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Dear Ones:

In the past you have read my thoughts on spiritual fountains. Remember that they represent the Godhead points of entry into created earth. These Godhead points are centered within the core of each true religion. Thus the peoples around the world have woven the experiences within the core into their local cultures. It is here that swirling distortions within the fabric of created earth emerge and confuse naïve worshipers in the meaning of Divine Love and that which is required to hold on to It. Concepts designed to interpret Divine Love become narrow and rigid and the inner God becomes lost in blurriness.

From this point the process moves into the mundane. Good, created by the Loving Godhead, becomes even more obscure, as the day-to-day concepts become misinterpreted as the **causes** of the good. On earth you have candy within wrappers. Candy sellers will try to convince you that **their** wrappers represent the ultimate of taste and enjoyment, beyond all others. Likewise, the beliefs, concepts and viewpoints of everyday life **seem** to become causes of good. Of course, they are not. All of these beckoning “fingers” are offshoots of Divine Love.

In order to grow in spiritual understanding you must learn

to see through the outer trappings and recognize the inner God which is **All That Is**. Anything that you aim for, be it abundance, personal love or peace is **Divine Love**. The trappings holding the Good in concepts must be recognized and put aside. **You must seek the High Rapture but not the destructive outer trappings**, which confuse and disappoint you because of their powerlessness. Candy wrappers do not create good candy. Do not eat the wrappers! Just so, words and concepts do not create God. Focus upon God only, constantly and in all your life events.

In all Love StAOR

by Rev. Dr. Barbara Selwa



SPRING CONFERENCE

April 15-17, 2011
Delray Beach, FL

Calling all who would like to present at our Spring Conference.

If you would like to share your wisdom, techniques, ideas, etc with your fellow ministers, this is your golden opportunity. Please go to www.allianceofdivinelove.org and download the application form. Fill it out and return it to: Reverend Dr. Barbara Hanshaw, 8744 Oldham Way, West Palm Beach, FL 33412. Please Mark the envelope *Attention ADL Conference*. Thank you!

ANNUAL TOY DRIVE DURING DECEMBER 19TH HOLIDAY PARTY



The Reverend Joseph Bogucki and some of the 2009 ADL gifts for the Children's Home Society. Thank you for your participation.



The Sun is in Sagittarius through the 21st of December. Jupiter, the ruling planet for Sagittarius, is in three different signs this year. It is in Pisces now until January 23rd. It is in Sag's solar fourth house which is the house of home, roots and family. During the past year your home or family could have increased or expanded. Between January 22nd and June 3rd Jupiter will be in Aries in your fifth solar house of romance and creativity. On June 4th Jupiter travels through Taurus for a year which is your 6th solar house which represents health and work. Jupiter's transits this year could bring many changes and opportunities into your life and work. Whatever house it is in it will enhance it.

Mars conjuncts Pluto and the North Node in Capricorn from the 11th through the 15th. It is the time for us to know that we are responsible for our own happiness and that no one else can make us happy. It is the time to take emotional responsibility and then we can actually be happy.

Mercury is retrograde in both Capricorn and Sagittarius from the 10th to the 30th. We always need to tread easy during a mercury retrograde as things get confused and usually have to be repeated. During the Capricorn retrograde – from the 10th to the 18th – you may be thinking about future plans and goals, but may not be sure about where you want to go. During the Sagittarius retrograde – from the 19th to the 30th – be careful not to speak too harshly, but try to have more empathy and compassion.

A total Lunar Eclipse is on December 21st and is the most important occurrence this month. You should not make important decisions the week prior to the eclipse, if possible. The Eclipse is located at 29 degrees Gemini and is very close

to 0 degrees Cancer which is a World Point. We need to keep communication (including emotional communication) on a positive note as it will be easy to have negative energy and misunderstandings and violent behavior. We need to stay on the higher level of communication in our personal lives and on the world stage, if possible, as there is so much negative double talk going on. We need to take the high road.

The Sun (which goes into Capricorn on the 23rd) conjuncts both Pluto and the North node from the 24th through the 26th. You need to stand up for what you believe in and believe in yourself. This attitude will increase your self confidence and self responsibility.

The New Moon is on the 5th in Sagittarius. The wishes and intentions for the month should be about spirituality, spontaneity, intuition, freedom and ethical beliefs.



by Reverend Linda Bender

IT IS THE SEASON FOR GIVING

Annual Holiday Christmas Party and Pot Luck Dinner

Sunday December 19, 2010 at 2:30 pm

Unity in the Pines

6073 Summit Boulevard

West Palm Beach, Florida

Please help us with our annual toy drive for the Children's Home Society.

Please bring:

1. A new unwrapped gift suitable for a child of any age or a Gift Card from, K-Mart, Target, or Walmart. Many of these Children will receive no other gifts than the ones from the Alliance of Divine Love. We thank you for your participation.
2. Your donation or gift card making you a Secret Angel** for a minister in need.
3. A dish to share.
4. A Big Smile and your loving presence.

If you can't attend the party and wish to make a donation, we can purchase gift cards for you.

Checks or money orders made out to The Alliance of Divine Love, Inc.

Please send your donations to:

(Envelope Marked: Attention Children)
 Reverend Dr. Barbara Hanshaw
 8744 Oldham Way
 West Palm Beach, Florida 33412-1111

Please help a fellow minister: Become a Secret Angel!

** Please become an Alliance of Divine Love Secret Angel for those ministers who needed to use the Angel Fund this year. Please send donations (we will happily buy a gift card for you if needed!) or send us a gift card from K-Mart, Target, or WalMart. (Please make note of the amount on the card.)

Send donations to:

(Envelope Marked: Attention Angels)
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We wish you and yours a
 Very Merry Christmas,
 Happy Hanukkah, Happy Kwanzaa,
 and a joyous New Year!

December Birthdays

This is a very special day, as it honored the day that we incarnated to do our special job. Birthdays are supposed to be a special honoring of the soul who took on this task. Please take the time to send a special blessing to each person on the list. It is like giving them the power and energy to do the work they came to do. Love, Rev. Dr. Barbara Hanshaw

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| 12-01 | Reverend Wende Landt
Reverend Countess N. Della Volpe
Reverend Grant Allen Houser | 12-19 | Reverend Gary J. Kersey
Reverend Terri L. Mattocks |
| 12-02 | Reverend Sarah Olive Usher
Reverend Sienna Marie Wise
Reverend Dr. Carol W. Nelson
Reverend Kolleen Kelley Evers
Reverend Gregory Anthony LoForte | 12-20 | Reverend Marilyn Rodriguez MRET
Reverend Kathleen M. Gierhart |
| 12-03 | Reverend Barbara Parkinson | 12-21 | Reverend Cindy J. Kaufman
Reverend Janet Olson
Reverend Steven Jones
Reverend Alda Watson |
| 12-05 | Reverend Lynne M. Boyd
Reverend Donna DeFore
Reverend Eileen Masiello
Reverend Richard L. Hobson | 12-22 | Reverend Mary Babl
Reverend Joda Rolfes Woolley
Reverend Julius Nagy, Jr. |
| 12-06 | Reverend Ernest L. Slusher
Reverend Terris Collins
Reverend Milton L. Green | 12-23 | Reverend Eric Emmanuel Estling
Reverend Mary Tolly Tucker
Reverend Leyna Dawley
Reverend Brian Parker
Reverend Eliria M. Rabia Harris |
| 12-07 | Reverend April Rain Thompson
Reverend Ray Karlin | 12-24 | Reverend Hector Melendez
Reverend Dr. Keith Lenzo
Reverend Kevin Gentle Bear
Reverend Mary Barrenechea
Reverend Marie J. L. Lafantaisie
Reverend Andrea L. Dowling |
| 12-08 | Reverend Pamela M. Elliott
Reverend Jennifer Holmes
Reverend Maeda Jones
Reverend Bradley Williams Meads
Reverend Adriana V. Zotelo | 12-25 | Reverend Rosalyn Carole Lawrence
Reverend Richard LaFontaine |
| 12-09 | Reverend Karen Frick
Reverend Penny Pickle Krispin | 12-26 | Reverend Roxanne M. Kalish
Reverend Polly R. Branch |
| 12-10 | Reverend Kathleen Wilk
Reverend anja.rej | 12-27 | Reverend Star Michael Berdell |
| 12-11 | Reverend Pearl Siegel | 12-28 | Reverend Carl Carrozzo
Reverend Dolores E. Mitchell
Reverend Marylou D. Wilder
Reverend David P. Chynoweth |
| 12-12 | Reverend Julia Kay Allison
Reverend Marty Burnett-Foit
Reverend Johanna H. Girard
Reverend Sarah D. Maurer
Reverend Aimee McCabe Porcello | 12-29 | Reverend Martha Jane Sage Norbury
Reverend Phyllis Abratt |
| 12-13 | Reverend Marc Kalmanson
Reverend Gayle Barstow | 12-31 | Reverend Stephen John Henry
Reverend Beverly Barbarette
Reverend Marjorie E. Shulman
Reverend Jeannette E. Hobby |
| 12-15 | Reverend Carol Lockhart McClendon
Reverend Vincent P. Christiano
Reverend Alexis Escabi
Reverend Barb Shellie Enteen | | |
| 12-16 | Reverend Dawn Lipori | | |
| 12-17 | Reverend Gisela Rispoli | | |
| 12-18 | Reverend Linda Ladysmithe
Reverend Dr. Linda Marie Nelson
Reverend Autumn Beth Vaughn | | |

Prayer REQUEST

Please pray for the Highest Good and Healing for the following:

- Franchesca Albano
Jamie Bauer
Tammy Branan
Jennifer Boron
Brandt family
Brian
Eric
Pamela Hebdig
Jo Hibl
Reverend Rita Holz
Amira Mah and Maku
Gary Robert Milani
Reverend Perahss
Penelope
Peter
Rick
Steph
Toni
Reverend Melody Record
Goldie Schwartz
Patti Seeger
Darryl Seeger
Dana Smith
Beverly Trevor
Kelly Uvanile
Transitions:
Thomas Philleo
(husband of The Reverend Reta Philleo)
Danielle (Danny) Santangelo
(prayers for surviving family)
Reverend Jackie Reynaud
Reverend Starr Michael Berdell
(prayers for family)

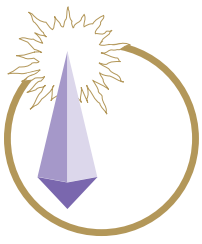
Please continue prayers for those listed in the last DaySpring.

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in Delray Beach, FL

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Check the date above your name
to be sure your license is up to date.
It should be AUG 11.

Doing A 360°

Sacred Spherical Strategies for Optimal Living

As we sink into the delicious depths of winter what a glorious time for deepening our meditation practice. As I have written about before in *Dayspring*, there are many, many wonderful methods for meditating. Let's take a look at a simple technique from Tibetan Buddhism – *shamatha*.

Shamatha is Sanskrit for calm, tranquil abiding. This is a lovely beginning practice for training the mind. Essentially in this meditation we are cultivating peace within our mind, body and spirit.

As always, we approach our sitting experience by creating a sacred space. We sit with our back straight. We feel calmness and tranquility arising and abiding within. During *shamatha* we breathe normally. Fundamentally we just sit and relax while watching the breath. We rest in our natural state of consciousness. We realize our ground of being – our Source – is beautiful, vast, inexorable emptiness, or *shunyata*

(Sanskrit), and our awareness is the all-encompassing *rigpa*. We 'see' that we are no longer looking at emptiness... we **are** emptiness! Ah – we are one with all there is – pure presence and awareness, God.

The interesting evolutionary dynamics of *shamatha* is that while we rest we are actively engaged in experiencing the authentic (S)elf. The actual spiritual impulse as a human being to evolve, to grow, to become enlightened is nested within *shamatha*. Experiencing nondual "emptiness" is fascinating... yet just a fresh start to embracing the integral oneness of life. *Shamatha* is mind-rest... within what we call the context of "spirit in action." Best with Blessings, Nancy

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MINISTER ORDINATION

November 14, 2010
Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada

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