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A Report of

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In the past years we have, at this time of the year, sent to you a membership application card. Obviously, that is a misnomer. It is not necessary for you to apply for membership. It is necessary, however, for us to have the information requested on the enclosed card for our yearbook. Not only do we wish to have our yearbook up-to-date for our own convenience, but we have a requirement by the Internal Revenue Service to supply each year a current, accurate list of all members of the Association. Our yearbook serves this purpose. Please, at your earliest convenience, fill out in detail and return to the AUC the enclosed card. You will note on the application card that there is a box for you to mark your approval of having your home telephone number listed in the yearbook. This will prove very valuable to all of us when the need arises to contact one another outside of normal office hours.

THE GREATLY ADVANCED UNITY MAGAZINE NEEDS YOU

With the discontinuation of *Weekly Unity* and *NEW* magazine, Unity School is planning an extensive development of *Unity* magazine in the future. *Unity* magazine will be the instrument through which Unity contacts adults by the printed word. The editors of Unity School are very eager to have you submit articles that can be a blessing to the readers of *Unity* magazine.

This is a wonderful way in which we, as ministers in the field, can have a vital part in the outreach of Unity through the written word. Your consciousness, your talents, your inspiration are all needed in the publication of *Unity* magazine. Have you submitted an article recently?

SPECIAL REQUEST FROM SALES DEPARTMENT

In a past issue of CONTACT we had a request made from the Sales Department of Unity School, wherein they asked that our ministries submit an order only once a week. They are still receiving as many as three orders a week from one ministry. It would be a great help to them and would provide you with better service if you would collect your orders and send them in just once a week. We know that you will want to notify those in charge of ordering in your ministry so we might all work more closely together to provide better service.

NOW AVAILABLE--
WALNUT UNITY WINGS

Many of our ministries throughout the country have purchased the large walnut Unity wings to be displayed in their ministry. They are handmade and are 6'7" long, 7" wide and 4" thick. They run \$130.00. If you are interested, perhaps when you are here at Conference you can check with the office and someone will put you in touch with the man who makes them. He has two already finished, which means that you could have them right away. If you are interested and have further questions, we will be happy to work with you.

IN MEMORIAM We have just received word in our office of the passing of Hilda Louise Westermeyer. Hilda was the founder of our Unity ministry in Lemay, Missouri, and once that was established she developed South Side Unity Christ Church in St. Louis, where Philip Nicola is now minister. Phil conducted the services and on our behalf blessed Hilda in her eternal ongoing. We see her moving forward into the eternal light of Spirit, sustained in our consciousness of love and abiding gratitude.

FOR SALE

The Association of Unity Churches has available an outstanding opportunity for some center ministry. We have available at a very good price a Pitney Bowes Model 2540 copier and copy table which had an original purchase price of \$1490.00. It can be purchased outright at \$1253.95 as of July 1st. This equipment is just about 18 months old and has served us very well in the AUC office. This machine is a semi-dry continuous roll copy machine. It will make volume copies at about 2 1/2 cents each. This machine is available to anyone desiring to take over the monthly payments on the lease and transport the equipment to their center. A monthly lease agreement calls for a rental payment of \$34.27. There are approximately 42 payments left. At termination of the lease the annual rental becomes \$89.60 for a period of three years. The machine can then be owned outright for an additional payment of \$1.00. We also have a good supply of paper which we will make available at an extremely reasonable rate.

The Association of Unity Churches also has available for sale an A B Dick Model 320 table offset and cabinet. This is the press that we have used up until the present time to print all of our newsletters and other general printing. It is less than three years old and in excellent condition. It can be purchased for the low amount of \$600.00. Also included in this price is a good number of offset press supplies including paper offset masters.

This equipment is being made available because we have recently acquired a total automatic copy system which enables us to do the increasing number of jobs that we have to do more efficiently. If you have questions about this equipment, please feel free to communicate with the AUC Executive Office. The equipment can be seen while you are here at Conference. We encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity. Come to Conference prepared to take the equipment home with you.

SILENT-70 ORDER PROCEDURES

The AUC Order Department is now prepared to handle more efficiently requests for the free literature supplied to Unity ministries formerly by Unity School. We have been rather slow in our organization of the details relating to the Silent-70 literature distribution, but believe we now have the process in good working order to serve you better. We would like, through this special notice, to give you a clearer idea of the procedures involved in your ordering free literature and back copies of Unity periodicals.

There are two functions the AUC office now performs relating to the Silent-70 work. They are:

1. We now supply on an order basis reasonable quantities of the free literature items listed below:

A Free Man's Prayer
Adventure Called Unity
As You Tithe Pamphlet
Four Causes of Health
God Is With You
Golden Key
Help for Alcoholics
His Protecting Spirit

Lord's Account Book
Master's Ten Laws
Prayer for Protection
Prayer of Faith (small)
Prayers are Answered
Shining Words
Wherever You Are God Is
You Are Not Alone

These items CANNOT be ordered on a regular monthly fulfillment basis. In order to receive quantities of these pamphlets you must reorder the quantities needed each month. We are able to supply quantities of this literature only to the extent of a quota allotment available to us each month. For this reason we may not always be able to send you the total amount of any one pamphlet that you order. We will attempt always to take into consideration the special needs for such an order.

2. We will be responsible for filling individual orders from ministries for limited quantities of back copies of the Unity periodicals.

A list is maintained of our various ministries receiving set amounts of back issues of the Unity periodicals. These will be continued, and if you are on the list you should be regularly receiving your materials. With the computer operation there is a predetermined overrun of magazines which is allotted to us by Unity School, but we have to be assured that they are being used in the best way. Back issue publications which are available are *Daily Word*, *Wee Wisdom* and *Unity*.

From time to time other special items are given to the AUC for distribution to the ministries. We have no way of carrying these on an order form, but will attempt to communicate to the ministries by means of CONTACT what items are available. At the present time we have the following special material available for distribution to you.

I am There
Mind Stretchers
Secret Way to Abundance
Dear Reader
Word is Power
Unity's Guidebook for Spritual Growth

An additional item which is available from AUC stock is the special 1970 Convention commemorative record, "Light in the Window of Heaven."

Silent-70 Love Offerings

Since in the past the School handled the distribution of Silent-70 materials to the ministries, all love offerings justifiably went to them. Now, with the cooperative effort between AUC and the School, all Silent-70 love offerings for materials supplied by the AUC should be sent to the AUC office. We will then deduct our expenses for handling these materials from the love offerings received and periodically return the balance of the offerings to Unity School to assist them in covering their expenses in the production of the materials. It would be of great assistance to us if, when you send your offerings for Silent-70 materials, you would clearly note on your check that this is what your remittance is for.

We are working very closely with Unity School in determining a quantity of material that can best be used by our ministries. As we determine what the flow of the material is and how it is being used, we will be better able to project the quantities we need to adequately fulfill your needs. We ask you to bear with us in these months of working with this plan so that the details can finally be worked out in an equitable way for all.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING LESSONS IN TRUTH AND CHRISTIAN HEALING WORKBOOKS

The AUC order form lists two new items now available. They are the "Lessons in Truth" and "Christian Healing" workbooks. These workbooks are available for the use of our Unity ministers and teachers and the members of their classes in the subjects. We are in agreement with Unity School that neither of the workbooks will be available for sale in the literature departments of our ministries. These are available to ministers and teachers for their use and the use of the members in their classes, and all orders for these must be placed by the minister or teacher.

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REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA We are still in the process of working with the Board of Directors in Redondo Beach regarding succession of leadership, and we would appreciate your knowing with us that the right person is attracted to that good ministry.

BREMERTON, WASHINGTON Robert Barth, one of our SMRS students who will be ordained in July, has accepted responsibility for succession of leadership in Bremerton.

LITTLE ROCK - PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS Paul Stewart, another one of our forthcoming SMRS graduates, has accepted leadership of our work in Little Rock - Pine Bluff, Arkansas as of July 30.

BILLINGS, MONTANA We are continuing in our negotiations with the board in Billings regarding succession of leadership there as of the end of July.

AUSTIN, TEXAS We are working closely with the board in Unity of Austin regarding succession of leadership.

TORONTO, ONTARIO, CANADA We are happy to announce that David Monument has been invited and has accepted the position as Minister of Education in our work in Toronto.

KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN We have received an application for a new minister to establish a new activity in Kalamazoo, Michigan. The folks there have become organized and are able to support their own minister, and we are working with them to accomplish this.

BIRMINGHAM, MICHIGAN Ernest Ramsey has tendered his resignation in Birmingham, and we have had Marion Brown serving there for the past few weeks as an interim minister. We are in the process of negotiations for succession of leadership there.

DELRAY BEACH, FLORIDA Mary Kupferle and the board in Delray Beach have made application for an assistant minister there. We are working with them to fill their need.

TAMPA, FLORIDA We are in the process of negotiating with the board in Tampa for succession of leadership there, due to the resignation of Ruby Wagner as their minister.

ASSOCIATION OF UNITY CHURCHES
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES 4-30-72
First Month of 1972-73 Book Year

CURRENT MONTH

INCOME:

Love offerings	\$17,817.46
Ministerial Education Offerings	110.00
Youth Education Offerings	261.00

GAIN FROM OPERATIONS:

Curriculum and Material	101.68
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OTHER INCOME:

Interest and Miscellaneous Income	<u>305.68</u>
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TOTAL INCOME	18,595.82
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EXPENSES:

General Office	11,793.45
Youth Education	4,444.34
Ministerial Education	<u>3,140.32</u>

TOTAL EXPENSES:	19,378.11
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EXCESS INCOME OVER EXPENSES	(782.29)
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ASSOCIATION OF UNITY CHURCHES
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES 5-31-72
Second Month, 1972-73 Book Year

	<u>CURRENT MONTH</u>	<u>YEAR TO DATE</u>
INCOME:		
Love offerings	\$22,300.94	\$40,118.40
Ministerial Education Offerings	111.00	221.00
Youth Education Offerings	11.00	272.00
GAIN FROM OPERATIONS:		
Curriculum and Material	1,225.30	1,326.98
OTHER INCOME:		
Interest and Misc. Income	<u>1,958.14</u>	<u>2,263.82</u>
TOTAL INCOME	25,606.38	44,202.20
EXPENSES:		
General Office	17,915.09	29,708.54
Youth Education	2,171.51 *	6,615.85
Ministerial Education	<u>4,511.65</u>	<u>7,651.97</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	24,598.25	43,976.36
EXCESS INCOME OVER EXPENSES	1,008.13	225.84

* Conference Deposits were applied
against the Conference Expenses.