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LEADERSHIP

SEMINAR

November 12-16, 1984



Leadership Seminar has offered a variety of subjects to interest and benefit pastors and lay leaders. In the past six years, subjects offered have dealt with Biblical book studies and also with practical applications of Christian life and ministry. Subjects have ranged from marriage and church tensions to Greek and evangelism.

This year Dr. Enos Martin, a psychiatrist from Elizabethtown, PA, will come as a guest speaker for the third time. In 1978, he spoke on "Psychiatric Skills for the Spiritual Counselor." In 1981, he began a discussion on "The Pastor: a Wounded Healer." That subject will be continued for this year's seminar. Dr. Martin brings with him a wealth of information and experience that many have found helpful.

Serving with him will be Walter Beachy and David Showalter, both of Plain City, OH. Bro. Beachy spoke in 1982 on "Contemporary Implications of Sixteenth Century Issues in Anabaptism." This year his subject will be "An Introduction to Apologetics." He has taught both Anabaptist History and Apologetics at RBI for a number of years. Bro. Showalter will be teaching one of his RBI courses, "Homiletics," which will give practical helps for sermon preparation.

Wives of pastors and leaders are encouraged to attend the seminar. In the past, the week has been a highlight for leadership couples. Accommodations will be offered on campus or in local community homes. Courses are available for credit at a small additional cost. For a brochure and application, write to RBI.

NEWS AND COMMENTS

THOUGHTS ON THE ELECTION

The 1984 presidential campaign will soon be history. Perhaps more than in any previous campaign, attention has been drawn to the influences of Christianity in politics. Both candidates publicly assert a belief in God, though neither claims to be "born again."

Christians differ in their response to the two opposing platforms. Fundamentalists enthusiastically embrace the platform of the party that stands for the family and traditional roles, the rights of the unborn child, school prayers and strong defense. Other Christians deplore the military escalation and the threat to world peace. Their main concerns are the nuclear race and the poor of our country. They are appalled by the "lack of compassion" of other Christians. But the opposing group can't understand their endorsement of a humanistic platform. Still others favor non-involvement.

Perhaps the greatest need for us in our Mennonite communities is to show love to each other by listening to differing viewpoints and trying to understand each other's concerns. Whether or not we vote or become involved in other ways, we should all embrace the doctrine of love for the brothers in the church!

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## SPEAKING SCHEDULE FOR WILLARD MAYER

- Oct. 21 Pigeon River, Pigeon, MI
- Oct. 28 Fair Haven, West Salem, OH
- Nov. 4-7 Locust Grove, Belleville, PA
- Nov. 11-18 Morweena, Arborg, Manitoba
- Nov 30-Dec 2 Maple View, Wellesley, Ont.

## FACULTY

## PERSPECTIVES

"This year's election may set the stage for the direction of our country in terms of ideology and how we affirm the Judeo-Christian faith. I think the possible appointment of Supreme Court justices will shape the future."

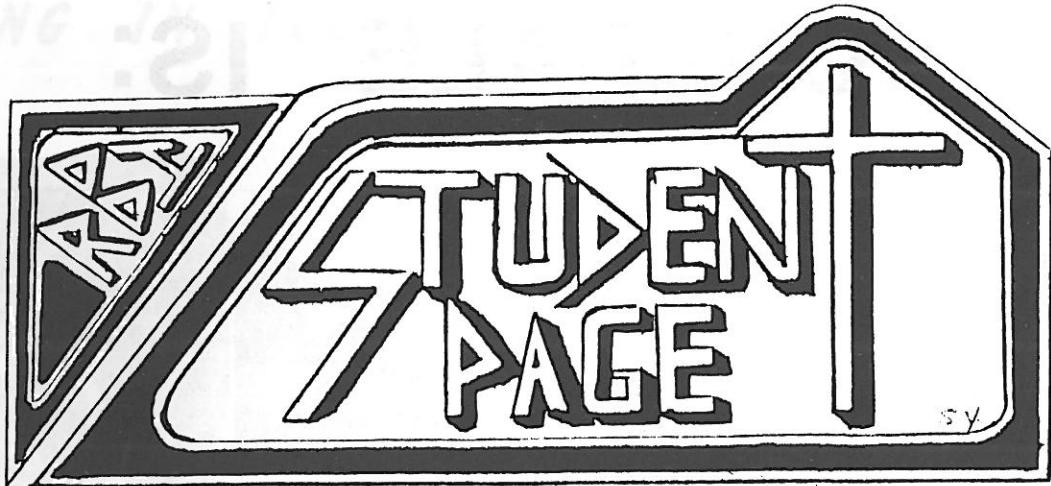
"There is a lot of rhetoric used today to promote political propaganda -- by both parties. To say that one party is more Christian than another...I wouldn't make that observation. I am amused at the vehemence of Christian people!"

"Our country is at a pivot point in its response to Christianity and moral issues. The two platforms reflect opposite viewpoints on moral questions. I don't think they differ that much on the war and peace issue. Both will use weapons."

"According to the New Testament, the Christian's response to the State is to obey (when not against Christ's teachings), to honor, to pay taxes and to pray."

"In my memory of past elections, there was less involvement by evangelicals than there is in this one. Should we be so emotionally involved? It is one thing for an individual to be interested, but another for the church to take a political position so that the church is identified with a political party."

"I don't see the choice as a clear one between compassion and non-compassion."



The blend of various cultures on campus always adds interest to campus life. Eleven international students are a part of the student body this term. They come from Kenya, Nigeria, Costa Rica, Trinidad and Canada. Their lives and testimonies are an inspiration to those around them.

Simon and Gladys Mungai, who were married this summer, are from Kenya. The following article is a personal experience shared by Gladys.

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We waved good-bye to those beloved ones who had come to see us off. They watched us go through the airline procedure and the customs until we were out of sight. We came to the last desk which was the Immigration Department. After going through our papers, the man checking mine looked up and said, "Clearance?" From the surprised look on my face, he could tell I knew nothing about the clearance. He explained that I needed one from the office of the President of our country and that I could not leave without it. (This was a new rule and very few people know of this requirement). We talked to the senior man in the department, but he said there was no way I could leave.

All our luggage was in the plane and it was departure time already. They came for us and it only made sense for Simon, my husband, to leave. I shall never forget the dejected look on his face as he dragged himself to the plane. The plane took off! I was in Kenya alone at the airport at 2:40 a.m. with no Kenyan currency! This was no dream; my husband who had returned to Kenya for me had to leave without me.

Everybody seemed to sympathize, and I asked God to help me not to cry. I remembered the

prayers offered for us by the Christians and our family. Had God heard them?

Suddenly, the Spirit of God reminded me of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego in the fiery furnace (Dan.3:8-30). I knew right then that the presence and power of the fourth Man, Jesus Christ, was with me and my husband. Then I remembered Paul and Silas in jail at a similar hour! They did not sit down and cry. God has as much of a purpose for my circumstances as He had for theirs. I immediately got the power and courage to witness to quite a number of airline customs, immigrations and security officers. This brought me an inner peace -- the kind that passes all understanding. I could not explain it. I remembered Romans 8:28.

This episode and the things that happened the next three days left me highly lifted spiritually. There were moments that I missed my dear one terribly. Then I would pray for him to experience the same peace I had. He later told me that he did. God taught me to trust Him more than I trusted anybody else -- even my husband. Simon was not there to go through the difficult procedure of getting the clearance, but God was. A series of miracles took place, and I was cleared and flew off to find Simon at the New York airport.



# ROSEDALE IS:



## WHY DID YOU COME TO ROSEDALE?

. . . to learn more about God and fellowship with other Christians.

-Carol Maust

. . . I was led to.

-Neil Davis

. . . I wanted an education and I knew I could come here and transfer.

-Fern Horst

. . . to grow spiritually and socially.

-Sharon Schnupp

. . . I was asked to.

-Jonas Miller

. . . to learn more and grow deeper in Jesus.

-Caralee Good

. . . to grow spiritually, socially, and to get an education.

-Randy Myers

. . . for the spiritual growth and the Christian fellowship.

-Janice Lapp

. . . to learn more about the Bible.

-Adeola Rosanwo

# KEEPING IN TOUCH

## BIRTHS

Anthony Joe was born Sept. 5 to Ron (80) and Beverly (Miller) (79) Nisly, Hutchinson, KS. First child.

Bethany Dawn and Bonita Darlene were born Aug. 28 to Mark (76S,78S) and Rosie (Good) (71,72,74,75 78S) Slabach, South Boston, VA. Third & fourth daughters.

Naomi Elizabeth ("Beth") was born July 13, to Arlen (74,75) and Sharon (Yoder) (70,71,74-76) Krabill, Lebanon, OR. Second child; first daughter.

Keith Sheldon and Kevin Scott were born July 21 to Arlin (75S,76) and Lila (Bender) (77) Maust, Accident, MD. Fourth & fifth children; second and third sons.

Alisa Marie was born April 5 to Ed and Erma (Mast) (72,74,75) Wilkerson, Tampa, FL. First child.

Brandon Alan was born to Linda (Beitzel) (80) and Craig Cumberworth, Grantsville, MD. First child.

Monica Michelle was born Aug. 21 to Keith and Daisy (79) Miller, Goshen, IN. First child.

Maria Ann was born Sept. 25 to Jerry and Anna (Saltzman) (79) Roth, Harrisonville, PA. Second child. First daughter.

Andrea Rose was born Oct. 2 to Dan (81) and Lavina (Miller) (78,79,81) Good, Manchester, KY. Second daughter.

## ENGAGEMENTS

Cindy Steiner (83) Kidron, OH and Paul Mullet, Holmesville, OH.

Dave Stauffer (82) Elverson, PA and Janet Harnish (82) Willow Street, PA.

Chris Wengerd (78) Goshen, IN (formerly Uniontown, OH) and Elwood Miller, White Pigeon, MI.

Becky Graybill (74,78-79) Parkesburg, PA and Richard Landis, Manheim, PA.

## MARRIAGES

Naomi Petersheim (81) Cochranville, PA and Mahlon Glick were married Aug. 4.

Joe Garber (77) Lancaster, PA and Yvonne Leaman, Leola, PA were married March 25.

Esther Ramer (80) Collegeville, PA and Rich Zoss (77S,78S,79,80) Lowpoint, IL were married July 28.

Naaman Beiler (82) Paradise, PA and Louise Martin (82) Stevens, PA were married Feb. 11.

Cliff Eash (81) Buckhorn, KY and Junell Swantz (81) Kalona, IA were married June 16.

Joyce Weber (74,75) Plain City, OH and Bob Suter, Pandora, OH were married October 13.

Marcus Helmuth (80,81) Kalona, IA and Bev Snyder, Williamsburg, IA were married Aug. 18.



Louella, Brenda, Bob & Delores

Four new staff members have joined the Rosedale family this year. Bob Aycoth, Greenwood, DE, has returned as a student and is also serving as Assistant Dean to Jay Delp. Brenda Burkey, Beaver Crossing, NE, is learning the duties of the Administrative Secretary from Yvonne Schlabach who will be leaving in January. Delores Yoder began her job as Cashier/Bookkeeper last spring when Betty Schrock was preparing to leave. She and her husband, Wayne, live in Rosedale. The volunteer worker this year is Louella Reimer from Arborg, Manitoba. Louella is a part-time student and also serves as breakfast cook and bookstore clerk.

## YEARBOOK PURCHASE

For purchase of the 1985 yearbook, fill out the order blank below and mail to Rosedale Bible Institute, 2270 Rosedale Road, Irwin, OH 43029 by January 2, 1985. Cost: \$9.00.

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and the truth shall make you  
free."

—John 8:32