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Oxford Heads Prayer Breakfast

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Jim Oxford doesn't have an 8:00 class on Tuesdays. Yet he still gets up at 6:30 to prepare for Prayer Breakfast. Every Tuesday at 7:15, as soon as the cafeteria opens its doors, Jim herds ten to twenty early morning zealots into the executive dining room for food, fellowship, prayer, and instruction from the Word.

Jim's position as Student Government Association Vice-President requires him to lead this time of spiritual growth. Vice-presidents in the past have held Prayer Breakfasts, but not with the new, innovative ideas that Jim has come up with.

"We'd like to get some of the faculty to come and talk," says Oxford, "maybe get some musicians and have a singing and praising time some mornings. Some days we'll have a prayer list and have nothing but solid prayer the whole time. I'm open for suggestions."

It's that openness that makes Jim such an ideal leader for the Breakfast. He admits he can't do it alone so "Janet Shockey is going to help me. She went to [Prayer

Breakfast] a lot last year and I'm going to be relying on her a whole lot for help.

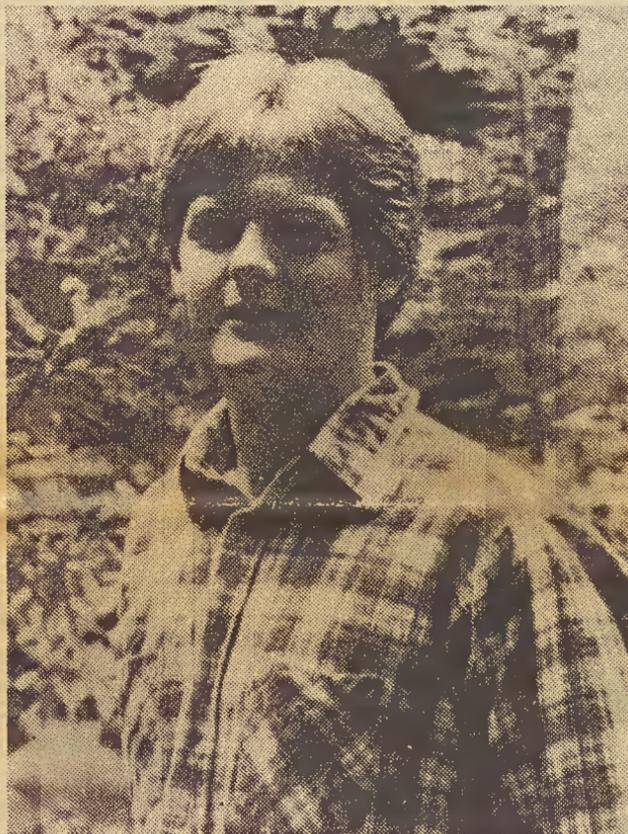
She's volunteered to help me. I need her, too," Jim said. Oxford encourages everyone to help him. He's really counting on input to decide the shape the Breakfast will take.

Whatever the format, Jim wants to see a lot of people at 7:15 on Tuesday. "This year, we hope to get a lot. I'm talking about forty to fifty people. I'd like to see us even expand it out into the whole cafeteria."

As free as the form may be, Jim Oxford still has some definite guidelines for the Breakfast: "To me, Prayer Breakfast should be a time where you get a bunch of people and just really lift up the event to the Lord and just come together real closely spiritually and praise God...and just have a real close-knit relationship."

Jim wants to instill in the Montreat college community a prayer life which is "humbling yourself before the Lord, recognizing that we are sinners, and we do need a Savior."

Call to me and I will answer you, and I will tell you great and mighty things which you do not know--
Jeremiah 33:3



Above: James A. Oxford, man of prayer.

Below: The 1982-'83 General Assembly Singers.

(Not pictured: Sherri Newsome).

On The Road Again

by Kevin Caldwell

Montreat-Anderson College is proud to announce the 1982-83 edition of the general Assembly Singers.

The General Assembly Singers is a group of selected students who share the good news of Jesus Christ in song. The group was chosen through auditions by directors Ted Crist and Julia Roberts. The selection of the group is based on several different factors. One factor is voice quality and overall musical ability. Another factor is the ability to blend with others. Yet another, and perhaps most important, is the individual's belief in Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour. Many hours of prayer went into making the selection of the group, giving the Lord the final decision.

The group is composed of four sections. The soprano section consists of sopho-

mores Cathy Franklin and Sherri Newsome, and freshman Karen Wilkerson. The alto section includes sophomore Julie Etua, and freshmen Jackie Hines and Stephanie Schaubert. Tenors include sophomores Jody Dorrel, Chris Durrance, and Bryan Curtis. Basses are sophomores Mike Coble, Mike Yarbrough, Kevin Caldwell, and freshman Scott Fuller.

The group will begin activities with a three-day "Discovery" trip, designed to get the members acquainted with one another, on September 24. Concerts will be presented in various churches in North Carolina and Tennessee. During Spring Break, the group will travel to Houston, Texas, and parts of Louisiana, performing two or three times a day. The group asks that they remain in the students' thoughts and prayers throughout the year.

