

Unification Church seeks student members; other churches concerned

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There's always somebody in The Pit — someone trying to make others aware of anything and everything. Seated behind one small fold-up table layered with literature are two people — friendly, smiling, talking softly, smoothly, but most of all sincerely, about a newly recognized organization on campus: CARP, the Collegiate Association for the Research of Principles.

If you walk up to their table they will tell you almost immediately that CARP is connected with the Unification Church, better known as the Moonies. A pamphlet explaining the meaning of the acronym CARP states, "In the Orient, Rev. Moon explains, the carp is revered for its courage, wisdom, and durability. It can survive almost anywhere, digest practically anything, even mud . . . Rev. Moon has challenged CARP members in America to 'digest' the corruption so prevalent on many university campuses."

CARP's activities include publishing *The World Student Times* (a newspaper on 300 campuses); holding rallies, campaigns and summer seminars; and participating in music, dance, sports, martial arts and cultural exchange. Members lead study groups on world affairs and victory over Communism and hold open-house workshops.

CARP holds lectures weekdays at 1 and 3 p.m. in the Carolina Union. At one of these lectures, titled "The Origin of Crime," the leader spoke about the meaning of scenes in Genesis.

He said that crime was passed down through the generations: imperfect parents pass this perfection down to their children. He said that if his parents had been perfect, he too would have been perfect.

An article in the newsletter published by University Methodist Church said one of the characteristics of the Unification Church is alienation from parents, with the substitution of "True Parents," a role fulfilled by CARP members.

During the lecture, the speaker compared Adam to the Tree of Life and Eve to the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil. He said Adam had not reached perfection. He was still in the growing stages toward his goal of reaching perfection, and during this period of growth he had freedom of choice. Once a person attains perfection, oneness with God, he is unable to not do God's will, the leader said.

The Methodist newsletter said that ex-members of the Unification Church had experienced the loss of the right to personal decision-making during their membership. It is this loss of the individual's freedom of choice that ministers in the area consider to be dangerous.

"They rob one of one's identity," said Rob Rollins, associate minister of University United Methodist Church. "Christianity asks one to give up one's autonomy, to an extent, to say Jesus is Lord, which means to us that God has ultimate control over our lives. Therefore, one gives up some things, but Christianity leaves it up to the individual. In short, Christianity submits that Jesus

is the Messiah, uniquely, the incarnation of God, and the voluntary self-giving of our autonomy is in response to God's love for us as demonstrated in Jesus Christ."

Father Tim O'Connor of the Newman Center added to this idea. "Any cult whose mode of operation is to enslave people in a certain lifestyle is dangerous," O'Connor said. "I've seen them doing just that. To me it's very dangerous."

"If there was evidence of good we would have an obligation to sit back and not to judge," O'Connor said. "There is no basis for it. No good has come from them. Interpretations are given without foundation. I can't believe intelligent people believe this because when you stop and ask simple questions, logically, it doesn't make any sense."

CARP is a recognized student organization, which means it has met the five criteria submitted annually to University records, including a list of names and addresses of all major officers. Officers must be registered students at UNC. Dorothy Davidson is CARP's president.

There must also be an advisor who is a full-time member of the faculty or of N.C. Memorial Hospital. Jerjang Chang, associate professor of laboratory animal medicine and assistant professor of pathology, fulfills this role. A majority of the group's members must be registered UNC students.

The organization must submit a written affirmation of openness to full membership, without regard to sex (except when the exclusion is war-

anted), race, religion or handicap. The pamphlet titled "CARP" states, "Students of all races and ethnic origins have been inspired by his (Moon's) vision."

A group seeking recognition must also submit a constitution, by-laws or a statement of purpose. CARP's plans include organizing rallies, sponsoring guest speakers and working with the community and church, blood donation drives and the elderly. Its meetings are held at 422 West Cameron Ave. Its members encourage interested people to come and have dinner.

Recognition of an organization does not imply approval or disapproval of the organization, said Frederic Schroeder, director of Student Life. It means the group has met the criteria for recognition.

"I think it's important for any student organization that meets the criteria and wants to organize to have the freedom to do it," said Vice Chancellor Donald Boulton, dean of Student Affairs.

The originator of the Unification Church is the Rev. Sun Myung Moon.

"Rev. Moon has been convicted of tax evasion in the U.S. He has served time in prison in Korea for sex offenses and was excommunicated from the Korean Presbyterian Church. His followers consider him to be the Messiah . . . Moon controls a business empire including fishing industries, weapons manufacture, restaurants, publishing,

movie production, and banking," the Methodist newsletter said. It documents its statements with material from a Congressional subcommittee and other sources.

In an article in the *World Student Times*, Tyler Hendricks, assistant national director of CARP and a professor at the Unification Theological Seminary, addressed the question of Moon's being the Messiah: "Unificationist doctrine claims to have a new revelation, but our doctrine says nothing about Rev. Moon being the Messiah. My personal experience and belief, however, is that Rev. Moon and his wife fulfill this role."

The Methodist newsletter said young people are particularly susceptible to recruitment into the Unification Church. They are often "intelligent, idealistic, seeking an authority figure, and depressed because of alienation, identity crisis, or recent trauma. College communities are considered especially good areas for recruiting."

Father O'Connor said the group members often try to recruit people who haven't matured yet.

"Some people respond any time there is something new. Others are in spiritual starvation," O'Connor said. "I think anything new needs to be looked at. In none of these cults is it directed toward the enrichment of the individual. If I had seen good, I would have drawn into reflection. I've seen the heartache; I can't remain silent. If freedom is not a part of it, it's not Christianity."

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he was not particularly concerned with the U.S. invasion.

"If it had been another Vietnam situation, where it was evident that the United States involvement would grow, I would probably be more concerned," he said.

Because of the size of Grenada and its proximity to the United States, President Reagan probably did not give the action as much thought as he would have otherwise, Russell said.

The Carolina Committee on Central America will sponsor a conference on peace and justice in the Americas on Nov. 5 and a march on Washington to stop U.S. interven-

tion in Central America and the Caribbean on Nov. 12.

UNC professors also expressed concern Wednesday about the invasion.

Political science Professor Robert A. Rupen said the invasion was "awful, indefensible, and completely unjustified." Reagan's excuses for taking over the island — to protect Americans there and to topple the Marxist regime — sound like the same excuses "we condemned when the Soviet Union invaded Afghanistan and Poland," Rupen said.

Joel Schwartz, Bowman Gray professor of political science, had a viewpoint similar to Rupen's, saying "we had even less justification

to invade Grenada" than the Soviets did to do the same thing in Afghanistan. Calling the invasion a "violation of international law," Schwartz added that the takeover was a "throwback to the gunboat diplomacy of the early 20th century" and that the action was evidence of "a very sorry state of affairs."

Not all professors interviewed condemned the invasion, however.

"The administration had little choice," said political science professor Enrique Baloyra.

Staff writers Joel Broadway, Cindi Ross and Chris Edwards compiled this story.

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Walking a cheap, practical exercise

Walking can be more than the cheapest means of getting from point A to point B. It can provide a simple, practical and painless means of exercise.

Your body needs some type of physical exercise everyday, just as it needs food. You can't exercise only on weekends and satisfy your body's need for activity any more than you can eat only on weekends and satisfy your body's nutritional needs. Walking as an exercise can be easily incorporated into a daily lifestyle. The only equipment needed is a comfortable pair of shoes.

As with any exercise program, an increase in walking activity should be done gradually. Too much too fast can cause soreness. Instead of feeling relaxed and refreshed, you may feel overly tired and discouraged.

Creative Walking For Physical Fitness, by Dr. Harry J. Johnson, recommends a six-week walking program. A person begins by walking one-half mile the first day, repeating the same distance the second day. Then one increases the distance by one-half mile every other day. The key to this program is to gradually strengthen muscles by walking moderate distances. It takes time to increase stamina to be able to sustain walking four or five miles comfortably.

Regular walking will determine the success or failure of this exercise program, so Johnson suggests that a person keep a chart of his or her daily progress.

Walking, as an exercise has plenty of build-in advantages. You can do it by yourself, it is less stressful on the knees and back than running, and requires no equipment other than shoes. Daily moderate exercise will help to burn calories and keep the body in good muscle tone.

Walking can also regulate your appetite for some or all of the following reasons: first, exercise regulates your appetite, the brain center that controls appetite; second, exercise redirects the blood flow away from the digestive tract; and third, exercise stimulates the use of blood fat instead of blood sugar by the muscles. So by exercising you might feel less hungry than by not exercising.

Finally, walking is an easy exercise that works toward improving blood circulation. How? Brisk walking exerts the heart, which may lead to gradually expanding its arterial walls. And by building up the leg muscles, walking increases one's ability to pump blood back to the heart.

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Carter

Many members are assigned to campus recruiting. "We'd make friends with the people on their level. If they were interested in something, so were we."

It was really important to get the person to agree to come back for a weekend seminar, he said. From there the members did everything they could to get the person to stay for two to three weeks.

Right or wrong, Moon told us not to think, but to accept his word, Carter said.

"Mind control is the big thing with the Moonies. They repeat things over and over until the new member is willing to accept, without question, the teachings of Moon. New members are made to feel guilty about everything — that they are responsible for bad things in their lives, etc.," Carter said.

Once the followers of Moon have new

members, a number of measures are taken to ensure they don't lose them. Members are assigned spiritual parents in an effort to help new members let go of their natural ones, Carter said.

Another practice, "love-bombing" — overwhelming members with praise, love notes and reassurance — has been found to be very effective in keeping members loyal to the cause, he added.

Carter, who left the church this spring, is now a full-time employee at the Art School in Carrboro and has resumed his interest in pottery and juggling.

Although he is no longer connected with the Unification Church, Carter said he still feels close to some of its members. Tuesday, Carter received a letter from someone he had once tried to recruit for the church.

He described one paragraph as par-

ticularly moving: "Even after you left the Church, you still want to communicate with me," the letter said. "This proved to me that your openness is still the same as when you were with the Church, or even the same as before you joined the Church. . . ."

"From the workshop, I have seen the beauty and sincerity of every member: they were all beautiful people. But I regret to see that they were all so innocent. I almost felt the pain in my heart when I found out that their free choice of life has been limited or deprived by one set of rigid principles."

"I wonder if we, the people, can still experience the ideal and joy and atmosphere of the Church, but not necessarily go through that much exploitation."

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CAMPUS CALENDAR

TODAY'S ACTIVITIES

A meeting concerning the prospects for Student Television will be held at 4 p.m. in the Union. All interested students are encouraged to bring their ideas. Check at Union desk for room number.

Learn to skydive: If you have jumped before or are interested in making a first jump, come by the Union at 6:30 p.m. for a meeting.

IVCF South Chapter will meet at 7 p.m. in the Avey social lounge. Dr. Bill Wilson, a psychiatrist at the Duke Medical Center, will speak on "Showing Christ in you locally." All are welcome.

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes will meet at 8:30 p.m. in the Union auditorium. IVCF Mid-Campus will present "Sharing Your Secret of Success," and a chapel meeting on evangelism will be held at 7 p.m. in the Union.

The Industrial Relations Association will hold a meeting at 4 p.m. in the Union.

Alexander Solzhenitsyn's Nobel Prize acceptance speech will be illustrated in "One Word of Truth," a film to be presented at 8:30 p.m. in 100 Hamilton Hall.

Billy Rice and Lucy Inabnet will share their summer missions experiences at the IVCF Granville Chapter meeting at 7 p.m. in Granville South's lower lounge.

The Baptist Student Union's program will be at 5:45 and will feature Bert Welch, youth and college minister from the First Baptist Church in Raleigh, speaking on "Christian Lifestyles."

There will be an informational meeting of the Carolina Field Hockey Club at 8 p.m. in the Union. The Carolina Photography Club and Carolina Union Gallery Committee will meet together at 7 p.m. in the Union. The UNC-CH Pre-Law Club will meet at 3:15 p.m. in the Union.

Attention Big Buddies: Remember today is our first event of the year. Come with your little buddy, dressed for Halloween fun, to the Alpha Delta Psi house on Rensselaer St. The Campus Y Committee on Undergraduate Education will meet at 4 p.m. in the Campus Y lounge. All are invited. The Christian Science Organization will meet at 3:30 p.m. in the Union. Check desk for room number. You are invited to an informational meeting on the BS Degree in Radiologic Science in Room 107 Berryhill Hall at 5 p.m. Refreshments will be served. Call 966-5146 for more information.

COMING EVENTS

The Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity will hold a party from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Saturday in Upendo Lounge.

Inter-Varsity Northeast Chapter — Come to our Slave Auction and Fellowship meeting Friday at 7 p.m. in the conference room of the Chapel of the Cross. Bring friends and money.

The Navigators will have a large group meeting Friday at 7 p.m. in Room 205 of the Union. Come join us for fun, fellowship and Bible teaching. The Mu Zeta Chapter of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. will hold its Annual Fall Fashion Show on Friday at 8 p.m. in Great Hall. All students are invited.

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