

April 28, Sunday

Slept late. Took a nap. Finished The Hand
For Red October. A good Day.

April 29, Monday

Macom - "Ice" and Janogen.
"Computer Radio"

See notes

Brookfield - "a new law!"
Carolyn was sick.
Rambler Ray Schneiders

Chillicothe - The love us!

April 30, Tuesday

Cameron - Shelby Hendee. High Power.
"Night Radio."

Maryville - missed Steve Mickelson

Tarkio - Bill/Jacqueline Cole.
2 1/2 years - no vacation

May 1, Wednesday

Left KC during rush hour and rain. Oooee. I
sure wouldn't want to fight that regularly.
Back in office around 10:30a

Lee Cooper - Sales; Tish Pittes - Prod/music and
Mark Lucas - Eng. Three new hires!

M.K. is apparently "still looking". Bob has
now started doing the same for his
replacement.

One-day-at-a-time. Enjoy every moment as
though your last.

Called The Unity Church and plan on
doing some reading. May even attend
a service.

Also made a dental appt. for May 8.

Barb's going to L.R. for Julie's wedding.
John and Evelyn arrive Sunday.

May 2, the Thursday

What a day. I may have started on a new level of my life. That's a little dramatic but one can never really say at the time.

More on that in a moment.

Dad called last night to say that the "CAT Scans" on mom showed some sort of mass that may be malignant. They'll do surgery in a week or so. Dad called so I would not "get upset" when Mum told me. I fear I haven't done very well in this area. But that was then and this is a new day.

Of course - frightened. And yet, somehow within I know that this will, well be done and there isn't much I can do about it except to love and support my family. I pray for strength.

And yet I believe in my heart that it's important to see mom surviving this and regaining her health. And she will, if it is God's will.

I stopped at The Unity Center yesterday. I won't try to describe Unity as a church or a religion because I don't know enough

about it yet. But so far, what they read embodies so many of the ideas we come to hold as true. I am excited about learning more. It may have been a very important day in my life.

Father, help me to be silent - to listen. Thank you.

Bought a new suit - \$261 & new shoes \$132. Barb that that was hilarious.

May 3, Friday

Spent the afternoon at "the farm" helping answer the phone. Good use of my time? Time will tell.

Learned G.T. has taken a jobbing heading up a new ag net in Indiana. More money, less frustration, etc. Clyde didn't seem shocked. Course, he'd never show it.

Bar and Burgers @ tents Kevin, Mary, Clyde and his family. G.T. came up and I said something about putting R.G. in charge of Brn. (Who would be take it?) What part did RF play in G.T.'s decision? Does Clyde know or care?

CC also succeeded getting some studio space, off premises

May 4, Saturday

RTVDA meeting in Glubbia. I went with PP for the ride.

Had a bird of MI and CMSU and the Broadcast Center talk about how they train; where their students are going, etc.
So-So session.

House cleaning & reading Sat. night.
(The Story of Unity)

May 5, Sunday

Attended Unity Services for 1st time. Sunday School involved about 70-8 people. Very informal.

A Unity ministerial student from "Unity Village" drove over from EC to teach. The EC Unity group doesn't have a full-time minister.

40-50 attendees @ the 11am service.

Takes place in a store-front building. Very nice. None of the usual church "trappings". 4 pretty, stained-glass windows. The sermon or message delivered from a podium. I didn't see any crosses but there is a strong belief in Christ. I won't try to explain what Unity means here because I don't know enough to do that. Later, maybe.

A lot of "hugging" before and after but it seemed very genuine. There was a wonderful period of meditation during the service and a piece by Bach was played as prelude.

"Would you rather be right or happy?" I guess I like the idea of a very tolerant philosophy that gives some structure to a way of living. They describe Unity as a way of living rather than a religion - a nice distinction.

Yesterday I called SILENT UNITY, a 24hr prayer vigil, and prayed with a woman for Mother's health. It felt good.

May 6, Monday

I opted for the extra hour of sleep instead of the FEL. I choose not to feel guilty about this. More or less.

Mom & Dad arrived last night and we had a nice visit. Mom is going to stay with Barb and me.

I am going to do my best to make this a pleasant visit and keep her mind off her coming trial.

I really enjoyed my 1st UNITY Service. At 1st glance it appears to have much of what I have been searching for in a spiritual way of life.

It meshes so well with many of the things we worked with and read. Wayne Dyer, self hypnosis, Maxwell Maltz, imaging.

I love the idea that UNITY encourages you to have other faiths and to use UNITY to strengthen those. So open, so tolerant. I feel UNITY will be a source of strength to me.

I must resist the temptation to talk about it (Preach?). Especially until

until I understand it. The real testimony will be my actions.

etc. We will all die. Some of us today. Some tomorrow. We don't know. We should live our lives as tho this were the last day.

God is in each of us: Mike, Robert, etc. He is guiding each of us in our own way. Let go.

Can I do anything about those things that trouble me? If so, set about doing them. If not, don't think about them.

If something happens, then it couldn't have happened any other way.

What will happen can't be changed. Aim for grace.

When we become angry or frustrated, it is usually because someone else is behaving in a way we don't like.

"Would you rather be right, or happy?"

May 7, Tuesday

Bark fixed dinner for the folks. A little time but nothing unusual. Bark is great. Visited with Evelyn after Dad went back to his room to study. She talked about some of the healing gifts of Grandmother Perry and Marie. i.e. "Blow fit" and "stop blood". Sort of amazing when you consider the reading of Unity material.

I know that my interest in Unity goes deeper than a hope for healing of Mom. It's like so many different ideas are brought into a spiritual focus thru Unity.

Positive thinking goes back to Dyer and Malty. Prayer doesn't change God, it changes us. And the examples go on. I am very excited. Again I must resist the temptation to talk about this.

How can I keep a positive slant on the concerns L.S. has shared. I feel some of them too. I must talk to R.F. today. Hopefully wouldn't hurt to get with Mike also.

Anne Beaton said: "What will happen can't be stopped. Am for grace."

May 8, Wednesday

A very foggy morn. I slept well and long. I lay down about 8pm and crashed. I am trying not to worry about Mom but suspect I am not quite getting it. But I will.

Yachting with Mom and Dad last night. Poppis so worried about his class...

Mom, however, seems to be enjoying her stay. This morn she said a very painful "cyst" (?) near her ear, erupted during the night and she is in much less pain. Perhaps I am looking for signs but I must believe (wants to believe) that is the result of prayer and hope. Will see. I have finished the story of Unity and am looking forward to reading and learning more. To forgive everyone - I forgive me.

May 9, Thursday

Good check up @ the Dentist. "I am a child of God and do not inherit sickness."

Met supper @ Dar Steinhaus with friends

Mom seems to be enjoying her visit.
I pray for her health.

Nice letter from Joanne.

And I have started UNTY OF ALL LIFE by
Eric Butterworth. Wonderful reading.

New farm broadcaster started yesterday.
Brent Thompson.

I am glad to be alive: God is within me
and I have no fear or worry.

May 10, Friday

Another beautiful day.

Staff meeting last night went very well.
Covered a lot of material and laughed hard.
Had chicken and beans and Mark Lucas
sat in.

Mom and Barb came by so Mom could see the
office — we all worked.

A quiet night last night. It's been a long
week but one I'm glad it had.
Mom said this morning that she received
a "message" that everything was going

to be alright. I believe that too.

Will pick Dad up this afternoon and will drive at the
Holiday Inn tonight. Gonna sleep all day
Saturday and attend Unity services Sunday
before heading for Bennett.

I feel very good about what I've read of
Unity. It meshes with so many things I've
read and believed. I am going to put away
worry and fear.

May 11, Saturday

Clyde & Co. headed for Slopes yesterday.
Bob off to FISPY 500
Took Mom & Pop to Holiday Inn for supper.
Then home for a little Beach Schnapps.
A nice evening.

May 12, Saturday Cont.

Folks left in the kind of frenzied people
exhibit when they are really ready
to get away.

I did laundry. Barb went to home store.
Sat evening: Party in Columbia — nurses.

Can't really say it was a lot of fun
but not too bad. Dan & I had some
years.

I didn't drink (except beer). Home
time around 12:30 AM.

Sunday, May 12

Slept till 8 or so. Then Barb and
I went to services at Unity.
Heard Weaver Hess speak. A
weird morning.

Wapped & NBA Sunday PM. Then
off to the golf lake for some
quiet "holying".

A Beautiful Day!

May 13, Monday

Arrived ST. shortly before noon. Scrubbed
around till 2:30 PM and then down to Memphis.
Anventful flight. Got to the hospital about 4:30 PM.
Blane arrived about 8PM.

Mom and Dad were very nervous. Very tense.
We all were. Blane "spent" in Mom's room; Dad

and I went back to the hotel.

Mom and I "visualized" the new addition to
the house; we pictured her out in the yard,
"in the future". Don't know if it did her any good
but it felt very positive to me.

Before surgery

May 14, Tuesday

Up @ 6:00 AM and over to the hospital. Mom had
not slept much. Blane was a rock. Again we were
all very tense.

Last night before bed, I went out to the "courtyard"
at the hotel, and prayed with Blane hoping across
new understanding of prayer. It徒 to get a strong sense
of the god within.

This morning before surgery, I read the 23rd Psalm
to Mom. I guess I thought I could get thru it and
it might comfort her. Again, I wound up in tears but
finished. I guess it was better than no feeling at all
but hard on Dad.

Now asked that the 4 of us join hands and offer
a final word of prayer.

It was a unique moment in the history of our
family. A lot of prayer. And some faith & hope.

It was both fighting and crying. We were very close at that moment. All of us reaching out (or in) to god in his own way.

Few things in life (I hope) will equal the sight of seeing a loved one ushered off to surgery. Maybe a slow motion car wreck where you stand on the curb and watch for 2 or 3 hours to see the outcome.

I think I saw new aspects of Dad this weekend. He is strong in ways I may never be and he is loving and vulnerable as well. After mom had been gone from the room an hour or so they called to say as she was still in surgery and we were still waiting for the results of the biopsy. We all hoped that was good sign. And we waited. And waited.

I went to the "prayer room" and again tried to get in touch with God. I attempted to find and focus a healing light on the tumor. I don't pretend to know what that might have done. But I prayed as hard as I could.

We were back in the room when the call came - my mind seemed frozen. I can't believe it could have been much like prayer.

Then we heard Dad say in a breaking voice "Thank you... thank you God." I will never forget that moment nor do I want to.

I don't ever remember Dad showing much tender emotion. I'm sure he cried when his father died and it wasn't there when his mother died. A mistake, but forgive, please.

When the Doctor told me Dad the tumor was not cancer, he put his head down on the bed where mom had lain and sobbed. Only those who have known John Blane can appreciate this. His words should probably remain private but his love for mother and the relief at hearing she didn't have cancer were powerful.

I assume Blane was giving thanks - we both fell to our knees where we stood and gave thanks to God - more with our hearts than our words. Dad asked Blane to offer a more formal word of thanks and he did a great job.

Mom was back in a hour - heavily sedated - and Dad told her the good news and she also thanked God. He heard from us a lot in the last few days.

I called silently with my thanks.

Blane says (and I must believe) that there is some

order or plan to all things. When we look back a few last weeks or two and our fear for man, I wonder if I will see this trial as the one that guided me to run to God for help.

Has this been a challenge that I have "grown" through? Am I stronger? I hope so. I believe so. Amen.

And so. Mom was asleep most of the day. Slept a lot. I headed back around 5pm. On on the plane back to St. Louis now with the setting sun and mountains of clouds below. And you have to believe God is there; and is it so hard to go from that to the idea that he is, in fact, in all of us, and all things. always. we just have to open our eyes. Like Battenworth says; walking into a dark room— Turn on the lights and, although nothing has changed, everything is different.

The real test will be applying this "practical Christianity" to the rest of my life. And, of course, he knows what I need. And isn't that wonderful.

May 15, Wednesday

Breakfast @ H.I. A beautiful, sunny morn. Later today I'll talk to Dad for a report on mom.

I had a nice ride from STL to JC last night. Listened to "Ed and Alice Rock and Roll Oldie Show". Alice "the Transistor Sister" was on the air. No commercials, just non-stop gold. From some little station in STL. 104 on the dial.

Got home and gave Barb some shit about myself. Why? I don't know. You have a long way to go still. But you'll get there.

- I am not anxious. I let go, and let God work his miracle thru me.

- I am a child of God, and do not inherit sickness.

May 16, Thursday

I am a child of God and I do not inherit sickness. Every cell in my body remembers how to be whole and well.

I am not anxious - I do not worry. I let go. And let God work his miracle in me.

Yester was 1st day back. Learned that lightning had jumped automation. And it was handled quite well as per. Had I been here, would I have been consumed w. worry. This is what is meant by the difference

between "challenge" and "problem": When something like this happens again, & I have the opportunity to "see it and meet it as a challenge & chance to grow."

Bon and I looked at another house with D.P. last night. We both hated it. We will find the house we're looking for.

Called Blane in Memphis @ 8pm. Mom was asleep and progressing well. Should come home Friday. The idea of one unified "life" with us all seems to open the possibility of me "helping others". A nice idea that will harm no one if wrong.

It is good to be alive.

I hope to check out the yoga classes tonight.

Yesterday success: positive reinforcement on daily reinforcement. "Contey the Day"

May 17, Sunday

Yesterday success: a new experience - Yoga. Very interesting. A lot of stretching, breathing and meditation. Boy, it will take a long I will master this technique thru patience.

Nick Aldrich led the session. Pic, lit candles — soft music. Real nice.

Paul and Margaret are coming up today, for the weekend. I am looking forward to their visit. Will call home to night for a report on Mom.

I'm going down to Lebanon today. (See tip notes.)

May 18, Saturday

Margaret & Paul are in last night. Went to Yen Ching. Had a nice evening.

Coffee & Cake Sat. AM — Bon @ work. PM went to Columbia & I went shopping. Fell in love w. a new Cannon, elec. typewriter. Gotta have it!

Watched this beat show.

Burgers at but & Jans & Bed early.

Started a new book: The Greatest Management Principle In the World.

May 19, Sunday

Carole Lund was the visiting minister @ Unity. She talked about divine guidance and was quite good. We learned of the end of the census that we had lost the lease on our lovely building and would have to move by June 1st.

Carole handled it well. I awoke to feeling a sense of loss (even after only 3 Sundays). I really enjoy going to Unity and find great truths.

The right place will go come along @ the right time. If you believe as of the Unity teaching, you believe that.

Now beat the Celtics. A good game. A beautiful day. Went with Paul and Margaret to Tomangos. All too much.

Facts, it have been eating too much and drinking more than I'd like. But I deny this does any control over me now!

Todays am going to buy the Tyewriter!

You a child of God & I do not think sickness. It am not weapons. It let go and let God work his miracle. Please me.

May 20, Monday

It was a good day. We talk w. Clyde. He assured me my lot year had accomplished all he had hoped for. We agreed I was probably under-challenged. He hinted that in 10 yrs I'd want me to get more involved on the TV side (in programming & assume). I'm guessing that would be after Derry got tired of it.

He also mentioned some long-term programs with Derry and a "host". Less of a game market repeat and more like a magazine show with guests, repeats, and even a country band! (?) Clyde does go off in some original directions!

Nike came to talk later in the day. He has put himself under tremendous pressure, but very real none-the-less. Are things here as they can? Doesn't know if he'd take the CEO job. Should they offer — or the ashest job — or stay w. Leopold. I think his friends and family are here in Jff and it would be hard to leave.

I encouraged him to get help coping. Will see. I think his taking a few days off.

Bought a new toy ("tool?") — a Canon, typewriter
6. An electric typewriter. Review to follow.

Yoga class last night. Just 5 of us. very
relaxing. I am going to drop the FFL program
for a while (?). It feels like the right decision.
Want to play more basketball.

Yesterday success: my talks with Chelle
Mike and Barb.

May 21, Tuesday

a very interesting day. A number of very good
examples of "solutions before you ask".

1. KMDL - tent put Monet on Cardinal Channel
2. Barb signed up for Nutri-syst
3. Mike takes a couple of the days off to think
things over
4. House committee will provide us with 10K
for next poll.
5. Art Brown will take custom cast ! ?
6. Mom's doing great.

The temptation is very strong to attribute good things that
happen to Unity. Of course I have believed
for some time that we get what we expect.

I am very happy for Barb in her new project.
It really do believe still make it Huston.
I am equally convinced that Mom is on a
run. That she is starting a new period of improved
health.
Mom was so grateful that I was with her for the
operation.

KBOA got their 10,000 Watt Const. permit. I'd
ever go back ... sigh.

Took a nice walk with Barbara yesterday. No beer.

I am not anxious. I let go and let God work his
miracle thru me."

I am a child of God and I do not inherit sickness."
God has a solution to my problem even before
I know I have a ~~problem~~ problem.

May 22, Wednesday

got a haircut. Bought new book @ Unity
"Lessons in Truth". I plan to talk to Mr.
Kupper Saturday P.M. in to ask some Unity
questions.

Not a monumental day — but lets move on...

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May 23, Thursday

Some days it's hard to find any real events or deep thoughts for this record. But it has become a habit.

Had a nice walk on the front porch with Gwendolyn Kent. Very pretty.

Finished the 1st sheet for KDS Customcast and straightened up my work area.

Met with Jim Aldrich and his colleague from AT&T. Looks far more affordable than we thought. Will know more today.

I really don't think I am challenged enough now but really hate getting more administrative ball shit.

What Ed really like, is sort of what I had - a good 6-8 sign on shift... a few hours of two of production - and the rest for TV kinds of duties.

Did I really enjoy working at the radio station that much? Sadly not.

Look at the things you'd give up; if you had - a small town life kinda.

1. Music system
2. Beautiful scenery
3. a decent living

4/26/14, 4:10 PM

4. opportunities for Bush
5. a chance for any kind of nice home.
6. money.

But stop -

God has the solution... be still. Open your heart and mind to that solution.

May 24, Friday

It was a beautiful day - and maybe its kind of a "self fulfilling prophecy" but I'd rather think not...

More and more things seem to be working out well! Mike returned from his absence much more in control. Said he was told by someone he trusted to "have more fun".

Tim will tell, but it could only be viewed as positive. Bush, Mom...

I guess a "word" or two in Blaine's behalf is a nice tip and I took a salesman (Don Brown) from KIRK, Kirksville to lunch.

Bush & I watched Repo Man on VCR last night. An interesting day.

When went to the 4 looking for a game volunteer!

May 25, Saturday

Breakfast @ Sherry's - joined. girls state track meet.

Slept for a couple of hours and then read. Started the new spy book by William F. Buckley.

Took my book out on the "porch": it was a gorgeous day and very pleasant reading. Tried to call Mr. Keppler, the Unity minister in town for the weekend. Tried several times and then gave up.

Decided I had to do some exercise so I went thru my FFI warm-ups and ran for 20 min. seemed much shorter than the track or gym runs.

I couldn't take my pulse because it was too fast -- so I slow'd reached my THR. Barb also took a bike ride - she is going to succeed with the N.S. program - I can see it. I got a call last night from Chuck Keppler - the Unity minister. He had heard from Clarence that I "had some questions". I let to Barb went onto Columbia to visit with Dr. Lew et al and I met Chuck @ The Rodney Inn.

We talked for 2 1/2 hours straight and it was wonderful. He was very easy to talk to & I am more convinced than ever that Unity thought will help me meet my spiritual needs.

I asked several question about traditional religious concepts: The Holy Trinity, Scripture as literal truth, etc. And some Unity beliefs: reincarnation, prosperity, etc.

I feel so comfortable with everything I have heard or read. It is a good feeling.

Chuck told me I already ~~do~~ have the peace and calm and confidence seek... within me right now. I must keep working. I need to clean up my thinking and what I say. But to know that God is really in control -- all I have to do is let Him work thru me.

I guess that idea always worried me before -- letting God run the show. It was as tho he might make me do something I didn't want to do!

Another item came up that might be worth recording -- That I am in my current job as a "growth phase". I am here to learn self-confidence and to meet my fears and doubts about myself, head-on. And when I have met these challenges, I can move on. "Can or Will"?

I feel very good about our talk and honestly believe I have started a new phase of my life. I can't remember the exact date, but 5 yrs ago I started searching. The time management course (?), books by Wayne Dyer, self-hypnosis, running,

Albuquerque, etc. All of it looking for inner peace A way to calm down... to Stop, and enjoy life.

A long search that did, in some way, lead me to Jaff City. Where I encountered Unity. A framework that put so many thoughts in order. If all the things above had only to this new understanding that would be workable.

May 26, Sunday

Slept early on a bench down the street from The Unity Center. To say that this is a perfect memory would not do justice to this beautiful day. Warm, not hot. Gentle breeze.

God.

After the last Sunday will meet in the High Street building. I guess you could reach for some meaning in the move by saying it will remind us that Unity is not a room or building, or lovely stained glass windows. I guess. It might be a fair test of several unity principles. But it will work out for the best!

Took a nice "run" out toward aards hills. Second much shorter than the leg runs and much more physically tiring! Felt great after!

Terry and Tracy came over for Brugge - also Jan and Ann and Sue and his new honey, Terry. She is in Vet schools. Wants to go to

Fla and put braces on the dogs of rich people. Had a nice visit.

May 27, Sunday Monday

Ran and I slept late. I then proceeded to take a nap. Read on and on - Learning Truth. Watched the Celtics slop the Lakers. Went to a movie. Alfre Woodard's LOST IN AMERICA. Not bad.

I ran for the 2nd day on my own. Sat & Monday. Couple of loads of laundry and then to bed. Bark seems to be doing ok on her nutri-system program.

It came to me in the shower last night - I was wondering about goals. What is my goal in terms of the work I'd like to be doing. Is my goals goal to be GM of The Mississinet? For ever? Is my goal to be PD at a radio station like KFRU or KJAZ? Do I want to spin records, cover shifts and record commercials?

Would I become quickly bored with this?

Remember old friend, things are never as they seem. What do I really want to do?? That is the last step.

If all I really want to do is be on the air, why not put my own studio together, and produce my own program. It could be talk,

comedy, oldies, whatever. Produce it and syndicate it to little stations, chargin just enough to cover costs.

Hell, Cleffle might even let me put it up. But,
do I want to be so tied down-down?

so you see... whatever I want to do, Leaffield
may be the best place to do it. Use your
imagination, Steve! Focus on what you really
want to do.. then outline a plan...

or Let go, let God.

May 28, Tuesday

1st day back. Fuck ups w. OGO & CC.

Had long talk with Mt. About his attitude.
I was angry and let him know how tired I
was of hearing his complaining. I just let it hang
out a little and sort of felt better.
If the guys fine, if not, fine.

Oward and upward.

Meeting most of the day. Don't know what I
really accomplished. I survived.
And I am glad to be alive.

yesterday success: talk w. Mike; Call from KTEL re my
asshole idea.

May 29, Wednesday

My typewriter quit but the woman at Bellanca
said they'd replace it.

I had another talk with Mt. Probably want
text book management but it was from the
heart and that may have been enough. Either
way, that situation will resolve itself correctly.
(see May 28)

I don't remember what I did on Wednesday.

May 30, Thursday

Festus, Potosie, Farmington, Fredericktown.

Big storm caused all kinds of program interruptions
1st thing! Thursday evening at the "Museum" - Coe.
Cobles beat the Athletics.

May 31, Friday

Jackson, Sikeston, Poplar Bluff, Dousher. I have now
been in all of the Missouri stations that we
had on when I started a year ago. An accomplishment.
see tip notes for more.

Supper with Mom and Dad in Remo. Nice visit.