

TRIANGLES WEBINAR – 12TH JANUARY 2026

Welcome to this Triangles Webinar for Monday, January 12th, 2026. It is the first Triangles webinar of 2026. My name is *Mintze van der Velde* and the webinar of today is managed by Geneva. As special guest today, we have *Janna van Baalen*, who is in the Netherlands, and is a co-worker of the Dutch desk. She will share with us some thoughts on *Triangles: Idea and Form*.

The monthly Triangles webinars have two major goals – both of which seek to strengthen the planetary network.

- First, to have a space where existing Triangles members can come together to share in a meditative visualisation in support of the Triangles work and to hear reflections and share ideas about world service through the power of thought from different Triangles co-workers.
- Second, to introduce new people to Triangles and hopefully stimulate the formation of new triangles. And if you are already a Triangles member, you may also want to form a new Triangle.

We will begin with some introductory remarks about Triangles and the use of the Great Invocation, followed by a visualisation on the Great Invocation, which regular participants in this webinar are familiar with. Then we will have a talk by our guest, Janna, followed by some time for discussion. You can put your questions in the chat or raise your hand. We will conclude with a Triangles webinar meditation: *Energising the Planetary Network of Triangles*.

If you are new to Triangles, you can find all information on the Triangles website, www.triangles.org, about how to form a triangle – including a section where you can form a Triangle online, by entering your details and inviting others to contact you to form a Triangle.

About seventy years ago, the Tibetan wrote in his book *Discipleship in the New Age*, vol. II: “People recognise the present darkness and misery, and consequently welcome light; men are tired of hating and fighting, and therefore welcome goodwill.” This was after the World War. Thereafter we have seen a time of relative optimism, rebuilding of a more prosperous world and relative peace. People were, and still are, able to travel and thus meet with people of other cultures, nations, habits. People of different colours, different faiths. If we cannot go physically to other countries, the internet and modern technologies allow us to visit virtually any spot of planet Earth. Therefore, from that perspective, we might expect that what we vaguely understand by the term *brotherhood* is gradually taking shape. The Tibetan reminds us that we usually understand brotherhood as “the One Father and His children” or the like. That understanding – according to the Tibetan – is in itself so limited and inaccurate that it serves mainly to distort the truth; yet all that we can grasp at this time is embodied in this concept. He goes on to say that Brotherhood, as it essentially is, constitutes a major mystery. It would go far beyond the framework of this webinar to explore the concept of Brotherhood further. Just keep in mind that there is – as so often is the case – a much deeper meaning to the word Brotherhood. There is a deeper meaning to the word Triangles too and Janna will later in this webinar explore some of the deeper aspects of Triangles. Perhaps we could explore this also further in another forthcoming Triangles webinar.

We know through the Law of Correspondences that what is happening in the life of one human being has its correspondence to what is happening to humanity as a whole. Largely generalising

and loosely speaking one could say that human beings evolve from a state of ignorance to one of individual consciousness followed by one of soul or group consciousness. Transposing this to the level of nations, a similar pattern can be seen, where after long times of wars and battle eventually the souls of nations urge them to cooperate. This was clearly visible in the period after the Great War, i.e. 1945 – 2000. Thereafter, however, and despite the efforts of cooperation, several nations started to retract, or focus on themselves. In a way this is reflected on the level of human beings too, where amplified by the social media, we observe a huge degree of individualism and polarisation accompanied by an extreme level of materialism. All this is, of course happening on the outer plane, i.e. in the world of daily living. As Triangle workers we are focusing on the inner planes, i.e. the invisible worlds that lie behind these outer phenomena.

Reminding that for ever the occult law holds good: “as above, so below,” we are told that the re-organisation of planetary affairs which is taking place at this time is partially the effect of the changes produced in the Hierarchy by two major factors:

1. The higher and more intelligent type of disciple who is now affiliating with the Ashram and his instinctive demand for group work and recognition.
2. The new energies pouring through Shamballa into the Hierarchy; these are of an extra-planetary nature and have their source largely in the Aquarian quality of the present cycle; these energies are steadily eliminating the energies of the Piscean Age.

The passage from the Piscean to the Aquarian Age is not an automatic nor a smooth process. These incoming energies – which undoubtedly are there and are potent at the same time – do need their anchor points on this Planet to have their necessary impact. If this is the bigger picture, what can we do as Triangle members on our own level or scale? Of course, we ‘do’ our Triangle each day. But as we will see from the talk of Janna in a minute, there is much more than just ‘doing our Triangle.’

In the period after the Great War, the Tibetan urged all men and women of goodwill to use the Great Invocation as much as possible. He also urged us to use it as good as possible – that is to say with the deepest understanding of its meaning we, as Triangle workers, can achieve in our consciousness. If you are a regular participant of this Triangles webinar, you will note that each time we do the visualisation on the Great Invocation. Of course, we know that you are no stranger to the Great Invocation. Yet, this visualisation can help us to achieve that deeper understanding in our consciousness. Keeping in mind that “Energy follows thought,” this will help to keep our Triangles work vibrant and energetic. Thus, its effect on the inner planes will be more potent – something which is strongly needed in these challenging times.