Pastor Rodney Millin, evangelist for the Central Zimbabwe Conference Class of 1997

Touching Lives for Eternity
"Praise God from Whom"

We praise God for the miracles we have witnessed. We praise Him for allowing us to experience the power of prayer. We praise Him for leading Hartland Institute from its humble beginnings to what it is today. We thank God for the many people whom He has inspired to answer our prayers for financial support.

The story of Hartland is an unfolding of sacred history in one small institution, which God has used to advance His kingdom of grace. It reveals “the struggles and triumphs, the fear and faith, the failures and successes.


1983 July 1, Hartland Hall Plantation purchased
September 23, Hartland College opens with 13 students
December, First Hartland Bible Conference held in Ontario, California

1984 May, First health guests arrived
• First summer colporteur outreach

1985 First overseas Hartland Bible Conference held in Whitley, England

1987 First four-year graduates
1988 First camp meeting, held in a tent on the mansion lawn with nearly 1,000 in attendance
All Blessings Flow!”

the timidity and courage, and the hesitations and visions of fallible men and women. In spite of human limitations, the glorious power of the Almighty God has been revealed.” The Vision and God’s Providences by Colin D. Standish, p. 11. As we review some of the highlights, we see our gracious Savior’s unfailing mercy, love, and watch care.

We pray that this modern-day odyssey will inspire others, also, to exercise faith in the providential leading of the omnipotent God of the universe.

1989 January, First issue of Last Generation printed
- Wellness Center completed and opened, after 5 years of operating from the mansion

1990 Hartland College Choir sings at the General Conference session in Indianapolis, Indiana
1991 *Young Disciple* magazine first published

1992 Final payment made on Hartland property

1993 **Summer**, First Young Disciple Youth Bible Camp
(Their last camp held on Hartland property was in 1998. They now operate in Washington)

- First community evangelistic crusade
- First extension school (Romania)
- First international choir trip

1995 First recording of Hartland Touring Choir, *Still Be My Vision*

2002 First Piedmont Valley Youth Bible Camp, patterned after Young Disciple Youth Bible Camp
2005 Two additional minors offered at Hartland College – agriculture and music
• New major offered – Christian Media Management

2006 Everlasting Gospel Network (EGNtv)’s first world-wide live broadcast

2007 New industry, Hartland Woodcraft, added
My twin brother Russell was born 20 minutes after I was born on October 27, 1933, in Newcastle, New South Wales, Australia. The Lord preserved Russell for a full life of service for Him. At eight years of age, he slipped from a small wooden bridge. I believe angels helped his little hands grasp the crossbeam supporting the bridge above a 90-foot drop to the rocks below before our dad was able to pull him to safety. Once, he and three companions were ambushed in Laos by hostile soldiers. Through Divine Providence, it was Russell’s Australian passport that saved them.

After graduating from Avondale College, Russell taught for three years at Seventh-day Adventist elementary schools. In 1953 he married Enid Evans, then continued his studies in psychology and medicine at the University of Sydney, graduating in 1965.

Russell served in several hospitals worldwide, and in 1983 his excellence in the medical field earned him the honor of becoming a fellow in two Royal Colleges of Physicians in the United Kingdom. When he became president of two Adventist hospitals in Southeast Asia, they were both in serious financial crises. Russell challenged them to practice true Sabbath observance, and the Lord blessed their decision financially. More importantly, for the first time in ten years, several Buddhist staff and nursing students were converted.

When Russell returned to Melbourne in 1992, he prayed, “If You desire me to do self-supporting ministry, provide financial support and send calls for me to minister without my solicitation.” The response was immediate, and he knew the Lord was leading.

What a joy it was for us to team up for world-wide evangelism! Russell and I soon will have published 76 books together.

Perhaps the crux of his ministry was the establishment of Highwood College with its students, health guests, publishing, and outreach.

Russell had a deep dedication to God and a passionate love for the Seventh-day Adventist church. In spite of his great achievements, he was a humble and tireless worker for the Lord. He was a devoted and loyal husband to Enid, his first wife, and Glenice, his second wife, each of whom he loved dearly. He cared deeply for his three sons, Stephen, Timothy, and James.

On May 2, 2008, at the age of 74, Russell died in a tragic car accident. He will be greatly missed. We trust that soon Russell shall awake from sleep and behold His Savior, whom he had so faithfully served, loved, and worshiped.

Russell Roland Standish
1933 – 2008
“Do you want to learn about a beast with seven heads and ten horns?” my friend Wei Kang Chia asked Kayla, the little girl who answered the door. Wide-eyed, she nodded.

In the beginning of this school year all the students at Hartland had dispersed in the nearby town of Ruckersville to conduct religious interest surveys, hoping to find more Bible study interests. Kayla was the youngest person to request Bible studies.

The following week the outreach coordinator at Hartland approached me. “Rachel, would you like to give Bible studies to Kayla? She is 11 years old.” Though I responded eagerly, I had butterflies in my stomach. I had never given Bible studies before.

How could I adapt the adult studies for a child? What if she asked a question I couldn’t answer? And what would her parents say?

The Lord impressed me to use Truth 4 Youth, a complete evangelistic series for children produced by Young Disciple Ministries. The PowerPoint presentations and scripts make it easy for a beginner like me to give Bible studies, and each Bible truth is presented in an attractive way that children can understand. “Where do you get these pictures from?” Kayla asked me once. “They look so real!”

We always begin our studies with a few simple Scripture songs. At first I didn’t see any response from Kayla, either positive or negative, and I wondered if I should teach her some popular children’s songs instead. A few weeks later my partner chose Psalm 139:23, 24 from the songbook. “I know that song by heart!” Kayla exclaimed. “I sing it at school sometimes.” My mouth almost fell open! We had sung that song only a few times. “I don’t know why,” Kayla continued, “but that song goes through my mind every week after you leave.”

It has now been almost a year since I started studying with Kayla. Recently she has started asking questions like, “What if someone sins just before they die? Will they be lost?” Her parents are very supportive of our studies. In fact, Kayla’s step-father has just begun Bible studies with one of my friends! Praise the Lord!

Proverbs 22:6 says, “Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.” By God’s grace, the seeds of truth that we have planted in Kayla’s heart will be watered and will someday spring up into a verdant, fruitful tree.
I've always appreciated the fundamental truths that Hartland has reinforced in the minds of its students. We need these wonderful truths to help us develop characters that will withstand the test of time. Personally, I enjoyed outreach, the wood crew and agriculture worksites, and the closeness between staff and students. Now I am director and speaker of Present Truth Ministries based in Maryland. My wife Judy and I work together in a global outreach and evangelistic ministry. Our main goal is to lead people to the saving knowledge of our Lord.

Ray DeCarlo, Pastoral Evangelism, ‘87

I attended Hartland College from 1989-1993. I appreciated the Bible classes which gave me an excellent foundation for ministry that I rely upon today. Fond memories include working on the wood crew, choir trips, and the singing during the Tuesday night prayer meeting and Friday night vespers services. My wife Sarah and I currently serve in team ministry together in Nevada. I will always be thankful for my college experience at Hartland College.

Pastor Scott Shafer, Pastoral Evangelism, ‘93

We are so thankful we were able to study at Hartland. It gave us a practical education and an understanding of SDA beliefs. The vocational training combined with the study of the Bible and Spirit of Prophecy was priceless in giving us a foundation for service. We enjoyed the friendship of the staff and students from around the world. We will never forget the wonderful times we had in our dorm life, outreach, and home vespers in staff homes. We are currently living in Canada with goals to raise our son to love the Lord, and to give every home in Canada an opportunity, through literature, to be ready for Christ’s soon coming.

Jonathan, Pastoral Evangelism, & Denisa (Boaba) Zita, Christian Publications Management, ‘01
At Hartland College I found my vision to serve the Lord through education. Hartland not only gave me theoretical knowledge, but it built my character to be more like Jesus. My best memories of Hartland are of singing in the Three Angels’ Chorale. Currently I am teaching at Aenon Medical Missionary Training School in Malaysia. God used Hartland College to improve my skills in Bible study, teaching, choir outreach, and personal character building.

Canny (Seyong Han) Tay, Pastoral Evangelism, ‘06

I’m thankful to Hartland College for providing the avenue to pursue my calling in the field of education. I arrived at Hartland knowing God wanted me to be a teacher, and especially to deal with young people who are high school age. I formed great friendships with roommates and prayer partners, and these friendships are still strong today. I taught English at Weimar Academy during and after internship, and now I am the EFL/English teacher at Hartland College.

Rita (Kirimaua) Baker, Christian Secondary Education, ‘04

I appreciate that true education and the distinctive features of our message are being preserved at Hartland. I have fond memories of the Hartland Ministerial Student Association. I was part of a team of students that went from church to church every weekend throughout the quarter, giving presentations on Daniel and Revelation. It helped me realize why we were learning these things and how much the churches need to hear this information. I have been a Bible instructor at Hartland for four years now, and I pastor a church in Maryland.

Aaron Baker, Pastoral Evangelism, ‘04

Hartland College gave me so many opportunities that I never would have experienced elsewhere. I enjoyed touring with the Three Angels’ Chorale, working with youth camps, and being put in different situations that showed me where I needed growth. Currently I am preparing to leave the U.S. and work in Southeast Asia as a teacher. I will always have encouraging memories to look back on when I think of Hartland College.

Lacinda Nicholson, Christian Elementary Education, ‘07

Hartland changed my life and gave me a vision! I came to Hartland with plans for a small church ministry, but when I graduated in 1997, I returned to Zimbabwe with a burning desire to do global evangelism. Since then the Lord has opened the way for me to fill prominent positions in the SDA church in Zimbabwe. Besides being a full-time conference evangelist, I am now Multi-Cultural Ministries Director and Sabbath School Director for the Central Zimbabwe Conference.

Pastor Rodney Millin, Pastoral Evangelism, ‘97 (pictured on cover)
Last Generation Goes to the Pope’s Mass

Thursday, April 17, 2008, fifty-one staff and students from Hartland were deployed onto the battlefield of Washington, D.C. to share truth-filled literature with those attending Pope Benedict XVI’s mass at the Nationals Park Stadium. An estimated 14,000 copies of Last Generation’s special issue “Back to Basics” were distributed.

Lluvia Reneau, Belize
As I was handing out magazines, I noticed a lady who looked rather unhappy. “Ma’am,” I smiled, “here’s a gift for you!” She walked away, trying to ignore me, so I added, “It’s free!” Then she said, “You know what? This is free, too!” And she threw her bottle of water in my face. As I continued handing out magazines, water dripping down my face, people looked at me like I was crazy. But I remembered what Jesus said: “Blessed are ye when men shall revile you and persecute you.... Rejoice and be exceeding glad, for great is your reward in heaven.” Matthew 5:11,12. I thank God for that experience because He is preparing me for something greater.

Ikechukwu Anurukem, England
I used to be Catholic. As I watched all the Catholics coming out after mass, it really hit me that this might be their last chance to have the truth. This made me even more intent on getting it out to them.

Samantha Coon, Montana
My favorite experience was when I met a Catholic priest. He came up to me and excitedly asked me if I would take his tract. Glancing down, I saw a pocket-sized tract on Mary. I answered, “Sir, I will take your literature if you take mine.” He gladly accepted, and we parted ways with a big smile, both of us thinking that we had gotten a piece of literature to a soul in need.

Please pray for the literature that was handed out. People are reading those books and magazines, and their lives are being impacted. In Revelation 14, John saw the everlasting gospel going to every nation, kindred, tongue, and people. On April 17 it started in Washington, D.C., but by God’s grace it will spread much farther.
My love of basketball started at the age of nine,” says Lauren Simms, a freshman at Hartland College. “Basketball became my life, and I dreamed of someday playing professionally.”

Lauren went on to play basketball in college. Just before she graduated she received a $40,000 contract to play professionally overseas, and she thought this was the answer to her prayers. But the Lord had other plans.

“My family had been studying the Bible with an Adventist family, Ron and Tonya Jackson, during my last year in college,” Lauren explains. Interestingly, the Jacksons had found the truth through a radio station that was being operated by Suzanne Harpine, a Hartland College graduate. Lauren continues, “I heard the first lesson the Jacksons shared with my parents while I was home for the summer. I didn’t take it seriously, thinking that my parents would probably not continue with the studies. But when I went home after graduation, I sensed a different presence in my family – a joy and a peace that I had never felt before.”

Lauren’s parents shared with her all the truth they had learned, and she fell in love with it. “I had never heard these things before! I had a strong desire to know the Lord better.”

But Lauren still had the basketball contract to deal with. “There was a battle going on in my heart. I had desired my whole life to play professional basketball, and it seemed that God was answering my prayer. Yet, at the same time, I felt an irresistible urge to stay here and learn more about God.” Praise the Lord that she made the right decision – to learn more about God.

That summer Lauren’s family heard about Hartland through the family they had been studying with, and they attended their first Hartland camp meeting. “My mom’s first question was, ‘So, Lauren, when are you going to come to Hartland?’ I told her, ‘I don’t really think it’s for me,’ but as I got to know the Lord better He made it clear that He wanted me to go to Hartland.”

Lauren is now working towards her degree in health ministry. Her goal is to work in a lifestyle center or health clinic where she can use the health message to help draw people to God.

“What I appreciate most about Hartland are the people who have been so willing to help me in this new practice and faith, teaching me and having Bible studies with me. This is a new journey for me. I have so much more to learn! I pray that one day the Lord will allow me to share with my former coach and teammates what I’ve learned here at Hartland College.”

by Rachel Perry

From pro-basketball to Bible studies
I was diagnosed in 2000 with breast cancer. “The way we ‘cure’ your type of cancer is to treat the disease until it goes into remission,” doctors told me. “There is no such thing as a total cure.” So I prayed for remission. And guess what? I got remission!

But at the end of four years, the cancer returned, spreading into my bones and throughout my lymph system. Then the Lord led me to Hartland Lifestyle Center, where I gained the tools to help me get on the path to health. That’s also when I changed my prayer. I stopped praying for remission. I was now praying for total removal! In March 2007 I left Hartland in search of a cure.

I sought out three doctors in Los Angeles, California, but they gave me no hope of recovery. One of them told me, “Linda, it doesn’t look good. You have so much cancer in you. I don’t know whether your body can respond positively to any of the treatments we have available.” But I went ahead with the treatments anyway, trusting God to answer my prayer.

I believe God gave me Psalm 118:17 for this hour of trial. It reads, “I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD.” Somehow, deep down, I sensed that God was about to do something very special.

I began to seriously consider being anointed. Providentially, Dr. Colin Standish was going to be in Glendale, California, just 25 minutes away from where I was living at the time. I spoke to him about it, and he anointed me on Sabbath evening, January 19, 2008.

The following Wednesday the clinic did a complete series of diagnostic tests on me. A week later one of my doctors, a Muslim, called me. He anxiously explained that he had the results of my tests in front of him. Simply put, there was no longer any cancer present. “Do you mean that there is no cancer in any of the three areas you have been treating?” I questioned. (They hadn’t been treating all of it – just three main sections.) “No,” he replied. “There is not a speck of cancer anywhere.”

“Linda,” he added, “there is no other conclusion that can be drawn, other than that your God has heard you.”

I rest confidently in the knowledge that what happened to me can happen to anyone who is fervently seeking the Father’s will. I wouldn’t be alive today if it weren’t for His mercy and grace! Christ’s promise is sure: “Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you.” Matthew 6:33.
**QUESTIONS & ANSWERS**

Hartland Ministry Report asked Dr. Standish to respond to this question and to a series of related questions.

**Q.** What is Hartland’s relationship to the General Conference?

**A.** Our staff members are faithful Seventh-day Adventists in regular standing with local Conference churches. Many hold offices in their churches. Hartland is ever ready to work in corporate efforts with denominational leaders and workers while retaining its self-supporting status.

**Q.** Does not this self-supporting status tend to cause a rift from the denominational structure?

**A.** That is always a possible danger, but there is no good reason for such to be the case, as has been shown over the 25 years of Hartland’s history.

**Q.** What model does Hartland College follow to ensure that this does not happen?

**A.** We do not operate a church on our campus. All staff and students scatter to about ten local churches in the region, where many are active as officers and are involved in local outreach endeavors.

**Q.** Is there any inspired counsel that guides your ministry in its relationship to the Denomination?

**A.** We follow the counsel provided by Sister White to the Madison School, the model self-supporting school where she served as a member of the board of directors. “Talked with Mrs. E.G. and W.C. White re. our plan for organization. She said we were not to go under the domination of the Southern Union Conference and seemed to have no objection to our general plan.” Dr. Percy Magan, Diary, August 9, 1904.

**Q.** This seems to imply that there should be quite separate work by self-supporting workers.

**A.** From my broad reading, I do not believe that was Sister White’s intent. Self-supporting workers are called to do the same kinds of ministry as denominational workers. However, she believed it was best that self-supporting work not be controlled by conferences, but that there should be no hesitation to work together where it would help fulfill the gospel commission.

**Q.** Has Hartland followed this practice?

**A.** Yes. We work with any self-supporting or denominational worker who is faithful to God. We have joined forces in evangelism, Bible studies, cooking schools, health seminars, the CHIP program, etc.

If you have a question about Hartland that you would like to see answered in a future Hartland Ministry Report, please contact Joan Reichard at sm@hartland.edu.
Before the arrival of Pope Benedict XVI at Andrews Air Force Base in Washington DC, President Bush gave an interview to Eternal World Television Network (EWTN), a Catholic television broadcaster. In this interview he made some very prophetic statements.

“The president explained the reasons he would meet Pope Benedict’s airplane upon its arrival at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington,” wrote EWTN, “saying this unprecedented greeting was due to the particular significance of the Pope.

“‘One, he speaks for millions,’ said Bush. ‘Two, he doesn’t come as a politician; he comes as a man of faith; and three, I so subscribe to his notion that there’s right and wrong in life, that moral relativism undermines the capacity to have hopeful and free societies. I want to honor his convictions, as well,’ the president said…. The president said he thought the Pope spoke with clarity on…moral principles….”

When the president speaks like this, he is essentially making the pope a higher authority than the position he holds as President of the United States. No U.S. president has ever met the pope’s plane personally. But because he represents the Catholic Church and speaks on faith and morals, the president thinks he deserves special treatment. When the president threw a banquet in his honor, Benedict decided to go to a prayer meeting with the bishops instead. Both the president and the pope, by their actions, project an elevated papal status above the nation.

Even though the president said that the pope doesn’t come as a politician, his words and actions belie the opposite.

“President Bush said that Pope Benedict’s words provided support for politicians in difficult situations,” wrote EWTN. “The president said, ‘I want to remind this Holy Father how important his voice is in making [it] easier for politicians like me to be able to stand and defend our positions....’”

When the EWTN interviewer asked President Bush what he saw when he looked into the eyes of the pope, the president replied, “God.”

This amazing statement reveals just how far we have come prophetically. When the president of the United States sees God in the eyes of the pope, we should take notice. Revelation 13:8 says, “And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him....” Do we have a head of state that worships the pope? If so, God’s true people are in a dangerous position. The time is near when they will face a difficult dilemma. How will they be able to warn the world that the most popular man on the face of the planet is actually the Antichrist?
Reflecting on 25 Years

July 1 brings us to an epoch in the history of Hartland Institute. For a quarter of a century, God has sustained this ministry. How thankful we are to Him and to all who have been our faithful supporters and prayer partners over the years!

During these 25 years there have been difficult times. Sadly, some of our staff and, tragically, one of their children have been laid to rest. Several constituents and board members are now awaiting the call of the Lifegiver, and three of our students have met untimely deaths. There has been disharmony over important issues. There have been strong visions. There have even been severe criticisms of Hartland, often built on false rumors or great exaggerations.

Yet, above it all, I have only thankfulness to God for His patience and unbounded blessing. I rejoice in the young people who have gone out from this institution, for most of our graduates are working diligently and faithfully in the service of the Lord. Gratefulness fills my heart when I remember the many people whose health and spiritual lives have been restored through the ministry of the Lifestyle Center. I think also of the tens of thousands who have had the opportunity to read the truth-filled literature which comes from Hartland Publications and Last Generation magazine.

Several ministries which began here are now continuing elsewhere. One such example is Young Disciple magazine, led by the Evert family. This wonderful magazine for young people is now being produced in Washington State. There is also the Ellen G. White Sabbath School Comments now compiled and printed by Brother and Sister Tompkins of Tennessee. These have been such a blessing to many. More recently, blessings have also come from the media department through CDs, DVDs, and the streaming of the everlasting gospel through our website, www.egntv.com. I also reflect on the mission trips, health ministry, public evangelism, personal evangelism, extension schools, and educational seminars which have led many to the Lord.

For our 25th Anniversary Camp Meeting this summer, we have invited graduates from many parts of the world to preach, conduct seminars, and present mission stories. I pray that many of you will be with us for this very special occasion. Remember to stay for the special Sunday afternoon program to which the public, including government representatives, will be invited.

Please pray that this will be a missionary witness to all present.

Colin D. Standish, President
Upcoming Events

Spring Graduation
June 6-7, 2008
Contact: JH Shin
540-672-1996 ext 302

Piedmont Valley Youth Bible Camp
June 15-22, 2008
Contact: Tashien Copening
(540) 672-3100 ext 254

June 22 – 30
Cochabamba, Bolivia
Speaker: Colin Standish
Contact: Dana Encinas
danasejas@hotmail.com

Summer Agriculture Course
June 23 – August 29, 2008
Contact: Thomas Heath
540-672-1996 ext
Beginning this summer, the Agriculture Minor classes will be open to both Hartland students and any of you that might wish to take them. Four different classes will be taught in two-week segments through the summer. Each class is worth 3 units of college credit. The emphasis will be on vegan-organic and biorational growing methods.

Midwifery & Childbirth Education Seminar
July 19, 2008
Esalon, California
Speaker: Hal Mayer
Contact: Keep the Faith
540-672-3553

25th Anniversary Camp Meeting
July 29-August 3, 2008
Contact: Sandie Foster
540-672-1996 ext 232
Special Alumni Meeting for fellowship, networking, and planning for ministry
August 1, 2008
Time: 4:00 to 6:00 p.m
Place: Mansion Chapel
Contact: Sheri Trueblood
479-752-8555
truebloodsher@yahoo.com

July 30, 2008
Archdale, North Carolina
Speaker: Hal Mayer
Contact: Keep the Faith
540-672-3553

Fall Convocation
October 24-26, 2008
Speaker: Dan Shafer
Contact: Sandie Foster
540-672-1996 ext 232

Hartland Needs— Want to Help?
Please call Brenda Blackburn at 540-672-1996 ext 356, or email her at: bblackburn@hartland.edu.

Staff Openings
• Executive Secretary
• Builder/Carpenter/Framer
• Plumber
• Stewardship Receptionist

Hartland College
• Outreach Director

Lifestyle Center
• Medical Director/Physician
• Female Therapist
• Male Therapist

Long Distance Volunteers
• Proofreaders
• Writers

Check our website at
www.hartland.edu for updates, additions, and changes.

Summer Camp Meeting speakers include:
Dr. Colin Standish, Hal Mayer, Ron Spear, Chris Buttery, Steve Conway, Filipe Ferreira, Pamela Garcia, Timothy Harley, Suzanne Harpine, Scott Shafer, Melissa (Col-letti) Silva, Diego Silva, Lynwood Spangler, Sheri Trueblood and Josephine (Moyo) Woo.

In Loving Memory of...

We extend our deepest condolences to the Standish family, who have lost a dear relative, friend, and champion for God. We are grateful to Ed and Joyce Bahnmiller, Johny and Nancy Carmouche, Brad, Christy, Andrew, and Megan Durby, James and Susan Farber, John and Enid Irvine, and John, Connie, and Mark Kent, for their generous gifts to Hartland in memory of Pastor Russell Standish. We appreciate all your expressions of sympathy.