



Aldersgate Update

WHAT WE'RE ABOUT:

The purpose of Aldersgate Renewal Ministries (ARM) is to encourage United Methodists and their churches, by the grace of God and the love of our Lord Jesus Christ to be filled, gifted, empowered and led by the Holy Spirit in ministry to the world.

ARM is an affiliate of the General Board of Discipleship of the United Methodist Church. However, it receives no funding from the general Church. ARM is sustained solely by the grace of God and the free will offerings of those who have caught the vision of bringing the life in the Spirit into the life of the church.

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IMPRINTS OF GLORY IN ROCHESTER

Alberta Ly, ARM Volunteer

We were not disappointed this summer, when God met with us in upstate New



... Bishop Violet Fisher

York, home conference to our lively, shall I say fiery, keynote speaker Bishop Violet Fisher. No, when God showed up – faithfully as always – we could only respond gratefully, as Andrew Baguley did in his sermon Sunday morning: “Lord, we love the habitation of Your house, and the place where Your glory dwells.” (Ps 26:8)

Yes indeed we do! Thank You Lord for gracing us so strongly and so lovingly with Your presence in Rochester that a hotel conference center – an otherwise blank and

empty cavern – might become a place of holy habitation where your people worshipped freely, were healed by Your touch and loving kindness, and where refreshing and renewal came about by the awesome power of Your mighty, loving presence.

How do You do it, God? You make it look so easy, but really, from an insider’s point of view, it’s exhausting, hard work!

For example, Bishop Fisher flew in from England the day before the

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Message of the Cameos RELEASED

When author Donna Maddox (an ARM volunteer) dreamed that she would become a cameo writer, she thought a cameo was a piece of jewelry with a figure carved in relief. However, the dictionary revealed an additional meaning – a short written piece with a single theme is also known as a “cameo.” This meant that many of Donna’s previous writings qualified as “cameos.”

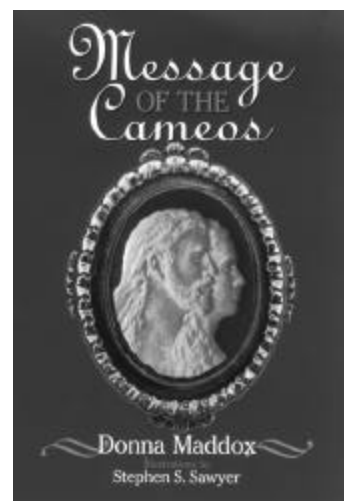
A series of encounters and conversations led her to consider compiling, expanding her writings and publishing a book. Her

completed work, Message of the Cameos, is a series of brief personal memories that span her life from childhood through being a grandmother. “Just as a carved cameo lifts a recognizable figure in relief from a gem, each chapter in this book is a cameo from my life that clearly lifts Jesus and the Holy Spirit in a recognizable way,” she says.

Each cameo carries with it a message that has become the theme of the whole book, which is based on two passages of scripture: John 17:20-23 and Colossians 1:26-27. In

her cameos Donna shares what she perceives as simple gifts from the Holy Spirit she has received in

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MY BEST EXPERIENCE AT ALDRERSGATE '01

"At Aldersgate every workshop and worship service was a letting go and freeing, healing service. It was four days of the dam breaking open, flushing all of the poisons (anger, shame, guilt, resentment, hatred, bitterness, loathing) out of my heart. My very being was flooded, cleansed and filled with the love and healing grace of God and the Holy Spirit."

"... the opportunity to worship in the freedom of the Holy Spirit."

MADDOX BOOK - GOD'S MESSAGE

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everyday situations: among them her mother's premonition of Donna's childhood illness and timely visit to the doctor; a dream about God's love for her; a new understanding of a scripture through an ordinary event.

of Christ superimposed over a person. The other, which appears at the end of the book, is an image of Christ as "Rock of ages." Sawyer also drew illustrations for the book. The two cameos he created have been reproduced and are sold with the book.



Christian artist Stephen Sawyer created two pieces of cameo jewelry to complement the book. One, which appears on the book's cover, shows the image

Message of the Cameos, was presented to Aldersgate Renewal

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**Message of the Cameos
Order Form**

Name:				
Address:				
City, State, Zip:				
Quantity	Item	Regular Price	Sale Price	Total
	"Rock of Ages" Pendant	\$18.95	\$14.25	\$
	"Christ in Me" Broach	\$18.95	\$14.25	\$
	<i>Message of the Cameos</i> - Book	\$19.95	\$14.95	\$
	Book & Broach or Pendant	\$38.95	\$23.95	\$
Mastercard Visa Check			S & H + \$4.00	+ \$4.00
Account #:			Grand Total:	\$
Signature:			Expiration Date:	

Please make checks payable to ARM * Mail this form to ARM at 121 East Avenue, Goodlettsville, TN 37072 * Sale prices are good until 12/31/01

CAMEOS JEWELRY AVAILABLE

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Ministries (ARM), on August 3, during the Aldersgate '01 National Conference on the Holy Spirit, in Rochester, New York. The book is a gift from the author to ARM.

The book serves as the catalyst for a new ministry partnership with Providence House Publishers under the

Aldersgate Resources imprint. Message of the Cameos has a suggested retail price of \$19.95, and is available through the publisher at 800-321-5692, Aldersgate Renewal Ministries at (615) 851-9192, and at bookstores through Ingram Distribution. Cameo jewelry inspired by the book is available for purchase by calling (615) 269-3429 or contacting: www.MessageoftheCameos.com website.

The book and jewelry would make wonderful Christmas gifts for friends and family!



ALDRSGATE '02 - JULY 17 - 21

Winston-Salem, North Carolina is known as a "diverse, dynamic community with a special blend of old and new, a rich history, and a vision for tomorrow." In describing ARM, one could use those same words, so it seems appropriate that Aldersgate '02 will be held in this central North Carolina community.

With an average summer temperature of 77°, beautiful scenery, and lots to do for people of all ages, Winston-Salem is a wonderful place to spend your vacation. To learn more about Winston-Salem, North Carolina, check out www.visitwinstonsalem.com, or



contact the Winston-Salem Visitor Center at 336.777.3796, or 800.331.7018. The visitor center's address is 601 North Cherry Street, Winston-Salem, NC 27101.

CHILDREN'S EXPRESSIVE WORSHIP

Stepping out in obedience to the prompting of the Holy Spirit, Pam Dow has assembled a group of children who have a heart for worship to help lead worship in the ministry of dance. The children spend time at the ARC Thursday afternoons in worship, listening to songs and learning to move with a combination of sign language and dance to communicate their hearts to God.

The children have ministered during conferences and meetings held at the Aldersgate Renewal Center. Plans are being made to incorporate the children in worship for *Aldersgate '02*.



MY BEST EXPERIENCE AT ALDRSGATE '01

"... loving and being loved by others in the Body of Christ. Like minded brothers and sisters whose passion for the Holy Spirit is evident!"

"Besides the powerful times of worship and the privilege of serving with the prayer ministry, the best experience was when the youth were released to pray with all who needed healing. What a blessing!"

"I have been coming to Aldersgate for four years. This was the best. The Holy Spirit was there all over."

MY BEST EXPERIENCE AT ALDRSGATE '01

"Watching and being a participant in the two healing /prayer services led by one of our own Bishops, Violet Fisher, and by Rev. Ché Ahn involving the youth in a powerful way. The Lord was clearly present and working His wonders."

"Bishop Violet Fisher anointing the pastors with oil and most of them going down [resting] under the power of the Holy Spirit. It was awesome!"

"Re-experiencing the fact that God treasured me in spite of my physical problems."

CONFERENCE RESCHEDULED

"Is this a 'Gideon' experience, or an 'Isaac' experience?" That was the question being asked as the ARM staff prayerfully sought the Father's heart as to His desires for the ARM Worship Conference. In light of the national tragedy of September 11, 2001 and the subsequent cancellations of leadership and participants, the conference was postponed.

Much of ARC Event Coordinator Jonathan Dow's personal preparation for teaching at the conference revolved around Gideon's experience with God in Judges 6-7. As the registration numbers began to dwindle, similarly to the soldiers in Gideon's army, the ARM staff began to seek the Lord for further discernment as to whether to press through and "make do" with the cancellations of leadership, or to lay the conference timing down as Abraham did with "Isaac" in Genesis 22. Realizing that the 'ram in the thicket' had to be



without blemish in order to be an acceptable sacrifice, in faith, ARM staff laid the timing and content of the conference on the 'altar.' The 'ram in the thicket' is to host the conference, **February 7-10, 2002** at the ARC.

Included in the conference will be Life in the Spirit (LISS) Worship Leader training being held Thursday afternoon prior to the opening session.

It is our prayer that the refinements being done to the conference will allow it to be all that God has ultimately desired all along. As we continue to

pray, we also realize that this 'Isaac' experience has been a good learning opportunity, not only for us personally, but corporately as well.

We believe that God has given all of us a second opportunity for this conference! Perhaps there are those you never got around to inviting... now's your chance to bring your entire worship team to the ARC.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT TRAINING

Training for coordinators, worship leaders and team members for *Life in the Spirit Seminars* will be offered at the Aldersgate Renewal Center **February 7-10, 2002.**

The *Life in the Spirit Seminar* is a team-led weekend renewal event designed to teach participants how the Holy Spirit operates in the life of the believer. It is a scripturally based event woven together with threads of worship and teaching. **To become eligible to serve on a team, one must participate in a leadership training.** If you have received training in the past,

why not consider using this as a refresher course?

Fees for the training will be \$59, and include lunch on Friday and Saturday, dinner on Saturday, plus materials. If you are participating in the ARM Worship Conference, and wish to receive the LISS worship leader training taking place Thursday afternoon, an additional fee of \$15 for materials applies.

Scholarship funds are available. To register, or for more information, contact: Sally Havens at ARM.

Thinking about estate planning? Your legacy can bear more fruit than you think. Contact John Brower or Gary Moore for more information at 615.851.9192.



ALDRSGATE '01 EXPERIENCE

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conference, and the Bishop didn't act at all like she needed a wink of sleep on Thursday night. Not a bit of it. What a thunder clap of a sermon did she produce, even calling herself the "loudest Bishop on the council of Bishop's" (praise the Lord). I for one believe it.

Bishop Fisher is on fire for God, and she by no means has her light under a bushel. Methodism is blessed beyond measure by her passionate love for God's people, expressed unreservedly on opening night. Bishop Fisher says she doesn't mind making a noise for the Lord or being called a holy roller, because she understands that what God did for her was not done in a corner! Surely that is the truth.

Her message was a clarion call to understand that God is not to be kept in a box; not a denominational box, not a 'Sunday's only' box, not a select group's box. She took us back to Genesis and proclaimed the fundamental truth that we are all chosen from the beginning of time, and our names were written then in the Lamb's Book of life; free will is the issue after that essential truth. That is the message we should be sharing with a lost and broken sea of humanity, a message lost in the midst of the many do's and don'ts of legalism, bondage and traditionalism.

Friday morning we heard from the CEO of Heritage Beef Cattle Company, Rodney Weatherly, a precious evangelizing, great guy of God. What a wholesome human being this man is, a refreshing breath of Holy Spirit air

coming to us from Texas. He spoke of relationship with God, of sanctification and transformation, of change. And of the urgency of sharing the gospel obediently, that we might become doers of the Word, not merely hearers.



... Bishop Fisher prays for pastors

The Bishop's original plan was for her to be with us on Opening Night and again on Friday night for Communion (what a God moment that was, Gary Moore and the Bishop serving one another Communion on the platform to initiate the service). It is a testimony to God's generosity that this Bishop was being ministered to personally at Aldersgate, and took time to come back for the Saturday evening and Sunday service, just to be with God and us.



... Pastor Ché Ahn

Saturday morning Pastor Ahn led the adults and the youth in the general session with the youth praying for the adults for healing. It was exciting.

Pastor Ahn opened with the "Arise and shine for your light has come" passage from Isaiah 60, a verse that has been so central to life at ARM over the last

MY BEST EXPERIENCE AT ALDRSGATE '01

"My daughter accepted Jesus Christ into her heart as her Lord and Savior"

"My best experience was opening up to let God speak to me in a particular subject that I had been avoiding and I am now free of holding onto it!"

"The ministry of the counselors was so gentle and yet very powerful."

"With the expressive worship team and the banners of His Name Exalted Ministry, the evening was a great spiritual feast."

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MY BEST EXPERIENCE AT ALDERSGATE '01

"It was so powerful - it felt like the fire by night and the cloud by day hung over all of our worship"

"This was my first... and what a blessing it was. It was exactly what I needed. There was something missing from my life and [I] found it here."

"My best experience was praising and receiving the [fullness of the] Holy Spirit. Thank you Aldersgate for creating a place where the Holy Spirit will settle."

PASTOR AND SPOUSE RETREAT

Pastors, come to the ARC for three days of ministry designed specifically for you and your spouse. You will be refreshed and renewed by the power of the Holy Spirit through worship, prayer, sharing and testimony.

Leadership for the conference includes ARM staff and selected pastor and lay couples seasoned in successfully navigating the challenge of nurturing a healthy marriage as well as finding a balance between every day life and ministry.

Come to the ARC and "Return to your First Love." Renew your personal walk with Christ through times of prayer and worship. "Rekindle the Flame" in your

marriage through teaching and ministry including topics on walking in forgiveness and not taking up offenses for your spouse.

There will also be a special opportunity to minister to the specific needs of pastor's spouses. The schedule includes an opportunity for you to have a dinner date with your spouse as well as ample time for the "evening out" that seems to always be postponed. Lastly, "Reclaim Your Call" to ministry. Regain perspective

as you answer again the question, "Why did I ever get into ministry?"

The retreat will take place at the ARC, in Goodlettsville, TN November 6-9, 2001. The retreat will also be offered April 2-5, 2002.



**Feeling
robbed?**

The ARM Ministry to Ministers Fund is providing each couple three nights in an area motel, both lunch and dinner Wednesday and Thursday, and a restaurant gift certificate for a Wednesday night date.



**Ladies, this is what you have been waiting for -
an exciting new woman to woman ministry sponsored by the UMC.**

**On February 1-2, 2002 at ARM Conference Center, we will be having an
Informational Meeting to introduce this ministry.**

**Come join us to "experience" Celebration - a wonderful time of
contemporary praise & worship, dynamic speakers and one-on-one prayer ministry.**

Watch for our registration information!

**For more information, go to Celebration Ministries website at
www.celebrationministries.org or contact Judy Graham, President
at 713-965-9080 or email at Jaghouston@aol.com**



ROCHESTER CONFERENCE

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several years. Pastor Ahn would not have known that. And he proceeded to lead us into a wonderful and gentle healing service, admonishing us to understand that for healing to take place we need to understand four factors: authority, anointing, faith and sin. He then began to give prophetic words of what God wanted to do in the service.

It was very quiet, for a long time it seemed, and I admit I thought nothing much was happening until suddenly Parker Wayland started running 'round the auditorium like an aging Olympian, and a ground swell of folks started to flow towards the platform with testimonies. Pastor admonished us to

Pastor [Ché Ahn] admonished us to take the "little healings" – the headaches, backaches etc, seriously, by faith – and to praise God for them, because it is the little things He looks for us to have faith in, before He moves us on to the big things.

take the "little healings" – the headaches, backaches etc, seriously, by faith – and to praise God for them, because it is the little things He looks for us to have faith in, before He moves us on to the big things. A good word, I felt.

Saturday night was a time of further healing as we heard from Harvey Brown about the barriers to intimacy with the Father, despite relationship with Jesus. He gave his testimony of healing, as a Pastor, out of sexual brokenness, into deep knowledge of the Father. The boldness of Harvey's testimony is a wake up call for us to understand the problems and challenges of this particular ministry, so extremely important in our licentious, misguided society. We all need to "come clean", however God would have us do so, and put down our "Christian" masks so that we can be healed and express our faith

wholeheartedly to others who need help.

Sunday morning we were bathed in a soaking prayer delivered by Andrew Baguley from Psalm 26. What bliss! It was purely and simply a prayer of



... Youth share what God did in their lives during the conference

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habitation of Your house." He too spoke of the essential call to authenticity, where in the presence of God our masks are gone, we are vulnerable, genuine and open, and healing takes place sovereignly.

We closed the conference with an invitation to come "Through the door, to a new and fresh anointing." The banners were raised and draped in such a way that they became a portal at the front of



... Bishop Fisher and ARM Executive Director Gary Moore prepare the Communion table

Aldersgate '01 was indeed an awesome time with God. Thank You Lord, for You are All in All, very God, very God. **We Love You.**

MY BEST EXPERIENCE AT ALDRSGATE '01

"... discovering that although I am completely God's man there are times that I stand in my tent and worship at a distance instead of trusting God by going to the "Tent of Meeting."

"... [an] ache of 12 years swept away in the healing service."

"... finding refuge under the wings of the Almighty (Psalm 91:4) and being ministered to by the Holy Spirit over and over again"

thanksgiving, verse by verse, for being in His glorious presence at Aldersgate. The refrain of the prayer was verse 8, "Lord, I love the habitation of Your house." He too spoke of the essential call to authenticity, where in the presence of God our masks are gone, we are vulnerable, genuine and open, and healing takes place sovereignly.

We closed the conference with an invitation to come "Through the door, to a new and fresh anointing." The banners were raised and draped in such a way that they became a portal at the front of the center aisle, and the congregation flowed through, and everyone was anointed for their future. It was truly a stunning conclusion to a very excellent event.

SHOPPING ON THE WWW?

Your internet purchase can benefit ARM! If you shop at Kingdombuy.com, an e-commerce website, a percentage of your purchase will be donated to this ministry.

All you need to do is go to www.kingdombuy.com and register Aldersgate Renewal Ministries as the designate for your donation. The Kingdombuy homepage will give you many shopping options on the world wide web.

This is an easy way to allow you the convenience of internet shopping and bless ARM with a contribution to enable us to encourage pastors and their churches to be filled, gifted, empowered, and led by the Holy Spirit in ministry to the world.

PLEASE NOTE...
ARM's new office hours:
Monday - Friday,
8:30 am - 4:30 pm CT.

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Upcoming Renewal Events

Event	Dates & Location	Confirmed Leadership	Contact
Pastor and Spouse Retreat	November 6-9, 2001 Goodlettsville, TN The ARC	ARM staff & More	ARM
ARM Executive Committee Meeting	November 15-17, 2001 Goodlettsville, TN The ARC	Please be in prayer for the leadership of Aldersgate Renewal Ministries.	
Women's CELEBRATION Informational Meeting	February 1-2, 2002 Goodlettsville, TN The ARC	Judy Graham	Judy Graham 713-965-9080 Jaghouston@aol.com
ARM Worship Conference	February 7-10, 2002 Goodlettsville, TN The ARC	Tom & Kathy Drick, Jim & Marilyn Walker, Pam Lackey, Jonathan Dow and more	ARM
Life in the Spirit LEADERSHIP TRAINING	February 7-10, 2002 Goodlettsville, TN The ARC	Sally Havens, Harry & Margie Burger, and Gary Moore	ARM
Life in the Spirit Seminar	February 8-10, 2002 Ashville, Ohio Hedges Chapel UMC	Harry & Ann Peat	Rev. Aaron Brown 740.983.6474
Gathering at the ARC; Annual Board and Council Meeting	February 21-24, 2002 Goodlettsville, TN The ARC	Please be in prayer for the leadership of Aldersgate Renewal Ministries.	
ARM Youth Leader's Conference	Feb 28 - March 3, 2002 Muncie, IN Union Chapel Ministries UMC	Erik Lawson, Beth Brown, Gary Moore, and more	ARM
Life in the Spirit Seminar	March 8-10, 2002 Wichita, KS Asbury UMC	Ken & Dianne Gile	Rev. Dennis Wallace 316.942.1491
Life in the Spirit Training & Seminar	March 8-10, 2002 Tujunga, CA Tujunga UMC	Sally Havens	Rev. Glen Haworth 818.352.1481
Lord, Teach Us to Pray Seminar	March 15-16, 2002 Traverse City, MI Asbury UMC	Margie Burger	Rev. Bill Haggard 231.946.5323
Pastor & Spouse Retreat	April 2-5, 2002 Goodlettsville, TN The ARC	ARM Staff & More	ARM
Life in the Spirit Seminar	April 19-21, 2002 Drexel, NC Christ UMC	Jim & Opal Trivette	Rev. Doug Hochmuth 828.433.1100
Aldersgate '02	July 17-21, 2002 Winston-Salem, NC		ARM