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November Reflection

With Thanksgiving just around the corner I Am reminded of a quote by Albert Schweitzer:

“You must learn to understand the secret of gratitude. It is more than just so-called virtue. It is revealed to you as a mysterious law of existence. In obedience to it we have to fulfill our destiny.”

To cultivate gratitude, we need to develop a new habit of attention.... Through self-reflection, we can come to see everything we have, and are, as gifts. And through self-reflection we begin to train our attention to notice the blessings in our lives.

There is crispness in the air as the fall season makes itself known to us and plant life seems to take on deeper shades of color. How blessed we are to live in the Coachella

Valley, which in the native tongue means hand of God.

The Hand of God extends to everything in our individual and collective lives. It becomes a ground of being that permeates everything we touch. It is the unspoken language of gratitude for the All That Is.

Have you thought about what you are most grateful for? There is a lovely story about THE HAND. It relates to an editorial in the newspaper told of a school teacher who asked her class of first graders to draw a picture of something they were thankful for. She thought of how little these children from poor neighborhoods actually had to be thankful for. But she knew that most of them would draw pictures of turkey or tables with food. The teacher was taken aback with the picture Douglas handed in...a simple childishly drawn hand.

But whose hand? The class was captivated by the

abstract image. “I think it must be the hand of God that brings us food,” said one child. “A farmer”, said another, “because he grows the turkeys.” Finally when others were at work, the teacher bent over to Douglas’s desk and asked whose hand it was, “It’s your hand, Teacher,” he mumbled.

She recalled that frequently at recess she had taken Douglas, a scrubby forlorn child by the hand. She often did that with the children. But it meant so much to Douglas. Perhaps this was everyone’s Thanksgiving, not for the material things given to us but for the chance, in whatever small way, to give to others.

The holidays are a time of reflection and going within. A time for thinking within the larger picture and embracing the opportunity to give to others. There is a beautiful piece I came across several years ago that I feel moved to share with you:

It is entitled, Whose hands - A basketball in my hands is worth about \$25. A basketball in Michael Jordan’s hands is worth about \$33 million. It depends on whose hands it’s in... A baseball in my hands is worth about \$6. A baseball in Mark McGuire’s hands is worth 19 million.

It depends on whose hands it’s in... A golf club is useless in my hands. A golf club in Tiger Wood’s hands is a 4 Major Golf Championship, It depends on whose hands it’s in... A rod in my hands will keep away a wild animal. A rod in Moses’ hands will part the mighty sea.

It depends on whose hands it’s in... A sling shot in my hands is a toy. A slingshot in David’s hands is a mighty weapon. It depends on whose hands it’s in...

Two fish and five loaves in my hands is a couple of fish sandwiches. Two fish and five loaves in Jesus’ hands will feed thousands. It depends on whose hands they’re in...

Nails in my hands might produce a bird house. Nails in Jesus the Christ’s hands will produce immortality for humanity. It depends on whose hands they’re in...

As you see now it depends on whose hands it’s in ~ So put your concerns, your worries, your fears, your hopes, your dreams, your families and your relationships in God’s Hands because, it depends on whose hands they’re in. Your life is now in your hands, will you share it and make a difference? Yes, let us join Hands!

We Thank Thee

*We give Thee Thanks for
Canyon Breeze*

*The gentle rustle of crimson
leaves,*

*The majestic song the moun-
tain cries*

*When sunlight kisses the hal-
lowed skies.*

*The babbling brook that
sings a Psalm*

*To a Universe that is filled
with Calm.*

*For a child's eyes and out-
stretched hand,*

*To Christen our lives in
sweet wonderland.*

*For the kittens nestled be-
side the fire*

*To yawn and stretch in
purring choir.*

*For quiet deer to roam and
muse,*

*To gather strength and then
diffuse.*

*For the parade of quail
marching by*

*Then disappear with the
twilight sky.*

*For the aroma of a Thanks-
giving Meal*

*As The Family gathers and
the hours steal.*

*For the giant oak outside
our door,*

*We give Thee thanks for this
and more.*

*We thank Thee for the
Friend and Loved One*

*As a special Traveler from
sun to sun.*

*To fill our life with warmth
and smiles,*

*While gathering Love across
the miles.*

*Yes, we give Thee thanks for
God's Great Plan*

*While fulfilling a Destiny in
Spiritual Man.*

-Dr. Sharron Stroud

The Mindset of Prosperity



By Sharon Michaels

People who enjoy abundance and wealth have learned to nurture the “mindset” of prosperity. A prosperous mindset encourages day-to-day thoughts and actions that foster the attitude of financial success. Prosperity is not only a state of financial well-being; it is

also a state of mind.

Here is the Dictionary.com definition of prosperity: a successful, flourishing, or thriving condition, esp. in financial respects; good fortune.

Here are other words associated with prosperity: abundance, accomplishment, benefit, fortune, plenty, prosperousness, riches, success, successfulness, the good life, thriving, wealth, and well-being.

Take a few minutes and answer these two questions:

1. What words, thoughts or feelings come to mind when you think of being financially prosperous?
2. What does prosperity or being prosperous mean to you?

Here is a powerful success truth: You will only allow yourself to succeed financially if you believe you are worthy and deserving of financial success.

Before you go on, let me repeat that statement - You will only allow yourself to succeed financially if you believe you are worthy and deserving of financial success.

In other words, you will only become as prosperous and financially successful as you “believe” you are emotionally and physically worth. The inner perceptions of your financial worth either become a prosperity or poverty mindset. These inner beliefs you have about achieving and enjoying prosperity, will determine your outward financial success and abundance.

Here is another powerful success truth: Your most consistent day-to-day thoughts, emotions and actions about

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enjoying money will determine how much money you’ll have to enjoy. Yes, it is that simple!

1. What do you believe are the most consistent thoughts, emotions and day-to-day actions of someone who possesses a poverty mindset? Write a few of them down.

2. What do you believe are the most consistent thoughts, emotions and day-to-day actions of someone who possesses a prosperity mindset? Write a few of them down.

You can see for yourself the differences between the mindset of someone steeped in thinking about what can’t be accomplished financially and the mindset of someone who focuses on unlimited financial possibilities.

A prosperous mindset encourages day-to-day thoughts and actions that foster an attitude of financial success.

Here are a few suggestions for cultivating a prosperous mindset:

- * Surround yourself with prosperous people - people with the mindset of prosperity.
- * Visualize and affirm your ability to enjoy prosperity in all aspects of your life.
- * Read or listen to some of the classic books on prosperity consciousness:
 - * Think and Grow Rich by Napoleon Hill
 - * The Power of the Subconscious Mind by Joseph Murphy
 - * The Richest Man in Babylon by George S. Clason
 - * Acres of Diamonds by Russell H. Conwell
 - * As A Man Thinketh by James Allen
- * Regularly read or listen to wealth development magazines, books and audio programs.
- * Attend seminars, classes and workshops on prosperity, abundance and wealth.
- * Eliminate any leftover poverty conscious thinking and actions from your life!

People who truly enjoy abundance and wealth have learned to nurture the “prosperity mindset”. Prosperity is not only a state of financial well-being; it is also a state of mind.

Presence or Panic, Lessons From a Fire

By Karen Vizer

The day started out as most do, some quiet time for meditation and to create my day, lots of gratitude for the abundance that I experience everyday in friendships and the stuff of life.

I noticed I was out of what I normally feed Angel, (my dog), and thought I would grill a couple of pieces of salmon for us to have that

day. I started the grill (a propane gas model which is relatively easy to operate) and turned the controls to low to allow it to heat.

My intuition drew me back into the house to retrieve my phone as I was expecting a phone call.

My home is an interesting design with no right angles in the walls. From my office, I can see through the kitchen and out the door to the deck where the grill was and the surrounding trees.

Suddenly, I heard a loud noise and looked up to see flames on the deck.

Then the magic happened!

There was no adrenal rush or fear.

Just the observation of fire and the knowing that the propane tank and grill had started a fire.

The intention and focus was clear!

Extinguish the fire.

It felt like slow motion and like being the observer of a film.

My inner knowing kicked in and had me call 911 to report the fire as I opened the electric gate to my property from the control within the house.

(A control which ceased working due to the location of the fire shortly after the gate opened.)

Then I was guided out one of the many doors of my home to the hose near the pool and up the back steps to the deck which was now engulfed in flames.

Three of my palm trees were burning as well and the fire was now moving along the roof line of my home.

I turned on the water and took the hose beginning to wet down whatever was on fire as I awaited the fire department.

Soon, a police officer arrived and took over the hose while I went inside to get Angel out of the house.

When I went back indoors, I noticed that smoke was now being sucked into my home from the doorway to the deck.

The smoke detectors were alarming.

The glass had shattered in the door and this was the entry point of lots of smoke.

Angel and I made it outside and the fire department arrived a short time later.

They quickly extinguished the rest of the fire and assessed the damage.

Neighbors showed up to make sure we were all right.

It was such a perfect lesson and as I reflect on the other choices I could have made in the reactive mode I am amazed at how calmly, peacefully and perfectly the unfolding of this day has been.

The damage to my home was minimal compared to what could have been if things had unfolded differently.

I received confirmation of just how powerful the shifts in my consciousness have been as a result of this experience.

Two hours after the fire I lead a tele-class and although I did not feel it was up to my normal standard, the participants did not seem to notice.

I was able to and continued to be able to hold a vision for the perfect solutions to the opportunities created by the fire. I feel so grateful for the many people who came to assist us and check on us and for the ongoing support I have received from my friends and the insurance company.

I am writing this two weeks after the fire and am truly amazed at what has unfolded!

Most of the damage has been repaired with minimal impact to my comfort and minimal disruption of my surroundings.

Angel and I stayed for several days at my friend Jill's hotel, The Lido Palms, while 5 air brushers were cleaning the air in my home.

The hotel guests who were at the hotel at the same time kept commenting that they could not believe I had just experienced a fire of that magnitude.

My state of being was not what they expected of someone who had recently had an experience like that.

The insurance company worked with a contractor and except for a bit of emergency work on the electrical systems in that area of the home, everything was coordinated and handled by them.

All I had to do was open the gate to allow the people who were repairing the damage on to the property.

The entire house has been cleaned from floor to ceiling, carpets and upholstery have been cleaned, oriental rugs have gone out to be washed, air conditioning ducts have been cleaned, windows and blinds have been washed, the deck has been repaired and the remaining exterior work will be completed on Wednesday.

I have been able to stay in a place of openness, peace, and gratitude and this has made all the difference.

The point of attraction for the workers, quality of work and ease of completion has been extraordinary!

I feel very blessed!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Friendship Sunday Brunch



The first Sunday of each month

After church, the first Sunday of each month, join Dr. Sharron and the Ministerial Inner-faith Team at The Rock Garden Café at 777 S Palm Canyon Dr in Palm Springs. Special price \$11.95 to InnerFaith members and guests! Please join us. All are welcome. Spiritual Community is created by breaking bread one with another!

Healing Service

9:15 each Sunday morning facilitated by the Ministerial Team. Experience healing energy and the joy of deepening spirituality.

Centering Meditation By Musicians

9:35 AM each Sunday Morning in the Sanctuary Theater.

Children's Ministry

9:45 each Sunday morning

Prayer Ministry

The Ministry of Prayer is here to serve you. A member of our Prayer Team will assist you with your prayer request and pray with you personally if you desire. If you have the Faith as a grain of mustard seed all things are possible unto you! Ask and ye shall receive!

Founder's Circle

Become a member of the Founder's Circle. Join today by tithing \$100 or more a month over your regular contribution. This works out to \$3.25 a day to be a Founder! To join, write Founder's Circle on your check. Talk with our Treasurer, Ted Telford about the miracles that come from giving to a Purpose larger than yourself.

Flower Power

Bring flowers to honor a special occasion for the service. Take them with you when you leave to brighten your day!

Men's Group

6:30 PM pot luck hosted by various members of the Innerfaith Community on a quarterly basis. Innerfaith Ministries Men's Spirituality Group, creating a group of Spiritually Minded Men Who Gather Together to make a Positive Difference for Themselves and Innerfaith Ministries Worldwide!

Women's Empowerment - led by Dr. Sharron Stroud

6:30 PM veggie pot luck and vital discussion from Dr. Clarissa Pinkola Estes. Sign up in the foyer.

Volunteer

A big thank you to all the VIPS (Volunteer's In Progress) who make this ministry happen! You are a gift, loved and greatly appreciated. See Martin Anthony our Volunteer Coordinator or call 760-318-3196 to sign up.

Food Drive

Chaplain Lloyd Brushett collects canned goods for our partner in charity at The Well in the Desert. Please leave your canned food donations at the designated place in the foyer.



CELEBRATE WITH US

November - Sunday Theme and Topics

November Theme: **THE BLESSING OF DIVINE GRACE**

November Affirmation:

I express life with an attitude of gratitude! The same opening I give through is the same opening I receive through. Thank you Father/Mother God for the abundance that is mine! And so it is.

1 - Our Daily Life is our Temple and Religion

8- The Power of Blessing

22 – Blessings of Forgiveness

29 – Blessings of Divine Grace

December - Sunday Theme and Topics

December Theme: **The Magic of the Season**

December Affirmation:

As my humanness gives way to the Divine the Christ Consciousness within me arises triumphant and victorious! I and my Father/Mothe God are one! And so it is!

6 - Christ Consciousness and You

13 - Every Moment is a Gift

20 - The Light of Truth

27 - The Spiritual Path

THE SPIRIT, MIND, & BODY CONNECTION



WELL SPIRIT FITNESS CENTER
SPA RESORT HOTEL

Every Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

Tahquitz Room (Off the main lobby at the Encilia and Tahquitz Canyon entrance)

November:

4th – Rev. Dr. Jane Stormont Galloway – Creating the Beloved Community: It Ain't Perfect But it's Home – Dr. Jane has a background in both family systems and Jungian approaches to therapeutic work and uses the Arts and myth to evoke a deep awareness of our Oneness. Dr. Jane holds Master's and Doctoral degrees from Claremont School of Theology, is Founder/Pastor of Immanuel Center for Conscious Living, and Founder/Executive Director, of H'artWorks, Inc. A 30 year career actor, educator, and counselor with a specialty in addictions recovery and therapeutic theatre, she is a activist who focuses on social justice concerns including AIDS treatment and support services, mental health and holistic healing for all ages and abilities.

11 – Kathleen Ronald – Soul-Ship ~The Sweet Spot When Networking – When at first meeting you get a feeling of instant connection, a feeling that you've known each other all of your life? A deep, inner knowing that was different from the usual networking experience? That is a soul-ship! Discover how to utilize The Soul-Ship method to expand your business, to incorporate the 80/20 rule to grow your business by 20%, and explore The Spiritual Laws of Connecting to ensure you are always in the flow when networking. Kathleen, "Queen of Business Networking," is an unparalleled networker, an internationally renowned speaker-trainer of 25 years, and the founder of Speaktacular.

18 – Rev. Rich Cress – Gratitude of Love – Love in itself is worthy of gratitude. To experience the recipient or giver of love is a talent. How to express love or accept what is freely given? In our wounded states of being we often haven't a clue on how to say yes to love, or be the love someone so deeply needs. Join our own Rev. Rich for a talk about opening our experiences to say, "thank you, I am grateful for this thing called love".

25 – Dr. Sharron Stroud – Thanksgiving Eve Service in the Spa Hotel Cahuilla Room – Share a wonderful message from Dr. Sharron Stroud on The Ancient Secret of Blessing, Dr. Sharron's favorite service! Fleet Easton and Jan Hasman provide beautiful music and as we serve Thanksgiving Treats of Indian Fry Bread to bring in the Spirit of Thanksgiving!

December

2nd – Joseph Sheehan – Christ Consciousness in the 21st Century: Moving Beyond the Ten Commandments, Church, and Ecclesiastical Authority – Beyond all religions are the virtues of Christ Consciousness. Join Joseph for an enlightening discussion of the New Awakening of the virtues of compassion, nonjudgement, selfless service, and humility. Joseph, an accomplished local astrologer and one of our favorite Wednesday Nite Live speakers, was a monk for 25 years and holds a masters degree in Holistic Health from J.F.K University in California, studied Western Spirituality at St. Mary's University in Texas, and Eastern Spirituality at Vidyajoti Institute in New Delhi. He then studied astrology which he feels provides a profound tool for gaining insight into the Soul's evolutionary journey.

9 – Rev Basia Durnas, MMQ – Awakening Christ Consciousness With-In – Join us for this personal transformational experience. In service to Humanity for over 40 years, Reverend Basia is a Master Healer practicing Energetic Medicine based in New Thought Principles and the Ancient Art of Chinese Medical Qi-Gong. Born aware that consciousness is multi dimensional, Reverend Basia teaches techniques to raise the vibrational frequency of our bodies allowing them to hold more light and ignite the process of self transformation. This Spiritual Teacher has studied and practiced many healing modalities and became a Certified NLP Trainer and Reiki Master in the 80's." Basia's spiritual training begun at the age of 3 when Ascended Masters came to instruct her in the balanced use of The Divine Forces of Love, Wisdom & Power.

16 – Peter Anthony – The Activation of the Christ Consciousness 11-11 2009 to 12-12-2012 – Ancient mathematical codes have been around for thousand of years. Reiki Masters, Numerologist, Astrologers and Tarot Intuitives use basic math for Life interpretational charts. Whether it is clear to us or not we have been receiving mathematical codes to alert us to the Activation of the Christ Consciousness. Peter will expand on the Activations that began in the 90's and how collective society is becoming more aware of these codes. We are in a time of Healing Our Wounds, our Pocket Books, our Hearts and Our Thoughts To The Christ Consciousness. Peter will explain this with simple math and how it relates to our alignment with Christ and the Ascended Masters. Peter is a spiritualist life coach, numerologist, motivational speaker, and author of the inspirational book, Key Master. He served as an image consultant for the CBS National News team, has been interviewed on numerous Television programs, and was part of the psychic detective team for the paranormal series Sightings.

23rd – There will be no Wednesday Nite Live Service to-night.

30th – There will be no Wednesday Nite Live Service in honor of News Years Eve.

Special Events



November 8th

Gay Pride Sunday featuring Fleet Easton singing special music and Inspirational Readings from our wonderful and diverse InnerFaith Community in Joy and Celebration of our Gay Community. Yes, InnerFaith moves beyond color, race, creed, and sexual orientation. WE ARE ONE!



Anniversary Celebration

*8th Anniversary
Over The Rainbow Celebration
Honoring Dr. Sharron Stroud
And the
Innerfaith Community
Theme:*

A Treasure Chest of Love & Prosperity

November 15, 2009

*Immediately following the
Sunday Celebration Service*

*At the Spa Resort Hotel Banquet Room
100 Indian Canyon Drive, Palm Springs
Park in the Indian/Andreas Lot
\$40.00 Donation Before November 2nd
\$50.00 Donation after the 2nd
For Grande Luncheon Faire
Silent Auction
And Glorious Entertainment!*

The Favor of your Reply is Requested

<http://www.innerfaithworldwide.com/support.htm>

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Thanksgiving Eve Service

November 25th Wednesday Nite at 7:00 PM

**A wonderful message from Dr. Sharron Stroud,
The Ancient Secret of Blessing, beautiful music Fleet
Easton and Jan Hasman and Thanksgiving Indian Fry
Bread to bring in the Spirit of Thanksgiving!**

**INNERFAITH MINISTRIES WORLDWIDE
VOLUNTEER FOR WELL IN THE DESERT
THANKSGIVING DAY MEAL!**



The Thanksgiving offering to the community is done in co-operation with the Palm Springs Convention Center and Savory's Catering. Turkey and all the trimmings, ham, tamales, rice and beans, salads, desserts and coffee are served. Volunteers from all over the community make this event one of the most enjoyable and successful celebrations ever. The Well in the Desert Thanksgiving offering is FREE to those who are in need, to those at home and alone, the homeless, and to our Senior Citizens.

Call Chaplain Lloyd Brushett who is the InnerFaith Representative to participate in this way for food preparation the day before or serving on Thanksgiving Day: 770-9263



**INNERFAITH MINISTRIES WORLDWIDE
HAS JOINED HANDS WITH
THE ANNUAL
WELL IN THE DESERT'S
CHRISTMAS TOY PROJECT**

We have joined hands with the Interfaith Community of Palm Springs to collect unwrapped Toys for the Children of the Coachella Valley.

We will bring toys every Sunday in December up until the 20th!

InnerFaith will extend the Spirit of Christmas through the loving act of Putting the Light of Joy in a child's eyes!



Christmas Eve Candle Light Service

Dec. 24th 7:00 PM

Christmas Eve Service Thursday the 24th
at the Spa Hotel in Palm Springs

The Birth of Christ Consciousness

Special Music by Fleet Easton

A Wonderful Evening of Beautiful Christmas Music
Traditional Carols

A Special Candle for Each of You

Dr. Sharron Stroud Presenting:

THE BIRTH OF CHRIST CONSCIOUSNESS



**WORLD PEACE PRAYER
ANNUAL EVENT!**

4:00 AM (Noon Greenwich Time)

People all over the World will be
praying simultaneously For
World Peace.

You can make a Difference for Peace!

Your Energy creates a critical mass
that can change the balance of our
world consciousness.

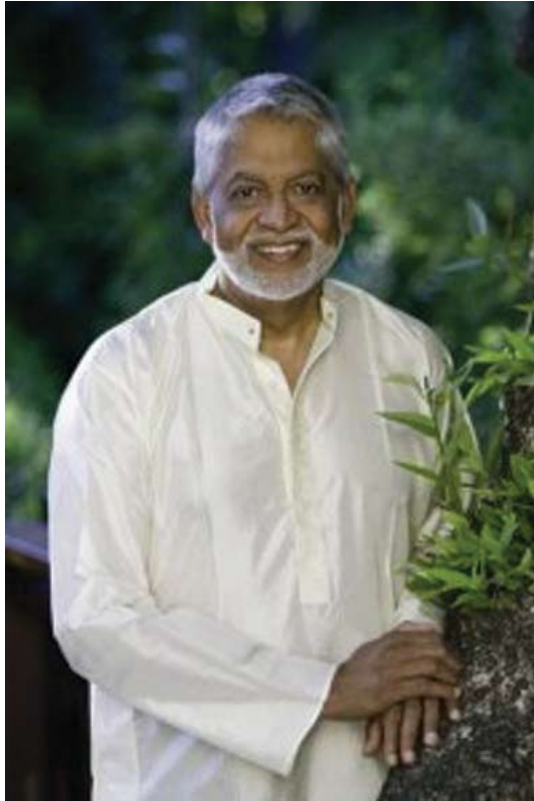
Experience the Peace Ceremony and
Light a Candle for Peace

We will radiate peace by setting our
alarm clocks and aligning with every-
one on the planet at 4:00 AM in the
comfort of our own homes!



Slim's Random Musings - Me, Myself, and Facebook

by Slim Chandra-Shekar



I don't know about you but I am having a ball with Facebook!

Earlier this year, TIME magazine had an article titled "Why Facebook is for Old Fogies" by Lev Grossman

and it really struck a chord with me. It's a hilarious article – I would recommend reading it.

Not that I consider myself

an old fogey – God forbid! But still, I'm at the age where most kids on Facebook are saying "Oh crap, my dad's on Facebook!"

As I was thinking of a title for this 'random musing', it occurred to me that what Facebook had done was to create an alter ego, an avatar of sorts. I could pour my heart and soul out to total strangers, swap stories, send and receive pictures and video clips – all without moving away from the comfort of my trusted computer. Best of all, I didn't need to go to a therapist!

Hence, "Me, Myself and Facebook".....

When I first joined FB, I didn't have a clue as to what my objectives with this new medium were. It seemed like a cool thing to do. Well, for one thing, I could see what my kids and my nieces and nephews were up to. But, that became old very quickly and I could perceive that it was extremely un-cool to post anything on their walls – no sooner than I did, I was often deleted! Now, who wants one's dad or uncle to be posting on one's page when one is at the hip age of 30+?

So why has Facebook become so meaningful for me?

As I started understanding the power of Facebook, I became aware, as many others had done before me, that this avenue was ideally suited to raising mass consciousness. Facebook is the best forum on this planet to meet like-mind-

ed people. I observed that there were literally thousands upon thousands of people who were on a similar path, with similar experiences. It was wonderful to see how others were expressing their innermost thoughts in written form, with a photo, music or a video clip and truly making a difference. Perhaps, I could too. If I could touch even one single person with one comment or one posting or one

picture every day, then it was certainly worth the effort. And what if that person shared that thought or another one with just one other person, enough to create a significant impact in their lives? Isn't this what raising consciousness is – one single person at a time?

Our planet has six and a half billion people living on it. We just need one percent of that population, just 63 million people, to elevate their consciousness in order to create a massive domino effect so that change can happen - the change that we yearn for and the change that is destined to happen.

Let me step back a bit for some perspective.

Some of you know that I lost my wife Steffi to cancer about four and a half years ago (nope, not grieving anymore, living life fully and with purpose). About six months after she died, a whole array of circumstances led to the beginning of my somewhat improbable journey of self-discovery. I needed to understand more about why I'm here and why she was called to leave. Why, why, why – I had more questions than answers. Even though I had spent close to four decades as a successful businessman, entrepreneur and venture capitalist, I knew next to nothing about our soul's journey and about connecting with the Divine. I didn't have a spiritual bone in my body and if I did, they were well hidden. The world of mystics and masters and their teachings had not stirred me. I had only briefly allowed Rumi and Hafiz and Gibran and Kabir and others to touch my heart. I was so wrapped up with my career that I was neither present nor aware.

I started reading the works of these mystics and masters and attending spiritual workshops and meeting people who had been through similar experiences and were on a shared path.

During these past four years, it became imminently apparent to me that in order to heal - not just from the loss of



my wife, but from the loss of understanding who I really am – I had to become a healer myself. Long story short – I trained and became a healer using different healing modalities. I began to work with cancer patients, sometimes pro-bono. I started writing in order to express my innermost thoughts and feelings about what makes us tick as a human species.

I became interested, almost for the first time, in my fellow human beings. I came to understand that we cannot be whole if we cannot spend at least some of our energies in compassion and actions that provide service to others – in whatever form and manner that appeals to us, both small and big. What a concept, yet so new to me. I actively started supporting an orphanage for blind kids in India. I created a chant CD called “The Magic of Gayatri”.

Now back to the wonderful world of Facebook.....

I was intrigued by the notion that through my presence on Facebook, I could make a difference, however small. But, if I was to be in integrity with myself, my objectives with Facebook really put a heavy burden on me. I needed to choose what I wanted to say and share carefully, not flip-pantly. These opportunities to make an impact don't come often. Yet, I had to be careful not to create information overload by posting 50 times a day and diluting the impact of whatever it was that I wanted to get across. I was not keen to accumulate friends just to hit some magic number. I began to recognize, appreciate and seek out people who were on a similar path of self-discovery, who had interesting journeys behind them, who were committed to healing the planet (and often themselves) and who had something valuable to say – each in their own inimitable, extraordinary and often magnificent ways.

I am loving my adventure on Facebook. I have met and continue to meet the most wonderful, heart-centric and caring people here. I am learning to accept different points-of-view and to be non-judgmental, something that doesn't come easily! I am also learning to have fun.

I share things that inspire me – many of these come from others and some come from my own ‘musings’ – in the hope that they will inspire you too. I offer aspects of my own journey if I believe that they can be useful lessons. After all, ‘wisdom’ is the accumulated learning from all the screw-ups in our lives! In any case, know that they come from some place deep within me and that they are meant to touch you and move you – either with a tear or with a smile.

Facebook allows us to have fun, to inspire, to connect at any level we want to, and to discover ourselves and others in ways that we never thought possible. It allows us, if we want, to do some good!

I am inspired by each one of you and I will read what you have to say. When I hit ‘like’ or offer a comment, know that I will have read or watched your posting and given

thought to it – thought that it deserves.

I will promise not to spam you!

I promise you that I will be here for you – whether you are in India, in Australia, in Europe, in California or in Nebraska. If you write to me, I will respond with care and with attention.

Facebook is changing me in ways I never considered possible. You, who are on this shared journey, are collectively and individually helping me see the world differently and helping make a better person out of me. You are allowing me to be vulnerable and yet expressive. In the final analysis, you are helping me become whole again. For this, I thank you - this is my expression of love to you, my Facebook friends!

Yes, I'm having a ball with Facebook and I hope you are too! And, wherever you are, come and say HI HOW ARE YOU?

A Letter



Good morning to all!

My fever broke last night and I have survived the flu, this dis-ease. I Am ready to rise to new heights!

I want to say thank you to everyone for keeping me in your prayers. It has meant so much to receive your prayers, love, light and your grace that you have so generously shared. As we know, prayer changes things. I Am so very grateful and blessed.

Blessings of a another miraculous day! With great gratitude, joy and love!

Namaste,

Dennis :) -

P.S. I Am SO looking forward to being with everyone on Sunday!

An Interview with Louise Hay

By Ray Hemachandra,
Editor-In-Chief
New Age Retailer



Hemachandra: *What brought you to Science of Mind, and what was the context of your choice to become a Science of Mind minister?*

Hay: Well, it wasn't a choice. I just stumbled into it. They say when the student is ready the teacher appears, and I must have been really ready.

A friend called me up one day and said, "I hear there is a really good lecture happening at this place, and I would like to go, but I don't want to go by myself. Will you go with me?" I said, "Sure, and I'll meet you there."

He never turned up, but there I was. I heard somebody say that if you are willing to change your thinking, you can change your life. And I thought, "Really? Really?" So, I hung around!

They were teaching classes, I discovered. They taught the first-year book Wednesday afternoons and Thursday evenings. I went to both classes for the first year, and I didn't even have the book for a couple of months! I just went and listened and listened and listened. This was a new awakening for me.

Hemachandra: *When did you decide to become a minister?*

Hay: Well, I just hung around there. I was taking the classes, and after three years you are eligible to become a practitioner. So, I became a practitioner!

I started seeing people. You would come and tell me your problems, and I would do a prayer for

you. And it worked! Then the next step was taking the ministerial course, so I did that. That's it. It just happened.

I think Science of Mind has a very good method of getting your mind straightened out. I have suggested to many people that they take the first year, or the first half of the first year, just so they can take some classes that will really help them in straightening out and separating their thinking. Science of Mind is good at that, and that is where I got my basis.

Hemachandra: *Is Ernest Holmes an important writer and thinker for you?*

Hay: Yes, but there is a whole slew of them. He wrote the book, and he started the thing, and that was good. He never wanted a church. He wanted an institute. That's why he called it Science of Mind. But they talked him into a church, and, of course, once you get a church, you get politics. The Science of Mind churches are good, but it depends a lot on the minister — how good the minister is — and how well the lessons are taught.

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Ceremonial Welcome



Congratulations Rev. Dennis Stoops on your official installation into InnerFaith Ministries Worldwide.

A Ceremony is always a wonderful acknowledgement of the work that we have done!

Rev. Arline Hoover, the Director of our Ministry of Prayer received her Doctor of Divinity Degree. Dr. Arline has dedicated her life to sacred service, love, and compassion to humanity! It is a Joy to have you both as a vital part of InnerFaith Ministries!



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The Pet Ministry

By Kate Porter



Every once in a while, someone who knows how much I love animals will ask me to tell them how I got so involved with them and how the Critter Coalition, my non-profit animal help foundation, came to be. Well, here tis.

Through my many years of working with animal rescue here in the desert and LA, I found that certain themes were repeated. From lost pets to pets that were no longer wanted to much loved pets of people who had passed on... each story and every set of big, sad eyes made a difference in my life and I, thankfully, most of the time, made a difference in theirs.

But of all the situations where I was called upon to help, one of the saddest was that of the Senior Citizen who, because of a meager, fixed income, was unable to pay for a Vet visit for their animal friend. Too frequently the pet was also older and needed special care to stay comfortable during its' last years ...care that was too often just too expensive.

If news of this kind of thing came my way, I was usually able to call upon someone who was willing to help financially or at the least, arrange for a Vet to take small payments rather than let the pet (and the person who loved it) suffer.

Then one day when I heard from an Animal Control friend about how many Seniors have to give up their animals to the shelter simply because there is no one to care for it when they might need a temporary hospital stay or have a family emergency, I was deeply disturbed. This shook me to my core.

Not being able to stand the thought of the heartbreak both the person and their animal friend must feel over this, I was somewhat overwhelmed and began to search for an answer.

I talked to various pet help organizations here in the desert. I spoke with the three most known and without exception each told me in so many words that trying to

help financially would result in a deluge of "takers" who (and this is a quote of the wealthiest...) "will pull up in their Cadillacs to take advantage of you."

In spite of those who could not imagine how or even why I wanted to do this, in 2003, with the support of my partner, Terre York, I founded the Critter Coalition and six years later (with not a Cadillac in sight) we have, one fur ball at a time, made a happy difference. Several hundred ultimately grateful "pet parents" have asked for our help and with support from a grant or two and many small donations, we've been able to say yes to fostering while that hip was replaced, yes to helping with a Vet bill, or even yes to placing a pet in a new home when they could no longer be taken care of in their old one because of ill health or a passing.

Am I patting myself on the back? Absolutely not. Frankly, I love all of this so much, I consider myself a little selfish and as corny as it might sound to some of you, I thank the Universe for the opportunity to use my heart in this way.

I look back now at the pets and the pet people who've touched my life and am just soooo grateful I didn't listen to those who "knew" more and thought I was naive. I'm happier than I've ever been, knowing how my love for the animals has made a difference. I sleep well, joyfully covered by a snoozing dog or two and a bevy of purring cat "pillows". What's not to love??

I must add too that my Terre is the ultimate "good sport" about it all and has learned to curl into shapes that boggle the eye just to accommodate our snoring furry brood. Wadda gal!

"At the end of the day", (as they say) one creature at a time, has made life for me a kinder place. Now, with our animal sanctuary, Fat Quail Farm, each day leads to a new adventure. Hey, I just got a call about a baby Alpaca that needs a home! How exciting is that?? Ahhhh, the possibilities are endless! LOL!!

Now, (not like you asked for my advice...) I recommend you go kiss your cat or dog (or both) on their furry lil heads and thank them for putting up with you when you get too busy to feed them on time or let the mats build up in their fur or leave them alone without a radio or tv playing softly so they don't spend the time straining their ears to hear you coming or any of the other things two-legged do unwittingly to their pets when they just aren't thinking. And if you don't do these kind of things? Well, kiss them anyway and for you, I send a pat,pat,pat for your furry lil head! (LOL!)

So, till next time.

Hugs & Heart, Kate

Please visit Kate's sites, www.CritterCoalition.org and www.CritterChitchat.com for more information and fun.

SPEAKING AT INNERFAITH AND DOING A WORKSHOP

JANUARY 31, 2010

AUTHOR OF: ASK AND YOU WILL SUCCEED

Creating Wealth



By Ken Foster

A wealthy young prince was bored with his way of life and was looking for adventure. Day and night he wondered what life outside the palace was like. One day, as he ventured out the west gate, he came upon a man who promised him great adventure. The prince thought about leaving his family

and his home and decided not to go. As he started walking back into the palace, the man, an unconscious criminal, kidnapped him, took him to the slums and held him captive. Poverty became the prince's way of life. He lived there for so long that he thought he actually was poor and miserable. So he accepted his own miseries that go along with living in poverty, although every day he would wish, hope and pray to find a way out of his troubles. One day he caught a glimpse of a radiant light coming toward him from the east. As he watched, the light became brighter and brighter until it was upon him. A beautiful princess, wearing jewels of many facets sparkling with intense light as rays of sun beamed upon them, had heard of his flight and came to rescue him from his dismal situation. She offered him a horse and they rode back to the young prince's kingdom. When the young prince returned to his palace, he reflected back on his life of poverty and realized that, except in his imagination created by his temporary experiences, he had never been poor.

It is hard to realize when one is in a state of lack or poverty that one has the resources to truly live a wealthy life. It is even more difficult to realize that the choices made over a lifetime have created the situations in which one lives. As a Life Coach, I have asked many clients, "Where have you limited the unlimited? What thoughts are you thinking? What questions are you asking? What actions are you taking on a daily basis that is limiting you dreams?" When one realizes that the choices one is making on a daily basis are the exact choices that are keeping them stuck right where they

are, then the doors of change can start to open. Change starts when new questions are asked! But lasting change will not take place unless one becomes introspective on a daily basis. It is important to ask high-minded questions and explore your deep inner voice where you will find the solution to every challenge that you may have. It is in the silence that all answers come. Permanent change takes place first within and shows up outside later.

How many people do you know that, even when the truth is given, continue to look outside of themselves for the answers? Through the socialization process, they have been taught to find the answers to their greatest questions from the "experts", indiscriminately swallowing useless ideas and parroting untested opinions instead of looking where all the answers are to be found—within.

To find the secret of wealth, one must first open up and see current reality. One must learn to dispassionately look at themselves and assess what is working or not and take immediate action to change. They must be willing with fierce determination to set daily goals to change the trend of their life. This may be easy to talk about, but takes unfettered focus and discipline to accomplish.

Through the power of focus, wealth and success are attainable in this life. Whenever you want to know something, don't start with data and information, retire the mind, go deep within and concentrate. Seek guidance and when the mind is receptive, ask the questions and start working out the business or mental solution. Set your intention to have a great outcome and set your attitude to be focused on the positive and then follow these steps.

First, determine what your goal is and decide why it is important for you to accomplish the goal. Without a strong reason to accomplish your goal, you will most likely stop when the going gets tough—and you will be challenged! Second, go within and meditate, letting go of what you think is possible. Third, visualize your success; know that you will accomplish your goal. If for some reason you cannot know you will be successful, then fake it until you do know. Fourth, act according to the inner direction you have been given. Success in everything will come to you in a short time because the inner power you have tapped into is the power of your intuition. In this intuition lies the infinite seat of all wealth and happiness. Fifth, take immediate action. Do not wait to do tomorrow what you can start on today. Do everything with your full attention, never in a haphazard way. Sixth, create a daily plan of action that will continue to fuel your focused attention. Seventh, turn all your thoughts, beliefs and actions over to the infinite and know that this is the source of creating all wealth in your life. Awake!

Our Community Chiropractor

Yes, the Doctor is In!

Dr. Terre York has 40 years of Chiropractic and related health care experience. She spent her early career in a health-related field as a massage therapist to celebrity clientele. She quickly became interested to learn how to help people improve the overall quality of their health by studying and gaining accreditation as a Medical Assistant to general medical practitioners.



In 1978, Dr York enrolled at Cleveland Chiropractic College in Los Angeles and completed her Doctorate in June, 1982. She opened her first office that year, York Chiropractic Center in Hendersonville, North Carolina, and grew that practice successfully.

Licensed to practice in three states, Dr. York came to the Coachella Valley in 1995 and continued her professional Chiropractic work managing her own practice in Palm Desert. She joined The Spine and Sport Clinic team in 2007.

Dr. York's specialty focuses on helping active seniors and 'Winter' season residents ensure best health and staying 'tuned' to achieve full enjoyment of their favorite sport and recreational specialties.

In her 27 years of private practice, Dr. York has studied adjunctive healing arts, including nutritional supplementation, microscopic cell analysis, essential oils and Bach remedies, energy medicine, and the use of therapeutic low level laser. She has served as the sport trainer for the USTA National League Championship tennis matches held in the Coachella Valley for the past 11 years.

"Dr. Terre", as she is known by many patients, is recognized for her personal and caring approach to her

professional work. She takes time to understand each person's health concerns, problem and goals. Every treatment protocol is specific to each patient, and she ensures timely follow-up to check that the treatment plan is working beneficially and effectively.

Dr. York also encourages her patients to help themselves by providing them specific, detailed information and guidance regarding exercise and personal care. If patient problems are beyond the scope of chiropractic, she willingly assists them to arrange alternative help, such as further diagnostic testing and referral to appropriate specialists if necessary.

Dr. Terre York is a Spiritual Practitioner with Inner-Faith Ministries Worldwide and is completing the ministerial studies. She can be reached at: 760-799-4256 – Or call for an appointment at: 760-340-1958.

Frank Angel & Miguel Criado's work with Desert AIDS Project



Frank Angel and Miguel Criado have raised and are continuing to raise thousands of dollars for the Desert AIDS Project through the firstgiving.com website.

Desert AIDS Project passes on this message to the membership of Innerfaith:

On behalf of the Board of Directors, staff, volunteers, and especially the more than 2,300 clients of Desert AIDS Project, we thank Frank and Migue for their generous support of the upcoming 22nd annual AIDS Walk on Saturday, October 31, 2009.

In these uncertain times, continuing to deliver vital services to those whose lives are impacted by HIV/AIDS is a special challenge but one to which we are committed. Your generosity helps in so many ways to face that challenge and keep providing the care, prevention and advocacy that our clients rely upon.

Again, thank you. Your commitment to the men, women, children and families living with HIV/AIDS serves as an example to all in our community. Bravo!

"Until there's a cure...."

Monday Love

A Source of Weekly Inspiration

Monday Love is a weekly message created to motivate and inspire on the toughest day of the week.

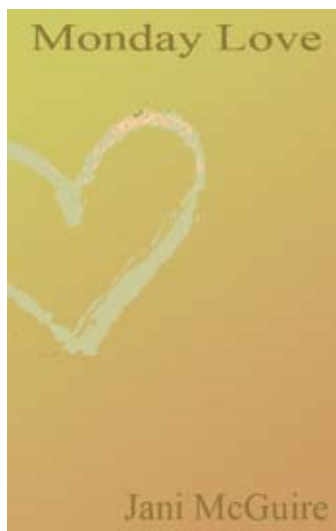
Jani has built a worldwide reputation for writing letters of “love” every Monday since 2000 when she began sending motivational and encouraging thoughts to a group of coaching clients. Now each week many more email subscribers receive Monday Love as a way to jump start their week.

Jani’s true intention to help facilitate all walks of life into a new perspective not only how one perceives Mondays but encourage an understanding that life is a choice. Monday Love is her contribution to the global healing and emotional health of mankind.

“I have a grateful heart for Jani’s ability to communicate deep truths and wisdom which far surpasses the limitations of culture, conventional matters, intellectual understanding and time-held beliefs. Thank you for a most poignant, sensitive, moving and powerful message every Monday. If all peoples everywhere could read and truly integrate “Monday Love” the world would split open with love.” Gayle

When you register at Monday Love you will receive a free inspirational message directly to your mailbox each Monday. Discover new positive ways of seeing life, re-create a new you, understand new ways of being, and make Monday the best day of your week!

The Book



“Friday is usually the day of the week most of us look forward to, but this author is on a mission to make Mondays the best day of the week for all of us. In her first book, Jani McGuire uses her own words of wisdom and insight to inspire and motivate us, and in doing so gives us 52 reasons to love Mondays. With chapter titles such as “You are what you think,” “Self forgiveness,” and “Yes, you can,” Jani has written thought provoking messages that take us on an insightful journey not only into our own mind but into that of others, then leaves us in the the question, “What are you going to do about it today?” With “Into action” note pages provided in the back of the book it becomes your own personal development goal book. It’s simple, to the point, and easy to read, providing just enough to think about until the next Monday. The hard part is not reading the whole book at once” - Amazon

Amazon.com Reviews

“A booster shot for living a life filled with joy and practical inspiration. Imagine dipping your heart into a sweet jar filled with words that appear exactly at the moment needed. Ms. McGuire’s kindness and caring spirit are apparent with every word written. She wants us to be the best, to re-interpret faulty thinking or misjudged moments. She presents a higher and alternate way to view our situation. I recommend this book for one’s personal guide and as a thoughtful gift for those we treasure the most.”

Jan Marshall, Author - “Still Hanging in There...Confessions of a Totaled Woman”

“Monday Love is so much more than just inspirational. Every page helps you become conscious of your thoughts and gives you tools to improve or change your thoughts. Jani makes it so clear that by changing how we think about and react to different situations or thoughts we can change what shows up in our lives. This book should be in every home.”

Corrine Draper

“It is clear that this author has put her heart and soul into this writing. On every page she manages to reach out and touch the reader with words and thoughts that provoke insight as well as reflection. If each one of us kept this near and read it daily it would be a powerful reminder of what is important in life and why each of us is so valuable.”

Laura Petersen

“I love this book! I recommend it to anyone who is looking for a book they can pick up, read a page or two and be completely moved, enlightened and inspired. After reading it, I wanted to share it with others and wanted to write a raving review for this author. I hope she writes more books.”

C. Coleman, Author



Greetings,

David has been touring Europe for the past few weeks doing performances, numerous charitable fundraising events and of course working on new project development. We are extremely pleased to announce that we have received the green light to launch David's new and improved website. As always, we welcome your feedback and if there is anything else you would like to see throughout the site, please let us know.

There are many additional plans afoot - additional items are in the works that will share further in-depth news about specific musical adventures such as new recordings, upcoming Stage Musicals, "Chaplin", "It's In Every One Of Us", "The Philippines", etc.

Look for further e-mails discussing upcoming concerts and events, and other exciting projects coming soon. When in town, David makes it very clear to all of us how he feels extremely privileged to be able to continue making music for all of his friends and fans around the world.



His goal continues to be simple - to help, through music, to make life a bit more cheerful, a lot more beautiful and to try to remind people, in whatever way he can, just how magnificent they are. Knowing that you enjoy his music, gives his days further meaning and he wants to continue thanking you so much for being there.

Best wishes,

Susie Buchanan

David Pomeranz E-News



**CONGRATULATIONS DR. SHARRON STROUD
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munity in the form of volunteerism and public service.

Dr. Sharron received the Human Rights Award for the City of Palm Springs for 2009, was chosen to serve as the United

States of America Ambassador in WA D.C. in July for the World Forum speaking on the Biology of Belief and receiving the WOMAN OF THE YEAR GOLD MEDAL OF HONOR 2009. We are blessed by her commitment to InnerFaith Ministries Worldwide and the planet as a whole!

Michael Bernard Beckwith on the Essential Shifts



I love the word community rather than church, because community speaks of individuals maturing and

giving their spiritual gifts to a larger body, and community also speaks about the community honoring the individual and reminding them who they are that they can release their gifts. And so when I think about the “Realm of Ever-Expanding Good”—which is another name for Heaven, or the Kingdom of Heaven, or the World that works for everyone, or as Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. called it, the “World House,” or the “Beloved Community”—I see where individuals have a much more planetary viewpoint rather than an egocentric mindset or even an ethnocentric mindset. They are carrying a more of a planetary spiritual mindset, and the community is everyone on the planet, not just one nation or one city or one state or a very myopic point of view.

And I see the global brain which is our internet, our computers, our telephones, and all of those things that make the world smaller, now morphing into more of a global heart where individuals are beginning to feel that they are part of a larger community—even with the earth, and a lot of the

things that are going on the planet, with the ecological damage that we’ve done over the last hundred years. When I think about the evolving consciousness I think about people actually beginning to feel and to see that the earth is alive—it’s not just dead matter; it’s not just dirt—that we are actually co-existing on a planet that’s living. And I think with these kinds of shifts in points of view and insights and mindsets you’re looking at the birth of another way of being on the planet. I wouldn’t say a new way; I would say an ancient way that has an evolutionary twist to it. So it’s the best of the indigenous cultures (which I don’t idealize), combined with the best of our technology at this point

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LIVING A PURPOSEFUL LIFE OF GRATITUDE

By Marsh Engle



“The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy.”

As I read the words of Martin Luther King Jr. I’m reminded of real greatness. And, I connect with a sense of

real gratitude.

Gratitude. Greatness. The path to greatness begins and ends with gratitude.

But how is it that we can cultivate a depth of gratitude? How can we experience more love? How can we live a purposeful life?

In my study of Japanese psychology I found a simple practice of self reflection, The Naikan Reflection. The practice is designed to help us grow gratitude by asking ourselves three questions that provide a foundation for deepening our relationships with others. The Three Questions:

- What have I received?
- What have I given?
- What difficulties have I caused?

How is Life Loving Me? In the first question: ‘What have I received?’ we begin by examining our relationship with another and what we have received: My partner made me fresh squeezed juice this morning. A colleague sent me a thoughtful card. A man at the convenience store opened the door for me. These are all simple actions. Or, are they? Often we take

such things for granted. We hurry through our day giving little attention to all the “little” things we are receiving. But, as we notice what we receive from others, we become present in the awareness of how we have been supported and cared for. This awareness brings with it a deeper sense of gratitude. Without a conscious shift of attention to the myriad ways in which the world supports us, we risk our attention being trapped by only problems and obstacles.

How Am I Loving Life? Next we take a look at ‘What have I given?’ The world needs your gifts and talents more than ever before. Now is a time of sharing with others. Among that sharing can be words of encouragement, a friendly smile, a thoughtful call. What are your gifts? Are you giving them freely? Am I Doing the Best I Can? The third and final question is the most challenging ‘What difficulties have I caused?’ Mostly we are aware of how other people cause us inconvenience or difficulty. Perhaps somebody cuts us off in traffic, or maybe the person in front of us in line at the grocery has a lot of purchases and we are kept waiting. We notice these times. But when we are the source of inconvenience, we often don’t notice it at all. By bringing our attention to the times we contribute to creating difficulties for others, we bring into balance the times of inconvenience we experience. How do we live a purposeful life of gratitude? Perhaps Martin Luther King Jr. says it best: He asked not to be remembered for his hundreds of awards and recognitions. Rather he asked to be remembered for the driving force in his life, “I’d like for somebody to say, that Martin Luther King Jr. tried to love somebody ...

I want you to say that I tried to love and serve humanity.”

About Marsh Engle:

Marsh Engle is a Speaker, Coach, Author, Master Motivation Teacher who offers the Essential Power Tools for Success. Passionate about igniting the authentic power and purpose of all people, Marsh Engle has spent over a decade facilitating hundreds of hours of coaching – especially to women - helping them to discover their purpose and propel inspired action. The Marsh Engle Show broadcast each week on Voice America Business. <http://www.marshengle.com>

Dr. Sharron Speaks for the Crystal Fantasy Enlightenment Center



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* Igniting Passion in your Being

* The Art of Communion with Life Itself



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Memorial

by Rich Cress



*I can't control
the rising or
the setting of
the sun. I can't
control the
tides, the winds
or the flight of*

birds.

*But, I can conceive a new percep-
tion of what a sunrise means to me,
or how I value and release my day
into a setting sun.*

*I can interoperate what I feel in the
rush of tides as foam engulfs my
feet when I stand on the ocean's
edge.*

*I can soar in my mind as if on the
wings of birds in flight, closing my
eyes and feeling the wind lift me
higher, higher and higher yet.*

*I can see the world with eyes of love
and faith instead of a vision of loss,
fear and apprehension.*

*I can know for myself that no mat-
ter what condition seems to appear
in front of me, that inside of me a
calm, a peace can indeed prevail.*

*And as the storm clouds gather, and
they will, I will see behind them. I
will see the rain that brings nour-
ishment to a parched soil and I'll
believe in the seed that reaches up
to the sunlight and at last becomes
the flower.*

*I'll say, "thank you", thank you for
a new perception, a vision that is
inclusive of all my relationships, in-
stead of exclusive to only those that
please me and I can control.*

*And as lives move on beyond my
touch, beyond my vision, I will con-
tinue to reach out and be willing to
create new family. I will see all of
my relationships. clear, present, and
in my mind and heart unchanged
ever living, no matter how far away
they seem to have moved.*

*I will continue to choose to embrace
love, and not live in the perception
of loss.*

*I will be engulfed with laughter and
anointed with my own tears as I re-
member my loved ones.*

*And I will see my relationships as
purposeful and as long as I have
memory, never ending.*

*I will have a new vision of what
friendship and fellowship means,
and especially what it means to
have a friend and be a friend. And
I will look upon myself and my fel-
lows without judgment or fear.*

*I will seek to see my Higher Power
in the eyes that see me. And I will
release myself into vulnerability
and trust that all is well, no matter
what.*

*I will see myself at peace with my
history, my present moment and my
future.*

*And at last, I will have faith and
trust in my Higher power whatever
I have come to believe that to be.*

Amen

Volunteer of the Year

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VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR! - RECIPIENT OF THE YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE AWARD!

Dr. Sharron Stroud, Founder of InnerFaith Ministries Worldwide and the InnerFaith Community salute Bill Lewallen for his tremendous devotion, dedication, and commitment to get Dr. Sharron's message of transformation and enlightenment out into the world.

InnerFaith Ministries is contacted by people all over the world here is one such letter sent on Face Book Printed with Permission of the Sender:

Subject: Alicia Harris

OMG Dr. Sharron, I just went to your videos and I am so excited. I am listening to one of them now and look forward to many more. I knew there was something special in you when I saw the spirit in your face.

I was right! I live in Santa Clarita, so Palm Springs is not around the corner. I am so happy to see that I can listen to you speaking at my house. God is everything to me. I have shared on the blessings he has given me and I could go on and on.

I am also in recovery (13 years) and God is EVERYTHING to me. I have had the house issue, asked him to please give us a new home that would be nice. When it was time to lose our home he took me to the new house he had for me, gave it to me in 1 day after the owner told me my credit wasn't good, one week to the day I was informed my house was sold back to the bank, and 2wks later I got a letter telling me I would get \$5000 to move out.

I was not afraid because I believe God when he assures me that I will be ok. This is only one of the endless blessings God has given me. Look at my kids....I am so grateful I could just explode!!

Please keep posting your videos for me to hear and see. I love you already! I JUST KNEW YOU WERE VERY SPECIAL!!!

Thank you again.

Alicia

Thank you Bill Lewallen for your Sacred Service and being the change we want to see in the world! You Make a Difference! We Love and Appreciate you!

