

UNITED CHURCH CHAPLAIN U.B.C. REPORT 1960-61

At U.B.C. the groups and individuals concerned with the Church's Mission in the academic community, have gone farther in structuring a co-operative approach to the task, than groups on any other Canadian Campus. There is now active a body called The University Religious Council. Its Chairman is appointed by the administration of the University. It is made up of Faculty members, University Chaplains and advisors to religious clubs, and a student representative from each of the religious clubs. This body now meets regularly. It has already brought the club members and Chaplains much closer together. It is slowly finding its function and role.

The four Protestant Chaplains are becoming a more intimate community within this larger structure. An emergency structure has been set up relative to the S.C.M. It has been impossible to procure an executive Secretary for the B.C. Unit this coming term. The plan now is to use a Student Secretary, an Office Secretary, the Anglican and United Church Chaplains (the other Protestant Chaplains have too heavy a load with their residences) and the chairman of the advisory board, as a kind of secretariat to act in the place of an executive secretary.

The most significant change during the second year on the campus, however, was the fact that I seemed to get closer to people and activities. The closer you get to the people on the campus the more troubled you find them to be. Many more students are troubled than is at first realized. Very often it is the brilliant ones that are in the worst shape. Many of these are without motivation.

I engaged in many more conversations this season and this was the best part of the work. Many of these conversations included academic discussion because one of the great lacks at UBC is opportunity for personal relationship between students and faculty. Many of course were theological. We also began a programme of having Faculty people into our home.

I have discovered that it is with the students I have met before even they come to University, that I am able to establish the most meaningful relationships. This means that a most important use of my time during off season weeks is the visitation of young people's groups, camps, retreats or congregations anywhere in the Conference. Unless I am booked elsewhere I make it a policy never to turn down that kind of invitation.

The question of office accommodation is just where it was last year except that a group from the University Religious Council is waiting upon the President to discuss this and other matters with him.

University Activities:

1. Summer Session: I worked through the summer-school period last year. The Anglican Chaplain and I carried out the SCM summer programme which consisted of two lecture series.
2. Visitation of Out of Town Students: I found this year again that the students on the campus are the only ones I am able to visit consistently. However, I do get the addresses of the students boarding off campus to the congregations concerned and urge that these arrange for a visitation.
3. In co-operation with the WMS Conference Branch a tea was held to which all the United Church Girls registered at UBC were invited. The Committee procured the names and addresses from my cards. This tea was for the purpose of introducing those present to the opportunities of full time Church vocations for women.

4. Addresses and Bull Sessions: I was invited by one fraternity and one senior residence association to conduct a bull session of religion.
5. SCM Activities: I conducted two SCM study groups through the year. A third one showed promise but petered out. I was used to give three addresses in the Lecture Series; one of these was at Victoria College, Victoria, B.C. I also gave a sort of exchange lecture at Bellingham. I gave leadership at the Fall Camp and the Agnostic Conference.
6. VCF Activities: I continued to be invited to the formal affairs of this club and was asked to conduct a worship service for its membership. I have not been invited to give any leadership in its programme.
7. Union College: The Resident Council asked me to take a regular spot on the evening Chapel roster. This meant a great deal to me and to my relationship to the students in Union.

Church Activities

1. I shared this year again in the visit from the College of teams of students and faculty to the Presbyteries of the Conference. The purpose of the visits is to accent recruiting for full time Church Vocations.
2. I preached in 14 congregations during the year, one of these was Presbyterian and two were Anglican.
3. I spoke four times to Hi-C or YPU groups.
4. I spoke to one W.A. and two Mens' Clubs.
5. I helped in the leadership of four congregational retreats and camps.
6. I participated in two student conferences and one Leadership conference related to Boy's Parliament.
7. I participated in the Leadership at two camps.

Activities related to the Wider Church and Community.

1. I teach one hour a week at York House School. This is a Grade 12 Class in Modern Thought and the Christian Faith.
2. I was invited by the Christian Education Committee of the Vancouver Council of Churches to chair its committee for the 1960 Workshop on the Use and Understanding of the Bible. This extended over 4 days in June.
3. I was invited to address a Provincial Camper's Leadership Course, and take part in a Panel Discussion on the Family at the YWCA.

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UBC Season 1960-61 Registration
Summary of Religious Affiliation Cards

Denomination:

1. United Church	3030
2. Anglican	2580
3. Roman Catholic	1281
4. "None"	1197
5. "Protestant"	756
6. Lutheran	375
7. Presbyterian	361
8. Miscellaneous	357
9. Baptist	316
10. Jewish	256
11. Agnostic	165
12. Islam, Hindu, Sikh, etc.	134
13. Mennonite	127
14. Orthodox	111
15. Christian Science	50
16. Latter Day Saints	<u>30</u>

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Of the 3030 United Church Students attending UBC there are
1771 living at home and 1259 living away from home in the following
parish areas:

Students' Residences &		Cedar Cottage	3
University Hill	591	Grandview	3
West Point Grey	223	Riverview	3
St. James	93	Trinity-Zion	3
Dunbar	58	Wilson Heights	3
Kitsilano	48	Fraserview	2
Knox	28	St. Giles	2
Ryerson	24	South Burnaby	2
Canadian Memorial	23	Vancouver Heights	2
Chown	17	Beaconsfield	1
Chalmers	15	Collingwood	1
Marpole	14	Mountain View	1
St. Andrew's	14	No address	<u>75</u>
St. Stephen's	5		
Shaughnessy	5		1259

Mr. President; - Member of Conference, (Chapreport 22) (I)

1. Don't get around to reading the report: -

Find some way of getting around "I like to get around!"

It's good for my usefulness to get around.

Committee - Free of Sunday involvement
so that I can get around.

2. Be a little voice from the world to the church.

A. Try in every way to hear what we sound like to
the world. Image of the church - world -
Saints - is one we have - one actually
presently.

(1) Tearful Chiding: -

Love of Sinner - never heard.

1. Said - in so many words

- world chiding, stand
to love

Resp. Love of Sinner

2. Too! - Sinner accepted

Sin suffered for -
praised out.

(2) Role of know-it-all minister in all things.

offers one - fabricated past answers -

wisdom - ignores the enormity of the
questions

More common of Myotes! - God is who is.

not in our pockets with.

Risks: - Little certainty.

Intellectual commitment - reluctant enough to
ask. profound, actual questions - Thoreau

Protest museum: - questions received @ end of the book about
① little certainty of faith

if it had come in there -

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↑ knows that there are now laws to stand in the way,
These people don't even know the problem is
fixed, why are they still there?

Listening Church : -

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X in Education - 9.5 groups etc.

Universities - young adults.

First time having face problems & questions.

commitment :- can doubt.
permissive situation
are a doubt - be that -
one place you can be that.

1. Mussent - witness of power.

2. Enormous of questions - not taken seriously.

Take Risk : - Safe way in God.

on our own in safeguarding the
study the art.

Commitment of Love : -

Listening Church.