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# Boots on the Ground

Hartland students conduct five field schools in Southern Africa.

*Viliame teaches righteousness by faith.*

*by Kevin Wahl*

“The things Hartland teaches you are amazing,” commented Tshego Dikgole, a lady who attended Present Truth Camp Meeting. “We need to have a school like Hartland.”

In December 2012, Hartland students Henry Higgins, Cwayita Ntsikeni, Simdumise Poswa, Viliame Saqusaqu, and staff Nancy Arias journeyed as missionaries to Southern Africa.

**In Swaziland,** Henry and Simdumise did much door-to-door work, conducted a training session for young Seventh-day Adventists, and presented an evangelistic series. “Those who came to the training session left with a deeper hunger to study for themselves,” Henry shares. The topics covered were Revelation 12–17, how to study the Bible, and the health message as the right arm of the gospel.

During their house-to-house labor they met Mr. Seyama, who afterwards attended the evangelistic series. “He was not a novice in the Scriptures, and he asked us tough questions,” recalls Simdumise. “We studied with him

almost every day and a lot of his questions were answered.” Mr. Seyama testified, “I see that you people are real Christians—not only by your words, but by your conduct. I know that God sent you here to teach me more about His truth so that I could find His true church.” Nkosikhona Moyo, a local Bible worker, continued the studies with Mr. Seyama.

**In Mpumalanga, South Africa,** Cwayita, Viliame, and Hartland graduate Loago Setswalo held tent meetings in the evenings, conducted outreach training and cooking classes for the church in the mornings, and did door-to-door visits in the afternoons.

“A 14-year-old girl started coming to the tent meetings on the fourth day,” Cwayita recounts. “She enjoyed it so much that she attended the rest. She very carefully took notes, and started reading her Bible at home. When the Sabbath truth was presented, she decided to keep the Sabbath.”

**In KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa,** Cwayita, Simdumise, Viliame, and Loago ran a self-supporting camp

meeting. About 60 church members from around the area attended.

The team taught Revelation, righteousness by faith, fundamentals of the Christian faith, principles of self-supporting work, true education, how to study the Bible, massage, hydrotherapy, and cooking.

“Through you, the Lord has given us more than we asked!” one mother exclaimed. Viliame observed that “the campers

hungered for new and better ways to reach their communities.”

Cwayita reports, “They’ve started doing medical missionary work with

their friends, relatives, and neighbors, and have begun translating some of the spiritual books we shared with them into their native tongue.”

**At Magaliesberg Mountain Sanctuary, a natural park in South Africa,** Henry, Simdumise, and Nancy presented a three-day seminar on education. More than 60 parents camped in tents to learn God’s plan for educating their children.

Nancy gave lectures on true education and directed them in practical ways to homeschool their children. She encouraged them to join as families to start small schools. The team attempted to answer their many questions on how to relate to educational laws. Some

ladies from Botswana were inspired to unite their efforts to start a small elementary and secondary school.

**In Gaborone, Botswana,** the entire team arrived at Present Truth Camp Meeting. The main speakers were Hartland graduates Isaac Olatunji, Diego Silva, and Loago. Henry and Viliame taught massage, Simdumise and Hartland graduate Melissa Silva taught hydrotherapy, and Cwayita

taught cooking.

Two ladies told the team, “We decided to be vegans.” A man shared, “Since I experienced the hydrotherapy treatments, I feel like I can

better apply them to others.”

Again, Nancy taught true education and homeschooling. “More than 80 parents attended to learn about true education,” Nancy reports. “I met a committee that wants to start a multi-grade academy. They were planning to begin classes soon and needed a comprehensive plan to start the school, and resources such as curriculums and books. They asked for handouts and copies of the presentations.”

Pure Light for Africa, a ministry spearheaded by Loago, is still working on opening a missionary training school in Botswana. Thank you for your continued support and prayers for this endeavor.



*Loago (center) conducts Bible studies.*

## Six Intense Days

Lifestyle Education Center staff trains 25 participants for practical medical ministry.

by Chris Pfeifer

“The course was very informative,” states Samuel, a Seventh-day Adventist evangelist. “We learned hydrotherapy, massage, cooking, the eight laws of health, and much, much more.”

On May 19–24, 2013, Hartland’s Lifestyle Education Center conducted an intense, hands-on, interactive medical missionary training course. Twenty-five energetic participants answered the call to active medical ministry in their homes, churches, and communities. They came from various places and from all walks of life.

Chorrae, an RN, says, “I enjoyed learning how to help a person recover their own health by using the eight laws of health.”

But while many focus on the physical, God has a deeper lesson to teach His people. Many of the diseases which men suffer today are the result of mental depression. Those toxic emotions and unresolved issues—deep-seated hatred, bitterness, and revengeful thoughts—have lead many to an early grave and a miserable life, when God wants to make them free.

Shannon, also an RN, shares, “This training was not just about nutrition and eating right, but about the spiritual and mental aspects as well.” People are

longing to hear that healing voice from God’s Word comforting them in sorrow, encouraging them through difficulties, and freeing them from vice and passion. They need help to connect to Christ—the Source of all healing.

“I’m encouraged to incorporate these changes more and more in my family,” Chorrae tells us, “and share the blessings with my coworkers and friends that they may have greater health.” Samuel adds, “The training we received laid a solid foundation and left us with the tools that we can use to build upon what we’ve learned and continue the work.”

“This training would be a very good eye-opening experience for those that really want to know what health reform is,” Shannon says, “and how it plays into the gospel work, and for those that have confused or unclear perceptions of what medical missionary work really is.”

Samuel concludes, “I’d recommend this program to everyone. Overall it was the best intense program I’ve seen.”

Jesus tells us, “Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers.” Matthew 10:8. Will you answer the call to be a gospel medical missionary? If so, call 1-800-763-9355 to enroll in the next training course, starting October 20, 2013.



## “I’m Happy to Be Healthy!”

Tanya, age 13, shares her experience at Hartland’s “Lifestyle to Health” session.

by Kevin Wahl

“I was a prediabetic and the doctors thought I had hormonal issues also,” says Nathanya “Tanya” Vidal. “I was 40 pounds overweight and I couldn’t exercise—I would pass out. The most sleep I got was probably four hours every day. My grandfather suggested the lifestyle center for me and my mum.”

What did Tanya think about coming to Hartland’s Lifestyle Education Center (LEC)? “At first I wasn’t really excited about it. But when I came here, it was a totally different environment from where I live. It’s calm here, there’s fresh air, and the nature scenes are beautiful.”

Tanya relates the results of her LEC experience. “Here they did not put me on antibiotics or pills, but the natural remedies that can cure me without any bad symptoms. I’m exercising 2 to 3 hours every day, instead of 10 minutes. I do a lot of walking. I’m drinking 12 to 14 cups of water a day, instead of 4 cups. I’m juicing, drinking my teas, and I’ve lost 20 pounds. I’m getting at least 7 to 8 hours of rest every night without any disturbances. Hopefully I can continue this lifestyle when I go home.”

She shares her thoughts on being out in nature. “It changes your whole mindset about how life could be. It’s not just bad stuff—gangs and violence—going on, but there are actually places where the Spirit and peace of God abide. And little creatures can teach you lessons about God and how He loves His creation.” She adds, “I went canoeing in the back lake. It was very interesting. We got to canoe to the other side and there were cows. We were looking at them and it was really fun.”

Would Tanya encourage others facing the same health challenges to come to the LEC? “A hundred percent. I will truly encourage others to come here and learn natural remedies that you can use. When you’re looking for true healing, you don’t have to go on steroids and pills that don’t even cure you, but just cover up the real problem. Here they get down to the real root of things.”

Tanya concludes, “I just want to let everyone know that God is truly amazing. He can work miracles in your life—physically, mentally, spiritually, and socially. That’s what I’ve learned here. I’m very happy I came!”



## Piedmont Valley Youth Bible Camp

**Campers tell us what they enjoyed most about PVYBC 2013—“UNSHAKEABLE.”**

“The spiritual effect on me! And also my group because I had a great time learning more things about Christ in my group.”

“Child Evangelism. I love kids!”

“The spiritual blessing and the environment that it provides.”

“Christian atmosphere, simplicity, singing, activities—and food because it’s healthy, and it shows Christ in everything!”

“The spiritual blessing, because it not only gets us ready for Jesus to come, but it also makes us a better person.”

“The people. You can be who you are without being judged.”

“The spiritual atmosphere. We are free to talk about God here and sing—unlike school.”

“The spiritual experience. It brought me even closer to God.”

“The friendly atmosphere (most of the time); learning skills that’ll help me relate to others; actually becoming interested in the Bible again; being out in nature.”

“Deep Bible Study. It showed me how to study the Bible more effectively.”

“I really liked the activities and the opportunity to meet different people from all over. Some are even from different countries and different states. And the activities—they’re packed, so there’s not really any time to waste. And also the camp pushes having a relationship Christ, not only to come to camp to have fun and leave, but to give you something that you can live for your whole life. And the Deep Bible Study class in the morning actually gives you a new way to study the Bible. So that’s what I *really* like about Piedmont camp.”

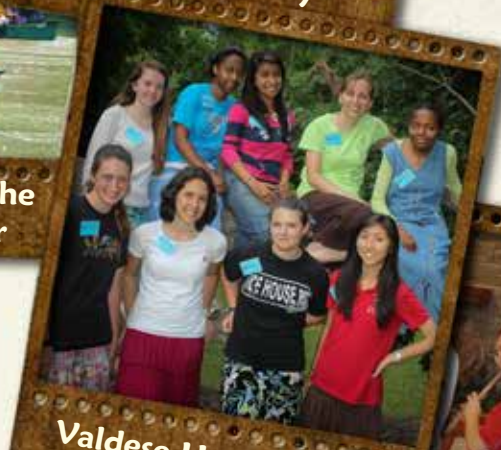


**Canoeing down the  
Robinson River**



**Deep Bible Study**

*"Deep Bible Study gave me  
a broader view of the Bible."*



**Valdese Handmaidens**



**Afternoon outreach  
at a nursing home**

See you next year at  
PVYBC 2014!  
June 22-29  
"Transformed"



**Wilderness survival class  
spends a night outdoors**



**Line call**

Watch this year's camp video at  
[www.pvybc.com](http://www.pvybc.com).



## Have My Heart

YDYD holds outreach camp for young adults, ages 17–30. *by Kelly Ostrom*

“I no longer want to be the same person I came as—I want to be something more,” shares Shani. “I grew so much more spiritually and I am proud to say that I plan on participating in another YDYD program!”

On June 10–16, Youth, Do You Dare? (YDYD) held their summer training program, “Have My Heart.” More than 20 youth came to Hartland’s campus to find a deeper walk with God and receive training to serve Him. The special speaker was Hartland graduate Maurice Berry; other speakers included graduate Chuck Holtry and various Hartland staff, including President Norbert Restrepo. The messages followed the theme of relationships—relationships between peers, within the family circle, spouses, and ultimately with God.

The workshops included health ministry, Bible instruction, courtship and marriage, and canvassing. The youth received training and then were given opportunities to put what they learned to practice. They gave health presentations, chair massages, went door to door canvassing, and conducted surveys in the community to obtain Bible study contacts.

Gloria recounts, “My brother, Nelson,

and I got 11 people to sign up for Bible studies. It was such a blessing to see how many people want to know more about the Bible and are willing to take the opportunity.”

“Have My Heart” was a growing experience for many, and hearts were surrendered to God.

“There are many things that I loved, from the classes to the friends that I made, but what I liked the most was finding God again and letting Him into my heart.” recalls Chelsea.

“I learned how God can use you and reveal amazing things to you if you just open your heart and let Him use you,” relates Linda. “I came knowing I needed a spiritual change, but I wasn’t expecting a spiritual transformation. No words really describe YDYD—it was an awesome experience I’ll never forget!”

YDYD thanks everyone for their prayers and support in making this event a success.

To schedule the YDYD team to hold a weekend youth rally in your community, call our events coordinator at 540-672-1996 ext 232.



## “I Love the Bible Classes!”

Deep study is preparing Daniel for future ministry in South America.

*by Kelly Ostrom*

**M**eet Daniel Miranda. He is a Pastoral Evangelism major from Colombia. Daniel first heard about Hartland while studying at Las Delicias Institute where Hartland’s president, Norbert Restrepo Jr., previously served as director.

Daniel understands that there is a great hunger and thirst after righteousness in South America. He desires to train young people to become Bible workers and medical missionaries. He also wants to help people in his homeland, as well as those in other South American countries, to come to an understanding of the truth for themselves and not to depend solely upon ministers.

Coming to Hartland has been an enormous blessing for Daniel. He says, “Hartland is like a little Eden in the midst of this wicked world—it’s the perfect environment to develop a Christian character.” The Bible classes Hartland offers are what he enjoys most. He says, “Learning the tools of Bible interpretation and how to apply them correctly, and doing my own commentaries has given me a breadth of thought, discernment, knowledge, and wisdom. It has helped me to grow more spiritually in many areas of my life.” Daniel continues, “I will never forget this experience.”

For Daniel, Hartland has been an experience of faith—faith that the Lord would provide his plane ticket, his toiletries, clothing, textbooks, and phones calls; and that the Lord would help him with his classes and work. Daniel shares that God’s provision has given to him evidence of His interest to cleanse him from all unrighteousness: “If He cares for those little things, how much does He care about my spiritual life? How much is He interested in giving me victory over sin?”

Your gift to the Missionary Training Fund (MTF) helps students like Daniel. “I would not be here if it were not for God,” Daniel states. “God uses different things to accomplish His purposes. In my case, He used the MTF to enable me to come here. I could never have come if God had not provided the MTF. To all those who have supported the MTF, either with your contributions or prayers, I want to express my sincere gratitude. Only heaven will tell how much you have blessed us, and that you had a part in reaching the souls that we brought to Christ. Thank you again for your support. May the Lord continue to bless you so that you also can bless those students who want to receive this kind of education.”



# Pioneer Publications Major

**A shy Business major discovers unknown talents, altering his life course.**

*by Michael Prewitt as told to Rachel Perry*

I first majored in Business at Hartland College. However, I was assigned to work in a new project called *Young Disciple* magazine. Soon it was revealed that I had a flare for editing and design. When Hartland rolled out the Christian Publications Management major during my second year, I enrolled. It was exciting; we felt like pioneers. I never foresaw myself going into the publishing field, but once I gained experience, I realized it was perfect for me. Eventually I became *Young Disciple's* head designer, and remained there until they relocated to Inchelium, Washington.

One thing I relished most as a student was having sincere, godly friends, classmates, and faculty. They were as eager to learn as I was, and we spent great times sharing and debating ideas outside the classroom. I felt great warmth and camaraderie, and the faculty really came close to the students.

I came to Hartland as an exceptionally shy person. I hated being up front and tended to avoid talking to anyone except my few best friends. However, class speaking assignments and door-to-door outreach helped me grow more confident in public speaking.

Where I really grew was in teaching. I

never dreamed I'd teach. I had no education in that field. But after graduating in 1996, I taught two Hartland classes: Proofreading and Copyediting, and Graphic Design and Layout. At first I wondered if I made a terrible mistake; but those classes were a huge blessing to me, and the students enjoyed them. I was also asked to lead a children's division during a camp meeting. That proved another shocker; I never pictured myself being good with kids. But later someone told me it was one of the best children's programs Hartland had done. I learned that in stretching, I could grow.

I now work at Three Angels Broadcasting Network (3ABN) as Website Manager and Creative Director for the Publishing Department. There's been a lot of growth in those two departments in my 13 plus years here. Originally it was just me doing both jobs. Now I have a small staff of four, and am looking to hire more. My Hartland experience especially helped prepare me to work here at 3ABN; it helped me understand the needs and culture of a self-supporting ministry. Now, armed with practical skills and biblical knowledge, I can be an influence for good here and around the world.



## Earth's History Closing

We must renew our commitment to spread the gospel throughout the entire world.

**D**aniel realized that the 70 years of Jerusalem's desolation had been accomplished, and he cried unto the Lord with supplication, confession, and fasting. He humbled himself, asking God to fulfill His promises and vindicate His name through His people, and God answered Daniel's prayer.

We need this experience as a church. We are living in the closing scenes of earth's history—in the antitypical Day of Atonement! The prophecies and signs of the time of the end are fulfilling today.

**Luke 17:28–30:** Gay marriage in Western nations over the last 10-plus years has been moving forward quickly. "Starting with the Netherlands in 2000, many countries have had to open up the discussion and move forward on laws recognizing same-sex unions. ... It seems every Western nation is destined to open up to accepting these unions in one form or another."<sup>1</sup>

**Revelation 13:3:** Despite the recent financial and sexual abuse scandals within the Roman Catholic Church, we see the rising popularity of Pope

Francis I among all Christians, causing Jonathan Merritt, a prominent faith and culture writer to ask: "...Could the growing popularity [of Francis I] among non-Catholics make him 'the first Protestant Pope?'"<sup>2</sup>

**Revelation 13:11, 12:** Recently, America's ability to impose economic sanctions on any country in the world was reiterated. "The 30-member Senate Appropriations Committee adopted by consensus an amendment to a spending bill that would direct Secretary of State John Kerry to meet with congressional committees to come up with sanctions against any country that takes Snowden in."<sup>3</sup>

As we realize the times in which we are living, may we humble ourselves, seek the Lord, and turn away from our spiritual apathy and disobedience. May we unite with a renewed commitment to spread the everlasting gospel of the Three Angels' Messages!

*Norbert Restrepo Jr., President*

<sup>1</sup> [www.hammillpost.com](http://www.hammillpost.com), April 14, 2013

<sup>2</sup> [www.religionnews.com](http://www.religionnews.com), April 10, 2013

<sup>3</sup> [www.reuters.com](http://www.reuters.com), July 25, 2013

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# Upcoming Events

## Fall Convocation

### Youth, Do You Dare?

October 18-20, 2013

Speaker: Dwayne Lemon

Contact: Events Coordinator

☎ (540) 672-1996 ext 232

## Medical Missionary Training

October 20-25, 2013

Contact: Nayelych Pfeifer

☎ (540) 672-1996 ext 277

## Fall Graduation

November 2, 2013

Contact: JH Shin

☎ (540) 672-1996 ext 302

## Winter Convocation

January 24-26, 2014

Speaker: Bob Jorgensen

Contact: Events Coordinator

☎ (540) 672-1996 ext 232

## Spring Convocation

April 25-27, 2014

Contact: Events Coordinator

☎ (540) 672-1996 ext 232

## Medical Missionary Training

May 25-30, 2014

Contact: Nayelych Pfeifer

☎ (540) 672-1996 ext 277

## Spring Graduation

June 6-7, 2014

Contact: JH Shin

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## Piedmont Valley

### Youth Bible Camp

June 22-29, 2014

Contact: Joan Reichard

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## Camp Meeting

July 22-27, 2014

Speakers: Stephen Bohr, Christian

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## About Our Fall

### Convocation Speaker

**Dwayne Lemon** desires to make those

who are young in age and youthful in

experience know that they can truly

live a surrendered life. He believes that

medical missionary work combined with

the 'Three Angels' Messages will help

us prepare to meet the Lord. Dwayne is

married to Alexandra Lemon, and they

have four children: Jahred, Kayla, Kaleb,

and Jada.

# Onward and Upward

It's time to finish the work!

October 18-20, 2013

With Dwayne Lemon

FALL CONVOCAATION

YOUTH, DO YOU DARE?



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- Rex Horner (son) and Tammy Allen (granddaughter) by Billy and Jean Horner
- Roger McNeily (brother) by Priscilla McNeily
- McKinley Sparks Jr. (husband) by Diane Sparks

*In honor of...*

- Simdumse Poswa by Susan Wanzer