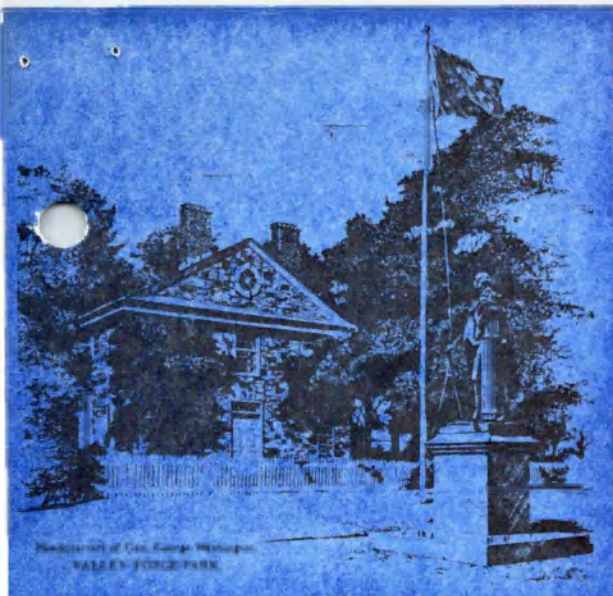


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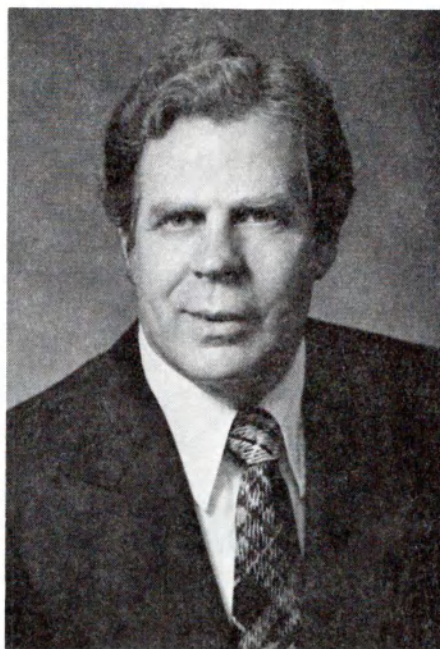
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LETTER FROM OUR AUC PRESIDENT

In September, the Executive Committee met in Philadelphia where a great deal of time and thought and prayer was given to the planning of next year's Meetings of Committees, Conference, and our Bicentennial celebration—Unity Celebration—1976. I would like to encourage you to make your plans early to attend these activities. Please refer to the Calendar of Events section of this newsletter for the specific dates and meeting sites. Also, I urge you to make the announcement regarding Unity Celebration—1976 to your people early, so that they too can plan to attend this exciting event.

It is a moving experience to see the historic places where our country had its beginning. Many of the privileges and freedoms that we take so much for granted had their beginnings in Philadelphia. The freedom we enjoy to study Truth and to serve in our Unity churches is a very precious one.

The Conference in Philadelphia will be an especially meaningful one, for you will be able to exercise your freedom by expressing your views about our AUC. The Barton Associates Survey will be completed, and although I have not yet seen the results, I am certain that some important changes to our By-laws will be in order.



James C. Lewis

We are a growing organization, and we have to be open and receptive to change. As an organization we are unique, for we do not have a hierarchy that tells us what to do and when to do it. As Unity ministers and teachers, and as board members of our local churches, we have a great

deal of freedom to operate our local ministries as the Spirit of Truth guides us. So, it is important that you attend this Conference and exercise your right, your freedom, and another quality that always goes with freedom, responsibility. The more freedom we have the more responsibility we have and the more love we need to act responsibly.

Two hundred years ago a group of dedicated men hammered out a Constitution that had a great impact upon the world. They probably could not have conceived how much their actions would change the course of history.

I am convinced that Unity will have a far greater influence upon the course of history than we can possibly realize at this moment. In Unity we have what the world desperately needs, and we must get it out to the world. To do this, we must have an effective organization, a flexible organization, a strong organization, a loving organization, and it must have the love and cooperation of all its members. We need an inspired membership with a vision of the goals to be accomplished and the people to be helped.

So—come to Philadelphia! Help us hammer out our Constitution, our By-laws—and let's make our AUC the Truth organization it should be.



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James C. Lewis reporting for the SOUTH CENTRAL REGION:

DALLAS, TEXAS—Unity takes to the open road! Unique in modern Unity ministry is the Dallas based Church of the Open Road, which is spreading its Light today throughout the Southwest.

Church of the Open Road, sanctioned and blessed by the Association of Unity Churches, was at first an outreach activity of the Unity Church of Dallas, Texas. It is the inspiration of Marjorie Kass, formerly associate minister of the Dallas



Marjorie Kass, minister of Church of the Open Road, and her "Merry Miler" vehicle which carries her ministry throughout a large portion of the central, southern, and eastern areas of Texas.

church. Today it is a full-fledged Church of Unity incorporated as a nonprofit institution under the laws of Texas.

We know that many cities and towns in Texas which do not have Unity ministries have a large number of persons

interested in Unity. Providing capable leadership and guidance to Unity students in these communities is the project of the Church of the Open Road. Within the past few months Marge has formed
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groups, and is now actively serving such groups, in McAllen, Harlingen, and Brownsville in the Rio Grande Valley; and in Wichita Falls, Longview, Tyler, and the Denison-Sherman area.

Marge travels to these centers by air and by camper, often spending the night literally on the "open road." Her objective is simple—if strenuous—to organize these smaller groups, to serve them until they are able to function alone, then to touch base with them from time to time thereafter. She brings to this work a combination of tremendous enthusiasm, the ability to present Truth in a simple but forceful way, and the activity of joy-songs, many times using her own songs.

IRVING, TEXAS—Unity of Irving, Texas, where Marie Paben serves as minister, now has a new facility for its services. Sid and Ruth Ann Hawkins, members of Unity of Irving, recently completed the construction of a new home. With Unity of Irving in mind, the Hawkins included in the construction plans an enormous den complete with kitchen and allowed for ample parking space on the property. Marie reports that the den area is more than ample to seat the present congregation and stated: "We are to dedicate it on Thanksgiving Sunday, November 23, with all our Unity family eating and sharing together that day. There is an enclosed patio that is also large enough for our group. On good days, and those are many here, we will meet on the patio. The structure is such that this patio feels like a small chapel. If any visiting Unity people are in our area at this time, we want you to come share all this good with us."

Active in various outreach programs, Marie has received an Outstanding Achievement Recognition award from the National Council of Jewish Women, Inc., and Dallas County Child Welfare Unit for Operation of Volunteer Project. Marie is very interested in the projects of this group and see them doing an excellent job in the Dallas area. The activities of the group are focused upon training volunteers for protective services to children in the community. Earlier this year Marie and a local psychiatrist were asked to contribute their time and ex-

pertise in working with the group for one day each week over a three month period. Marie states: "We helped them with referrals, how to handle trouble situations and with their own personal growth. I am following up with the entire group once every month. They go out on their cases and we work on how better they might handle the families they are assigned."

Commenting on the ministry's outreach programs, Marie said: "Another community project which I feel is most valuable is Parents Without Partners. Families torn apart by divorce end up with many wounds. I did a four-week seminar for this group in June (four Monday nights), and have just finished another on the four Sunday afternoons of September. There were 100 to 125 persons who attended this seminar and I received considerable positive feedback. Many are now interested in Unity. Some are coming for groups and counseling. Some have started attending on Sundays." In addition to the services and classes offered in the ministry, Marie also incorporates Truth principles in the classes which she has been teaching for five years at a local college.

John Cuddeback reporting for the EASTERN REGION:

HEMPSTEAD, NEW YORK—Ida Bowles, our minister in Hempstead, New York, has shared a newspaper clipping from the August 10, 1975, edition of the SUNDAY NEWS, which reports on Ida's selection as Executive Director and President of a New York area philanthropic organization. We bless Ida for her willingness and dedication to serve others in this additional capacity. The fine feature length article by writer Hugh Wyatt explaining the purpose and structure of the organization is reprinted below:

WOMAN CLERIC HEADS FIRST BLACK FOUNDATION

A Long Island woman minister has been selected by a wealthy black family to head what is believed to be the first black-owned and operated foundation in the country. The foundation will award scholarships and provide other "self-help" programs to the needy.

The minister, the Rev. Ida Bowles of the Unity Center, Hempstead, will be the executive director and president of the George Rich Memorial Foundation. It is searching for an entire building to house its operations.

Rev. Bowles was selected by the family because of the respect that the late Mr. Rich had for her ability to manage and supervise social action programs. She heads a center with more than 100 members.

Rich, a real estate developer who died last Jan. 17 at the age of 72, was known in Harlem as a wealthy, well-respected and generous philanthropist who helped hundreds of poor people.

One of the recipients was Thomas Williams, 27, whose parents died 20 years ago. He was raised by his aunt, Delilah Watkins, in a Harlem tenement.

When Rich and Williams met, the boy not only acquired a new father, but about \$10,000 for schooling. Williams has just graduated from Rutgers Law School in Newark, N.J.

"Our goal is not only to preserve the memory of Mr. Rich, but to provide the basis from which people can help themselves," explained Rev. Bowles.

She recalled that Rich, in his last years, had come to the realization that he had spent some of his money "unwisely."

Rev. Bowles pointed out that the wealthy philanthropist gave away thousands of dollars without any supervision, and regretted it because he felt he could have helped far more people than he did.

"Had Mr. Rich had a program, he would have served far more good than by giving so freely," she asserted.

She illustrated her statement by saying: "If you give a man a fish, you feed him for a day. But if you teach the man how to fish, the man can feed himself forever."

Rev. Bowles said that she was referring to the failure of blacks and other poor groups to become a part of the mainstream even though they have been the recipients of millions of dollars from various philanthropists and other charities.

She said she hopes to be in a permanent headquarters within a few months. Once there, scholarships and other social-action programs will be initiated to help hundreds of Harlem and other poor youngsters throughout the city, Long Island (continued on page 4)

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and Westchester, she said.

Thomas Frazier, an executive assistant to Rev. Bowles, said that programs also will be set up to help the parents of the youngsters, and that the emphasis will be on self-help.

He contented that the effort is the first such attempt by a black group to set up a philanthropic organization.

"This will be an example to show the world that blacks are as concerned with helping other blacks," he said, adding, "it is no longer a question of asking for governmental financial assistance."

Loren Flickinger reporting for the SOUTHEASTERN REGION:

CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE — Dana Voght, minister of Unity Center of Practical Christianity, Chattanooga, Tennessee, reports that a very successful Board/Minister meeting was conducted in Chattanooga on September 27th. A total of 21 persons including key lay people attended from our ministries in Nashville, Tennessee; Birmingham and Huntsville, Alabama; and Chattanooga. **Clem Thrift**, minister in Birmingham; **Gene Connors**, minister in Nashville; and Dana formed a panel and discussed and answered questions from the floor regarding the functions, duties, and qualifications of Board members; the relationship of the Board and the minister; interviewing prospective ministers for a center; financial responsibility of the Board and the minister; and Youth Education.

Dana reports: "We are all so pleased with this workshop as a time of sharing and loving and strengthening one another in the Unity way, we plan to meet again in Nashville in April."



Shown at the ribbon cutting ceremony during the dedication of Silent Unity Centre of Prayer's first building in San Fernando, Trinidad, West Indies, are (left to right): Councillor George Durity, Mayor; young lady who carried the dedication scissors; Sylvia Chevalier, minister at San Fernando; William L. Fischer, Director of Ministerial Education for the AUC; and Violet Assam, minister of Unity of Trinidad and Tobago.

SAN FERNANDO, TRINIDAD, WEST INDIES — Unity of Trinidad and Tobago in the West Indies, dedicated their first church facility building at San Fernando on September 27. **Violet Assam**, Unity minister in Trinidad and Tobago, states: "The Silent Unity Centre of Prayer, San Fernando, is not a new building. It was the house of a medical doctor which we bought and renovated, but this is a great step forward during these challenging times."

Officiating at the ribbon cutting ceremony was **William L. Fischer**, Director of Ministerial Education for the AUC. Also participating in the service were **Sylvia Chevalier**, minister in San Fernando; the local Mayor, **Councillor George Durity**; and various members of the Board of Unity of Trinidad and Tobago. The Saturday afternoon dedication ceremony was attended by approximately 700 persons.



Leslie D. Saunders (shown at portable podium to the right) and members of First Unity Church of St. Petersburg, Florida, during groundbreaking ceremonies for their new church facilities.

ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA — **Leslie D. Saunders**, minister of First Unity Church of St. Petersburg, Florida, has shared the good news of the ministry's expansion program. Les writes: "I am happy to announce that we have had our groundbreaking ceremonies for our new church facility. The new sanctuary will be an octagonal shape. There will be offices and classrooms with a large fellowship area for social gatherings."

"The total square footage of the new facility is 9,900 square feet. The unique feature of the new facility will be a 'whisper sound system.' This is a special sound system built into the hymnal racks. It means that no person will be more than four feet from a speaker. The total structure including the land will cost \$411,000. We anticipate construction to be completed by the first of June 1976. The financing has been done through local lending institutions."

Les also advised that **James C. Lewis**, our AUC President, was special guest speaker for the ministry on October 26. Another special program is **Wally Minto** and the Alpha Awareness program, scheduled at this St. Petersburg ministry the first week in November. We bless Les and First Unity Church for their ever increasing dedication, and also recognize and bless **Nicholas Griffin**, former minister under whose leadership this expansion program was initiated.

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Charles Korfhage reporting for the
NORTHERN CALIFORNIA REGION:

SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA — We rejoice in the report that a son has been born to William and Arleen Aull, ministers of Unity Church of the Oaks, Sacramento, California. We congratulate and bless Bill and Arleen and William Geoffrey Aull, who entered this life expression on October 10, 1975, weighing in at 8 lbs. 3 oz. We see William Geoffrey surrounded and nourished by the love and support of his family, and join with all the members of our AUC family in calling forth the unfoldment and manifestation of the innate beauty of his Christ self.

C. Berton Coffey reporting for the
SOUTHWEST REGION:

ESCONDIDO, CALIFORNIA — Andrew Carlson, minister of Unity of Escondido, California, reports that Lila Proby will serve the ministry in an assistant to the minister capacity. Lila, a 1975 SMRS graduate and ordinand, in addition to teaching classes at the ministry will be serving the spiritual needs of those who are guests of The Golden Door, a spa famous throughout the world. In connection with her ministry of service at The Golden Door, Lila leads the times for prayer and meditation and functions in a spiritual counseling capacity.

Kay Arndt reporting for the NORTH-
WEST REGION:

NORTHWEST UNITY MINISTERS' REGIONAL CONFERENCE —

The Northwest Unity Ministers' Regional Conference met for three busy and productive days, August 25, 26, and 27, at the Inn Of The Seventh Mountain, near Bend, Oregon. Unity Center of Portland served as host for the Conference. Thirty-three ordained ministers, licensed teachers, and their spouses attended. Also attending and lending their spiritual consciousness to the Conference were Mary Wessel and Katharine Bosworth, retired ministers, and Joseph and Helen Stiegler,

semi-retired.

Of particular interest in the items of business was a report by Max Lafser, minister of Unity Centre of Practical Christianity, Vancouver, B.C., Canada, on the experimental U.I.C.E. classes conducted on a local basis in Spokane and Seattle. Max reported that the program shows signs of being practical and worth further scheduling in the Region. A total of 53 students took advantage of the opportunity to earn credits in the U.I.C.E. program given in two-week sessions in their own community. Ministers and teachers of the Northwest Region are excited about the possibilities of reaching many more potential students with this outreach program.

Robert P. Sikking, Executive Director of the AUC, gave a "State of the AUC" report, fielding many questions, and creating a better understanding between the AUC office and the field ministries. Everyone present heartily agreed that Bob's presence at the Regional meetings is vitally important and worthwhile.

Phil and Dorothy Pierson, co-ministers of Christ Unity Church, Sacramento, California, gave a fine presentation of the Post Graduate Program based upon the "Twelve Powers of Man."

During the Conference, new ministers to the Region were welcomed. They included (along with their spouses): David McClure, Spokane; Donald Jennings, Port Angeles; David Travis, Yakima; Lester McClelland, Burien; all in Washington state; and Gladys Morris, Great Falls; and David Large, Billings, both in Montana. Newly licensed teacher is Frances Oja, Bellevue, Washington.

OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON — Unity of Olympia, where Mildred Purdue serves as minister, is well on its way toward completion of a new church building. The facility is situated on four acres of wooded land, just beyond the hustle and bustle of the noise and traffic of the Capital city.

Millie reports that the financing is completed, and the foundation laid. The framework is rapidly taking form, and Millie expects the congregation to be meeting for services in the new facility in December of this year.

SPOKANE, WASHINGTON — The September 21, 1975, issue of the Spokesman-

Review Sunday Magazine, Spokane, Washington, carried a fine feature length article on biofeedback. Written by Eleanor Rutherford, Spokesman-Review staff writer, and entitled "Biofeedback a Meld of Mind and Machinery," the article offered a penetrating look at the progress and controversy surrounding this new concept in therapy. Scott and Judy Sherman, who formerly served in our Spokane ministry, received very positive and appreciative recognition in the article for the fine contributions of service they had made to the community through introducing people to the benefits of biofeedback and autogenics.

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Catherine Knight reporting for the
GREAT LAKES REGION:

GREAT LAKES REGIONAL CONFERENCE

The Great Lakes Unity Regional Conference was conducted September 21-24 in Oak Park, Illinois. Unity of Oak Park, where Richard Billings serves as minister, hosted the Conference. On Sunday, September 21, Unity ministers Roy Fox of Jackson, Michigan, and Frank Hanson of Louisville, Kentucky, conducted the 9:30 a.m. and second service respectively.

A special evening Vesper Service was led by Jack Barker, President of the Region and minister of New Thought Unity Center in Cincinnati, Ohio. Catherine Knight, Great Lakes Regional Representative and associate minister at Detroit Unity Association, reports that the Vesper Service was inspiring and excellent and that a beautiful program of music was presented by two Chicago area musical artists, David Dozier and Howard Luehring.

Business meetings and times for sharing of ideas were held on Monday and Tuesday.

Those attending the Conference enjoyed a special evening of good food and delightful entertainment on Tuesday at a popular local restaurant. Special entertainment that evening was provided by William Messner, a member of the Chicago Lyric Opera, Summer Music Theater, and concert star.

The Post Graduate Program based on "Twelve Powers of Man" was well presented on Wednesday by Jack Barker and Catherine Knight.

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Newly elected officers for the Great Lakes Region are: President — **William Hines**, minister of Unity Church of Des Moines, Iowa; Vice-President — **Gary Jones**, minister of Unity West, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Secretary/Treasurer — **Richard Billings**, minister of Unity Church of Oak Park, Illinois; and Alternate Regional Representative — **Jack Boland**, minister of Unity of the Infinite Presence, Detroit, Michigan. **Catherine Knight** continues to serve as Regional Representative of the Great Lakes Region.

Catherine also reports that the ministers in the region are enthusiastic about ways of spreading the Unity message via radio, free literature, etc., and have appointed a Regional Research Committee. She also stated that the region is very interested and excited about the Youth Ministry and states that an extensive, positive report was shared with the Regional members regarding the ministry to youth activities, both Y.O.U. and Y.A.U.

The region also welcomed new members: **Elayne Decker**, Ann Arbor, Michigan; **Wes Wallin**, Lansing, Michigan; **Florence Kellogg**, Springfield, Ohio; **Lucille Knebel**, Lexington, Kentucky; **Duane Hardy**, Madison, Wisconsin; **Mayola SaltPaw**, Detroit, Michigan; and **Louise Peak**, Detroit, Michigan.

The 1976 Great Lakes Unity Regional Conference will be held in Cincinnati, Ohio, on September 19-22. Jointly hosting next year's Conference will be New Thought Unity Center and Unity Temple of Truth.

DETROIT, MICHIGAN — Detroit Unity Association (Detroit Unity Temple) is located in the heart of Palmer Park, Detroit, Michigan. This progressive and ever-expanding ministry has always been sensitive to the spiritual needs of the people in its community. Recently, certain situations and challenges not unusual to metropolitan areas have brought to the attention of the ministry several major needs of the community regarding personal and corporate safety.

Believing that the role and responsibilities of a ministry to the people include the taking of positive, constructive action directed toward meeting the needs of the people, the ministry has been inspired to

take a position of active involvement and participation in solving outer challenges.

Accordingly, in October of 1974, the ministry took part in initiating action which ultimately resulted in the formation of a community organization entitled Palmer Park Citizens Action Council. Community support of this organization has been literally fantastic and numerous community betterment projects have been successfully completed.

Catherine Knight, associate minister of Detroit Unity Association, feels that the area churches and residents have achieved a closeness in their cooperation and a wonderful feeling of accomplishment through working together for the betterment of the community. In a desire to share in more detail the role which the ministry is taking in community betterment Catherine has shared with the AUC office a very well written and highly informative six page article explaining the activities of the Palmer Park Citizens Action Council. As a service to our member ministries, this article written by **Agnes E. Carlson**, a teacher in the ministry's Sunday School and former Board member, has been reproduced and a copy is available from the AUC office upon request.



THINK EXPANSIVELY!

with **R. Scott Sherman**

Since **Warren Meyer** thundered his words, "I think that this is the greatest thing that's ever happened to the Unity Movement!" at Conference in June, hundreds of exciting things have occurred making our Expansion Program a reality.

Of course, the approval of the plan without dissenting vote was the kind of beginning your Expansion Committee dreamed about. But that was only the beginning. The extensive preparations for the move to the Chicago area... finding a new minister for Spokane... packing our accumulation of furniture and books... a cross-country move of 1,874 miles towing one car with the other... finding a home where there's room to roam and good schools... establishing contacts for office supplies and help so we could get going right away... finding an area minister (**Richard Billings**)

to help us "learn the territory"... meeting a delightful group of people who have prayed for nearly a year for this kind of program... and now, GO!

Our plans, with the gracious support and assistance of Unity School, are very simple: Find communities or areas in the Chicagoland area where there are no Unity centers, but many Unity subscribers or Silent Unity correspondents. Then invite them to attend an open meeting featuring our best-known Unity speakers. Tell them of our Outreach program and invite them to express an interest in classes or Sunday services in their area. Classes and services then begin immediately. As soon as attendance and financial support is up, turn the ministry over to a full-time minister and begin again in another area nearby.

We are excited that the plan is going exactly as it was presented to you. **James Dillet Freeman** speaks twice here, on October 20 and 21. Those who know about the plan here are excited too. Many have already been attending study groups established by **Richard Billings** of Oak Park. This nucleus of Unity people are already working with us to bring the dynamic Unity way of life to their communities.

I would personally appreciate your prayers, support and ideas. This is your Expansion Program and we want to insure its success in reaching thousands of Unity students who are not yet served by the personal ministry of a Unity center. If you have any questions, or ideas please write me at: 622 Cress Creek Drive, Crystal Lake, IL 60014, or call (815) 455-2479.



BARTON SURVEY

Please — please — If you have not already done so, take time to fill out your survey. Collectively we have committed ourselves to this survey and the many thousands of dollars that we will have expended on it demand the greatest possible percentage of input from you.

PERSON TO PERSON

with
bob sikking



July 15, 16, and 17, 1976, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, we will be gathering together as Unity ministers, teachers, students, and friends in the Unity Celebration — 1976. We had our convention in Kansas City in 1970 followed by a convention in 1973 also in Kansas City. These were tremendously successful in that, to everyone who attended, they were inspirational, moving, and in every way effective. For our Movement, they served to provide for us some national publicity.

Because of the expense involved for those participating, the Board of Trustees

did exploratory work in the creation of regional healing rallies. With the good services of Phil Pierson, there was a healing rally held in San Francisco in 1974 and then another in Seattle in 1975. These, too, were tremendously successful though perhaps one of our great objectives was not obtained—that of reaching a large number of people not already acquainted with Unity.

Back at our Conference in 1971, the Conference body made the decision to lay plans for an international convention to be held in Philadelphia in 1976 to coincide with the Bicentennial celebrations. In 1973 and 1974 at our AUC Conferences, the proposition of having an activity in Philadelphia was again presented for confirmation. It was the decision of the Conference body that we should follow through with these plans. In the light of the lessons learned from our previous experiences, the Board has determined that participation in Unity

Celebration — 1976 shall be limited to under 2500 people. The program will be structured in such a way that adequate time will be provided for participation in the Bicentennial activities as well as in the Unity activities. Because of the heavy booking of all accommodations in Philadelphia during the summer of '76, it will be necessary for all reservations for our Unity Celebration — 1976 to be in and confirmed by June the 14th, 1976. Available space, both in the meeting accommodation as well as the living accommodation will be dealt with on a first come, first served basis.

All of us will want to give considerable prayer attention to the successful outworking of Unity Celebration — 1976. We will need your prayer support and your cooperation as we move forward to "rejoice in the perfect Truth that Unity Celebration — 1976 is a total success for all mankind." That is our faith and that faith shall not return to us void.

WHO'S WHO IN AUC



Peggy Pemberton
clerk-typist for the AUC

Peggy Pemberton joined the AUC staff in May 1975 and initially served as clerk-typist for the Youth of Unity. In this capacity Peggy rendered valuable assistance to Jacqueline Neal and John Strick-

land, who served as Y.O.U. Coordinators for this year's Youth of Unity Conference. Peggy's enthusiasm, positive attitude, and ability to "get the job done" contributed greatly to the smooth and orderly handling of the myriad of details involved in conducting a successful Y.O.U. Conference.

Following the Y.O.U. Conference, Peggy assumed her present responsibilities and functions as clerk-typist for the AUC office. As in her previous assignment, Peggy is instrumental in assuring that the many projects which the AUC office is currently undertaking are proceeding on schedule and in order.

Peggy is a native of the Metropolitan Kansas City area, living in Lee's Summit for the past eight years. She has two sons, Zachary and Travis. Peggy enjoys sewing and refinishing furniture.

In addition to making many of her fashionable articles of clothing, Peggy often is asked to model wearing apparel for retail clothing establishments in the Lee's Summit area.

We give thanks for the fine job performed by Peggy in helping the AUC office to be even more effective in its ministry of service to our members throughout the world.

PAMPHLETS AVAILABLE FROM AUC

The AUC office has received from Unity School a specific quantity of each of the pamphlets listed below. These are available now on a love offering basis from the AUC. Please address your orders for these items directly to the AUC office.

A Calendar of Blessings

Thank You, God

Christ Bless Your Christmas

Programmed for Love

In His Hands

Look to the Christ Presence Within

Thine Is the Power

Faith: The Divine Antidote

The Living Christ Heals

Christ Indwelling

Everything Under the Heavens

Sincerity

Come Forth into Glory

Let There Be Light

The Everlasting Now

God Bless This Automobile (billfold size blessing card with the Prayer for Protection on reverse side)

In each copy of this newsletter being sent to Unity ministers is a supply of the revised Silent-70 Free Literature Order Form. Ministers are requested to please use the revised form when ordering Silent-70 material from the AUC office.

COMMITTEES FOR 1975-76

Appointments to the various AUC Committees for our fiscal year 1975-76 having been completed by our President, James C. Lewis, the following roster is presented for your use during the interim before you receive the 1976 Yearbook (Date shown after member's name is last year of tenure):

PERMANENT COMMITTEES

BOOK REVIEW

PURPOSE: To review books submitted by authors or publishers with a view toward recommending publications to the membership of the Association.

Marjorie Hartzell, Sub-Committee Chairman

Margaret Cain Frances Flickinger

Lillian Matthews, Sub-Committee Chairman

Mary Fourchalk Marie Kapp

Marilyn Rieger, Sub-Committee Chairman

Edna Sessions Harold Whaley

BYLAWS

(Meets as needed)

PURPOSE: It is the responsibility of this Committee to meet together to consider and to construct recommended changes to the Bylaws to be presented to the Board of Trustees.

William Hines, Chairman, 1979

Marlowe Kline, Co-Chairman, 1977

Catherine G. Brooks, 1976 Mary Hinkle, 1978

William Clark, 1980 David Schumacher, 1976

Max Flickinger, 1980 James A. Sherman, 1978

Jack Hamilton, 1979 David Williamson, 1977

DEVOTIONAL

PURPOSE: This Committee is formed to sustain the prayer power of our Association uniting us all and especially drawing on the prayer consciousness of the Emeritus Prayer Group.

Robert L. Stevens, Chairman

James C. Lewis, Co-Chairman

(Members of the Emeritus Prayer Group)

EXECUTIVE

(Meets Four Times a Year)

PURPOSE: This Committee advises and oversees the Executive Office of the Association and functions on behalf of the Board of Trustees throughout the year as defined in our Bylaws.

Glenn Mosley, Chairman

Paul Barrett Jay Dishman

Ida Bowles Joyce Kramer

Charles Neal

Ex-officio: William L. Fischer

James C. Lewis

Robert P. Sikking

FINANCE AND BUDGET

(Meets in January and July)

PURPOSE: This Committee is responsible for overseeing the fiscal affairs of the Association. They are responsible for the preparation and presentation of the annual budget to the Conference Body.

Michael Murphy, Chairman

Charles Roth, Co-Chairman

Jack Boland

Arthur Hammons

Scott Sherman

LICENSING AND ORDINATION

(Meets in January and July)

PURPOSE: This Committee accepts the important responsibility of evaluating the progress and development of applicants for Licensing and Ordination. This Committee shall make recommendations to the Board of Trustees, enabling this body to authorize acceptable candidates for Licensing and Ordination.

Mary Stovin, Chairman, 1976

Joel W. Baehr, Co-Chairman, 1979

Leslie D. Saunders, Co-Chairman, 1978

C. Thomas Sikking, Co-Chairman, 1980

Kay Arndt, 1977

Richard Billings, 1976

Doris L. Caldwell, 1978

Bert Coffey, 1978

Donald Curtis, 1979

Montee Falls, 1978

Martha Giudici, 1977

Max Lafser, 1980

Eleanor P. Marshall, 1977

Lillian Matthews, 1976

Onita Meyer, 1979

Jane Paulson, 1977

Kathryn Rowbotham, 1980

Sue Sikking, 1980

John Tant, 1979

Philip White, 1976

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY

(Meets in January and July)

PURPOSE: This Committee is to serve in an advisory counseling capacity to the Director of the School for Ministerial and Religious Studies. They are to evaluate, prescribe and implement through the Director a curriculum that assures qualified training of Ministerial Students.

Jack Barker, Chairman, 1977

Philip Nicola, Co-Chairman, 1979

Miki Bowen, 1977

William Cameron, 1979

Dr. James Harris, 1978

James Heinecamp, 1978

Gary Jones, 1976

Lester McClelland, 1980

Ruth Mosley, 1976

Gwen Norment, 1980

MINISTRIES DEVELOPMENT

PURPOSE: This Committee bears responsibility for the implementation of our collective efforts in the development of new ministries in our movement.

Stan Hampson, Chairman, 1980

Jean Grover, Co-Chairman, 1980

Robert Barth, 1979

Bernard Dozier, 1978

Marjorie Kass, 1977

Carol Knox, 1977

Louise Lawrence, 1976

J. Sig Paulson, 1976

Eugene Sorensen, 1978

Ex-officio: R. Scott Sherman

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COMMITTEES FOR 1975-76

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PLACEMENT

(Meets — as needed)

William L. Fischer
James Dillet Freeman
Frank Giudici
Martha Giudici
Jane Paulson

J. Sig Paulson
Edward Rabel
Robert P. Sikking
Philip White
Ernest Wilson

POST GRADUATE COURSE DEVELOPMENT

(Meets — as needed)

PURPOSE: This Committee meets to work out the necessary Post Graduate Unit Courses to be presented in each region to all ministers and teachers qualifying to teach in the Extension Program.

Kay Arndt
Jack Barker
William L. Fischer
Catherine Knight
Joyce Kramer
Marguerite Meyer

Dorothy Pierson
Phillip Pierson
Edward Rabel
Robert P. Sikking
Sue Sikking
Philip White

YOUTH RESOURCE

PURPOSE: To gather, research and develop materials, information, and other forms of in-put into resources for the Youth of Unity.

Robert Marshall, Chairman, 1980

Phillip Davidson, 1976
Joan Goodman, 1978

Phyllis Jamison, 1979
Molly Long, 1977
Lora McAfee, 1980

YOUNG ADULTS RESEARCH

(Meets — as needed)

PURPOSE: This Committee is to research material, methods, and ideas relevant to college-age young people.

David Monument, Chairman, 1979

Elvina Lee, Co-Chairman, 1978

Jacklyn Buboltz, 1977

Polly Dozier, 1979

Dona Gilsdorf, 1980

Virginia Hanners, 1976

Alan Rowbotham, 1977

Udolene Steeves, 1980

Dana Voght, 1976

Carol Willis

Greg Wissman

CONFERENCE COMMITTEES**PROGRAM**

(Meets — as needed)

Catherine Knight, Chairman

Roy Fox, Co-Chairman

William Kozy

Louise Peak

SPOUSES OF MINISTERS ASSOCIATION (SOMA)

(Meets during Conference)

PURPOSE: To provide channels and Conference Activities for the mutual communication and sharing of the ideas and feelings of the spouses of Unity ministers.

Betty Sikking, Chairman

Carolyn Dawson
Joan Goodman

Lani Jones
Judy Stewart
Carrie Wilkinson

MIDYEAR COUNCIL OF COMMITTEES

The following AUC Committees will meet at Unity Village on Monday and Tuesday, January 5-6, 1976: Executive, Finance and Budget, Licensing and Ordination, Ministerial Education Advisory, Post Graduate Course Development, and Young Adults Research.

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. Since the committee meetings start at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, January 5, it is suggested that you schedule your arrival for either afternoon or evening Sunday, January 4. Due to that weekend being a holiday, we suggest that you obtain your airline reservation early.

The AUC Board of Trustees is scheduled to meet all day on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, January 7-9.

If any of the other committees feel the need to meet, you are welcomed to do so. The Chairman should contact each member and the AUC office.

IN MEMORIAM

George M. Lamsa, a long-time friend of Unity who was dearly beloved and greatly respected by our worldwide family, made his transition on September 22 in California.

Dr. Lamsa served for a time as a resident faculty member of SMRS at Unity Village and was a popular and well received guest speaker in many of our Unity ministries throughout the country.

Dr. Lamsa was a native of the ancient Garden of Eden area in Northern Iraq, a renowned scholar of the Scriptures and theologian, a lecturer and author, and the translator of the Holy Bible from the ancient Aramaic Peshitta manuscripts into modern English. He was honored for his monumental work with the title of Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts, London.

He grew up in an isolated mountainous community in Kurdistan whose language, customs, and manners were almost identical to those prevalent at the time of Jesus. No other English-speaking Bible translator has had this distinctive qualification for interpreting and translating the Scriptures. Dr. Lamsa's translation, his books, and his commentaries now make it possible for us to bridge almost 4,000 years of antiquity, enabling us to "see the Scriptures through the eyes of the Middle East."

We know each member of the Association of Unity Churches joins in thought and prayer as we bless Dr. Lamsa in his spiritual ongoing.

SCHOOL FOR MINISTERIAL AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES — STUDENT BODY — FALL 1975



Front row, (left to right): Shirley Byrns, Vancouver, B.C., Canada; Adrienne Thomas, Philadelphia, PA; Pearl Davis, Jamaica, West Indies; Rosita Friedman, San Juan, Puerto Rico; Pauline Beauregard, San Diego, CA; Frank Giudici, SMRS Faculty Member; Martha Giudici, SMRS Faculty Member; Ed Rabel, SMRS Faculty Member; James D. Freeman, Director of Silent Unity; Phil White, SMRS Faculty Member; Harold Whaley, Librarian; William L. Fischer, Director of Ministerial Education; Jim Peterson, Eugene, OR; Connie Fillmore McCarty, Lee's Summit, MO; Jim Rosemergy, Albany, GA; Dennis Neagle, San Diego, CA; Chad O'Shea, Ft. Lauderdale, FL.

Second row, (left to right): Thelma Hembroff, Renton, WA; Marina Sandoval, Colombia, South America; Becky Miller, Vinton, VA; Jo Harris, Manhattan, KS; Peggy Elia, Shreveport, LA; Pat Kern, Honolulu, HI; Edie Skalitzy, St. Louis, MO; Shirlee Graham, Medford, OR; Barbara Provost, Dallas, TX; Viola Williamson, Langley, B.C., Canada; Bob Barth, Bremerton, WA; Merle Walker, North Kansas City, MO; Jack Groverland, Brewer, ME; Kay Tiffany, Stockton, CA; Roger Tiffany, Stockton, CA; Nancy Taylor, Sacramento, CA; Mary Beth Olson, Denver, CO; Bob Hungerford, Lee's Summit, MO; Sue Kelly, Green Bay, WI.

Third row, (left to right): Marilyn Witherspoon, Decatur, IL; Carolyn Pryor, Memphis, TN; Susan Downs, Louisville, KY; Carolyn Johanson, Lakebay, WA; Marilou Smith, Delray Beach, FL; Floyd Howard, Indianapolis, IN; Nita Buckley, Medford, OR; David King, Arlington, VA; Robert Hill, Bellevue, WA; Barry Knowles, Seattle, WA; Ross Tucker, Atlanta, GA; Don Clark, Spokane, WA; Phil Smedstad, St. Louis Park, MN; Mike Cahall, Cincinnati, OH; Pete Bradley, Blue Springs, MO; Frank Koehler, Brookville, PA; John Wingfield, Olympia, WA; Howard Caesar, Menomonee Falls, WI.

Back row, (left to right): Graeme Johnson, Victoria, Australia; Paul Story, Muskogee, MI (withdrew); Bill Williams, Tulsa, OK; John Harris, Manhattan, KS; Dick Everts, Liverpool, NY; Glenn Robinson, Ft. Thomas, KY; John Strickland, Atlanta, GA; Jane Waddington, Oak Park, IL; David Drew, St. Petersburg, FL; Jack Byrns, Roanoke, VA; John Salunek, Buffalo, NY; Robert Eagan, Olympia, WA; Brendan O'Keefe, Detroit, MI; Jack Fries, San Diego, CA; Jeff Shumsky, Buffalo, NY; Gerry Melin, San Jose, CA; Tom Witherspoon, Decatur, IL.

UNITY INSTITUTE FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION

Margaret Conn, former UICE Program Director who retired in September 1974, graciously agreed to serve as program director for UICE Session V, October 11-24. Gwen Norment, who has served as UICE Program Director since September 1974, resigned in order to accept the leadership of Unity Christ Church, San Francisco, California.

In reporting on UICE, Margaret stated: "Summer sessions this year were a smashing success. The total enrollment was close to 600 students for the three sessions. A variety of required and elective courses were offered."

Margaret also requested that our ministers and licensed teachers

convey the following to those persons interested in UICE classes: "When you are making your plans to come to Unity Village to attend UICE classes, make sure you study the schedule of classes to determine the session or sessions most advantageous to fulfilling your specific requirements. It is good to keep in mind that you should take Part I of a course before you take Part II. It is a requirement that you take Study of the Old Testament before Old Testament Interpretation; Study of New Testament before New Testament Interpretation; Counseling Theory before Counseling Experience; Lessons in Truth before Christian Healing.

"Here's something else to know when making plans to attend UICE classes. You can earn up to, but no more than, 48 credits (continued on page 11)

SCHOOL FOR MINISTERIAL AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES

This month we are privileged to introduce to you three other members of the second-year class in Unity's School for Ministerial and Religious Studies.



Second-year ministerial students (left to right): Donald Clark, Pearl Davis, and Mike Cahall.

Donald Clark is from Spokane, Washington, where he attended Unity Church of Truth and served on the Board for six years. He attended Indiana State University in Terre Haute, and before entering SMRS had a successful 20 year career in the field of insurance. Don now works part-time in the Public Relations Department at Unity Village serving as Public Relations Representative and Tour Guide. Don and his wife, Vivian, have two grown daughters.

Pearl Davis is a native of Westmoreland, Jamaica. She attended Gramtham College in Kingston, and is a graduate of Bellevue School of Nursing in the West Indies. Pearl served as a registered nurse for the Ministry of Health in Jamaica as well as various hospitals. Prior to entering the ministry, Pearl was on the staff of one of the larger hospitals in Houston, Texas, and was an active member of Unity Church of Christianity. Pearl is single.

Michael Cahall is from Cincinnati, Ohio, where he attended New Thought Unity Center serving in various capacities. Mike also served on the Executive Committee of the Youth of Unity and as Y.O.U. Regional Representative of the Great Lakes Region, traveled over 16,000 miles on behalf of the Y.O.U. Prior to entering SMRS, Mike attended the University of Cincinnati, where he majored in Business Management and worked with young children in the city of Cincinnati in a supervisory capacity. Mike is single.

AUC-MS GIFT SHOP

The AUC-MS Gift Shop at Unity Village is under the operation of manager Robert Barth and assistant manager Kay Tiffany. Bob is a second-year SMRS student and Kay is a first-year student. Through the efficient and creative talents of these two dedicated students, the Gift Shop continues to offer interesting and inspirational items to the many workers, students, and visitors to Unity Village. These items are also available for purchase by our field ministries.

Bob advises that a new AUC-MS Gift Shop catalog is being prepared and will be distributed to each AUC ministry in the near future. He also advised that, subject to inventory, orders from field ministries are filled and shipped the same day the order is received.

Bob and Kay state that they are open to suggestions regarding items to be offered through the Gift Shop and asked that our AUC members share their ideas for such items by either writing them in care of: AUC-MS Gift Shop, Unity Village, Missouri 64065, or telephoning area 816, 524-3550, Extension 230, any afternoon.

All profits from the operation of this Gift Shop go toward ministerial student scholarships and to help students with emer-



SMRS students Robert Barth and Kay Tiffany operate the AUC-MS Gift Shop at Unity Village.

gency expenses. Each of our AUC ministries is encouraged to support the ministerial students through purchases from the Gift Shop.

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in your Unity ministry as a part of the extension program. We have just added Study of the Old Testament, Parts I and II, to give more variety to the extension program. This makes the total number of credits offered in Unity ministries 56, but you may take only 48 of these for UICE credit. We have also replaced the course, 'Teach Us to Pray' with the course 'Life of Prayer,' which is the same course we teach here at UICE.

"You may earn up to, but no more than, 85 credits here at UICE in any one year and up to, but no more than, 25 credits in any one session. The total credits required to graduate from UICE must be earned in no more than 10 years. Classes that were taken more than 10 years ago will have to be repeated for credit. Book reports are fun and you will write 12 of them before you graduate from UICE. In your last session at UICE, just before you graduate, you will take a non-credit course entitled, 'Licensed Teacher Orientation.' A special time will be set aside for this class."

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

1975

- Nov. 8 Northwest Sub-Regional Board/Minister meeting, Seattle, Wash., hosted by Unity Church of Truth, Seattle
- Nov. 8-14 Liebe Freunde Retreat (German language) Unity Village, Mo.
- Nov. 15 Youth of Unity Retreat, Fresno, Calif., Unity Church of Fresno
- Nov. 22-28 Thanksgiving Retreat, Unity Village, Mo.
- †Nov. 27 Have an abundant Thanksgiving Day!
- Dec. 21-27 Christmas Retreat, Unity Village, Mo.

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- Jan. 5-6 AUC Mid-Year Council of Committees meetings, Unity Village, Mo.
- Jan. 6-8 Northern California Ministers Retreat, Asilomar, Pacific Grove, Calif.
- Jan. 7-9 AUC Board of Trustees meetings, Unity Village, Mo.
- Jan. 16-17 "The Dynamics of Healing—A Symposium," Honolulu, Hawaii, sponsored by Unity Church of Hawaii
- Jan. 17-25 Healing Vacation Retreat, Maui Surf Hotel, Maui, Hawaii, sponsored by Christ Unity Church, Sacramento, California
- Jan. 26-27 Southwest Regional Unity Ministers and Teachers Conference (U.M.T.C.), Tucson, Arizona, hosted by Unity of Tucson
- Jan. 27 Post Graduate Program on "Twelve Powers of Man," Tucson, Arizona
- †April 3-16 U.I.C.E. Summer Resident Study Program—Session 1, Unity Village, Mo.
- †April 17-23 Easter Retreat, Unity Village, Mo.
- April 20-22 South Central Unity Churches Association (SCUCA) Regional Conference, Western Hills Lodge, Wagoner, Okla., hosted by officers of SCUCA
- †May 22-28 Maytime Retreat, Unity Village, Mo.

- †June 5-11 Rose Festival Retreat, Unity Village, Mo.
- †June 19- July 2 U.I.C.E. Summer Resident Study Program—Session 2, Unity Village, Mo.
- †July 3-16 U.I.C.E. Summer Resident Study Program—Session 3, Unity Village, Mo.
- July 8-9 Meetings of Committees, AUC Pre-Conference, Benjamin Franklin Hotel, Philadelphia, Pa.
- July 10-11 Board of Trustees meetings, AUC Pre-Conference, Benjamin Franklin Hotel, Philadelphia, Pa.
- July 12-14 AUC Ministers/Teachers Conference, Benjamin Franklin Hotel, Philadelphia, Pa.
- July 15-17 Unity Celebration—1976, Sheraton Hotel, Philadelphia, Pa.
- †July 17-30 U.I.C.E. Summer Resident Study Program—Session 4, Unity Village, Mo.
- †July 31- Aug. 6 Summertime Vacation Retreat, Unity Village, Mo.
- Aug. 9-13 14th Annual Southeast Unity Retreat, Don CeSar Hotel, St. Petersburg Beach, Fla.
- †Aug. 15-20 YOU Conference, Unity Village, Mo.
- †Aug. 28- Sept. 3 Mid-Season Festival Retreat, Unity Village, Mo.
- †Sept. 11-17 Septemberfest Retreat, Unity Village, Mo.
- †Sept. 19-22 Great Lakes Regional Conference, Cincinnati, Ohio, jointly hosted by New Thought Unity Center and Unity Temple of Truth
- †Sept. 22 Post Graduate Program, Cincinnati, Ohio
- †Sept. 25- Oct. 1 Autumn Retreat, Unity Village, Mo.
- †Oct. 9-15 Harvest Festival Retreat, Unity Village, Mo.
- †Oct. 16-29 U.I.C.E. Summer Resident Study Program—Session 5, Unity Village, Mo.
- †Nov. 6-12 Indian Summer Retreat, Unity Village, Mo.
- †Nov. 20-26 Thanksgiving Retreat, Unity Village, Mo.
- †Dec. 21-27 Christmas Retreat, Unity Village, Mo.

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**DR. MARCUS BACH
FEATURED IN ACTIVITIES
CENTER PROGRAMS**



Dr. Marcus Bach

Unity School of Christianity presented a lecture series by **Dr. Marcus Bach**, world traveler, author, and renowned authority on world religions, in the Activities Center at Unity Village October 3, through Sunday, October 5. The theme of the series was "The Total Health of the Total Person."

Dr. Bach lectured on "Meditative Practices Around the World" on Friday evening, October 3. The lecture was open to the public on a free will offering basis.

Saturday, October 4, Dr. Bach conducted an all day workshop. In commenting on the workshop, Dr. Bach stated, "A totally integrated person is comprised of one who is healthy in mind, soul, and body." The workshop stressed total health.

The morning session of the workshop covered "You and Your Body," including techniques for physical health such as nutrition and exercise. Subjects for the afternoon session were, "You and Your Mind," with techniques for mental alertness, and "You and Your Soul," featuring concepts in the field of meditation as well as the attainment of the integrative self—physical, mental, and spiritual oneness. The session concluded with a question and answer period. The workshop was open to the public for a regis-

tration fee of \$10.

Dr. Bach was also the guest speaker at both the 9:30 a.m. and the 11 a.m. Sunday worship services at Unity Village Chapel on October 5.

Marcus Bach, a long time friend of Unity, holds a Ph.D. in religious science from the University of Iowa and four honorary degrees from other universities. He taught at the University of Iowa's School of Religion for many years and is listed as an authority in religious movements in "Who Knows and What" and "Who's Who in America."

Dr. Bach has made in-depth studies of forty-five religions by participating in the respective religious communities for periods of two months to a year and a half. These studies have taken him around the world and have included the study of religious practices in such places as Haiti, Japan, Taiwan, and Southeast Asia. He has personally interviewed Dr. Albert Schweitzer, Pope John XXIII, and other world renowned religious leaders.

"I always knew I would someday write about religion," said Dr. Bach, "not in the theological or doctrinal sense, but about what religion is and what it does in the lives of people. I have discovered that people are more alike than they are different, and that religions have more in common than they have in conflict." He has authored some twenty books, hundreds of magazine articles, and an award-winning play about the Trappist monks. One of his books is The Unity Way of Life, published by Unity School.

Dr. Bach has served the State Department on two occasions as a specialist under the International Educational Exchange Program in Southeast Asia, India, Pakistan, Korea, and Japan. He is also Founder and Director of The Fellowship for Spiritual Understanding (FSU) in Palos Verdes Estates, California. FSU is devoted to stimulating understanding and harmony within the individual and to promoting understanding and harmony among world religions, philosophies, and cultures.

Foster McClellan, Program Planning Chairman for the Activities Center, stated, "Dr. Bach is a respected authority on world cultures and religions as well as a prominent lecturer. We were indeed privileged to be able to present him in this lecture series."

**RETURN PERFORMANCE
OF "GODSPELL"**

Unity School of Christianity presented the **Great Day Acting Company** in a successful return performance of "Godspell," September 27 in the Activities Center at Unity Village. **Foster McClellan**, Program Planning Chairman for the Activities Center stated, "The response to our first production of 'Godspell' in August was overwhelming. Requests for a repeat performance had come in steadily since that time. The Great Day Acting Company agreed to do another performance on the 27th for all those who were unable to attend the first time as well as those who wanted to see it again."

"Godspell" is a modern interpretation of the Gospel according to St. Matthew. It breaks the bounds of traditional stage productions by including the audience. A great deal of the action takes place in and through the audience, making them an integral part of the show. The musical score for "Godspell" is one of the most popular in the theatre today. Audience participation is at its peak during familiar songs such as "Day by Day," "Turn Back O'Man," and many others.

The musical accompaniment for the September 27 production of "Godspell" was provided by the Great Day Band under the direction of **Bill Banks** of Lee's Summit, Missouri.

The Great Day Acting Company is comprised of area talent and is directed by **Chris Jackson** of Kansas City. Chris is a member of the Public Relations staff at Unity School and attended Kansas State University and Kansas State Teachers College where he majored in theatre.

**SPECIAL BLESSING BOOKLETS
AVAILABLE FROM AUC OFFICE**

Please remember that the following special blessing booklets are now being made available to our AUC member ministries through the Silent-70 Department of the AUC.

Please advise the AUC office of the titles and quantities you wish to request:

- A Golden Treasury - Fifty Years with DAILY WORD (128 pages)**
- Living with Confidence**
- God is Blessing You Now**
- Ideas to Live By**
- Begin Life Anew**
- The Word is Power**

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, J. Sig Paulson, Jane Paulson, Edward Rabel, Robert P. Sikking, Philip White, and Ernest Wilson. Any Unity minister who is guided to express an interest in serving in any particular ministry should make application to the Placement Committee.

LOCATION	MINISTRY
Akron, Ohio	Akron Unity Center of Truth
Birmingham, Mich.	Unity Center-Birmingham
Colorado Springs, Colo.	Unity in the Rockies
Detroit, Mich.	Detroit Unity Association
Detroit, Mich.	Unity of the Infinite Presence
Escondido, Calif.	Unity of Escondido
Evanston, Ill.	Unity Church on the North Shore
Flushing, N. Y.	Unity Church of Flushing
Lake Worth, Fla.	Unity of Lake Worth
Memphis, Tenn.	Unity Church of Christianity
Minneapolis, Minn.	Unity Christ Church
Modesto, Calif.	Unity Church of Modesto
Overland Park, Kans.	Unity Church of Living Truth
Pine Bluff, Ark.	Unity Church of Practical Christianity
Portland, Ore.	Unity Center Church
Richmond, Calif.	Unity Church of Richmond
San Bernardino, Calif.	Unity of San Bernardino
San Gabriel, Calif.	Unity Church of San Gabriel
Syracuse, N.Y.	Unity Church of Truth

PLACEMENT STATUS

Terry Havens, former minister in Birmingham, Mich., accepted as associate minister

Open

Maryellen Bowe, former minister in Flushing, N.Y., accepted as associate minister

David Williamson, former minister in Richmond, Calif., accepted as senior minister

Opening for an associate minister

Lila Proby, a 1975 SMRS graduate and ordinand, accepted on the staff as assistant to the minister

Larry Kendrick, former minister in Syracuse, N.Y., accepted as minister

Ed Myler, a 1975 SMRS graduate and ordinand, accepted as minister

Open — **Ray Eversole** has tendered his resignation and is not at the present time seeking placement

Open — **Eleanor Marshall** has retired

Dale Cross, former minister in San Bernardino, Calif., accepted as minister

Open

Hypatia Hasbrouck accepted as minister

Open

Open — **Marion Brown** serving as interim minister

Open

William G. LaReau has returned to the active ministry and has been accepted as minister

Open — **David Rogers** has tendered his resignation as minister and has applied for placement

Marlyn White, former minister in Toronto, Canada, accepted as minister

CONTACT FOR BOARD MEMBERS

Just a reminder that if the Board of your ministry wishes to receive individual copies of **CONTACT**, please so advise the AUC office stating the total number of copies needed for your Board. That number of copies will be bulk shipped directly to your ministry for distribution to your Board. The AUC office is very pleased to respond to these requests.

Please remember that it is not necessary to submit the names and addresses of your Board members since the copies are addressed to the ministry.

YEARBOOK SUPPLEMENT

The information herein 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
18	New telephone number for Unity Church of Richmond, California, is area code 415, 236-2924.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

We know that each member of the Association of Unity Churches joins us in extending thoughts of love, appreciation, and special blessings in December:

December	
1	Dotti Hannah
3	Edna LeSage
4	Jean Grover
6	Elsie M. Eckert† Dennis Neagle* Mary Zuliana
7	Mildred Tyler
8	Mae Davis Francisca Mendez
9	Pearl Davis* Maria Molinary
10	R. James Heinecamp Rebecca Lindenmeyer Mary Ellen Swartz
11	Jack Barker Jack Kern Viola Ransford

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12	Jack Clemenson
13	Alma Redfern Berry Nicholas Griffin Pat Kern* Mildred Purdue
14	Mary Stovin
15	Geneva Seivertson Mark Smith Ross Tucker*
16	Carol Knox Amalie Frank
17	Dorothy Armstrong Richard Dawson Josephine Kuipers
18	Ross Goodman
19	Marlene Wolford
20	Jean Stewart
21	Robert Wasner
22	Robert H. Marshall
23	Thelma Bean Conchita Melendez Harriet TenBrook

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24	Florence Kellogg Mamie Spencer
25	Jean Beggs Becky Miller*
26	Louis Molinary Charles Gingerich Harold Irving Clair Rank
27	Dorothy Dietz
28	Crichton Aspinall
29	Ruth Holden Marilyn Rieger Carol Whipple
30	Gary Jones Charlene Linnell
31	Beatrice Copeland Olga R. DeSanchez Ida Holden Helen Jantsch Marguerite Meyer Mollie Nirk Wallace Tooke

† Minister Emeritus
* SMRS Student Minister

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USE OF **UNITY®** LOGO

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ASSOCIATION OF UNITY CHURCHES

Statement of General Fund Operations

Six Months Ended 9/30/75

	September	Year to Date
INCOME — OPERATIONS:		
General Love Offering	\$30,011.64	\$159,181.90
Education Dept. Love Offering	808.34	5,614.79
Other Income	4,167.49	13,998.23
	<u>34,987.47</u>	<u>178,794.92</u>
Less: Tithe Transfer	3,001.16	15,918.18
Gross Profit Materials	<u>13,014.99</u>	<u>22,528.54</u>
Total Income	<u>45,001.30</u>	<u>185,405.28</u>
EXPENSES — OPERATIONS:		
General Office	20,257.28	140,184.73
Education Department	<u>7,707.10</u>	<u>53,004.28</u>
Total Expenses	<u>27,964.38</u>	<u>193,189.01</u>
INCOME OVER (UNDER) EXPENSES:	<u>\$17,036.92</u>	<u>(\$7,783.73)</u>



BOOK RACK

POWER YOU CAN USE TODAY!

Our AUC Book Review Committee has reviewed **Power You Can Use Today!** by J. Paul Featherstone and Bert G. Whitchurch and wish to recommend it to our membership. Published by the authors, this 108 page book is distributed in paperback by DE VORSS & CO.

The Committee reports that the book is comprised of fifty two-page stories, each containing an effective mini lesson. One reviewer stated: "The authors quote Truth writers Charles Fillmore, Emmet Fox, and Ernest Holmes. I am glad to have the book in my library and I will refer to it from time to time for ideas. It would make a good gift. Those who stock other truth literature may find a use for it in their bookstore."

Power You Can Use Today! is priced to retail at \$2.95 and may be obtained from DE VORSS & CO., 1641 Lincoln Boulevard, Santa Monica, California 90404.

HIGHER CONSCIOUSNESS, THE EVOLUTIONARY THRUST OF KUNDALINI

The AUC Book Review Committee has also recommended **Higher Consciousness, The Evolutionary Thrust of Kundalini** by Gopi Krishna.

One reviewer states: "Krishna feels that modern scientific research methods should be applied to the study of bio-energy as he considers the yogi concept of Kundalini. The book is mainly his argument that wholesale research should be undertaken. To really understand this book the reader should have a fair understanding of raga-yoga and its practice. Krishna discusses the physical aspects of higher consciousness. He explains how to distinguish true altered states of consciousness (as from meditation) from delusion states induced by drugs, hypnosis, or other means. He has a very interesting third chapter dealing with religion and evolution but seems to me to short-change the benefits man has derived from his spiritual progress."

"This book is well written and is interesting and easy to read. Personally I feel the author is perhaps too taken with 'scientific measurement' with 'proof' and places too much emphasis on the intellect as the means of solving problems. He does, however, not completely neglect the spiritual. One facet he emphasizes several times (often neglected in present day 'popular' trends) is the necessity for physical and moral preparation and continual work along these lines for maximum advancement in efforts to achieve growth in consciousness."

"I believe this is a book that a number of our Unity ministers will want to read and think about."

Another of our reviewers shared the following comments regarding this book: "This book is well worth reading and studying. It makes clear that 'higher consciousness' is to be gained only through the progressive unfoldment of our inherent divinity. There are no short cuts! Of particular note to us in Unity is the emphasis on the essential oneness of Spirit-soul-body. Divine Mind uses the physical body-brain-nervous system as the instrument through which It expresses. Therefore in addition to prayer, right thinking and acting and responding, the adherence to the laws of physical and mental well-being is a basic requirement. As Gopi emphasizes, 'The active participation of the brain and body is essential for transpersonal manifestations of consciousness.' There is a definite relationship between the quality of intelligence and the state of consciousness: not only psychological but physiological metamorphosis has to be effected."

"Kundalini (life energy), as the evolutionary impulse in the race is perennially active. When through the normal activity of the evolutionary mechanism, the brain and nervous system have reached a certain state of maturity then a higher state of consciousness is attained. Kundalini the evolutionary energy in man is the biological lever responsible for success in every form of spiritual exercise. Mind or consciousness is ever in charge, ever-moving man through the activity of its evolutionary urge to the transformation of every man."

"Self-willed man is now an active partner in the evolutionary activity of his

organism. In order to allow the activity to continue he must learn to shape his own mode of life and behavior to assist the evolutionary drive: conform his life with spiritual ideals and principles. The surest way to achieve higher consciousness is to develop the characteristics of higher consciousness!"

"Man's destiny is to realize the Kingdom of God on earth in the organic frame of man: the sublime state of beatitude Scripture promises!"

Higher Consciousness, The Evolutionary Thrust of Kundalini is available in a 198 page cloth-bound edition, at a retail price of \$7.95, either from your local book dealer or from the publisher, The Julian Press, Inc. Publishers, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York 10011.

BIRTHDAY GREETING BOOKLET

This summer a mailing was made to DAILY WORD subscribers offering them a special birthday booklet, **Your Birthday is Special**, written by James Dillet Freeman. Unity School is happy to make it available to everyone. From the response Unity School has received, **Your Birthday is Special** is sure to be a treasured birthday keepsake. It is priced to retail at \$.50 each and may be ordered from the Sales Department of Unity School at your dealer's price of \$.30.

DISCONTINUED BOOK

The Kingdom of Earth by George Lamsa has been discontinued and is out of stock. Your orders for this book cannot be filled through the Sales Department of Unity School.

CHRIST ENTHRONED IN MAN BY CORA FILLMORE

Unity School now has a paperback edition of Cora Fillmore's book **Christ Enthroned in Man**. In the book **The Twelve Powers of Man**, Charles Fillmore identifies and explains man's twelve divine powers. In **Christ Enthroned in Man**, Cora Fillmore gives supplementary material and meditations for use with Mr Fillmore's book.

Christ Enthroned in Man is paperback and is priced to retail at \$1.00. You may order it from the Sales Department of Unity School at your price of \$.60. (continued on page 17)

BOOK RACK

(continued from page 16)

THE SECRET OF UNLIMITED SUPPLY

This booklet is a powerful collection of Catherine Ponder's exciting ideas about abundance and supply. Although unavailable for a time, *The Secret of Unlimited Supply* is being offered again. The 64-page booklet has a handsome four-color stiff cover and is priced to retail at \$1.00, and may be ordered from the Sales Department of Unity School at your dealer's price of \$.60.

THE MIRACLE OF CREATIVE MEDITATION CASSETTES

There has been a tremendous response to *The Miracle of Creative Meditation*, a new cassette album that every Truth student will want to have. This album was recorded by J. Sig Paulson, minister of Unity Village Chapel, and Richard J. Dickerson, neuroanatomist, metaphysician, and teacher at Missouri University Medical School.

Using a dialogue approach, the two men answer and discuss such questions as: What is meditation? What makes meditation practical? Why is meditation essential in everyday life? What will meditation do for me personally?

The *Miracle of Creative Meditation* includes three cassettes (six lessons, one on each side) in a storage album. The cassette album is priced to retail at \$12.00, and may be ordered from the Sales Department of Unity School at your dealer's price of \$7.20.

S.M.R.S. APPLICATIONS FOR 1976-77

Please remember that the School for Ministerial and Religious Studies is eager to receive applications for September 1976 admission to SMRS. However, please do not encourage anyone to go through the admission procedure whom you personally, as the minister, would not recommend to become a Unity minister. Anyone who is a serious candidate may receive an Application for Admission by writing to: William L. Fischer, S.M.R.S., Unity Village, Missouri 64065.

HISTORY OF THE "PEACE SONG"

The song "Let There Be Peace on Earth" has become a very meaningful part of the activities and services of many of our Unity ministries throughout the world. We thought perhaps our membership would be interested in the following article on how the song came into being. The article is printed in entirety as it appeared in the October 1975 issue of TRUTHWAY, a monthly publication of Unity Church of Dallas, Texas, where Donald Curtis serves as senior minister.

"LET THERE BE PEACE ON EARTH"

(Let It Begin With Me)

By Sy Miller and Jill Jackson

Let there be peace on earth
And let it begin with me;
Let there be peace on earth,
The peace that was meant to be.

With God as our Father,
Brothers all are we.
Let me walk with my brother
In perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me,
Let this be the moment now.
With ev'ry step I take,
Let this be my solemn vow:

To take each moment and live each
moment
In peace eternally.
Let there be peace on earth
And let it begin with me.

One summer evening in 1955, a group of 180 teenagers of all races and religions, meeting at a workshop high in the California mountains locked arms, formed a circle and sang a song of peace. They felt that singing the song, with its simple basic sentiment—"Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me," helped to create a climate for world peace and understanding.

When they came down from the mountain, these inspired young people brought the song with them and started sharing it. And, as though on wings, "Let There Be Peace On Earth" began an amazing journey around the globe. It traveled first, of course with the young campers back to their homes and schools, churches and

clubs. Then the circle started by the teenagers began to grow. Soon the song was being shared in all fifty states—at school graduations and at PTA meetings, at Christmas and Easter gatherings and as part of the celebration of Brotherhood Week. It was a theme for Veteran's Day, Human Rights Day and U.N. Day. 4H Clubs and the United Auto Workers began singing it. So did the American Legion, the B'nai B'rith, the Kiwanis Clubs and CORE. It was taped, recorded, copied, printed in song books, and passed by word of mouth.

The song spread overseas to Holland, England, France, Germany, Lebanon. To South America, Asia and Australia. The Maoris in New Zealand sang it—even the Zulus in Africa sang it.

Professional singers took it up. Among them, Ernie Ford, Andy Williams, Danny Kaye, Nat Cole, the Smothers Brothers, Roy Rogers, Dale Evans, Eddie Albert, Edie Adams, John Gary, Pearl Bailey, Roberta Shore, Champ Butler, the King Sisters, Mary Tyler Moore, John Raitt, Robie Lester, Liberace, Bob Crosby, the International Childrens' Choir, Jack Halloran, Gisele MacKenzie, Richard Summers, Lloyd Bridges, Patti Page, Angela Cartwright, the Young Americans, Carole Wells, Jack Smith, Pat Boone, Johnny Mathis, Rhonda Flemming, Stan Melton, Norman Luboff, the Bing Crosby, Bob Hope, Lorne Green and Ted Mack TV Shows and Father Keller's Christopher TV Series.

The song began to win awards. "Let There Be Peace On Earth" was awarded the George Washington Honor Medal by the Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge for "Outstanding achievement in helping to bring about a better understanding of the American Way of Life." It also received a Brotherhood Award from the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

This simple thought, "Let There Be Peace On Earth, and Let it Begin With Me" first born on a mountain top in the voices of youth, continues to travel heart to heart—gathering in people everywhere who wish to become a note in a song of understanding and peace—peace for all mankind.

Idea Exchange

PRAYER OF PROTECTION

ADAPTED FROM
THE UNITY CHURCH

MUSIC BY
JEANNETTE R. HEDGE
1966

THE LIGHT OF GOD SUR-ROUNDS US, THE LOVE OF GOD EN-VELOPS US, THE WIS-DOM OF GOD DIR-ECTS US, THE SUB-S-TANCE OF GOD SUSTAINS US, THE POWER OF GOD PRO-TECTS US, THE PRE-S-ENCE OF GOD WATCHES OVER US - WHEN EVER WE ARE GRIEVED, AND ALL IS WELL! - A - MEN!

PRAYER OF PROTECTION SET TO MUSIC

Jeannette Hedge, minister of Unity Christ Church in Pasadena, California, has shared with the AUC office a copy of some music which she wrote to the expanded Prayer of Protection words (reproduced at left).

Jeannette advised, "We use this as the closing in our Worship Service and many other functions. Anyone who would like to duplicate it has my loving permission to do so."

EASEL UTILIZED IN PRESENTING SUNDAY LESSONS

George Stone, minister of Unity Center of Christianity in Washington, D.C., often utilizes a visual aid easel on the platform in presenting his Sunday lessons. George prepares an outline of the various points he intends to cover in his lessons and writes the outline on a paper pad attached to the easel. As he progresses through his lesson, he flips the pages and reads the outline points.

The congregation responded very favorably to this innovation and requested that each lesson's outline be printed in the following Sunday's bulletin.

SHARE YOUR IDEAS

Please share with your fellow members of the AUC ideas which you are using to make your ministry even more effective. Send your ideas to CONTACT, Association of Unity Churches, Unity Village, Missouri 64065.

DIAL A POSITIVE THOUGHT CARD

Unity of Livonia, Michigan, utilizes a very colorful and artistic card (reproduced at right in black and white), as a handout item to promote the ministry's recorded inspirational messages.

Eugene Sorensen, minister of this Michigan ministry, reports that the cards, which are printed in red-orange and green on yellow card stock, have been instrumental in creating the number of telephone calls to the ministry's recorded message.

In addition to being printed in harmonizing colors, the artwork and lettering on the card is done in a raised or textured finish.

DIAL

LOVE PEACE JOY

261-2440

A POSITIVE THOUGHT

UNITY OF LIVONIA

(Northwest Regional News continued from page 5)

Just as this issue of CONTACT was being finalized, the AUC office received the following additional news item:

PORT ANGELES, WASHINGTON — Donald Jennings, minister in Port Angeles, has reported that the ministry is in the process of purchasing a private residence which will be converted into the new building facilities for Unity in the Olympics. The residence is approximately ten years old and is situated two miles east of Port Angeles on a plot of land equal in size to several city lots. Accordingly, ample parking space can easily be provided for the ministry.

Don stated: "The facility at present is a single story six bedroom home of ranch style construction. One wing of the house has four bedrooms and two bathrooms which will be utilized as our Sunday School facilities. The living room and dining room will be converted into our Sanctuary. The family room will be renovated and our library will be situated there. The kitchen, of course, will provide the necessary food preparation facilities for fellowship programs. The other two bedrooms will be utilized as church office and workroom space. There is a four car carport attached to the house which will be later enclosed and converted into a Fellowship Hall. The house, exclusive of the carport space, has approximately 2,600 square feet under roof and has a wood siding exterior.

"The total initial cost to purchase the house and land and to make the changes required by local building codes to convert the house into a ministry is \$40,000. Since September 1, 1975, the ministry has raised \$8,500 of the \$12,500 needed to close the transaction."

Don further advised that a significant portion of the monies received to date was a result of a project whereby the ministry, in cooperation with a local professional photographer, gave certificates entitling a family to have an 8 x 10 color portrait made.

The balance of the down payment and closing cost is being financed through Faith Notes issued by the ministry. Unity in the Olympics is issuing the

notes in three terms of maturity: five years, bearing interest at the rate of 6%; seven years at 6½%; and ten years at 6¾%.

The tentative date for the ministry's first service in their new facilities has been set for Thanksgiving Day of this year. Anyone wishing to assist this growing ministry in expanding its ability to serve the spiritual needs of the people in its community is encouraged and invited to contact Don Jennings at Unity in the Olympics.

NOTICE TO MINISTERS:

Please return the YOU Convention Questionnaire printed on page 20 of this issue of CONTACT to the YOU Coordinator in the AUC office as soon as possible.

JOHN STRICKLAND, Y.O.U./Y.A.U. COORDINATOR REPORTS

Young Adults of Unity Report — "Communication among young adults is well under way. The Young Adults Growth Committee is actively seeking to provide more unity and a better sense of direction. The meaning and purpose of Young Adults are beginning to take shape as a result of the concerned efforts of these committee members.

"Many of you have probably been contacted already by Young Adults. If not, you may want to contact the committee through me, your Young Adult Coordinator, here at Unity Village. We are beginning to grow in the development of Young Adults. In many ways, Young Adults is like a sleeping giant who has just awakened. The first few steps may be a little uncertain, but with your cooperation, Young Adults

can become a powerful, moving force within our Unity Movement.

"I would suggest that you take the time to get to know your Young Adults. Get involved!, and get them involved in your ministry. Young adults at this point are eager to work, to serve, and to share their many talents. They are a valuable resource, and they are here to stay. God bless you for your love and understanding."

Youth of Unity Report — "At the time of this report, communication in the YOU is also well under way. Several regions are having (or have had) Fall retreats, including Northwest, Great Lakes, and Southeast. News+Notes is being produced, and Paul Wiedmaier is doing a great job on Prayer Panel.

"We have already picked the dates for the planning of 1976 YOU Conference. The Planning Committee will meet from January 1-4. Your Planning Committee members are as follows: Pastor Schulze, International President, Miami, Florida; Paul Wiedmaier, International First Vice-President, Bramerton, Washington; Candy Croft, International Second Vice-President, St. Louis, Missouri; Jim Sherman, Minister, Toronto, Canada; Kay Tiffany, SMRS ministerial student, Unity Village, Missouri; and me, your YOU Coordinator.

"We are very privileged to have such a fine group of people working together to plan what we know will be an exciting, meaningful, growth-providing 1976 Conference. We have sent our Questionnaires to help us plan the Conference. These were mailed mainly to those who attended the 1975 Conference.

"We have included a Questionnaire in this edition of CONTACT which we hope you will detach, complete, and return to the AUC office. If you have any comments, suggestions, or ideas about what you would like to see in Conference or how Conference can be improved, please write to me as soon as possible so that we will be able to better understand the needs and desires for next year's Conference.

"And as long as I am soliciting feedback, please let us know if there is any way you feel that we can improve Youth of Unity from a chapter, regional, or international level."

1976 YOU CONFERENCE PLANNING QUESTIONNAIRE

MAIL TO: YOU COORDINATOR, ASSOCIATION OF UNITY CHURCHES
UNITY VILLAGE, MISSOURI 64065

1. A good theme for the 1976 Conference is _____

2. I would like to have a workshop in the following _____
It would deal with these concepts:
A.
B.
C.
3. Some good recreation activities are _____

4. I suggest that at the 1976 Conference we _____

5. Programs that promote openness, awareness, and sharing are: _____

6. I would like to see the following persons as Conference guest speakers or workshop leaders _____

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

Every minister is requested to complete this questionnaire, detach it from CONTACT, and mail the completed questionnaire to the AUC office.