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One of the first things you will probably notice about this issue of our Association's newsletter is its new look!

CONTACT's new layout of up to three columns of type per page allows the newsletter to be printed in a much more flexible format. The column width has been reduced in order to improve readability and each column is now right justified.

A new size and style of type is utilized to produce what we feel is a more open-faced and clearer printed page. The new type font together with the new layout design of CONTACT permits a considerable amount of additional copy to be printed per page. This allows more information to be distributed on fewer sheets of paper. An economy measure which each of our ministries can certainly appreciate in this time of rapidly rising prices for paper.

These improvements in CONTACT were made possible through the leasing by the AUC office of a new piece of IBM word processing equipment. The new equipment replaces an older piece of composing equipment.

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Charles Korfhage reporting for the NORTHERN CALIFORNIA REGION:

SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA — On April 11 and 12 the Northern California Ministers Conference (N.C.M.C.) conducted their Annual Board/Minister meeting. The meeting was held at Christ Unity Church in Sacramento, California, and was hosted by **Charles Korfhage** and **Dorothy and Phillip Pierson**, ministers of this Sacramento ministry.

This two day meeting was the first Board/Minister meeting held in the region in which the program was scheduled for more than one day. Charles Korfhage reports that the expanded program schedule proved to be a great success and that the majority of those present at the meeting were in attendance both days.

The Friday evening portion of the program began with a dinner at a restaurant owned by a member of the Board of Christ Unity Church. In order to properly accommodate the 89 people present at the dinner, the owner closed the restaurant to the public for that evening and allowed the Unity group to enjoy the excellent dinner in private fellowship. Following dinner, all in attendance adjourned to the ministry for the remainder of the evening program of prayer and fellowship.

Charles reports that there were two main reasons for scheduling an overnight Board/Minister meeting. One reason was to enable those attending to get an earlier start on the business meeting on Saturday morning, and the other reason being that it gave the Board members and ministers an opportunity to become better acquainted. Charles stated that in previous meetings those traveling any great distance normally arrived during mid-morning on Saturday. This did not allow sufficient

time to hold the business sessions. In the case of the April 11 and 12 meeting, the Saturday program began with an 8:30 a.m. prayer session and the business session began promptly at 9:00 a.m. There were 123 persons in attendance for the business session, one of the largest gatherings N.C.M.C. has ever had for a Board/Minister meeting.

The Saturday program included an audio-visual presentation by **Robert P. Sikking**, Executive Director of the AUC, on the New Ministries Development Program of the AUC. Very productive group discussion sessions followed Bob's presentation. Ways and means were discussed by which Unity ministries, board members, and ministers could help support the expansion program currently being conducted under the auspices of the New Ministries Development Committee.

At noon the discussion groups adjourned and came together for a wonderful lunch given by the host ministry and served by the members of the ministry's ladies group. After lunch the business session reconvened and actively continued until concluding in the late afternoon.

Prior to adjournment, the Board members and ministers enthusiastically accepted an invitation from Christ Church Unity in San Jose, California, to conduct next year's N.C.M.C. Board/Minister meeting in San Jose. Based upon the success of the two-day meeting format, next year's meeting will also be conducted on a Friday and Saturday.

Paul Barrett reporting for the SOUTHEASTERN REGION:

HUNTSVILLE, ALABAMA — A new study group comprised of very enthusiastic and dynamic Truth students has been established in Huntsville, Alabama. This study group is an outreach activity of Unity Center of Practical Christianity in Chattanooga, Tennessee. **Dana Voght**, our minister in Chattanooga, is conducting this study group in Huntsville.

The new group refers to itself as the "Unity Center of Huntsville" and Dana reports that as an expression of their dedication and enthusiasm, 16 members of the group received Spiritual Baptism on Easter Sunday and became members of Unity through the study class.

Indicative of the fine work being performed in Huntsville by Dana is the following portion of a letter of appreciation which she recently received. "We know that your coming to us is a direct answer to our prayers, and we are so grateful. There is such a renewed interest and willingness to participate... Your messages are vital and meaningful to all of us. Bless you for your efforts."

Dana has been utilizing, in very effective manner, newspaper advertising and feature articles in the Huntsville area to assist in encouraging growth in attendance. Currently she is teaching a Lessons in Truth class in Huntsville every Sunday afternoon, followed by a Worship Service.

We join with the writer of the aforementioned letter in blessing Dana for sharing her time, talent, and dedication with the people in Huntsville. We join with Dana in holding the vision that soon this study class will be ready to accept a full time minister of their own.

NEW PORT RICHEY, FLORIDA — **James Sherman**, minister of Unity Truth Center in New Port Richey, Florida, has shared the ministry's plans for expansion. This item of good news is evidence indeed of the ever expanding and prosperous consciousness of this progressive Florida ministry.

Jim writes, "As you perhaps recall, last summer we bought five acres of local woodland for a future Center site. According to our plan at that time we were going to pay off the property and then begin building. We were going to remain in our original building on Gulf Drive until the construction was completed. Needless to say, plans do get changed.

"In February, a local family interested in starting a Church of God, contacted us through a local real estate agent. They offered us \$55,000 and after some discussion by our membership we accepted.

"Since this all began, we have engaged an architect, paid off our five acres, and are planning to occupy our new facilities in July, 1976. We have about \$30,000 in cash and expect the initial construction cost to be between \$100,000 and \$150,000.

"We have made arrangements with the Ramada Inn to hold all of our services and meetings in their banquet facilities. They (continued on page 3)

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can accommodate near 400, so it should be adequate. They have been gracious enough to let us use the spaces at no charge.

"We have moved our offices and bookstore to a professional building, located about three blocks from our old Center location. We have a two year lease at the rate of \$208 per month with an automatic release as soon as our new building is available."

Jim also reported that attendance at the ministry's Sunday Worship Service is very good and that their Wednesday evening class is averaging approximately 110 people per class. He also advised that the move to the Ramada Inn has not adversely effected attendance.

C. Berton Coffey reporting for the SOUTHWEST REGION:



C. Berton Coffey leading a World Prayer Blessing and balloon release in Pasadena

PASADENA, CALIFORNIA — The Huntington Sheraton Hotel in Pasadena, California, was the site of the Laymen's Retreat conducted April 27–29, 1975, by the Unity Ministers & Teachers conference of Southern California, Arizona, Nevada, and Hawaii (U.M.T.C.). The theme of the retreat was "The Power of Meditative Prayer" and **Ernest C. Wilson**, senior minister of Unity on the Plaza, Kansas City, Missouri, was the special guest speaker.

More than 150 persons attended the retreat and participated in the guided

meditations and in the meditative prayer practice sessions which were scheduled throughout the program.

Serving as instructors for the retreat were our ministers in the Southwest Region. **Bert Coffey**, minister of Unity Truth Church in Vista, California, who also serves as the U.M.T.C. Regional Representative, led the closing activity of the retreat, a World Prayer Blessing. Held on the lawn of the hotel, this moving and impressive event included a balloon release.

The Retreat Committee for this successful three-day assemblage received a standing ovation for the fine way in which the entire retreat was organized and managed. Serving on the Committee were ministers: **Jeannette Hedge**, Unity Christ Church in Pasadena, who was Retreat Chairman; Co-Chairman **Dorothy Armstrong**, Unity Church of the Foothills, Covina; **Albert and Writa Ransford**, Unity Church, Alhambra; **David Rogers**, Unity Church of San Gabriel; and **Edna LeSage**, Unity Church of Christianity, Whittier.

SAN BERNARDINO, CALIFORNIA — Unity Church of San Bernardino held a special ground breaking ceremony on May 4, 1975, for the new additions to their church facilities. A dinner and entertainment followed the ground breaking.

Dale Cross, minister of this growing and expanding church, reports that the plans include the enlarging of the sanctuary, constructing an open-framed tower and a covered walkway, and a new narthex addition.

Dale also stated that this project will make the building complex distinctive and more visible from the street.

WHITTIER, CALIFORNIA — Unity Church of Christianity in Whittier celebrated the TENTH ANNIVERSARY of the ministry on April 25, 1975, with a banquet held in the William Penn Hotel.

Albert Ransford, minister of Unity Church in Alhambra, gave the Invocation and Blessing, and **Ernest C. Wilson**, minister of Unity on the Plaza, Kansas City, Missouri, was the guest speaker.

Edna LeSage, minister of Unity Church of Christianity, reports that the ministry has sustained a steady growth since its establishment in 1965.

Margaret Cain reporting for the GREAT LAKES REGION:

REGIONAL PRAYER THOUGHT — **Lester McClelland**, minister of Overland Unity Center, Overland, Missouri, who serves as Regional Vice-President for the Great Lakes area, has requested each member ministry in the Region to continue to hold this prayer thought for the months of June, July, and August: "THE DYNAMIC ACTIVITY OF TRUTH IS NOW ACTIVE AND MOVING IN HARMONIOUS WAYS THROUGHOUT THE UNITY MOVEMENT."



Bob Angus, well-known professional singer in the Detroit area, shares his vocal talent during the "Cabaret Concert" sponsored by Unity of the Infinite Presence on the evening of April 11.

DETROIT, MICHIGAN — Unity of the Infinite Presence, the Detroit ministry where **Jack Boland** serves as senior minister, recently presented another musical program as part of their Concert Series.

Wes Wallin, associate minister, shares the following report: "Our Cabaret Concert held on Friday evening, April 11th, at the Michigan Inn (one of the newest and finest hotels in the Detroit area) was a delightful evening in which the 'Unity Community' from all over the state of Michigan came together for a gourmet dinner, professional entertainment, and lots of dancing. There were nearly 450 folks from many of the Unity churches in Michigan. The elegant Great Lakes Ballroom was bubbling with life and enthusiasm that night.

"The evening began with the serving of
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dinner at 7:30 p.m. Our guests had arrived at their leisure, and found seating among the beautifully decorated round tables. During dinner, party favors were created out of multicolored balloons which were cleverly formed into various shapes representing animals and other objects. It was fun to watch these creations come into being, and then to toy with them during the evening.

"Following dinner came the entertainment which was definitely one of the highlights of the evening. Star of the show was **Bob Angus**, well-known professional singer in the Detroit area (Bob also is our soloist on Sunday mornings). Working with Bob were **Joan Tallman** and **Christina Romana Lypeckyj**, two lovely and very talented singers. The three kept the audience in awe and filled with delight during the entire performance. They sang a whole lot of variety pieces ranging from classical to the fun and frolic of show tunes. There was a whole lot of toe-tappin' and hand clappin' from the audience which primed everyone for the dancing which followed.

"One of the main reasons we put together the Cabaret Concert (besides just plain having fun) was to bring together the 'Unity Community' in Michigan. We sent invitations to each Unity ministry in the state. There was a substantial response from most of the churches in the Detroit area, and a few folks came from churches several hundred miles away. In addition, there was a large group in attendance from Canada!

"Among the Unity ministers in attendance that evening were **Glenn Mosley** of the Detroit Unity Association, **Gene Sorensen** of Unity of West Suburbia, and **Terry Havens** of Unity Center-Birmingham.

"Our belief, of course, is that Unity has a first-class teaching. And we make every effort in our church to do things first-class in all our activities. The Cabaret Concert was one of a continuing series of musical events in which we are stressing excellence in production as well as the natural fun of Unity fellowship."

DETROIT, MICHIGAN — Detroit Unity Association is continuing to expand its ability to meet the needs of the people in

the Detroit area. The ministry is responding to the special needs of the aging in their community by working in close cooperation with the **Well-Being Service for Aging**.

A division of the Visiting Nurse Association of Metropolitan Detroit, Well-Being Service for Aging is a home-centered service with a personal concern for the people it serves. Its purpose is to help older persons obtain the health and social services they need to maintain themselves in their own homes.

Any person 62 years of age and over, living in Detroit or surrounding suburbs, is eligible for service. Professional staff services are available primarily to those individuals who are not already receiving help from a public agency. However, Well-Being Service for Aging acts as an advocate for any older person in need of help.

Upon request, a professional nurse and social worker visit the homes of eligible persons to help them, and those concerned with their well-being, to make realistic plans for their care.

The agency operates under a Board of Directors with representation from the legal, medical, nursing and social work professions as well as the business community. The agency is supported by the United Foundation. Volunteer help is also utilized.

Glenn Mosley, senior minister of Detroit Unity Association, when asked to share a report on the program wrote:

"The project, and our relationship to it, is too new to make much of an assessment on it, I feel. Actually, it is a Torch Drive agency and we serve as intermediates to put the agency in touch with people who want or need the services and as a source of volunteer help for those who wish to serve in this way. There has been some activity in both directions, but as I said, it's too soon to know just how much of a service it will be.

"The reason we have so readily joined forces with them and are actively working toward establishing a truly useful and worthwhile service is that I feel churches in general, and specifically Unity, perhaps could, and should, do more in assisting the aging. We are a teaching organization first, and it seems to me we have often feared going the way of many churches and being burdened with too many

services to provide, with too few personnel. Then, our next best bet is to offer assistance wherever possible to those organizations which are service-oriented.

"The enclosed brief article by **Charles R. Fillmore** expresses my feelings quite well on the subject of involvement/non-involvement. The latter is often a view taken by Unity people, and granted, you cannot undertake every service project that comes along, but because one cannot do them all is not reason enough for not doing any."

The following is reprinted from "Wonderful You," a booklet printed in January 1975 by Unity School of Christianity.

Traditionally the Unity position has been that of seeking one's own individual spiritual guidance as to what action he should take in the outer regarding specific involvement in the challenges of life.

I agree with this stand as long as it isn't used as an excuse for failure to face up to and participate in solving the outer problems that must continually be met.

In other words, if your guidance is always not to get involved, no matter how burning the issue, I would question the validity of the source. God gives us challenges and the ability to overcome them.

Charles R. Fillmore

EVANSTON, ILLINOIS — Unity Church on the North Shore, Evanston, Illinois, where **Bob Means** serves as minister, has recently completed construction of their Women of Unity Gift Shop. This shop was but a dream a short time ago. It is now a reality, and it happened in the Truth way.

Bob states that the church board extended \$1,000 to their Women of Unity group to start the fund for the shop. The contractor's bid was \$2,300 and the decision was made by the ministry to go forward with the project, knowing that God would meet their needs. At the time this decision was made a member came forward and gave the balance of \$1,300 as a gift to the congregation.

Everyone in the congregation was invited to write out their own personal blessing for the Gift Shop. Each blessing was placed in a metal box and permanently
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enclosed in the wall directly over the doorway to the new Gift Shop.

Bob writes: "We have a very active Women of Unity. Each Tuesday they come into the church to work on arts and crafts. Once a year we have a Bazaar which is well known here on the North Shore. The items they make are used for the Bazaar. Since many of the arts and crafts from the Women of Unity were in demand as year round gifts the idea of a gift shop naturally arose. And so as a progressive idea it finally took shape and form. The idea is to provide items at moderate cost, which are in good taste, to those in the area, and the congregation, to be used as gifts for all occasions. Many of the items of jewelry, glassware, ceramics, etc., are purchased direct from manufacturers.

"The Women of Unity Gift Shop is quite unique since it not only handles select lines that you would find in most gift shops but also original creations that are distinctive and individual. These come through local artists in the fields of jewelry, ceramics, glassware, etc., Many of the craftsmen are from our own congregation.

"We are all very excited about 'our' Gift Shop and are pleased that we can offer our congregation and friends a service which they require; and to be able to do it in our own church."

ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS — Christ Church Unity in Rockford, Illinois, where Rudy Leidig serves as minister, conducts a "Question & Answer Sunday" program every two or three months. The ministry utilizes newspaper advertising such as the ad shown to the right in publicizing this activity.

In reporting on this special type of program which has been so instrumental in encouraging a number of people in the Rockford area to attend the ministry, Rudy writes, "In between the times that 'Question & Answer Sunday' is scheduled, we call attention to our Question Tray in the Foyer, explaining that we WANT their questions on anything pertaining to religion, but when reference is made to one of the Sunday lessons, we prefer to have the title of it or at least the date on which it was given. It is not

necessary to sign the question, only one condition must be fulfilled: IT MUST BE LEGIBLE!

"The congregation likes the 'Q & A Sundays,' it shows in the attendance. I believe that especially the younger and newer members of the congregation are the ones who want to know.

"The following are examples of the types of questions asked: 'What does Unity teach about divorce?' 'I cannot accept the words of the hymn Be still and know that I am God. Please explain its use as it is written in the Psalm.' 'In plain English, what is the Trinity?' 'At what age should you tithe?' 'Should gift money be tithed?' 'Is the spirit the same as the Christ in us?'

"Seldom can we really treat an answer as we would like to, but then the more important questions can at another time

be answered in more detail in a regular Sunday lesson, or possibly direct with the person asking the question.

"I start out the program by stating that I don't proclaim that I have all the answers, and that there might well be more than one answer to a particular question, and I encourage them to ask again or ask for greater details if anyone feels the question has not been answered, or that the answer is unsatisfactory.

"I enjoy receiving the questions and thinking about them, praying for an answer if I don't have one readily available, and whether anyone else learns anything from the answers, certainly I learn from the questions.

"The 'Q & A Sunday' offers a good opportunity for the people to invite friends, and they do come. After all, where else dare one ask such questions!"



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LIVONIA, MICHIGAN — Eugene Sorensen, minister of Unity of Livonia, reports that the ministry's Building Committee, along with their architect have completed an eighteen month investment of time and talent in coming up with Unity of Livonia's Phase II educational wing.

Gene also stated that every department of the ministry and the congregation has participated in giving creative suggestions for what they really need and would like to have to complete Unity of Livonia.

"With the new wing and the proposed chapel with closed circuit TV, the ministry's capacity to serve people on Sunday mornings will double the present average attendance of 300," stated Gene.

5,000 additional square feet of space will be added, giving the Youth Education Department the space it needs to expand their classes as well as new classroom space for Uniteens and Youth of Unity.

Banquet facilities will provide seating for 240 people for the ministry's special seminar programs and fellowship dinners.

A portable stage is being built-in for Y.O.U. programs as well as special Spiritual programs for the new fellowship area. A new nursery facility; a new secretary's office and work area; and expansion of their library are other additions to the ministry.

The ministry's expansion plans also call for almost doubling their parking facilities.

KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN — Unity Truth Center in Kalamazoo is conducting a very successful expansion project entitled UNITY FAITH PROJECT 2-5. William Kozy, minister in Kalamazoo, reports that the project is an outgrowth of separate expansion project ideas utilized by Unity ministers Charles Roth in Indianapolis, Indiana, Bob Means in Evanston, Illinois, and Ross Goodman in Tampa, Florida.

Asked to elaborate on how the project works, Bill stated, "The purpose of UNITY FAITH PROJECT 2-5 is to offer the opportunity to 25 or more people to 'seed plant' an additional \$10.00 per month. This money will then be earmarked expressly for expansion. It will be deposited into a special expansion account at Justus Credit Union, Unity Village, Missouri. This will allow the Board of Directors to pursue an active and vigorous expansion program while assuring that the needs of the present are met and fulfilled.

"Unity of Kalamazoo has been growing by leaps and bounds. We are fast becoming a local source of input for business and professional people. Our literature department has grown from four books and a \$100.00 investment to an inventory of nearly \$3500.00 at

cost, and a volume of \$300.00 to \$400.00 per month. In all, we needed to think in terms of expansion.

"We have had a great deal of success both teaching and using the seed money idea. With this in mind, we have invited those who participate in Project 2-5 to consider their gifts as seeds and claim a ten-fold return. A suggestion has been made that a book of tenfold returns be kept.

"We report the figures each week and it keeps the project in front of the people. It also shows them that we are serious about expansion and, as a result, a great deal of interest and enthusiasm has been generated. In two months we have received over \$600.00 which has been placed in Justus Credit Union. Our general income has also gone up greatly."

James Lewis reporting for the SOUTH CENTRAL REGION:

BLUE SPRINGS, MISSOURI — Unity of Independence, where George Rieger serves as minister, has begun a study group in Blue Springs, Missouri. A series of classes on prosperity started in January and were led by Randolph Wilkinson, a 1974 SMRS graduate and ordinand. The series proved to be successful both in

attendance and prosperity demonstration.

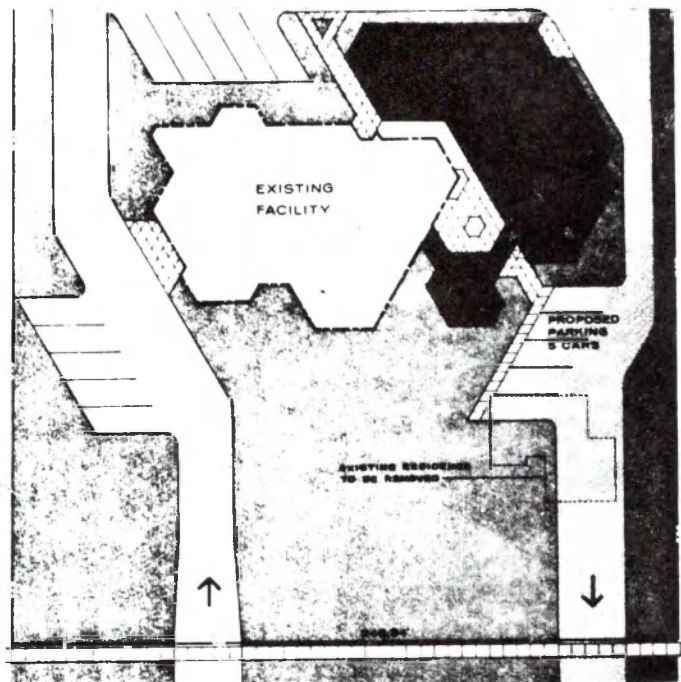
A new meditation series is beginning for the Blue Springs group and is proving to be very well attended. The meetings are conducted at the Quality Inn in Blue Springs.

George is very grateful for the opportunity this outreach work has provided in helping to meet the spiritual needs of the people in the Blue Springs community. He feels that this new study group will unfold and expand and will ultimately provide the nucleus for an additional Unity ministry.

YEARBOOK SUPPLEMENT

The information below is presented in order that you may, if you so desire, annotate your copy of the 1975 Yearbook to reflect additions, changes, and deletions. The heading entitled Page indicates the page in the 1975 Yearbook which requires updating.

Page	Item
16	Delete Unity Christ Church, Menlo Park, California (ministry moved to Redwood City, California)
18	Add Redwood City, California, Unity Christ Church 1205 Hopkins Street, Minister: Irene Wetzel



The above drawing depicts a portion of the expansion plans currently being implemented by Unity of Livonia. The darkly shaded section is the proposed additions to the ministry's facilities.

UNITY WORLD HEADQUARTERS ACTIVITIES CENTER PROGRAMS

Over 2,000 people crowded into the new Unity World Headquarters Activities Center on the evening of April 25 to hear **Dr. Norman Vincent Peale**. Dr. Peale, well-known minister of Marble Collegiate Church in New York City and a long-time friend of Unity, presented the concluding program of the special dedicatory programs in April with his message on "You Can Have a Wonderful Life."

Unity School presented the series of special programs in April to celebrate the grand opening of the new Unity World Headquarters Activities Center.

Foster McClellan, Director of Overseas and Retreats for Unity School, who also serves as Program Planning Committee Chairman for the Activities Center, stated that the programs which were presented during the month of April were selected to demonstrate the versatility of the multi-purpose Activities Center. Included in the programs were lectures by leaders in the Unity Movement, a special musical program, a feature-length color motion picture, and the lecture by Dr. Peale.

The programs began on Friday, April 4, with a "Symposium of Area Unity Ministers." The Friday evening program featured a lecture entitled "Dedication to Life—a Spiritual Life," by **Ernest C. Wilson**, minister of Unity on the Plaza, Kansas City, Missouri, and a lecture by **George E. Hilbert**, minister of Christ Church, Unity, Kansas City, Missouri, whose topic was "Dedication to Life—a Prosperous Life." Other Unity ministers featured in Friday evening's program were: **J. Sig** and **Jane A. Paulson** of Unity Village Chapel, Unity Village, Missouri; **Carol Nash** of Unity Church of Practical Christianity, St. Joseph, Missouri; **George Rieger** of Unity of Independence Center, Independence, Missouri; and **Philip White**, Director of the Education Department of Unity School. Special music was provided by **Connie Haines** and the Soul Survivors, a singing group of Unity ministerial students.

The "Symposium of Area Unity Ministers" continued on Saturday morning, April 5, beginning with lectures by **Izear Wiggins**, minister of Unity Southeast Church, Kansas City, Missouri; and **Mauritz Erhard**, minister of Unity Northeast Church, Kansas City, Missouri. Other



Dr. Norman Vincent Peale

Unity ministers participating in Saturday's program were: **Louvilla Fielder** of Unity Church of Christianity of Topeka, Kansas; **Dona Unfried** of Unity Church of Living Truth, Overland Park, Kansas; and **J. Christian Morgan**, formerly minister of Unity Crown Center, Kansas City, Missouri. The Saturday program included two panel discussions, with all of the area ministers participating, an open house, and a tour of the Unity grounds.

The special programs continued on Monday, April 7, with the first in a series of three Monday evening lectures by one of Unity's outstanding Bible scholars and interpreters, **Edward Rabel**, Professor at Unity's School for Ministerial and Religious Studies at Unity Village. The title of Ed's lecture was "The Fields of Life." His other topics were: "The Mysteries of Life," on April 14, and "The Bread of Life," on April 21.

On Wednesday, April 9, **James Dillet Freeman**, Vice President of Unity School and Director of Silent Unity, began a series of three Wednesday evening lectures with "Unity-Religion for a New Age." Jim continued the series on April 16, with "Unity-A Practical Religion."

On Friday, April 11, Unity School of Christianity presented "Third Man on the Mountain," a feature-length color motion picture starring Michael Rennie, James MacArthur, and Janet Munro. This was an heroic story of the first successful ascent of the Matterhorn and is based on James Ramsey Ullman's book, Banner in the Sky.

On Saturday, April 12, a musical program entitled "Dedication to Life through Music," was presented by the Unity Village Chapel Holiday Choir and the Chapel Singers, both organized and directed by **Ms. Verle Bell** of Unity School. Also featured in this musical program were members of the Missouri Youth Symphony of Kansas City, directed by **Mr. Jack Harriman**.

The April 23 program marked the conclusion of the Wednesday evening lectures and featured four outstanding individuals who collectively represent a total of one-hundred-eighty years of dedicated work in the Silent Unity Prayer Ministry. The program included talks by **May Rowland Bezio**, former director of Silent Unity; **Martha Smock**, Editor of DAILY WORD; **Grace Rose**, Supervisor of the Silent Unity Correspondence Department; and **Wilma Powell**, Supervisor of the Telephone Prayer Room.

May Rowland Bezio served for over a half century as director of the Silent Unity Prayer Ministry. Her words have touched and perhaps influenced the lives of hundreds of thousands of persons throughout the world.

Martha Smock has been Editor of DAILY WORD for over thirty years. Martha worked in Silent Unity for ten years before she became Editor of the Magazine. She often contributes to the writing of DAILY WORD and she has authored two books, Meet it with Faith, and Halfway up the Mountain, published by Unity School.

More than a million letters are received by Silent Unity each year containing requests for prayer assistance. The handling of these prayer requests is under the careful guidance and supervision of Grace Rose. In addition to her work in Silent Unity, Grace makes a significant contribution to the educational programs at Unity School. She has taught adult education classes for the Unity Institute for Continuing Education and she is currently on the faculty of the School for Ministerial and Religious Studies.

Wilma Powell is Supervisor of the Silent Unity Telephone Prayer Room, which receives an average of 1,100 telephone calls a day for prayer assistance. "The Light that Always Shines" comes from the window of the Telephone Prayer Room where workers are manning the
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phones, and praying and counseling with people in need of help, twenty-four hours a day, every day of the year. Prior to working in Silent Unity, Wilma, who is an ordained Unity minister, traveled widely and spoke often at Unity ministries throughout the Unity field. She has also contributed to the educational programs at Unity School as a teacher and has taught classes in basic Unity principles.

Each of these women has made a significant contribution to the Silent Unity Prayer Ministry, which reaches some two million persons each year. During the April 23 program, they talked about the various aspects of their work and experiences.

There was no charge for the April programs, however, a free will offering was taken during each session.

Dr. Maxwell Maltz, author of the best-selling book *Psycho-Cybernetics*, and J. Sig Paulson, co-minister of Unity Village Chapel, were to present a dialogue on Friday evening, April 18 and an all-day workshop on April 19. However, due to the passing of Dr. Maltz on April 7, 1975, the programs for that particular weekend were canceled.

The Activities Center truly provides ideal facilities for the many and varied programs of Unity School and of the AUC. Future activities scheduled in the new building will be covered in CONTACT.



PERSON TO PERSON

with bob sikkig

Yesterday we had a Placement Committee meeting here in the AUC office. There isn't anything very unusual about that because we have Placement Committee meetings rather frequently especially at this time of the year. As you read the pages in this and previous issues of CONTACT regarding placement, I'm sure that you can deduce that there is much activity involved in this area of our service to our ministries. It's a tremendously time-consuming responsibility for those of us here involved in the placement procedure. It's a tremendously time-consuming responsibility for the many ministers who are contacted for consideration for candidacy in the changes that are occurring. It's also a tremendously time-consuming task for Boards of Directors of our many ministries affected by the changes.

As we read about the changes occurring, there is often the feeling that such changes are an evidence of instability, but I have the strong feeling that on the contrary, it is an evidence of the stable growth that is continuing to take place in our Movement. I know that you are a part of the consciousness of growth and

wish always to lend your consciousness of sustained strength and order to the process in which we are involved.

A number of the openings that have occurred, and will occur in these succeeding weeks, will be filled by associate or assistant ministers who will be moving out to accept full responsibility for a ministry. There is a special consciousness of blessing on the part of all of us that enfolds each of these folks that take that step that leads to the full sense of commitment and involvement and joyous satisfaction in our ministry. Among our student ministers who will be graduating in August are a number who would best be served by having the opportunity to be an assistant or associate minister, and there are those who strongly feel that they would prefer to have that kind of experience prior to the acceptance of full responsibility for a ministry. If you, in your ministry, have need at this time for an assistant or associate minister, the Placement Committee would be grateful for the opportunity of helping you to fulfill this need. A telephone call to your Executive office, or a note, would call forth the activity of prayerful consideration that would help you in your time of need; it would help us in our desire to place our newly ordained ministers and it would bless our Movement as a whole.

We will be having 31 graduating ordinands completing their training responsibilities in SMRS in mid August. Of these, 6 are already pretty well situated leaving 25 to place in the field. I know that Spirit is in charge of this placement process and each one is drawn by virtue of his consciousness to the place in which he can serve most effectively. It is, after all, the consciousness of our Movement as a whole that assures that right outworking of the Father's will in every phase of our work.

As we stand together in the ever-expanding consciousness of Unity, respecting, loving, and appreciating one another, we see the power and effectiveness of this great Movement in the direct experiences of those whom we serve. We can continue to rejoice and give thanks for the togetherness that we experience in the blessing that we bring to the world. I thank you, love you, and bless you for your part in it.



DAILY WORD REPRINT The reprint of the original issue of DAILY WORD is available from the AUC office. The booklet contains the full 36 pages of Volume I, Number 1 of DAILY WORD, is priced at ten cents (\$.10) each to cover out-of-pocket costs of paper and supplies, and may be ordered from the AUC office in any quantity at this nominal price plus postage.

PLACEMENT

Placement occurs by virtue of the activity of Spirit in keeping with the consciousness of those concerned. The Placement Committee consists of **William L. Fischer, James Dillet Freeman, Frank Giudici, Martha Giudici, Gwen Norment, J. Sig Paulson, Jane Paulson, Edward Rabel, Robert P. Sikking, Philip White, and Ernest Wilson.**

DECATUR, ILLINOIS — **Gregory Penn**, formerly associate minister at Unity Church of Santa Barbara, California, has accepted the leadership of Unity Church of Decatur, Illinois, effective in June.

MADISON, WISCONSIN — **Adelaide Dibblee** has been invited to join the staff of Unity Christ Church in Minnesota to work as associate minister with **Hal and Flo Dibblee**. Your Placement Committee is working with the Board of Unity of Madison to assure succession of leadership.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA — **Adelaide Dibblee**, formerly minister of our Unity work in Madison, Wisconsin, has joined the staff of Unity Christ Church in Minneapolis as associate minister and will be working with **Hal and Flo Dibblee**.

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE — With the move of **William Clark** to Unity Church of Pompano Beach, your Placement Committee is working with the Board of First Church Unity in Nashville to assure succession of leadership.

POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA — **William Clark**, formerly minister of First Church Unity in Nashville, has accepted the leadership of Unity Church of Pompano Beach, effective June 1, 1975.

PORTLAND, OREGON — With the move of **Les Saunders** to First Unity Church, St. Petersburg, Florida, your Placement Committee is working with the Board of Unity Center of Portland to assure succession of leadership.

ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA — **Les Saunders**, formerly minister of Unity Center of Portland, Oregon, has accepted the position as leader of First Unity Church in St. Petersburg.

Your Placement Committee is working with the Boards of the new ministry in Akron, Ohio; Unity of Ann Arbor,

Michigan; Unity Church of Truth, Billings, Montana; Unity — San Diego, California; Unity Church of Christianity, Seattle (Burien), Washington; Unity Christ Church, St. Louis, Missouri; Unity Church of Truth, Toronto, Ontario; and Unity Church of the Valley, Yakima, Washington, to assure succession of leadership in these ministries.



JUSTUS CREDIT UNION

Justus Credit Union announces that the anticipated dividend for 1975 will be 6% on Corporation accounts up to \$50,000.00 on deposit. For that amount of deposit in excess of \$50,000.00, the anticipated dividend for 1975 is 6½%.

Deposits received by the 12th of the month receive dividends for the entire month payable on October 1, 1975.

On individual accounts the anticipated dividend on the first \$2,000.00 of the member's money on deposit will be 5¼%. For that amount of deposit in excess of \$2,000.00 by the member, the anticipated dividend for 1975 will be 6%.

The first \$2,000.00 of deposit by a member also has a life insurance benefit depending on age of member at time of death.

Membership in the Justus Credit Union is available to all ministries affiliated with the AUC. Membership is also available to all Unity ministers, associate ministers, licensed teachers, and members of the board of directors of AUC ministries.

Par value of shares is \$25.00. Once an individual becomes a member by an initial deposit of \$25.00 or more, the membership can be retained by the member as long as he desires by keeping a minimum balance of \$25.00 on deposit.

Justus invites all of you to visit their office during the 1975 Conference. If you are not now a member or if your ministry is not a member of the credit union, you may wish to stop by the credit union office during Conference and become a member.

If you have any questions, please contact: Justus Credit Union, Unity Village, Missouri 64065, telephone area 816—524-3750.

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ASSOCIATION OF UNITY CHURCHES

Statement of Operation

Fiscal Year 1975

Twelve Months Ended 3/31/75

INCOME:

Love Offerings General	\$20,064.90	\$299,506.90
Love Offerings Education Dept.	846.26	10,947.62
Gain Curriculum and Material	1,218.88	14,338.18
Other Income	<u>3,836.92</u>	<u>128,541.43</u>
Total Income	<u>25,966.96</u>	<u>453,334.13</u>

EXPENSES:

General Office	20,938.43	260,218.76
Education Department	<u>8,090.32</u>	<u>93,729.13</u>
Total Expenses	<u>29,028.75</u>	<u>353,947.89</u>

NET INCOME OVER EXPENSES:	<u>(\$3,061.79)</u>	<u>\$99,386.24</u>
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JULY BIRTHDAYS We know that each member of the Association of Unity Churches joins us in extending thoughts of love, appreciation, and this special blessings for our fellow members who have birthdays in July.

GOD'S LOVE

*The endless beauty
That God's seasons bring
Inspires our mind to hope,
Our heart to sing.
Like breath, like wind,
Like cloud against the sky,
Always the love of God
Is coming nigh;
Always the sweet protection
of the Lord
Is tuned to life,
Like one great blending chord.*

—Helen Maring

July

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Jacklyn Buboltz |
| 2 | W.O. Detweiler
Philip Stovin
Betty White |
| 3 | Thomas Boswell
Charles Korfhage |
| 4 | John Ballinger
Eve Powers |
| 5 | Elizabeth Sand Turner |
| 6 | Montee Falls
Corinne Hamilton
*Jeannie Horton
June Jones
Tom Sikking |
| 7 | Don Bould
Alice Cronley
*Marie Joseph |
| 8 | *Thomas Witherspoon |
| 9 | Irene Wetzel |
| 10 | Maryellen Bowe
*Diane MacDonald
Gladys Morris
Dorothy Thomas
Lois Webb |
| 11 | Juanita Buckley
Gladys P. Clarke
Harvey Jacobs
George Rieger |

July

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| 13 | Myrtle Dark
Bernice Ketchum
*James Rosemergy |
| 14 | Gladys Malan
Jackie Neal
Phil Pierson
Vera Rasmussen
Louise Thies
Gertrude Tuntland |
| 15 | Elsie Page |
| 16 | Elvina Hausmann Lee
Christiana Ndukwe
Etta Randolph |
| 17 | William Nevil
Grover Thornsberry
Stella Wrenn |
| 18 | *Mayola SaltPaw |
| 19 | Miki Bowen
Diane McGonegal |
| 20 | Genevieve Kalbfleisch
Mary Beth Olson
Shirley Stephen |
| 21 | *Michael Cahall
†Ethel Higgins
Eleanor P. Marshall
Louis Meyer |
| 22 | Viola Siemen |
| 23 | Mary Dunning
Virginia Hinners |
| 24 | Shirley Bonham |
| 25 | Carol Nash |
| 26 | Ken Brabeau
Don O'Connor
Ann Winstead |
| 28 | Fern Hunt
Rose Elaine Lightburne
Gene Sorensen |
| 29 | Grace Cook
William B. George
*Sue Ellen Kelley
Beulah Ornbaun |
| 30 | Eugene Conner |
| 31 | William Helmbold
Paula McClellan |

† Minister Emeritus
*SMRS Student Minister

Clearinghouse

Request — Hypatia Hasbrouck would like to obtain a copy of the out-of-print book **The Symphony of Life** by **Donald Hatch Andrews**. To respond to the request, please contact Hypatia at **207 N. Douglas, Lee's Summit, Missouri 64065** (telephone area **816-524-3874**).

BIT-OF-HUMOR

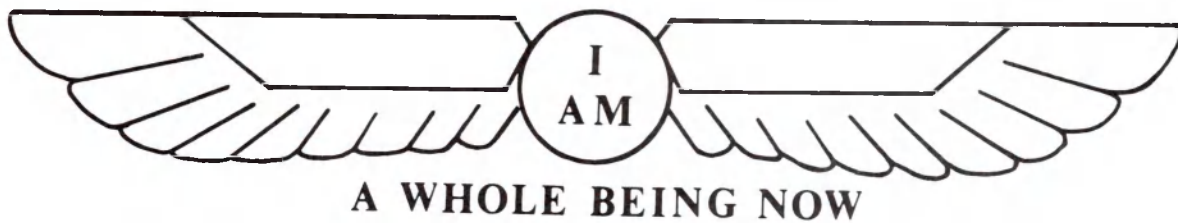
Unity of Roanoke Valley, where **Alan** and **Kathryn Rowbotham** serve as ministers, has shared with us the following bit of levity which they published in their May program of activities.

THE PERFECT MINISTER HAS BEEN FOUND!

He/She works from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m.—every type of work, from preaching to custodial service.
He requires only \$60.00 per week, and gives \$30.00 a week to the Church.
He wears good clothes, has a nice family, drives a good car.
He makes fifteen calls a day on Church members; spends all his time evangelizing the unchurched.
He is never out of his office when the phone rings; he also enjoys receiving emergency phone calls at 2 a.m.
He is 26 years old; has been preaching for 30 years.
He preaches exactly 15 minutes (with both New England and Southern accents).
He condemns sin but never offends anyone.
He is tallish short; thin but not heavy set, and handsome.
He has one brown eye and one blue, hair parted in the middle (left side dark and straight; right, brown, wavy).
He has a burning desire to work with teenagers, but spends all his time with older folks.
He smiles all the time with a straight face because he has a sense of humor that keeps him dedicated to work... (and he *never* takes a vacation!)

*From the bulletin of
Eastern Shore Chapel, Virginia Beach*

MINISTERS/TEACHERS CONFERENCE 1975



ED RABEL TO PRESENT PROGRAM AT 1975 CONFERENCE

Ed Rabel is best known as one of Unity's outstanding Bible interpreters. His insights into the true meaning of the Bible have been a source of inspiration to all who have heard him.

On Tuesday evening, June 17, Ed will present a metaphysical Bible interpretation program entitled **"Spiritual Awareness"** to our Conference body. This program features a series of explanations and illustrations of the meaning of Jesus Christ as a living symbol of Spiritual awareness in all human beings.

Ed's program will be open to the public, however, a special section of the Activities Center will be reserved for our Conference body.

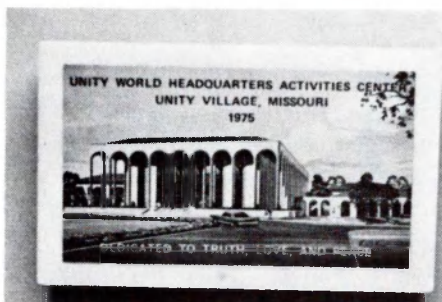
Ed has had a varied and distinguished career in the Unity Movement. A graduate of SMRS, he was ordained as a Unity minister in 1957. His first assignment in the field was in San Diego, California, where he served for one year. He was then called back to Unity Headquarters where he worked in Silent Unity, and served on the faculty as a Bible teacher for four years.

In 1962, he accepted the call to be minister of the Unity work in Boston, Massachusetts. After serving there for three years, he moved on to Tacoma, Washington, for an additional three years. His next field assignment was in Toronto, Ontario, Canada, where he served until July of 1972. At this time he returned to Unity Village to resume a position on the faculty of the School for Ministerial and Religious Studies.

In addition to his participation in SMRS he is on the regular teaching staff of Unity's Institute for Continuing Education. He is also heard as a regular speaker at the popular Unity Retreats held at Unity Village.



Ed Rabel



COMMEMORATIVE PAPERWEIGHT

As advised in the May issue of **CONTACT**, Unity School has produced a unique and beautiful paperweight

commemorating the completion and dedication of the new Unity World Headquarters Activities Center.

The paperweight (shown in the photograph to the left) has a 4" X 2½" base of ¾" genuine white marble on which is affixed a 3½" X 2" metal plate showing the architect's rendering of the Activities Center and Inn in beautiful detail and in mat finish. This paperweight is being made available by Unity School to the public at a price of \$3.00 each.

However, in recognition and appreciation of the love and support and substance

shared with Unity School by our AUC ministries, Unity School has donated a supply of these commemorative paperweights to the AUC for distribution to those of our members attending the special **"A Time of Dedication"** Service at the Activities Center at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, June 19, 1975. **Be sure to plan to attend this event and receive your gift from Unity School.**

If you wish additional paperweights to share with your friends or co-workers, they will be available for purchase at the Tower Bookstore.

SMRS STUDENTS TO SHARE TALENTS AT DINNER DANCE

The SMRS students will present a musical program during our 1975 Conference Dinner Dance on Wednesday evening, June 18. The musical program has been designed and structured around the Dinner Dance theme "Dreams Come True."

Jack Groverland, a first year ministerial student, will serve as Master of Ceremonies for the program. Jack has always been in search of the dream that would enable mankind to find deeper meaning in life. He found some answers to this dream, and in the process also found Unity. Prior to entering the ministry, Jack was a professional actor and writer, and through his fine mastery of acting and writing talents, realized many dreams come true.

Marilyn Rieger, a senior ministerial student, is the director of "The Sweet Harps and John," the autoharp group that will perform that evening. Through Marilyn's musical talent and loving instruction, playing the autoharp has been a dream come true for a number of students who wanted to incorporate this lovely instrument into the work of their ministry. Marilyn's husband, **George**, serves as minister of Unity Center of Independence, Missouri.

Barry Knowles, a first year student, has been featured as soloist in various churches—having served the last eight years in several Unity ministries. When asked about dreams, Barry smiled and said, "In the song 'Over the Rainbow' is found the phrase 'the land that I heard of.' This represents to me the top of the stairway to heaven—a place of unlimited joy, love, and creativity that is my idea of where 'dreams come true'." Barry will share her musical interpretation of the song "Over the Rainbow."

For **Shirley Wright Byrns**, music and the dance have played vital roles in the fulfillment of her dreams. Shirley has choreographed, produced, and directed dance troupes; filled singing and dancing roles in theater productions; and operated her own School of Dance for nine years. Shirley's dance presentation for the program is based upon music from The Ten Commandments. Shirley's theme, "Dawning of Awareness," is symbolic of her awakening, her ministerial aspirations,

and the fulfillment of her life-long dream.

Mike Cahall, a first year student, will share his recently acquired ability to play the guitar. Mike has prepared a special presentation for the program. You will surely feel with us that Mike effectively communicates his joy for living through his music. Prior to becoming a ministerial student, Mike was involved in Y.O.U. activities.

Connie Haines and "The Soul Survivors," a musical group which is comprised of SMRS students and is directed by Connie, will also share their wonderful musical abilities. Their portion of the program is entitled "The Whole Unit Sings."

The talent of Connie Haines needs introduction. The unique professional she brings to her ministry of music is an inspiration to many people. Connie's group, "The Soul Survivors," states that her enthusiasm, dedication, and genuine smile are always present during practice sessions.

Accompanying this musical group on the piano will be **Jeannine Stephens**. Coming from a musical background, Jeannine's talented activities include playing the piano for civic and community rallies; playing in a dance band for five years; and currently entertaining musically in Raytown, Missouri.

Providing guitar accompaniment for the group will be **Phil White**, Director of the Education Department of Unity School. Each member of the group expresses delight in seeing Phil "let go" on the guitar. And speaking of therapy—they say it's the best!

Glenn Robinson, a first year student, will provide accompaniment on a full set of drums. Glenn was the first percussionist with the Cincinnati Symphony.

Dance music will be provided by "The Brady Bunch," a local band conducted by **Leon Brady**.

We hope that each member minister and teacher of the AUC will plan to be with us at this year's Dinner Dance and share in the tremendous evening of fellowship and entertainment.

POST GRADUATE STUDIES

In a continuing effort to provide top-quality study programs, three days of Post Graduate Study will be provided

during Pre-Conference week this year. On Wednesday, **Martha Giudici** will present a course on comparative meditation; Thursday, a course on Public Relations will be given by **Bill Dale**; and on Friday **Jack Barker** and **Catharine Knight** will conduct the course on "Effective Presentation of Christian Healing."

The Post Graduate credit requirements are as follows:

Informal informative discussions on a variety of topics of interest to spouses of ministers.

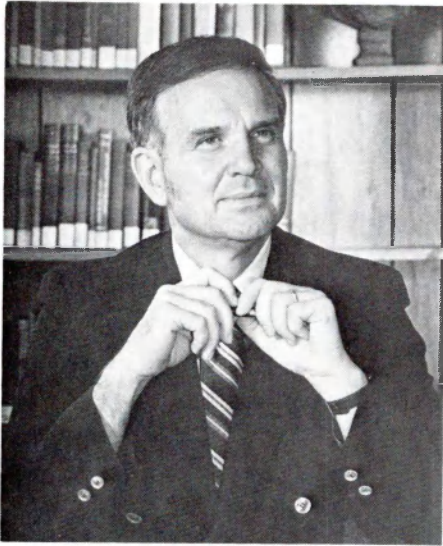
"All sessions are open to all spouses of ministers, licensed teachers, and ministerial students.

"You are invited to attend the meetings which interest you and those in which you may have something special to share with others. It is not necessary for you to attend all meetings to receive benefit.

"In addition, spouses are invited to meet informally in the Lounge next to the Theater Room in the Administration Building at any time during Pre-Conference and Conference."

Please remember to share this information with your spouse.

WHO'S WHO AT UNITY SCHOOL



Harold B. Whaley

June is a particularly significant month for **Harold B. Whaley**, because it marks the tenth anniversary of his accepting the post of director of the Unity School of Christianity Library, and is also the month that he will take office as president of the Kansas City Theological Librarians' Association.

Harold's background is particularly appropriate for the librarianship that has charge of the largest known collection of metaphysical and New Thought books in the United States. He received his bachelor of science degree in business administration from Central Methodist College, Fayette, Missouri, and later received his master of divinity degree from St. Paul School of Theology, Kansas City, Missouri, and a master's degree in library science from the University of Missouri at Columbia. He is also a graduate of Unity's School for Ministerial and Religious Studies.

Harold Whaley is a man of many talents. He has had three books published, the most recent being in January of this year when **GREAT MEN SEARCH FOR GOD** was issued by The Peter Pauper Press. He has had poetry and several articles published in Unity publications, and is much enjoyed at Unity Village as the carillonneur of the Rickert Fillmore Memorial Carillon in the Unity tower.

Harold says of the library, "... (it) mirrors the personality, purpose, and goals of the Unity Movement and serves

the needs of a wide reading public that includes workers, visitors, and students living on the grounds and those from the greater Kansas City area."

The growth of the library has been most remarkable considering how much has been done in a relatively short time. There has been an excellent reference and research library at Unity since 1942. This became one of the finest metaphysical libraries in the midwest, but was used primarily for scholarly and editorial research. In 1966, the reference and research library was combined with the new lending library. A short while later, all books and materials were moved into larger quarters on the third floor of the Administration Building, where the collection now resides.

The library contains almost 39,000 volumes, receives approximately 150 periodicals, and has an extensive record and tape collection. The Heritage Room of the library maintains all the historical records and writings of the Unity Movement, and copies of all printed materials, books and periodicals published by Unity. A very capable and helpful staff includes assistant librarian **Patricia Bregach**, **Clio Armstrong** (Heritage Room), and **Marilou Smith**, an SMRS student who is a part-time worker.

Much of the growth of the library has been through the generous and continuing donations of both materials and financial support from Unity ministries, individuals, and students, as well as from friends of Unity. Even those donated books which are duplications have a value to the library, for they can be sold and the proceeds used to add new books to the library's collection. Or sometimes the duplicate books are made available to students who might not be able to purchase them.

The continuation of this activity is encouraged by Harold Whaley. "A library is not a static entity. Additions of new materials keep it alive and growing. The Unity School Library is dedicated to the end of ministering to others, mentally and spiritually. It is an adventure in faith that has been gratifying, and which continues to bless all who are engaged in the quest for Truth."

Harold and his wife, **Margaret**, who teaches at Wee Wisdom School in Unity Village, reside with three of their four

children in Lee's Summit. Their eldest son, **Bart**, is married and lives in Columbia, Missouri, where he and his wife, **Jill**, attend the University of Missouri.

We in the AUC join Unity School in feeling blessed by having available the talent, dedication, and insight found in Harold Whaley and his library staff.



Robert P. Sikking and Luis A. Perez

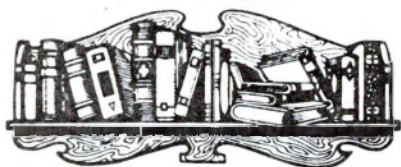
SPECIAL ORDINATION SERVICES

Luis Alfredo Perez was ordained by the Association of Unity Churches on April 27, 1975, during the 9:30 a.m. Worship Service of the Unity Village Chapel. Presiding as ordaining minister was **Robert P. Sikking**, Executive Director of the AUC. Following his ordination, Luis returned to New York City to continue as minister of Unity Panamericano.

Luis, who is originally from Colombia, South America, has the distinction of being the first South American to be ordained a Unity minister. Luis also is the first Unity minister to be ordained in the newly completed Activities Center.

Luis has been, since 1966, actively involved in our Unity work for Spanish-speaking people in New York City. He moved to New York City from his hometown of Medellin, Colombia, in 1960 as a result of learning about the Unity work.

In August of 1974 Luis met with the Ad Hoc Licensing and Ordination Committee at Unity Village and received recognition as a licensed teacher. Luis' ordination was based upon the recommendations of both the Board of Instituto Unity De Cristianismo Practico in Puerto Rico, and the Board of Trustees of the AUC. This summer Luis will be teaching at the Instituto.



BOOK RACK

HOW TO MAKE A HABIT OF SUCCESS BY BERNARD HALDANE

The AUC Book Review Committee has reviewed How To Make A Habit Of Success by Bernard Haldane and has unanimously recommended the book to their fellow members of the AUC. The following are quotes from the various Committee members.

"Bernard Haldane's book, How To Make A Habit Of Success, is very thought provoking and caused me to re-evaluate some personal attitudes about my own abilities and achievements. I especially liked his idea that we do not grow through studying our mistakes but our achievements.

"I was particularly interested in the chapters 'Open Your Life To Success,' 'Building Success Into Your Thinking,' and 'Success Is Your Birthright.' I am looking forward to the workshop at conference under his direction."

"I highly recommend How To Make A Habit Of Success by Bernard Haldane to both ministers and laymen. It's a clear guide to recognizing and developing one's own potential and spurs one to fulfill that potential, thereby to realize not only the 'good life' for oneself but also the joy of fulfilling one's responsibility as a co-worker with God through using one's abilities to the highest and best of his understanding.

"Bernard Haldane's directions for living a successful and ever-expanding life are based on the practical application of Truth Principles. Excellent reference material for both minister and teacher. A book that will be a fine source for class study as well as a popular sale item in the Center Library."

"This is one of the best success books I have read, it was very interesting. The author takes the reader in steps from the idea of opening one's life to success, clues to achievements, building success into the thinking, obtaining jobs, raises, promotions, and ends with the truth, success is his birthright.

"I heartily recommend this book, especially in view of the fact that Bernard Haldane is to present a workshop for ministers and teachers at our Unity Conference in June."

The AUC-MS Gift Shop, operated by our ministerial students, is endeavoring to have a supply of How To Make A Habit Of Success available during Conference. The book is published in both clothbound and paperback by Acropolis Books, Ltd., Colortone Bldg., 2400 17th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20009. Retail prices of the book are \$7.50 for clothbound and \$3.50 for the paperback edition.

HEALING FOR EVERYONE BY EVARTS G. LOOMIS, M.D., and J. SIG PAULSON

The purpose of this excellent book is well set forth on its jacket. It reads:

"In this unusual volume a physician and a minister blend their talents to explore the physical, mental, and spiritual elements that make up the complete human being and bear significant influences on the health and internal harmony of the individual.

"Reminding the reader that the fruits of the spirit of God and man are love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, fidelity, adaptability, and self-control, the authors go on to point out that for genuine healing to take place, one must look first to the inner man—reestablish his state of internal harmony, bring back to the patient his realization of oneness in the Love that created him—then stand back, and with a minimum of technological interference, watch the miracle of restored health occur."

Dr. Evarts G. Loomis is a leader in the field of treating the whole person. Engaged in private practice in California, Dr. Loomis is the founder and president of Friendly Hills Fellowship, a non-profit foundation for the correlation of medicine, counseling, religion, and arts.

Dr. Loomis discusses in this book the whole-person health program administered by him and his associates.

J. Sig Paulson, co-minister of Unity Village Chapel, follows with the minister's view—the importance of positive emotional and mental attitudes. Healing For Everyone is published by Hawthorn

Books, Inc. It is priced to retail at \$8.95 and may be ordered from the Sales Department of Unity School at your dealer's price of \$7.16.



AUC OFFICE NOW STOCKS NEW BOOK BY LOU AUSTIN

A supply of Lou Austin's latest book, Your Perfect Partnership, in the paperback edition, has just been received in the AUC office. This book is a sequel to Mr. Austin's book, You Are Greater Than You Know, and will be available as a salable item from the AUC office.

Your Perfect Partnership shares the author's thoughts regarding the partnership of Man with God.

The book also contains a personal letter of appreciation to Mr. Austin from President Gerald R. Ford.

Priced to retail at \$2.25 you may order the paperback edition of Your Perfect Partnership from the AUC office at \$1.50 per copy. With each book ordered a copy of the 48 page booklet "100 of Your Contemporaries Testify to the Blessing of the Partnership of Man and Maker," published in conjunction with the book, will be provided at no extra charge.

SCHOOL FOR MINISTERIAL AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES

This month it is our pleasure to introduce to you five more of our second year ministerial students who are scheduled to be graduated in August by Unity's School for Ministerial and Religious Studies and ordained by the AUC. Other second year ministerial students will be featured in forthcoming issues of CONTACT.



Shown in the photograph above are: (left to right) Rowland Jenkins, John Kelley, Ardath Dixon, Connie Haines, and Robert Preston.

Rowland Jenkins is from Detroit, Michigan, and prior to entering SMRS was actively involved in the activities of Detroit Unity Association for twenty-four years. He served as coordinator for the ministry's Young Adults group and as a Sunday School teacher for the ministry. Rowland attended Oakland Community College in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, majoring in Psychology. Prior to entering the ministry, Rowland was engaged in a career with the federal government. He is single.

John Kelley entered SMRS from Unity Center of Christianity in Washington, D.C., where he served as administrative assistant to the minister. Before entering the ministerial program, John had a successful career as a court and general stenotype reporter in Washington. He is a graduate of Boyd's Business University and attended Maryland University. John is married. He and his wife, Mary, have five grown children.

Ardath Dixon is originally from Montana and attended the University of California. A very creative person, Ardath successfully pursued a career as a freelance writer in the Eastern United States and in Hawaii before entering the ministry. She served as a writer for motion pictures, television and radio, and for magazines. Ardath has been an active Truth student for many years, most recently serving in Unity Church of Hawaii as secretary for the ministry. She is single.

Connie Haines came to Unity Village to enter SMRS from Honolulu, Hawaii, where she was very active in the study of Truth. A professional singer, she shared her musical talents with the congregation of Unity Church of Hawaii. Active in religious work since early childhood, Connie constantly emphasizes the spiritual approach to life through her singing career which included performing with most of the major bands in the "big band era." Connie is single.

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The balance of the second-year class will be featured in the August issue. They are: **Diana MacDonald, Joe Stover, Rod Tally, Scott Thornton, and Clem Thrift.**

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A very effective publicity program has been developed by the ministry to promote the Biofeedback Training Center. The news media has given extensive coverage to the activities and The Palm Beacher devoted almost an entire page to photographs and a comprehensive feature article on the ministry's biofeedback program.

Hal and **Harry Young**, who also serves on the ministerial staff of Unity of the Palm Beaches, feel that the constant publicity coverage of the ministry's biofeedback activities has definitely helped improve the Sunday church attendance.

Biofeedback . . .

All those interested in knowing more about Biofeedback Training — what it is — how it works— and how it helps people, are cordially invited to attend a special daylight public meeting Sunday afternoon, January 19 at 3 o'clock, at Unity of the Palm Beaches, 1957 South Flagler Drive, West Palm Beach.

This extraordinary new development for discovering and working with one's inner self, which is receiving nationwide attention, will be explained and demonstrated by **Hal Rosencrans**, Director of the Training Laboratory; **Hugh Dortch, Jr. M.D.**; and **Peggy Bouton**, Technician.

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The above news item appeared on the cover of The Palm Beacher, the publication having the largest paid newsstand circulation in Palm Beach.

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On Sunday, February 2, a free introductory lecture on biofeedback was given in the afternoon at the ministry. The lecture explained that a biofeedback training course was to be offered for four weeks which includes two hours each week on biofeedback machines plus group discussions and activities on the following topics: Meditation, Biorythms & Body Time, Nutrition, and Color-Music Experience.

The lecture was well attended and response to the information about the training course was good. The training course was limited to a maximum number of 12 persons and was conducted during the month of February. The enrollment fee was \$75 per person.

The ministry also made available a very well written and comprehensive 38 page reprint of articles on biofeedback from "Psychology Today Magazine." Entitled "New Mind, New Body," the reprint is on high quality paperstock and includes a number of photographs, drawings, and artwork, some of which are in beautiful color. The material is based on the book *New Mind, New Body: Biofeedback: New Directions for the Mind* by Barbara B. Brown, which is published by Harper & Row. Anyone interested in obtaining information regarding availability and pricing of this "Psychology Today" reprint should contact Psychology Today Reader Service, P.O. Box 700, Del Mar, California 92014.

The ministry also makes available the paperback book *Biofeedback: Turning On The Power Of Your Mind* by Marvin Karlins and Lewis M. Andrews, published by Warner Paperback Library. Quoting from the book, "The authors see biofeedback as having an impact on society equal to that of Freud and Copernicus. They envision it as a vehicle for man to find his way back to his origins and become once again master of his own destiny. They detail the actual results of biofeedback training, envisioning its limitless

future potential."

Jay feels that the great enthusiasm and response of the people in the Atlanta community toward this biofeedback activity are indications of the ministry's ability to meet the needs of the people in this area.

LENTEN BROADCASTS

Since October, 1974, Unity Church of Tidewater in Virginia Beach, Virginia, has had a 15 minute radio broadcast, "Dynamic Religion For Modern Living," each Sunday morning over radio station WCPK—Chesapeake. **Joyce Kramer**, minister of this Virginia ministry, advises, "The philosophy, ideals and purposes of this station and its owners are very compatible with Unity and the concepts it teaches."

WCPK is a "good music" station, and includes in its program interesting and inspiring messages given as a "thought for the day." As a result of an idea shared with him, **Mr. Charles Payne**, owner of WCPK, included in his station programming during Lent a "Special Lenten Thought For The Day" each day following the noon NBC news. These special Lenten messages were taken from the Unity School booklet published in 1974 "Spiritual Preparation For Easter" which Mr. Payne tapes for broadcast. Joyce states, "The results have been very beneficial to both the station, the listeners, and for Unity Church of Tidewater, not to mention the power and positive effect of words of Truth being broadcast into the atmosphere. We are very grateful!"

According to Mr. Payne, "From the first day of the broadcast of 'Special Lenten Thought For The Day,' people have called, written, and come by the station expressing their appreciation for the program and requested written transcripts and copies of the recording itself.

"I find it interesting that a number of ministers have also requested copies. Without exception everyone has expressed thanks for the outstanding positive approach of the message.

"The Norfolk newspapers daily listed 'Special Lenten Thoughts' under their column headed 'Today's Best Radio Bets'."

Joyce believes this use of the Easter publication provided tremendous visibility for Unity and is planning a similar program for next year.

LAND PURCHASE PROJECT

Southside Unity Center in Chicago, Illinois, where **Doris Caldwell** serves as minister, is engaged in a very progressive building campaign. Entitled "Land Purchasing Program," this project is being widely publicized by the ministry through well prepared flyers and by dedicating a portion of certain of the ministry's Sunday Worship Services to activities regarding the project. Doris has shared the following news item regarding the project. She writes, "Certainly, 'there is nothing new under the sun' and I don't claim that our Land Purchasing Project is original. I do, however, claim that God gave us an exclusive on how to put it all together. Why? Because, when the time was 'right,' I remember reading, 'Land By The Inch Is A Cinch' somewhere and the rest just came from a talk about it, with my Board, as a natural flow. Thank God for memory!"

"SLOGANS SPELL OUT THE PLAN:

Land By The Inch—Is a Cinch . . . \$10.00
Why Inch It—

When You Can Foot It . . . \$120.00
A Yard At The Time Saves Nine. \$360.00
Or better yet, why not

PLOT YOUR LOT. \$1,080.00

"With each purchase we promised to give a representative marker, but, the idea caught on before we could make good on our promise. But, as God would have it, imagination paid off in the form of a large button with the letters P.T.L. down the middle and the words: 'Praise The Lord' encircling them. It all seemed to mean, Purchasing The Land... 'Praise The Lord.'"

"To these buttons we attached a piece of 'color coded' ribbon to represent the month in which the purchase is made. This worked fine and soon we will have the promised markers.

"Sales have gone very well. Parents have purchased the 'inch' for their children, people are 'footing it,' and we have sold 'yards' at a time 'and received commitments for 'plots.'"

"Every third Sunday we purchase, pray, sing, and pour our Holy Land (we do not call this dirt) in two large terrariums that stand on either side of the lecturn and serve as barometers for our goal of \$50,000.00

"With God all things are possible and we can and will accomplish. Pray with us!"