Welcome back to all of our returning and new incoming students!

At 5:45 pm, find out all you need to know about the new spiritual formation emphasis here at ATS. Dr. Janet Dale will fill you in on the details. For new student orientation we will have an all campus BBQ on Tuesday, September 12th from 4:30 pm to 6:15 pm. New & Returning Rockland Campus ATS students as well as faculty & staff are all invited to attend!

Please come, and enjoy the fellowship and the food and get to know someone new. And it is always fun to watch Dr. Crockett & Dr. Widbin grilling for us. Please join us.

Changing the World One Prayer at a Time!

We are very excited to announce that a space on campus has been dedicated as a Prayer Room for this academic year. It is located in Room 216 on the 2nd floor. It will be open during regular campus hours.

God bless each of you as you pray, worship and soak in the presence of the Lord.

We can change the world, one prayer at a time! May the Lord bless each of you as you draw nearer to Him.

II Chronicles 7:15 “Now my eyes will be open and my ears attentive to the prayers offered in this place.”

New MIRs @ ATS

Trinity International Church of Paris, France has had the privilege of having Fred and Carol Henry as their pastoral team. We are happy to announce that the Henrys will be joining our team here in Nyack, New York as our new Missionaries in Residence at ATS.

Please make sure to stop by the MIR office (Room 213B) to say hello and welcome them to ATS when the Fall 2006 semester begins.
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Please note the following information from the Registrar’s office:

**Add/Drop Period:** 9/6 to 9/13/06

**Withdrawal Period:** 9/14 to 11/21/06

**Refund Policy:**

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Itinerary stops include the scene of the David and Goliath confrontation, the region of Mt. Sinai, the summit of Mt. Carmel where Elijah stood against the prophets of Baal, the Garden of Gethsemane, the house of Caiaphas, and much, much more. You’ll enjoy beyond your imagination experiences such as sailing on the Sea of Galilee, riding camels and sleeping with the desert people in their tents, swimming in the Dead Sea, hiking in the canyons of the south, and getting to know people on an Israeli Kibbutz.

The great demand this year has created space limitations. For that reason, we’ve scheduled a second, identical trip for January 10-21, 2007. You may find this later time more convenient to your schedule. Both trips pack together insights into the Bible and its world that will be years in the unpacking. Don’t miss out. More information may be found on Dr. Widbin’s website at http://www.biblesettings.com.

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**Available:** The ATS Library is accepting applications for part-time student staff. Availability to work evenings and Saturdays is highly desirable.

If you are interested, please contact Emily in the Library for an application. You can reach her at Ext. 6987.

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**Bible Tutor - U Need 2 Know**

Passing the Bible Tutor proficiency exam is a graduation requirement of all seminary degree-seeking students that needs to be completed within the first year of study. **ALL new students:** Request your Bible Tutor password from the Registrar’s office (not the same as your ATS password) and start using the online interactive program without delay. **Returning students:** Sign up on Cheryl Felmlee’s office door in the library as soon as you are ready to take the Bible Tutor exam. The first exam dates are Sept. 12-16. Future dates will be the second week of every month.

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AGSC—Equipping You To Serve Others

To help prepare you, the Alliance Graduate School of Counseling (AGSC) offers a 66 credit Masters degree in Counseling that has been constructed to meet National Board of Certified Counselors academic requirements for the National Counselor Exam, which is used as the test for licensure in over 40 states.

Our program is solidly based upon the Scriptures and evangelical faith. Our faculty intentionally works with our students on issues of faith/practice integration, using the psychospiritual counseling model. We love the Lord, and actively strive to relate the Word of God with counseling in order to best understand and help those in need. We care deeply about the personal and professional growth of each student. If the Lord so leads, we will be delighted to count you among our number in the near future.

Come and meet the staff in our Rockland campus office.

AGSM - Upcoming Events

4 ATS Missions Students

Mark Your Calendars:

9/14 - Welcome Lunch 4 Mission Students 12:30 pm
9/22-24 - AGSM Life Processing Retreat - leave ATS at 2 pm
10/21-29—Cultural Immersion MI 799 Ethnography in Queens, NYC
11/16 - Lunch w/ C&MA Mission Leaders - 12:30 pm
12/15 - Dinner 4 Mission Students at Professor Davis' Home 6-9 pm

Mission Students: Come relax in the missions lounge, Room 213.

Is this YOUR picture?

All ATS Faculty, Staff & Students: You need a picture taken for the Fall 2006 directory! Come to Room 302 to get your photo taken. We can use last year's picture, or if you have a favorite photo for us to use, you can email it to: chATS@nyack.edu. Please help us in getting the directory into your hands quickly. Come in today & get your MUG SHOT! We promise...it won't hurt a bit!

Welcome to NC/ATS Housing!

Do you have questions regarding resident student housing? If so you may contact the office of Auxiliary Services, located in Boon Campus Center on the Nyack College Campus.

You can reach the office by calling Ext. 108.

Parking Rules & Regulations

Do you have a vehicle on campus? If so, you need to register your vehicle and get a parking sticker which must be placed on your vehicle. If you were unable to come on registration day, you will find the necessary forms at the ATS switchboard for you to take and fill out. Please send the completed Parking Permit Application form along with the necessary documentation requested, through campus mail to the Security office which is located on the Nyack College campus.

Please note that you have until September 8th to register your vehicle, after that date, fines will be given to any vehicle not displaying a valid sticker.

Also, please remember that if you have a visitor coming on campus, make sure they stop at the ATS switchboard to get a one-day parking pass.

Parking Tickets

So, you got a ticket on your car...what do you do now? If you want to appeal it, go immediately to the ATS Switchboard and ask them for a Traffic Violation Appeal Form. Do not delay in sending in this form, as you only have 7 days to appeal, otherwise the appeal is automatically denied. Fill out the appeal form, and return it to the Security Office through campus mail.

Also, make sure to READ the Parking Policies & Procedures Brochure, so that you know where you may and may not park on both the Nyack College and ATS campuses.

Solid Rock Café

The Solid Rock Café is open for business. Need an affordable lunch? Just have to have one more cup of coffee before class? You’ve got it! Coffee, soda, juice & water machines are available for your use in the Café. Mrs. Connie Dillon, our Café Chef makes homemade soup daily, during the school year, and keeps freshly made sandwiches on hand, all at affordable prices. There is also an assortment of snack items available. Remember that we are on the honor system here and you need to pay for all items before leaving the café.

Parking Tickets
It is one of the devil's oldest tricks to discourage Christian believers by causing them to look back at what they once were. It is indeed the enemy of our souls who makes us forget that we are never at the end of God's love. No one will make progress with God until the eyes are lifted to the faithfulness of God and we stop looking at ourselves! Our instructions in the New Testament all add up to the necessity of looking forward in faith and not spending our time looking back or just looking within. Brethren, our Lord is more than able to take care of our past. He pardons instantly and forgives completely, and his blood makes us worthy! The goodness of God is infinitely more wonderful than we will ever be able to comprehend. If the "root of the matter" is in you and you are born again, God is prepared to start with you where you are!

Prayer
Lord, keep my eyes on you as I run this race.

Scripture
Forgetting things which are behind... I press toward the mark. —Philippians 3:13-14

Thought
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