

# Pope sympathizes with victims of natural gas disaster in Cameroon

Vatican City (NC) — Pope John Paul II sympathized with the victims of an Aug. 22 natural gas disaster in northwestern Cameroon, saying he hoped international aid would help the survivors recover and rebuild.

The pope "shares deeply with prayer this great trial that strikes a country so dear to his memory and his heart," said a papal telegram sent to the head of the bishops' conference of the West African country Aug. 26. The pope visited the provincial capital near the area of the disaster during his African trip last year.

The telegram from Vatican Secretary of State Cardinal Agostino Casaroli said the pope hoped "national and international aid would contribute to neutralizing the threat of toxic gases and bringing the victims help to live and rebuild."

Cameroon's President Paul Biya said an estimated 1,200 people died after a disturbance allowed toxic natural gases to escape from the bed of Lake Nios. The lake is nestled in the crater of a remote, dormant volcano. Up to 300 people were reported hospitalized.

Four villages — Nios, which is on the lakeshore, Wum, Esu and Mukuru — were said by authorities to be the worst hit.

Approximately 5,000 people lived in the stricken zone.

People died without warning as a blanket of poison gas settled on their villages, a Catholic missionary said after visiting survivors of the natural disaster in northwestern Cameroon.

"Some of them were actually trapped in their houses and those who were on the streets just fell down and died, and there was really no warning," Father John Ambe, who works in the area, told the British Broadcasting Corp. "There was no sign that there was anything about to happen."

Father Ambe said he visited hospitalized victims of the disaster who told him that many of the dead were buried in mass graves.

Several countries, including the United States, have sent or pledged medical and other aid to Cameroon.

In New York, a spokeswoman for Catholic Relief Services said the organization was awaiting information from its Cameroon

office before deciding what its role would be in aiding the disaster victims.

Lake Nios is 30 miles north of Bamenda, the capital of Cameroon's English-speaking North West Province, which Pope John Paul visited Aug. 12, 1985. English and French are the country's official languages.

About 17 percent of the province's 1 million people are Catholic. Many had walked for up to 75 miles from the surrounding region to see the pontiff.

The region is studded with active and dormant volcanoes.

## 'Ceili in the park' scheduled by Ancient Order of Hibernians

The Ancient Order of Hibernians will present a "ceili," a Gaelic gathering, with an afternoon of traditional Irish music and step-dancing on Sunday, September 14, at Genesee Valley Park, Shelter #3, (off Elmwood Avenue) from noon until 5 p.m. Food and beverages will be served and admission is free.

Entertainment for the gala will feature an array of fiddles, accordians, whistles and

As of Aug. 26, officials had not identified the origin of the disturbance that allowed the leakage. The U.S. Embassy in Yaounde said the leak apparently was a massive release of carbon dioxide mixed with smaller amounts of hydrogen and sulfide.

Scientists said that recent seismic activity had been reported in the Lake Nios area and that a minor earthquake might have triggered a landslide which disturbed the gas-saturated sediments at the lake bottom.

In 1984, 37 people were killed by a similar release of toxic gas from Lake Monoun in the same area.

guitars, as well as some traditional songs and ballads. Dancing will be encouraged with demonstrations by the Hibernian Ceili Dancers and the Shannonside Dancers.

The event is a presentation of the Hibernian men and women, and is open to the public.

Call (716)288-5043 or 288-6980 for information.

# Classifieds

To place a classified ad, call 288-4340 between 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Classified ads cost 50 cents a word with a \$7.50 minimum. If you mail your ad to us, you may enclose payment or include a billing address.

**General**

**Card of Thanks** 2

THANK YOU St. Jude and Sacred Heart of Jesus for favor received. A.J.C.

THANKS TO St. Jude and Blessed Virgin for favors received. E.S.Mc.

THANKS JESUS, Mary and Joseph; St. Anthony, St. Jude, and all the saints for prayers answered. M.W.

**Announcements** 7

MORTGAGES WANTED If you took back a mortgage when selling your property and would like cash CALL Al Overacker 594-9267

**Employment**

**Help Wanted** 14

**ADVERTISING SALES Position** — Weekly newspaper is looking for an individual with sales experience to service Rochester territory. Commission plus mileage. Qualified applicants send letter and resume to: Rev. Dennis W. Hickey, c/o Courier-Journal, 1150 Buffalo Road, Rochester, NY 14624.

CHATEAUGAY CENTRAL School is seeking NYS certified school library media specialist. Qualified applicants please send letter, resume and proof of certification to the Chateaugay Central School, Chateaugay, NY 12920 by 8/23/86. Affirmative action/equal opportunity employer. (NYS CAN)

HELP WANTED - FULL TIME. Typist with office experience. Must be excellent typist. Fee Brothers, 453 Portland Avenue, 544-9530 for appointment.

HOME ASSEMBLY income. Assemble products at home. Part-time. Details call 813-327-0896, Ext. 346. (NYS CAN).

**3000 Government Jobs**

List \$16,049-\$59,230/yr. Now Hiring. Call: 805-687-6000 Ext. R-1467.

**NEED EXTRA MONEY?**

FRIENDLY HOME TOY PARTIES has immediate openings for managers and demonstrators in this area. It's easy, fun and profitable. We have over 700 exciting toys and gifts featuring the new animated talking doll "cricket" which will be advertised on national TV. No cash investment, no collecting, no delivering and no service charge. All you need is a desire to make money, have fun and a few hours of spare time. No experience necessary. Call collect 518-452-0091

**Buy/Sell—General**

**Auctions** 23

FORECLOSURES, TAX sales, bankruptcy sales, sheriff sales, timber, equipment, automobiles, custom-seized items. New York Public Auction Bulletin, POB 512, Owego, NY 13827, 607-687-9065. (NYS CAN)

**Antiques/Art** 24

ANTIQUES WORLD EXPO - 400 quality dealers - Friday & Saturday, August 29 & 30, 9am to 5pm. \$2.50 admission, under 12 free. 10995 Main St., Clarence, NY - 15 miles east of Buffalo. (716)759-8483. (NYS CAN)

**Pets/Supplies** 31

DO YOU HAVE A PET that needs a home? The Courier-Journal will print your ad for \$2.00. Be humane - give someone a chance to care for your fuzzy friend! Call the C-J at 454-7050 to place your ad.

**Merchandise for Sale** 38

ABC LOG SPLITTER components. 4"x24" cylinder \$95.00. Valve \$35.00. 2-stage pump \$82.00. Other items. Dealers wanted. 2347 Magdalene, Cincinnati, OH 45231. (513)825-3222. (NYS CAN)

FACTORY SALE! Steel buildings (quonset & straightwall). 40x60 Quonset \$4,999. Other sizes & shapes available. 1st come, 1st serve. Call National Clearspan Buildings, Inc. (716)875-9563. (NYS CAN)

FLASHING ARROW SIGNS!! From only \$285.00. Non-arrow models (lighting optional) from only \$195.00. Letters included. Warranty. Order today. Going fast. Call Reliable Signs, 1-800-531-5314. (NYS CAN)

GOVERNMENT SURPLUS. Typewriters. Brand New. Royal Electronic. Printwheel, memory correction. Computer compatible, centering, re-location. Office, school, home. List, \$549; Only \$229. Call 716-684-4880. (NYS CAN)

HALF PRICE! Flashing arrow signs \$269! Lighted, non-arrow \$259! Unlighted \$229! Free letters! Factory warranty. Very limited quantity. Can see locally. 1-800-423-0163, anytime. (NYS CAN)

SALE-TARPAULIN-heavy duty all-weather, polyethylene nylon reinforced. Free tarp or free shipping with \$50 order. Call for details. Cover pools, boats, cars, machinery & wood. 6x8-\$5, 8x10-\$7, 9x12-\$9, 10x12-\$10, 12x12-\$12, 8x20-\$14, 12x16-\$16, 10x20-\$17, 12x20-\$20, 12x22-\$22, 12x25-\$25, 16x20-\$27, 20x20-\$35, 15x30-\$38, 20x30-\$50, 20x35-\$63, 20x40-\$68, 25x40-\$85, 25x45-\$95, 30x40-\$100, 30x50-\$125, 30x60-\$150. Pick up or call (518) 827-5537 or 1-800-527-1701, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Windy Ridge Distributing, Rt. 145, Middleburgh, NY 12122. (NYS CAN)

**Wanted To Buy** 32

FURS: Any kind, good condition, cash. Connie's, 544-3331 Tues. 10-11 Sat., 11-8.

**Household Good**

**Household Sales** 41

HOME SWEET HOME. Estate Household Sales. 10 years' experience; free estimates. We also accumulate. Nancy Flahe, 533-1746

**Property**

**Homes for Sale** 51

BUY REPOSSESSED VA, FmHA, Homes from Government! \$15 plus repairs. New York State/Nationwide. Authority of public law 93-383. Free 24 hr recorded information 1-918-493-38 or 1-918-493-6305 Department T-30. (NYS CAN)

**Mobile Homes for Sale** 55

DUNEDIN, FLORIDA — Homey, double mobile attractive adult 5-star park. \$28,000. Owner must move. Evenings. 716-223-1413.

**Unfurn. Apartments for Rent** 58

HILL COURT Apartments South 1 and 2 bedroom apartments with heat and hot water. Carpeted throughout. 544-1788.

ONE BEDROOM apartment with heat, electricity and appliances. 175 Northland Ave. Call at 163 Northland.

2 BEDROOM, modern duplex, Rain Park, carpeting, appliances, semi-finished basement, parking. \$44 plus. 659-8311.

**Services**

**Calligraphy**

Hand done, poetry, sayings, diplomas, invitations, awards, whatever. Also, matte work. Call Chris: 235-4863

**Driveways** 82

DOM WARNER BLACKTOP, sealcoating, Driveways, parking areas. Free estimates. 24 years' experience. 254-7461 or 458-1357.

**Entertainment** 84

DAVID TAYLOR 716-458-9809

**Instruction/Schools** 104

PIANO LESSONS. Ages 4 through adult. Pop and classical. Reasonable fee. 544-5815.

**Painting/Papering** 113

EXTRA CARE taken by a lady painter and paper hanger. Free estimates after 4:00. 244-1892

KOJAN Wallpapering and interior painting. Reliable service, 18 years experience, fast, beautiful work. David Cook, 964-3730.

PAINTING & PAPERHANGING textured swirl ceilings. Free estimates, quality work. Dan Burgmaster, 665-9827

PAINTING Expert interior and exterior. Reliable, reasonable, references. 25 years' experience. Tom Mulhern, 248-9553.

**Plumbing** 116

ACCU-PLUMBING Service Today! Free estimates; senior citizen discount. John Miele, 342-0916, Near Ridge Rd.

**Roofing/Quitters** 121

GUTTER CLEANING \$24.95. Fully insured, friendly service. Call 533-2260 or 334-0701

**Travel** 127

FALL FOLIAGE cruises - On the spectacular St. Lawrence River. Spend 4 days cruising between Montreal and Lake Ontario aboard the elegant cruise vessel the Canadian Empress. Enjoy romantic cities, the international Seaway and Locks, the famous 1,000 Islands, Upper Canada Village and more! Special fall rates: \$407.00 U.S. Phone: 1-800-267-0960 for brochures and reservations. (NYS CAN)

**Finance** 138

FINANCIAL PLANNING for college, taxes, retirement; also handle mutual funds, stocks, bonds. Contact Joe Devito, Equitable Financial Services, 232-3200.

**MEN WOMEN**

**CRUISE SHIP JOBS!!**

COOKS-CASINO WORKERS-DECK HANDS-BEAUTICIANS-BARTENDERS-GENERAL LABOR

EXCELLENT SALARIES PLUS WORLD TRAVEL!

CARIBBEAN-SOUTH PACIFIC-BANAMAS-MEDITERRANEAN-ALASKA

Due to a constant turnover in personnel, there are ALWAYS jobs available with the CRUISE SHIP LINES. Our CRUISE SHIP EMPLOYMENT DIRECTORY will show you how and where to apply for one of these high paying and exciting jobs aboard American cruise ships! GUARANTEED EMPLOYMENT WITHIN 90 DAYS OR YOUR MONEY REFUNDED.

ORDER FORM

send to: CRUISE JOBS Dept H45 131 ELMA DR CENTRALIA, WA 98531

To order your 1986 CRUISE SHIP EMPLOYMENT DIRECTORY, send only \$10.00 cash, check or money order today!

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ please print

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ APT# \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_

ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

WANTED... 12 people who want to lose weight and make money. Call Peggy 381-1788.

**Sales Representative**

Needed for Buffalo based company to sell advertising on church bulletins in the Rochester area. Advertising sales experience preferred. Responsibilities will include parish and advertiser contact. Call Sam Nappo at Bulletin of the Week - 716-688-9100.

**AUBURN**

The Courier-Journal is looking for a part-time Advertising Sales Representative to service the Auburn area. Commission, mileage, expenses. If interested, call (716) 328-4340, or send letter and resume to: Bernie Puglisi c/o Courier-Journal 1150 Buffalo Rd. Rochester, NY 14624

**Situations Wanted** 15

BABYSITTING - DAYS Preferred. Infants up, Lyell-Delco area. 25 years' experience. Good references. 254-7461

HOUSEKEEPER - Flexible, references. 467-6584 after 4.

TRUSTWORTHY person needed in 14607 - Corpus Christi and 14606 - St. Theodore's areas. Assist handicapped women, occasional errands, activities. Responsible driver. 716-723-1774. Daily, 8-10 pm or Sat. & Sun. mornings.

**Business Opportunities** 18

BEAUTY SALON for sale, 19th Ward. Established, \$5,000.00 includes all. Low rent. 328-6300 days, 235-6920 evenings.

**EMPLOYMENT IN GOVERNMENT**

Unskilled or skilled, now hiring. Now is your chance to apply for a good job in government. \$25,000 to \$65K. Send \$16.95 Money Order only to Regional Office for openings in Federal Government. Send to: Office of Job Service, P.O. Box 3166, Syracuse, N.Y. 13220.

**100 SUNBEDS.** SUNAL - Wolff Systems. Buy the best. Direct from manufacturer. Save thousands. While they last. Commercial & residential. Sunquest lamps and Trevor Island lotions. 1-800-228-6292. (NYS CAN)

**Government Homes**

From \$1 (U Repair) Delinquent tax property Repossessions. Call 805-687-6000 Ext. H-1467 for current repro list

**ALEXANDER PARK**

Studios & 1 Bdrm Apts Parking, Laundry, Restaurants, Intercom. Excellent area. Clean, quiet living!

**546-8760**

**MIDTOWN MANOR APARTMENTS**

FOR AGE 52 AND OLDER

Income and Occupancy Requirements

- Studio \$220
- One Bedroom \$278

All Utilities Included Monthly Mass Services Two Blocks from Midtown Plaza On Direct Bus Line 475 East Broad St 546-3650