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NATIONAL NEWS

by Cynthia P. Brust

A NEW HOME FOR THE ANGLICAN MISSION

Over the last eight years, the Anglican Mission has evolved from a handful of churches and a bare bones leadership team to a full-service Mission Center. Since its formation, the Anglican Mission has been located at All Saints Church, Pawleys Island, SC, most recently in the original Parish Hall. In response to an immediate need for additional office space, the Board of Directors unanimously approved the purchase of a free-standing office building in Pawleys Island. The Anglican Mission staff relocates to their new home in July.

"This is a milestone for the Anglican Mission representing an exciting new beginning," said Bishop Chuck Murphy, Chairman. "Our dream was born at All Saints, and we have a long history with that congregation. We will be forever grateful for the time we have had there and to the parish for welcoming us as a part of their campus for these last several years."

In addition to providing offices for all existing staff (with some growing room), the two year old building has a meeting room for small groups as well as a larger conference area ideal for our Council of Bishops, Board, staff and other similar meetings. In addition, the building, priced under market norms, represents a sound investment for the future and is expected to continue to appreciate in value.

Given the Anglican Mission's vision of reaching the 130 million unchurched by planting congregations, this move into the marketplace is a powerful symbol.

"The Mission Center will be in the midst of a commercial area with several restaurants, a coffee shop and retail stores," noted Canon Ellis Brust, President and CEO. "The very people we hope to draw into a saving relationship with Jesus Christ will surround our new offices as they frequent the various shops and eating spots in this development.

Our location will inevitably inspire us daily for our mission and ministry to carry the gospel out into the marketplace."

The new Anglican Mission office building in the Mingo Development in Pawleys Island, near the corner of Highway 17 and Willbrook Boulevard.



Putting a “face” on our future



BISHOP CHUCK MURPHY

From its beginning, the Anglican Mission has incorporated a collaborative approach to ministry development. In 2001, just a year after the Singapore consecrations, we held two brainstorming sessions facilitated by Tom McGehee of Wildworks Group in Dallas, TX. These sessions generated a number of ideas and priorities that shaped the future of the Anglican Mission. Our top takeaways:

a clear sense of purpose—we are a mission, nothing more, nothing less; a commitment to flexible structure resulting in the formation of mission networks; and a defined focus—the 130 million unchurched.

As we look to the future, we thought it important once again to sort out the best way forward using this collaborative model with a much larger group that would include the new Bishops, Network Leaders, Canon Missioners, and other lay and ordained church leaders throughout Canada and the US.

In April, we gathered 86 leaders representing 16 states from California to the East Coast, from Canada to Southern Florida for two days of reflection and discussion in Atlanta, Georgia. This cross section of congregations, age, gender and geography participated in a series of exercises designed to help us dream together and build consensus about next steps. I was struck by the creativity, passion and talent I witnessed as we considered together “what is, what might be, what could be and what should be.”

As a foundation for our group discussions, we launched the meeting with three “trade shows” or presentations. I reminded the group of our *Mission, Vision and Values*; Bishop Thomas Johnston offered highlights of “Things on the Horizon” both in the Anglican Mission and the worldwide Anglican Communion; and Canon Ellis Brust presented an

overview of “The Americas of the Future,” outlining current demographic projections between now and the year 2020.

By the end of the last session, the group expressed a strong commitment to the Core Values that have guided the Anglican Mission thus far. In addition, participants emphasized the need to expand our funding sources in order to raise millions of dollars for mission and ministry. This is, of course, the purpose of our Living the Mission Initiative, a major goal for 2008 and 2009. We also identified leadership development—strengthening our leadership pipeline with new talent who are passionate about, and gifted for, church planting—as a top priority in the months and years to come. This will naturally lead to launching new networks while simultaneously maximizing our current networks.

The demographic information we received served to “put a face on” the 130 million for us. Among those whom we seek to reach in the future will be young, ethnically diverse and highly educated. The need for a creative and broad plan for campus ministry emerged as a focal point for ministry. In addition, we discovered that a significant part of our mission field for the 21st century in North America will be located in the cities, so we will need to become more focused on strategically planting churches in urban areas.

The Atlanta workshop proved to be an effective tool for clarifying vision and approach as we move into a new chapter with the Council of Bishops, Network Leaders, staff and others working together to hone and implement identified priorities and goals. I believe this meeting illustrated once again that God is blessing and leading us as we seek His wisdom and will for us.

The Rt. Rev. Charles H. Murphy, III
Anglican Mission Chairman

LOOKING TO THE FUTURE: DEMOGRAPHICS FOCUS OUR MISSION

- ▶ Nearly 170 million people (half of the US population) will live in just 40 urban areas in 2020.
- ▶ The world’s population will make a significant shift to urban settings.
- ▶ US population trends are moving South and West.
- ▶ The US Population is getting younger: over 70% will be under age 52 by the year 2013.
- ▶ By the year 2020, the US population will be better educated than any time in history.
- ▶ Over 20% of the US population will not speak English in their home or as their “heart” (and worship) language.



LINKING ARMS FOR MISSION

The Anglican Mission Youth Ministry (YAMiA) is linking arms with Youth Specialties, one of the largest and most enduring ministries dedicated to providing quality resources, training and encouragement to youth workers around the world. Combining efforts will strengthen their ability



Archbishop Kolini (above) and the YAMiA will host youth leader training conferences in six African nations in 2009.

to help youth pastors and leaders in North America and Africa.

Under the leadership of Archbishop Emmanuel Kolini, YAMiA will host 2009 summer training conferences for youth leaders in six countries throughout Africa.

Youth Specialties and Ambassadors in Sport, a worldwide soccer ministry,

support the events in Rwanda, Burundi, Congo, Tanzania, Uganda and the Sudan. (See www.youthspecialties.com; www.aisint.org)

On the home front, Sheryl Shaw, Youth and Missions Pastor for New Covenant Anglican in Winter Springs, FL, recently joined the Core team for Youth Specialties, a branch of the ministry offering support to youth workers through five regional training events across North America.

ANGLICAN SCHOOL OF MINISTRY-LITTLE ROCK

The Anglican School of Ministry-Little Rock (ASM-LR) was established in September 2007 in the Little Rock Network to prepare leaders for effective Christ-centered ministry. The school offers:

- Parish-based training for ordained and lay ministry,
- A combination of distance education, mentoring and internships in the local parish, and short-term residency courses,
- Affordable distance education courses (\$150.00 per course),
- Highly-qualified faculty with a minimum of a Master of Theology degree from an accredited school.

In addition, ASM-LR has an articulation agreement with an accredited seminary—graduates may receive advanced standing for Bachelor or Master of Theology.

Enrollment for the Fall Term is underway now, ends August 20. Contact the Dean, the Rev. Dr. Mark Quay, at 501-801-3410, maquay@comcast.net, or visit www.littlerocknetwork.org/school.



ASM-LR's Dean, the Rev. Dr. Mark Quay teaching a special, 8-week course "Introduction to Anglicanism" at St. Andrew's Church, Little Rock."

QUICKNOTES

Apostles' Mission Network

The Kings Mission and Mid Atlantic Networks have merged to form the Apostles' Mission Network under the leadership of: The Rev. Dr. Steve Breedlove, Network Leader; the Rev. Alan Hawkins, Network Missioner and Administrator; and the Rev Keith Allen, Clergy Credentialing Coordinator (C-3).

New Executive Director for AIM

The Rev. Ron McCrary has been named Executive Director of Anglican Initiative for Mission (AIM).

As We Forgive

This documentary on reconciliation in Rwanda, has recently won a Student Academy Award for best documentary (www.asweforgivethose.com.) Producer/director Laura Waters Hinson is a member of Church of the Advent in Washington, DC.



Congregational News

- ➔ All Saints Anglican Church in Morehead City, NC, celebrated the first worship service and dedication of their new sanctuary by Bishop Chuck Murphy on Sunday, April 13, 2008.
- ➔ On April 28, 2008, Christ Church celebrated a Groundbreaking Ceremony for its new building on 14 acres in Prince Creek, a 2700 acre master-planned community in Murrells Inlet, SC.
- ➔ Church of the Apostles, Raleigh, NC celebrated their new facility on Memorial Day Sunday with founding pastor, Bishop Terrell Glenn, on hand to dedicate the church. On May 31, Apostles hosted a block party featuring food, live music, children's activities, tours of the church and more as a blessing to their community.
- ➔ This spring, five congregations in the Central Florida area affiliated with the Anglican Mission: St. Philip's Anglican Church, Orlando; Solid Rock Church, Winter Haven; Trinity Church, Orlando; Christ the King, Ocala; and Epiphany Celebration, Mt. Dora.

The Heart of



LEARNING TO EMBRACE A DIVERSITY OF WORSHIP STYLES

*I'm coming back to the heart of worship
And it's all about You,
It's all about You, Jesus...*

This chorus of Michael W. Smith's song, "The Heart of Worship," calls us to a deep level of communion with the Lord, succinctly reminding us that worship centers on Christ. Webster's dictionary defines "worship" in three significant ways: "reverence offered to a divine or supernatural being; an act of expressing reverence; and a form of religious practice with its creed and ritual."

In the Christian context, we understand that believers are indeed called to revere, adore and give honor, praise and glory to the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Such reverence is personal, a matter of the heart lived out through the will and is expressed when we "offer our bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship" (Romans 12:1). Finally, we Christians gather on a regular basis for corporate liturgical worship marked by Word and Sacrament through the power of the Holy Spirit.

This theological understanding of worship drives our "practice" of worship—doing that which we uphold as a theological principle. As a core value of the Anglican Mission, worship is emphasized as the center of our relationship with God—our daily interaction with Him which can include prayer, songs of praise, meditation on His word or simply enjoying

being in His presence. In corporate worship, the Anglican Mission seeks authenticity, to worship in Spirit and in Truth and to offer relevance in our culture while remaining faithful to the breadth of our Anglican tradition.

In order to fulfill this commitment, individual members as well as congregations of the Mission embrace a diversity of worship styles. We want to live out our faith in ways that

engage people in their daily lives, actively drawing from the best of our ancient faith in ways designed to reach today's culture with the Gospel. Our approach to worship is rooted in the historic tradition of the apostolic church, enhanced by the color of contemporary and fresh expressions designed to connect with hearts, minds and spirits. With this unique ancient...future blend of liturgy, we

PROFILE: Andy & Judy Piercy

How good it is to sing praises to our God, how pleasant and fitting to praise him! —Psalm 147: 1b

Following 15 years on staff at Holy Trinity Brompton, UK, home of the Alpha Course, Andy Piercy embarked on a new beginning as an itinerant minister in worship ministry development during which he traveled the world, including the US. He made contact with a number of Anglican Mission clergy and congregations and was struck with the



Kicking off a worship development weekend seminar at New Grace Church in Orange Park, FL, Andy joins worship teams from New Grace Church and New Beginnings Church for an evening of live music and fellowship at a local outdoor park.

Wip

by Cynthia P. Brust

seek to capture the imagination of a society immersed in images

produced by our multi-media and Internet-driven world, but never at the expense of Truth. In short, we are united in the essentials of faith while enjoying diversity and a certain



freedom in worship expression.

In both theology and practice, worship is centered on our Lord. May we faithfully remain at the heart of worship where it is all about Jesus.

Exalt the LORD our God and worship at his footstool; he is holy. —Psalm 99:5



Judy and Andy Piercy.

presence of the Holy Spirit, making him feel comfortable, as though he had “come home”. Clearly God was at work, and in September 2006, Andy relocated to Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina to serve as the Anglican Mission’s Director of Worship Development and assist St. Peter’s church plant. With his skills as a musician, composer and worship leader, as well as his unique experience in both church and independent ministry settings, Andy is uniquely gifted to

assist congregations, clergy and worship leaders of the Mission. His wife Judy joined him in South Carolina in January 2007 and is very involved with his ministry.

Since joining the Mission, Andy and Judy have hosted a number of worship conferences in local congregations as well as for network and other regional gatherings. Their work at St. Peter’s proved extremely beneficial to worship development, giving Andy first-hand experience with the challenges of transporting and setting up worship equipment each week.

“I now have a fresh appreciation for how challenging church planting can be,” he said. “I moved from a 120-member worship team to personally unloading a trailer on Sunday mornings. It has been incredibly rewarding, and it has also given me the insight I need to work with our leaders in church plants across the Mission.”

Andy has made presentations at Winter Conference, as well as assembled teams of musicians and singers to lead worship for the last two events.

“It has been a huge privilege to have been responsible for the worship at two Winter Conferences and to be able to demonstrate the diversity and richness of the Anglican Mission each year by drawing together and mentoring talented musicians and singers from across the various networks,” Andy said.

Mentoring is the heart of Andy’s approach to worship development, and he is quick to correct any misinterpretation that his role is to “improve” worship on the local level. He seeks, rather, to “release” congregations and teams for worship.

“I advise worship leaders to simplify—sometimes less is better—and to avoid the temptation to entertain,” explains Andy. “When I work with a worship team, I view my role as facilitating rather than steering.”

Andy’s goal is to provide a model of the heart—for worship leaders and teams to love a congregation.

“I help worship leaders understand that their job is to love God and the people in their congregations,” he adds. “Worship is enjoying intimacy with God, and we want to help others nurture that intimate relationship through worship.”

Andy has a simple and clear philosophy of serving people through authentic worship while beckoning hearts to a deeper relationship with the Lord Jesus. The Piercys have received rave reviews and touched numerous lives during the last two years. Andy’s genuine, down-to-earth approach is helping to form a simple and whole-hearted expression of worship which is refreshing to those leading and captivating to those partaking.

For more information or to schedule a worship consultation or conference, contact Andy: andy@stpetersmp.org.

Left Behind THE TRIUMPHANT STORY OF THE CHILD-HEA but Not Forgotten

Most children awaken to cozy bedrooms, the warm embrace of a parent and aromas of breakfast. For Rwandan children that emerged from the incomprehensible horror of the 1994 genocide, their previous way of life is non-existent. Being robbed of families, homes and land forces them to simply seek survival, living on the streets or in foster homes where many have suffered exploitation.

“I asked the Lord, ‘How can we bring the church back to life after such tragedy?’” shares Archbishop Emmanuel Kolini. “Once I visited children living alone in the remains of their mangled house and eating off plastic trash bags for plates. A nine-year-old girl was suffering with malaria and caring for her six-year-old

brother. I wanted to do something to help these children living in horrible conditions.”

As a direct result of the genocide, an estimated one million orphans live in Rwanda and 42,000 family units contain no parental figure – the households are headed by children who daily face a unique set of challenges.

The Province of the Anglican Church of Rwanda successfully established the first Child Headed Household Project, Ruhanga, in 2003 to address this crisis. Providing children a home and community with direct oversight from the church proved to instill security and hope for the future.

Hope Village, a community of 70 in Ayabaraya, twelve kilometers from Kigali, began in February 2006. Only 33 children, those identified as the most vulnerable, live in houses forming new family units. Others continue to wait, the lack of funds slowing the process of building.

“I have seen the children progress in many ways,” notes Speciose Mukankusi, Director of Hope Village. “They have developed spiritually, and many testify to being able to sleep peacefully for the first time in years.”

Cultivating vegetable gardens for food and planting colorful flowerbeds surrounding their homes are outward signs of healing. Three of the children are attending college while seven are still waiting.

“Due to the effects of trauma, many are left dysfunctional and unable to achieve high marks in school,” explains Archbishop Kolini. “They need vocational training to have a skill to support themselves.”

Rwandan Blessing, a ministry created to assist Archbishop Kolini with projects to help the people of Rwanda, recently made it possible for ten from Hope Village to attend a

school for handcrafts.

“It costs \$200 to send one to school for basket weaving – only \$200 for a future,” explains Sydney Murphy, overseer of *Rwandan Blessing*.

Homes of Hope, an annual women’s event pioneered by All Saints Anglican in Morehead City, NC, has raised almost

\$20,000 in two years to benefit Hope Village.

“Due to their efforts each home now has three beds, one cupboard, four chairs and a table,” reports Speciose. “The children appreciate it so much because their environment is better than it used to be with empty houses.”

Churches throughout the Anglican Mission are doing their part to help give children in Rwanda a second chance at life, but the needs are still great. It costs \$10,000 to build a house in Hope Village, every dollar donated making an impact.



Children find safety and shelter in houses built with funds contributed by AMIA congregations.



To learn more and contribute go to www.rwandanblessing.com.

HEADED HOUSEHOLD PROJECT IN RWANDA



by Shelly Miller



Helping Others Heal

Hope is filtering into the lives of genocide survivors through the ministry of *Helping Others Heal*, a program embracing a three-stage model of healing using therapeutic art that shines the light of God's presence into the darkness of haunting memories.

As a Board Certified Art Therapist and Licensed Clinical Social Worker with over 18 years of clinical experience in Christian psychotherapy, Bernice Osborne, member of Christ Church in Mobile, AL accepted the commission by Archbishop Emmanuel Kolini to create a community-based art treatment program to help young Rwandans heal.

"I spent a year developing this program, and the first time I went to Rwanda to implement it, I didn't know what to expect," explains Bernice.

Since concluding a third trip to Rwanda to train adult "helpers" toward the process of healing, the fruit of her labor is evident.

For many, it was their first time to communicate a personal account of the genocide – a positive sign in the healing process.

"Some of their stories were so horrible that I was unable to recount them to my husband for several days. I was so overcome with emotion," recalls Bernice.

Earlier this year, Bernice did a training session with individuals representing each diocese in Rwanda. One of them, a psychology student named Isaac, quickly put his new education to work as he enthusiastically applied what he learned in a workshop designed for the residents of Hope Village.

"It was a fabulous experience for me to see the *Helping Others Heal* training put to use so quickly," remarks Bernice. "The child headed households are located far from church, and so it was a rare treat for them to attend service on Easter, and a blessing to see each of them place food high on their plate, knowing that they often go hungry. Their testimonies of faith and reliance upon God are extraordinary."

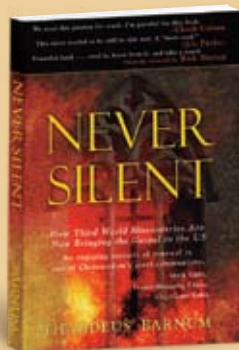
If you would like more information about *Helping Others Heal*, contact Berniceosborne7@aol.com.

Above, a child displays artwork done through *Helping Others Heal* program (Bottom) Bernice embraces Speciose (at left), Director of Hope Village, and Ernestine, a helper in the workshop.

RECOMMENDED READING

A million people killed over 100 days in a country the size of the state of Maryland. It is hard to comprehend, much less understand, what really took place in the 1994 Rwandan genocide. Did you know how and why these terrible events helped birth the Anglican Mission in the Americas?

New this month, *Never Silent*, written by **Bishop Thaddeus Barnum**,



connects the dots of the inspiring history of the Anglican Mission in the Americas. He describes the bold way that Global South missionaries addressed a crisis of faith in the US to



pioneer what we experience today in Anglican Mission churches across North America and Canada. Bishop Barnum's book is particularly timely as the Global Anglican Future Conference takes place in Jerusalem this month.

You can order a copy of *Never Silent* at: publisher@eleisonpub.com, 719-799-6687 or store.arielpawleys.org, 866-442-7435.

Connecting College Students

Intensely passionate about sharing Jesus with others,

Daniel and Lainie Allen have provided spiritual mentoring and coaching to nurture others and help bring focus to their lives for over twenty-five years. Coming alongside over 200 young leaders during that time, they continue to pour themselves into students at the



Daniel and Lainie Allen

University of Virginia (UVA), some of whom are helping the Allens plant Epiphany Anglican Church in Charlottesville, VA.

“Could it be that God is calling the Anglican Mission to focus on reaching college students in a more significant and deliberate way?” asks Daniel.

The Allens pioneered *Higher Call* in 1997, a ministry of leadership development to emerging leaders on the campus of Lee University in Cleveland, TN. Using a curriculum built upon Daniel’s thesis for a Masters of Divinity degree from Fuller Seminary, students engaged in a nine-month training experience.

“We led them to Christ, disciplined them, developed their leadership abilities by spending time with them and then deployed them to do ministry with us,” explains Daniel. “At one time we had 25 students ministering with us in the community.”

Early participants of the program, Tyler Crowley, Director of Worship Arts at Hope Church in Richmond, VA, and wife Michelle, point to their experience with the Allens as “their single most formative experience to date.”

“Being students and then facilitators of *Higher Call* did more to shape who we are as leaders than anything else we have done,” explains Tyler. “The Allens have a magical way of calling forth leadership within people that is not fully realized.”

“As we started out, I thought our work would be about curriculum and well-organized systems,” said Daniel. “What we heard repeatedly from students was



(Above) University students mentored by Daniel and Lainie provide an afternoon of music, games and food for the children of Friendship Court, a low-income housing project. (Right) Students serve a local mission agency as part of a four-day, intensive learning experience.

more like, ‘We just want to hang out with you and do life’. At the risk of stating the obvious - building relationship is huge.”

The Allens have been on mission at UVA since 1999, connecting first hand with Christians, the curious, and the “God-skeptical”. Through Bible discussion groups, intercessory prayer gatherings on campus and spiritual direction/mentoring groups in homes, they are seeing students come to faith in Christ, grow as His followers and develop their capacity to lead others.

For Lainie, ministry to students at UVA began with prayer walking, then divine appointments with people resulting in intentional weekly meetings with two unchurched students, Carlos and Katie.

“I had them read two chapters from the book of John each week then we entered into honest discussion about faith,” explains Lainie. “It was not a traditional Bible study and I did not do any teaching; we just talked.”



with Christ



One of Lainie's mentoring groups.

Along the way, Carlos and Katie came to faith, then Katie brought her two roommates to the discussion group, and they came to faith. Since then, the Allens have come

alongside countless others, many of which are now in full-time vocational ministry. "Many students are drawn to

the Anglican Mission because of the depth and maturity expressed in a church connected to its history and global family," said Daniel. "We are church planters working toward ordination with the Anglican Mission because it is characterized by values we espouse in relational ministry: the authority of Scripture, expectant prayer, a tone that is gracious and generous, focus on spiritual legacy, and rich liturgical and mystical expressions of faith in Christ."

If you are interested in exploring an internship with Daniel and Lainie at Epiphany (www.epiphanyville.org) or in their work with university students, you can contact them via email at daniel@epiphanyville.org or lainie@canterburyretreathouse.com.

Retreats that Nurture the Soul

Combining their gifts to call forth and develop the interior life of emerging leaders, Daniel and Lainie Allen are the founders of Nurturing Your Soul Canterbury Retreat House in Charlottesville, VA, a place for those seeking spiritual formation and retreat from day to day life.

With an undergraduate degree in Psychology and Sociology, a Masters in Education, and Certification from Christian Formation and Direction Ministries (CFDM.org), Lainie serves as director of the ministry and provides spiritual

guidance and companionship for those on the journey toward finding God at work in their lives.

"I see in our culture an interest in spirituality that often does not include church and traditional Christianity," observes Lainie. "As I began to study the mystics and early church fathers and mothers, I discovered a niche that leads people to deeper communion with God."

Finding contemplation to be the cornerstone of deeper awareness of God in those she studied, Lainie institutes the ancient practices of silence, rest, prayer, meditation and reflection on individual and group retreats.

"There has been a resurgence of people taking an intentional break from the demands of life in order to nurture their souls," said Lainie. "Whether it is a 30-minute retreat or one that lasts one or two days, we want to help people build those practices back into their everyday lives."

To find out more about spiritual formation retreats for individuals and groups go to www.nurturingyoursoul.com.



Canterbury Retreat House



Soul nurturing in progress: working with leaders of campus ministries.

THE FIELDS ARE READY FOR HARVEST

Eleven church planters from five states and Canada arrived on the campus of Christ Church Plano on Saturday, May 24 for eight days of intense training at the first-ever Anglican School of Church Planting. The School is an integral part of the Anglican Initiative for Mission's process to inspire and call, train and equip, and send and support Anglican Mission leadership to plant and build reproducing churches to the glory of God. The School is designed to provide budding church planters with instruction, models and coaching in the six characteristics of a healthy Anglican church: Worship, Discipleship, External Focus/Evangelism, Communications, Administration, and Pastoral Care.

Archbishop Yong Ping Chung, who was highly involved in the "dream team" partnership that birthed the Anglican Initiative for Mission, opened the first evening of the School by encouraging this inaugural group of church planting students that "God would do great things through them to reach the vast harvest field of unchurched people in the US and Canada." Anglican Initiative Executive Director Ron McCrary inspired the students by comparing the challenge of church planting to the efforts of life-saving crews who respond to emergencies at sea, risking it all to rescue those who are lost.

On Sunday morning, the students fanned out to visit six church plants in

the Dallas/Fort Worth area and report back on their key insights gained from "the field". High on the list was the importance of making a personal connection with church visitors—students who felt welcomed by the members of the churches they visited had much more positive experiences than those who received little more



Hearts and hands for the harvest: Participants and staff of inaugural Anglican School for Church Planting, representing five US states and Canada.

than a quick hello and a bulletin. Students also brought back samples of the churches' communications materials and photos that illustrated how each of the churches functioned. In this and other outings throughout the course of the School, students had opportunities to learn the keys to effective church planting in an experiential way.

The Rev. Canon David Roseberry of Christ Church, Plano, TX, the Rev. Matt Kessler of MESA Community Church, Austin, TX, and the Rev. Clark Lowenfield of

Hopepointe Church, The Woodlands, TX, whose collaboration and partnership led to the establishment of the Anglican Initiative for Mission, served as core faculty members of the School. They were present throughout the week to instruct, inspire, coach and share lessons learned from their experiences of church planting.

Bishop TJ Johnston ministered to the students as chaplain for the School. Assisted by Andy Piercy, Anglican Mission Director of Worship Development, Bishop Johnston launched each day with worship and Bible study focused on the heart of the church planter. Other faculty members included Bishop Philip Jones, the Rev. Dr. Quigg Lawrence of Church of the Holy Spirit, Roanoke, Virginia, and Anglican Mission National Prayer Leader Mrs. Elizabeth Walter.

Following morning worship and Bible study, faculty members presented interactive seminars in which they unpacked each of the six aspects of church life and engaged students in thinking through what worship, evangelism/external focus, discipleship, communications, administration, and pastoral care would look like in their new church plants.



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New Beginning for Leadership Development

Cynthia P. Brust



THE EDITOR'S CORNER

Expect the Unexpected ...and save the NEW date for Winter Conference 2009!

Anyone who has ever planned a major event knows to expect the unexpected. For seventeen months, our family has been preparing for our daughter Rebecca, and fiancé Pete's, wedding and we've encountered our share of surprises along the way. At the same time our Winter Conference National Design Team has been diligently planning the 2009 event. Just before a site visit to the Denver Sheraton I was informed that the facility will be undergoing unexpected renovations during our conference. Given the extent of the \$70 million construction project, we felt compelled to find a new location.

Our goal is to offer a quality conference in the most comfortable and positive environment possible, and I am delighted to announce that next year's event, now scheduled for Wednesday, January 28 – Saturday, January 31, 2009, will be held at the Sheraton Greensboro Hotel/Joseph S. Koury Convention Center in Greensboro, North Carolina. The beautiful 1000-room, family-owned hotel offers expansive meeting space along with a passionate commitment to customer service.

The most difficult aspect of the venue change is that we will be unable to work with the dedicated clergy and laity of the Rocky Mountain Network, but we look forward to a future opportunity! I am grateful for the enthusiastic response we have received from the newly formed Apostles' Mission Network leadership that has already pledged support and an army of volunteers from the Carolinas to Virginia.

Look for exciting details in the months ahead. While we have experienced the unexpected, I am confident that the Lord will richly bless Winter Conference as He has each year.

Cynthia P. Brust is the Mission's Director of Communications and Winter Conference Chair



The Rev. H. G. Miller

The Anglican Mission, including our Council of Bishops, Board of Directors, and Network Leaders, emphasize Leadership Development as a top priority. In order to strengthen the role and effectiveness of this core value, the Board has approved funding of a new staff position, Director of Leadership Development, that reports to the President and is responsible for identifying and recruiting ordained and lay leaders, the Fellows Program, credentialing, deployment and parish based education. The Mission is delighted to announce that the Rev. H. G. Miller, currently rector of All Saints Anglican Church, Morehead City, NC, has accepted the call to this post.

"I am delighted that H will be joining our Mission Resource team," said Canon Brust. "He brings a rich experience as well as passion for the full scope of developing leaders. As a Network Leader, H has the inside perspective of how we can build on our strengths and overcome our weaknesses in the area of Leadership Development. I know you will join me in welcoming him to his new position."

H will assume his responsibilities beginning July 14, 2008 at the Mission Resource Center. He has expressed enthusiasm for the challenging task.

"I am greatly honored to be able to serve the Mission in this vital area of leadership development," H said. "As the Mission continues to grow at a rapid pace, the need for well-equipped church planters, gifted clergy and spiritually mature laity is of utmost importance."

"I look forward to building on the foundation laid by those who have served in various capacities before me and to work with the quality leaders we have across the Mission."

Biographical Sketch: The Rev. H. G. Miller

H Miller comes to the Anglican Mission with broad experience in parish ministry. As rector of All Saints, H transitioned to a blended worship in the primary Sunday service and introduced new discipleship programs. Under his leadership, the church raised over \$2,500,000 in capital funds, purchased 12 acres of land and built an 11,000 square foot church campus which was dedicated by Bishop Murphy in April. H has also served as Leader of the Eastern North Carolina Network since the summer of 2006.

Prior to ordained ministry, H and his wife, Shelly, spent several years on staff for Youth With A Mission (YWAM), where they attended a leadership development school and assisted in the administration of a training base in Colorado. Each has been active in their communities.

Shelly currently serves as Assistant to the Director of Communications for the Anglican Mission, focusing particularly on feature stories of "people and places" around the mission. The Millers have two children, Murielle and Harrison, and the family will re-locate to Pawleys Island, South Carolina this summer.



The Millers transition to Pawleys Island: Harrison, "H", Shelly, and Murielle

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AIM Executive Director Ron McCrary commissions church plantings.

Each afternoon, students gathered in coaching clusters of two or three to work on their strategic plan for each of these areas. In the evenings, students and faculty had some time to relax and enjoy a Frisco RoughRiders minor league baseball game, a night out at Dave & Buster's, and a cookout at the Roseberrys' home.

The School concluded on Sunday, June 1 as the students were sent out with a missional charge at Christ Church's morning worship service. Now, three of the students will begin the Anglican Initiative's church planting residency training at an Anglican Mission church. Over the next nine to 24 months, they will be mentored by the Senior Rectors of these churches as they continue to refine their plans and grow a launch team to plant new churches in a neighboring areas. The Anglican Initiative for Mission will gather these residents on a regular basis for continued training and coaching to prepare them to lead healthy, growing churches that will plant more churches to reach the world with the life-changing message of Jesus Christ.

To learn more about the Anglican Initiative for Mission, visit www.theanglicaninitiative.org.

Church Planting: On the Journey

Meet Patrick King, a student in the first class of the Anglican School of Church Planting at Christ Church, Plano, TX. The next step in Patrick's journey includes the Anglican Initiative for Mission's residency program at Apostles Anglican in Knoxville, TN. Under the direction of the Rev. Chris Cairns, Apostles will be a center for training, equipping, sending and supporting Patrick and wife Caroline as they begin their new ministry.

Personal connections with "humble and open" leaders in the Mission initially inspired Patrick to pursue this journey.

"I personally need to be linked with the historical and global church and appreciate the flexibility of what our leaders do in the midst of structure," observes Patrick. "There seems to be openness to new ideas and a willingness to try things that are innovative, all with great sensitivity to the Holy Spirit."

He grew up in Nashville, TN and spent his formative years in Texas where he experienced worship in the Methodist and Nazarene traditions. After obtaining an undergraduate degree in Organizational Leadership from Miami University in Ohio

and a Masters of Divinity from Duke University, Patrick moved to Knoxville.

Four years ago he married his wife Caroline, and the couple has one child, three-month-old son, Auguste Eliot.

With a passion for culture expressed in urban settings, he enjoys performance arts (his wife is an actress) and spends time dreaming of architectural designs and city planning that facilitate Christian community.

"I love thinking about places—buildings, streets, lighting, infrastructure—it all matters to me."



The King family. Over the next year, *The Wave* will offer readers a glimpse of real life church planting.

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