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REBUILDING THE SHRINE OF HUMAN LIVING

“It was the best of times, it was the worst of times, it was the age of wisdom, it was the age of foolishness, it was the epoch of belief, it was the epoch of incredulity, it was the season of Light, it was the season of Darkness, it was the spring of hope, it was the winter of despair, we had everything before us, we had nothing before us, we were all going direct to Heaven, we were all going direct the other way”. Vividly portraying the tumultuous period of the nineteenth century, Charles Dickens in the opening chapter of ‘A Tale of Two Cities’ described a defining perception about the world that can be alluded to equally in our present period of human affairs. For humanity, it has been observed, has the ‘habit of crisis’. From point to point, from sphere to sphere, and from glory to glory, we move on an ever ascending spiral.

Whilst political, financial and justice systems, social welfare, education, medical care and the like have evolved beyond measure in the last one hundred and fifty years or so, there is still unfinished preparatory work in the world that was started about the time of the Renaissance. Rebuilding the shrine of human living clearly remains a ‘work in progress’ and calls upon the skilful practice of all men and women of goodwill to think clearly about world affairs, to radiate goodwill in their environments, and to use the power of lighted thought to ‘spiritualise matter’ and ‘materialise spirit’.

The social ferment that rocked nineteenth century Europe is now being enacted on a global scale. Political systems, economic models and social reform are all coming under the intense scrutiny of an ever more enlightened public opinion. Questions abound as to the fitness of our institutions to adequately serve the common good. And yet few have a clear picture of how we can practically anchor the new ‘models’ or forms that will reflect the Aquarian impulse of co-operation, sharing and goodwill on a universal scale.

This analysis, fortunately, is not quite so daunting in the light of the tremendous progress made by visionary individuals and groups throughout the world to rally behind the banner of human welfare. Since the beginning of the last century especially, the momentum towards the rebuilding of the social order, through the motivating power of goodwill, has been gaining traction. Collectively, we stand at a turning point. Ahead of us lies the bright, sunlit uplands of a world predicated on spiritual values. But this cannot be achieved without the settled will of the human family, and especially people of goodwill, to patiently and persistently work towards these ends.

As in Dickens’ time, the world is still in a state of flux, but today unlike the world then, the experiences of the last century or so, and quite literally the heat of battle, have forged a determination by people of goodwill to anchor those new lighted forms that will “measure up to the purpose of the Father”.

REFLECTIONS

The remainder of this century (the 20th Century) must be dedicated to rebuilding the shrine of man's living, to reconstructing the form of humanity's life, to reconstituting the new civilisation upon the foundations of the old, and to the reorganising of the structures of world thought, world politics, plus the redistribution of the world's resources in conformity to divine purpose. Then and only then will it be possible to carry the revelation further.

Be of good cheer, for there is no true defeat of the human spirit; there is no final extinction of the divine in man, for divinity ever rises triumphant from the darkest pit of hell. There is need, however, to overcome the inertia of the material nature in response to human need, individually and by the nations not engrossed with the essentials of the situation. This shows signs of happening. There is no power on Earth which can prevent the advance of man towards his destined goal and no combination of powers can hold him back.

Alice Bailey

Our culture is obviously in a time of trouble. Many have foreseen breakdown in our economy, since a great technology obsessed with getting rich quickly is too clumsy and topheavy, and altogether too inhuman in its values.... ecologists are becoming aware of how delicately poised the living organism of the eco-sphere is.... Our present difficulties may well be the overture before the ringing up of the curtain for the grand opera. It is therefore necessary to see current events and complexities in a broader context, as component skeins of an enormous canvas. It is too sanguine, too naive, to assume we can just patch things up and carry on. We must learn that merely getting more possessions and satisfying more desires and supposed wants is not the object of life. We shall have to

simplify our lives drastically and be prepared to let go much that we now strive desperately to hold. Values and consciousness must change, not just tastes, manners, fashions, social structures or politics.

George Trevelyan

Nation-building is part of the overall evolutionary process: the blossoming of the soul of humanity; as such it is continuous and inevitably painful and challenging. The world is still characterised by the divides, north and south, rich and poor, developed and developing nations. However, in spite of this, the world is becoming more interconnected and interdependent. In such an interdependent world where some nations or communities are apparently making more progress than others there is bound to be friction. In the circumstances, the Common Good can be assured only when the weakest and poorest developing nations and communities are not neglected but given adequate attention as members of the same human family.

Val Usifoh

In order to serve the common good of the peoples of a nation more effectively, governance must be fully representative, transparent and equitable, and for now and the foreseeable future, democracy proffers the most appropriate and attractive paradigm for good governance and true nation-building, provided that the underlying and fundamental principles, ethics and rules of democracy are well understood and studiously adhered to.

Harry Juwe

It is a 'new heaven' as well as a new earth that is coming to birth.

George Trevelyan

THE PLANETARY NETWORK

The planetary network of light, love and service is transforming the mental climate of the planet, reorientating humanity to spiritual attitudes and values. The groups and activities reported in the Bulletin reflect different aspects of the network.

Triangles Information Evening

At the beginning of the year a co-worker in Australia sent us a report of her contribution to the Triangles work which we would like to share with you:

“The first Triangles Information Evening was a small affair with four of us – a potential twelve triangles.

We started the evening with a welcome and outline of the evening. Each attendee received a Triangles information pack and the DVD, a copy of the Mantram of the new group of world servers and the Great Invocation postcard.

Two of the attendees were already in a triangle, but they were keen to share and learn more which was wonderful. After describing the development and role of the New Group of World Servers in the Triangles network, we said the Mantram of the NGWS to create group harmony.

Then we watched the Lucis Trust DVD on the Triangles work. This was followed by a discussion of the work – why, how and when it’s done. It was great to hear from the two already in a triangle. They shared about how they do their triangle, the time and place they prefer, and why they value this form of service. This was good practical information for the newcomer.

We discussed the Great Invocation – what it was, where it came from and why we use it. After

that we practiced by each forming a triangle with two of the other attendees, doing the visualisation and then saying together the Great Invocation.

Over tea and biscuits the newcomer said she was interested, but needed time to process the concept. She said she’d talk to her two neighbours about possibly forming a triangle.

I plan to hold these evenings quarterly, and hope that with increasing marketing via pamphlets, my website, flyers, and the Triangles pack, the event will enjoy higher attendance. I’m also considering a monthly segment on Radio Adelaide – a community station – which would include information about meditation, creative visualisation, the new group work, and the Triangles work, amongst others.

The Triangles Information Evenings are part of a trilogy of meetings I am building in Adelaide – Full Moon, New Moon & Discussion Group and Triangles.”

Spiritual Heritage Education Network

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SHARING GROUP THOUGHT

Every year we are pleased to feature in the Bulletin a selection of thoughts on Triangles that we receive from co-workers around the world.

Yesterday I received an envelope by postal mail containing (Triangles literature).

Thank you very much for sending these and for the news in the letter about the work the group is doing.

We hope that this service grows each day, and that many people join in the meditation and that the Great Invocation reaches every corner of the Earth.

Cuba

The Festival Week found us distributing a good quantity of 'NGWS write-up' as well as the 'Festival Week write-up' downloads around Nigeria. Also during the Triangles meditation the units of service around the world were part of the Triangles network. It is believed to have been a good means of boosting their work.

Nigeria

One day it quietly emerges in consciousness that we are the very light we've long searched for. When such occurs, we turn in many directions, astounded. Suddenly, all other life-forms are imbuing Light Beings. There are no words. The lines of our triangles become electrified motion among interrelating conscious Lights! We know our Light being is directed intelligence and inclusive, flowing Love.

USA

Emerging from the last triangle of the day a sense of calm and that 'peace that passeth understanding' descends upon the self. Coming back into the world of human form, of solid objects and the unavoidable engagement with earthly matters, the tiredness of this existence is lifted and the soul refreshed. One recalls the story of the Zen monk who whilst in deep contemplation of a moonlit sky was burgled and all his possessions were stolen. When alerted to this situation by concerned onlookers, he said "I wish I could give them this beautiful moon!" In times of turbulence, one feels the same about the gift of the Triangles work.

UK

I thank all our fellow co-workers of the Triangles group for your continued support of the radiation of the energies of light and love to all parts of the world.

Nigeria

The triangle of 3 people reflects the divine organisation of will-love-intelligence. Because this triadal relationship between 3 people is essentially so impersonal, these 3 divine qualities are given a greater opportunity to do their work unspoilt by the usual noise and drama of human relationships. The triangular service relationship is silent and undramatic for a Purpose. In taking up this position a step is taken in the art of sacrifice – a forging of 3 wills with the One Will.

UK

Triangles is a world service activity in which people link in thought in groups of three to create a planetary network of Triangles of light and goodwill. Using a world prayer, the Great Invocation, they invoke light and love as a service to humanity. Further information is available on request from Triangles.

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