

## WHY THE FOCUS ON GOODWILL?

The Triangles network was founded in the 1930s with the idea that, as more and more people linked together to serve in groups of three, the network would become an energetic carrier (a grid) through which energies of light and goodwill would flow out into the arena of human relationships. Today, the network is so well established that participants invoke these energies, radiating them outwards through their own individual triangles and on through the net of the countless other individual triangles around the globe. The network has truly become an energetic field, constantly pumping light and goodwill into all areas of relationship – personal and family relations as well as community, national and international relations.

The irradiation of the mind of humanity with energies of light seems like an obvious service for spiritual workers. After all light reveals the way forward. It enables us to 'see' beyond the external dimensions of time and space into the quality and beingness of the 'other' and the timeless. Through light all is ultimately revealed. As light flows into consciousness, human beings see the wholeness and indivisibility of life in all its subtleties and manifestations. And as vision changes, behavior is transformed.

But why the focus on goodwill? It seems almost superficial. Why not, for example, visualize the love-related qualities associated with the soul? Qualities like compassion or wisdom, or the high energy of the will-to-good?

Through goodwill the triple energies of the soul (light, love and the will-to-good) are anchored into human activities amongst large numbers of people, transforming cultures and communities. Love can be thought of as a potency of radiation that is a result of self-forgetfulness. It is a power that heals, transforms and empowers. The will-to-good can be likened to a spiritual fire where will reflects the still, quiet purpose of the Divine Self. These are qualities that are developed in any discipleship approach to spirituality.

Those on the discipleship path are the pioneers pushing evolution. But it is through the more basic and simple energy of goodwill that the atmosphere of relationships in any community is sweetened so that cooperation can flourish. In any community or group of people there are always those who embody goodwill – who are natural, almost instinctive harmonizers, who see the best in others and who live their life with an uncomplicated benign attitude. The spiritual pioneers, the disciples and disciples in training of all faiths and backgrounds, have the responsibility to mobilize, organize and help provide direction for the large numbers of people of goodwill. In the Triangles work we seek to sustain and vivify that most basic energy of good heartedness: goodwill.

### REFLECTIONS ON GOODWILL

From the standpoint of our planetary evolution, there is naught but love, naught but goodwill and the will-to-good. This exists already, and its true manifestation is nearer today than at any time in planetary history.

From stage to stage, from crisis to crisis, from point to point and from centre to centre, the life of God progresses, leaving greater beauty behind it as it moves through one form after another and from kingdom to kingdom. One attainment leads to another; out of the lower kingdoms man has emerged, and (as a result of human struggle) the kingdom of God will also appear. The bringing in of that kingdom is all that truly concerns humanity today, and all living processes in mankind are bent towards preparing each individual human being to pass into that kingdom. The knowledge that there may be greater manifestations than even the kingdom of God may be inspiring, but that is all. manifestation of the Kingdom of God on Earth, the preparing of the way for its great Inaugurator, Christ. the making possible the the externalisation of the Hierarchy upon Earth give us each and all a fully adequate task and something for which to live and work, to dream and to aspire.

Alice Bailey

The great human quality of goodwill must come into its own. With this quality dominating our thinking, world peace will become a fact. The people who will bring this great blessing to us all are the intelligent men and women of goodwill....

Foster Bailey

Eventually the numerical strength of the men and women of goodwill in the world will be so great that they will influence world events. Their united voice will be heard on behalf of right human relations.

Alice Bailey

Goodwill is a dynamic energy which can bring about world changes of a fundamental kind, and its mode of expression is through the activity of the individual man and woman and through their massed intent. The massed power of goodwill, the dynamic effect of intelligent and active understanding, and the potency of a trained and alive public opinion which desires the greatest good of the greatest number, are beyond belief. This dynamic power has never been employed. It can, today, save the world.

Alice Bailey (adapted)

Goodwill is a heart expression of the fundamental goodness in all peoples which is an evidence of our inner spiritual selves.

Foster Bailey

There is only one true way and there are indications that it is a way towards which many millions of people are turning. Unity and right human relations—individual, communal, national and international—can be brought about by the united action of the men and women of goodwill in every country.

Alice Bailey

The most important of all present hierarchical action is the flooding of humanity with the energy of goodwill.

Foster Bailey

One interesting aspect of goodwill is that, as it develops in the human consciousness, it first of all brings a revelation of the existent cleavages which distinguish the political, the religious, the social and the economic life of people everywhere. The revelation of a cleavage is ever accompanied (for such is the beauty of the human spirit) by efforts along all possible lines to bridge or heal the cleavage.

Alice Bailey

### 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 and World Goodwill Cultural Association

Founded in 1979, the mission of the Association is to support and spread the ideals of brotherhood, unity in diversity and responsibility for the common good through the introduction of new ethical and social values.

For a number of years, the Association worked in close co-operation with Triangles and World Goodwill, by translating, printing and distributing the Triangles Bulletins and World Goodwill Newsletters in Italian.

In June 2000, the Association launched a new editorial initiative, a free news bulletin, *Good News Agency*, to focus on creative and progressive initiatives in the world. The bulletin highlights news from the world of the United Nations, institutions, NGOs, service associations and volunteer groups. It is published in Italian, English and Portuguese and sent out to more than 10,000 media and editorial journalists of the daily newspapers and periodical magazines, as well as NGOs, high schools and Rotarians throughout the world. It is estimated the global distribution of the bulletin is well over 300,000 copies.

From time to time, interviews with visionary thinkers, such as Oscar Arias, Mikhail Gorbachev, Federico Mayor, Jacques Diouf, and Ervin Laszlo, are included in the bulletin.

In 2001, *Good News Agency*, launched the *Ethical Code of the Media*, that aims to focus on publishers' responsibilities to voice "positive events which indicate in the world the response of humanity to the greatest problems of our time". The code has been endorsed by 140 service organisations, prominent people, and several academic bodies and peace research institutes from around the world.

#### Some of the Codes are:

- It is the moral responsibility of the media to pursue the aim of disseminating information on every aspect of the reality in which we live.
- The media must disseminate information with respect and consideration for all the public.
- The information should be organized by distributing the "weight" of the different sectors so as to respect the right to knowledge of important social groups.
- The information must reflect reality with a variety of news which mirrors the components of reality itself to the extent to which they define it.
- The information must seek, as far as possible, the causes of the events in the determining behaviour of man.

A few years ago, the Association launched a campaign 'Let's take Good News Agency to the schools!' Supported by many Rotary clubs, the campaign helps to involve students in focusing on positive and creative initiatives in the world.

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### THE GOODWILL MEDITATION GROUP

Goodwill is the applied action of love-wisdom with skillful precision.

The Goodwill Meditation Group has been subjectively honing this precision every Wednesday at high noon since 1954. Intelligent use of the Meditation on Goodwill activates love in action, provides right direction of intention, and amplifies the efficacy of service.

Countless sparks of goodwill light up around the globe at every second of every day: a silent word offered with peace, a hand extended with mercy, a burden carried with tenacity, a challenge met with compassion. These acts, with innumerable others, stand individually as flashes of goodwill and stand united as a demonstration of the collective organization of the will-to-good.

The will-to-good includes and supersedes acts of goodwill; the will-to-good mobilizes the divinity that lies within all circumstances. By practicing the Meditation on Goodwill world servers learn to abide in aligned service, consciously connected to the relational field of humanity and Hierarchy, and become empowered to intuit the right response in the face of every demand. It is a simple formula with a far reaching, radiatory impact.

Before stepping into the Meditation on Goodwill, practitioners assume an aligned attitude through soul identification and the creative imagination. Full instructions can be found at: www.lucistrust.org/world\_goodwill/goodwill\_me ditation\_group1.

The Mantram of Unification, invoked in *Stage I* of the Meditation, integrates the individual as a flame of loving intent into the field of humanity. This kindling of the human spirit inspires right thinking and right action through each relational contact: through family, community, nation, world. *Stage II* unites the relational plane of humanity with hierarchical impact, rousing human hearts with the fire of heaven. From that point, the Affirmation of Love is silently sounded, anchoring the meditation in the radiating energies of love. The work of this meditation closes with *Stage III*, an opportunity to step down and utilize these energies to construct right human relations, restore peace on Earth, and distribute the Great Invocation.

The Goodwill Meditation Group stands with precision in the center of the equal armed cross, providing an inlet and outlet to align and direct spiritual energies into the world through contagious acts of goodness — and more. The planetary purpose of this weekly meditation is to strengthen and increase the goodwill that lies within every human heart, to unite the rhythm of these hearts with each other, with the heart of Hierarchy, and ultimately with the Heart of the Sun.

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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