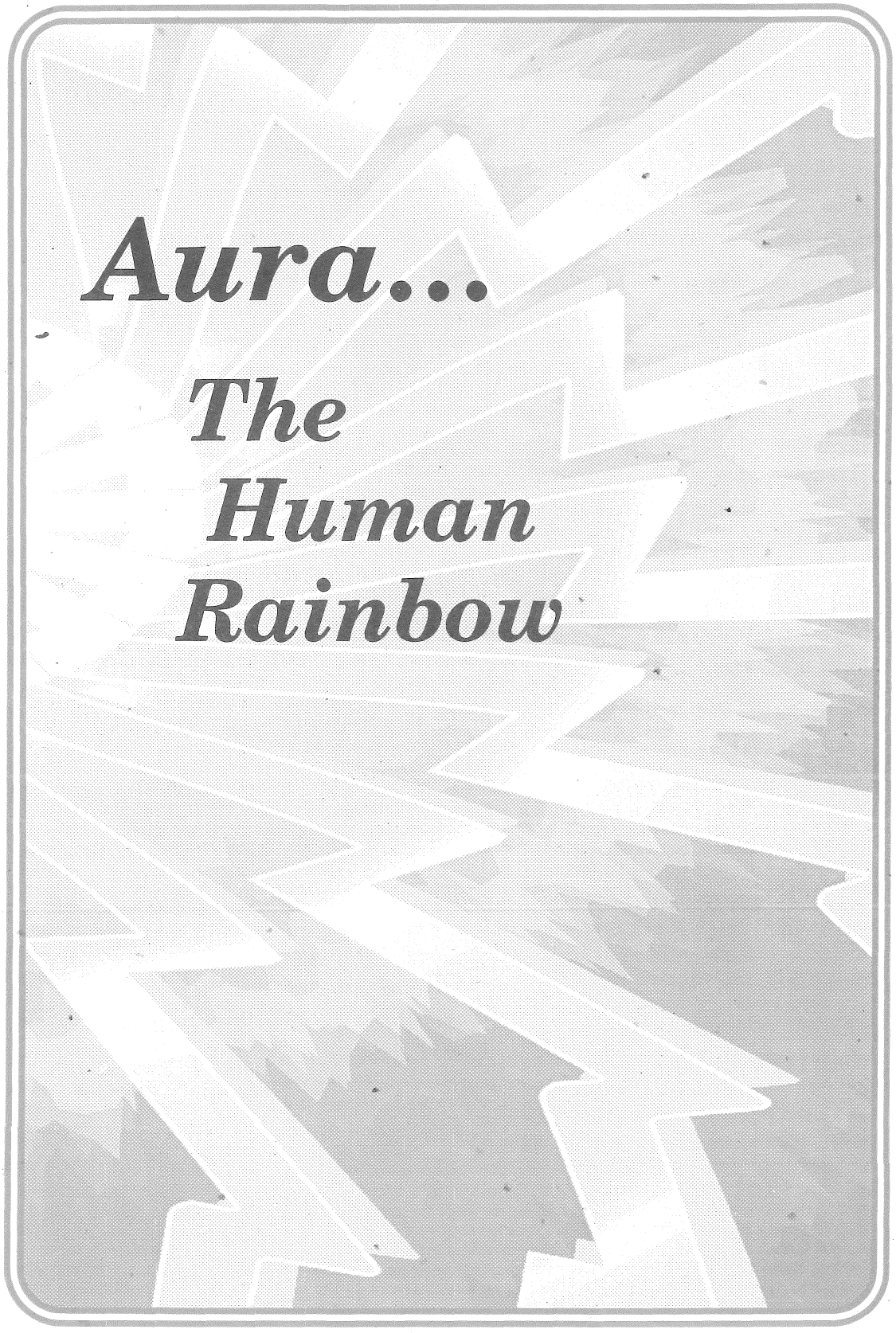
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The Human Rainbow

Some Aura Questions And Answers

BY THE REV. SANDRA PFORTMILLER, NST

Remember entering a room and not feeling right; or meeting someone with either an immediate dislike or friendship? This is our aura blending or touching with a place or persons. Our thoughts create our energy field, so when we meet someone that does not think the way we do, our auras will not blend. This doesn't mean that one of us is right or wrong, we are just different. The bands of colored light that radiate and surround all things, influences other things and is an active force of energy. The aura radiates from all living cells like an electro-magnetic signal.

What is meant by an aura, or how is an aura defined? The aura is an energy field that surrounds and extends from and around the body. It is the atmosphere that radiates in a constant stream from the human being. "It is a radiation of the vital force which lies at the basis of all manifested life. It permeates all forms of living things." The storehouse for vital energy and the outward reflection of the inward condition. It is like a **human rainbow** with bands of colored lights that radiate and surround all things. It is an active force of our free will or our soul-power.

What does the aura do? It radiates the characteristics of the individual as they emanate into the aura from the triune being—mentally, physically and spiritually. The aura is responsible for your perception. It governs the amount of psychic force that you have. It is a protective mantle, but it is also through the aura that we touch others and receive impressions. The auric energy is a means to sustain us and also to join us with all other life systems. It informs others what we are. "It leaves an indelible trace on everything that we touch. It explains psychometry." The aura shows an illness before it manifests physically because a disease alters the energy discharge.

What does the aura show? It has been called the storehouse of thought-forms, or the outpicturing of the soul's consciousness. It is the recording of our habits, thoughts and emotions—the story of the soul's journey and its progress. The energy field shows our health with a smooth, unbroken surface or our physical problem areas where there are wounds or tears which allow leakage of the inner energy.

Where does the aura come from? The aura is emitted by the physical body, from some source within the body. The theories are varied. Some feel it comes from the nervous system, others from the mental body, the blood, the digestive or circulatory systems, or maybe it is linked with the endocrine glands. This writer feels there being only one Source of Energy in the universe, that the auric energy enters the physical from the ethers through the crown energy center, is split according to vibratory rates and flows to the other energy points within the body. Because it is of God, it must again radiate in some form, therefore it flows from the physical according to the acceptance of the consciousness. Thus, every thought, emotion or stimulus goes into the creation of the aura. Our auras are the sum total of all our life processes. The aura comes from within, from the center of our being, our High Self.

What does the aura look like? No two auras are alike, and our aura will vary from day to day. It will have shape, color, texture, size and radiations. It has been described as egg shaped or an oval sphere, a luminous cloud, a misty haze, as shimmering light. The colors may be mild, muddy, or dull, or as flames glowing brilliant, clear and beautiful. The size of the aura increases or decreases in accordance with the mood, health, harmony and unfoldment of the individual. It contracts with stress, illness, drugs, alcohol, and emotional upset. Some observers see the aura as composed of many rays, layers or rings. In a group of people the auras seem to blend together to form a single pattern.

Who can see the aura and how? The aura is self luminous to higher/extended vision, or clairvoyant vision. However, its rays do not activate normal vision and it cannot be seen by the physical eyes in total darkness. This shows that there are various methods of viewing the aura. The first is through clairvoyance, spiritual sight. The other main method is by mechanical means. Many who have investigated the auric field by mechanical means (gazing into a dicyanin screen, Kirlan photography, etc.) have developed a degree of clairvoyant sight. It is thought that the eye is trained to perceive the wave lengths not visible to normal sight. Science has said the aura is seen by the rods in the eye which lie to the side of the retina, and only in a subdued light does the pupil expand enough for them to receive any light. Sometimes the aura can be viewed easier if one looks out of the corners of the eyes, with a kind of unfocused gaze, as this stimulates the rods which are at the side. Everyone feels another's aura, even if they do not realize they are being affected.

Has science tested the aura and what does it show? Some experiments have been conducted that indicate that the

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subconscious controls the aura. They found the aura can be projected to any distance through substances so it would seem to be without barriers, or, free as thought. In Dr. Albert Abrams experiments, he found by his instruments that everything material and immaterial, color, thought, emotion, caused vibrations and affected the physical. He claimed the human body is a conductor of cosmic rays, an electro-magnetic unit of tremendous power, assimilating and releasing energy. This magnetic field, the aura, interpenetrates the body and also reaches out to relate to other auras. Many experiments have been conducted with the thousands of frequencies that are radiated from the body. "Only a limited number of these frequencies have so far been studied by researchers into auric emanations, but it is held that from some 30 to 40 of them enough information can be gained to have a knowledge of health and disease conditions that are indicated in the aura.



Further than this, it has been found that all organs of the body have their specific colors, or biological spectrums, and that these colors are constantly sent out by the body cells." Because the Universe is a sea of vibration, everything within it is also in vibration, interpenetrating each other. It would not be possible to have energy within the body without having energy outside the body. Vibration is the parent of form and color and in every particle of matter there is radiant light, which is the center of every atom. The body is made up of separate units—muscles, tissues, organs and cells—each displaying its own rate of frequency or vibration. If this was not so, there could not be different organs with different functions. "It is possible to identify elements in living substance, or in any substance, by their radiations. It is therefore possible to diagnose conditions of health or ill health by the radiations given off by the body."

What affects the aura? What can damage the aura? Every sensory perception of the body, conscious or unconscious, causes muscular reactions from vibrations which touch the aura—positively and negatively. Thoughts and emotions set up vibrations which have been registered via machines and have been photographed. All vibration comes from thoughts, whether Cosmic thought or inner thought, our personal world is influenced or produced by the vibrational nature of thinking. It is creative, thus every thought and emotion is reflected in our aura. Thought forms are projected into the mental and astral bodies, creating inner and outer vibrational results. Mental images affect the body/aura and repetition of a desired image, believed strongly enough to "become an idea, it is projected through the mind by the power of will and draws about itself the substance of the mental body, taking shape in a thought form as already explained. If the idea carries with it the urge for action, the thought form is projected into the astral body in an effort to arouse the will to action, the subconscious mind sends a charge of vital force into the physical body and action takes place." Continued use of drugs, emotional stresses, accidents, and continual negative thinking can damage an aura.

What happens to the aura at death of the physical? One description of the aura by a clairvoyant: "When the blackness of death surrounds the aura he said, the body dies and a sort of explosion takes place, as if a light were breaking through its covering and shining forth more pure and brilliant than before, surrounding a new form which resembles the old physical body and is more perfect in appearance." Other clairvoyants have commented that before one dies the aura seems very tight, withdrawn and colorless.

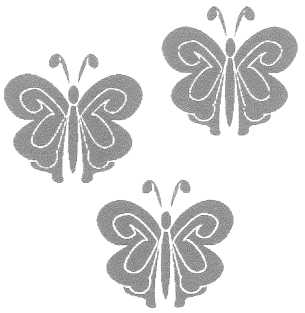
How does the aura show health and disease? Health means to be in harmony with your triune being—all things live both from within and from without, a part of the Whole. Each waking moment, we have thoughts, actions and reactions which cause vibrations affecting both the body and the aura. This shows how important our thoughts are, for they create a subtle thought form which draws to itself a similar substance from the surrounding atmosphere outside the aura. This radiating vibration passes out from the aura, influencing others who's vibration is receptive. The vibration of an individual aura as observed by clairvoyants indicates the personality of the individual who has created the size, shape, color or lack of it. The aura varies not only with thoughts, but with foods and liquids that are eaten, with exercise, with lack of sleep, from an injury, from fear, disease, or stress—it shows every imbalance. There is a permanent auric color denoting the person's degree of evolution; a dominant color showing the habitual type of thinking; and temporary colors of the person's passing moods and emotions. The shape, size, symmetry, color, brightness and even the texture are indicators of health or disease in a person.

What happens when auras blend? At a harmonious meeting such as a church service, the combined sharing of auric field mixed with healing, music, prayer, the inviting of spirit healers, meditation and fellowship, all work together to help mend the auric field of individuals. This is why we usually feel uplifted and more energetic after a church service. Sometimes the reverse happens. We go to church feeling good, and come home with a headache or feeling depleted. That day there must have been someone who drew your vital energy from you. They are called "psychic sponges," however, in most cases it is a purely unconscious effect. The person drawing your vital energy has no awareness of this and would probably be upset to think they

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Marvels Of The Human Aura

FROM HARRY BODDINGTON'S *University of Spiritualism*



If I were asked, "What are the most important factors in psychic manifestations?" I should reply, "First the minds that produce them, and, secondly, the mechanism through which they manifest." Without the mechanism, the mind could not manifest itself and, without the mind to move the machinery, the effects which prove the existence of both could not be produced.

Viewed clairvoyantly, man looks like a shrouded light which radiates tiny particles in every direction. Human bodies throw them off, as flowers their perfume. The radiation is singularly sensitive and responsive to thought. Materialism cannot dissociate the thinker from the brain, and Spiritualism is in the same dilemma in regard to the aura; it acts like an integral part of consciousness itself. The quality differs with temperaments, character and health. By its appearance, clairvoyants give their character readings and healers diagnose disease. It is a marvellous piece of mechanism that should well repay research. It is essential to all psychic manifestations and is the conduit through which the psychic healer operates, or is the active healing principle in itself. Later on, it forms the fabric of spirit clothing and becomes a tool in the hands of spirit people. It is the essential link in the production of all psychic phenomena.

The discovery that the aura constitutes a "mind field" leads us into fascinating studies which biologists have not yet classified because their methods of research fail to locate it. This failure is the more discreditable because evidence has been consistently presented for nearly a century, and repeatedly confirmed by independent research.

In its condensed form, it is known to scientists as ectoplasm. It has been seen by normal sight, handled, photographed, weighed in scales, its stresses and lifting power tested and measured, and finally small portions have been isolated and analyzed. All these evidences are presented by cold-blooded materials who cannot be charged with undue emotionalism or with fabricating details for the purpose of propaganda. Only ignorance now denies its reality.

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were drawing extra energy from you. They probably weren't feeling up to par, and may comment on how they really enjoyed seeing you and they just feel great after the good vibrations of the worship service. Surrounding yourself in White Light helps to prevent this from happening.

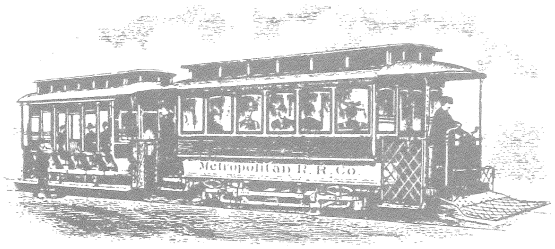
Can we recharge our energy or auric field? It is important if you feel depleted, and we have all experienced this, to recharge in a Spiritual manner as you may be experiencing a vitality vacuum. We all have wounds or tears in our auras and when the body feels depleted it draws energy from all areas, from whatever happens to be around (another person, a tree, a magnetic healer). We may be re-charging the aura with polluted etheric energy if we try to draw from another person.

Are there special ways to heal auric damage? Spiritual healing and magnetic healing are the best. Also, try meditation, prayer (send healing vibrations inward), affirmations, deep breathing, visualization or color breathing/lights. Some physical ways to cleanse the aura are showers or baths, swimming, exercise, going into nature, leaning against a tree (pine, oak, beech or apple are good choices), walking barefoot in the grass, chanting or toning the *Aum*, listening to good music and blending with the harmonious vibration, rubbing essential oils on the body, eating fruits and vegetables and drinking lots of clear water. A combination of these practices will help balance the aura.



My First "Miracle"

BY THE REV. LOUIS POTTER, Nevada



Life is not "miracles or magic," but flows with Natural Law. Everything that exists is governed by these Laws. Everything runs its course according to Divine Law, according to the Law of Cause and Effect.

When I was about four or five years old, my father, who was a motorman or driver on streetcars, took me for my first ride. He put me on the brake handle assembly of the streetcar to ride up front with him and so that I could look out the front window. My mother always rode inside the streetcar so that she could sit down.

In Portland, Oregon, there are seven bridges which cross the Willamette River, and each bridge has a draw section that turns or lifts to let big river boats pass up and down the river pushing cargo. In those days, before there were lots of automobiles, people rode on the river boats as a means of transportation.

The Morrison Street Bridge had the draw section which sat on pilings in the river and turned in the middle of the river to let boats pass. When my father stopped the streetcar at the closed gate across the road surface, the draw section began to turn away from the roadway of the bridge and the river showed below running downstream. It was only the iron gates across the roadway that kept the traffic from tumbling into the river from both sides of the draw bridge, which was at a 90 degree angle to the rest of the bridge.

Can you imagine the excitement of a small five year old boy seeing for the first time the draw bridge swinging open?! Then, here comes a stern wheel river boat going down river on the side we were on. Think about seeing that large boat and the churning of the stern wheel stirring up the water behind the boat. A great adventure and surprise for a small boy.

My father told me in later years that there was no end to the questions as to what was happening. This was my first trip in my young life to Portland's city center; my first streetcar ride; the first time that I had seen these things happen and so much all at once. So to me this was a "miracle" or two in quick succession. Life is a great adventure, but not miraculous, for it is governed by God's Laws.

Two thousand years ago in the days of Jesus of Nazareth, the events written about in the New Testament were appropriate to the people of that time, like they were to that small lad on the streetcar, like a "miracle." Why? Because neither the boy on the streetcar or the people of those ancient days were educated, they could neither read nor write. The only people who had access to any form of books in ancient times were the scribes, the kings and the priests. Everyone else had to accept their words and teachings.

The great revelation for humanity came when the printing press was invented, and the alphabet became known to people. This invention was one of the mightiest inventions, for without the printing press, humanity might still be back in the dark ages. From the printer's press, the first book printed was the *Bible*. No longer could the people be told what the *Bible* said, for they could read it for themselves. People slowly began to read and understand, and books and papers began to pour off the press. What a wonderful new world was evolving, but let us digress a bit.

We have heard about Moses, the Egyptian, who led his people toward the promised land. It was about 457 B.C. that Ezra arrived at Jerusalem with 15,000 fellow Jews. He was joined about two years later by Nehemiah. Ezra and Nehemiah began the translation of certain manuscripts that they had secured while in Babylonian captivity. These manuscripts were reputed to be those of Moses. One wonders how this could be?

When you have the thousands of captives marching to Babylonia, the captors could not search all those people. The manuscripts of Moses were secreted among the women. When the soldiers came too close, the women hid the manuscripts under

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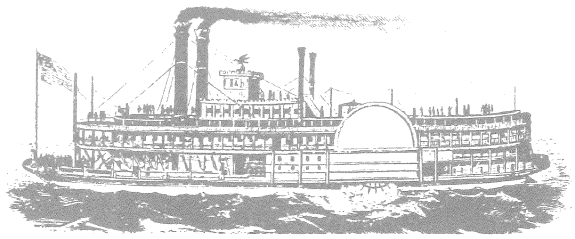
their clothing. Thus they saved them for the day when the Hebrews would move to Jerusalem. With 15,000 leaving Babylon, it was again a very easy thing to conceal the manuscripts of Moses from the soldiers. The women in those days wore voluminous amounts of clothing as they do in the middle east today.

Ezra and Nehemiah made these translations by virtue of the knowledge of the Egyptian language which they had gained while in captivity. The original sacred writings of the Jews, the *Pentateuch*, are still treasured and studied. Judaism, Christianity, and Mohammedanism are all tied to these translations.

From the *Origin of Religion* we quote, "It is said that the tricky Egyptian priesthood of some 5,000 years ago created a god who threatened the religion of Love, the belief in a God, the Father—ALL wise, Just and Almighty. This god threatened the Supreme God of the Universe, Infinite Intelligence, by being the alert, ambitious, and unscrupulous enemy god of the underworld.

"This god of the underworld, whose popular name is the devil, is just about 5,000 years old. The Egyptian priesthood created him as a sort of an emergency measure. They named him "Set" and he has been operating under several "aliases" in different religions since that time. They incorporated the devil into the scheme of things in order to control the population about the time our present history began."

Early translations of the *Bible* brought several *Bibles*. The first printed *Bible* was the *Gutenberg Bible* printed in 1450 or 1456 A.D. There were 21 different translations of the original text, but one thing is sure, they needed to go back to the original language and try to interpret the original thoughts to correctly translate the material.



After the printing press was invented came schools and colleges. These learning institutions were established for the general populace. Then came public schools for the masses and now learning abounds throughout most of the world. Today we have newspapers and also the radio and television, so we have instant news. The majority of the people of our world can now know what is going on. It's a "miracle."

A miracle defined: It is considered to be a supernatural or super-normal event; a deviation or suspension, for some reason, from Natural Law with subsequent production of wondrous acts. Spiritualism believes that Divine Principles are never suspended, yet sometimes it may appear that they have been.

The unique and interesting difference between Spiritualism and most other beliefs is that it incorporates and demonstrates psychic phenomena as part of the religious practice. We are a Science, Philosophy and Religion, so as part of our belief, an attempt is made to learn from phenomena and philosophy of the ages. This creates a fascinating blending of religious thought, spiritual education and a search for a better way of life. Surprisingly enough, help comes from a rather interesting source. It is the *Bible*, the very basis of many religious beliefs.

The *Bible* is used to support some beliefs, discredit others, and to teach humanity a way to think and live. The *Bible* itself literally abounds with instances and examples of psychic phenomena, but the book has been translated from many languages, so it must be read wisely.

As one studies the spiritual aspects of Spiritualism, one begins to see the greatness of Infinite Intelligence's Divine Laws in operation through the different physical and mental phenomena, to bring the light of Spiritualism to all of humanity, not just to some. We must study the Spiritual Laws that Infinite Intelligence has given us here on the physical plane through our fine mediums. We are told Natural Law is eternal and will also affect us in the next realm of life. The teaching our mediums have received bring love, peace, and harmony. Spiritual enlightenment does not come instantly, so like the five year old, we ask questions and grow in our awareness.

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Prayer Healing is a wonderful way to practice Absent Healing, to help others, to share a prayer, and is something EVERYONE can participate in.

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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.

Prayerful Moment

BY THE
NSAC HEALING CENTER



Each of us knows someone who needs some prayer help. It could be a grieving period, physical difficulties, emotional upsets, or sometimes it is financial needs. As distant healers, it really doesn't matter what the requirement, for Spirit knows what is for the highest and best for the individual.

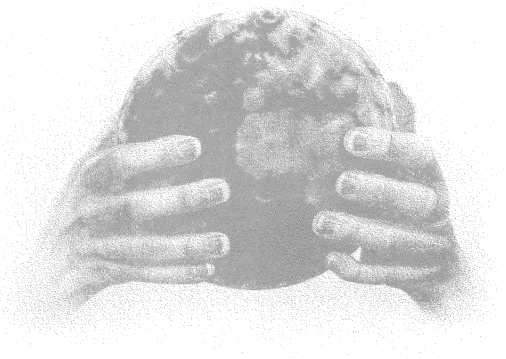
The NSAC Healing Center invites you to daily take a prayerful moment to send healing and love to those who have requested prayer help. If your church has posted the list that is wonderful, but if you do not receive the list, just mention it in your prayers and your compassionate energy will direct the healing vibration to those on the list. We know that with God, all things are possible, so your prayer will be beneficial.

Those who have placed their names on the healing list demonstrate that they know prayer helps and they trust the healers to send loving thoughts. Our prayers are answered, not always in the way we think it will be, many times it is even better than we could imagine. If you have placed your name on the Healing Center list, take a prayerful moment each day to be receptive to the healing energy that is sent. Remember, all that you need is available to you when you are receptive to the loving energy.

Each time you ask for Spiritual energy to be sent to yourself, your family, friends, co-workers, neighbors, church, country's leaders, world leaders and our planet, know that you are creating a positive vibration and blessing in the ethers. Invite your spiritual helpers to enrich and inspire the lives of those in need, and touch them, spirit to spirit, in an uplifting manner.

This spring, this year, plant the seed of healing and encourage it to grow through continued energy. We are each richer and healthier and live in a better world, when we daily take a prayerful moment to help the spirit of others. God loves a cheerful giver, so give some time, love and energy, and make this prayer ministry a part of your every day life.

Cosmic Dance Of Life



BY JUDY MERRILL, DSNU, Canada

In the view of "a cosmic dance of energy" life can be viewed from our five senses—sight, hearing, smell, taste, touch—to manifest in a material world. We see with the eyes and acknowledge our surroundings. Imagine a tiny baby coming into this world—what are the first sights, sounds, smells, tastes, touches?

The room is so bright after a coddled and protected atmosphere of floating through the first nine months of existence in darkness. The noise of all these strange people, busy doing their jobs and fussing over the person on the table with whom you have had this connection.

"What is that funny smell? It sure doesn't smell like anything I am used to in my previous existence, and the tastes! Most of all, the audacity of that person who hit me and made me cry! Crying, what is that? I get an awful lot of attention when I make this sound. I will use that to communicate." How quickly we learn to use all those senses and how they manifest in harmony to produce our existence!

Using these senses allows us to get all manner of attention and things from our people who care. We soon learn to communicate in their language too! That is how all those warm and endearing feelings manifest in our lives. Now we learn the emotions...love, anger, care, fear, etc.

From: Sir James Jean's book:
Mysterious Universe
...foresaw that science was headed
toward a belief in "a non-mechanical reality"
...that the universe begins to look more like a
"great thought" than a "great machine"
That a growing number of scientists are moving
to the view that the whole universe is
"a cosmic dance of energy."

But, isn't life more than a series of emotions and senses? What is directing all these senses and emotions to produce manifestations in my life? There is another strong energy of life...thought energy.

As human entities, we have left the infantile stage and must learn to accept life in all its many energies. Thought energy is one of the most misunderstood manifestations in our lives. We think and we can produce, but instead we give random thought patterns energy and direction, then we wonder what happened in our lives!

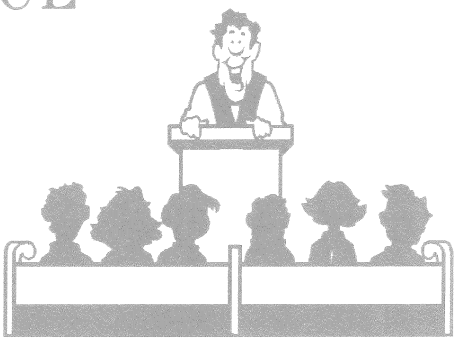
The importance of learning this aspect of our physiology can not be under estimated. We are a thought producing vehicle and these thoughts manifest results (the Natural Law is called Cause and Effect—for every cause (thought) put in place, there is a result or effect). Chaotic thinking can produce chaotic results—hence the unfocused and diverse life energies we are witnessing in today's world.

Humanity is due to wake up and begin to produce effects of peace and harmony on a global scale. We have the knowledge regarding life energies and thought energies in particular, now is the time to learn to exercise these energies for peaceful purposes. Now is the time to direct our lives instead of letting them drift to the least common denominator of disharmony.

We have learned to heal and spiritualize our lives with thought energies; let us take this to all aspects of life's happenings and direct our thought power to produce this peace and harmony. As we lift our consciousness, take charge of our own thinking, make conscious effort to raise up spirituality, others will join this thought energy and produce higher awareness for all.

SUNDAY SERVICE

BY TOM PIRNIE, England



From the first moment I became interested in what I then thought of as Spiritualism, but which I soon understood to be psychism, I developed an addiction to private sittings, public demonstrations, books, magazines and newspapers dealing with the subject. It became a compulsion akin to that of the drug-addict to his needle, or the boozer to his bottle—great upliftment and satisfaction whilst indulging, albeit in utter bewilderment, followed by an insatiable craving for more, and inevitably, a hangover of severe mental proportions!

Time passed, and like the novice swimmer, my sad thrashing just to stay afloat gradually gave way to a controlled stillness, and eventually, self-propelled movement in a chosen direction. Central to my enquiring after spiritual knowledge was the phenomenon of the "Medium," who, for me at that time, was the fount of all psychic wisdom. A special, mysterious, individual personalizing all my unspoken questions. "What are they doing?", "How do they do it?", "What if they speak to me?", How, why, when or where, if, and, or but, comprised my total vocabulary during that crazy, irritating, happy, madcap overture to the first act of the play I called "My Spiritual Education." But where else could I find answers to my if, and, or, buts, and observe the "mystique" of the medium, other than at private sittings and public-dems, which thus far, had left me no wiser? Where better than in church, during a "Sunday Service," where the medium would, or should, be most convincing!

Throughout my childhood, in terms of being church attenders, my family could be defined as go-fors: go-for weddings, go-for funerals, go-for christenings, and as far as decently possible, do not go for anything else! It was therefore natural, when I began attending Spiritualist services that my motivation, if ever I considered motives at that time, was not for the enlightenment of my soul, the upliftment of my spirit, nor for greater awareness of God! No, I would go for the medium!

Arriving at the house, or church, I would enter and eagerly scan the seating arrangements with but one objective, where best to see, and be seen, by the "Medium." If there was time I would have a look at what I thought of as the audience, in order to ensure that my view would in no way be obstructed by the late arrival of some extra-large seat seeker. Having assured myself that all was well, I would enjoy the moments prior to the service by relaxing and imbibing the wisdom of the *Psychic News*.

As the service proceeded at its normal pace, I conducted it mentally, with an alacrity any Olympic runner would have been proud of! Hymn, Healing, Silence, Prayer, Hymn, Reading, Hymn, Address, Hymn, and then my concept of the service became reality, "MESSAGE TIME"! With un-failing regularity, I left for home frustrated, fractious and puzzled?!

I am endowed with sufficient common-sense to realize that at that time my understanding of the magic I so earnestly sought would be, to some extent, limited. But, should the medium speak to me direct, BINGO! I would know! But know what? Well, I would know that someone, my Mum or Dad perhaps, was trying to communicate—or would I? I didn't like the look of that medium, or this one speaks of Indians, guides, and funny feelings. If the medium did not speak directly to me I could still be assured, if not convinced, that "message-magic" exists by the confident responses of the recipient.

Alas, it did not work that way either. The puzzlement and frustration continued, increasing in intensity the more I gave my attention and concentration to "message-time." As for learning, any knowledge I was gaining, was pointing towards the conclusion that though I might be well along the road of the knowledge I sought, that road ended, not in spiritual awareness, but rather in some nebulous fairyland! Was it all self-delusion? Were they all, church-officers, the medium, the congregation, simply indulging in some peculiar kind of "kidology"? Did they not realize, as I was beginning to, why some sensible, sane and down-to-earth people quite rightly considered Spiritualism to be "spooky"? I decided that I was right, and everyone else wrong, and I thanked God for saving my sanity! I thanked God! Now that was interesting. It was the first time I had thought of God in the context of my "message-time" service!

One evening on my way home, I found myself humming

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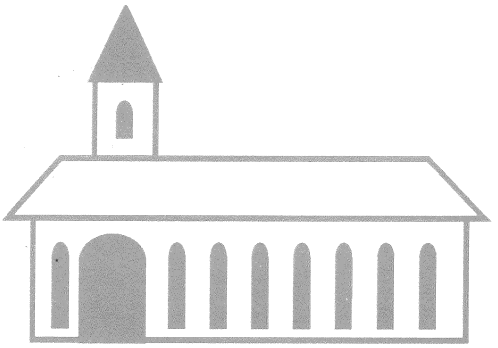
a tune which had been used to close the service, and the remainder of my journey found me quietly singing that little verse to myself! Now obviously, in learning the verse, I had to absorb the words. I had to actually hear them in order to repeat them, even if it was to myself. Above all, I had to listen to those words.

The next service I attended, I varied my preparations, permitting myself time to flip through the hymn-book, reading the words to those selected for the service. I found that if the tune caught my ear, the words became clearer and I actually began to enjoy singing along. I really paid attention to those hymns and learned a little about the beauty and meaning of the words. Slowly I really began to feel both words and music—in reality, I simply learned to LISTEN!

The same was true of prayer. I was no longer racing mentally towards "message time," but felt part of something, as yet undefined, something that gently awakened my sensitivity by breaking down my ignorance, sarcasm, and cynicism. The spoken prayers caught my interest and imagination, and in time, allied to the hymns, added their own magic to the awakening feelings of peace, quiet contentment and "rightness" that were growing in me. The healing silence, and the moments of gentle meditation interspersed throughout the service, I now welcome, not as blank, boring minutes to be endured on my way to "message time," but more and more as moments of silent gentleness, filled with understanding of the knowledge for which I was searching.

Once again all I had to do was listen, but in addition feel that silence as a part of me. An added quality to these magic moments developed as I began to realize that not only could I take the peace, tranquility and understanding that I was now absorbing like a sponge, but I could, if I so desired, give back through my thoughts, equivalent peace and tranquility! Give back to whom, to where, I knew not, but give of myself I could most assuredly, and I thanked God for the opportunity.

There was God again, but not really again, for as my understanding and learning of myself began to blossom, so did the certainty that the "knowing" I sought was not to be found "out there" in some magical message, but was contained in abundant wisdom within the schoolroom of my inner being, where, not only did God dwell, but, when wearing a tutorial hat, could, and would, teach me all that I would need to know in this life—and beyond, into eternity. All I had to do was listen to the music of my soul, allow Infinite Spirit to tune the instrument of my being and touch the keys of life in their proper sequence, and so produce the hymn of my existence as GOD'S CHILD!!



Nowadays, my "message-time" begins with feeling the warmth of welcome at the church door, or the smile of greeting to a bright day from another human being, known or unknown. It continues with my growing appreciation of the words to which I give voice in the hymns, or my own words expressing friendship to another in need of help and upliftment. It is strengthened through my assurance of truth in my prayers, as it is in my certainty that I am, at last, beginning to know and understand myself and my fellow-man. My "message-time" now contains moments of learning that my Mother and Father still care, are still concerned for my happiness as surely and sincerely as my wife, my family and my friends!

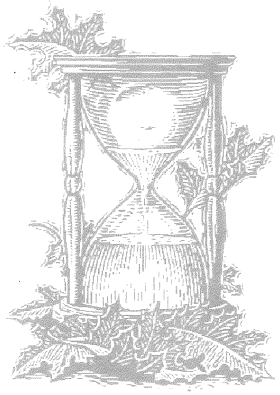
I have learned a great deal about my "message-time." All I had to do was listen. Listen to the words I sing, to the prayers that emanate from my inner-silence; listen to the words of the medium, whether directed to me or to someone else. In reality, "message-time" started when I drew my first breath and will continue until I draw my last, and as I now know, beyond! Till then, I will laugh, cry, sing, pray, relish the highs, and suffer the lows of life.

My Sunday-service is now my time to learn, and to give to Spirit that of me which is of worth. To understand that the whole tapestry of my life is draped around my shoulders, patterned by God, woven by me, in partnership, and when I drop a stitch or two, as I most surely will, I need only listen and God will show me where they landed and help me to pick them up. I thank God for the hymns, the prayers, the silence, the church group, and the medium. I now welcome the "smile" of the Sunday-service, for I know that my God and I will be closer, and from such closeness I can learn more of Spirit—I only have to LISTEN!

ANNIVERSARIES

BY ROBERT J. LINDSEY, Illinois

Delivered on September 30, 2001, to the congregation of The Church of The Spirit, Chicago, Illinois, in celebration of their 104th anniversary of service to God and Community.



Anniversaries are a time to reflect. Where have we been, where are we going? The process is not always successful. New Year's brings resolutions which often fade away. Birthdays are a time for cake and presents and a fine party. Reflection has little to do with it until the numbers begin to add up and then we pause, 40, 50, 60, where did it go? And what was I doing all that time?

So today we shall reflect at whatever age you have reached. Mark Twain once said, "Let us endeavor to live so that when we come to die, even the undertaker will be sorry." Would your undertaker be sorry today or do you have a few things to do yet?

Ask yourself two questions: What am I going to do today? Oh, I have to trim my nails, the garbage has to be put out for pickup tomorrow, mow the lawn, go to work. Yes, the ordinary we all do. Although I have given up on some of them, dusting the furniture for one. I don't dust. It's a matter of who's stronger, you or the dust. Twice a year is good enough, 4th of July and Christmas.

It's all right; we don't have many guests over. Oh, yes, if Mother comes to visit, I do wave a cloth over the furniture so she won't feel she failed somehow in my upbringing.

If the ordinary things are all you can come up with, you need some reflection. Are you filling up your day so you will not have to think about what could be?

A better question: What could I be doing today? What dreams do you have; what would you really like to do? What steps are you taking to get there? And why haven't you?

Franklin Roosevelt said, "The only thing we have to fear is fear itself."

A man named William John Rogers, age 29, sent a postcard from Queenstown, Ireland, to his friend, Mrs. James Day, in Wales. He boarded a ship to travel to America. The card read: *"Dear Friend, Just a line to show I am alive and kicking and going grand. It's a treat."* His ship was the Titanic. Mr. Rogers did not survive.

We do not know what tomorrow will bring. On September 11th, thousands of people had no clue that they would be crossing over so suddenly at the World Trade Center. What regrets might they have?

We all have some regrets; and they pile up a bit as we age; regrets about things we said or something we did. I do not care about those.

The regrets I speak of are the ones that are bigger. If only I had taken the chance; if only I had gone; if only, if only, if only…

It doesn't matter at what age you start to take the steps to do what you really want. The great German composer, Johann Sebastian Bach, was told by his schoolteacher he was a fine singer and should go to the best music school in Germany. But the school was 200 miles away. His parents had died. He was living with his older brother. There was no money, no transportation.

He could have given up the idea of attending. However, instead of at the end of his life asking if only, Johann at age 15 with his best friend, Georg Erdman, walked the 200 miles. At the other end of the age scale is the American painter who became the grand old lady of painting, Grandma Moses. She did not take up painting until age 78.

I know that most of us would like to find our dreams a bit sooner than that. For me personally, I did not find the work I truly dreamed of doing until 10 years ago. I started taking the steps toward it 22 years ago. I had no idea whether it would prove successful, but, at least, I was never going to have to ask: if only I had tried. My next dream will be easier now.

One of the ancient Greek philosophers wrote in 700 B.C.: *Badness you can get easily, in quantity; the road is smooth, and it lies close by. But in front of excellence the immortal gods have put a seat, and long and steep is the way to it, and rough at first. But when you come to the top, then it*

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Today

By Ray G. Kopman

With every rising of the sun
Think of your life as just begun.
The past has cancelled and buried deep
All yesterdays, there let them sleep.
Concern yourself with but today,
Grasp it and teach it to obey
Your will and plan. Since time began
TODAY has been the friend of man.
You and today! a soul sublime
And the heritage of time.
With God's help! go forth brave heart!
ATTAIN!! ATTAIN!!



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Fading light dims the sight,
And a star gems the sky, gleaming bright.
From afar drawing nigh, falls the night.

Day is done, gone the sun,
From the lake, from the hills, from the sky,
All is well, safely rest, God is nigh.

Then good night, peaceful night,
Till the light of the Dawn shineth bright,
God is near, do not fear, Friend good night.

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is easy, even though it is hard."

The great Chicago architect, Daniel Burnham, said, "Make no little plans, make big plans." He built the greatest World's Fair ever in 1893.

There was another passenger on board the Titanic that is of interest; W. T. Stead. A journalist, author, crusading editor of liberal Pall Mall Gazette, former member of the British Parliament. Stead, a devoted pacifist, was asked by President Taft to come to New York and speak at a peace conference. He was also a Spiritualist. He went down with the ship and crossed over into the world of Spirit to begin new adventures.

Stead's daughter Estelle worked with the psychic, Pardoe Woodman, whose abilities included automatic writing. Through Woodman, W. T. Stead communicated a book text titled, *The Blue Island, Experiences of a new Arrival Beyond the Veil.*

He describes how all of those who were crossing over gathered and waited for all to arrive before traveling to the Blue Island, a first stop to acquaint everyone with the Spirit World. He speaks of not gaining all wisdom at once, but of continued learning and understanding, of the feeling of being able to help others, of his first tries to communicate with the Earth Plane, of the greater love there than he had found on Earth.

One passage is of interest: He writes: *Life here is a grander thing—a bolder thing, and a happier thing for all who have led reasonable lives on earth, but for the unreasonable there are many troubles and difficulties and sorrows to be encountered. There is a great truth in the saying that "as ye sow, so shall ye reap."* It is important to notice what he doesn't talk about.

There is no punishment, no judgement, there's no fire and brimstone. There is also no so-called heaven of constant praising of some power in charge.

There is the continuation of you.

How you have been on the Earth Plane is how you will be over there. If you have been unreasonable and destructive and hateful, you will find sorrows on the other plane and it will take you a longer time to gain wisdom and move forward.

But if you have lived well, followed an interesting life, taken a chance, followed a dream, traveled the road not taken, then when you cross over, how much grander it will be with new experiences and wisdom to be gained. So when an anniversary comes in your life, pause and reflect and ask yourself: Shall I dust or shall I do? I shall do something I really want to do and never have done and turn my life in a different direction.

Then, when your friends come over to your house and see the dust, you can tell them why.

Positive Statements To Help Create a Positive Day.

Affirmations . . . MAY 2002

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Spirit always has More!	**2** "Watch your spiritual priorities." – Eric Butterworth	**3** The perfect soul is the only soul that God created.	**4** As I touch into the Spirit within, I am clarified.
5 God loves, expresses and creates through me.	**6** Today I look to the springtime, renewal of my soul.	**7** Trusting, heartfelt prayers bring powerful results.	**8** I am thankful for the Action of Spirit in my life.	**9** The power of God is working through our leaders.	**10** "We have the right to choose what we wish to experience." – SOM	**11** It is within that I grow, that I am transformed.
12 God gave us Mothers to build our character.	**13** As God's love flows through me, I am healed.	**14** I am in my right place, creatively growing forward.	**15** "Character is that which can do without success." – Emerson	**16** "If our belief is limited, only a little can come to us." – Holmes	**17** "Life is a handful of short stories, pretending to be a novel." – Anonymous	**18** We create the world we envision—my world is loving.
19 "Actions are always more effective than words." – Anonymous	**20** All great teachings are inspired messages from Spirit.	**21** My spirit is always youthful, vigorous and joyful.	**22** "Nothing rules love, and love rules all things." – Anonymous	**23** I am strong and courageous, for God is always with me.	**24** "Keep your cool. Take a closer look." – Anonymous	**25** I honor myself, others and my spirit guides as expressions of God.
26 Trust and prayer require surrender to Divine Source.	**27** "The active life is a service, the contemplative life a liberty." – St. Gregory	**28** "Light dazzles whomever lives in darkness." – St. Paul	**29** Because I am one with the Creator, I am assured of eternal life.	**30** All prayers are answered, but often we must be patient.	**31** "The alarming reality of things is my everyday discovery." – F. Pessoa	



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SAN FRANCISCO - Golden Gate Spiritualist Church
1901 Franklin St. (Corner of Clay) 94109; Sunday, Lyceum 9:30 a.m., Sept. thru May; Healing 10:30 a.m., Devotional Serv. 11:00 a.m.; Wed. Healing 7:30 p.m., Serv. 8:00 p.m., (415) 885-9976; Pastor, Rev. Donald Haddick, NST; Pres., Sonny B. Gee; Secy., Engeltie Lauderback.

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HARTFORD - Pinpoint of Light Spiritualist Camp
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NORTHPORT - Temple Heights Spiritual Camp Assoc.
Shore Road, Northport on Penobscot Bay; Camp session is from mid-June through the Sunday after Labor Day. A different featured medium each week. Church services at 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Tues., Thurs. and Fri.; Sun. Pot Luck 5:00 p.m.; class Mon. at 7:30 p.m.; Message Circles Wed and Sat. at 7:30 p.m.; Workshops/seminars Saturday. Accommodations with kitchen privileges available; for a program or information, call (207) 338-3029 (Apr.-Oct.) then (207) 338-4690, or P.O. Box 311, Lincolnville, 04849-0031; Pres., Pam Strickland, P.O. Box 93, Owl's Head, 04854, (207) 594-9038, e-mail: pstone48@aol.com; Secy., Patricia Wallace, 124 Spring St., Gardiner, 04345, e-mail: PMICH619@aol.com.

NORTHPORT - Temple Heights Spiritualist Church
Shore Road, Northport; Services 2:30 p.m. Sundays at Temple Heights Spiritual Camp from May to October and at Excelsior Lodge on the Shore Road, Saturday Cove, Northport from Nov. to April; (207) 338-3029; Pres, Jean E. Bower, 159 Northport Ave., Belfast, 04915, (207) 338-1355; Secy., Carol A. Fricke.

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ONSET - On-I-Set Wigwam Co-Workers Spiritualist Camp
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SALEM - First Spiritualist Church of Salem
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Interesting But Unknown Tidbits

BY THE REV. MARILYN J. AWTRY-SMITH, NST, Florida

Some call it luck. Others, particularly those in Spiritualism, consider it help from the other side. In this case, I adhere to the latter.

During my years in Cassadaga, Florida, many so-called unusual events happened. My wish is, let it happen again.

Many of us have read books by Stewart Edward White, particularly *The Betty Book*, *The Unobstructed Universe*, and *Across the Unknown.* Because of this familiarity, I thought you might journey along with me as I share my journal.

It was 1992, and a long busy day of serving Spiritualism. I was quite satisfied the day was done, let me just rest. But, late in the afternoon, a knock came on my front door. Opening it, there was a small built young lady with a monstrous sized suitcase. Immediately, the thought hit me "Oh not yet another one needing help." Before I could say a word, she said, "I am (name omitted), I just flew in from up north for a short stay; may I come in, I think I have something that will really, really interest you."

At that instant, I thought "Oh what a wise salesman," but I heard a voice in my head say "A surprise just for you." Of course, she was invited in—and quickly!

She opened the suitcase and low and behold, it appeared the seams would burst. It was full of "stuff" (her expression) belonging to Steward E. White. Some in his own handwriting, manuscripts never printed, pictures, all you could only dream of holding in your hands. She shared how this came in her possession for a very short period of time. When she became privy to the material, she told the holder of the "stuff," there is a Spiritualist who would just love it. So, it was loaned to her for a brief period. Sitting on the floor, going through piece by piece time just passed away. I was in awe of holding each document and picture in my hands. At nine p.m., she said, she must go and took the suitcase handles, but was stopped by a mighty unseen force. Then came my plea, "Please leave it with me and come back tomorrow; I will stay up all night and read it all." Looking at my stunned expression and knowing how deeply this revelation was being accepted, she said, "Okay, I trust you, but make no copies." Reading each and every page made the long night seem like just an hour. And so it was!



For those of you that have any of his books, you may want to make note in them. For those of you not interested in tidbits, just go on with your day. This is what is shared. In the books, these are the characters:

Stewart and Betty (sometimes referred to as Elizabeth)
"Beese" is Stewart's son Harwood
"Alex" is Harwood's wife
"Darby" is Emmet Findley
"Stephen" is Richard Hall
"Johnnie" is Betty's nurse
"Joan" is Ruth Elbright Findley
"Mrs. K" is Margaret Wade Campbell Deland
"Millicent" is Betty's sister
"Rod" is White's brother
"Prof. X" is William James

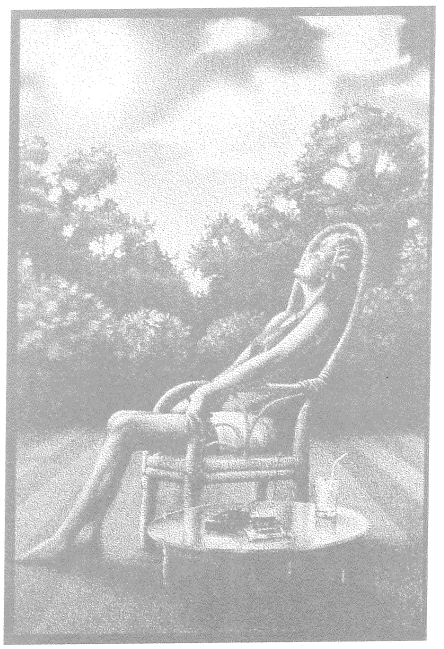
Of course, you know of books by Joan and Darby. They are Mr. and Mrs. Finley and were very, very close friends of the White's. And once again, "Darby" is Emmet Finley; "Joan" is Ruth Elbright Finley; and "Musk" is Margaret Wade Campbell Deland.

The only sad part of the story is that there are reams of paper written by Stewart E. White. However, the family was not at all interested in his Spiritualist adventures. Thus, not interested in promulgating Spiritualism by releasing the documents.

Somehow, I felt all of the books became more real knowing exactly who was who. And, it is hoped that you too will enjoy reading the books again.

The Alluring Aura

BY ELIZABETH HARRIS, DSNU, Canada



For centuries the luminous cloud which surrounds human bodies called "the aura" has fascinated humanity. By its appearance clairvoyants give character readings, and spiritual healers locate disease. Too, the aura is visible to spirit people, and forms the basis of many clairvoyant visions.

The Ancients painted them. The Egyptians showed a halo around important personages, the gods of Hindus were shown with halos, and the Ancient Greeks and Romans depicted important persons with halos. In medieval Christian art, the aura was pictured around lofty people—a luminosity around the head or the whole person.

Down through the ages, fascination and speculations continued, and Spiritualists, seeing auras with the naked eye, used their knowledge in spiritual healing and clairvoyance.

Scientific research began in 1858 when Baron Karl von Reichenback began extensive research, but it wasn't until 1911, that headway was made by W. R. Kilner. Dr. Kilner in his book, *The Human Atmosphere*, describes how he developed the first system of viewing and studying the human aura by using screens of the dye "dicyanin."

Kilner claimed that the human aura was not a vapor but a radiation, seen in magnets and affected by magnets. It is susceptible to the influence of thoughts and differs with each individual.

Auras were seen to be less distinct during illness, they varied with an individuals emotions, age and sex. The aura is seen as changes in colour, textures, spotted or clear, continuous or otherwise.

It was discovered that the aura needed for healing differs from that used in physical phenomena, and again in trance speaking. Also, that it forms the bond between the medium and the Spirit World—that unless the magnetism of the spirits blend with that of the mediums, spirits cannot make their presence felt.

Kilner discovered an outer aura, an inner aura, and inside the inner aura, about a quarter of an inch deep, often invisible to the naked eye, yet under careful investigation, showing faint colour, was another thin aura. Later Kilner identified an ultra-outer aura which was seldom visible.

The main object of Kilner's research was to aid diagnoses of disease, for he believed that illnesses made changes in the appearance of the aura.

The Spiritualist, Harry Boddington continued Kilner's investigation and was able to dispense using dyes by developing "goggles" made from special glass to observe and study the aura.

Boddington, too, discovered many fascinating things about the aura. For example—he found that the aura differs with human temperament, character and health. He claimed that at death, the aura almost entirely leaves the body, and during trance states, the aura almost completely disappears. He noticed, too, that mentality has a marked effect on the aura.

In his book, *University of Spiritualism*, Boddington says, "Spirit teachers affirm that not only is psychic quality registered in the auras, but it's colors denote the state of health and mental and emotional factors."

And the Spiritualist, Harry Edwards in *Spiritual Healing* says: "The aura is no more than a reflection of the person's spiritual, bodily and mental health states. It is a reflection only. Thus it is not possible to heal an aura. One cannot heal a reflection. Neither is it possible for an aura to be "split," for no reflection can be split. Neither can it be sealed off."

Arthur Findlay tells us that each physical cell has a duplicate etheric (spirit) cell, and it is the radiation, which these produce, that causes the aura surrounding the body. Every living thing has an etheric body and an aura of different degrees.

As we know, auras are not illusions. They are very real. They have been photographed and illusions can't very well be photographed.

In 1939, a Russian electrical repair man, Semyon Kirlian, began recording flares and flashes of objects when they were placed in a darkened room between a high energy electrical field and a photographic plate. He spent 30

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years experimenting and this type of photography became known as Kirlian photography.

In the cases of inanimate objects, the colors emitted were constant, while with animate living objects, the flashes fluctuated and changed colour.

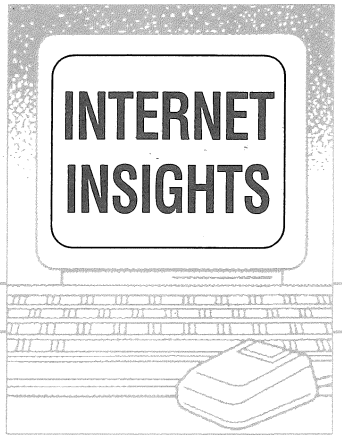
As with earlier experimenters, it was originally believed that Kirlian images, by reflecting the aura or energy field, would be able to diagnose illnesses, yet, at the present time, there is no trustworthy control system to use the process as a therapeutic tool. Research continues, and scientists are still hoping to develop new ways to use it. Perhaps it can, some day, serve as a reliable diagnostic tool, for we know now that it can record energy balances and harmonies of the body and mind.

For example, Kirlian photography has shown by photographing human fingers, that the energy field of a finger changes when a person relaxes, showing that the skin pulsates with the rhythms of the brain. Results of visualization, too, have been monitored, showing that skin somehow responds to thoughts.

Kendall Johnson, in his book, *The Living Aura*, tells us that our skins can be considered organs of the body, with specific functions. In one way or another, the skin is connected to every internal organ. Research shows that the skin is able to change from an insulating material to a conducting material, like copper or brass.

We might still speculate about auras, what they are and their uses, but there seems to be enough concrete evidence from both the scientific community as well as from well known Spiritualists to show that auras do indeed radiate and reflect conditions of the body, mind and spirit.

Without doubt, Spiritualists will continue their ancient tradition of reading auras. By seeing auras with the naked eye, they will continue to use their findings in clairvoyance readings and in spiritual healing.



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My Angel

Once upon a time there was a child ready to be born. The child asked God, "They tell me you are sending me to Earth tomorrow, but how am I going to live there being so small and helpless?"

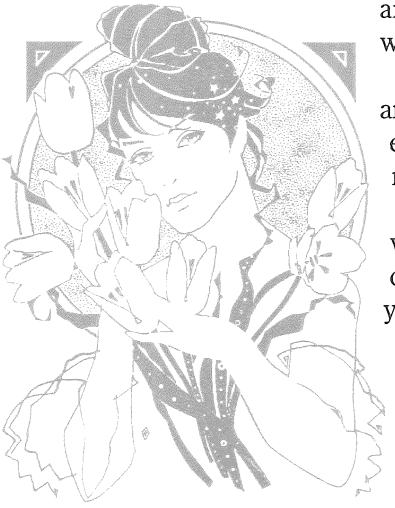
God replied, "Among the many angels, I chose one for you. Your angel will be waiting for you and will take care of you."

The child further inquired, "But tell me, here in heaven I don't have to do anything but sing and smile to be happy."

"God said, "Your angel will sing for you and will also smile for you everyday. And you will feel your angel's love and be very happy."

Again the child asked, "And how am I going to be able to understand when people talk to me if I don't know the language?"

God said, "Your angel will tell you the most beautiful and sweet words you will ever hear, and with much patience and care, your angel will teach you how to speak."



"And what am I going to do when I want to talk to you?"

God said, "Your angel will place your hands together and will teach you how to pray."

"I've heard that on Earth there are bad men. Who will protect me?"

God said, "Your angel will defend you even if it means risking its life."

"But I will always be sad because I will not see you anymore."

God said, "Your angel will always talk to you about me and will teach you the way to come back to me, even though I will always be next to you."

At that moment there was much peace in heaven, but voices from Earth could be heard and the child hurriedly asked, "God, if I am to leave now, please tell me my angel's name."

"Her name is not important." You will simply call her "Mom."

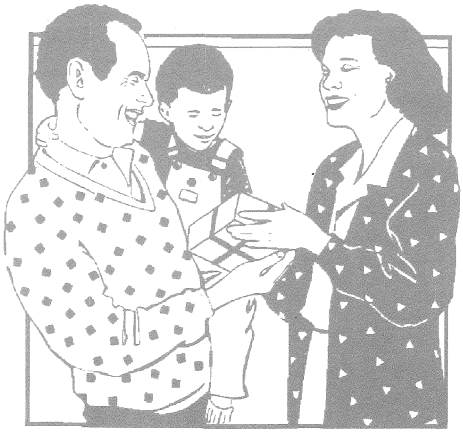
"The family is the nucleus of civilization."
-- William James Durant

Motherhood Redefined

BY DAVEDA MALLIN HORN, New York

When **the celebration of Mother's Day** is considered, let us view the concept of Motherhood from an all-inclusive perspective. Motherhood is not confined to sexual gender or even biological relationship between mother and child. That is not to say that we do not honor the biological mother and all that she does in nurturing the growth and development of her child. But, we are a diverse society with multi-various life situations that this day of honoring would like to include. Mother's Day is wonderful for those who are blessed to celebrate it with their mother, but there are scores of others who should be remembered.

There are many who grieve the loss of a mother. There are those that grieve the loss of a child. Some have never known the love of a biological mother, even some who have been physically or psychologically abused. There are biological mothers who never wanted children and felt unfit for the job. Others have never had a biological child and go through life feeling that something is missing.



Many of us had the blessing of a loving biological mother and the happy memories that go along with that. Even with happy relationships there are often troubled times that still need to be worked through to resolve issues that plague our memories. Each of us has our own unique situations.

When we think of motherhood and mothering, we think of those aspects of nurturing, caring for, protecting, guiding, teaching, inspiring and encouraging those who are dependent upon our care. This connection which spans the physical, emotional, mental and spiritual levels continues even with those who have grown up and are able to care for themselves. Mothers don't stop being mothers when children are grown. The bond of nurturing continues, but with more of a trust that the child will survive as a self-sustaining individual. At some point the mother, as she grows older, is then nurtured by the child. The circular cycles of life patterns emerge.

Shall Mother's Day continue to be a day that is exclusively designed to honor biological mothers and only biological mothers, a day to narrowly define the concept of motherhood within the biological relationship? This feels like it is excluding a large segment of the population that deserves to be included in the celebration of motherhood.

For those of us, as mothers who have lost children to the change called death, the mothering bond has not been severed. We go on caring for those children, loving those children and being loved by them. Still, we long for their physical presence. For those of us, as children who have lost mothers to the change called death, we continue to need them, to miss them, to love them, and to long for their physical presence probably to the time of our own passing from this life to the next. For those of us who have visited nursing homes, it is sobering to hear the common chant of the elderly residents wailing like children for their mothers. The mothers and the children that we have lost continue to want to be with us, and we with them, so much so, that in fact, they are with us. Yes, indeed, we know that as Spiritualists with the evidentiary messages we give and receive for them.

For those of us who have had mothers or still have mothers on this earth, but with whom we feel no loving connection, and perhaps, feel even resentment or animosity regarding issues that have not been resolved, it is in our best interest to heal those relationships even now. We may not be able to do this, directly, with those we have lost and still long for, but we can know that we are never separated from the love of the Mother-Father God. As such, we include the qualities of Motherhood. We can know that we are loved unconditionally by that God component which is maternal. The Motherhood of God nurtures us, protects us, guards us, and guides us.

For those of us who have never had children and have never known a mother's love for whatever reason, I would wish to offer a new concept, a new perspective of motherhood, as an option to own, that includes even men, I might add. By the time we get finished, I will be wishing all of us a Happy Mother's Day. Hopefully, we will be realizing that all of us have a right to be celebrating and participating in this day, that has so much emphasis put upon it and to extend it all year through.

Those qualities of nurturing, caring, protecting, guiding, inspiring, teaching, encouraging, believing in, the

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loyalty and devotion that are characteristic of mothering a child, that other human being which is part of you...think about that for a moment. How often do we get those very things from other people in our lives, and how often do we give those very things to other people in our lives, be they sisters, brothers, fathers, children, friends, coworkers, neighbors, teachers, students, ministers and student ministers.

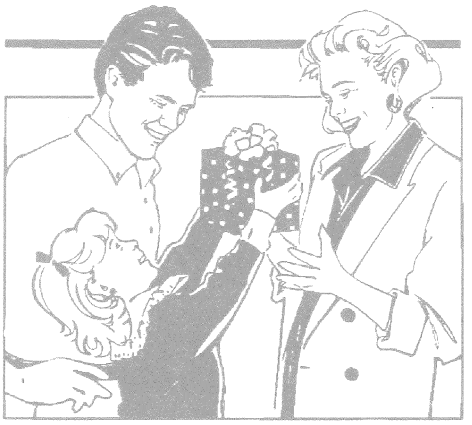
If we need to free ourselves of any mental clutter that torments our lives, how do we do this? One effective way is through meditation and positive affirmations—that is replacing the negative mental chatter with the positive statements that we would wish to manifest in our lives. **This would require that we forgive ourselves and others for anything that needs to be forgiven, until there is nothing left to forgive.** If we don't do this forgiveness ritual, then we continue to carry with us the hurts of the past. We are not allowing ourselves to experience the joy of the present. The topic of forgiveness is a recurring theme that we hear in meditations, sermons, classes. It is one of our primary life lessons to learn. We may not be ready to forgive, but if we don't, we are the ones who continue to suffer.

The ones who do not express the love to us that we desire may never come to an enlightened awareness for us to observe and experience. It is helpful, however, for us to come to the awareness that they are doing the best that they can, with what they have and know how to use. This may not have been enough to meet our expectations, still they must be forgiven and blessed so that we can clear ourselves to live the life of love. We may never be able to say this to them, directly. We may need to do this solely on the mental level. At some point, the forgiveness ritual becomes an attitude that frees us. Coming through this process, the relationship is healed, whether the other person is on the Earth Plane or beyond. And this healing is projected through our persona. We become the love that we need; are more able to receive wherever it is available; even possibly receive love from the one we desired it from; and we are more able to give that love wherever it is needed.

The question can be raised: Should we be less of a mother to ourselves, especially, if we have a background where our needs for maternal love have not been met? This brings me to the point of encouraging that we do work to embrace the inner child. That small, innocent child is still within us waiting to be recognized, acknowledged, consoled, forgiven, encouraged, nurtured and loved. We are the only ones who can truly make this child whole and harmonious within. Embracing the inner child is part of the forgiveness process, the process of forgiving ourselves and others. Giving that child the love that it deserves and needs unconditionally, as the Mother-Father God loves each of us.

In quiet moments of meditation, focus on the child within. Recall how that child looks, from memory or even if it requires looking at a photograph of oneself, when we were younger. This is the opportunity to be both parent and child. Open your arms and bid that child welcome, hold and comfort that child, to let it express its fears, frustrations, anger and needs. This is the time to reassure our child that it is secure in our love. Be with that child, as it expresses anger to the one who has hurt him or her. Let him know that you are here to protect him, that she is safe. That you will always be there for her. You will never leave him. Praise that child for enabling you to become the person you are. You are a survivor because of the braveness of that child, and that child deserves to be praised. Now, you are in a symbiotic relationship, adult and child, dependent upon each other to become whole.

When we are made whole, we do not lose the inner child. This inner child now becomes our source of joy, our sense of humor, our ability to see things with fresh, brand new eyes, our constant companion. Instead of childish ways of dealing with life, we become imbued and renewed with the childlike innocence that we once had. We are restored as who we truly are, with the passion for living that we were endowed with when we were born. Now, we are truly free to experience the field of mothering that we are surrounded with.



As a Spiritualist Family, we continue to do for each other as blood relatives would do. Using this larger definition of motherhood, are we not all mothers, everyone of us? As co-creators with the Motherhood of God, we give and sustain the lives of each other's souls. If you are my friend, who is caring and nurturing, and lifts me up when I am down, who celebrates my life with me when it is my birthday, who is happy that I am on this Earth Plane with you, I would call you, "Mother."

What is helpful is a higher perspective of the love that God is. **God is Love** and God is Infinite, therefore love is Infinite and there is enough love to go around. Everyone on the physical is not experiencing the optimal life. To emphasize with another's grief is healthy for oneself and the other person, but to feel the other's grief to the point that one feels not worthy of experiencing joy and love in one's own life, because the other one does not have it, that is not healthy. Far better to shine forth with the love that is experienced in one's life, so that it may be showered upon others and become theirs as well. **Love has that**

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expansive quality about it once it is flowing.

We are living a shared mothering. By this definition, we would honor our children and grandchildren who are loving and caring, as we watch them grow to embody more and more of this concept. They, too, as they are being mothered, are also our mothers in return. When we watch small children as they are playing together and observe their ability to share their toys and snacks, we see that they, too are taking part in the mothering process. They deserve to be honored.

For Fathers who have gentle, loving ways, and male spouses or partners who have gentle, loving ways, we honor you, too, on this Mother's Day for the nurturing that you do.

Let us not forget to honor and bless Mother Earth, that Mother which sustains and nurtures our lives on the Earth Plane; that blesses us with the fruits of the seasons, with wild life, animal life, plant life, the fish of the ocean, with gentle rains that nourish our crops; that brings our colorful flowering trees into the grand display that is so breathtaking in the month of May.

If we care about our brothers and sisters on Planet Earth and we show our love and support for life on this planet, other than in our immediate domain; if we work to stamp out poverty and hunger on this globe; to end man's inhumanity to man; to end wars and live in global harmony; to end violence on the home front and anything that would diminish the reverence for life, then we, too, are mothers and we deserve to be honored.

We are in a flow of life where the opportunities for giving and receiving of motherly love are always available. For we live in the eternal now in which we reflect the unconditional, Infinite, Motherly Love of the Creator. As promised, an all-inclusive "Happy Mother's Day" to us all!



CALENDAR CORNER

What happened in MAY throughout the years?

MAY 12

Mother's Day, a time when sons and daughters try to tell their Mother what she means to them. Thank you, Moms, Grandmothers, step-moms, foster Mothers, thank you, for helping us become who we are.

MAY 12, 1884

Born on this date in Dresden, Germany, **Elizabeth R. Courtney** was a natural medium and healer. As a child, the Catholic hospital utilized her healing ability in the wards to help patients. She came to America when she was eleven and lived with her uncle in Minneapolis, Minnesota. She continued to do healing work and developed x-ray clairvoyance. Elizabeth was the youngest ever to receive N.S.A. ordination at the age of sixteen. She continued throughout her life to be active in Spiritualism. She organized a School of Psychic Unfoldment in 1923, which was highly respected and became world known. She was the co-founder of the Central Spiritualist Church in California.

MAY 14, 1771

The birth date of British industrialist, philanthropist and socialist reformer, **Robert Owen.** He became a Spiritualist when he was eighty-three years old after working with Mrs. Hayden, an American Medium of great abilities. He preached his new ideas with vigor, believing them to be the inauguration of a social revolution. He believed communication with the Spirit World was another means to advance the human race. He was also an author.

MAY 18 & 27

May 18, **Armed Forces Day,** and May 27, **Memorial Day** observed. Take time to send prayers to all who have served their country. The **American Red Cross** was organized in May of 1881 and have helped so many. Let our prayer be for peace.

MAY 23, 1733

Friedrich Anton Mesmer was born on this date. He was an Austrian physician who discovered that hand passes over a patient could influence the vital fluid or essence, and there-by dominate the patient's will. He called this "animal magnetism" which was an early form of hypnotism. His system involved the use of magnets and the transfer of magnetic energy to the patient to receive a cure. Mesmer's work and discoveries have been important to Spiritualism, especially in the area of spirit healing and trance states.



The Church And The Computer

BY THE REV. RUPERT SIGURDSSON, NST, Maine

During a recent membership meeting at our church, a suggestion was brought up that the church should send their meeting minutes by E-mail to its members and that maybe members could express their opinions and vote in that manner. The following is my opinion. I am sure some will agree and some won't. Maybe it will come up in your church sometime in the future, or maybe it has.

At least once each day I check my E-mail. As an average there are between twenty and forty new E-mails daily, and the breakdown is as follows—maybe two are of some personal interest, a personal letter from a family member or church member, the others are advertisements for credit card, mortgage money, life insurance. There are several from an organization I belong to that was very progressive in the past, but now has become reduced to a bickering between members, that have more time than brains. Then there is some X-rated advertising that children should never have access to, and a multitude of time consuming junk to delete. Is this where we want our church activities aired, and the possibility of its policies controlled?

There was a time in the not too distant past when a church was held in a high respect. That was a time when Dad went to work five days a week, Mother made sure the kids got off to school after a proper breakfast, and she was home when they came home from school. They were given a snack to eat and told to change out of school clothes and do their homework. They were also taught to say "Please and Thank You." Saturday and Sunday were special days where the family could shop together, take trips, work around home, play a game, and go to a church of their choice on a Sunday. The family actually knew each other.

But times have changed, Mother has to work, usually from necessity, stores and businesses are open seven days a week, which means family time has suffered. It is non existent in many families, and when they are not at work, they spend hours at the computer and do not wish to be spoken to or disturbed. So, true family relationships, in many cases, have gone out the door!

Now I am not condemning computers, I love them! I am typing this on a computer that corrects my poor spelling, my grammar, and makes my thoughts readable. I have used computers for about twelve years. I have a degree in computer repairs and service, have made web pages and studied HTML, and I use a computer for all my church programs, records and personal programs. I will state again that I would not want to be without a computer.

Computers are in our lives and are here to stay. They have many useful purposes and have their definite place in the church office, but I feel that is it. It should not be used for the members to receive their information about church affairs **"WITHOUT HAVING TO ATTEND A SERVICE OR A MEMBERSHIP MEETING"** to pass opinions, or to vote on a matter. I have heard suggestions in this direction and feel strongly that it is up to those that are dedicated enough in their belief to attend church meetings, services and classes. Those that are aware of what is going on in the church and can make valued suggestions from experience.

The church is a place where one can get away from the world of the material and to join in on the spiritual web of **LOVE, PEACE, LIGHT AND HOPE FOR A BETTER FUTURE.** A church is the one place where one can come for many personal reasons, maybe only an hour or so from a stressful job, a chance to receive a comforting message from a loved one, spiritual or material healing, to connect into that higher power we call Infinite Intelligence and last, but very important, to be with those of like ideas where one can express themselves openly about their feelings and beliefs with understanding and acceptance.

The church atmosphere, and vibration, must be kept on a personal level, otherwise the personal pastor can retire and leave Robby the Robot to run everything as in an old science fiction movie.



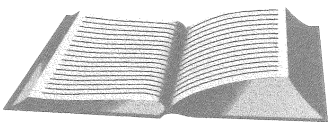
Thoughts For The Day

BY AGNES FREEMAN, England

1. Today is a new day and I will be full of Joy.
2. I am turning over a new leaf, so I begin.
3. Every day is a good day if it teaches me something.
4. If I fail, I will start again, with a lesson learned.
5. I am Powerful. I am Spirit.
6. Life is a merry-go-round, but I will be happy to get off in the end.
7. As long as **you** know who you are, others will respect who **you** are.
8. If you take care of today, tomorrow surely will be taken care of.
9. The greatest values are always spiritual—these are the things which money can never buy.

Success

To live without regret
To find the Pearl within
That is to say—
I have lived,
I have learned,
I have succeeded.



What If?

What if the Spirit World was not above but very close to us? Fact, it is.

What if our loved ones are so very close most of the time to us? Fact, they are.

What if all of us, not just Mediums, could communicate with spirit most of the time? Fact, we can when we become still.

What if our spirit loved ones walk beside us and not just our spirit guides? Fact, they often do.

What if a call for help is heard immediately, because spirit is only a thought away. Fact, they are, we are never alone.

What if life lasts forever? Fact, it does, only the shape changes, not the spirit within. Our spirit self forever exists, progressing and evolving.

What if you were indestructible? Fact, you are, for you are spirit, part of Infinite Spirit. On the Higher planes you go on to infinity. Life is a gift and in essence it is everlasting.

What if all knowledge has been compiled elsewhere? Fact, it is. Your spirit can browse through books in the Spirit Realm yet to be written in the physical world.

In the Spirit Side of life there are forms forming which have not taken shape on Earth yet. We exist in a parallel universe, living nearly side by side, circle within the circle, levels like steps. The brilliance of the spirit outshines anything you are able to see on Earth.

Understanding the fact that life is continuous encourages us while on Earth. **What if** each of us tries each day these suggestions. Do meditate as often as possible. Do remember to do some good every day. Do remember Earthly life is temporal, but your spirit cannot die. So for the short time you are in the physical, do not struggle, take life as it comes, and try to live a spiritual life each day. Rather than fret, aim for balance. Always lend a helping hand, even before you are asked to do so, that way you have helped twice. Be kind, give yourself and others treats. Aim to learn as much as you can, aim for soul growth. Growth is a most important thing which is also a blessing later on. Whatever you plant here (the seed of thought) will flourish forever. Be yourself, after all you cannot be anyone else, and **you** are who the Source created.

When the Earth cycle is completed, the Spirit World cycle begins—a metamorphosis. The caterpillar you, becomes and transforms into the butterfly. By your thoughts alone you can fly—that is real freedom. I wish you pleasant travel in your soul's journey, with your trip filled with love, light and progression.

Morris Pratt Institute Association ■ The Rev. Pamla Ashlay, NST, 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* ***Carolyn Davidson*** *of Ohio.*

"Once, long ago, the people of Earth knew the truth: that matter is just the joyful song of Spirit; that human is just a playful dance of the Divine. They understood that the Earth, the animals, the wind, the sun, and the stars are all brothers and sisters, sharing one heart beat in a cosmic rhythm...But over time the truth was forgotten..." This is a story from a book by Barbara DeAngelis called, *Real Moments*.

Today the people of the Earth are searching for the truth that was forgotten. "What makes me, me?" "Why was I born?" "Being born, what am I to do?" I remember asking myself these questions at a very young age. We all ask similar questions. Philosophy examines these questions and looks for understanding, based upon knowledge and truths. Philosophers apply the answers to life.

Everyone has a philosophy of life. Each is based upon experience and thought about the experience. My philosophy is different from others because my experience of life is uniquely my own. My thoughts about the experiences can be and are influenced by many things.

As a child, my thoughts were influenced by my parents, grandparents, and siblings. Later, neighbors, school teachers, and television personalities expanded my thinking. From books I read the thinking of famous people throughout history. Science, religion and Natural Law gave me guidelines to draw upon when forming my beliefs.

Spiritualism is a Philosophy. The Declaration of Principles are firmly based in the timeless insights of great thinkers down through the ages: Socrates, Aristotle, Spinoza, Thomas Paine.

Natural Law is a continuum, and builds upon this base of wisdom, supporting the tenets of Spiritualisim. Being both physical and spiritual beings, humans are effected by Natural Law on both levels. Having knowledge that the universe is ordered by Laws and using knowledge of the Laws as part of a personal philosophy can help uncomplicate life, bringing sense to the world and giving it meaning.

Spiritualism as a Philosophy, with its foundation built upon wisdom and Natural Law, next sets forth answers to two big questions asked by humans since the time of self awareness: "Does God exist?" and "How was the universe formed?"

Spiritualism does endorse a concept of God. God is the Primal Source, the Spirit that directs matter and energy. God is the Law of all nature and all that it contains. God is Infinite Intelligence. Spiritualism lets each individual define what God is. Spiritualism requires a person to think about God.

When asked about creation, Spiritualism as a Philosophy offers a theory that a Primal Source, or Spirit, directed energy to move matter; that the visible universe is the materialized expression of an invisible universe of Spirit. Once again we are required to think, to become philosophers, to reach a place where beliefs and experiences are consistent with each other.

According to the theory of the intellectual history of mankind, humanity has progressed from the age of superstition, to the age of science, to the age of materialism. Of course, mankind has not evolved in unison, and the age of superstition overlaps the others.

Along with the intellectual history comes the idea of the God concept. This belief in something greater than ourselves has always been in our intellectual history. Is this a human need? Or is this a human knowing? My belief, according to my experience, is expressed by W. E. Gladstone: "The name of Jehovah is encircled in the heart of every believer with the profoundest reverence and love."

I believe our spirits are engraved with God's name; that we are stamped, "Made by God." I believe we know as babies that we are the "playful dance of the Divine." But over time, we forget...

"Nothing outside yourself can save you; nothing outside yourself can give you peace."

– A Course in Miracles

Things To Think About

BY MERRY BROWNE

"Soul Knowing"

In his book *Healing The Soul*, psychoanalyst, Elio Frattaroli, states that we are placing far too much value on drug-therapy, asking "Should I medicate?" instead of "Why do I suffer?" He said we are listening to Prozac instead of our soul, yet he cautions that there is no quick fix for the soul. This is a ground breaking book in the field of therapy, pointing out that the old ways of thinking in materialistic terms must give way to paying attention to our emotional and spiritual selves and how we treat each other. It delves into seeing how much more there is to life than trying to be the one who dies with the most toys, as he put it. Dr. Frattaroli, as a psychoanalyst, knows in-depth work is an on-going process and can be extremely expensive.

In my own book, *The Truth About Life,* published in 1968, I offered a method of self-analysis that I call "The Daily Diary." Writing is a means to do your own psychotherapy on a daily basis because soul growth is, indeed, a long, slow process. The Daily Diary Process: At the end of each day, ask yourself, "What did I think, feel, say, do today that I should not have? What did I think, feel, say, do today that I should have? Use the Golden Rule as your checklist.

Precondition your mind to strive the following day to do only what you should do. A lifetime of this therapy heals a multitude of flaws which cause our bad life experiences, thus it heals our lives.

"Intuitives In Service"

For those of you who are not aware of the New Zealand based "Intuitives In Service" organization, let me explain that they request us to be of service to the world. Intuitives, as defined by them, is knowing some aspect of truth as it exists in superhuman realms of existence, and when this truth is put into words and deeds, it becomes a catalyst for human betterment.

"Life"

It's not about race
or color or creed,
It's all about longing,
All about need,
All about sameness
Of ultimate goal,
It's about heart,
It's about soul,
It's not about passing
In night of two ships,
It's about anchoring
Relationships.

"Sunnyside"

If you don't live on the sunnyside of life, you need to move your perspective.

Honesty makes me feel powerful in a difficult world. – *Cher*

Only passions, great passions, can elevate the soul to great things. – *Dennis Diderot*

A Beloved Son Makes His Transition



Ronald Coverson Jr.

Ronald Coverson Jr., was born on February 9, 1979, in Chicago, Illinois. Ronnie was the only son of Marrice and Ronald Coverson.

Ronnie was named and dedicated in the Tucker Smith Washington Spiritualist Temple and continued his spiritual journey at The Church of The Spirit.

He graduated from Wm. H. Ray Elementary and De La Salle Institute and was a third year student at Northern Illinois University pursuing a degree in Business Administration.

Ronnie excelled at sports while attending De La Salle. For four years, he was a running back for the Meteors football team, and a star wrestler, placing first for two consecutive years in the Catholic League Championship. In his spare time, Ronnie played basketball just for fun.

For two summers, Ronnie worked as a Bat Boy for the Chicago White Sox. He collected a set of autographed baseballs from a variety of teams.

Recently, Ronnie was following his dream and co-founded INFRA RED, a record company dedicated to Rap and R&B music. The company has a current hit on Chicago radio, "Bang Wit Us."

Blessed with a sharp wit and a quick sense of humor, Ronnie loved to rag on his "family." He was a selfless friend and son, always concerned about everyone else.

His hobbies included writing, sports and playing video games. He was a connoisseur of Timberland boots and loved looking "jiggy."

On Thursday, December 20, 2001, at approximately 3:00 a.m., Ronnie was called into the Spirit World. He leaves behind his devoted mother, Marrice; loving father, Ronald; sister, Eboni; aunts, uncles, numerous cousins, nieces, nephews and friends.

Ronnie's funeral service was held December 26, 2001 and was truly a celebration of life. So many friends came to offer their love to the family that the parlor was not able to hold everyone. People spilled outside the room into the hallway, foyer and lobbies. The service was filled with music, poetry and many remembrances of Ronnie. The Rev. Jesse James delivered the sermon and our pastor, Marrice, delivered the Eulogy for her son. Though there were many tears shed during the service, we left feeling inspired to live our lives as fully as we can, just as Ronnie did.

In Loving Memory

Ronald

Walking or driving at an upbeat pace.
We all will remember your friendly face.

There are lessons we learn as each day goes by.
There are songs to sing, a few tears to cry.

There are blessings to count, happy memories too
And sometimes disappointment in things that we do.

God whispered to Ron, No more worries,
No more stress, And peacefully laid him down to rest.

Although our hearts are heavy with sadness and pain,
You are now with God with everything to gain.

So go on Ronnie, Spread your wings.
For now you have everlasting life
And a happy song to sing.

Love forever,
Teria and Theresa

HONOR *Our Service Men and Women...*



FAVORITE SAYINGS TO LIVE BY



"The chess-board is the world; the pieces are the phenomena of the universe; the rules of the game are what we call the Laws of Nature."

– T. H. Huxley

"May my service be of deeds, not of words; of understanding, not of creeds. Through realizing that God is Spirit, may I so raise my consciousness that I accept more fully the Allness of Spirit; and in accepting, may I realize, as an individual, that I can never die because I am in the spirit of God consciousness."

– The Rev. H. Gordon Burroughs,
Meditations, Reflections, and Spiritual Philosophy

"Two things fill my mind with ever-increasing wonder and awe: the starry heavens above me and the moral law within me."

– Immanuel Kant

"At this instant a moment of time is passing. We must transform ourselves into that moment."

– Paul Cezanne

"The most important thing a father can do for his children is to love their mother."

– Theodore Hesburg

Humor to put you in
Good Spirits . . .

Kids At Church



A little boy was in a relative's wedding. As he was coming down the aisle, he would take two steps, stop, and turn to the crowd. While facing the crowd, he would put his hands up like claws and roar. So it went, step, step, ROAR, step, step, ROAR, all the way down the aisle. As you can imagine, the crowd was near tears from laughing so hard by the time he reached the pulpit. When asked what he was doing, the child sniffed and said, "I was being the Ring Bear."



One Sunday in a Midwest City, a young child was "acting up" during the morning worship hour. The parents did their best to maintain some sense of order in the pew, but were losing the battle. Finally, the father picked the little fellow up and walked sternly up the aisle on his way out. Just before reaching the safety of the foyer, the little one called loudly to the congregation, "Pray for me! Pray for me!"



And one particular four-year old prayed, "And forgive us our trash baskets as we forgive those who put trash in our baskets."



The next day was Memorial Day, so the minister at church requested a moment of silence for the faithful dead. A young girl turned to her mother and said, "Mom, you have some of those albums!"

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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 individuals and that we make our own happiness or unhappiness as we obey or disobey Nature's physical and spiritual laws.

8. We affirm that the doorway to reformation is never closed against any soul here or hereafter.

9. We affirm that the precepts of Prophecy and Healing are Divine attributes proven through Mediumship.



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