

Licensed Teacher Update

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SPECIAL POST CONVENTION ISSUE

For those of you who were unable to join us last week at the annual Unity People's Convention in Overland Park, KS, I thought I would give you my perspective of the highlights of the week.

The following awards were presented -

- Rev. Carmen Fe Figuerora received the Light of God Expressing Unity for her 30 plus years of ministry in the Dominican Republic.
- Leroy White-Light of God Expressing in Society
- Rev. E.J. Niles-Myrtle Fillmore Award
- Rev. Thomas Shepherd-The Charles Fillmore Award

The keynote presenters were:

Gregg Levoy, Howard Martin, Lynne McTaggart, Barry Johnson and Cindy Wigglesworth, and Rev. David McArthur.

Rev. Linda Martella Whitsett spoke at the LUT seminar on Monday to a group of about 60 people. She presented the topic, "Reform Your Prayer Language" which is based on her new book due out soon entitled, "*How to Pray without Talking to God: Moment by Moment, Choice by Choice*".

At the Annual Business Meeting on Wednesday, the following resolution was voted on and passed:

That the board of trustees of Unity Worldwide Ministries is authorized to explore and develop a comprehensive proposal for integration with Unity School of Christianity; that a structure be provided for the members of UWM to give input to the development of the proposal; that an interim report be presented at the June 2012 convention business meeting.

There were many breakout sessions from which to choose. Here are some that may be of interest:

- Rev. Temple Hayes presented part 2 of Speaking with Power and Confidence;
- Chris Michaels hosted a session entitled A Consciousness of Prosperity;

-Christine Stephens talked about Rhythms of Consciousness: Drumming up Spirit;

-Rev. Patricia Bass and much of her staff from Unity of Overland Park presented Transformational Celebration Services.

-Rev. Elizabeth Longo from Unity on the Bay in Florida presented Spiritual Leadership Circles;

-Rev. Jane Simmons presented Multigenerational Ministry: Empowering our Teens;

-Richard Mekdeci, LUT and Sue Riley presented Ministry and Music that Matters.

Wednesday evening was the LUT dinner and there were about 35 people in attendance. Amy Neff, LUT of the Southeast Region and Donna Loflin, LUT of the SCUCA Region were asked to speak about the activities planned for LUTs in their parts of the country.

Overall, everyone I spoke with enjoyed the convention and will look forward to seeing our new friends and colleagues next June in **Detroit, Michigan!**

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