

# School for Esoteric Studies eNews

## **Member contributions**

After the Trayvon Martin-George Zimmerman trial, many people manifested gratitude that President Barack Obama made an intervention framed in the form of deep, probing questions in relation to the issue that the trial brought to light: "The Problem of Racial Minorities." The case brings to mind the "attitude of gratitude" due to the realization that Life is always giving us, as human beings, as members of the Human Race and the Human Family, "a second chance," "another day," another opportunity today for us to do what we have not done yesterday, or to do better today what we did not do so well yesterday. President Obama called for a transformative conversation (a conversation with Self and with Others); he urged us to transformation in this area, individual transformation as well as social transformation. This conversation is indeed a spiritual conversation, a conversation of the Soul with the personality in the individuals, and a conversation on Soul levels among Soul-directed individuals on the social space. We have to bring this Soul energy in all the areas of our endeavor, from politics, law, the economy, religion, education, to the broader society, culture, and the arts. Thus only can we hope to redeem "race" understood so far as bodily color and its associated categories and implications. The search for individual and group transformation is at the heart of the work of the NGWS. (From a student's monthly report)

I recently became acquainted with the Spindrift Experiments and the Maharishi Effect, both discussed in "Recovering the Soul" by Larry Dossey. I found them especially enlightening. The Spindrift Experiments assume that all humans have "divine attributes, a qualitative oneness with God." They showed that the effects of human consciousness are not confined to the brain and body. The Maharishi Effect is the process wherein the social environment becomes more harmonious, coherent, and transformed as a result of a group of people entering into the experience of "pure consciousness." These experiments essentially proved that prayer is an effective means of creating positive change. By using non-directed prayer ("Thy will be done" not "my will be done") for sprouting seeds, "the effect of thought on a living organism outside the human body was significant, quantifiable, and reproducible." For me this translates into proving that meditation and esoteric healing are legitimate means of helping others and improving the well-being of the planet. It emphasizes the importance of group consciousness since the more people who are in harmony with each other focusing on a synchronized outcome, can create more peaceful environments. (From a student's monthly report)

## **Quote of the Season**

Goodwill is contagious; once a definite start has been made in a pure and disinterested spirit, goodwill will permeate the world, right human relations will be rapidly established.

A.A. Bailey

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The International Network for the Distribution of the Great Invocation airs an online radio show every Wednesday, in Spanish, disseminating the Teachings of Alice Bailey, and of the Agni Yoga. The show also includes Full Moon and New Moon Meditations and Vigils. Some of our students participate in the show occasionally as well.

### www.mantrafm.com.ar

Are there any similar services you know of available for seekers in other languages? Tell us about them!

## **Events & Community**

- AT THE WELLSPRINGS OF PSYCHOSYNTHE-SIS. September 19-22. A 4-day group meeting held at Assagioli's home in Florence, Italy devoted to study the archives and library of one of the most productive disciples of DK. One of the SES' BOD members will be representing our School.
- UNITED NATIONS INTERNATIONAL DAY OF NON-VIOLENCE October 2. An occasion to "disseminate the message of non-violence, including through education and public awareness".
- 6TH HOPE GLOBAL CONFERENCE. Explores
  the multi-layered ideas, actions, and cultural traditions regarding hope, as well as the
  nature of hope, its relationship with other
  emotions or movements, and its manifestation in the actions of individuals, cultures,
  communities and nations.

# **New Quick Links**

Please visit our new website pages, and participate actively with your suggestions, ideas and comments. Click here to be redirected:

Our Group Project

Introduction to the Ageless Wisdom

Pearls of Wisdom

**Meditation Aids** 

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# **Books & Sites recommended**

**Active Meditation** (English and Spanish editions) by Robert R. Leichtman and Carl Japikse. Inquiries and orders: lig201@lightariel.com

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