Memory: In 1975 our UC Pioneers were welcomed by Church Bells in every town

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I was recently reminded of a time in 1975 when I was at Barrytown and was asked to drive for a number of members in the 120 day workshop who were going out for pioneering in various cities around New England.

One thing that I noticed was that in almost every town we arrived at I could hear church bells ringing. It felt like the towns were greeting us.

Then, when coming to one of the final drop off points, the town had a free concert going on in the town square.

The band was performing "You Made Me So Very Happy" by "Blood, Sweat, and Tears". The music and words were resounding loudly through all the downtown streets and reverberating off of all the buildings.

It sounded as if the whole town was singing those words to welcome the arriving pioneers.