Do Hartland Graduates Find Jobs?

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“I Wanted a Bible, Too!”

Enlightening Southern Africa
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As an intern, I’m receiving great opportunities to develop pastoral skills.

“I just quit smoking! I stopped a few days ago after Pastor’s message on our bodies being the temple of God.”

Wanda first appeared at the Cumberland, Maryland Seventh-day Adventist Church on the opening night of an evangelistic series conducted by Pastor Scott Shafer.

“Did you get rid of all your cigarettes?” I prodded.

“Well, I didn’t throw away the unopened packs,” she replied.

I could not leave her alone to be tempted by those remaining cigarettes. I offered to come and throw them away. She gladly accepted, and I continued to call and pray with her every day over the next week.

“I now baptize you...” I sat on a pew, watching, a couple months later. I’d had the opportunity to give Wanda Bible studies after she attended the meetings, and now she was making her outward commitment to follow Jesus.

As another part of my internship, I coordinated a 13-week financial seminar by Dave Ramsey that teaches biblical principles of stewardship. Ten families joined the class, desiring to learn God’s way of handling finances. “I wish people had taught me this when I was younger!” Janet, who was retired, reflected on the fact that no one ever showed her how to handle money. “I want to learn now, so that I can share with my kids.”

Money tends to be a strain on all aspects of life. This seminar enabled me to come close to people and facilitate a journey that will transform this important and relevant part of their lives.

 Bonnie, another Bible study contact, relates the experiences that brought her family back to church in late December. “My grandmother took me to church when I was a little girl. When my husband Rob read a Desire of Ages from a library, he asked me who published it.”

Rob shares, “I knew Ellen White was inspired. I could just tell. I knew that God was showing me where we needed to go to church.”

Now I’m studying with Rob, Bonnie, and their two children. This experience has reminded me of the need for our literature. A single seed sown is now springing forth as fruit for the kingdom.

As an intern I’ve been privileged to give Bible studies, preach evangelistic sermons, facilitate small youth groups, coordinate a financial seminar, conduct a funeral, visit hospital patients and church members, and to observe how church organization fits into our mission as Seventh-day Adventists.

I praise God for the remarkable ways we can apply what we’ve learned at Hartland, during our internship experience.

by Josiah Wold
Dear sir,

Thank you so much for giving my daddy a Bible. He sent me the really small one because I wanted one too. I am trying to read it every night when my daddy does. He tells me all about it, and helps me on the phone by reading it to me. Please don’t be mad at my daddy for giving it to me.

Jackie
A church member in my homeland, Fiji, told me about Hartland College. She encouraged me to apply to this college because they train young people very well for God’s work. A few weeks later, a lady from America visited our church, and she gave me positive comments that Hartland will prepare me for future ministry.

Since arriving, I’ve noticed that Hartland upholds the principles of true education. They promote the harmonious development of one’s physical, spiritual, and mental abilities. Also, the students and staff share the common goal of advancing God’s work and hastening Jesus’ coming in our generation.

Through the classes and vocational training programs, I’ve learned how to be a balanced Christian who upholds the principles of truth without compromising. I’ve learned how to be faithful in the little things of life and how to manage time wisely. I’ve learned the blessing of manual labor as part of character building, and I’ve discovered ways of reaching out to people and winning their confidence in order to share the gospel with them.

Hartland has also made a huge difference in my life through their convocations and outreach programs, the inspiring messages presented in their chapel meetings, and by the warm and kind hearts of the staff and students. Hartland is just like home to me, and it’s a blessing to be part of the Hartland family. The environment and the principles upheld here draw me closer to my Savior and make me appreciate more the things of God.

My major is Pastoral Evangelism, which I believe to be God’s calling for me. I also chose it because Hartland offers the best Bible classes, which are essential for young people in preparation for their sacred calling as pastors.

I have a burden to train young people in my country to do health ministry and evangelism. So my ultimate goal when I go back is to start a self-supporting school that will equip young people to preach the third angel’s message and hasten our Lord’s coming.

However, I could not have come here without assistance from Hartland’s Missionary Training Fund (MTF). Through the MTF, God has blessed me personally, as well as other students participating in the program—especially those of us from third-world countries. The MTF really helps us a lot.

I thank you very much for your great sacrifice in giving to the MTF. The fact that I’m here at Hartland is evidence of your sacrificial spirit. I pray that God will richly reward you and your families for helping me to study at Hartland College.

by Viliame Saqusaqu as told to Kevin Wahl
PVYBC campers speak for themselves: What did you most appreciate about camp? Why?

The challenges thrown at me helped me grow physically, spiritually, and mentally.

17-year-old boy

The spiritual atmosphere and the depth in which we can study the Bible and grow closer to Jesus, because it’s something important to me in life.

16-year-old girl

I enjoyed it all, but the best things were Wilderness Survival and Deep Bible Study.

14-year-old boy

The spirituality, because I learned to love and understand God more.

12-year-old girl

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John O’Brien had visited at least four doctors for his Crohn’s disease, but none of them could help him. Colonoscopy after colonoscopy had been done—drug after drug had been prescribed. He just kept getting worse. John says, “I even tried a vegan diet and juicing, but I could never put it all together because there’s not enough information.” He needed help, but no one seemed willing.

Finally, John reached the point of desperation. He grew tired of doctors. He couldn’t work. He could hardly even sit, because his hemorrhoids were out of control, and he continued to lose weight because he couldn’t hold anything down.

That’s when he called Hartland’s Lifestyle Education Center (LEC). Maria Gligor, the LEC director, “prayed with me and tried to help me over the phone,” John relates, “which was very touching.”

“So I came,” John continues, “and I found what I was looking for. Everybody here has the love of Christ pouring out of them, like I’ve never seen! I’m on a vegan diet. They got me up from where I couldn’t walk at all to where I’ve been walking back and forth to the fence now [0.8 miles].”

Up to this point, John had also been suffering spiritually. “I could feel my spiritual life being smashed,” he confides. “I had been praying and praying that the Lord would bring me closer to Him and the Bible, because my understanding of it wasn’t what I wanted it to be.” His prayers were answered when he met Rick, who invited John to a Bible study where he learned about the Sabbath and started attending the local Seventh-day Adventist Church. Those prayers continued to be answered when God led John to Hartland’s LEC.

“I’ve been searching for God in a way I haven’t done in so many years,” John expounds. “If I hadn’t come to the LEC, I would have gone to a place that was more hospital-based, and God couldn’t have done His work spiritually. Now I’ve got a hunger for the Lord that hasn’t been there for many, many years. The Lord has taken me out of the valley and is turning me up a hill, both spiritually and physically.”

John still has a long road of recovery ahead of him, but his faith is strong. “I believe the Lord will help me put the weight back on that I’ve lost, because He’s turned me completely around. I’m moving forward spiritually, mentally, and physically, and I’m thankful for what the Lord has done.”

by Rachel Perry

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*We thank those who have given in memory of...*

Ellen G. White by Arnold P. D’Alessio

Rex Horner and Tammy Allen by Billy and Jean Horner

Samuel Zuch by Ute Passehl
Southern Africa desperately needs a missionary training institute,” shares Hartland intern, Loago Setswalo, after his latest trip to Africa. “People are longing for an educational center that can train them and their children to do soul-winning work.”

In December 2011, four Hartland students—Henry Higgins, Joel Latunji, Simdumise Poswa, and Loago Setswalo—along with Hartland graduates Brian Beavers and Julieta Taño, ventured on a mission trip to Lesotho, South Africa, and Botswana. The primary purpose for this mission trip was to help lay the foundation for a new college in Botswana that is being organized by Loago. Loago reports that at one of his meetings, “About 40 people asked questions about our plans for the school, and many others asked how they can hasten the process of opening one. There are families in Botswana, Lesotho, Zambia, South Africa, and Swaziland who are thirsty for such a school where their children can be trained.

“The timely present truth messages and successful evangelistic series at the churches we visited created the desire for a school. When people see the depth of information being presented and the successful evangelistic methods being used, they want more training on how to study the Bible and how to do ministry in their churches.”

The team split into three groups, and Joel and Loago presented a mini evangelistic series in Beumelunga, Lesotho. Their presentations were deeply appreciated. “One man described the messages as a drop of water in a drought of many years,” attests Joel. “Some thanked us with tears and many requested handouts.”

The local pastor, currently pastoring seven churches, observed how Joel and Loago worked in his nearby village for two weeks. Now he’s asking for Hartland students to conduct evangelistic crusades every December in neighboring towns to help establish more churches. This is an excellent contact for the new school.

Brian and Julieta, along with some local laypersons, traveled to Mpumalanga, South Africa, where they did Bible work and held evangelistic meetings.

Brian visited a young woman and her deaf son. Having a deaf child and knowing some sign language, Brian miraculously connected with him. “He didn’t know any language at all. I needed to start with the basic ABCs and 123s. Then I gave his mother contact information for a school for the deaf.” The mother attended the meetings and accepted Jesus as Lord and Savior. Indeed, Providence led Brian to that woman and her son.

Julieta—through an interpreter—conducted children’s meetings while Brian preached. She used Young Disciple Ministries’ Truth 4 Youth, a complete, Christ-centered evangelistic series for children, comprised of PowerPoint illustrations, Bible stories, mini sermons and appeals, activities (including crafts), and spiritual
songs. Her meetings averaged 40 children daily with the peak being 70. She shares, “To teach children about health, to have them sing and memorize scriptures, to talk to them about Creation, the Sabbath, the mark of the beast, the state of the dead, and heaven, was a wonderful experience. What a pleasant surprise to see around 60 children come to sing and recite Bible verses for the last adult meeting!”

At Brian and Julieta’s meetings, eight people committed to be baptized, with about 20 more studying for baptism.

Henry and Simdumise held a revival weekend at a church in Durban, South Africa. Simdumise relates, “We spoke on practical godliness and the role that God wants the youth to play at this time, so the youth were very touched by the messages. The elder even asked us, ‘Why did you only come for a weekend—why not something like two weeks?’ The people were definitely blessed.” And another positive contact for a training school was established.

In Mthatha, South Africa, Henry noticed a particular young lady, who wasn’t a member, faithfully attending the meetings. “After the meetings ended, she came to our evening devotions, and she worshiped with us on Sabbath. So we asked her, ‘Are you a visitor?’ She replied, ‘I no longer consider myself a visitor, but one of you!’”

The team met up near the end at Present Truth Lifestyle Conference where they gave lectures on Daniel, righteousness by faith, last-day events, and Christian music. Again, the need and the desire for a missionary training school was the subject of conversation. Simdumise, from South Africa, says his friends keep asking, “Why don’t you just settle down in America?” His answer? “No. My burden is to return to Africa.” Amen.

by Kevin Wahl and Betsy Mayer
People often ask, “Are Hartland graduates able to find jobs?” By God’s grace, we are able to answer with a resounding “Yes!” Join us as we take a virtual trip to the office of Cavell Blood, Senior Web and Graphics Designer at Weimar Center of Health and Education.

At the sound of our approach, Cavell swivels in his chair and greets us with a smile. After a brief exchange of greetings, we notice on Cavell’s computer screen several open projects. “Tell us, Cavell, what is this you’re working on?”

He turns to the computer and enlarges one of the windows for us to see. “One of my main projects here is newstartclub.com, which is sharing the NEWSTART* principles with the public through a number of different resources, like recipes, videos, and articles.” After showing us around the website a bit, Cavell adds excitedly, “God has really been blessing as this resource has been used in conjunction with door-to-door work. It’s a good entering wedge to possibly start a Bible study with people you meet. If you can help their physical needs, they will be more open to hear what else you have to say.”

Cavell’s work looks impressive. “Did you learn all this at Hartland?” we query.

“Before coming to Hartland,” Cavell responds, “I didn’t know about design fundamentals or even how to code a website, but my training there gave me a jump start in the right direction. I really thank God for my teachers and others who guided me as a budding designer and encouraged me to use my talents for God’s glory. For a while I’ve had a burden to present the health message in a more attractive and accessible manner, and I believe that my time at Hartland helped prepare me for my current job.”

“That’s wonderful, Cavell!” we exclaim. “The Lord is doing a beautiful job through you. But tell us, what else did you gain from your time at Hartland?”

“Some of my best memories at Hartland were made during my first summer on the farm. I found that working in the garden can provide almost endless object lessons and really reveals my character. Hartland also helped me to become more familiar with the Bible and the writings of Ellen G. White, and gave me a better understanding of who I am as a Seventh-day Adventist and of how God has led His church.”

“Praise the Lord, Cavell. We wish we could chat longer, but we pray that God will continue to bless as you use your talents for Him.”

by Rachel Perry

*Nutrition, Exercise, Water, Sunshine, Temperance, Air, Rest, Trust in God
The Hebrew word for righteousness, tzedek, is also understood as integrity, equity, justice, and straightness. Righteousness is an important theological concept in Zoroastrianism, Hinduism, Islam, Judaism, and Christianity. But true righteousness is much more than a theological concept or a doctrine. “Righteousness is holiness, likeness to God, and ‘God is love.’ 1 John 4:16.” Righteousness is love, and love is the light and the life of God. The righteousness of God is embodied in Christ. We receive righteousness by receiving Him.”

“Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: but made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: and being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.” Philippians 2:5–8.

After the disciples witnessed the sufferings of Christ; after His crucifixion, resurrection, and ascension to heaven; and after the Holy Spirit had rested on them at Pentecost, they had a clearer concept of the love of God and of the nature of that love which they must have for one another. By unselfish words and deeds, they strove to kindle this love in other hearts. So closely were they united with Christ that they were enabled to fulfill all His requirements. Their lives magnified the power of a Savior who could justify them by His righteousness.

“But gradually a change came. The believers began to look for defects in others. Dwelling upon mistakes, giving place to unkind criticism, they lost sight of the Saviour and His love. They became stricter in regard to outward ceremonies, more particular about the theory than the practice of the faith. They lost the brotherly love that Christ had enjoined, and, saddest of all, they were unconscious of their loss.”

Friends, may we fully surrender ourselves to God, and may the love of Christ be the ruling principle of action in our lives. Let us ask the Lord to give us a hunger and thirst for His righteousness.

1 White, Ellen G., The Great Controversy, p. 279
2 White, Education, p. 228

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