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## SPIRITUAL FRONTIERS SEMINAR TOUR

The Spiritual Frontiers Seminar Tour to Scotland and England, personally conducted by Rev. and Mrs. Paul L. Higgins, will leave New York City by British Overseas Airways flight Monday evening July 20. The group of sixty will be met at the Glasgow airport the next morning and be taken by private busses to Edinburgh. The next day the group will travel southward, visiting the Holy Island of Lindisfarne, one of the earliest lamps of Christianity in Britain, and continuing to the ancient walled city of York for the night. The next day there will be a visit at the old haunted Rectory at the home of the Wesley's in Epworth, where the Rev. W. LeCato Edwards will speak to the group. In the afternoon the great Lincoln Cathedral, with its several shrines, will be visited, and the night will be spent in Oxford.

Continuing on Friday through the beautiful Cotswolds, with luncheon in Wells, there will be a few hours in the afternoon at Glastonbury, earliest center of Christianity in England. The Abbey and the Chalice Well, famous healing shrine, will be seen, and the group will climb to the top of the Tor, the holy hill, for a prayer service, before going to Bristol for the night. The ancient and mysterious Stonehenge will be viewed en route to London the next day.

There will be nine days in London, where the party will be staying in the Kensington Close Hotel. The Seminar will be conducted five mornings at the hotel from 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 noon. Rev. Mr. Higgins, in conjunction with the Churches' Fellowship for Psychical and Spiritual Studies, have secured ten of the most distinguished speakers for the Seminar. They are: COL. REGINALD M. LESTER, journalist and author, Founder and Chairman of The Churches' Fellowship for Psychical and Spiritual Studies; THE REV. CANON JOHN D. PEARCE-HIGGINS, of Southwark Cathedral, London, Chairman of Psychic Phenomena Committee of The Churches' Fellowship; CHANCELLOR E. GARTH MOORE, President of The Churches' Fellowship; MR. HARRY EDWARDS, the famous healer, and President of the National Federation of Spiritual Healers; MRS. ENA TWIGG, noted London medium; THE REV. K. G. CUMING, Anglican priest, Rector of Woodborough, and Chairman of the Healing Committee for The Churches' Fellowship; MISS URSULA ROBERTS, widely-known psychic and lecturer; MR. PAUL BEARD, President of The College of Psychic Science, London; PERCY E. CORBETT, ESQ., General Secretary of The Churches' Fellowship for Psychical and Spiritual Studies; DR. MARTIN ISRAEL, M.R.C.P., Senior Lecturer at the Royal College of Surgeons.

On Thursday evening Col. and Mrs. Lester have arranged for a Healing Meditation Service at a church in Kensington, and on Friday, July 21, there will be a festive banquet with members of Spiritual Frontiers and the Churches' Fellowship in Great Britain celebrating this historic gathering of members of the two sister organizations.

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SFF RETREAT ON PSYCHIC PHENOMENA AND IMMORTALITY

The SFF Retreat Committee is pleased to announce that Spiritual Frontiers Fellowship will sponsor a retreat this summer on Psychic Phenomena and Immortality at Carleton College in Northfield, Minnesota. Final arrangements have been completed.

- DATES:** Participants should plan to arrive Sunday, July 5, for registration in Watson Hall which is located on the corner of First and Maple Street in Northfield. The retreat schedule will begin with Chapel at 7:30 A.M. Monday morning and will close with the Friday evening luncheon. After a good nights rest and good breakfast Saturday morning, July 11th, we will all return home.
- SPEAKERS:** We are very pleased to announce that our leaders will be Irene Hughes, Dr. Marcus Bach, Dr. Shafica Karagulla, Rev. Dorothy Moore, and Rev. Katie King.
- COST:** The total cost of tuition, lodging, and meals will be \$80.00.
- GOAL:** Our goal will be the exploration and demonstration of Psychic Phenomena and its relation to immortality. There will be lectures, and demonstrations of Psychic Phenomena. There will be opportunities for group and private readings. This will be possible by arrangement with the leaders during the free time, for a fee. Each day you will have an opportunity to join in development groups which will be under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. Bud Hayes of the Miami Chapter of SFF.
- RECREATION:** The Carleton College campus offers facilities for swimming, tennis, a beautiful campus for long walks, and has a nearby golf course. Another nearby point of interest is St. Olaf's College, which has an outstanding bookstore with unusual gifts and a beautiful Chapel.
- DAILY SCHEDULE:** Each day we will begin with a Chapel Service at 7:30 A.M., breakfast will be at 8:00 and we will have a lecture at 9:00 and 10:45 separated by an appropriate break. Lunch will be

served at 12:15 and then you will be free until 4:00 when the small groups will meet for an hour and a half. At 6:00 supper will be served and then there will be group singing from 7:15 to 7:30, followed by the evening presentation which will end at 9:00. At 9:00 we will all join in silent meditation and prayer for 5 or 90 minutes and this will be followed by spontaneous messages which may come through the leaders.

**DIRECTIONS:**

If you are driving, Northfield is about 10 miles south of Minneapolis near Interstate 35. The college is east of the Cannon River which runs through Northfield. A map will be sent to everyone who registers for the Retreat. Those traveling by airplane, train, or bus should make arrangements to go to Minneapolis. Bus service is available from Minneapolis to Northfield.

If this retreat sounds exciting to you, please fill out the registration blank below and send it in together with your check for \$80.00 to:

Spiritual Frontiers Fellowship  
800 Custer Avenue, Suite #1  
Evanston, Illinois 60202

A packet of information will be sent to everyone who registers.

HENRY HEIN  
Retreat Chairman

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Subject: LUMINOSITY, AURA  
--Prepared by Rev. Milton Nothdurft

I. Definition:

Luminosity: Quality or state of being luminous. Luminous: Shining; emitting, reflecting, or suggesting light. Illuminated.

Aura: "Permanent radiation around the human body. Mediaeval saints and mystics distinguished four different types of aura; the Nimbus, the Halo, the Aureola and the Glory. The first two stream from the head, the aureola from the whole body, and Glory is a combination of the two."

--The Encyclopaedia of Psychic Science

II. References:

A) Biblical - - -

a) Exodus 34:29-35 -- "Moses did not know that blinding rays of light from his face prevented their speaking to him." (Ferrar Fenton version) or "the skin of his face shone while he talked with Him." (KJV)

b) Matthew 17:1ff; Mark 9:2ff; Luke 9:29ff -- The transfiguration - "his whole appearance changed before their eyes, his face shining like the sun and his clothes as white as light." (Phillips)

c) Matthew 28:3 -- The Angel at the tomb - "His appearance was dazzling like lightning and his clothes were white as snow." (Phillips)  
Also Luke 24:4.

d) Acts 6:15 -- Stephen before the Council - "And all who were sitting in the Council fixed their eyes on him and his face appeared to them like the face of an angel." (NEB)

e) Acts 9:3,7,17 -- Jesus appears to Saul on the road to Damascus.

f) II Cor. 3:13 -- Moses puts a veil over his face so that the Israelites might not see the end of the fading splendor. (RSV)

B) From the Mediaeval Saints - - -

a) St. John of the Cross, when at the altar kneeling in prayer, had a certain brightness darting from his face.

b) St. Philip Meri was constantly seen enveloped in light.

c) St. Charles Borromeo was similarly illuminated.

III. Comments:

The Encyclopaedia of Psychic Science quotes the theosophists as speaking of five divisions of the aura: the health aura, the vital aura, the Karmic aura, the aura of character, and the aura of spiritual nature. Clairvoyants often claim the ability to see the human aura. From its colors they draw inferences as to the emotional state or character. One interpretation of what the colors mean is given here...Dr. Walter J. Kilner (1847-1920) of the St. Thomas's Hospital of London, in the first edition of his book The Human Atmosphere, published in 1911, tells of a dicyanin screen which rendered the aura visible to normal sight. Further explanation is given following this reference. ...Reichenbach asserted that the aura can be plainly seen issuing from the finger tips. Our suggestion is to put your fingers a few inches apart in a dim light and look at them.... Dr. Hereward Carrington claims all organic structures have a special form of nerve-aura....the nerve-aura is at once a force and a medium, susceptible of control by the will of the operator and capable of sensory impression: an atmosphere to take shape at his command and to dissolve the moment volition ceases.

From Encyclopaedia of Occultism, the divisions of the aura are stated to be: 1. the health aura, 2. the vital aura, 3. the Karmic aura, that of the animal soul in man, 4. the aura of character, 5. the aura of the spir-ital nature. Further explanation of each of these is given in detail.

We would alert the student to the fact that there are different in-terpret to what the various colors mean, depending on whose book you read; however, these seem to be minor differences as the differences between Matthew, Mark, Luke and John in the interpretation of the life of Jesus. Basically, the colors seem to indicate what is going on at the moment in the individual, from the standpoint of health, mentality, spirituality and, to the developed clairvoyant, the background of the person through ages past (it is our opinion that this is where "life readings" are obtained.)

IV. Suggestions for individual and/or group study:

a) Do you, or any of your friends, know of someone who "sees" some-thing around persons besides the physical? (Some people have had this "gift" all their lives, not realizing that others do not have it.)

b) Can you enlist that person to join with you and two or three others in a meditation group in which you would utilize this gift to help everyone develop their own gifts?

c) Do you realize that your motives had better be pure around such a person; that the "shell" or "mask" we all wear in public is "transparent" to such a person?

d) In proper lighting (not too bright) such a person might even see "invisible" visitors. If someone adept at "hearing" or "getting" messages occasionally is also in the group, you don't need any other "medium". Even without this second person, some designated one of the group can ask the questions, and the one with this kind of "vision" can at least see whether the "visitors" nod or shake their heads to questions with a yes or no answer. (Don't be surprised or disappointed if some "visitors" do not re-spond. This is as new to some of them as to you.)

WARNING: If you occasionally see "auras" around a public speaker, it is possible to develop this gift with practice in a meditation group. But be sure you will be able to stand to see people AS THEY REALLY ARE (not as they pretend to be) or you might be praying to have the gift "removed" again! (Some of us have the gift of analyzing the people we can trust as we deal with them from week to week, and even then we are sometimes dis-appointed. To step up the SPEED with which you would analyze them MIGHT be more than you could take.)

e) Discuss what kind of world we would have if everyone developed the gift of seeing beyond the physical. Would everyone be FORCED into honesty? Are we approaching "The Day" when "every eye shall see" "The Christ" in everyone else? Is evil seemingly becoming "more evil" in these latter days BECAUSE of the many "breakthroughs" in these spiritual advancements? What will be the final outcome of evil when everyone with spiritual vision "knows even as he is known"?

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Note: The Reverend Mr. Milton Nothdurft is minister of St. James United Metho-dist Church in Sioux City Iowa, Chairman of the Sioux City Area of S.F.F.

STUDY GROUPS PLEASE REGISTER

We are taking a "census". There is constant change as some Study Groups die out and new ones are formed. This is often without the knowledge of SFF headquarters. In order that we may know the national Study Group picture, we are asking that each group considering itself affiliated with SFF, please register its existence. Thank you!

Participation in a small group is considered by many to be a vital element in spiritual growth. Its value has been shown again and again. SFF headquarters senses an almost pathetic hunger by many members for this group help and fellowship. Too often there is a feeling of being alone, a need for the "affectionate rapport" mentioned by Rev. Paul Higgins in his recent Journal article. Groups of friends are encouraged to meet together. The new Study Group Procedures Guide (\$1.50) is helpful. Sometime assistance can be secured from an organized Chapter. Interested individuals are encouraged, even urged, to begin meeting regularly together to reap the benefits of group participation. Headquarters would appreciate a report of what you found helpful in organizing.

Three prominent SFF Chicago Area couples were recently invited to a suburban home for an SFF "cottage meeting". That very night a new Study Group was organized. So pleasing was the evening that these three couples have decided to become a "Task Force" in the Chicago Area to accept similar invitations aimed at starting new Study Groups.

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