

...at the Centre for Christian Studies

Cathie Dayfoot came from Trinidad to study at the Centre for Christian Studies in Toronto. She certainly disproves any myths that church vocations are for grey-haired ladies in black stockings!

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The Centre started as the United Church Training School
—more recently called Covenant College—
where deaconesses were trained for fulltime
church work. In 1970, it formally united with the
Anglican Women's Training College. Today, both men
and women study there, either for a diploma, or in crash
courses to freshen up their theology or other specialized
subjects, through seminars, lectures, and workshops.



The diploma students must combine academic study and practical experience; each one must work in the field under a supervisor. One supervisor is the Rev. Wilbur Lang, who is pioneering an apartment ministry among suburban highrises.





Living in residence is compulsory for diploma students. The Centre can accommodate 37 single men and women, and has apartments available for married couples. When there are vacancies, other students, such as Jane Smith, of Emmanuel Theological College, are welcomed. The Centre stresses relationships with others in its courses; in residence, living, eating, playing, and studying all become part of the learning.



