

Sweet Pedro

Chapter 4 of FF History

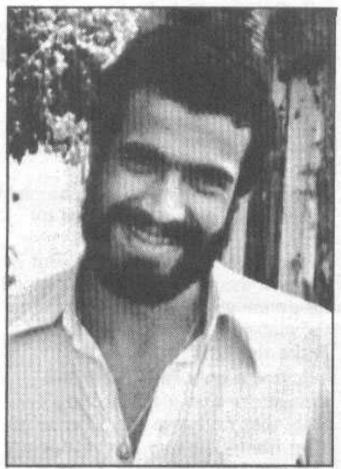
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1. On one particularly slow night at the club, Arthur, the fisherman for the night, called Dad at home to let him know how things were going: "No one to mention of is here; it's not a very busy night. The only person here at the club whom we know is 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 Pedro was quite shy and withdrawn into his shell, but yet there was something special about him that made him different from all the other young men at the club.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

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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.

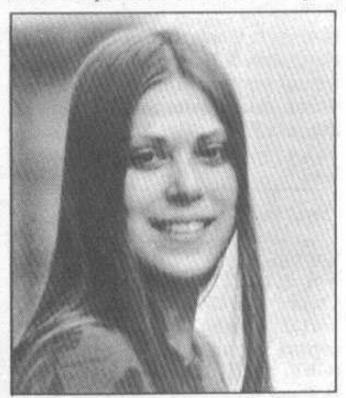
- 13. As soon as he got saved, he became just like one of the Family, and by mid-May he started coming over to one of our selah houses for Bible classes. While visiting the Family, he met Miguel Americano. Though they both lived in La Laguna, they had never met, but they soon became fast friends. It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

sample, so Dad suggested that in case he was too shy to ask, that we girls make the invitation obvious for him to accept: "If you need 'anything' be sure and tell us" or "You could spend the night here if you like" and such open invitations made it easier on him, and sure enough-"Father Knows Best". —Pedro really needed our love!

Soon he started falling for German Yanina. By late July, she began sleeping with him and was soon taking care of him a couple nights a week, when he would travel a long way after work to come see us and have classes and fellowship with the Family.

17. Having sex with Yanina really helped to deliver Pedro from the psychological and spiritual bondages the Catholic Church had tied him up with. Though he probably didn't need the sex all that much, he had to experience and taste every-



Yanina, who lovingly helped Pedro to overcome his sex-hang-ups, with God's Love and her own!

thing about our religion of Love for himself, to see the power of God's unfailing love in his own life and soon be able to witness it to others. As the Scripture says, "The husbandman that laboureth must be first partaker of the fruits." (2 Tim. 2:6.)

18. At first, the conflict in himself between our "Law of Love" and the churches' "love of the law" was so great that his spiritual life from mid-August to late September began to resemble a spiritual roller-coaster. But the Lord's Love Letters by Papa David pulled him through, just as they did scores of other hungry fish we met in beautiful Tenerife!

Juan, who was one of our main teachers, set Pedro down for a reading of "Revolutionary Sex" and that was what finally helped to set him free! Pedro confessed to Juan that with all the Church doctrine and influence by his parents and others, he was never very sure that what we were doing was right, but reading that MO Letter was a confirmation of the way he had always felt deep inside himself under all the bondages the System had laid on him, and "the truth had set him free!" (Jn. 8:31,32.) Hallelujah!

20. Pedro and Miguel loved the Word! When they would come to the house to hear a class or listen to a taped reading of a Letter, they practically wrote down every word. In fact, one night in early July, Timothy Concerned was looking at Pedro's notebook and found almost a verbatim text of "Stop, Look and Listen" and "Diamonds of Dust"! -Pedro had listened to the tapes so many times that he had copied them all down!

21. Pedro and Miguel were always hungry for more Word, but the Family, for security reasons, was a little afraid to give them even edited versions of the Letters or to even lend them some of the tapes. So guess what the Lord did—in spite of our selah situation: He sent out one of our sweet girl litnessers to meet Pedro and Miguel on the street! She gave them a booklet of MO Letters, they wrote to the address listed inside, and soon were receiving their own MO Letters from the Spanish mainland!

22. When Pedro finally told Juan a month later that they were secretly getting their Letters by mail, Juan asked him, "Well, why didn't you tell us?" He said, "I knew I wasn't supposed to know, so I didn't want to tell you that I knew!"—He was afraid he might endanger the work and lose his lifeline to the Letters and

have them taken away!

23. His need of the Word even more than sex gave us all the vision for feeding the sheep more and having more faith to give them the edited selah versions of the Letters and tapes. That's when we began our "lending library" of MO tapes to all our friends, because Pedro had given us the vision of how spiritually hun-

gry the boys really were!

24. Later, when the persecution against the Family of Love began on the Island, the newspapers even published the fact that we had over 250 underground workers in the student area of La Laguna. The press interviewed Pedro and Miguel and published a picture of them in the newspaper as the leaders of the Family of Love in La Laguna. Thank God the

boys were wise enough to allow a picture only from the back and only gave the reporters their Bible names.

25. Soon persecution was getting pretty hot, so both Pedro and Miguel chose to follow Dad's wise counsel and leave Tenerife for awhile. They went to Madrid for some more basic training and so they could get a wider vision of how our other Homes work. After the boys had left, some of the catacombers began to go a little astray without their leadership, so as soon as the persecution died down a bit Pedro and Miguel returned to carry on their pioneer work on the Island.

26. The important thing to remember about Pedro's story is that although Pedro was not the older type of businessman that we were looking for and expecting to meet in our FF'ing, his conversion and tremendous work of helping to start the catacombs explosion in La Laguna proves once again: "You can't put

God in a box!"

27. So don't be so bound as to think "we're only fishing for older men." One of those "innocent" looking, sweet young men in your club may be the key to a catacomb revolution in your town!

"The Tenerife Story! It was like a big major experiment to see and prove that FF'ing works! We've got enough Spaniards there saved, over 200 important men and over 200 university catacombers to keep it going from now on! FF'ing has not only blown those Islands apart, I believe FF'ing with God's Love is going to blow this world apart...! (from "The FF Explosion!" No. 576:10, 11,22,155,156 by Father David.)

Happy Results of V.S.'s First Home Visits!

FRANCE

Dear Dad and Maria,

God bless you. I love you very much. I also found out how much you really love me when I saw a real example of your love through your personal representatives, the Visiting Servants, Timothy and Abeille. God bless them!

They really carried the Spirit of David, which is the Spirit of Love. Their example of giving was unbelievable! You really pick Servants with love!

An example that touched my heart was this: We are here in this Home with four adults and three children—three men and an 8-month pregnant sister. So we boys haven't been receiving the sex we need.

When the Visiting Servants came here, they were very tired, but they ministered to us with counsel and MO Letters with much love. Then that night after we ate and had Family time, we went to bed. Abeille washed up, put on perfume and everything. Then she came to my bed to minister your and Jesus' Love to me.

We had the most beautiful love session in my life. It was so beautiful because I know she was very tired and had been working very hard, but she gave as unto the Lord that which cost her something, that really showed me your love. TYJ! Long live the King of Love! I always pray I can be of the utmost

service to my father and king and all his helpers, and I pray I can have the same love for others that was shown for me!

Love always, Samuel Newborn.

TURKEY

Dear Dad,

We've just had our first "visit"!
What a revolution! Rose and Kenaz
came and stayed for three days,
but Dad, I tell you we really felt as
if you and Maria were here yourselves, because we saw the true
Spirit of the Letters being lived.

Before they came we were in a mess. The two married couples were in difficult straits. My wife didn't even want to bother with sex after some hard counsel and my lack of love. But Kenaz' and your love made her a new woman! She got really free, and in a 24-hour period she made love to six of the brothers! Thanks for a new wife!

And Rose, dear sweet Rose, was so sweet to me and really gave me the love I needed. I was so undeserving. It broke my heart and your love through her has changed my life! It's been like being born again. Dad, I love you dearly. Thank you so much for the RNR!

Love in Jesus, Shel.

Dearest Dad,

I really love you and am so thankful for your love and how my life has completely changed in the last few days. As my husband said, we were in a very bad state when we had our first visit from Kenaz and Rose. I felt like such a failure and was about ready to quit. But now I can't even express in words the

change in my life.

I know it was your love and concern through Kenaz that really touched my heart and set me free to enjoy the fulness and freedom of the Lord's Spirit. I'm so thankful for the sample we saw and felt of the Letters being lived. A little bit of love goes a long way, and the love that Kenaz shared with me enabled me to be able to help love and share with several of the brothers here and help change their lives too!

We're so thankful for the RNR and all the Letters. I pray I'll be able to keep living and loving for you and the Lord. I love you so! Thank you so much for setting me free! Lots of love & kisses, Phebe.

LIBYA:

Mo'ammar Greets Mom!

Upon invitation from the Libyan Embassy in London, a team of six including Mother Eve, John Z., Stephen David, Adria, Mene and three-month-old Regina Maria, were given round-trip tickets to visit Libya for two months as guests of the Libyan government.

One of the first major events
after our arrival was our attendance
of the Celebration of the Evacuation of British Forces from Libyan
soil. We were flown to the coastal
town of Tobruk and given special
delegate seats on the speaker's platform right behind Col. Godahfi

and Major Jalloud.

The crowning events of the day were when 5-year-old Mene walked up to the speaker's area and gave Mo'ammar a kiss on the cheek and handed him a copy of "The Holy War". Cameras flashed and smiles responded everywhere—especially on Mo'ammar's face!

Later he turned and saw Mother standing at the platform next to him. Extending his hand in a warm heartfelt greeting of welcome he stood up from his chair. It was the only time during the entire program that he personally greeted anyone from the platform, even though there were ambassadors and special distinguished guests present!

Now we are quite comfortably enjoying the kind hospitality of the Libyan government at a fine hotel with all of our needs supplied. And we're making new friends from the many visitors and citizens in Libya! PTL!—Thanks to MO and the hospitality of Mo'ammar!

Latest news!—The first day of a
Conference of delegates from over
100 Third World countries, we were
able to distribute 150 copies of
"The Holy War" and "The Challenge of Godahfi" to the incoming
delegates! The Lord opened the
door for us to sing for the entire
delegation of 700 at their opening
banquet meal. The presiding officer was deeply touched by the
song "Allah" written by Colonel
Godahfi.—Stephen David.

(Editor: Just a reminder that Libya is a closed country and could be very dangerous if extreme wisdom is not used. Unless you have received a personal invitation from Godahfi himself, be sure to contact our Service Center in Athens before making plans to visit there.

Although we've had to expose Mother and Stephen for some of their disobediences, we need to remember that no one is all bad, and the Lord often will use us in spite of our failings for the sake of His Kingdom and to promote His cause. God bless Mom and Stephen for their faith in this and many other situations-real pioneers with vision, faith, initiative and courage.)

"Be Ye Kin by MOTHER EVE DAVID

(taken from "Be Ye Kind" by Mother Eve, written 26/6/77.)

(Note of gratitude to one of my helpers:)

Thank you for being kind! Thank you for being sweet when others are impatient. Patience is a virtue. A kind word goes a long way and that is what you give to me when I need it most. God bless you!

Thank you for your helpfulness! Thank you for helping me in those little ways each day which lighten the load.—Such as making an extra trip out to the car late at night, even after you were ready for bed.

This you did without complaint And this kindness I appreciate! God bless you for these deeds of kindness!

The Bible says, "Be ye kind one

to another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you." (Eph. 4:32.) Kindness is very important in maintaining a good relationship with those closest to you, and that is what I appreciate about you as we share our daily lives together. Just as harsh words can tear down and destroy, so kind words can encourage and build up.

Especially in dealing with children, one should be kind. It is so easy to get impatient with a little child and feel justified in doing so. To teach children to be kind, one must be kind to them. It is better to be a sample rather than a sermon in teaching those around you to be

Thank you also for speaking faith instead of doubt—for being cheerful and looking on the bright side. Even when things look discouraging, thank you for calling my attention to the things for which we can be thankful.

K-I-N-D—A simple-four-letter word which is well to remember:

K-Keep the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace (Eph. 4:3).

I – In everything give thanks (1Th 5:18) N-Nothing terrified by your adversaries (Phil. 1:28).

D-Doers of the word and not hearers only (Ja. 1:22).

May God bless you and make you a blessing to others as you are to me! Love and prayers, Mother Eve.

IN MY HOUR OF NEED

My love comes to me In my hour of need And lifts me up With some loving deed. Perhaps it's small,
But yet it's there,
A passing thing
We briefly share.

A loving look
Or a smile that's kind,
Or the right thing said
That's just in time!

To lift me up

And help me through

My trying times,

And start anew.

And through this help She gives, I see The surest proof That God loves me.

And sends me help
To carry on
Through darkest hours
Afore the dawn.

-by Laban; Paris, France.

PIONEER WANT ADS!

Wanted: FF'er for Greece!—One single girl to live in FF Heavenly Home in Athens, Greece where the people are warm and waiting. Must be willing to also help part-time with children. Please send photo & personal testimony to: Randall Nelson, CPO 220, Athens, Greece. Love, Timotheus & Peace Soldier.

Wanted! Single brothers or sisters to help pioneer beach city in <u>U.S.A.</u> Please contact Mark Reynolds, General Delivery, Jacksonville, Fla. 32203, U.S.A.

Wanted: Pubs Personnel for Indonesia!—The fifth largest nation in the world and we only have 21 adults! If you would like

to work on Publications as a secretary, in layout or camera work, please contact: Zebadiah, Box 443 Kebayoran, Jakarta, Selatan, Indonesia.

FIND A FRIEND!

Gabriel, we were together in Torino Farm. Please write us right away! We love you!—Peter & Keturah Hayseed, 5614 Eighth Ave. S.E., Calgary, Alberta, Canada.

Michaiah, Jeremiah And Jehosophat too, Peter Pebble and Asher, WHERE ARE YOU?

Former Troy Sprinters, please
 write to: Zephaniah Chronicles,
 c/o E. Guttinger, GPO Box 11585,
 Hong Kong.

Tychicus & Day and Finnish Love, we love you! Please write and let us know where you are: Cleso & Christie, Box 40-112, 10343 Stockholm, Sweden.

Hashub & Genia, Michael & Robin Hart; Josh & Happy and any other friends scattered throughout the world, please write to: Jakim & Star c/o Kinder Gottes, Postfach 165, CH-9001 St. Gallen, Switzerland.

Send in your WANT ADS today!

Correction!—In "Family News"
Vol. 2, No. 11, the population of
Czechoslovakia was incorrectly reported as being 40 million. The
correct population is 14.5 million!
(GBY, Michael from Den Haag,
Holland for calling this to our attention! WLY!)