

A Local Ashram Transformation

On November 15th -17th, more than 150 adults and children gathered at First United Methodist Church for the beginning session of the Pine Bluff Christian Ashram (PBCA). This is the first Arkansas Ashram in many years and God was clearly at work from the first session Friday evening through the final prayer on Sunday afternoon. **141 of the 142 registered adults were attending an Ashram for the very first time!**



(Dr. Maxie Dunnam, Evangelist)

Pastor David Fleming said, *“We are delighted to host this Ashram in our church. Although it is the first for us, it will not be the last. We have experienced the presence of the living God and the power of the Holy Spirit.”*

According to Tom Nisbett, the PBCA Director, *“This event exceeded my expectations and I had high expectations. There is no question in my mind that Jesus Christ was here with us and that we experienced what Brother Stanley taught us—the Kingdom of God in miniature.*



(Craig Williams, Musician)

Through the generosity of First United Methodist Church members, meals were provided and the registration fees were paid for everyone who attended. In addition, the congregation made a gift of \$10,000 toward the \$100,000 matching gift challenge—making the total impact \$20,000.



PRAY FOR THESE UPCOMING 2014 CHRISTIAN ASHRAMS!

[North Louisiana](#)... January 16th-18th [California Winter](#)... February 15th-17th

[Wesley Woods](#)... April 26th

[Sat Tal India](#)... May 15th-29th (English) and June 1st-14th (Hindi)

[Central Ontario](#)... July 18th-20th [Texas](#)... July 19th-24th

[Keuka](#)... July 20th-25th [British Columbia](#)... July 25th-27th

[Midwest](#)... July 29th-August 1st [Mountaineer](#)... July 31st-August 3rd

LOCAL ASHRAM DIRECTORS... Please send us your information reports with dates and leadership names for 2014.

Visit our website for complete information (registration and locations) on each of these and other Ashrams scheduled in the coming year!

A Word from the President



These are very exciting days for all of us in the UCA!

As a result of your prayer and participation we are making progress in a number of areas, particularly in the area of revitalizing our current Ashrams and starting new ones.

There is no doubt in my mind that the Christian Ashram is one of the best-kept secrets. It is indeed a movement that is vitally needed in our time for the transformation of lives by the grace of Christ. So, help us to pass the word!

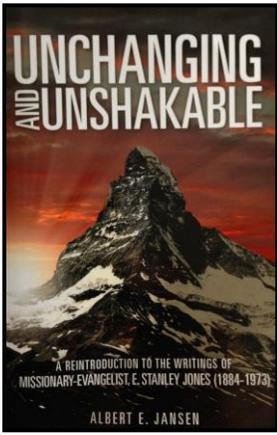
We are entering the Christmas Season as well as the end of the year 2013. May I invite you to send us a gift (large or small), either as an expression of your gratitude or in celebration of the birth of our Savior? Others of you may wish to send us a year's end gift for tax purposes. In either case, take a moment and write a check to the United Christian Ashrams and mail to: 904 DeVille Lane, Ruston, LA 71270.

I have many of Bro. Stanley's books in which he signed his name and wrote: "affectionately yours." I treasure that. So, I conclude this article with similar words...

Affectionately yours!

Bro. Roberto

UCA Board President



Exciting Announcement... Book of the Year 2014

Congratulations to Brother Al Jansen on the occasion of the publication of his excellent book entitled Unchanging and Unshakable. It contains the core values of Bro. Stanley's teachings. Copies of his book are now available at the Central Office at a cost of \$15.00. They may be purchased through contacting the office directly (318.232.0004) or through our bookstore at www.christianashram.org. Please consider ordering several for your Sunday school class or as gifts to your pastor and friends. *Local Ashrams who wish to include copies of Brother Al's book on their book tables in 2014 should contact the Central Office to reserve your copies today!*

A Word from the Executive Director

God is at work in and through the Ashram movement. The re-launch of the Arkansas Ashram with more than 150 children and adults was amazing. In 2014, there will be at least four new Ashrams starting in Virginia, Maryland, Tennessee and Arizona.

It was my privilege to be present in Pine Bluff, Arkansas, and witness the power of God moving among the people who attended from five different denominations and four different states. Your prayers and gifts are making a difference!



Many of you remember Bro. Stanley saying, *"Today I will not struggle and try, I will surrender and trust."* He taught us to live expectantly, joyfully and confidently: *"In surrender and trust, I will ask for his strength and his truth."* Would you join me in praying these two sentences every remaining day of 2013.

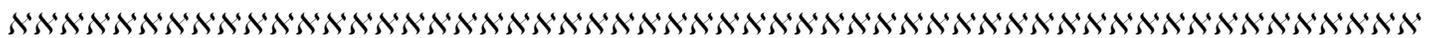
Since the Upper Room and the UCA began this partnership in January, my faith has grown and I trust yours has too! We are doing important kingdom work together!



Please invest in the future of this movement with your prayers for the International Ashram movement, your participation in a local Ashram, and with a financial gift to help us fully match the \$100,000 challenge gift. **Remember, every dollar you give will become two. Every \$20 becomes \$40. Every \$100 becomes \$200!**

It is my daily prayer that we all live in such a way that the whole world comes to know Jesus is Lord!

Tom Albin, Executive Director, United Christian Ashrams



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