

In Canada we have been really busy witnessing

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We've been really busy around here. Alan is doing a wonderful job and I think we all love him very much. As Alan outlined before you left we go out Monday to Thursday nights from 6-9. We alternate weeks, one week the Sun team stays in to study and practice teach while the Moon team goes out to witness. We only started this about 2 weeks ago (the alternating, that is!)

On Thursdays we go out "en mass". For the past 3 Thursdays we've marched down Yonge St. to Dundas with placards that we carry on our shoulders. So far we have only 3 sets. On them are painted "This is the day of hope," "Unification Church," "The True Family", the symbol etc. They look very good. Shelia designed them and Jim and Vince helped make them. We also have the workshop pamphlets printed off the Gestetner now. The first time we used the Gestetner Alan and I had some problems but after that Alan hasn't had too much difficulty. We also have posters plastered around the city, so far only in the downtown, Bay St., Bloor St., Spadina, Dupont, Davenport areas, but tonight we'll be putting up more. We use wallpaper paste and brush it on the wood surface, put on the poster and apply more paste. They stay on pretty well but there is a kind of "poster war" going on. We take down and cover posters we don't like and other people cover up our posters.

So far a number of people have responded to them. Some phone, some drop by, some have come to workshops and heard Principle through. We now have workshops every week. The next one May 28 is a Sunday and we want to see how many people can come out to it (perhaps we'll have more on Sunday's then). Friday nights we have "open houses". The turnout to them has been really good. One Friday Glen got a group of young people from the "Unity Church" to come. Most were kind and young and they don't believe in evil or the literal Adam and Eve. Another Friday, a man named Karl Carson came with a young boy (not so young) named Randy. They had come by one Saturday night just at prayer meeting time. He claimed to be the chairman of a few spiritual organizations e.g. Psychic Institute etc., they come back on Friday and he dominated the conversation.

We went to London on the weekend of May 13-14. On Saturday all of us went and an open picnic in Victoria Park. Before it we handed out leaflets letting people know about it. Karen and I prepared the food-a big fruit salad, crackers and cheese and orange drinks. A few people came by and some stayed for a long time others for a shorter time. About 3 pm we packed up and went witnessing until 6:30. The time went so slowly, the whole pace of London is much slower. When we witness both in London and Toronto we wear bright sashes which say "Unification Church" -what else! We all met back at the van and went to Bob's for dinner which Karen and I made the night before. After dinner we left to hand out remaining workshop pamphlets and came back to Toronto. We arrived back about 12:30 a.m. and Karen, Grace, Sheila and I had to prepare the food for the Sunday workshop. All weekend we got very little sleep

because of all the preparation needed and the time it took to travel back and forth. We were supposed to leave after 5 a.m. pledge but everyone was so beat after sleeping one hour and 3 hours the night before. We left at 8:30 and arrived in time to have lunch and go to Dundas Street United Church where we held the workshop. Six came to the workshop but not all of them stayed to hear it all. We all didn't go to London on Sunday, only Karen, Alan, Bruce, Jim, Grace and I. We were all very tired after dinner and coming home. We weren't all that happy with their response, one fellow was a very strong Bahai and said Bahauallah fit all the qualifications for the Messiah. There were two very strong Christians one who was coming back to "save" Bob.

This past Saturday (May 20) we had a workshop (7 showed up), went out to the park to play volleyball, Frisbee etc. Then we came back and went over to the Bahai Center for a discussion on our similarities and differences. It was quite enjoyable and a historic moment, I could add!

In the Name of our True Parents,

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