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Here's to You!

The Academy missionary tour team is home in Alaska. We completed our tour in the East and Midwest, which brought us a deepening of faith, new friends in Christ, and many experiences rich in God's blessings.

Among the greatest of the blessings we received was the gift of hospitality. We experienced with astonishing liberality the verse of the Gospel: "Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom" (Luke 6:38).

There is no way we can adequately begin to thank the veritable host of new and old friends and fathers, mothers, brothers, and sisters in Christ. At each stop we were greeted, housed, and fed sumptuously. At one crucial point on the interstate when the rear axle on our vehicle failed, we were rescued, cleaned up, and put back on our way in a beautiful deluxe multi-passenger van and told to use it for the rest of our four-week voyage throughout the States! We were given every imaginable blessing ranging from a 1986 diesel Suburban, an acoustic stand-up bass, a set of walkie-talkies to keep our vehicles in road communication, an emergency eye operation to remove a dangerous micro-splinter (on a Sunday night, no less!), financial support, and a Nashville recording ses-

sion to put our music on CD. (This will be available early this fall.)

In this photo-essay Eagle we will share some of the themes of our pilgrimage with you. Thank you all, from the depth of our hearts, for this experience of our brotherhood in Christ!

From all of us at
the Academy

ACADEMY

TOUR 2001

TRANSMISSION OF TRADITION

The Academy was blessed to attend the Bulgarian Diocesan conference, led by Metropolitan Joseph, in Akron, Ohio.



In Boston, Metropolitan Joseph instructs newly tonsured readers and acolytes for the Kodiak Mission.



In Akron, Popadia (priest's wife) Kim Wright (left) teaches the making of a delicious Bulgarian specialty to Lucia Newton, Mary Butler, and Stefanie Bauman.



On the road, a pilgrimage was made to visit beautiful Holy Trinity Monastery in Jordanville, NY.





In Hobart, Indiana, Fr. Paisius delivers his music lecture on the satanic roots of rock and roll to the members of Holy Resurrection Antiochian Orthodox Church..



Building a 12 X 18' storage shed at St. Thomas Eastern Orthodox Church in Akron.



Fr. Paisius jump starts a stranded motorist's car while Academy men play for driver and passengers, somewhere on the road.



An impromptu Irish music concert in an upstate New York gas station for its Irish-born attendant.



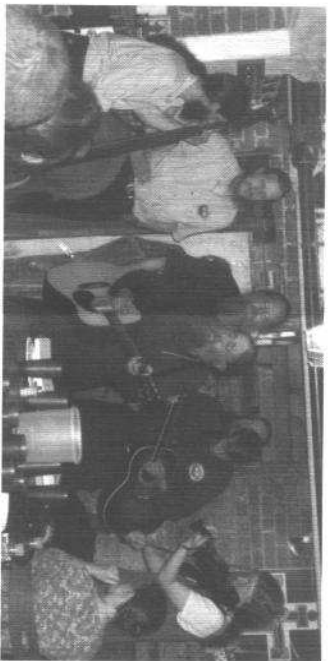
Above: Michael Jones, Christopher Jones, and Innocent Damiano perform the Russian dance 'Arkan' at the Diocesan convention in Akron, Ohio (or, Arkan in Akron).

Below: In Indianapolis, parishioners joined our men for a lively "Troika."



A JOYFUL NOISE UNTO THE LORD

Below: The Academy Irish Band in performance at Indianapolis' Revelation Coffeehouse.



Above: Academy musicians play onstage behind the head table at the Saturday night banquet, Akron diocesan convention.

Below: Former Academy student Nate Coppola (center) leads Academy men in a song at his home parish in Syracuse, NY.



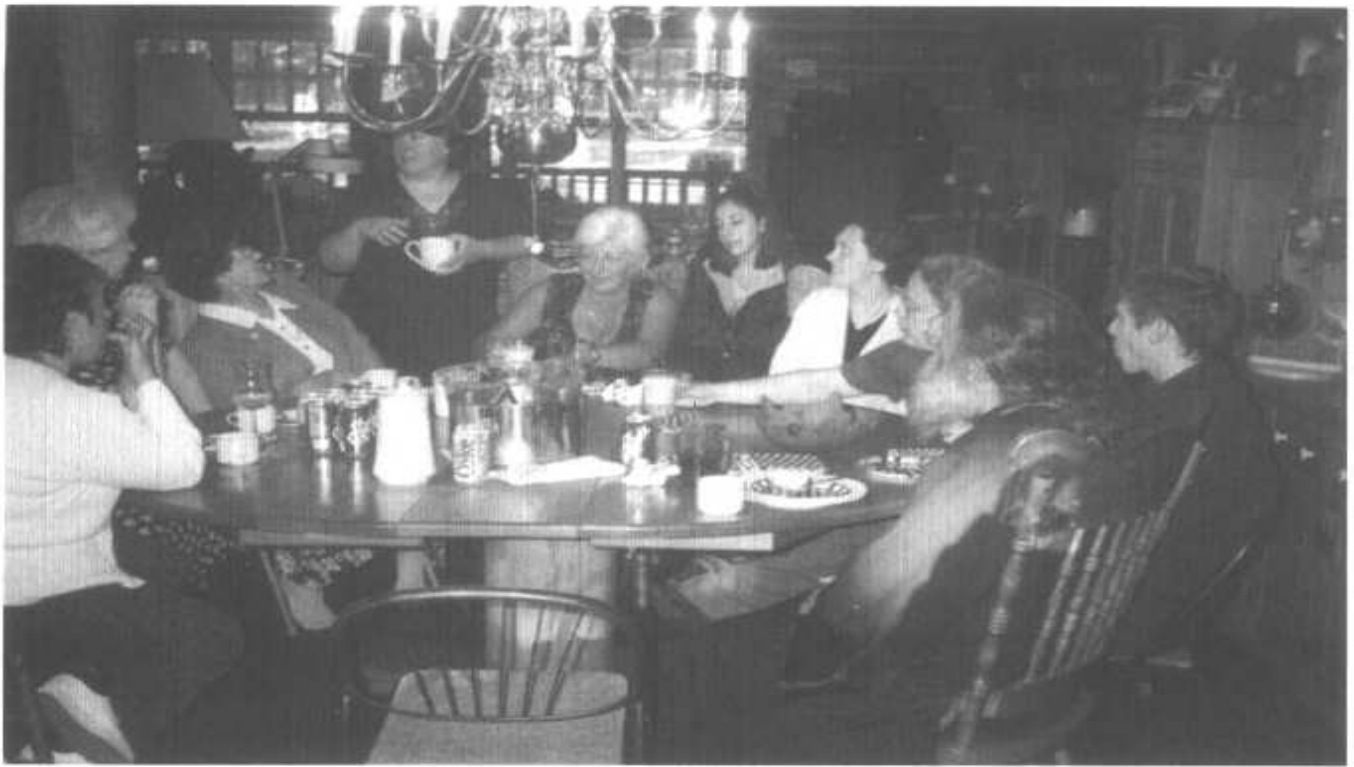
FELLOWSHIP



A church picnic at Father Stevan and Matushka Margaret Bauman's house in Indianapolis.



Boston: 'New Adults' Youth Conference



Wonderful hospitality at Fr. Jim and Popadia Kim Wright's home in Akron, Ohio.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE. . .

*Alas,
play
money
only!*





Getting ready.

NASHVILLE

RECORDING

SESSION



Close harmony: Christopher Jones, Alan Jones, Michael Jones, Innocent Damiano, Anthony May.



Conference in the control room. Chris Farren (seated) and recording engineer John Sailor (left) generously donated their time to make the recordings. Many thanks also to Susan and Stephanie Kon for arranging the session.



The Irish Band: (left) Michael Jones, Innocent Damiano, Lucia Newton, Nashville session musician Andrew Turner, Fr. Paisius De Lucia, Anthony May. Hidden in back, Mamas Pousson on spoons.

RESPIRE ON THE ROAD



Above: A quiet moment outside Louisa May Alcott's historic Concord, Massachusetts home.

Wish List

- Marine safety: An EPIRB – emergency locator beacon
 Marine flare kit(s)
 Marine first aid kit(s)
- For science class: A pair of speakers for a personal computer
 A good portable tape recorder
 Self-winding 35 mm point-and-shoot
 camera with zoom



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