. at a time
when others getting 75¢ - \$1.00.

Wd. help aides out - interested in employees.

One time personally paid costs of divorce
for one aide who had been brutalized by
husb. - went to ct. for her to testify. -

Helped pay their bills etc.

- No one ever knew the paying patients from
the non paying patients. - Everyone treated

you afford to do this?"

Jim said, "Well, we're not ~~been~~ making a
profit. We're here to serve people, not
to serve ourselves."

- would arrange for old men + women who
were friends to be together: special to
older people as people.

INDIANA: ~~RESIDENCY~~ NURSING HOMES.
(Jim Lu Mar Co.)

Esther Muller:

"One incident that stands out in my mind was when Jim was in Los Angeles, and he called me in Indiana at the (church) nursing home where I was preparing the meals. He said that his plane was about to leave, but told me that he had had an intuition (in a hunch?) and that I should take a tray of food with me when I went upstairs. I made the tray of food, + took it upstairs, not knowing what the ^{need} ~~reason~~ was, but knowing that ~~it was~~ ~~intuitions~~ ~~always~~ ~~had~~ ~~good~~ he had a reason

for this because her "instincts" had never been wrong. When I went upstairs, I found a little old woman sitting on the floor crying because she had spilled her food on the floor and she thought she wouldn't get any more. You should've seen her face light up with ~~gratitude~~ ~~pleasure~~ + gratitude when I gave her the tray ..."

Bepo. lived in ghetto.

Characters