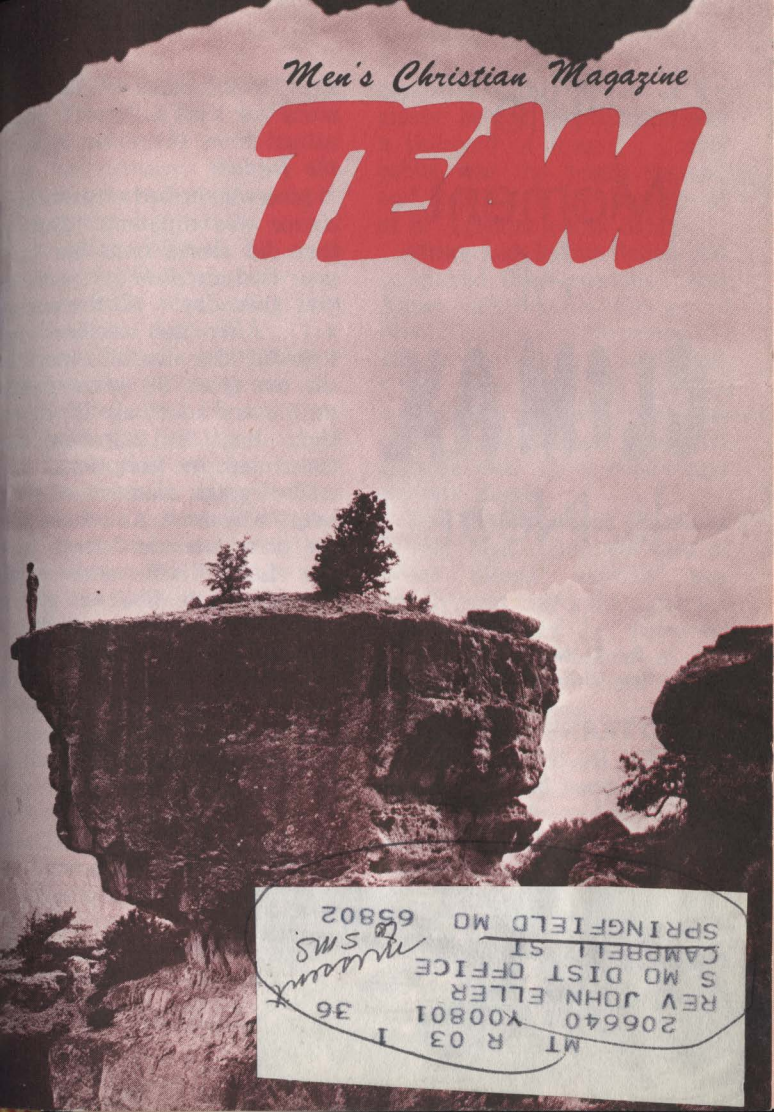


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John Alexander (left standing) is instructor for the boys busy copying code. He secured the equipment and arranged for it to be located in the church for use by the Royal Rangers and others.

Royal Rangers are now training

# Missionary Radio

By KARLA ANDERSON

**E**XCITEMENT IS mounting among the people of Evangel Temple in Seattle, Washington, as they establish a vital communication link with the missionary frontier.

A thousand-watt station, with a twenty-four-foot beam antenna, and a 360-degree rotation, giving good worldwide coverage, is only a part of the dreams of John Alexander of Evangel Temple.

During his childhood John had an interest in electronics and in missions. However, there was neither the time nor the money to explore this interest to any great extent.

While he was attending Northwest College in Seattle, John saw a Moody Bible Institute film about flying missionary radio men. He soon felt that the Lord was calling him into some type of missionary radio work.

As he went on to electronics training at Edison Technical Institute, John also worked at Boeing. Here he met an ex-ham operator who had lost interest in his hobby, and offered to sell his entire station to John. This is how John acquired three

carloads of electronic gear, including receives, transmitter, tubes, antenna, electronic books, etc., for an unbelievably low price!

On March 12, 1969, John received his first-class radio-telephone FCC license with radar endorsement. By October, 1969, he was anxious to begin using the electronic equipment he had gathered during his busy school years.

After discussing the matter with his wife, they felt that a project could be of great value in a church setting where other young people could also benefit from all the equipment.

The following Saturday, while painting the church parsonage, John shared the idea with Bob Dailey, president of the board at Evangel Temple. Since Bob had been in radio work in the Army, he recognized at once that this would be an excellent activity for the Royal Rangers. The following week, the men were busy hauling the equipment and beginning plans for the station.

It has been amazing to John to see the enthusiasm of var-