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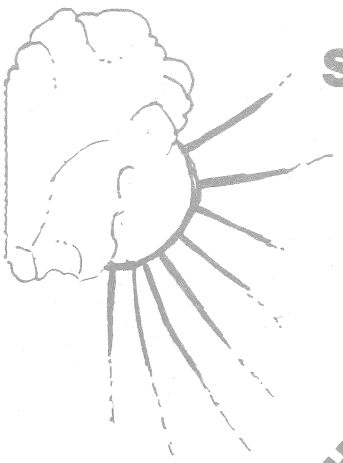
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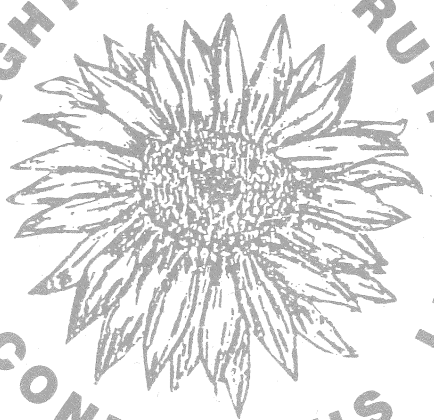
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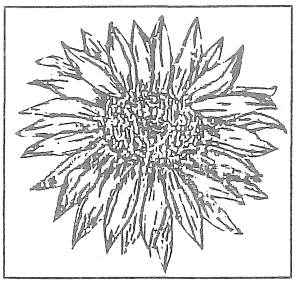


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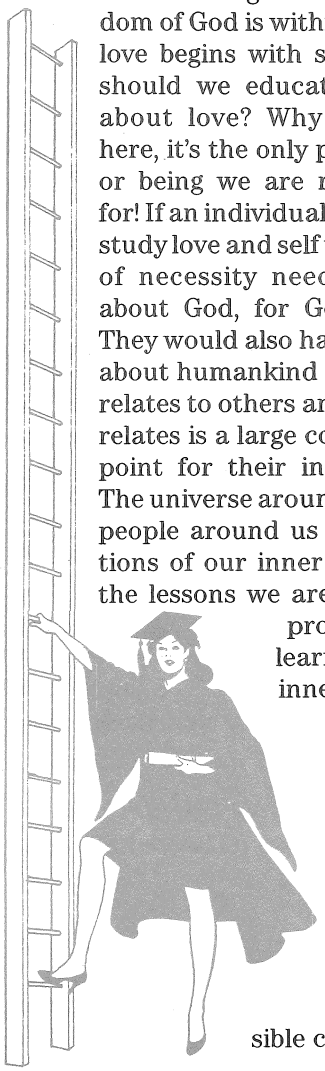
EDUCATION
- Go For It -

By The Rev.
Sandra Pfortmiller, NST

■ *Every piece of marble has a statue in it waiting to be released by someone of sufficient skills to chip away the unnecessary parts. Just as the sculpture is to marble, so is education to the soul. It releases it. For only the educated are free. You cannot create a statue by smashing the marble with a hammer, and you cannot by force of arms release the spirit of the soul.*
— Confucius

So what is it that we are supposed to learn and why is it so important? Leo Tolstoy said, *"I believe that the reason of life is simply to grow in love. I believe that this growth in love will contribute more than any other force to establish the Kingdom of God on earth."*

We have been taught that the Kingdom of God is within and that love begins with self-love, so should we educate our self about love? Why not start here, it's the only place, thing or being we are responsible for! If an individual decided to study love and self they would of necessity need to learn about God, for God is love. They would also have to learn about humankind for the self relates to others and how one relates is a large contributing point for their inner peace. The universe around us or the people around us are reflections of our inner being and the lessons we are currently processing, so learning of our inner kingdom includes all aspects of life. An example of education topics could include this possible curriculum:



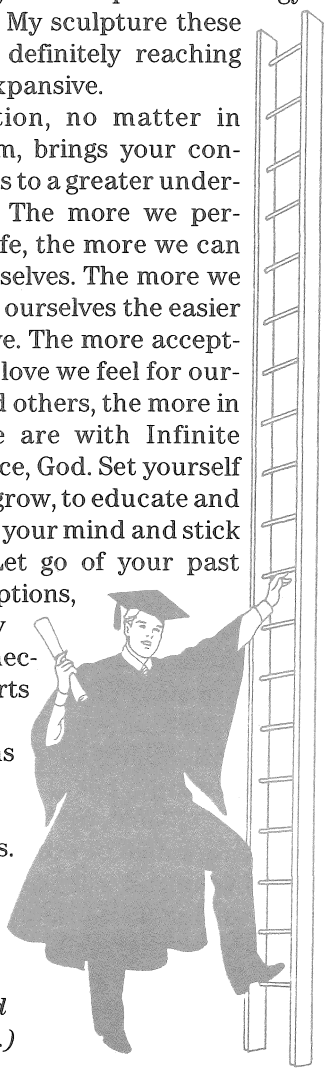
■ **Comparative Religions** (to learn all of humankinds' views of the Higher Power)
■ **Yoga or Thai Chi exercise** (assists one to fathom and channel the energy of the Universe)
■ **Exercise or fitness training** (is vital to allow the physical to be healthy)
■ **Meditation and development classes** (to support one to further quiet the conscious mind that the inner light may greater shine)
■ **Psychology and counseling classes** (to improve the understanding of the idiosyncrasies in self and in others, thus becoming more accepting)
■ **Science/Math classes** (beneficial to see Natural Law in action and assure yourself of the order of life and that God is All in All)
■ **Creative Writing** (because writing causes one to think and stimulates the mind to grow and expand)
■ **Art classes** (for creating objects of beauty helps the eye to conceive Natures' beauty which is an expression of the Infinite Divine Source)
■ **Communication/Speech courses** (remembering that inner and outer communication is our means of expressing that which we are)
■ **Food and Nutrition** (to assist in a healthy body which is part of the triune being of a human, therefore interacting with the mind and the spirit)
■ **Reading** (stimulates new perceptions and ideas)
■ **Music** (so the balance and harmony can fill the soul)

The college class schedules, the community educational offerings, the church lyceums, personal reading programs, the MPI course in Spiritualism, any or all of these can assist you in your growth. Each time we gain an insight or a new awareness there is a special satisfaction and understanding that accompanies it.

Sometimes when I vegetate in front of the television, watching anything rather than thinking, I go to bed feeling like I have wasted those magic moments of my life when I could have been growing, creating or sharing. What kind of sculpture would I have created that night. The only growth would be a bulbous one, for T.V. and mindless munching seem to be related, so my sculpture might be a big, blob of nothingness.

Other nights I read, write, attend church or classes and often go to bed thinking of the new insights, the inspiration, or the positive energy I have felt. My sculpture these nights is definitely reaching up and expansive.

Education, no matter in what form, brings your consciousness to a greater understanding. The more we perceive of life, the more we can know ourselves. The more we recognize ourselves the easier it is to love. The more acceptance and love we feel for ourselves and others, the more in touch we are with Infinite Intelligence, God. Set yourself a plan to grow, to educate and stimulate your mind and stick with it. Let go of your past misconceptions, chip away those unnecessary parts allowing new truths to enter your awareness. YOU are your own sculptor, you can



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THE "ADULT LYCEUM"

BY
JUNE L. CONLEY



Are they bored — or are they pensive? Sometimes what is considered a *"low energy"* point is when the most profound thinking takes place. Pulling back from activity is when one makes ready for an even greater plunge toward understanding of the self.

A Lyceum teacher must keep up with the latest developments of the evolving planet. Changes in our spiritual development are reflected in material happenings around the globe. Although it may appear on the surface waves of life that we may not be making progress, we are... just *"as the sunflower turns its face toward the light of the sun, so Spiritualism turns the face of humanity to the Light of Truth"*. Therefore, in accordance with Natural Law, therein lies progress, for the Law is perfect. There are spirit helpers ever ready to guide and assist us along the path. As co-creators, what we pay attention to will grow.

God, through his wondrous love for us, allows us to choose whether we create a connected, loving existence as instruments of the universe. We will progress only insofar as we are open and willing to do so. Yes, it requires study, but it also requires presence of Mind; openness to Spirit and acceptance of others, here and now. Listen and learn as guidance is given to the students and your classes will be ever fresh and interesting.

It is indeed of paramount importance to have studied Spiritualism through the courses available. Along with the *"material background"* available to teach Spiritualism, one only needs to listen to that inner thrust of life's longing for itself. We are grateful to the forerunners of Spiritualism as they have shown us the path.

To hold the interest in Adult Lyceum classes we need be mindful not to re-invent the past. We live in an exciting time. Each generation has a work, under the guidance of Spirit, to accomplish. Using the tools of technology and terminology of these times we work to heal ourselves and the planet. There is no more exciting time than the present as we discuss, share, and learn from each other, communicating the news that souls evolve here and hereafter. Life continues, *"There is no death, there are no dead!"*

Spirit is farsighted, and God is the Ultimate.
- Nancy Udell

FAVORITE SAYINGS TO LIVE BY

In this column we list ***Favorite Sayings to Live By.*** *Please send in your sayings that have helped you, for they may in turn assist another.*

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"We must develop and maintain the capacity to forgive. He who is devoid of the power to forgive, is devoid of the power to love."
— *Martin Luther King, Jr.*

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"Millions of spiritual creatures walk the earth unseen, both when we sleep and when we wake."
— *Milton*

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"There is no good and no evil in the larger sense; there cannot be. God is not good and evil."
— *Anonymous*

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"Life is what happens while you are making other plans."
— *John Lennon*

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"A kiss is a lovely trick designed by nature to stop speech when words become superfluous."
— *Ingrid Bergman*

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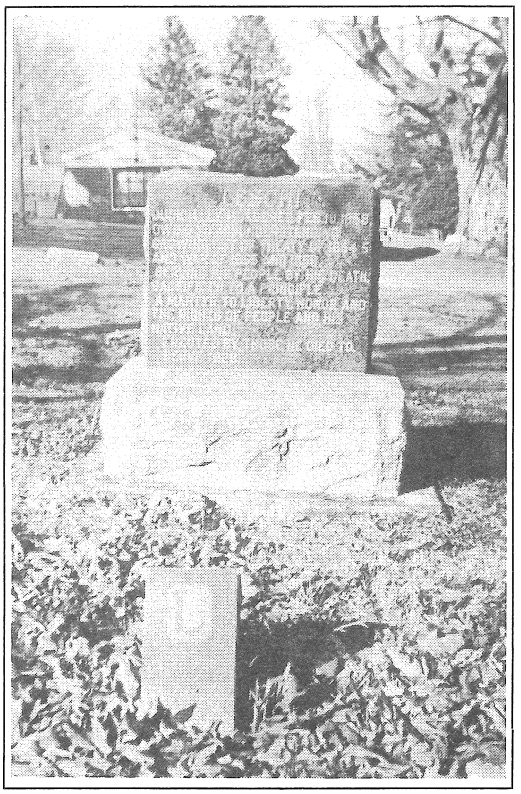
Indian Ghosts? Indian Graves?

BY DALE PIERCE

While my mother had been a devoted Spiritualist prior to her passing, the same did not hold true for me, as I was long one of the skeptics who would grudgingly admit when a message at church services was accurate, but would violently denounce any message not letter-perfect as not only inaccurate, but as a case for fraud. As I began to explore the religion in greater depth, I learned that mediums for the most part, received messages via mental pictures which they, in turn, tried to interpret. Sometimes, I realized, these interpretations were flawed, due to human error, and did not make the message itself invalid. With this in mind, I started taking the messages more seriously, looking more closely at the content itself, rather than relying on the interpretation of the deliverer. As such, I found many messages I would have previously dismissed as inaccurate to have meaning, as if the deliverers knew my way of thinking and were presenting things in a code I, rather than the medium, understood. This symbolism and decoding became commonplace for me.

When I received a message prior to heading for Washington to do book work, one message was so far off-base I had to turn it down. The medium asked, *"Are you thinking of writing about a murder the military covered up!"* The answer was a resounding, *"No!"* While I had, and still have, many books, magazines, and newspaper pieces on a multitude of subjects, the story line of warfare, at least on modern terms, was totally unfamiliar to me. Images of napalm, tanks, and machine gun fire might have fit Ernie Pyle or someone of that ilk, but not me.

In truth, I was working on a project, but far from the topic of battlefields and warfare, or any potential murder the military might have pulled off and covered up. The subject was a pictorial history of death in the old west, assembling photos of hanging, bullet riddled bandits and where no photos existed, pertaining to this, I intended to take my own shots of graves. With this purpose in mind, I spent two weeks in Washington, visiting the old cemeteries and shooting the tombstones of the famous and not so famous alike. The message prior to leaving, had all but been forgotten, written off in my mind as invalid.



THE MYSTERIOUS PHOTOGRAPH.

It was when I went unto the grounds of the Puyallup Indian Sanitorium, however, that things took an interesting turn. I was there to take a picture of a grave, belonging to one Chief Leschi, a Nisqually whom had been charged with violatong a treaty, raiding white settlements in the Puget Sound area, and had subsequently been hanged. I had already written the text, asserting to this, and had only to take the photo to make his part complete. I was aware that though an obscure figure as far as history went, being notably excluded from *"Bury My Heart At Wounded Knee"* and other such works, some controversy existed as to whether he was good or bad in the northwest, a topic which for brevity, I had chosen to avoid. To me, he was an Indian warrior who was executed, in spite of some objections from sympathizers. Case closed.

I found the grave with relative ease, though the whole area seemed to give me the creeps. After visiting countless graveyards, only this Indian burial ground bothered me. The totem pole seemed to be laughing. The wind seemed to carry chants of old. It gave me a feeling of trespassing . . . a feeling I should take the pictures needed and leave. This I did, stopping though to note the gravestone bore an entirely different version of how the old chief had died, one which most accounts, including my own projected one, disputed. The epitaph stated, *"Leschi, judically murdered Feb. 19, 1858, owing to misunderstanding growing out of the treaty of 1854 and war of 1855 and 1856. Serving his people by his death, sacrificed to a principle, a martyr to liberty, honor, and the rights of people and his native land. Erected by those he died to serve, 1929."*

Needless to say, the Indian version of what had happened varied greatly with the other accounts I'd read and my own pre-prepared planned-out manuscript. So the dispute was bigger than I expected? Oh well. What I had put into print would remain.

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"Yeah, yeah," I muttered, keeping in mind that throughout history people have always tried to prove executed people to be innocent. *"Martyr my . . ."*

Before I knew it, I was flying. Had I slipped in my haste to leave the burial grounds or had somehow, my feet literally been knocked out from under me, as it had felt? The camera landed unhurt in the grass, but I went straight down on the asphalt. Above me, the wind seemed to carry the chant once more. The totem poles seemed to laugh at a well-guarded SECRET.

Pulling myself up, I inspected the camera, limped to the rental car, and prepared to go to my next stop, all the while picturing some vindictive Indian spirit, not liking my thoughts, somehow punching a hole back into this world and shoving me.

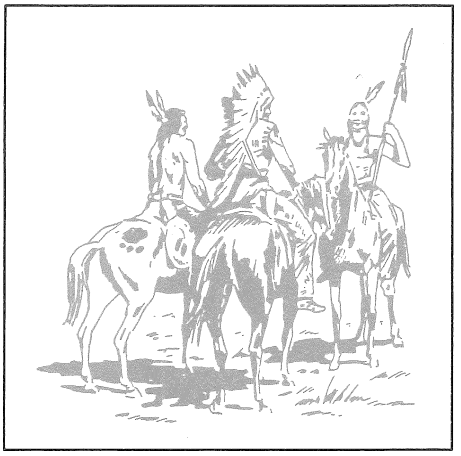
"Alright," I muttered. *"I'm leaving what I put in print about you being guilty as it is! I don't care what it says on your gravestone. Judically murdered. Well, you can just . . ."*

It was then the message came to me. A murder the military covered up. Not a murder from the times of Ernie Pyle or McArthur and Truman, but long before, in the area where I was well-versed. A murder the military covered up, pertaining to a message I had thought invalid.

And indeed Leschi had been murdered, legally, thanks to the ambitions of power-mad, Indian-hating territorial governor Isaac Stevens, who later resigned from his office, and the aid of some of his military flunkies. The Leschi presented in some past accounts and the Leschi of truth were, as I found with some digging, two separate people.

The details of his case are too numerous to mention here. Essentially, the chief had been on friendly terms with the white men, as his daughters married anglos, he loaned horses to the military to help them build a fort, and made provisions to bring food to starving settlers. Then when Governor Stevens took over, hot to rid the area of Indians and bring in *"progress"*, the topic of treaties came up. Leschi came in to talk terms and was infuriated to learn the government planned to move his people from the rich lands of Puget Sound to the desert in the far southeast. Refusing to sign the treaty, he stormed out, and here history becomes clouded.

Whether guilty or not, Leschi was blamed for a series of raids in which settlers were killed. Fearing for his life, he went into hiding, carrying on secret talks with the friends he had among settlers and the military, to carry on a peaceful solution. The short of it is, he was issued a military pardon, was doublecrossed, went into hiding, was betrayed by some of his own relatives for a stack of



blankets, and set for trial though the military had no true jurisdiction to do so, except for the fact that Leschi had violated a treaty. Suspiciously, this treaty which he had refused to sign, now bore his mark, and in spite of further attempts to free him, Governor Stevens and crew were bent on his destruction. Under the guise of justice, a murder was indeed carried out and covered up via false documents, false testimony, and attempts to rewrite history to put Governor Stevens and crew in a favorable light, while branding Leschi a killer.

Yet Leschi won a victory for his people. Public opposition to the execution was so high, the attempt to make the old chief a warning to others backfired. The Nisqually were allowed to remain in the Puget Sound, in an effort to pacify some of the hostilities and the whole sordid affair was brushed under the carpet as best as possible. Leschi became, outside of his own region, a forgotten part of history and whenever he was recalled, it was usually as an Indian renegade who was hanged, though guilt was not conclusively established.

Had it been a push from the spirit world or just a slip would to me, now be inconsequential. Whatever it was, forced me to dig into the forgotten pages of western history and find the truth about the railroading of Chief Leschi. I have changed the text to the manuscript and have also typed a version out here, for those in the Spiritualist religion. Indian ghosts and Indian graves or just a stroke of coincidence doesn't really matter that much. Either way, the truth about an injustice of nearly 150 years comes into being.

One chilling note though, came after my return, my relating the story to those in the church where the message first came, and my preparing for work on the book. Of the various rolls of film, only one was late coming back from the store. This roll contained the footage of Leschi's burial site. When it did return to me, I was extremely disenchanted.

The package contained a note that the company had destroyed my originally submitted film via some kind of mishandling. As such they had enclosed a free, duplicate roll of film, which they would also develop free for me, hoping the original footage could be reshot. There was also, of course, to be no charge for the ruined footage, little compensation for the hassles I had gone through to take it! It was then I noticed something else. Human error, I am sure, but once again, extremely coincidental.

The supposedly destroyed pictures had not been destroyed. A reprint of each was in the envelope and all were in pretty good shape.

The first photo in the stack was one I had taken about halfway through this supposedly demolished roll of film. It was a photograph of a gravestone going up a hill. It bore the name of Leschi!

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THE ART OF THE TEACHER

BY THE REV. ALFRED A. CONNER, NST



Some people are born teachers, regardless of the formal education, others are trained to the task. Being well read is an education in itself, travel experiences, particularly to other lands and countries broaden the understanding of customs and cultures — these are often dictated by a particular religion.

But what defines a good teacher? The first essential is to be a good communicator! In which case, with the plethora of Mediums in N.S.A.C. Spiritualism we should be overflowing with good teachers. If we are sensitive enough to communicate with Spirit entities shouldn't we be sensitive enough to communicate clearly with those Spirit entities still housed in the physical body? If we aren't getting our message across then we need to know why not.

Periodic self-evaluation is automatic for the good teacher. Some questions we need to ask ourselves are:

1. Do I approach the class as a good-news bearer (evangelist) enthusiastically sharing this wonderful information that I've been taught, or I've discovered, or I've researched?

2. Do I take a schoolmaster/schoolmarm approach, or do I treat students as peers? We're all on the same road of unfoldment.

3. How much participation do I allow so that the students with longer training have the opportunity of reinforcing their knowledge by expressing it, and thereby gaining confidence (and teaching experience).

4. Do I vary the format of the lesson? (Varying the subject is a given.) It doesn't always have to be a lecture before the circle-sitting. The Rev. Sharon Snowman, NST, often used debate as a method of expanding students' consciousness. Frequently, she would select a person to take the pro viewpoint, knowing that the person's personal conviction was to the contrary. Compelling someone to do this at least brings him/her to some level of understanding of another's view, if not to a level of acceptance of that person's right to another viewpoint. I won't even suggest subjects for debate, otherwise I'll be accused of starting World War III.

5. Do I allow sufficient latitude for Spirit Inspiration to determine the direction of the class? Is there anything more boring than listening to someone read a lesson or treatise for even thirty minutes, much less an hour? Of course Spirit can inspire while it's being written, however, attention span being what it is, people's mind wander at the artificial *"spontaneity"*, an oxymoron, but it's still like cold food warmed up again. Make notes, by all means, but Spirit lives in the now, and the voice is much more animated with the originality of instant thought/inspiration. Let Spirit control and go with it.

6. If I'm training these students, am I allowing them to exercise the things I'm teaching, e.g., Healing, Mediumship and Teaching? A clear analogy on this question is that someone can teach you all of the technical things about swimming — the strokes, the leg movements and the breathing — however, if you haven't ever gone into the water you're never going to

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EDUCATION SPEAKS FOR ITSELF

Morris Pratt Institute Association ■ The Rev. Joseph Sax, Secretary



Each month ***The National Spiritualist*** *will feature the writing from a student who is currently taking the education course from the Morris Pratt Institute. Featured this month is an essay written by* ***Esther S. Perantoni,*** *of the Center for Spiritual Enlightenment in Virginia.*

As noted within this lesson, *"the object of Spiritualism is . . . to teach and proclaim the science, philosophy and religion of modern Spiritualism; to encourage lectures on all subjects pertaining to the spiritual and secular welfare of mankind; to protest against every attempt to compel mankind to worship God in any particular or prescribed manner; to encourage every person in holding present beliefs always open to restatement as growing thought and investigation reveal new truth, thereby leaving every individual free to follow the dictates of reason and conscience in spiritual as in secular affairs."*

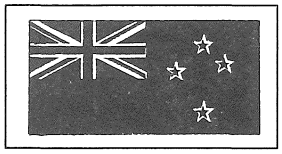
Tolerance, open-mindedness, understanding and compassion are the basis of the religious aspects of Spiritualism. Each is worthy within itself as it is within its interrelationship with the whole. Spiritualism strives toward the highest meaning of the Golden Rule, *"Whatsoever ye would that others should do unto you, do ye also unto them."* To do so, compassion and understanding must lead the heart as one is tolerant and open to all aspects of one's neighbors. To work from an open heart, with concept of service to one's fellow man is to strive for the highest levels of Spiritualism.

The lesson compares similarities between religions of the world and the great writings of those religions. All work from the same basic premise of the Golden Rule. To strive for purity and growth on this plane is to open to the growth and wisdom of the Infinite. Because we are all part of the whole, our actions toward one another reflect our inner being to self and to the Infinite.

Life is the manifestation of the spirit, of love. To live and practice the philosophy and religion of love is to open to any and all possibilities of growth . . . and to any and all spirits as part of the Infinite.

INTERNATIONAL INTERESTS

Spiritualism In A Nutshell



NEW ZEALAND

WHAT SPIRITUALISM STANDS FOR

An understanding of the spiritual laws of life.
The awareness of ever ascending spiritual states of beings, expressing the Cosmic intelligence.
Propagation of spiritual knowledge.
Appropriate respect for all forms of life.
No barriers of creed or race.
Religion on a rational basis.
Freedom of opinion.
Personal responsibility for intentions.
Goodwill in all personal relationships.
The denial of any justification for cruelty.

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WHAT SPIRITUALISM PROVES

Human survival by demonstrating the fact of communication after death of the physical body.
The indestructibility of the spirit consciousness.
The ability of every spirit to progress to higher states.
The attraction of like minds in spirit life.
The dependency of the body upon the spirit.

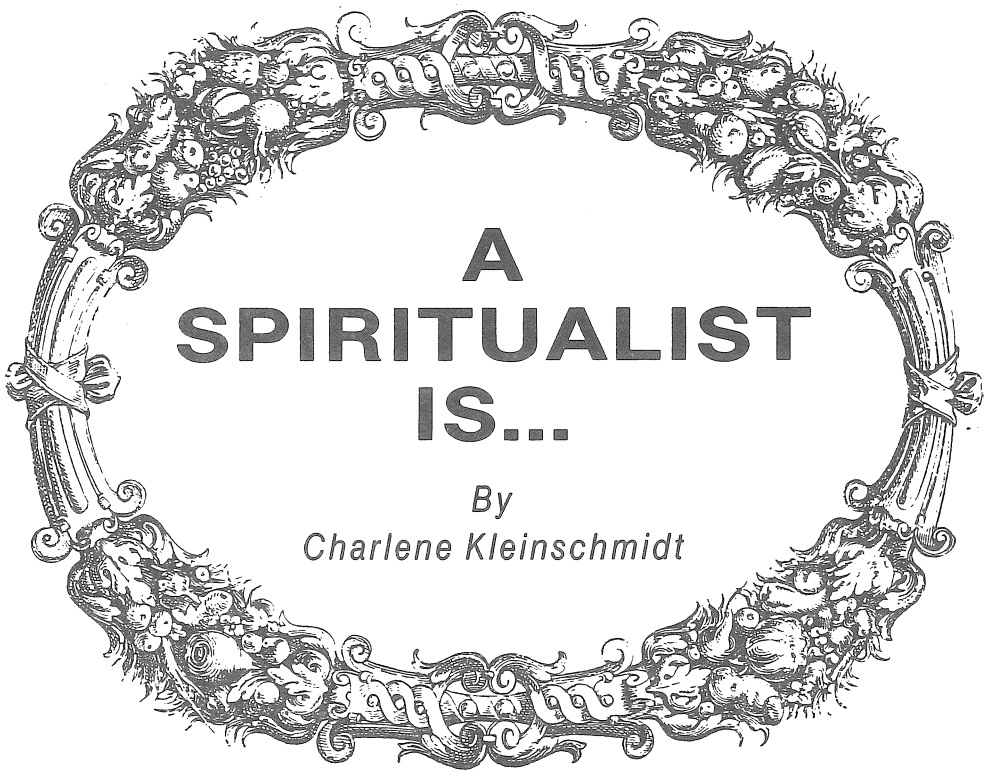
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WHAT SPIRITUALISM DOES

Removes the fear of death.
Comforts the bereaved.
Demonstrates the truth of survival and communication.
Gives new hope to the lonely and forsaken.
Gives healing to the sick.
Makes religion a reality to the rationally minded.
Helps to unite all religions in the fundamental truths.
Provides a reason for loving our neighbour.
Encourages psychical research.
Confirms much of the thought of the great spiritual leaders of the past, both religious and secular.

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A SPIRITUALIST IS...

By
Charlene Kleinschmidt

All too often people stop with the definition, *"A Spiritualist is one who believes, as the basis of his or her religion, in the communication between this and the spirit world by means of mediumship . . . "*

They forget, *". . . and who endeavors to mould his or her character and conduct in accordance with the highest teaching derived from such communion."*

Have you stretched yourself lately, trying to reach a new goal in changing your conduct to be in accordance with the highest teaching derived from such communion? Or do you like yourself just the way you are and see no need for improvement? I doubt that, but what do we do with the second half of this definition?

Maybe it is time to examine ourselves, see ourselves as others see us. Think about the things you have said or done in the last thirty days. According to the Declaration of Principles you state at every church service, do you think you have lived up to your Principles? If you were to pass over today would you want the personal identity you have now or would you wish you had been a little more charitable and understanding of those vexing spirits you had to deal with in your daily life, those others in the physical, whom could not have possibly been *"angels unawares"*. If you believe that the highest morality is contained in the Golden Rule, would you want others to treat you as you have treated them? How many times have you spoken sharply, been just a little bit rude, or unthinkingly hurt someone's feelings? I know I've done it and I'm sure most of us have. Maybe we better think a little more seriously about our own conduct before we judge someone else.

Fortunately, we know *"the door to reformation is never closed,"* but better we improve here than hereafter.

For the next thirty days let us see what we can do to live up to the second half of the definition and to prove we are truly Spirit in the flesh. If we accept our moral responsibility to make our earth home a happier place for everyone, we will find ourselves happier as a result.

If you believe that the highest morality is contained in the Golden Rule, would you want others to treat you as you have treated them?

Over and over we are encouraged to love one another and to accept each other, just as we are, striving to help each other up the rungs of progression. Let us each begin this day to reach for another's hand and lift them up. Let us be the kind of person who will make others say, *"I don't know what those Spiritualists have, but I'd like to be like them."*

Then, and only then, will we be the expression of Infinite Intelligence we should each be striving to be.

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The Proof is in the Pictures

By Anita J. Buchholz, L.M., C.M.
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It is January 29, 1922. In the little house, sitting off the main road about a quarter of a mile, there seemed to be a lot of commotion.

This house was the home of Kenneth and Hazel, the hired hand and his wife. On this day, a new baby was due to arrive.

The grandmother-to-be arrived in her buggy. She jumped from the buggy, ran into the house, and started preparing for the birth. In those days mothers did not go to the hospital, but awaited the birth of their children at home.

Soon the grandmother was joined by two doctors who had arrived in their shiny buggies. The father and grandfather waited outside the farm house, caring for the horses. Next a wagon arrived carrying two nearby neighbors.

It was very apparent something was wrong inside the house. A woman came to the door to tell the men that there was a possibility that both the mother and child would leave the earth plane for the Spirit World.

The neighbors hurried home and returned with a bottle of wine they had brought from the Old Country and had saved it for a special purpose, never guessing it would be used to try to save the life of a young mother.

Hot irons wrapped in cloth were being placed on the mothers feet to keep her warm. Soon it was announced to the men that a 13½ pound baby boy had been born, but had returned to Spirit because of a broken neck which happened when the doctors attemped to turn him.

For days the young mother fought for her earthly life, while her son's body was buried without her being able to see him. However, she survived, thanks to the loving care, the home made wine and the hot irons.

Time passed and another son arrived in July, 1923. That little farmhouse was also the home of their first girl, arriving in December, 1927. After residing in that farmhouse six years, they moved. In May, 1932, they were blessed with another girl.

These three children grew up and married and moved away from Kenneth and Hazel's home.

While the youngest girl lived in Wisconsin, she was invited to a neighbors house to witness a psychic artist draw pictures of those in the Spirit World. When asked who she would like, she told him her brother, who had passed over after breathing only 16 times. The picture was drawn and she took it home, eventually putting it in a trunk for safekeeping.

A few years passed, and the same artist came to the Spiritualist Camp near the older sisters home. She, too, asked for a picture of the brother, not knowing her younger sister already had a picture of him.

The picture was drawn and the second sister was excited and happy because the picture closely resembled the high school graduation picture of her brother on the earth plane.

She took the picture home and her husband framed it, and they presented it to Hazel, so she would have a picture of her first born, whom she had not seen. Hazel hung it in her bedroom where she could now talk to him.



Within a few weeks the younger daughter visited the mother. On seeing the picture, she exclaimed, *"Where did you get that? I have one of him at home in the trunk."*

On the next trip, she brought the picture, and they compared the two. He had grown up in the Spirit World and had become a doctor. Her picture showed him younger and in green *"scrub suit"* garb. In the later picture, he had aged and wore the white doctors' apparel.

Doesn't this prove that our children, who pass to Spirit young, do grow up in the Spirit World? This brother and I have had a wonderful childhood, thanks to mediumship. He has cared for our whole family on many occasions.

In closing, may I add that when our mother went to live in a nursing home, the picture returned to me. My sister also gave me her picture, and now both pictures hang in the Spiritualist Harmony Church in Davenport, Iowa.

We also have the psychic drawing of the Starling child who went to Spirit when he was 2 years old. His parents watched the spirit rise up from his body and go through

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THE PROOF IS IN THE PICTURES

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the ceiling. He, too, is now grown. He resembles his father when young, and was drawn with the necklace the mother buried him in. He was the only member in the family to have blond hair, and the artist drew blond hair.

The Psychic Artist of the two drawings for my sister and me was Rev. Stanley Matrunick. The Psychic Artist for the mother of the Starling drawing was Rev. Jim Fosgate.

If you are ever in our area, stop by and see them.

EDUCATION — GO FOR IT —

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set your soul soaring by what you accept into your spirit. FREE the God part within to express the Love Light. Let your motto be ***Full Esteem Ahead! — A Path of Love and Growth!***

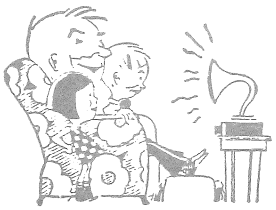
THE ART OF THE TEACHER

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know whether or not you can really swim!

All of the knowledge in the world will do little good without the practical experience, which, when expressed successfully becomes wisdom. Empirical evidence.

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Jest Joking...

■ Have you ever noticed that people who are great at remembering jokes can't always remember who they told the joke to, or how many times.

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■ I read that a seance is *"doing what comes supernaturally."* — The Consolidated Wagsters Unexpurgated Dictionary of Humor and Wit.

■ "The scientific theory I like best is that *'the rings of Saturn are composed entirely of lost airline luggage.'"* — Mark Russell.

CALENDAR CORNER

What happened in OCTOBER throughout the years?

October 1899 The first six **Declaration of Principles** adopted.

October 1909 The seventh and eighth **Principles** adpoted.

October 1945 The ninth **Principle** was added.

October 3, 1859 The day the inspired, world known author, poet, traveler and Spiritualist, **Lilian Whiting** was born. She was one of the first women to edit a newspaper and she reflected her Spiritual beliefs in her writings.

October 6, 1843 On this date **Elizabeth Lowe Watson** entered the physical expression. Her childhood was filled with spirit and she became an inspirational speaker, poet, author, minister and devoted Spiritualist.

October 1851 **Dr. George B. Warne,** the second President of the N.S.A. was born this month. He is honored for his long service to the National Spiritualist Association and for beginning *The National Spiritualist* magazine.

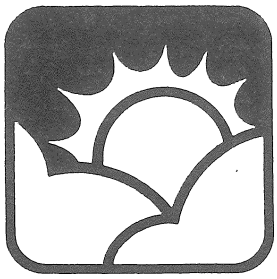
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The cover that is featured this month comes from the second place winner of ***TNS's* Centennial Cover Contest.** It was created by the Rev. Pat Smith, NST. The Rev. Smith is a former National Board member, a former California State Board Member, A National Spiritualist Teacher, a Commissioned Healer, a Certified Medium, a Missionary Society Trustee, a Licentiate Minister and Certified Medium Society Trustee, and Pastor of The Spiritualist Chapel of the Flowers, N.S.A.C. in Van Nuys, California. Pat has designed a cover showing a Spirit Guide watching over the symbol of Spiritualism, the Sunflower. Her selection of wording, *Light and Truth of Continuous Life*, is indeed what Spiritualism is all about. Thank you, Pat, for the energy, effort and nice design that you sent for all Spiritualists to enjoy.

IT'S WONDERFUL TO BE A MEDIUM!

BY THE REV. GENE PFORTMILLER, NST

Everyone of us are mediums in our own way, all touching in with the Spirit Guides and loved ones. Whether you are new to Spiritualism or have been involved with it for years, I would like to encourage you to continue to develop in your Spiritual growth and your mediumship, for the benefits and energies received are well worth the efforts. Remember that it is important to be Spiritual first, for in this way you attract the highest and the best from the Spirit World, and you are open to receive the wonderful benefits of mediumship.



Experiencing the spirit energy is like recharging our batteries so we may continue the growth process with positive directions.

Each day I thank Infinite Spirit that I can touch in with the Higher Realms for through my mediumship I may enjoy both worlds. The thought process that exists in the Spirit World, differs greatly from the physical thinking, is exciting because it is filled with truths, accuracy and meaningful terminology. It is a communication that gives upliftment at all times. When we can be a part of this other dimension, we should feel most honored to be a medium.

We, as mediums, also enjoy an abundance of love from spirit guides, teachers and loved ones, for love is continuous, being demonstrated and proven through mediumship. Often during a spirit greeting, or reading, an outflow of loving energy is sent to the sitter through the sensitive, and the message bearer gets the opportunity to enjoy this wonderful energy as well.

There is a special fulfillment when the medium sees another person benefit from contact with Spirit Entities. Sometimes it gives the receiver answers to their questions, or gives them a goal or direction, or a new purpose in life, or gives them added self-confidence, or takes away fears of life now and life in the future. Often spirit messages are filled with joy and humor that creates a good feeling in all present. Experiencing the spirit energy is like recharging our batteries so we may continue the growth process with positive directions.

The medium has been called a *"go-between"* the two dimensions, but this is only part of the wonder of mediumship, for through the messages, the medium not only delivers greetings, proving the continuity of life, but also teaches of life now in the physical, of the religious truths of Spiritualism, of Natural Law, of growth and progression. So often a spirit greeting has a message for everyone to learn from, to be able to grow in life's understanding and forward direction.

A medium uses their faculties on many different levels — personal (inspiration, creativeness), to help another (upliftment), for a group (direction, guidance), or to touch in with Nature's phenomena (earthquakes, volcanos). Often mediumistic abilities can give advance warnings so disasters may be averted, prepared for, or softened.

Most mediums will affirm that there is a different, inner energy when delivering a message from spirit, than when touching in with the sitter on a psychic level. The receiver of the message, often can feel this variation of the vibration, as an upliftment or as a peaceful experience.

Being a medium also is beneficial when working from the rostrum as the scheduled speaker at a church service, class, seminar or workshop. Many times the ideas presented are new for the speaker too, being received at the same time as others are hearing the words. When giving an invocation, or benediction, or whenever a prayer is offered at a special occasion, the sensitive's words and thoughts are inspired by the Spirit Forces. When the mental healing, that is a meditative visualization, is shared, often it is in a light trance state. Spiritual healing and laying-on-of-hands is a form of mediumship, that truly witnesses the remarkable phenomena of the gifts of spirit, and of service to others.

There are endless rewards to mediumship, which will continue here in the physical, as well as when the medium graduates to the Spirit World. How wonderful it is to be a medium! May we always honor and treat our mediumship with the utmost respect, for it is a sacred trust and a Spiritual Blessing.

— Prayer for Spiritual Healing —

I ask the great unseen healing force to remove all obstructions from my mind and body and to restore me to perfect health.
I ask this in all sincerity and honesty and I will do my part.
I ask this great unseen healing force to help both present and absent ones who are in need of help and to restore them to perfect health.
I put my trust in the love and power of God.

Lighthearted Healing

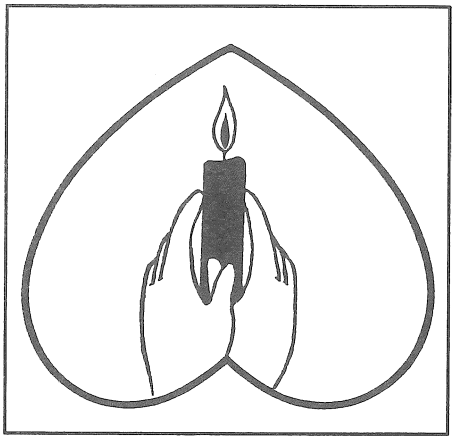
BY ELSIE FEATHER SONG

Each generations' healing experiences vary, with the newer members being taught diversity in using the healing wisdom available to us all. The knowledge and truthful *'Lighthearted Healing'* energy is received from the Infinite Intelligence, through our Spirit Helpers, who guide the vibration to those in need. the Spirit Healing Energy is a joyous energy.

The workers that are serving spirit are taught to be humble and grateful for the abilities of healing possessed within, the Within, the Within. They serve with the flame of love to share the true gifts of healing. They attune with a rainbow spectrum to share an auric glow of energy in recognition of the beneficial powers of color and light. Healers welcome and acknowledge the forces in the silence and then send them out.

The human heart, the brain, the organs may be revitalized by deep breathing and all are encouraged to enjoy fresh air and nature. Earth, air, fire, water, plants and animals blend with our human experiences, with our life force, and help to create our reality. Respect the earth's soil, plants and water for they can be used to repair and make new . . . for life's ebb and flow, to change the cycles and cleanse. The healer is especially sensitive and aware of these things.

Humor and playful laughter works wonders in creating the healing process. Teasing and sarcasm are sometimes disguised as humor, but these are not healing. Humor has an element of joy and fun. Ever watch a child at play? This is a child's work. Little girls heal their dolls and boys fix things up. A child's tear shed in nurturing an injured pet conveys healing energy and compassion, to lovingly soothe the pet.



As adults, do we share our spirit from the heart, from love? All healing begins within. Within the healer and within the patient through trust in the Divine Healer. Within, the within is the vibral core of the physical and spiritual being, inspired by the mental to activate those forces. It is within, where a blending of all elements of the Spiritual begins, to aid the physical and mental energies to become one in balance with the Spirit that is always present. This beautiful realm receives the hugs, kisses, twitches, and prickles to remind us of the lessons our soul has chosen to experience. All are of God to guide and show the way. We are within an Infinite Circle of life, which through natural law and love vibration taps into the universal realm, connecting each to the Great Mystery — the Infinite Intelligence of all *'Lighthearted Healing'*.

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The Good Of A Good Education

BY THE REV. MICHAEL J. MARTINO, NST

We believe in Infinite Intelligence.

Spiritualists know this statement as the first principle. It is the description of the supreme impersonal power we know as God. Simple and overt as the statement is in this regard; it carries another message, though subtle, yet as profound. It gives us the formula and defines our method when we desire to grow as children of God. The declaration implies we are to seek an education that will lead us to live intelligently.

It is through our learning that we accomplish. Our learning is the substance of our life long education, and the good of that education is that we are taught to grow in spirit. Therefore, a good education is learning to live intelligently. When we are living the truth that we are children of God, then we are thinking, loving and living as intelligent human beings, one in spirit. It is through this method of living that we fulfill Divine Law and perfect the expression of the spirit that is the center of our life.

We are not born with this wisdom. We learn it.

With this view, our educational experiences become measured and valued by a qualitative rather than quantitative criteria. We see the worth of a small spiritual gain as more precious than abounding material success, and we come to recognize that knowledge is mere sand in the desert compared to the oasis we know as an expression of wisdom.

Ultimately, we learn from a good education that only through knowing ourselves do we come to know the world, and if we first seek to know the world then we only assure losing ourselves in it.

Most educational striving is motivated by practical concerns. Preadult programs are mostly designed to socialize, inculturate and indoctrinate the person to fit into a community in a politically or religiously defined way. Afterwards, the social priority for the student will most likely be to become knowledgeable in a chosen field, acquiring specialized training, and achieving recognition and status, all with the desire or objective to secure work and establish a standard of living. If education is administered or sought exclusively for these purposes, then the person experiencing or seeking the schooling will in all probability receive just a quantitative gain in their life. Such systems of learning are established based on a rationale motivated by a reductionistic belief which equates material gain and power as the only real success. This is education designed to learn about the world.

Every choice in our life brings a consequence, and choosing this type of education exclusively will be at the sacrifice of the spirituality of our life. Limiting ourselves to such an educational program as a method of personal improvement would be analogous to clogging the arteries of our spiritual heart. Consequently, the further we go in this direction, the weaker will become our spiritual health, crisis will follow upon crisis until we become spiritually bankrupt. Our spirituality will become as impermanent as the world we sacrificed it for. In psychology this phenomena has a parallel that is identified and defined as the mid-life crisis.

Learning to live intelligently is the goal of a spiritual life, and is the good of a good education. And a good education centers on the traditions of teaching and healing. Our responsibility is to seek a teaching tradition which enriches and augments our spiritual life with instruction that teaches us how to be spiritually. When we find an educational tradition that offers spiritual instruction we can be sure it will be for our spiritual well being if it includes in tandem a healing tradition also, because it is through healing that we are made whole. Both the words, healing and education, have a similar root in that they refer to the bringing about of wholeness.

The good of a good education teaches a person how to be whole, harmonious, and how to express the full measure of their potential as an individual. Through experience and example, the person is guided to cultivate the wholeness of their body and mind. The greater the spiritual health of the person's body and mind, the greater their spirituality can manifest in their life. With the individual's spirit directing the living the practical concerns of an education takes on a new purpose. What is learned is for the service and function of the individual's spirituality.

The good of a good education teaches the person more than how to live, it teaches right living, or how to be. It teaches the person more than health, it teaches them wholeness. It teaches them that the good of a good education is intelligent living when the spirit manifests within and through the individual soul.

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2305 Alameda Ave.; Mailing Address: 2657 Miramar Ave., Castro Valley, 94546; (510) 357-2436; Sun. Serv. 10:00 a.m.; Classes - Thurs. 7:00 p.m.; Pres., Emma K. Gilliam; Pastor & Secy., Rev. Wayne L. Du Bois, NST, 2657 Miramar Ave., Castro Valley, 94546.

AUBURN - Spiritualist Chapel of the Pines
Direct Mail to 457 Grass Valley Hwy., #12, 95603; Sun. Serv. 10:00 a.m.; Sun. Class 12:00 p.m.; Fri. All Message Serv. Church phone (916) 823-1816.

DOWNEY — Spiritualist Society
Serv. Sun. 11:00 a.m. and Fri. 7:30 p.m. Please phone (310) 927-7079 for information.

MONROVIA - Spiritualist Church of Revelation
34 E. Huntington Dr., Arcadia, CA 91006; Sun. Serv. 11:00 a.m.; Located inside LOOK WITHIN bookstore. Enter from parking lot behind building. Pastor/Pres., Martin Pina; Secy., Winston Lumley. Info call Harriette Calloway, (213) 681-1677.

REDWOOD CITY - Redwood Church of Spiritual Science, N.S.A.C.
149 Clinton St., 94062; Sun. Serv. 11:00 a.m.; Pres. John Johnston; 155 Elder Ave., Millbrae, 94030, (415) 692-4536; Secy., Angela DiBerardino, (415) 964-6350.

ROSEVILLE - Central Spiritualist Church
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7776 Hesperia, 92345.

SAN BERNARDINO - Temple of Spiritual Truth, N.S.A.C.
732 N. Sierra Way. Direct Mail To: P.O. Box 1435, 92402; Sun. Serv. 11:00 a.m., Healing 10:30 a.m.; Pres., William Sanabria, (714) 825-6809; Secy., Margaret Haskins, (909) 862-4376.

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SAN FRANCISCO - Golden Gate Spiritualist Church
1901 Franklin St. (Cor. of Clay) 94109; Sunday, Lyceum 9:30 a.m., Healing 10:30 a.m., Devotional Serv. 11:00 a.m.; Student Services, Healing 6:00 p.m., Devotional Service 6:30 p.m.; Wed. Healing 7:30 p.m., Serv. 8:00 p.m., (415) 855-9976; Pastor, Rev. Donald Haddick, NST; Pres., Sonny B. Gee; Secy., Frances Richardson.

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SAN LEANDRO - Spiritualist Church of Two Worlds, N.S.A.C.
1349 Hays, 94577; Sun. Serv. 10:15 a.m. to Noon; Co-Pastors, Rev's Betty and Don Nauratil, (510) 283-1449; Pres., Jean Kuhl, 816 Cary Dr., 94577, (510) 483-5630; All mail to Secy., Rev. Betty Nauratil, 1048 Via Roble, Lafayette, 94549.

SAN RAFAEL — Serenity Spiritualist Association
322 Upper Road, 94903; Mail to: P.O. Box 4375, 94913; Sun. Serv. 10:00 a.m.; Pres., Ronald C. Cavender; Secy., Beverly J. Houser, (415) 472-3633.

SANTA BARBARA - Summerland Spiritualist Church of The Comforter
1028 Garden St., 93101; (805) 965-4474; (Correspondence to Secy., Sandy Romer at Church address); Sun. Serv. 11:00 a.m.; Wed. All Message Serv. 7:00 p.m.; Mon. Beg. Unfoldment Class 6:30 p.m.; Thurs. Inter. Unfoldment Class 6:30 p.m.; Rev. Foard Memorial Library, open by appt., in the Social Room; Pastor, Rev. Linda Schneider, 302 E. Figueroa St., 93101; Asst. Pastor, Richard Carlisle, 3996 Maricope Dr., 93111; Co-Pastor, Rev. Connie Smith, 29060 Burkley Rd., Hayward, 94544.

VAN NUYS - Spiritualist Chapel of The Flowers
14411 Vanowen St., Suite 118, 91405; Sunday Serv. 11:00 a.m.; Mailing Address for church and Rev. Pat Smith, NST, 8901 Eton Ave., Sp. 39, Canoga Park, 91304, (818) 701-7633.

• COLORADO •

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DENVER - Spiritualist Chapel of the Rockies, N.S.A.C.
1545 N. Hooker St., 80204, 280-9015; Sun. Serv. 11:00 a.m.; Messages & Healing, Wed. Serv. 7:30; All Message Service, Fri. 7:30. Pastor, Bonnie Winston; Secy.-Treas. Jim Winston.

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NEWINGTON - The Church of The Infinite Spirit
Masonic Temple, 80 Walsh Ave., 06111; Church phone (203) 754-3559; Sun. Serv. 2:00 p.m., Sept. thru May; Pastor, Rev. Catherine Margiotta, 46 Webb St., Waterbury, 06704, (203) 754-3559; Pres., Homer Wooster, 101 Leffingwell Ave., Waterbury, 06710, (203) 574-2017; Secy., Joyce Barlow, 16 Seymour Rd., 5H, East Granby, 06026, (203) 651-0507.

NIANTIC - Ladies Aid Society Camp at Pine Grove
July and August Services, Sundays at 2:30 p.m. For a program listing all Summer activities, call (203) 739-2157 or write to: Secy., Rev. Virginia J. Berg, 1280 Class Ave., Holbrook, NY, 11741.

NORWICH - National Spiritualist Church of Norwich, Inc.
P.O. Box 939, 06360; Church phone (203) 886-8522; Sunday Serv. 10:30 a.m.; Secy., Alvera Gauvin, 70 Peck St., 06360, 889-5968.

OLD GREENWICH - Albertson Memorial Church of Spiritualism
293 Sound Beach Ave., 06870; (203) 637-4615; Sun. Serv. 11:00 a.m.; Pastor, Rev. Melvin O. Smith.

STRATFORD - The Temple of Divine Truth, Inc., N.S.A.C.
Boothe Memorial Park; Serv. 6:00 p.m. on the 2nd & 4th Sat., Sept.-June; Pastor, John Paterna, 39 Quintard Ave., So. Norwalk, 06854, (203) 866-3885; Secy., Denise Puglia, 30 Edison St., 06487, (203) 377-3912.

WILLIMANTIC - First Spiritualist Church of Willimantic
268 High St., 06226; Sun. Serv. 10:30 a.m.; Healing Serv., Thurs. 7:00 p.m.; Pastor & President, Joyce Orcutt, 133 Wales Rd., Andover, 06232, (203) 742-7846; Secy., Cynthia M. Snyder, 16 Sterling Rd., Moosup, 06354, (203) 564-5976.

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WASHINGTON - The Church of Two Worlds
3038 "Q" St., N.W., 20007; Sun. Healing 2:00 p.m., Serv. 2:30 p.m., (202) 333-5114; Pres. Pauline Hathaway, 3 Strawberry Court, Bryans Rd., MD, 20616, (301) 283-4244; Secy., John Meerschaert, 1600 16th St., #806, N.W., Washington, DC 20009, (202) 483-6084.

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3210 Chickasaw Trail (P.O. Box 571043, 32857); Sun. Serv. 10:30 a.m. and Wed. 7:30 p.m.; Healing, Lecture, Messages all services; Pres., Rev. Jeannie Kerr Lerch, NST, 335 Piney Rd., Casselberry, 32707, (407) 834-5378; Secy., Rev. E. Ann Otzelberger, NST, 4332 Woodlynne Ln., 32812, (407) 826-0807.

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BURNHAM - Puritan Spiritualist Church
13906 Greenbay Ave., 60633; Sun. Serv. 2:30 p.m. & Wed. 7:30 p.m.; Pastor, Anna Gross, 10930 Ave. "M", Chicago, 60617; Secy., Maude E. Mazzacavallo, 14235 Oak St., Dolton, 60419, (708) 841-1792.

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CHICAGO - The Church of the Spirit
2651 N. Central Park Ave., 60647-01101; Chicago's Oldest Spiritualist Church; Sunday Family Worship Hour, 10:30 a.m.; Tues. Dev. Class, 7:00 p.m.; Adult Lyceum, 12:15 p.m. on the second Sun. of each month; All Message Serv., 7:00 p.m., on first Wed. of each month. Pastor, Ms. Marrice Coverson; Secy., Ms. LaVerne DeChristopher.

CHICAGO - Spiritualist Church of Truth
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CICERO - First Spiritualist Church of Cicero
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FRANKFORT - First Spiritual Science Church of Frankfort Inc., N.S.A.C.
Magnolia & Green Sts.; Sun. Healing Serv. at 2:00 p.m., Worship Message Serv. at 2:30 p.m; Reading Days, 3rd Saturday of each month at 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; Unfoldment Classes on Sundays at 1:00 p.m.; Pres. Mildred Schlagel, 3232 MacArthur Lane, Indianapolis, 46224, (317) 291-0799; Secy., Bonnie J. Ashman.

GARY - First Spiritualist Church, Inc., N.S.A.C.
2430 W. 11th Ave.; Serv. Sun. 3:00 p.m., Wed. 8:00 p.m.; Pastor & Pres., Rev. Jesse James, Jr., 1301 Pennsylvania St., 46407; Secy., Verillia Shaffer, 636 McKinley St., 46404; Unfoldment Classes Fri. 7:00 p.m.; Dinner every third Sun.

INDIANAPOLIS - Progressive Spiritualist Church
6225 N. Carrollton Ave., 46220, (317) 255-4902; Serv. Sun. "Psychic Tea" 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., Reg. Serv. 3:00 p.m.; Pres., Paul E. Keller, 9341 West County Line Rd., Camby, 46113, (317) 831-2499; Secy., Willie Kersey, 215 Welcome Way Blvd., E Dr., #305A, 46214.

MICHIGAN CITY - Spiritual Science Church, N.S.A.C.
314 W. Coolspring Ave., 46360, (219) 874-6002; Sun. Serv. 1:45 p.m.; Correspondence to: Pastor & Pres., Rev. Ruth Novak, 7008 W. U.S. 20 W., #77, Daphne Park, 46360, (219) 872-6621; Secy., Mrs. Lorraine Carley, 6443 W. Bleck Rd., La Porte, 46350.

MUNCIE - First Church Of Spiritual Science, N.S.A.C.
Corner of Ninth & Mulberry; Sun. Healing Serv. 2:30 p.m., Church Serv. 2:45 p.m., Dinner served last Sun. of the month at 5:00 p.m. followed Student Serv. 6:00 p.m.; Unfoldment Classes Tues. 8:00 p.m., Muncie -Fri. 8:00 p.m. Chesterfield; Pastor, Rev. August Schnyder, 221 W. 9th St., 47302-1635, (317) 284-2494; Secy., Connie Graddy, 2905 Dakota Dr., Anderson, 46012. Open last Sunday in October thru last Sunday in May.

• IOWA •

CLINTON - First Spiritualist Church
541 6th Ave. So., P.O. Box 123, 52732, (319) 243-3233; Sun. Worship and Message Serv. 10:30 a.m.; Sun. Adult Lyceum 9:30 a.m.; Dev. Class every other Wed. at 7:00 p.m.; Church closed during months of July and August, open first Sun. after Labor Day; Pres. & Pastor, Rev. Georgia Milton, (319) 243-9738; Secy., Dorathy Burns, (319) 243-9260, 329 6th Ave. So., Apt. 323, 52732.

CLINTON - Mississippi Valley Spiritualist Assoc. Camp
Mt. Pleasant Park, 52732.

CLINTON - Sunflower Spiritualist Church
10 Mt. Pleasant Park; Mail to: P.O. Box 6, 52733-0006; Sun. Serv. at 2:00 p.m.; Pastor, Bonnie Horstman.

DAVENPORT - Spiritualist Harmony Church
1429 W. Seventh St., 52802, (319) 324-9659 or 326-3453; Worship & Message Serv. Sun. 2:00 p.m.; Adult Lyceum Class, Tues. 7:00 p.m. and Sat. 10:00 a.m. (Closed during July and August.) Pastor, Rev. William E. Buchholz, Jr., 806 E. 13th St., 52803, (319) 326-3201; Secy., Roma Plagman.

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AUBURN - Madison Campmeeting Spiritualist Assoc.
R.R. 4, Box 208 L 17, 04210.

AUGUSTA - Augusta Spiritualist Church
Corner of Court and Perham Streets; Sun. Worship & Healing Serv., 2:00 p.m. followed by social hour/buffet at 3:30 p.m.; Awareness Class, Thurs. 7-9 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Rupert Sigurdsson; Pres., Fred Odione; Treas., Jane Frost; Secy., Victoria Binkley, 1221 Minot Ave., Auburn, 04210.

BANGOR - The Harrison D. Barrett Memorial Church
120 Park St., 04401; Sun. Serv. 4:00 p.m.; Healing Serv. Wed., 7:30 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Arlene Sikora, (207) 938-2807; Secy., Betty Simpson, RR #2, Box 5055, Carmel, 04419, (207) 848-2273.

DOVER-FOXCROFT - First Piscataquis Spiritualist Church
Thompson Free Library Clubroom, 04426; Serv. every Sun. in May and Oct. at 2:00 p.m.; Every 2nd Sun. June thru Sept. at 2:00 p.m.; Pres., Wanda W. Adkins, P.O. Box 224, Sangerville, 04479; Secy., Nancy W. Crabtree, RFD #3, Box 115 D, Guilford, 04443, (207) 876-4535.

LINCOLNVILLE - Temple Heights Spiritualist Assoc. Camp.
P.O. Box 166, 04849.

PORTLAND AREA - Portland Spiritualist Church
54 River Rd., (the Unity Bldg.), So. Windham. Mailing address: P.O. Box 6551, P.T.S., 04102; Sun. Serv. 6:30 p.m.; Class 7:30 p.m.; Pres., Warren Nielsen; Secy., Michael Carter, P.O. Box 6551, P.T.S., Portland, 04102.

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• MASSACHUSETTS •

BROCKTON - First Spiritualist Church of Brockton
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ONSET - On-I-Set Wigwam Spiritualist Church Camp
13th St., 02558.

SALEM - First Spiritualist Church of Salem
34 Warren St., 01970; Sun. Early Serv. 5:30-6:00 p.m.; Lunch break 6:00-6:30, Healing & Evening Serv. 6:30-8:00 p.m.; Telephone for weather cancellations, (508) 745-2098; Church season is Sun. after Labor Day - last Sun. in May; Pres., Priscilla Herrick, 9 Harbor St., Danvers, 01923, (508) 777-4268; Secy., Dorothy R. Crocker, 14 King St., Peabody, 01960, (508) 977-9554.

SPRINGFIELD - First Spiritualist Church, Inc.
33-37 Bliss St., 01105, (413) 743-1234; Winter Serv., 1st Sun. after Labor Day until last Sun. before July 4th at 3:00 p.m.; Summer Serv, at 7:00 p.m.; Pres., Bernard Hilton, 133 Upper Rd., Deerfield; Secy./Treas., Elaine Avery, Avery Rd., Montgomery, 01085, (413) 862-3310.

• MICHIGAN •

MICHIGAN STATE SPIRITUALIST ASSOC. OF CHURCHES
Pres., Marcia Hyatt, 4161 Buckingham, Detroit, 48224; Secy., Marjorie Elaine Weichner, 8022 W. Chain Lake Rd., P.O. Box 89, South Branch, 48761-0089, (517) 257-4133.

CHARLEVOIX - The Golden Rule Spiritualist Church
1½ miles west of Bay Shore on old U.S. 31, North, 49720; Services: 10:30 a.m., March-May and Sept.-Nov.; Secy., Gail Wrona, 07453 Old 31 North, 49720, (616) 347-3899; Treas., Marjorie Stanhope, 07423 Old 31 North, 49720, (616) 347-7598; Pastor, Rev. Cosie Allen, 1418 Hall, S.E., Grand Rapids, 49506-3960, (616) 241-2761.

CHARLEVOIX - Northern Lake Michigan Spiritualist Camp
1½ miles west of Bay Shore on Old U.S. 31, North, 49720; Services: 10:30 a.m., June-Aug.; Secy., Gail Wrona, 07453 Old U.S. 31 North, 49720, (616) 347-3899; Treas., Marjorie Stanhope, 07423 Old 31 North, 49720, (616) 347-7598; Pastor, Rev. Cosie Allen, 1418 Hall, S.E., Grand Rapids, 49506-3960, (616) 241-2761.

DETROIT - First Spiritualist Temple
97 Delaware Ave., 48202.

LESLIE - Flower Memorial Spiritualist Church
West Bellevue at High St.; Sun. Lyceum 10:00, Church Serv. 10:45 a.m.; Pres., Timothy Weichner; Secy., Mary Ellen Weichner, 4400 Edgar Rd., Lot 25, 49251, (517) 589-5193. Silver Star - Free Spirit Lyceum, Conductors Rebecca Strauss & Edna Goddard.

MUSKEGON - First Na;tional Spiritualist Church
3320 Thompson St., Bluffton Area, 49417.

OXFORD - Spirit of Harmony Chapel, N.S.A.C.
21 Dennison St., 48371; 1-(313)-628-2353; Sun. Serv. 7:30 p.m.; Pres., Michael Dambrique; Secy., Elizabeth Wilson.

ROYAL OAK - First Spiritualist Temple
3224 Greenfield Rd. (1½ blocks So. of 13 Mile), 48073; Sun. Serv. 10:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Stanley Gutt, (313) 288-4026.

SOUTH BRANCH - Chain Lake Spiritualist Camp Association
8000 W. Chain Lake Rd., 48761; Sun. Serv. 11:00 a.m., June 19, 1994 through Sept. 4th; Annual Retreat Week in July; Lyceum Supt., Dawn Hyatt; Pres., Donald Weichner, 8022 W. Chain Lake Rd., P.O. Box 89, 48761-0089; Secy., M. Elaine Weichner, 8022 W. Chain Lake Rd., P.O. Box 89, 48761-0089, (517) 257-4133.

• MINNESOTA •

MINNESOTA STATE SPIRITUALIST ASSOC. OF CHURCHES
P.O. Box 6115, Mpls., 55406; Secy., Melanie L. Helvig, (612) 529-0781.

DULUTH - First Spiritualist Church
1414 E. Ninth St.; Mailing Address: P.O. Box 3652, 55803-3652.

MINNEAPOLIS - Second Spiritualist Church
2230 Lyndale Ave. N.; Sun. Serv. 10:15 a.m.; Secy., Chrissy; Pres., Warren, P.O. Box 6115, 55406, (612) 529-0781.

MINNEAPOLIS - Spirit of Life Spiritualist Church
Secy., Toni Ferdelman - address mail to: P.O. Box 22398, 55422; Services held at 4:00 p.m., 4401 Upton Ave. So. (Lake Harriet Community Church Bldg.); Unfoldment class, Tues. Evenings 8:00 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Palma Ashlay-Lehrer, NST, Medium, Comm. Healer, 3908 Georgia Ave. North, 55427, (612) 535-2746.

ST PAUL - Spiritual Science Church
411 Main St., 55102; Sun. Healing 10:00 a.m., Serv. 10:00 a.m.; Pres., Mr. E. A. Yankovec, 1687 Century Circle, #319, Woodbury, 55125, (612) 735-7579; Secy., Menalinn Haberkorn, 1040 Laurel Ave., 55104, (612) 224-0698.

• MISSOURI •

KANSAS CITY - The Light of the World Spiritualist Chapel, N.S.A.C.
3724 Red Bridge Rd.; Sun. Serv. 7:30 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.; Mailing address: Secy., Edna Rowland, 601 S. Ward Rd., Apt. D, Lee's Summit, 64081; Pres., Ann Winn.

ST. LOUIS - Fifth Spiritualist Church
6026 S. Kingshighway Blvd., 63109; Sun. Serv. 10:30 a.m.; Healing, Meditation & All Message Service, 1st Wed. of the month at 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Brenda Wittich, 3903 Connecticut St., 63116, (314) 647-5289; Secy., Mrs. Virginia Lee Gummels, 7608 Comfort Ave., 63143, (314) 647-5289.

• NEBRASKA •

OMAHA - Spiritual Science & Philosophy Church, N.S.A.C.
321 Hascall St., 68108-2121; Sun. Serv. 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Philosophy Class Noon when scheduled; Pastor & Secy., Alace Jayne Fanslau, 321 Hascall St., 68108-2121, (402) 345-0101.

• NEVADA •

LAS VEGAS - Spiritualist Desert Church, N.S.A.C.
Sun. Serv. 6:30 p.m.; Pastor, Catherine Stewart, Licentiate Minister, (702) 431-2571.

• NEW HAMPSHIRE •

SALEM - The Church of Spiritual Life, Inc.
109 Main St., Rt. 97; Mailing Address: P.O. Box 892, Methuen, MA 01844; Year Round Services: Sunday 2:00 p.m.; Wed, 7:00 p.m.; Pres., Dwight Broadstone, (603) 783-4456.

• NEW JERSEY •

N. CAPE MAY - Stow Memorial Foundation
Florence Statkiewicz, 218 Siva St., N. Cape May, 08204.

WESTVILLE - Church of Eternal Life
243 W. Olive & Folsom Sts., 08093, (609) 456-2196; Sun. Serv. 11:00 a.m.; Pastor, Lillian Joyce, 405 Binker Ave., Berlin, 08009, (609) 767-1651; Pres. Edith Pedrick, 123 E. Oakland Ave., Oaklyn, 08107, (609) 854-4317; Secy., Irene A. DiRenza, 119D Haddon Hills Apts., Haddonfield, 08033, (609) 858-6535.

• NEW YORK •

ALBANY - Capital District Spiritualist Church
2245 Central Ave., Schenectady, 12304; Sun. Serv. 6:30 p.m., Progressive Development & Philosophy classes, Mon.-Thurs., Open Healing Forum every Friday at 7:00 p.m., Open Seances every Friday at 7:30 p.m. and every Sun. at 8:30 p.m.; Psychic Horizons Bookstore is open weekdays and after all church functions; Church is open all year; Pres., James Jamieson; Pastor, Rev. Stephen Robinson, NST, (518) 374-7558.

ALBANY - Spiritualist Open Center
1471 Rte. 9, Rome Plaza, Clifton Park, 12065; Sunday Serv. 10:30 a.m.; Spiritual Unfoldment Classes, Mon.-Thurs.; Open Circles, Fri. 7:30 p.m.; Silver Cord Books and Gifts, open after all church functions; Pastor, Rev. Hillary Kramer, NST; Pres., Patricia Cizewski, (518) 383-1931.

AMSTERDAM - Circle of Light Spiritualist Center
419 Chapman Dr. (East Main St.), 12010; Sunday Serv. 6:30 p.m., and open seances every Fri. at 7:30 p.m. year-round; Psychic Development Classes, year-round; Spiritual healing offered every Monday evening at 8:30 p.m.; Pastor, Jeanne M. MacVilla, (518) 842-0205.

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BINGHAMTON - First National Spiritualist Church
97 Riverside Dr., 13905, (607) 723-0695; Sun. 11:00 a.m., Wed. 7:30 p.m.; Pastor, Robert Howell, 97 Riverside.

BROOKLYN - The Temple of Divine Guidance, N.S.A.C.
493 Clinton Ave. (2R), 11238; Serv. 1st & 3rd Sat. 2:00 p.m.; Pastor, Benjamin R. Cooper, Jr. (same address); Asst. Pastor, Rev. Michael J. Martino, Jr., NST, 30 Park Ave., Caldwell, NJ 07006; Secy., Willette Law, 10 Argyle Rd. 6C, 11218, (718) 282-8542.

BUFFALO - Spiritualist Church of Eternal Brotherhood
1980 Bailey Ave., 14211-2402, (716) 892-5277; Sunday Lyceum Serv. 10:30 a.m., Healing Serv. 11:30 a.m., Worship Serv. 12:00 p.m.; Mediums Day 2nd Sunday, Dinner 1:30 p.m., Circles following dinner; Message Service every Friday 7:00 p.m.; Classes, Seminars, Consultations & special activities available; Contact Pastor & Pres., Rev. Andrew Lynch for further information; Secy., Susan Blessing, 7299 Norman Rd., North Tonawanda, 14120.

EAST AURORA - First Spiritualist Temple
29 Temple Pl., 14052, (716) 652-5018; Sun. (except Mediums Day) 1:00 p.m. Lyceum Classes adult & children; 2:15 p.m. Healing Service; 3:00 p.m. Lecture & Message Service; 4:30 p.m. Coffee Hour; Mediums Day 3rd Sun. of month; 2:15 p.m. Healing Service; 3:00 p.m. Lecture and Message Service; 4:30 p.m. Dinner followed by All Message Service; Pastor, Rev. Paul F. Spencer, NST, Box 511, Delevan, 14042, (716) 492-3608; Secy., Charlene Kleinschmidt, 1071 Wish Circle, 14052, (716) 652-4972.

FREEVILLE - Central New York Spiritualist Assoc. Camp
Box 26, 13068.

LILY DALE - Lily Dale Assembly
5 Melrose Park, 14752.

LILY DALE - Lily Dale Spiritualist Church
Sun. Servs. Healing & Development 10:30 a.m., Worship 11:00 a.m. (Sept.-June), Lyceum Sun. 9:30 a.m. - Karen Payne, Director; Pres., Barbara Laughlin; Secy., Carol Johnson; Address all correspondence to church at P.O. Box 1128, 14752.

LONG ISLAND - New Horizon Spiritualist Church
261 Elmont Rd., Elmont, 11003.

LONG ISLAND - The Temple of Metaphysical science, N.S.A.C.
15 Oak St., Patchogue, 11772; Sun. Serv. 11:00 a.m.; Pastor, Rev. Edna C. Claussen, (516) 737-4651; Asst. Pastor, Rev. Virginia Berg, (516) 588-1442; Mailing Address, P.O. Box 18, Holbrook, 11741; Secy., Edward H. Freidlein, (516) 271-2268.

ROCHESTER - Plymouth Spiritualist Church
175 Carter St., 14621, (716) 544-0427; Sun. Serv. 10:30 a.m., Wed. 7:30 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Ann Lazerson, 691 Parsells Ave., 14607, (716) 288-5666.

ROCHESTER - Spiritualist Church Of Light
c/o The New Voyage Bookstore, 1712 Monroe Ave., 14618; Sun. Serv. 10:30 a.m. - 12:30; Pastor, Joseph Guarnaree, L.M.; Secy., Carol Orr, P.O. Box 1921, 14603, (716) 334-7434.

• OHIO •

OHIO STATE SPIRITUALIST ASSOCIATION
Pres., Rev. Ray J. Moschke, 1468 Ironwood Dr., Fairborn, 45324, (513) 878-1165; Secy., Caroline Taylor, 850 N. Meridian Rd., Apt. 610, Youngstown, 44509, (216) 792-8633.

ASHLEY - Ashley Spiritualist Camp
P.O. Box 24, 43003.

ASHTABULA - First Spiritualist Church
4230 Main Ave.; Sun. Serv., 2:30 p.m., Healing & Clairvoyance; Pres., Charles J. Benes, 8513 Creek Rd., Williamsfield, 44093, (216) 293-7056; Secy.-Treas., Dorothy A. Benes; Healing & Clairvoyance Services at 2:30 p.m. during the months of Sept., Oct., Mar., Apr. & May; Winter Hours, Services held at 1:30 p.m. during months of Nov., Dec., Jan. & Feb; The Book Shop is open every Sunday.

COLUMBUS - First Spiritualist Church of Linden
1751 Aberdeen Ave., 43211; Devotional Serv. Sun. 10:30 a.m., Sun. Lyceum 9:30 a.m.; Pastor, Rev. Neil C. Griffen, 8521 Old Worthington Rd., Westerville, 43801, (614) 263-1631.

COLUMBUS - Spiritualist Church of Spirit Revelation
1081 E. Weber Rd., 43211; Worship Serv. Sun. 2:30 p.m. & Wed. 7:30 p.m.; Message Serv. 4th Friday of each month.

DAYTON - The Church of Two Worlds, N.S.A.C.
848 Clover St., 45410.

MARION - Memorial Spiritualist Church
667 Henry St., 43302; Sun. Serv. 2:30 p.m.; Thurs. Message Serv. 7:30 p.m.; Pres. Robert Hull, 316 Franklin St., 43302, (614) 387-8887; Secy., Dorothy Beveridge, 241 Uhler Ave., 43302, (614) 387-2400.

• OKLAHOMA •

OKLAHOMA CITY - Central Spiritualist Church
2348 N.W. 36th St.; Sun. Serv. 2:30 p.m., Lyceum Sun. 1:00 p.m.; Pres., Joseph F. Oyer, 6216 S.E. 10th St., 73110, (405) 732-7975; Secy., Juanita R. Oyer, 6216 S.E. 10th St., 73110, (405) 732-7975.

• PENNSYLVANIA •

ALLENTOWN - Getter Memorial, N.S.A.C.
1123 Oak St.; Serv. Sun. 10:00 a.m.; Pres., Sharon George, 202 N. 8th St., 18102; Secy., Susan Zernicek, P.O. Box 329, Bloomsbury, NJ 08804-0329, (908) 479-1772; Treas., Myrtle Frace, 2044 Ridgelawn Ave., Bethelehem, PA 18018, (215) 868-5476.

McKEESPORT - First Spiritualist Church
809 Locust St., 15132; Sun. Serv. 2:00 p.m., Healing, Lecture and Messages; Pres., Ella Bryner, 501 Pirl St., Apt. 4M, 15132; Secy., Carol Perella, P.O. Box 1981, Pittsburgh, 15230.

PHILADELPHIA - Second Spiritualist Church
423 S. Broad St., 19147, (215) 735-9630; Lyceum Sun., 3:00 p.m.; Serv., 4:00 p.m., Wed., 7:30 p.m.; Pastor, John E. Faison; Secy., Gladys M. Faison, 2118 N. Natrona St., 19121, (215) 232-9219.

• TEXAS •

TEXAS SPIRITUALIST ASSOCIATION
Executive Offices: 5213 Chestnut Lane, Bellaire, 77401.

AUSTIN - First Spiritualist Church
4200 Ave. "D", 78751; Sun. Devotional & Message Serv. 10:00 a.m.; Pastor, Mrs. June Brockway, (512) 458-3987; Secy., Donald Willis, 1308 Neans Dr., 78758, (512) 837-4304.

CAMERON - First Spiritualist Church
802 S. College St., P.O. Box 1152, 76520; Sun. Morning Serv. 10:30 a.m.; Lunch 12:00; Afternoon Serv. 1:00 p.m., Third Sun. of each month; Pastors, Rev. Frances Brown, 2723 S. Congress, Apt. #2311, Austin, 78704, (512) 447-2188, and Rev. Evelyn Muse, NST, 1104 Susan Dr., Edinburg, 78539, (512) 383-2510; Secy-Treas., Connie Cannon, (817) 697-2296.

DALLAS - Second Spiritualist Church
4653 Cedar Tone Dr., 75211; Services the second and last Sunday each month at 10:45 a.m.; Pastor, Arthur E. Hanson; Secy., Rosie Lee Hanson, (214) 331-8236.

EL PASO - Luz Y Verdad Spiritualist Church, N.S.A.C.
Secy., Mrs. I. M. Rivera, 3305 Nashville, 79930.

GALVESTON - Science Of Serenity Church, N.S.A.C.
2323 Avenue "N", 77551; Secy., Bonney Locke.

HOUSTON - First Church Of Divine Science
2115 Turner St., 77009.

HOUSTON - Church Of Divine Spirit
8010 Wier, #1, 77093-6138.

SAN ANGELO - Church Of Divine Awareness, N.S.A.C.
5914 Glenhurst, 77033.

SAN ANTONIO - Louise Scholtz Memorial Chapel
1627 Pan Am Express Way N.; Sun. Serv. 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.; Pastor, Garrett H. Scholtz; Secy., Ruby Robertson, 10506 Kosub Lane, 78223, (512) 635-7751.

TAYLOR - First Church of Psychic Science, N.S.A.C.
1300 W. 4th & Ferguson; Serv. 2:00 p.m., 2nd & 4th Sunday of each month; Pres., Jennye Lou Swanson, 12316 Fay St., Manor, 78653, (512) 251-5425; Pastor & Sec., Mrs. Frances Brown, 2723 S. Congress, Apt. #2311, Austin, 78704, (512) 447-2188; Vice Pres., Susan Gates; Musician, Vera Roznavak.

• VIRGINIA •

NORFOLK - The Memorial Spiritualist Church, N.S.A.C.
307 W. 37th St., 23508, (804) 622-5070; Devotional Serv. Sun. & Wed., 11:00 a.m. & 7:30 p.m.; Pres., Fred H. Brown, 622 W. Princess Anne Rd., 23517, (804) 627-7015; Secy., Rev. Lelia Cutler, 241 Consul Ave., Va. Beach, 23462.

SPRINGFIELD - Center for Spiritual Enlightenment, N.S.A.C.
7317 Westmore Dr., 22150, (703) 451-7705; Pastor, Rev. B. Anne Gehman; Pres., Dan Holdgreiwe; Secy., Bunny Starr.

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• WASHINGTON •

MILTON - Camp Edgewood, N.S.A.C. Assoc.
1228 26th Ave. Ct., 98354, (206) 927-2050; Childrens Lyceum, Wed. 7:00 p.m., Jill Mohler; Adult Lyceum, Fri. 7:30 p.m.; Denice L. Chapman, Certified Lyceum Teacher; Pres., David R. Chapman, Sr.; Secy., Denice L. Chapman, 1200 25th Ave. Ct., 98354, (206) 952-6722.

MILTON - Church of Spiritual Truth
1228 26th Ave. Ct., 98354; Sun. Serv. 11:00 a.m.; Pres., Fred Klontz, 402 E. Wright, Tacoma, 98404, (206) 627-3874; Pastor, Lillian Johanson; Secy., Denice L. Chapman, 1200 25th Ave. Ct., 98354, (206) 952-6722.

MILTON - Church of Spiritual Unity
Sun. Serv. 2:00 p.m.; Pres., Colleen Mohler, 1210 - 25th Ave. Crt., 98354.

SEATTLE - Tower Memorial Church, N.S.A.C.
2116 W. Dravus St., 98199.

• WEST VIRGINIA •

WHEELING - First Spiritualist Association
(Way Memorial Temple) Broadway & Maryland Sts., located on Wheeling Island; Sunday Lyceum 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Serv. 10:45 a.m.; Wed. Healing 7:00 p.m.; Message Serv. 7:30 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Velma Gasber, 104 N. Broadway St., 26003; Parsonage, (304) 232-5795; Church, (304) 233-5065; Secy., Lucille Smith, 71241 Erin Lane, Martins Ferry, OH 43935, (614) 633-0520; Lyceum Conductor, Annabelle Doty, 68209 Commercial Dr., Bridgeport, OH 43912.

• WISCONSIN •

LaCROSSE - Second Spirit of Life Spiritualist Church
Church Office, 727 State St., (608) 782-6547; Services held at 2:00 p.m. every Sunday at the Valley View Mall Community Room, Entrance #3, 3600 Hwy. 16; Pastor, Deenah Taylor.

WEST ALLIS - First Psychic Science Church
6228 W. Washington St., 53214; Sun. Healing 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.; Church Serv. 10:30 a.m.; Pastor, Rev. Joseph Sax; Pres., Manilla Kochanski, (414) 474-7332; Secy., Elizabeth Tabbert, (414) 327-2361; Church phone, (414) 257-9889.

WEST ALLIS - Spiritual Science Church
2103 S. 81st St., 53219; Sun. Healing 10:00 a.m., Service 10:30 a.m.; Pres., Al Brazzoni, 1913 Bonnie Lane, Waukesha, 53188; Secy., Bernice Sasse; Church phone, (414) 545-2126.

WONEWOC - West Wisconsin Spiritualist Camp Association
304 Hill St., 53968, (608) 464-7466; 94th season opening, June 19 through Sept. 17, 1993 (Near WI Dells); Please call Walter or Bernice Sasse for pre-season information, (414) 251-3457.

• CANADA •

BRITTEN MEMORIAL CHURCH OF CANADA
657 Lansdowne Ave., Toronto, Ontario, M6H 3Y2; Pastor, Rev. June Struthers, (519) 621-6325; Services, Sun. 3:00 p.m. Spiritual Healing & Messages, 7:00 p.m. Address and Messages; Mon. & Tues. 7:30 p.m. SSF Certificate Course; Wed. 7:30 p.m. Message Evening; Thurs. 7:30 p.m. Spiritual Healing, Meditation & Development Class.

CHURCH OF UNIVERSAL LOVE
6123 Yonge St., enter on Centre Ave., North York, Ontario, M2M 3W2; Sun. Winter Hours, Oct.-April, 2:30 p.m.; Summer Hours, May-Sept. 7:00 p.m., Divine Service, Spiritual Healing, Address and Messages; Wed. 8:00 p.m., Spiritual Healing and Messages; Fri. 7:30 p.m., Open Circle, Meditation and Messages; Pastor, Rev. Kenneth Jackson, (416) 447-7331.

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SPRINGDALE CHURCH
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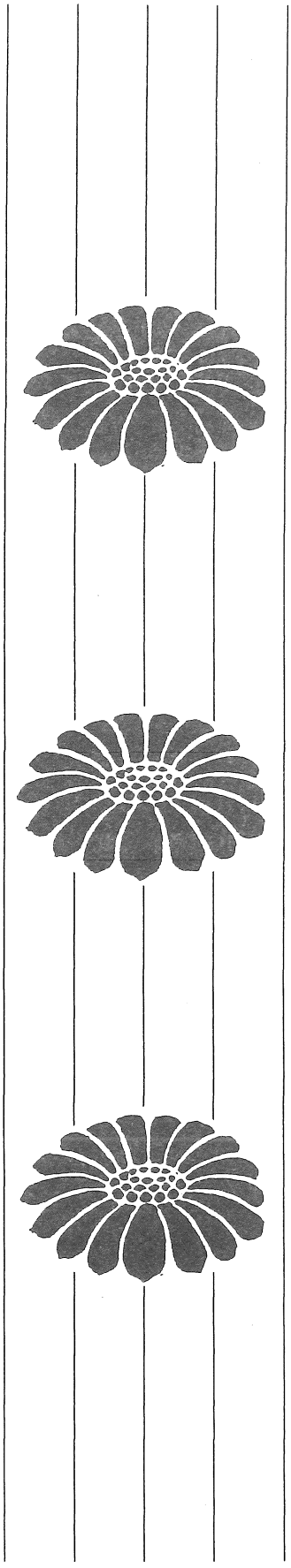
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The Little Sunflower

By Paul Roney

I was born just like everyone else you see
On a hill in a valley green, one early spring
There were hundreds of us in my family
Their heads would sway, when the wind would sing

But not me, my roots were weak and undernourished
That's why I didn't grow as tall or as strong as I should
They all told me, I would never really grow
And I'd always be small and not formed very good

I had trouble hearing them, way up there
If only my stalk were tall and strong and firm
Maybe I'm so little they can't see that I'm here
Oh! How I yearn to blossom, to grow and to learn

Then one day, the wind blew, real real hard
And my families faces bowed down to mine
The surprise they showed, at my perfect form
Not knowing the Sunflower Spirit had kept me in line

So they joined together and provided me with love
Their roots entwined with mine, not letting me die
I started to grow, taller and taller
I'm now out in the sun, with my flower on high

Guidance, compassion and healings they gave
Sharing knowledge of what's wrong and what's right
I'm standing here now because of them
Embracing the Sunflower Spirit with all of my might

So you see, with help and love and God above all
Even the Little Sunflower can grow to be tall!



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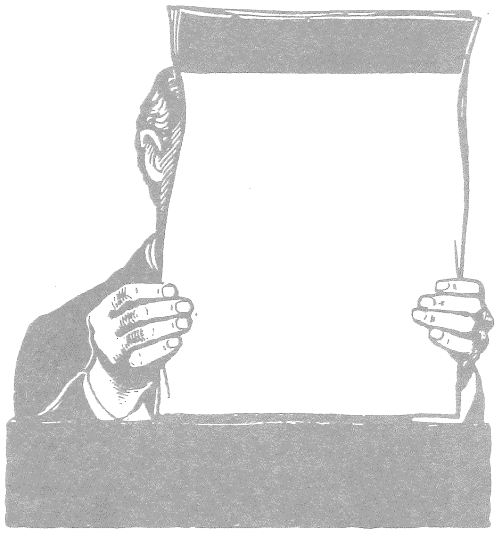
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SPIRITUALISM — *The Religion of Truth*

BY THE REV. BERNARD F. BAKER, NST



Just the other day I read an article in our local newspaper that absolutely shocked me. The headlines said, ***"Church Carnival Actually Secret Baptism."*** The paragraph heading then stated, ***"Parents' OK Not Required, Minister Says."*** Perhaps *"shocked"* is not a strong enough word!

According to the outraged parents, their children were lured to a church carnival and then baptized without their permission by a Christian minister. It seems that dozens of children, some as young as 8 and unaccompanied by their parents, thought they were going to a carnival at a local church, where there would be a big water fight, free balloons, squirt guns and candy.

Before the carnival was over, however, children were whisked into a room for religious instruction and told they should be baptized. In many cases they consented, although they or their families were not of the same faith.

In one case a young girl told her parents that the minister told them they would be killed by bees if they were not baptized. Church officials did not tell parents their children would be baptized because *"they didn't ask,"* the associate pastor of the church said.

He then defended these actions by stating, *"We take our instructions from the word of God, and God has commanded us to baptize converts. No one can show me one passage in the Bible where it says that parental permission is required before a child is baptized."*

What a defense! But since the associate pastor had made such a statement, I couldn't help but wonder where in the Bible it encouraged that threats, deceit and subterfuge would be used?

Unfortunately, police said that the church officials had broken no laws in baptizing the children, but indicated that the parents could pursue civil action.

We always encourage the seeker to search and find the truth about all of our teachings.

Reading this, I thought about our beautiful religion, Spiritualism, and its complete lack of such tactics. Then I decided that I had to write this article. I also decided that an appropriate title would be, *"Spiritualism — the Religion of Truth."*

Never would we as Spiritualist ministers allow such things to take place! No, in fact, just the opposite is what could be expected from our churches. We always encourage the seeker to search and find the truth about all of our teachings.

And when I do this it is a special pleasure for me, because I **HAVE** tested all of our teachings myself, and found the wonderful truths that are contained therein.

And I love discussing this with new visitors to our church. What a joy it is to be able to tell people that we don't expect them to believe something just because it's written in our literature or simply because we say it! No, we encourage that they investigate and find the truth for themselves. Of course we do provide the things that we have found, but still enjoy it when new people also find these truths to be accurate, just as we ourselves have done.

Recently, I wrote an article that discussed the marvelous achievements of women in our ranks, and I discussed how finally, some of the other religions have decided that we were right all along. Of course I was referring to the fact that Spiritualism has always known that women were as well qualified as men to be ordained, and that these other religions are finally opening their eyes to this fact.

Well, in this same paper I read the next article, which discussed the schism that was building in the Anglican church in England because of this. That church's General Synod approved the ordination of women in November, 1992. Legislature putting this into effect must go through Parliament, obtain the asset of Queen Elizabeth II, and then be publicly proclaimed by the synod. This might take until June of 1994, meaning that the first women priests will not be ordained until the latter part of next year.

Now I'll explain why I have decided that this information belongs in this article.

It seems that thousands of churchgoers are ready to leave and join the Roman Catholic church, which has

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vigorously resisted the ordination of women. The Catholic church opposes this on the grounds that there is no theological justification since Jesus chose only men as his apostles! In fact, some Anglicans have already left the church, or are preparing to do so. And in some cases, entire parishes may make a collective decision to become Catholic.

How sad this is, that so many people in these churches, can blindly ignore the fact of the equality of the sexes. Is this reality? And further, is this at all truthful?

A point to be made here is that my argument is not directed only to the Christian religions. No, there are many other religions that do not offer equal status and recognition to the female half of the population!

This brings up several issues. To begin with, did Jesus choose only men as his apostles because of some inherent superiority? Or did he do so for some other reasons, such as the social environment that may have existed at that time? Of course these questions presuppose that the man called Jesus did name only men, as the Bible states!

As Spiritualists, we accept the Bible as a book of historical information, written by inspired human beings, but **NOT** as the word of God!

Now my God, or Infinite Intelligence, has never indicated that there was anything but absolute equality between the sexes. As a result, Spiritualism has always treated everyone in an equal manner. To cite the Bible, or any other supposed sacred scripture as an excuse for prejudicial treatment, is unacceptable to Spiritualism, and will never happen.

Taking this a bit further, consider the prejudices that exist today against different racial and ethnic groups. Should we consider Blacks, Indians or Orientals as inferior because Jesus didn't choose any of them as one of his apostles? Well, as far as Spiritualism goes the answer to that question is a resounding **NO**!

This brings us back to the truth of things. Both sexes and all races and nationalities have proven their equality by the numerous contributions each has made to the world. We can take any one of these groups and easily name numerous contributions. This is reality and truth, and this is what Spiritualism **ALWAYS** accepts.

Now I'm not trying to attack any other religion. But I am very emotional about and committed to Spiritualism, the religion that accepts all **TRUTHS**!

Let's look at some of our teachings to further support my statement that Spiritualism is a religion of truth.

Our mediums constantly prove the continuity of life and of the individual personality. This is achieved every day and in all parts of the world, and is foremost in our religion. We teach that it is not the fact that a person gets a message, but rather it is the content of the message that's important. This position further encourages that the truth be proven by the content, which should be presenting evidential information.

Our scientific approach to religion is more proof of my statement. For the primary demand of science is that absolute proof be presented before anything is accepted as a fact. We teach many things and keep our minds always open to new truths. Which simply means that things we may not be teaching today, may be taught tomorrow, if adequate proof has been given.

Above I explained our position regarding the Bible. By giving just a little thought to the origin of the Bible, you can easily see how our position is a most realistic one. We do not demand blind acceptance, but instead, encourage the seeker to examine the facts and make their own decision.

Our position regarding *"miracles"* is that there are no such things. No, the supposed miracles are simply an expression of Natural Law, or God's Law, that we do not yet understand.

We teach many things and keep our minds always open to new truths.

Consider today's technology. If the things we take so much for granted were discussed 100 years ago, they would be scoffed at. But if, 100 years ago, a television picture was shown, the people would have run away in terror from this *"miracle"*. Even today, in some of the backward cultures, this would happen.

The virgin birth is not accepted by us because it contradicts the natural way, or Nature's way! Never have the laws of nature been waived, and never will they be. So why should they have been ignored in the case of the virgin birth?

Look at Spiritualism, and challenge any of its teachings. Then you will quickly realize that my calling Spiritualism *"The Religion of Truth"* is completely justified and incontrovertible!

ALL WE ARE capable of is Thought and Feeling and expressing it as word and deed.
Our thoughts-feelings automatically manifest upon our body, Health-Illness, and expressed as words and deeds create our experiences, Good-Bad.
Thus, our body and our world form a blackboard upon which we write what we are.

— Merry Browne

The Harvest

BY OLIVER PHINNEY

Surely we all have heard *"when you're dead, you're dead." "Here today, gone tomorrow." "Live for today." "Tomorrow may never come."* The study of life after death refutes cliches thrown upon the wind. People hear and wonder and sometimes struggle to understand cliches. Because of ignorance, misguided sayings clutch the attention of the masses and muster support in the trenches of ignorant philosophers unprepared to take a position for or against the truth. Neither the opinions of the minds of those caught up in the material world, or the minds of the followers of self aggrandizement seeking the audience of their fabled friends, shall stand the test of time.

These souls shall someday pass through the doors into the greater reality and come face to face with the true wisdoms of the world religions. They must look back and gaze upon the fruits or waste of their labors upon the Earth. The lack of direction may continue to mire the minds of men, but ignorance cannot stand the test of time. Some shall find within the inner voice that guides the Spirit to greater truths. Others will expound the truth upon the land and nature will take its course. The idiom of the Spiritualistic Philosophy shall turn the minds of men like the sunflower turns its face toward the light of truth. Such peculiar expression shall find a place in the heart and understanding shall be reverenced as the greatest treasure. Immortality changes everything.



Modern Spiritualism has words that can stir the imagination. When the heart is ready, the mind will seek the truth. We are spiritual beings, the lot of us. Unabashed and unashamed, we go about our daily lives complete with the knowledge that Infinite Intelligence gives us a purpose. Our study of natural law is the mortar struck. It sets the foundation stones for the house of understanding that we must build to carry us forward from this life to the next.

Early man, through dreams, visions, and ghosts, envisioned in their minds a life similar to the one they left behind. A common thread is found — Life after Death. The ancestor worship of the Chinese embodies a belief in immortality. The Brahman truly believes that nothing is ever destroyed. They embraced the unity of the absolute in all creatures and the transmigration of souls. Christianity has its place with the resurrection of Jesus as their proof of immortality. We look at the morals of man and find that Natural Law governs the spiritual countenance of souls. *"The Golden Rule"* found by example in Persian, Grecian, Buddhist, Chinese, Egyptian, Christian, Mohammedan, Hindu, Roman and Hebrew is driven by an inner consciousness of accountability because life just has to continue. Other peoples of the world who had no formal religion just knew the truth. *"The Golden Rule"* is good.

The harvest of Modern Spiritualism gives us a purpose. Its nice to know that we may not sit upon a cloud or just swing upon a star, play a harp or take flight with angel wings in pursuit of golden streets and magic staircases. WE have jobs to do and places to go and songs to sing and things to learn and things to unlearn and help to give and mediums to guide and trumpets to blare out the truth of the harvest. Modern Spiritualism has a plan for humans today. We who are formed of the earth to till the ground can say, *"I am of the Spirit of God."*

We examine, we compare, we search for the truth. We exact our science for the common thread of the messages received through our mediums, for the glimpses of a more complete reality from the new awareness experienced after the change called death. We know that our awareness is only limited to the restrictions that we put upon ourselves.

The Spirit World is as close as the breath that moves in and out of our Spirit house on earth. We feel the impulses of the Spirit World because it is ever present with us. We find truth in the fact that parallel law is nonexistent. All that is, is one complete reality, a Continuum. With substance

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and form acknowledge by our sense of vibration manifesting within the awareness that governs our stage of life, we move from this life to the next. As Spirits we are real people on Earth. As Spirits we are real people after we relinquish our hold on the earth vibration.

The Spirit World is a real world. Our physical lot in life will be refined in the bodies that we bring forth after the change called death . . . bodies no longer hampered by the physical vibration or lack of it because of disease or accident. I had a friend that had no legs because of polio, yet he lived upon the earth plane with half a body missing. Again, a man that had no arm, and another who was unable to guide the physical vibration of mind because of a tumor on the brain. Yet they all lived. Can they live with no physical body at all? Of course, says the wise man who knows that the physical vehicle is the cocoon for the spirit waiting for the metamorphosis to bring forth the refined spiritual body.

And so as we sojourn in the Spirit World we shall gather onto our own kind, forever reaching back to lend a helping hand to those that follow in our wake of progression and enlightenment. We will continue to learn from our teachers in the Spirit World first hand. Perhaps we will become mentors or guides to those left upon the earth striving to help humanity in all walks of life.



Of this gathering of the world of spirit I offer a further insight of a Society referenced by Andrew Jackson Davis known as the *"Plane of Effects"*. The description that follows shows insight into the ultimate progression of Spirit and mirrors, in part, a cosmic consciousness among the men and women of the earth and the Spirit World who have strived to understand the true meaning of life. In our meditations we catch the thoughts and hear the whispers of encouragement and enlightenment as others share with us the World of Spirit.

A continuation of the *"Plane of Effects"*. As meek as children they see the light and love in the Spirit entities of their society and see only the good in the rest of us. Beyond judgement or scorn, their thoughts are pure as the whitest fleece and as warm as the wool that girds the sheep in the fields. Their deeds are manifested in the enlightened man and their words are an unending song in the eternal universe of mind. The minds of all men are upon their countenance complete with respite where ill deeds are purged with a white flame radiating from the source of love within. Each entity that sojourns there finds himself in the midst of the refined Gods of Infinite Intelligence.

May Modern Spiritualism add to the ranks of these Greater Societies Spirits who learn their lessons, and Spirits who work to develop spiritually for the common good of all.

Lay in the harvest and guard it well this thing we call Spiritualism.

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The Abundance of Life

By Kathy Beatty
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After the chores of the day are done,
When you settle down for the night,
Thank God you were given this day
And the rest of the world is all right.

Some day your life will be over,
And you will arrive at the shore
Of that Beautiful Summerland,
And your work here is no more.

So take each day as it comes,
And treasure each moment, too,
For God cares about each one of us
And that includes both me and you.

Ethical Guidelines *for* Spiritualist Ministers

- Part IX -

BY THE REV. MIRIAM BOSTWICK

The following questions were posed to a class and might be entitled, *"How would you handle this situation?"* There is a moral duty and obligation as Spiritualist Ministers to assist others to the best of our abilities. Hopefully these suggested ways of responding to various situations might assist us in our practices as ministers, mediums and healers.

1. You have scheduled a seance, reading or private healing, but at the appointed time feel too tired to be of service. Do you go ahead and do the best you can, or do you cancel and reschedule?

RESPONSE: *If it is agreeable with the person to cancel and reschedule, then do so if you really feel you could not give that person a just reading, etc. But you should schedule your day so that if you have a commitment, you are not too tired to keep it. Sometimes one can go to a spiritual commitment too tired to stand and get through it nicely and not be any the worse for wear. Spirit does wonders with us when we make the effort. We have to get our priorities straight.*

2. You schedule a seance and only one or two people sign up. Do you cancel because it is not a large enough group, or do you serve those who have come?

RESPONSE: *You willingly and graciously serve those who come. God does not demand a large audience. Only the ego does that to us. And, perhaps the one or two that show up need the special attention or help of Spirit.*

3. A terminally ill member of your church approaches you who would like to end his/her life on the earth plane. That person asks your advice? What advice do you give?

RESPONSE: *Never give advice to end life. If the person is terminally ill, advise him/her to have a Living Will so that no machine or extra measures will be taken to prolong his/her life, but not to do anything because when God wants him/her he will call him/her home. Tell the person to make certain their family knows his/her preference, and it would be good to get the agreement of the family to have the Living Will because in some states it is not valid unless the family agrees. If the family does not agree, the Living Will can be challenged as the family wishes have precedence over the patient's wishes.*

4. In your service to God, you have an ethical duty to maintain community in so far as you are permitted, respecting differences. You are accused of working for Satan, not accepting Jesus as your savior, being a fraud since mediumship has not legitimately been practiced since biblical times, etc. It would be so easy to immediately counter-attack that the religion which that minister represents is dogmatic, does not have the truth, etc. Do you simply not give energy to it by not responding? Do you attempt to initiate some kind of dialogue in hopes that communication or sharing of what each religion teaches will improve the relationship?

RESPONSE: *Engage in dialogue, avoiding any air of spiritual annoyance.*

5. You have the responsibility as a minister to continually study and aspire to higher levels of consciousness. This includes studying in the area of metaphysical interpretation of the Christian Bible and other religious Bibles. If you are not familiar with what someone is quoting in their attack on our religion, do you become flustered and angry?

RESPONSE: *No, you should not become flustered and angry. You should make some effort to be able to explain to them what it is, and if you are mediumistic at all, you will get some help from Spirit. Attune yourself to receive inspiration from Spirit.*

6. Certain members constantly complain that it is too hot, too cold, the service is too long, their favorite hymns are never sung, etc. What do you tell them?

RESPONSE: *Perhaps you should find another church. I'm doing the best I can with what I have to work with.*

7. A neurotic church member has verbally abused you. How do you respond to such an attack?

RESPONSE: *Is this a pattern for that person to verbally lash out when things do not go his/her way? It is important not to respond with emotion. Rather, try to find out what pushed that person's "buttons."*

8. You have been criticized for the music you select for services. How do you handle unsolicited criticism?

RESPONSE: *Music raises the vibrations and is very important. If you are in charge you should continue to have the last word, but certainly should make it known you would be open to suggestions.*

GRATITUDE FROM ST. LOUIS

Dear Friends;

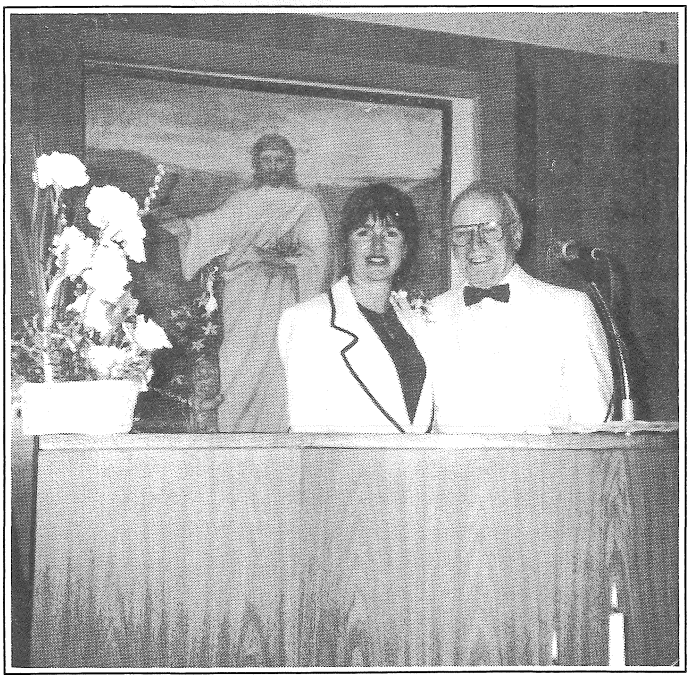
The members and friends of the Fifth Spiritualist Church of St. Louis wish to extend our heartfelt gratitude for the numerous telephone calls and notes we have received during our *"flood water crisis"*.

The church is on *"higher ground"* though the water is not too distant from it. We are all on dry land at the moment.

We thank you for your prayers and offerings of assistance if the need arises. It has renewed our faith in the caring and love of our fellow Spiritualists. We ask Infinite Intelligence-God and Spirit to bless you richly.

In Spiritual Light and Love,
Rev. Brenda J. Wittich
Pastor

PAULA KUETHER'S ORDINATION



Rev. Paula Kuether and Rev. Hutchinson.

God's love was the theme of Paula Kuether's ordination. The Rev. Paula Kuether was ordained at the First Spiritualist Church. Duluth, MN, in a beautiful ceremony before a full church of friends and family. The Reverend F. W. Hutchinson, who was ordained 50 years ago on Easter Sunday, presided over the Ordination ceremony.

"The Rev", as we lovingly call him, walked Paula down the aisle to a beautiful flute solo by Warren Angar.

We heard from Rev. Paula and Rev. Hutchinson, who both get their lectures from *"Spirit"* and never prepare a written lecture ahead of time.

Rev. Paula's Bible reading was from I Corinthians 13, the chapter on love. Everyone was caught up in the Spirit of God's love and shared hugs and well wishes during the ceremony.

The music was outstanding. Steve Kuether, pianist; Pete Provost, vocalist; Ted Olson and Linda Larson, keyboard-harp prelude duo; Warren Angar, state president, flute soloist; were the music blessing of the day.

Steve Kuether, composed a beautiful, inspired song for Rev. Paula which was sung by Pete Provost and accompanied by Steve. Paula and Steve wrote a song together, *"God's Plan"*, which was played by Steve and sung by the congregation for the first time.

Church president, Susan Lueck, kept the proceedings running smoothly and brought her loving energy to the ceremonies.

Dr. Jerry Kwako led us on a wonderful, peaceful healing journey with Ted Olson playing his beautiful, soothing music in the background.

The church upstairs and down was adorned with flowers of lavendar, purple, white, pink and yellow.

We all enjoyed a delicious sit-down meal after the service, prepared and served by church members.

"The Rev" presented Paula with a beautiful white Bible and the church gifted Paula with Strong's New Exhaustive Bible Concordance.

The day, from beginning to end, was a special day that touched us all and one we'll always remember.

Congratulations to our new Rev. Paula Kuether. Love and God's blessings be with her and with Rev. Hutchinson, who has served us so well for many, many years.

N.S.A.C. MEMBERSHIP MEETING IN FLORIDA

A membership meeting was held at the Spiritualist Church of Awareness, N.S.A.C., when we received two new members into our church.

Len Beatty was presented with the *Outstanding Member Of The Year Award*, this is an award presented each year to the member who has done the most for the church. The board members do not qualify for this award and we try never to give it to the same person more than once. Len Beatty has done a great deal to help the church during the past year, he works in the yard, does cleaning in the church, helps set up and clean up for Sunday fellowship hour, helps to greet people as they

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enter the church, is the Usher chairman, helps on the audio system when needed and many other jobs as he sees they need to be done.



Rev. Jean Lerch, Kathy Beatty, Nancy Williams, Jim McConnell, Carolyn O'Neill and Erwin Lee (our board of directors) and Len Beatty accepting the award.



Our Board of Directors and two new members, seated are: Nancy Williams, Rev. Jean Lerch, Kathy Beatty, Rev. Ann Otzelberger; standing are: Carolyn O'Neill, Emilio Lebron, (new member) Joe Schmidt (new member), Jim McConnell and Erwin Lee.

MORE NEWS FROM FLORIDA



Rev. Ann Otzelberger, NST, Pansy Wright Rubin, and Rev. Jean Lerch, NST.

At the Spiritualist Church of Awareness, N.S.A.C., an American Flag was donated in memory of Rev. Pamela Kay Ward, NST. On Sunday, July 27, 1993, the Rev. Ann Otzelberger and Pansy Wright Rubin, sister, and mother of the Rev. Pamela K. Ward, presented the church with the flag. The Rev. Pamela Ward was the pastor of this church before making her transition to the higher side of life on January 24, 1989.

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Mary Louise Harrison, Rev. Ann Otzelberger, and William Stroupe Green, Jr.

The Rev. Ann Otzelberger officiated at the ceremony to unite Mary Louise Harrison and William Stroupe Green, Jr., in matrimony on Sunday, June 20, 1993. The members of the church were invited to attend the wedding which was held immediately after the morning church service. After the service everyone was invited to the church fellowship hall for refreshments and wedding cake.

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Baby-Naming Ceremony held for Christopher Dalton O'Neill.

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NOTES FROM THE FIELD

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The Rev. Ann Otzelberger as Godmother, along with assistance from the Rev. Jean Lerch, performed the naming ceremony for Christopher Dalton O'Neill. Many church members were in attendance at the ceremony held in the home of Jerry and Ann Otzelberger, Godparents to Christopher. Mother, Carolyn O'Neill is the treasurer and a long-time member of the Spiritualist Church of Awareness. Christopher wore the gown which was worn by his grandfather John O'Neill seventy-nine years ago. After the ceremony everyone enjoyed a potluck dinner and good fellowship.

LILY DALE PASTORAL SKILLS CLASS



(Back Row L-R): Barbara Story, CT; Rev. Harold Wilson, MA; Norman Rowe, CA. (Next Row): Joyce Young, MN; Rev. Ida Donadio, MA; John Young, MN. (Next Row): Rev. Pamla Ashley-Lehrer, NST, MN; Marie Gaines, MA; Suzanne Marteney, CT; Toni Ferdelman, MN. (Front Row): Rev. Cosie Allen, NST, MI; Margaret Rowe, CA; Joaney Pichowicz, NH.

June 13-25, Pastoral Skills was held in Lily Dale, New York. The class was taught by the Rev. Cosie Allen, NST, from Michigan.

The students were very busy with classwork, homework, a visit to a hospital, and a funeral home. The hospital chaplain visited the class one day. We had a woman from Toastmasters come in to talk on public speaking. The class also had a guest speaker to give information about aging.

Twelve students attended this year. One of our class members had to leave us early as she had an emergency at home. She was sorely missed.

An Ode To Our Spirit Guardians

By Donald A. Williamson
Spiritualist Church of Canada

They comfort the broken-hearted,
have lightened many a heavy load.
Guide stumbling, faultering footsteps
on lifes long turbulent and stony road.

They speak words of wisdom
to those who linger here.
Many pearls of truth to treasure
by loved ones ever near.

And when our journey is over,
and we have reached the Summerland.
To the glorious home we have built there
we'll be led by our spirit band.

The love we have extended to others
shall make our pathway smooth.
And our guardian in all graciousness,
so loving we need not fear,
Shall open our eyes to all the truths
we have searched so long for here.






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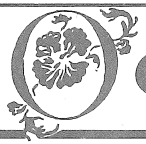
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Positive Statements To Help Create A Positive Day

Affirmations . . .



OCTOBER 1993

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 Love flows to me.	**2** Life circulates through me.
3 Love and Light heal me.	**4** I am powerful as I express God.	**5** An active life keeps me youthful.	**6** The gift of life comes from the Almighty God.	**7** Prayer is recognition of the Higher Source.	**8** I create new joys each day.	**9** There is no sorrow in Spirit.
10 Life's responsibilities are blessed challenges.	**11** Discover life, explore new horizons.	**12** Positive thinking keeps me healthy.	**13** Nature's beauty is dazzling.	**14** I honor my elders and learn from their experience.	**15** I listen to life with my inner hearing.	**16** Gentleness and kindness are my motto today.
17 My intuition expands my horizons.	**18** Spirit inspires my daily activities.	**19** My goal is a forgiving, loving, generous nature.	**20** Spirit send a blessing to all children.	**21** Guidance and understanding fill my consciousness.	**22** I dedicate myself to God.	**23** Peace within helps create peace without.
24 In the quiet I surrender to the Infinite. **31** Bless our Spirit Guides.	**25** I praise all good already on its way to me.	**26** Spirit flows through my entire being.	**27** I release all but the light and love of God.	**28** My prayer is for peace and joy for all.	**29** I am sensitive, alert and aware.	**30** New beginnings bring new growth.

Declaration of Principles

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1. We believe in Infinite Intelligence.
2. We believe that the phenomena of Nature, both physical and spiritual, are the expression of Infinite Intelligence.
3. We affirm that a correct understanding of such expression and living in accordance therewith, constitute true religion.
4. We affirm that the existence and personal identity of the individual continue after the change called death.
5. We affirm that communication with the so-called dead is a fact, scientifically proven by the phenomena of Spiritualism.
6. We believe that the highest morality is contained in the Golden Rule: "Whatsoever ye would that others should do unto you do ye also unto them."
7. We affirm the moral responsibility of the individual, and that he makes his own happiness or unhappiness as he obeys or disobeys Nature's physical and spiritual laws.
8. We affirm that the doorway to reformation is never closed against any human soul here or hereafter.
9. We affirm that the precepts of Prophecy and Healing contained in the Bible are Divine attributes proven through Mediumship.



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