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As a part of the continuing effort to research ways in which to involve our laymen in collective, spiritual experiences, the Association of Unity Churches is planning and sponsoring **Healing Rally '74**. We recognize the need to provide for our lay people the type of spiritual experience that has proved so meaningful to those who attended our International Conventions in 1970 and 1973. Accordingly, Healing Rally '74 is an opportunity on a more or less regional basis for Unity ministers, teachers, and laymen to gather together and share in a specific spiritual experience. The outstanding program that is in process of being finalized will start at 1:00 pm May 2 and conclude around 11:00 am May 4. We know the program will be of special interest to all Unity people and especially to those interested in healing. Project Chairman of the Rally program is **Phillip Pierson**, our minister in Christ Unity Church, Sacramento, California.

Each ministry has now received an initial supply of Rally Registration Forms and we encourage each of you to promptly share the information regarding Healing Rally '74 with your congregation. We know that there will be Unity people in other than West Coast locations who will be interested in traveling to San Francisco for the Rally.

Your prayer support and active cooperation will mean much to the anticipated success of this experience.

"THE AUC PRESIDENT SERVING YOU"

WE GIVE THANKS for the privilege of being Unity ministers, teachers, and students.

WE GIVE THANKS that it is our work and our joy to call forth the all powerful Christ Presence in action in our nation today. Let us accept our role in the world today that we may with abiding inner strength sound the message of the One Presence and One Power, God, the Good unfolding in an evolutionary plan of good for all mankind. We stand steady in our unity in Christ.

WE GIVE THANKS for our Unity Centers around the country. In Pittsburgh, **Martha and Frank Giudici** lead a strong Unity work. I saw a good idea in action there as they "team taught" a class at 9:15 on Sunday morning preceding the regular service. It was well attended and served to prepare the consciousness for the eleven o'clock hour.

WE GIVE THANKS for the dynamic teachers and ministers of the Eastern Regional Conference meeting in West Virginia at Cacapon State Park. It was great to see **Ann Sandefer** looking so radiantly well. **Sue Sikking** and **Charles Neal** presented the Post-Graduate teachers training course. This continues to prove a stimulating time for all.

WE GIVE THANKS for the over 600 lay people who met during the Unity Students of Northern California Retreat at Asilomar. **Jane** and **Sig Paulson** were the featured speakers.

WE GIVE THANKS for the Unity work in Denver, Colorado, where the Executive Committee met. Along with the necessary business during that week, the Committee presented two evening meetings at Unity Church of Denver as part of a pre-dedication celebration for the new 500 seat sanctuary under construction. **Jim** and **Charlene Lewis** and the wonderful people in the Denver ministry are surely to be praised!

WE GIVE THANKS for the special ordination service for **Nancy Kehoe** which was held Friday evening, October 26, at Unity Center of Christ in Holly Hill, Florida. This was surely a highlight experience for me in functioning as the ordaining minister for our Association. Nancy and **Bob** are greatly loved by their full-to-capacity congregation in Holly Hill. We all love you and bless you, Nancy!

WE GIVE THANKS for the bang-up job **Jay Dishman** did in hosting the Southeastern Regional Conference in Atlanta, Georgia. Southern hospitality reached a new high! **Joyce Kramer** and **Phil White** presented the Post-Graduate teachers training course in an all day session. Our loving thanks to Sally and Jay and all the people of Unity of Atlanta!

WE GIVE THANKS for **Jay Eaton** and **Frank Warner** (Laymen's Professional Counsel) for their immeasurable gift of time spent on AUC's behalf in Denver, San Francisco, and Atlanta. God bless you both!

WE GIVE THANKS for the success of the Minister/Board meetings in Northern California and the Northwest. The Southeastern Regional Conference just voted to begin this type of meetings in their area. Minister/Board meetings provide a vehicle through which our laymen can work with us in presenting the important **UNITY PARTNERSHIP** for **MINISTERIAL DEVELOPMENT** plan. Let's go!

WE GIVE THANKS for the fine work being done by **Ruth Mosley** in West Side Unity Church in Detroit. Her well attended work stresses Unity education and there is a powerful feeling of order and light expressed.

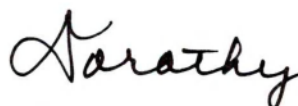
WE GIVE THANKS for the ministers and teachers in the Detroit area who are working together in a great sense of oneness and love.

"THE AUC PRESIDENT SERVING YOU" continued

WE GIVE THANKS for Bob Sikking and all our AUC staff at Unity Village. I am witnessing the tremendous job being done by our untiring Executive Director (incredible!) and my admiration for him and the folks on the staff increases every day!

I am enroute to the Great Lakes Regional Conference in Toledo as I write this, so with a "continued next month", God bless our Thanksgiving celebrations in our ministries, our personal lives, and especially in our nation!

In loving support,



Dorothy Pierson

REGIONAL NEWS

Paul Barrett reporting for the SOUTHEASTERN REGION:



KINGSTON, JAMAICA, WEST INDIES -- An ecumenical Sunday Service to begin **Senior Citizens Week in Jamaica** was held at the Kingston Parish Church (church of St. Thomas the Apostle), Kingston, Jamaica, on August 19. **Wildorf Goodison-Orr** (Goodie), minister of Unity of Jamaica, participated in this special service. Goodie also reports that the International Goodwill Association of Jamaica, which sponsors Travel Tours all over the world, had a group returning to Jamaica from a tour which took in Mexico, Tahiti, Los Angeles, Fiji, Hawaii, New Zealand, San Francisco, Cape Kennedy, and

Miami. This tour group, a capacity crowd, attended Unity of Jamaica on Sunday, August 26, for a Thanksgiving Service conducted by Goodie for their safe return.

Kay Arndt reporting for the NORTHWEST REGION:

BELLINGHAM, WASHINGTON -- The Unity movement in the Northwest Region continues to expand. **Howard Armstrong**, our minister in Bellingham, has advised us that Unity Church of Truth of Bellingham has purchased six acres of land; and an engineer and an architect are now working on the building plans for this unfolding ministry.

OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON -- Our minister in Olympia, **Millie Perdue**, also advises us of expansion activities. Unity Center of Olympia recently purchased 3.7 acres of land situated in a rapidly developing section of Olympia. The ministry has already out grown their present facilities and due to the large attendance is conducting their Sunday morning services in the local Seventh Day Adventist Church until their new church building can be constructed.

TACOMA, WASHINGTON -- Unity of Tacoma is celebrating their **TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY** this year. We offer our congratulations and thanks for the continuing fine work performed by this ministry served by **Mary and Phil Stovin**.

REGIONAL NEWS continued

Berton Coffey reporting for the SOUTHWEST REGION:

NEWSPAPER HITS THE NEWS of Unity Southwest! First edition of the **Unity Southwest Regional News** ran into several hundred copies, as the four-page tabloid-style news sheet was made available for distribution to Unity ministries throughout the Southwest Region. The paper will carry news of classes, retreats, and special events, together with helpful articles. Initially it is to be a quarterly publication.

COMPTON, CALIFORNIA — Compton Unity Church will have an afternoon **MORTGAGE BURNING CEREMONY** November 18 with **Arthur Hammons**, minister of Christ Church Unity in El Cajon, California, and President of the Southwest Region, presiding. **Margaret Butterworth** and **John Ballinger** are our ministers in the Compton work.

LAS VEGAS, NEVADA — Unity Church of the Desert celebrated its **TWELFTH ANNIVERSARY** October 17. **Sig** and **Jane Paulson** were special guests. Regional Exchange Day convened there on November 5, with **Marie Kapp**, minister, hosting the meeting. **Berton Coffey**, recently elected Southwest Regional Representative, called on all ministers and teachers in the region to join in this prayer: "The Forgiving Love of the Universal Saviour is now felt throughout our land, and throughout the whole world, Praise God!"

LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA — Long Beach Unity Society of Practical Christianity celebrated its **FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF ORGANIZATION** on October 14 with a program of special activities. The Long Beach ministry was established by **John** and **Louise Newman**, parents of **Sarah Switzer**. Sarah continues to serve this fine work as minister.

RESEDA, CALIFORNIA — 120 persons attended the excitingly successful regional Y.O.U. rally at Reseda, California, October 20-21. **Dell Powers**, minister of West Valley Unity Church in Reseda, hosted the rally.

SAN BERNARDINO, CALIFORNIA — Unity of San Bernardino, **Emily Sanford** and **Emily McAlpin**, ministers, opened on October 15 a new **WEE WISDOM** pre-school as an extension of its Youth Church.

SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA — On October 7, Santa Ana Unity Church, **Philip Nicola**, minister, celebrated its **TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY**.

YUCAIPA, CALIFORNIA — Unity of Yucaipa, where **Dorothea Fowler** is the minister, celebrated its **TWENTY-FIRST ANNIVERSARY** with two days of festivity beginning Sunday, August 26th.

Margaret Cain reporting for the GREAT LAKES REGION:

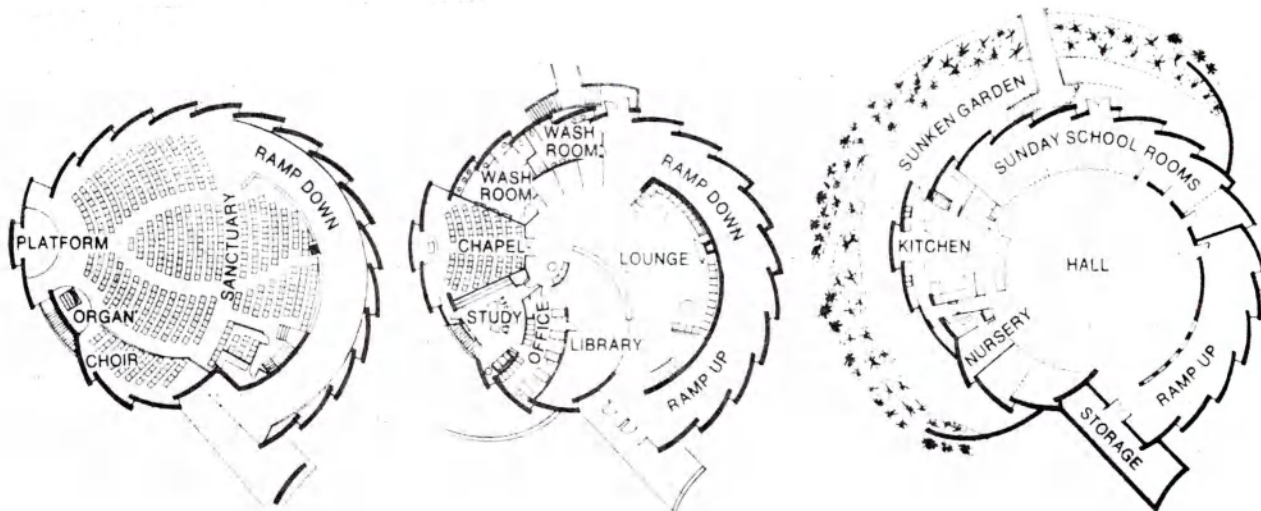
CINCINNATI, OHIO — **NEW DIMENSIONS IN TRUTH** was the theme of the special activities conducted October 3 through 7 by New Thought Unity Center of Cincinnati in celebration of the **SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY** of the founding of the ministry. **Jack Barker**, minister of this Unity work, was Master of Ceremonies for the activities which included evening programs on the 3rd, 4th, and 5th; continued all day Saturday the 6th; and concluded on Sunday morning. Outstanding talks were presented by the many guest speakers.

LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY — A new work is unfolding in Lexington. Unity of Lexington conducted its first Sunday service October 14. Affiliated with New Thought Unity Center in Cincinnati, Ohio, this new ministry has elected a Board of Trustees and is in the process of securing incorporation. **James Parkinson**, a licensed teacher presently serving with **Jack Barker** in Cincinnati, is leading this growing work.

REGIONAL NEWS continued

WAUWATOSA, WISCONSIN — On October 21, Unity Church of Christianity, Wauwatosa, dedicated its newly purchased building located at 1717 North 73rd Street. **William Fletcher** is the minister. **May Rowland**, present as the representative of Unity School, conducted a healing prayer service on Saturday evening, October 20, and was the guest speaker on Sunday morning. A catered lunch was served to all those present on Sunday. The services continued during the afternoon with music and reports being given of various ministry activities. It was a successful and soul-filling dedication.

MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN — **Jack Hamilton**, minister of Unity West in Milwaukee, shares the following portion of a feature story which appeared in a recent Sunday edition of the Milwaukee Journal: "OVAL SHAPED CHURCH TO HAVE RAMPS, NOT STAIRWAYS— Construction is expected to be started early next spring on an unusual, oval shaped church. . . . It will be the new home of Unity West Church. . . . The design and some of the materials to be used in the new structure represent adaptations of ideas found during a recent trip to southern Germany by the architect, **Erich Gnant** of Brookfield, Wisconsin. Mr. Gnant says that he was intrigued by a church which has an auditorium entrance consisting of a long, gardenlike ramp with a small incline. Another concept developed from a building of poured concrete, stripped of all decoration, with the sections joined by glass. Thus, stated Mr. Gnant, the congregation becomes important, not the adornments. An oval shape was chosen with diameters of 92 and 108 feet. The exterior wall will be of patterned concrete block set in a staggered series of offset walls, with glass framed between the offsets. The interior of these offset walls will be plastered with a pebbled, acoustical material. The glass will be almost invisible to those seated within but will permit entrance of daylight to flood the meeting areas. The building will have three levels (see architect's drawing below), all of which will be served by wide, gently sloping, curved ramps. The decision to use ramps rather than stairways, was based on a desire to aid elderly and handicapped persons, as well as to avoid the use of dividing lines or doors which would obstruct people's train of thought. The upper level will have a large lounge, chapel, study, and rest rooms. The lower level will include the Sunday School rooms, nursery, and kitchen. Since the building will be erected on a sloping site, the lowest level will be on grade for 50% of the building's circumference. A sunken garden is planned to accent this area. The one and one-half acre site will include space for parking of 90 cars. The overall cost is estimated at \$300,000."



—Journal Photo

The new home for Unity West in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, will be this oval structure expected to be erected early next year. The upper level (at left above) will include a sanctuary seating 500 persons. About one-half the lower level (at right) will be on grade. See regional news on Milwaukee, Wisconsin, above the architect's drawing.

REGIONAL NEWS continued

Charles Korfhage reporting for the NORTHERN CALIFORNIA REGION:

On October 12, 13, and 14 more than 700 Unity ministers, teachers, and lay persons from all over Northern California gathered at beautiful Asilomar Retreat Grounds, a part of the California State Parks system. Located on the beautiful Pacific near Pacific Grove and Carmel-by-the-sea, Asilomar comfortably houses some 600 persons in motels with such names as Northwood, Sea Galaxy, Tide Inn, Surf and Sand, View Crescent, and others. Asilomar was full to capacity with more than an additional hundred persons having to stay off the grounds at selected motels and inns. Excellent food was served in a beautiful manner in the large dining hall, and meetings were held in the other various sized halls.

This EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL RETREAT for UNITY STUDENTS OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA started on Friday with registration, followed by words of greeting from the Executive Board of Northern California Ministers: **Rue Nickels**, Unity Church of the Oaks, Sacramento, President; **Edward Jennens**, Unity Church of San Jose, Vice-President; **David McClure**, Unity Christ Church, San Francisco, Secretary; **Dorothy Roberts**, Santa Cruz, Treasurer; **Gary Jones**, Unity of Palo Alto, Director at large; and **Charles Korfhage**, Christ Unity Church, Sacramento, Regional Representative.

In the afternoon of the first day, a get-acquainted time was set up with the key-note speech of the retreat being given by **Charles Korfhage**. The evening was taken up with dinner and a great lesson given by **J. Sig Paulson**, minister of Unity Village Chapel, Unity Village, Missouri. Sig and his wife, **Jane**, who serves as co-minister with him, were featured speakers throughout the retreat. Saturday, after early prayer and breakfast, an hour and a half was given over to twelve ministers of the region, each one taking one of the twelve powers of man and leading a discussion on that power. This session was greatly enjoyed by all present.

After lunch and a time of joy singing, more time was invested in the study and discussion of the twelve powers of man by other ministers. This was really a most interesting series and many, many people mentioned the amount of good they received from these sessions. After dinner came more singing in the great hall of the retreat grounds, followed by a most inspiring Communion Service conducted by Sig and Jane.

Sunday morning, after a quiet time of prayer and reflection on the beach, breakfast was served. Free time for fellowship followed and time shared with our prayer partners chosen earlier. The 9:30 Sunday Morning Worship Service included **Eugene Sorflaten**, minister of Unity Temple of Santa Cruz, at the organ; meditation led by Jane Paulson; and two great lessons given by Sig Paulson and **Jack Holland**. Dr. Holland is a professor at California State University at San Jose and is active in Unity Church of San Jose.

At one of the retreat meetings, the ministers of the region had the pleasure of welcoming and blessing the following four new Northern California Region ministers: **Wes Wallin**, Unity Ministry of Reno; **Don Gates**, San Leandro Unity Church; **Richard Beavans**, Unity Center — Bakersfield; and **Ernie Milleur**, Unity Church of Fresno.

The retreat ended in a joyous and loving time for lunch and more fellowship and goodbyes. Many retreatants were heard to acclaim this retreat as the "best Asilomar ever". Retreat registrar, **Beulah Ornbaun**, minister of Unity Church of Castro Valley, reported a near sell-out sign up for next year's retreat even before this year's retreat was over. The three day retreat truly lived up to its theme, "The Joy of Spirit." A beautiful place, beautiful people, beautiful time of prayer and upliftment; truly a time of spiritual living and praise.

REGIONAL NEWS continued

Angelo Giordani reporting for the **EASTERN REGION**:

The annual meeting of the **EASTERN REGIONAL CONFERENCE** was held September 30 thru October 3 in beautiful **Cacapon State Park, Berkley Springs, West Virginia**. Attendance was the largest yet at any Eastern Conference. Approximately 51 ministers, teachers, and spouses were present.

Business meetings were kept to a minimum in order to provide time for visiting with each other in a casual, relaxed atmosphere, for sharing ideas with one another, and for the one-day teaching seminar conducted by **AUC**.

"Gratitude in Action", a professionally prepared slide presentation with sound produced by a member of **Christ Church Unity in Asbury Park, New Jersey**, was shown on Monday evening. The presentation is a pictorial report on a Thanksgiving Retreat and includes comments from all leading personnel of **Unity School and the AUC**. It makes a most enjoyable presentation for any **Unity** work, especially for suppers and any groups within the ministry. It is available for showing on a love offering basis. For information, contact **John Cuddeback**, Minister of **Christ Church Unity**.

On Tuesday evening, the movie "Psychics, Saints, & Scientists" was shown by **Dave Williamson** of **Unity Center of Practical Christianity in New York**. The movie is available on a rental basis from **Hartley Productions** and is an excellent one for showing in the Center, especially for young adult groups as it would provide a medium for discussion.

A brief presentation was made by two representatives of the **Eastern Regional Lay Committee** formed to assist and advise the Region's ministers in planning and preparing for the proposed 1976 Convention in Philadelphia. Their presentation was a result of two brainstorming meetings held in Philadelphia in 1972, their attendance at the 1970 and/or 1973 Conventions, personal observations, etc. They proposed, for immediate action, that a questionnaire be sent to every person who attended the 1973 **Unity International Convention** in order to ascertain their desires for a convention, and their preferences in programming, scheduling, etc. A draft questionnaire was forwarded to the **AUC** office for finalizing and mailing.

A thorough and complete study of sites for future Regional Conferences, which would be the most accessible to a majority of members of the Region, was given by **Merton Thorpe**, minister of **Unity Church of Hartford, West Hartford, Connecticut**. Three sites were selected, such being the vicinities of **Pawling, New York; Cacapon Springs, West Virginia; and Syracuse, New York**. The decision was made by the **Regional Conference Body** to visit each of the three sites selected once every three years, thereby giving each member minister or teacher the opportunity of traveling only a short distance to conference. The next **Eastern Regional Conference** will be held at **Thornfield in Casanovia (near Syracuse), New York**.

The one-day seminar on teaching methods and techniques led by **Sue Sikking** and **Charles Neal** was interesting, stimulating, and rewarding. It was the feeling of everyone present that **Sue and Charles** were well qualified to carry out the seminar concept as planned by the **AUC Post-Graduate Course Development committee**, and they demonstrated their own effectiveness as "teachers". Enthusiasm was high for this idea of providing additional "training" and "learning" time for ministers and teachers.

For the past five or six years, the **Eastern Region** has made a special effort to keep the conference as unstructured and informal as possible. This has resulted in a growing attendance each year, a relaxed atmosphere in which the ministers and teachers could relate to one another as individuals, and a deepening feeling of oneness with each other.

REGIONAL NEWS continued

Jim Lewis reporting for the SOUTH CENTRAL REGION:

DENVER, COLORADO — The Executive Committee of the AUC Board of Trustees chose the city of Denver as the site to hold their October meetings. While conducting the five day series of business sessions, October 15-19, the Committee took time to participate in pre-dedication ceremonies for the new church facilities currently being constructed by Unity Church of Denver. The Committee presented individual Truth talks at two evening programs. The pre-dedication ceremonies also included a very successful Friday evening musical concert, October 19, featuring the soloists of Unity Church of Denver, **Jack and Mary Beth Olson**, and the church organist, **Faye Roswell Peters**. Mary Beth also serves as the church secretary. The members of the Denver ministry were very enthusiastic about the three evening programs and the effective publicity the programs received from the local news media.

HOUSTON, TEXAS — Unity Church of Christianity, Houston, is utilizing non-typical construction techniques in the building of their new church facilities. The initial staking and underground work already in process, the plans call for the erection of a pyramid in true proportion to the Great Pyramid of Giza, near Cairo, Egypt. The idea of using a pyramid in the architectural design was conceived of by **John D. Rankin**, minister of this rapidly growing and unfolding Houston ministry. The unique design has captured the interest of the building industry and the Houston ministry is receiving extensive publicity in the local newspapers and being highlighted in feature articles appearing in the local and state building trade journals. The following was extracted from The Texas Builders Journal: "The building comprised of 9,206 square feet was designed by the architectural firm of **Rapp, Tackett & Fash** and will represent an investment of over \$300,000. . . . the firm . . . developed a master plan which would provide a strong entrance vista for the pyramid as well as ample parking spaces and courtyard areas visible from inside the pyramid. . . . the 89 foot square base is raised eight feet and use of what appears to be underground projections from the corners of the triangular sides are to be used for mechanical areas, restrooms, etc. Thusly, from an outward view as one approaches the structure surrounded by sloping grass berms, there is a total pyramid effect. The pyramid is to be covered with gold aluminum siding. A wide expanse of glass has been used for the main entry and a sodium vapor light, similar to those used in the Neiman Marcus parking lot with a lifetime of approximately 15,000 hours, will be used at the apex of the pyramid to cast an inner golden glow during worship service. . . . Site orientation was a bit complicated due to the specific requirement that the pyramid be oriented True North. Several weeks of delay occurred with the contractor's having to work with a sextant shooting the North Star and Polaris. So as to get an even more accurate reading, a staff member of Burke Baker Planetarium was called in (the new church is 60 times as accurately aligned with True North as the Great Pyramid). . . . The interior calls for a sloping floor in the nave of the church allowing for maximum visibility. The sanctuary will seat 550 to 600 persons in theatre type chairs. A slightly elevated altar and pulpit with rheostat controls for the church's lighting therein, the chancel area with sound control systems, an upper choir loft and space for the organist are included in the floor plan. Interior colors are warm rather than bright. A predominance of natural wood grain materials will be visible as well as exposed brick walls to provide a cool contrast to the warm softness. True to the design of the Great Pyramid, the sides of, or four equilateral triangles, are the same length as the base minus 5%, or 89 foot square less 5%. A floor to apex measurement taking in the eight foot drop mentioned earlier, gives a reading of 63 1/2 feet. . . ."

IN MEMORIAM We have just received word of the passing, on November 4, 1973, of **Kate A. Evans**, minister of Overland Unity Center, Overland, Missouri. Kate, in 1943, pioneered this Unity work. Licensed as a teacher in 1950 and ordained in June of 1953, Kate constantly dedicated herself to the unfolding and expansion of Overland Unity Center. We give thanks for Kate and bless her in her spiritual ongoing.

WHO'S WHO IN YOUR AUC OFFICE

This month we are pleased to introduce to you **Mike Ardoin**, who, in his position in the AUC stock room, directly serves each member of the Association. Responsible for the shipping activity of the AUC, this enthusiastic young man has from the start of his AUC career in September 1972, displayed many abilities and talents in the excellent performance of his duties. From the routine daily collection and processing of outgoing mail to the proper and timely preparation for shipping of the Silent 70 literature and all other material dispatched from the AUC, Mike demonstrates a high degree of accuracy. The competency with which he performs his tasks coupled with his everpresent joyous attitude is conducive to the smooth work flow of the office.



Born in Long Beach, California, Mike moved to the Kansas City metropolitan area some ten years ago. He is a graduate of Lee's Summit High School and is continuing his education by attending night classes at Longview Community College in Lee's Summit, Missouri, working toward a degree in business. An active athlete, Mike was a pitcher for an American Legion League baseball team last season and keeps in shape by jogging.

We are glad to have Mike on the AUC team and know that you will appreciate his dedication each time you receive a mailing or shipment from your AUC office.

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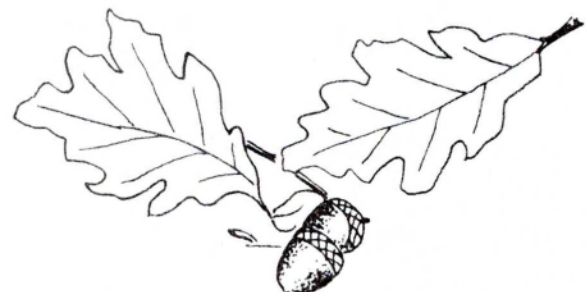
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- Nov. 17 Northwest Minister/Board meeting, Seattle, Washington
† Nov. 22 Thanksgiving
Dec. 1 Minister/Board meeting, Medford, Oregon
Dec. 2 AUC Presidential Proclamation — Day of prayer and rededication in the spirit of the Dedication and Covenant signed by Charles and Myrtle Fillmore in December 1892
† Dec. 9-12 First Annual Suncoast Unity Retreat, Christian Retreat Conference Grounds, Bradenton, Florida, sponsored by the Suncoast Unity Ministries

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- † Jan. 8-10 Northern California Regional Conference, Asilomar, Pacific Grove, California
† Jan. 9 Post-Graduate Plan seminar on teaching techniques, Asilomar, Pacific Grove, California
† Jan. 21-25 Mid-Year Council of Committee Meetings, Unity Village, Missouri
* Jan. 28-30 Southwest Regional Conference, Palm Springs, California
Jan. 29 Post-Graduate Plan seminar on teaching techniques, Palm Springs, California
April 22-24 South Central Regional Conference, Dallas, Texas
April 23 Post-Graduate Plan seminar on teaching techniques, Dallas, Texas
† April 29-May 2 AUC Executive Committee Meetings, San Francisco, California
† May 1 Northern California Ministers' Meeting, San Francisco, California
May 2-4 AUC Healing Rally, Sheraton-Palace Hotel, San Francisco, California
June 10-14 AUC Pre-Conference Week, Unity Village, Missouri
June 17-21 AUC Ministers/Teachers Conference, Unity Village, Missouri
June 22-Aug. 16 U.I.C.E. Summer Resident Study Program, Unity Village, Missouri
July 15 Last day applications will be accepted for the 1974-75 school year by the School for Ministerial and Religious Studies, Unity Village, Missouri
† August 4-10 Alma, Michigan, Laymen's Retreat, sponsored by Detroit Temple Unity
August 9 Graduation and Ordination services, School for Ministerial and Religious Studies and AUC, Unity Village, Missouri
August 17-23 YOU Conference, Unity Village, Missouri
† Sept. 30-Oct. 3 Great Lakes Regional Conference, hosted by Unity Christ Church, St. Louis, Missouri
† Oct. 3 Post-Graduate Plan seminar, St. Louis, Missouri
† Oct. 21-23 Southeastern Regional Conference, Birmingham, Alabama

- † Addition
* Revision



PLACEMENT

PORT ANGELES, WASHINGTON — John Adams has resigned as minister of Unity in the Olympics. Leone MacMillan from Seattle, Washington, is serving as interim minister in Port Angeles while negotiations for succession of leadership are being conducted.

Your Placement Committee is working with the Boards of the following Unity works to assure succession of leadership in such ministries: Unity of the Hollywoods, Hollywood, Florida; First Unity Church, Independence, Missouri; Unity Christ Church, Lakeland, Florida; Unity Church, Pine Bluff, Arkansas; and Unity Church of Richmond, California.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS We know that each member of the Association of Unity Churches joins with us in extending thoughts of love, appreciation, and this special blessing to our fellow members who have birthdays in December:

Look to this day!

For it is life, the very life of life . . .

*For yesterday is already a dream
and tomorrow is only a vision;*

*But today, well lived,
makes every yesterday*

*A dream of happiness,
and every tomorrow
a vision of hope.*

Dec.	Dec.	Dec.
1 Louise Newman	14 Mary Stovin	25 Jean Beggs
3 Edna LeSage	15 Edna Drebert † Duane Hardy * Mark Smith *	26 Louis Molinary Harold Irving
4 Jean Grover	16 Carol Knox Amalie F. Havens	27 Blanche Joki †
6 Elsie M. Eckert †	17 Dorothy Armstrong Everett Dell Richard Dawson *	28 Crichton Aspinall
7 Clifford King Mildred Tyler	18 Ross Goodman Izear Wiggins	29 Ruth Holden Marilyn Rieger *
8 Francisca Mendez	19 Mary Donnelly Huck †	30 Mary Louise Harding Gary Jones Charlene Linnell
9 Maria Molinary	21 Robert Wasner	31 Marguerite Meyer Mollie Nirk Wallace Tooke
10 R. James Heinecamp Dennis Zech *	22 Robert H. Marshall	
11 Jack Barker Jack Kern Viola Ransford	23 Thelma Bean Conchita Melendez	
12 Jack Clemenson	24 Florence Kellogg *	
13 Alma Redfern Berry Mildred Perdue		

† Minister Emeritus
* SMRS Student Minister

MIDYEAR COUNCIL OF COMMITTEES The following AUC Committees will meet at Unity Village Monday through Wednesday, January 21-23, 1974: **Executive, Finance and Budget, Licensing and Ordination, Ministerial Education Advisory, Bylaws, Young Adults Research, Conference Program, and Conference Banquet.** The AUC Board of Trustees will meet Thursday and Friday, January 24 and 25.

If you are a member of any of the above committees, your respective Committee Chairman will contact you, advising you of the necessary details of your January meeting. We suggest that you schedule your arrival for either afternoon or evening Sunday, January 20, in order to be available for Monday morning committee sessions.

The Reservations Office of the Unity Motel has advised that reservations during the Midyear Council can be accepted on a shared accommodations basis only. A ten dollar (\$10.00) room deposit must accompany your request for reservations and be sent directly to the Reservations Office.

Ground transportation from Kansas City International Airport to Unity Village may be pre-arranged with **Jetway Limousine Service, Inc.** Jetway's rates from the airport are: \$15.00 for one passenger per vehicle, \$7.50 each for two passengers, or \$5.00 each for three or more per vehicle. If you desire this service, please contact **Carl C. Jenkins, Jr., Jetway Limousine Service, Inc., 800 Westport Road, Kansas City, Missouri 64111** (phone: area 816, 444-6360), advising the date and hour of your arrival, and the airline and flight number. Jetway has agreed to make five vehicles available on January 20 and can accommodate, at any one time, groups of 25 or less persons.

SCHOOL FOR MINISTERIAL AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES

SILENT UNITY BEGINS PUBLIC PRAYER SERVICES Public prayer services conducted under the auspices of Silent Unity began at Unity Village on October 29. Held Monday through Saturday at 12:30 p.m. in the Silent Unity Visitors' Chapel, these services are the first public services held by Silent Unity on a regularly scheduled basis. Members of Silent Unity and Unity ministers now serving at Unity Village will conduct the services three days a week, and SMRS students will be responsible for the services on the other days. We are thrilled with this opportunity for ministerial students to be involved in this exciting new outreach of Silent Unity. The next time you are at Unity Village, plan to schedule a half hour (12:30 to 1:00 p.m.) for attending these meetings, and unite your consciousness with that of Silent Unity.

MEDITATION SEMINAR FOR MINISTERIAL STUDENTS **Vrle Minto**, conductor of the Alpha Awareness meditation seminars, presented an intensive seminar for the ministerial students during the week of October 29 through November 2. Verle was highly recommended to SMRS by a number of our ministers in the field. The seminar proved to be both informative and helpful to the ministerial students, and their response was enthusiastic. Verle has been traveling about the country, making this seminar available to Unity ministries as a week-long evening activity. His reception in the field has also been enthusiastic.

STUDENT GIFT SHOP SERVES FIELD MINISTRIES The Student Gift Shop, operated by SMRS students, continues to make interesting and inspirational items available for purchase by the field ministries. The student manager of the shop, **Gene Connor**, assures that orders are filled promptly. A new catalog of merchandise is now in preparation. If you would like a copy of the catalog, please write to: Gene Connor, AUC-MS Gift Shop, Unity Village, Mo. 64065. All profits from this shop go toward student scholarships and to help students with emergency expenses. Support the ministerial students through your purchases from the Gift Shop.



SMRS STUDENT BODY OFFICERS

SMRS student body officers for the 1973-74 school year are, left to right; **George Rieger**, Vice-President; **Florence Kellogg**, Secretary; **Jerry Taylor**, Chaplain and Advisor; **Lora McAfee**, Treasurer; and **Randy Wilkinson**, President.

George Rieger, Vice-President — A native of the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, area, George is a member of Unity Church of Christ and has served the Philadelphia ministry as President of the Board and platform chairman. He is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania and was the manager of an east coast audio visual communications firm before enrolling in SMRS. **Marilyn**, his wife, is a first year ministerial student.

Florence Kellogg, Secretary — Florence is a member of Unity Church of Des Moines, Iowa. Before moving to Iowa, she assisted in the Sunday School Departments of our works in Indianapolis, Indiana, and Fairfax, Virginia. The mother of four children and an accomplished pianist, Florence attended Western Washington College of Education in Bellingham, Washington, and was engaged in secretarial work for a midwest theological seminary before coming to Unity Village.

Jerry Taylor, Chaplain and Advisor — Jerry came to SMRS from Unity Church of Denver, Colorado, where he served as an assistant YOU sponsor and assisted on the platform during local retreats. A native of Colorado, Jerry attended Colorado State University in Fort Collins, majoring in business. Prior to entering the ministry, Jerry held a responsible position with a large florist company in Denver. He is single, but will be married later this month to **Miss Nancy Steinfelt**, daughter of second year ministerial student **Lora McAfee**.

Lora McAfee, Treasurer — A Californian, Lora attended Christ Unity Church in Sacramento, California, for thirteen years and was active in teaching YAU and assisting in the church's pre-service meditation periods. With almost twenty years experience in the travel industry field, she is presently employed by Unity School and is responsible for the Tour Guide activity.

Randy Wilkinson, President — Born and raised in Washington, D.C., Randy and his wife, **Carrie**, are members of Unity Center of Christianity where he served as usher and platform assistant. Randy attended Howard University as a pre-law student and was a division manager for a major private parcel delivery service company before entering the ministry.

ASSOCIATION OF UNITY CHURCHES

Statement of Operation
Fiscal Year 1974
Six Months Ended 9/30/73

	<u>September</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
INCOME:		
Love Offerings General	\$19,569.53	\$129,622.16
Love Offerings Education Department	576.10	4,968.72
Gain - Curriculum and Material	536.34	3,681.60
Other Income	<u>8,176.18</u>	<u>15,216.44</u>
TOTAL INCOME	<u>28,858.15</u>	<u>153,488.92</u>
EXPENSES:		
General Office	21,063.03	110,018.10
Education Department	<u>6,766.38</u>	<u>38,252.93</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>27,829.41</u>	<u>148,271.03</u>
Excess Income Over Expenses	<u>1,028.74</u>	<u>5,217.89</u>
SPECIAL ACTIVITIES INCOME	40.00	19,725.10
SPECIAL ACTIVITIES EXPENSES	<u>14,363.55</u>	<u>18,886.46</u>
Special Activities Excess Income Over Expenses	<u>(14,323.55)</u>	<u>838.64</u>
TOTAL INCOME OVER EXPENSES	<u>(\$13,294.81)</u>	<u>\$ 6,056.53</u>