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*“Glorious indeed is the world of God around us,
but more glorious the world of God within us”*

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The Greater World Belief and Pledge

I believe in one God who is Love

I accept the Leadership of Jesus the Christ

**I believe that God manifests through the
illimitable power of Holy Spirit**

**I believe in the survival of the soul and its
individuality after physical death**

**I believe in Communion with God, with His
angelic ministers, and with souls functioning
in conditions other than the earth life.**

**I believe that all forms of life created by God
intermingle, are interdependent, and evolve
until perfection is attained.**

**I believe in the perfect justice of the Divine
laws governing all life.**

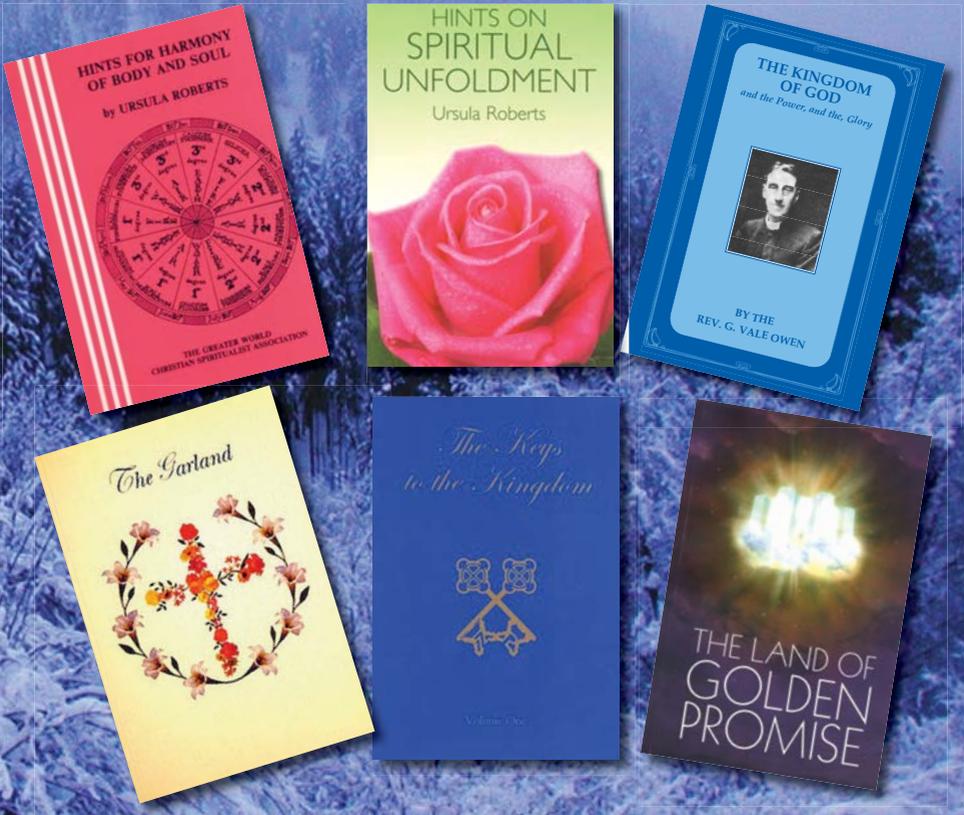
**I believe that sins committed can only be
rectified by the sinner himself or herself,
through the redemptive power of Jesus the
Christ, by repentance and service to others.**

The Pledge

**I will at all times endeavour to be guided in
my thoughts, words and deeds by the teaching
and example of Jesus the Christ.**

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“Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God. “Speak comfortably to Jerusalem and cry to her for she is filled with violence and delighted in sin; and she has received from the Lord’s Hand double punishment for all her sins. The voice of him that cries in the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord; make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be filled up and every mountain and hill shall be made low and the steep places shall be made straight and the rough places smooth. And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed and all flesh shall see it together: For the mouth of the Lord has spoken it.”

Isaiah 40

Isaiah lived around the 8th Century BC. The beauty of his language and its message has been spoken, sung and spread abroad generation after generation. The messages are full of symbolism and deep meaning – especially this message, which is so apt for the time of the year. ‘Prepare for the way of the Lord’. Sadly the first thought of man when being given the opportunity to learn about the benefits of anything is to think ‘what’s in it for me’. The words used are those of another generation. Much of the content is symbolism which needs to be understood in order to comprehend the true meaning of the message.

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"The Lord will feed His flock like a shepherd; He shall gather the lambs to His bosom." Shepherds are always watchful of their flock. All seasons bring their own problems. When the lambing season arrives shepherds lose their sleep to make sure that all the lambs are born safely. Depending on the circumstances they often have to carry them in their arms – where they are safe and warm. Lambs have to be brought to the fold because they do not yet respond to the voice of the shepherd. Who is our 'Shepherd'?

"The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want": the shepherd has compassion on those lambs who are weak: He searches for those who are lost; He feeds those who are hungry; He cares for those who are sick and suffering. All are the symbols of a Loving Father, the Shepherd, who created you. From the beginning He provided the instructions that were required to be followed in order that He was able to fulfil the promise that He had made.

We are still fortunate to have those instructions with us today. There are so many times throughout history when the words of the prophets were burned.

Fortunately, there were those who were prepared to sacrifice their lives for the benefit of all peoples of all nations and we know about some of those today. If we seek understanding then we will find it. If we rely on what we know only from a material sense then we shall not find the truth. Being able to quote the Bible verses, know the stories – of which there are many and various – without understanding, then that is all they are - stories.

“To those who seek the truth diligently it will be given” How often have you tried to tell someone about the spiritual revelations in as simple a way as is possible! Who will listen? Who will hear? There are many who want to know – but do not hear. Jesus said; ‘Ask and you will be given’ – that does not mean that you can ask for all the treasures and luxuries in the world and live like a king. How many people take their troubles to God and expect Him to take them all away! ”Who will stand when He appeareth?” In other words, who can look the Christ in the eyes! Even His disciples had a problem at the beginning, trying to understand all that He had to teach them in such a short space of time. Who or what was God to all those people then? Who or what is God to all the people today?

The Christ was born in a stable – ‘with animals standing by’. He lived among the poor and needy. He saw and lived with the horrors of being an enemy ruled country. It was not peaceful and serene. It was noisy and angry and vicious in all walks of life. Still, as in all horrendous situations there were the people who carried out good works: Who followed the pathway that God had intended them to walk. Just as there were those in other wars that have given their lives

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for the benefit of all mankind. They do not begrudge what they gave because now they know what Jesus meant when He said; *'Follow Me'*. They are just waiting for the *'Peace which passes all understanding'* to be awakened within the souls of those on earth, especially those who have the responsibility to care for nations and all people – and that means everyone.

Those who already have the understanding carry a weight. Yet again we are told; *"The yoke is easy and the burthen is light"*. Sometimes people use the word 'burden' – which they may understand better – however, the burthen is weightier and carries all the responsibility for all elements of life – not just for dragging the plough.

The teachings of the prophets; the teachings of Jesus; the teachings of Zodiac; all have a special place; a definitive place as God's unfolding revelation of Himself in order that His beloved children might come to a positive understanding of their Loving Father, Creator. Within all lives, step by step, the spiritual knowledge is given. Strange as it may seem that generation after generation fail to recognize the nature of and reason for this so special knowledge. From the time of Abraham the message of God has never been absent from the world. He waits patiently for the day when all people will look towards Him and say; *"Thank you Father for your patience – now I understand"*. It is in the understanding and in the carrying out of His work wherever you may find yourself that the Kingdom of God can be experienced in the 'Here and Now'.

In a time of great distress our Loving Father sent His Son into the world – just as He had promised. He knew that the world, as the people of Jerusalem knew

it, was soon to end. He wanted as many people as possible to be able to go out into the nations of the world at that time and spread His message. For instance - Islands are mentioned in the Book of Isaiah – we know these as the British Isles – the disciples came here, bringing their message. Paul came and preached in London. Others carried the message far and beyond.

The world had to be ready to receive Jesus. He was given a body of flesh so that all people could see that He was just the same as them. More importantly, it was so that they were able, if they so chose, to be just like Him. It takes courage to make any change in life. You know what it is like to live in a place where you are not accepted – because you are thought to be different. Jesus went through that experience also. But it did not stop Him from carrying out the task that He had been born to undertake.

When you choose to follow the pathway of Jesus you find out very early on that you are not given the deeper understanding of life to put in a draw and keep it safe. Knowing the teachings; liking the parables; being interested in His life – it is all only knowledge. The whole reason for His life was so that we might follow in His footsteps: Walk His way of life: Live His way of life: Become as like Him as possible and spread His message as much as possible all over the world.

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In order to ‘know’ what Jesus knew we have to be like Him. The pathway we walk is of our own choosing. You may very well hear an instructive, silent voice saying ; ‘Go to the right’ – urging you on – you decide to go to the left – because

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you have 'free will'. The choice will always be your own. Only you will know the reason for your choice and the outcome will be upon your shoulders. You cannot say that you do not know the difference between right and wrong. What you may not give thought to is – how much your decisions and your actions make a difference to the whole world, both spiritually and physically.

There are so many examples of lives touched by the love of God. Hard as the lessons may be they always have a reason and a meaning and a permanent result. As we progress in our spiritual development so are we continually training. The story of the lives of every person who has in one way or another become spiritually evolved provides everyone with an example of what to expect along their own journey.

The Greater World has the example of Zodiac for instance. He was steeped in traditional thought, theories, dogmas and doctrine that had been handed down for generations. He watched while all the laws in the Temple were broken: One law for the hierarchy and another for the people. He searched and searched the scriptures..... then one day.... along came Jesus.

Zodiac had heard all about Jesus and- along with the crowd - had listened to His messages and His stories. Here they were walking along the road towards each other. They looked into each other's eyes and Zodiac was free. Jesus brought him love that no words can explain. He knew from that moment that this was the whole explanation of his mission on earth.... but his greatest mission was

yet to come. Zodiac says; *'I saw Christ and He made me free.'*

Zodiac stayed with the disciples – even when they all received the power of Holy Spirit. With them he celebrated the great event – as they did when Jesus appeared to them after His resurrection. Eventually Zodiac was sent into Syria to spread the message. Like all the disciples he suffered greatly. In spite of all his pain and ill treatment he carried on until the end. He was stoned to death. Could there be any doubt that He was a 'Light Bearer', sent by 'The Supreme Light Bearer' to open the eyes and hearts of all His children on earth: To help them understand not only their Loving Father but also themselves; their Divine origin and the ultimate destiny of all the children of God.

Jesus taught in parables. The Psalmist wrote in verse (approx.. 8BC). Jesus used all the previous messages of God, given by the Prophets, to explain in depth the promise of God and its fulfilment.

May we have the power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of the Christ and to know this love that surpasses knowledge, that we may be filled to the measure of all the fulness of God."

Ephesians 3:18-19

"Behold, I will send my messenger and he shall prepare the way before me; and He, for whom you are waiting shall suddenly come to the temple of the Lord, even the messenger of the covenant, in whom you delight, He shall come, says the Lord of Hosts." Malachi 3:1

Malachi gave that message approximately 400 years before the birth of the Messiah. We are able to know about the birth. At Christmas time we celebrate His coming by loving and giving. We are fortunate enough to have volumes of world history that we can consult about the lives of people in many countries throughout the generations. Still the cry still goes out – 'How long Oh Lord'...

Let us remind the world of the true meaning of Christmas: The promise of God fulfilled: The truth of the Christ teachings is for all people. God walks with us all the time.....oh what joy could be ours if only we would open the door and let Him in.

"Day by day, dear Lord of Thee three things we pray: To see Thee more clearly: To love Thee more dearly: To follow Thee more nearly: Day by day. Amen

Megan Long GWMIn., CGWM

National President

Zodiac Prayer

***Most tender Saviour, Thou has shown all mankind
how to suffer, grant that consciousness of
Thee may come through the pains of the body,
the anxieties of the mind,
and the hostility of others.***

***Thy children are one step nearer to
Thee in understanding.
Grant that each one may be sure,
not only of Thy protection,
But that what their lives hold is
part of the purpose of Thy plan.***

***If sorrow creeps close so then it indicates the joy
That will be their own hereafter.***

***If suffering be their portion
May it be a symbol to them of the strength
that lies in front.***

***Open our eyes, release our understanding
And give us that greater faith
Which shall make all things clear.
We pray in the Name of Love***

Amen

† News from Headquarters

Seasons Greetings to all from headquarters. As usual the News Letter is being prepared in advance so that you will receive it before Christmas when it is thought there will be a postal strike. Once again we are all wondering what the New Year will bring. Times certainly are difficult. Congratulations and thankyou to all those who keep their courage while experiencing the many different and difficult problems that arise daily. Your strength goes out into the world for everyone to draw upon. Keep up the good work.

You will have noticed by now, as you will have received your Renewal Letters, that you are 'Friends' of The Greater World. This is all due to changes required by Charity Law. It certainly does not mean that we appreciate you any the less. In fact, we need you even more because this world is in need of those who are prepared to stand firm for what they believe to be the truth.

It saddens me to inform you once again that we shall not be able to hold a Carol Service in the Sanctuary this year. Circumstances are against

us. However, I am sure that you will be holding services in your churches, spreading the joy as much as you are able and supporting local charities as usual. However, we shall, as we usually do, all join together in thought and prayer on Christmas Day – no matter where you are in the world – we will be together.

Way back in the history of The Greater World there was a sanctuary in Liverpool called the Psychic Truth Society. The owner was Lola McNaught and she and her family were very close friends of Winifred Moyes, who led many services in the sanctuary. All the family were involved in carrying out the work in their area from the 1930's and 40,s onwards. So you can imagine what a stressful time they experienced over the years. However, the time came when the church had to be closed. During her lifetime Lola McNaught had made it very clear that when the property was sold The Greater World was to receive all monies after outstanding bills were paid. Over a period of years the matter was eventually resolved

and The Greater World has received the sum of £518,926.90. So many years after the passing of Lola the matter was finally resolved. There is someone I believe that should be mentioned here because it was due to a great deal of hard work on her part that the matter has been resolved amicably. She is Mary Stephenson, a long serving member of the church.



Thank you all for your support over these past very difficult years. Thank you also to the staff who have remained loyal, sometimes under difficult circumstances. As our prayers of light go out into the

universe, knowing that that light will never go out, remember the verse:

'I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me.'

May the blessing for the New Year be one of love, peace, inner strength, courage to carry on when difficulties ensue and may hearts and minds be opened to the power and the love of our Heavenly Father, knowing that all prayers are answered for the benefit of all mankind.

**MAY WE ALL HAVE AN
AWAKENING NEW YEAR**



News from the Churches

Clarendon Road Sanctuary, Leeds

Loving greetings from Harrogate and Leeds Sanctuary to all the family of The Greater World. Autumn is here and we notice the changes in the weather; the trees, flowers and wild life. The year moves on. We can still enjoy the great outdoors with a visit into a garden, the park or out into the countryside to take in the beautiful autumn colours.

At the beginning of September we opened a short Service for Spiritual Healing from 1.45pm until 2.45pm before the Divine Service at 3.00pm on Sunday afternoons.

On September 25th we celebrated our 87th Anniversary of Praise and Thanksgiving. The Service was led by Revd. Margaret Bellamy. The Address and Demonstration was given by Revd. Ann Crass, with prayers and Readings given by members of the congregation. A selection of well-known and loved hymns were sung accompanied on the organ by Marley Watson. Everyone was invited to the tea room for refreshments and to share a little social gathering. All agreed that it was an uplifting afternoon.



On October 2nd we celebrated the Harvest Festival giving thanks for the beauties of the earth and remembering the harvest of souls. The Harvest Table was filled with all manner of goods which were later blessed and taken to St. George's Crypt afterwards.



Preparations have been made for our service of Remembrance; another afternoon of Private Sitzings at the beginning of Advent, leading up to the

celebrations of Christmas.

We must remember that Our Father God makes everything possible, however, we all have to work together in love and harmony.

It is still necessary to be aware and to look after each other as the virus has not gone away. Follow the guidelines as circumstances change.

My grateful thanks to all our speakers and helpers for their understanding and patience at this time. Special thanks to Revd. Paul Merryweather who has been into the Sanctuary very regularly to check the building over.

Thanks also to Barry Sheridan who has kept the outside areas weed free all year. Loving thanks to Helen Newton who opens the doors every Sunday and to Marley Watson who plays the organ each Sunday.

Everyone associated with Leeds Sanctuary send you love, health, happiness and all that you wish for yourselves and your loved ones at the end of the old year and into the new.

Love and blessing in all that you do
God bless you all

[Margaret Bellamy](#) GWMIn. CGWM
President





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Christmas Wordsearch

Answers on p41

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You will find the hidden words backwards and forwards, diagonally, horizontally and vertically.

The words to find:

Angels, Baby, Bells, Bethlehem, Birth, Christmas Carols, Donkey, Elf, Father Christmas, Feast,

Follow, Frankincense, Gold, Halo, Heaven, History, Holy Ghost, Hotel, Inn Keeper, King, Jesus, Joseph, Life, Love, Magi, Manger, Mary, Merry, Myrrh, Saviour, Shepherd, Sin, Snow, Son, Soul, Special, Spiritualist, Star, The Greater World, Three Wise Men, Yuletide, Zodiac.

The Parable of The Seed

The seed is the Word of God.

Those on the roadside are those who hear the word; and the enemy comes and takes away the word from their heart, so that they may not believe and be saved.

Those on the rock are those who when they have heard, receive the word with joy; and yet they have no root, but their belief is for a while, and in time of trial they stumble.

That which fell among thistles are those who hear the word and then choke themselves with worries and riches and worldly covetousness and bear no fruit.

But that in good soil, these are those who hear the word with pure and good heart, and keep it, and bear fruit with patience.

No man lights a lamp and covers it with a vessel, or puts it under the bed; but he puts it on the lamp holder, that whosoever enters sees its light.

For there is nothing covered which will not be uncovered; and nothing hidden which will not be known and come to light.

*Take heed how you hear;
for he who has,
to him shall be given;
And he who has not,
even that which he thinks he has
shall be taken away from him.*







We offer our prayers in the name of Jesus, the Healer of all mankind

“O God, send down Thy Power – Thy Power, Thy Peace, Thy quieting influence – send down Thy Power so that Thy children, in faith, in hope, and in anticipation, may receive Thy Healing Power in abundance, each according to their need. Amen”

Healing Prayer

Loving Father, in this moment of peace and tranquility we offer our prayer for the sick and suffering of the world. To those who are mentioned here hold out Your Healing Hand. Let them feel Your presence each day so that they may go through one day at a time knowing that You are with them: That your love is sustaining them throughout all their difficulties. Hold the suffering of the world in Your Hand – no matter what the circumstances may be and may they feel Your presence. Open the hearts and minds of all peoples so that they may give assistance wherever it may be needed. Strengthen those who care for the weak and weary. Support those who are spiritually tested and tried in Your Name. In the Name of Jesus the Christ our Saviour Amen.

Your Healing Prayers are asked for:

Katalin, Sylvi, Abbie, Carol, Adrian, Maureen, Pat, John(1), Daphne, Sophia, Carolyn, Steve, Richard, Damian, Pauline, Jamie, Andrea, Christine, Edmund, Caroline, Maria, Elaine, Katie, Amanda, John(2), Michael, Barbara, Jenny, Mike, Colin, Sara, Brendon, Mavis, Ann, Tony, David, Anna.

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Healing Leader: Rita Davidson. Monday: 1pm – 4pm Thursday: 7.30pm - 9pm

Message Conve

Love is all around you and you are requested to respond to that Higher Love of the Spirit because only through this can you be helped through the troubles and trials of physical life. Love is the power; love is the manifestation of God for all mankind. When people gather together in worship that Love is manifested in a strong and meaningful way. You will be amazed to see the ramifications of Love and how it permeates every condition where the Spirit is refined and greater manifestations being shown as the soul evolves nearer to the great Ideal, Christ, our Friend and our Example.

When we think of Christmas immediately we turn to the thought of Love. For indeed it was a

demonstration of Divine Love that the little Child was soon to become a great power for good - not in His own time but in the generations which followed. You must remember that the Child as He grew to manhood was subjected to persecution in its fiercest form. It is not a strange thing. The prophets of old; the prophets of today; they also were and are subjected to persecution in different forms, not necessarily physical violence, but very often of the mind and soul. So you see that the Ministry of the Christ was so short. His work was to evolve from the sacrifices He had made. As you look back over spiritual history you realise with amazement how the Christ Power has permeated many lands, saved



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people from despair and so inspired the majority of those who love Him that they are prepared to make great sacrifices to show their love and of their desire to serve.

It is a wonderful thought to feel that you today, perhaps in your limited province of service, may pass out hemmed in by disappointment because you could not do more. Yet you will find, looking at things from the Spirit side of Life, that your influence has an undying power upon the earth plane and also in other spheres as well. You have no reason to be disappointed, to feel that you have failed to do all that you could while the opportunity upon the earth was given to you.

CONVERSION ILLUSTRATED IN EVERY SPHERE OF LIFE

What is meant by 'CONVERSION'? It is illustrated in every sphere of life – amongst Nature; amongst so-called inanimate things and individuals in the home. Perhaps a seed of humble origin can be converted into something of greater beauty, greater fragrance and utility. You know as you look at great forests how conversion takes place in a multitude of forms. However, you must remember this: It is by effort, by man's effort, using the tools of the mind, bestowed by the Great Creator, that you see all kinds of things converted from one style or species to another. It is wise to dwell on these things as you go

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about your daily duties. The subject of CONVERSION concerns you most vitally, not only here on earth but in the great Life of Immortality to come.

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understand at the time. But she pondered upon them deeply.

GOOD WORKERS WHO YIELD TO TEMPTATION

When conversion came to the Boy Jesus as He emerged into the Christ Who was sent to save human nature from its many weaknesses, we cannot ignore the fact that even among His few followers there were two who were tempted to fail the highest and the best. First there was Judas. Yet, how soon repentance followed upon that aching tortured soul. He felt he was unfit to live and so he destroyed his body. However, by the Grace of God he was allowed, in the next sphere, to work out by

suffering that which he had done through folly and through ignorance. Are there not many tempted in the same way! Sometimes it is by self-will. They have the impression that they know what is best and others should yield to that impression. This was what was the matter with Peter as well as with Judas. He wanted – being an impetuous man and an enthusiast – to get things moving in his own way. He was full of high impulses and the desire to serve. Yet, when he was tested, moral courage failed at the crucial moment and he denied his Lord.

Can we criticise such a one? What of our own lives! How many times have we kept silent when we should have stood firm for the truth and

the sincerity of our principles! We dare not criticise Peter. He was chosen by the Loving Christ to work out the Divine Plan. He was chosen after such a failure to become a ROCK; through the discipline of his weakness and fear, he did indeed become as a ‘rock’ to which many have clung. Many have been able to fence off temptation by remembering Peter and his life-long repentance and devotion to the Master he had denied.

ONLY THE FEW WITHSTAND THE TEST OF CRITICISM

This subject of CONVERSION concerns each and everyone. It concerns the teachers and the preachers and the statesmen. They

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have to be converted from ambition in many cases. They have to be persuaded that perhaps if they had lived nearer to the Christ-ideal they would have been better men and better women. Many a leader has had to face this great test: To see his supporters criticise and forsake him because they did not understand the motive which was in the background of the cause or the presentiment which he had. You can be assured that it takes a tremendous amount of moral courage, spiritual courage, to stand firm and fast under a hail of criticism; criticism from those who could not and would not be willing to make the same sacrifices for principle as the one concerned.

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forget so soon what has happened over the generations; how the saints and martyrs found the courage to endure to the very end. They did not want the easy path. They did not ask that the obstacles that lay upon their path should be removed; their one prayer was this: 'TO BE FAITHFUL TO THE VERY END AND NOT TO FAIL'. They were fearful, because they were human. But they feared most that they should fail, because they knew that the flesh is weak.

THE LONG FIGHT BETWEEN THE SPIRIT AND THE FLESH

Much unhappiness is caused in this mundane world because of the unending fight that goes on between the Spirit and the flesh. There are a

multitude of desires that creep around the aspiring soul and so often they are not realised as being temptations. They are considered as being natural desires – and those which would meet with the approval of the Most High. Only too late do they realise that they have been caught by the net laid out for them by the enemies of the suffering Christ. You can be assured that there are many people today who would be healthy and useful in a wonderful way; but who have undermined the Spirit power around them because this constant conflict goes on between the higher self and the human self. Those who would listen need to be reminded that we may be human and we are human during certain stages of our

development but also we are DIVINE and our Divinity must indeed take charge of the weaker, triumph over the physical until at last it has so established itself that the struggle is over and that there is no more fighting; the individual is willing to say and to mean: “Not my will be done oh God, but Thine”. When the decision is made and something of happiness and something of brightness seems to creep back into their conditions – the peace that is brought by these decisions has to be experienced to be described.

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imagined it could be. Some may call it an expression of sensitiveness over the lot of others. But real sensitiveness does not take that form. If you are concerned over the lot of another you set to work to help them; you do not waste your vitality in worrying; that is like pouring the elixir of life down into a drain to mingle with the filth that is there which has to be got rid of for the sake of health.

WHY THE PLAN IS HARMED BY WORRY

It is all so simple when you sit quietly and think things out. In the first place, you have come into this world for a certain purpose – to

convert what is faulty in your own nature into a higher state; this conversation goes on a pace when the Soul is allowed to dominate. You see in your own homes that you have the power to convert something which is unpleasant into something which is good to look upon. You see as you tend your flowers how they respond to loving care over their particular needs. You see as you go among the busy through the result of your influence when, almost in a moment of time, you can convert a miserable person into one with a glimmering of hope and send them on their way, if not rejoicing, then with something of comfort in heart and mind.

This subject of CONVERSION

follows you throughout every life. When you pass into the World of the Spirit you will see something of its ramifications – of the Grace that was possible – given to you by God – and of the great power that lies within your scope to convert a thing that is not wise or not good or not understood into something that is lovely, something that is powerful, something that finds its own place in the Kingdom of God.

ANOTHER ASPECT OF CHRISTMAS TREES

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thousands of people upon the earth who represent to these poor souls a little Christmas tree. Why is this?

HOW MANY OLD AND WORN REPRESENT BEAUTY

Think of those you know. Some are old and worn and unlovely to look upon. Think – when a Christmas tree is decorated you do not concentrate upon the plant – that is covered. The shrub may be a shabby one. One that over the years has been used and will continue another duty. You are fascinated by the

beautiful lights and decorations that now cover the Christmas tree. These poor wandering souls are also attracted by what appears to them to be a Christmas tree. But what does it represent? It represents a tired, faithful soul upon the earth whose body may be unlovely to look at but whose spiritual sacrifices and devotion and hard work have turned them into an illuminated Christmas tree. The lights shine from them – the white of purity, the blue of sacrifice and there are pinks and reds of love in its higher and lower forms. Many bound souls seeing this thing of beauty naturally want to get nearer and nearer and in this way much missionary work is carried out.

However, there is a warning that

must be given because sometimes those who do not understand while still in the body are inclined to be influenced by the greyness of undeveloped souls and so they get their times of despair and discomfort and railing against fate. Yet all the time, although their light as a Christmas tree may be dimmed it still gives out a little light: - A little light to lighten up the darkness of others.

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were to look upon and that no one troubles about the shabby garb or the frail and worn out frame or the crippled footsteps. Nobody thinks of these. They only rejoice in the beautiful lights of the Christmas tree – that symbol of the Christ which those dear, devoted souls represent. Many do not know why they suffer so. Never-the-less, you can be assured that the majority are not bitter against God. They are like dumb animals; like the lamb that is slaughtered; at the mercy of a stronger power or fate.

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indeed a beautiful sight to witness.

Honour is paid to those people. Those who have helped in the decoration of a Christmas tree are requested to lay this thought upon their heart and mind: Might it not be possible that by honouring Christ, by celebrating His birthday, that they represent a human Christmas tree to souls who are sad in heart, to those who have lost their way and are not yet ready to respond to the spiritual light and brightness that is all around – because they are ignorant of spiritual things.

THE STRENGTH WE CAN DRAW FROM SPIRITUAL HELPERS

There are so many things that need

to be explained. In the sleep state you know so much more than the physical mind can express. There you make your vows anew: "I will be stronger whatever happens". "I will be faithful whatever the temptation". "I will be a disciple of the Christ however many failures I may have had in the past and will have in the future". All of this goes on during the many happy conversations in the World of Spirit. Many of your loved ones,

those who were faithful in time long passed; who had hardships far greater in those times than ever come your way now. They are all concentrated around you trying to strengthen your resolutions; trying to impress upon your mind that all is well with the soul and that soon the body with its distractions and illnesses, with its murmurings and complaints will be laid aside and forgotten: Forgotten in the joy of the new vehicle in which you will

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find yourself. Then with so much power you will go to those who do not understand any better than you understood and do your work of mercy, convert them from that which once represented a child of God by choice; a traveller on the long journey home to God; not wearying, because the eyes of the traveller are upon the rising sun of achievement. They see dimly, perhaps. But they sense it all the same – that there are thousands waiting to greet them, thousands also on the desert of experience trying to wend their way towards the golden sands of the Better Land.

They, with you, will rejoice and thank God that life was not an easy pastime; that life held many a test; many a temptation struggled with until finally it was overcome. The sorrow, grief and regret are over forever more because the Grace of God and the Love of Christ is built up so firmly around you that you are emancipated and you realise that having been converted out of the little, you can be converted into that great and holy being ordained by the Creator of all things.

As you think of the Christmas Story allow your imagination to roam. Go back to the past, compare it

with the present. Think of those you admire and love and wish to emulate. Realise that as your wish becomes firmer in your mind, so comes the power in the little measure to emulate their self-sacrifice, their whole-hearted devotion to God's work, their determination not to be distracted by anything that is of the earth. In that time of realisation the Spirit within you, the Divinity gifted to you by God, has won the battle. You are free to serve; serve with the perfect freedom promised by God to every faithful pioneer soul.

COMPASSION FOR THOSE WHO FAIL THEIR HIGHER SELF

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love in your hearts, not criticising anyone, but pitying those who are weak, those who do not understand the meaning of faithfulness, those who were tempted and yet do not realise that they were tempted or are tempted. Such as these are not criticised; they are sent compassion for eventually they will reach conditions of Reality. The scales will fall from their eyes and they will be known and know themselves for what they were. Then please God, they will set to work anew to build up a better edifice on a practical foundation. The other was on sand. Now they seek the Rock of Jesus the Christ – and on that foundation they shall build their edifice of effort and the winds shall not destroy it nor the adversities of

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the life in which they find themselves, not the hard thoughts of those who would like to see their downfall. They have built on rock and the edifice will withstand the storms and the waves that beat upon it. All shall be in time as God has ordained.

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you go along your separate way always remember that you are meant to represent to others that symbol of Christ – a Christmas tree which brings joy and a sense of health and hope to many a weary heart and are beyond your understanding in conditions unknown by you at this stage. Yet because it is a Christmas tree it can be used amongst your companions to cheer, to uplift, to comfort and to reassure. The glorious provision made by our Father and Mother God Who understands so well the



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temptations and the waywardness of human nature. Always His message is: 'Come up higher and I will give you the strength to overcome'.

In the Name of the Christ, our master and our Lord, you are blessed. You are thanked for all the love you have given to those who inspire you from the Higher side of Life. Through that love many have been able to love Christ more. He is Love personified. You are but little

fragments. But, oh, how precious are those fragments to the Great Source, for love is life, love is the ruling force in those bright realms of peace which are called God's Kingdom. Only by love can we find peace of heart and mind and the desire released within to better the lot of others.

Peace be with you. Thank God that once again power has been given to the Word so that it might be spread abroad.

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Remembrance

There are so many people to remember this year who gave their lives in so many different ways. This day, this year, is important for all those who gave their lives to save this country and the world from horrors beyond our understanding. Open your mind and remember all those who have departed this world in so many different ways – of so many different ages - try and grasp the real meaning of the Day of Remembrance.

Not only does Remembrance mean the rising of the weaker self. It also

represents the power of God in action for no one is forgotten and all are alive and living in the Kingdom of God. No matter what the situation the strengthening of the spirit within raises not only the self but all who are around. This ability is available for everyone and the whole of humanity is blessed by the strengthening and courage of the individual souls.

With all the difficulties that lie ahead let it not be said that those who are in the know held back; afraid to be seen as being different or inadequate. Enemies may be numerous and

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conflict severe in all aspects of life but only those with the strength and ability both physically and spiritually to carry on will know that the power of God can be brought into action whenever and wherever necessary.

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Put away the troubles of the earth and take up the staff of knowledge that is offered to you. There is a reason for every occurrence. The Christ came to demonstrate a truth that covers all aspects of life. No one lives in isolation – except of their own choosing. Every action, every thought, every deed has an effect throughout the universe and whether of light or darkness – it never goes away.

Did all the people accept the Christ

when He walked among them? You know that they did not. The world has yet to learn the power of God and the power of the love of God. How far do you think that the world has grown spiritually in the last 2000 years! Now the world has you and countless others to go and ‘tell’ it on the mountains that the Christ is alive and living in the world today. Not as an individual person – but in all who willingly go about their daily business in the same way, with the same attitude and with the same love in their hearts as the Christ showed to all people.

As you carry out this daily service you are contributing to the glory of all those who gave their lives in every generation. Make this generation one that will grow in spiritual understanding in order that peace may prevail. God knows you by your name. He remembers you. Will you remember Him?



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Merry Christmas & Blessings to all

Inspiration and Family Instinct

Christmas time is always advertised as a 'Family' event. No matter what difficulties the year has brought the joy of family togetherness is sought eagerly no matter what the circumstances. There are different kinds of journeys throughout life. The disciples of old travelled long and dangerous journeys in order to be with Jesus; or to get to the end of their journey where they would be the teachers of the people. The roads were just a little different from today. Travelling day and night, although dangerous, was a usual practice for them. They had the responsibility of bringing the Light into the faithless generation. It was not an easy way of life. You are wise to make your sacrifices in order to be with those you love. You may not realise it but that sacrifice is made in the Name of Love and in the power of Love. The unwise are those who hesitate as to the degree of the sacrifice they will make in the Name of the Christ whose very nature is LOVE.

This is a special occasion as you know. What could be more fitting than for a family to meet together

to thank God and to make their vows and promises anew. When you become a part of The Greater World you become a lifelong worker of this wondrous universal family. You become a doer, supporting the family; a teacher, feeding the hearts and souls of all those who are in need. Every single one of the family has a great need at some point in their life. To whom do they turn for succour? The workers put their faith to the test every day; building up from the fragments of pain or despair, strengthening the souls of those who are suffering. Do not be tempted by those who say; 'do this or do that' when they themselves have neither the strength to test their own suggestions nor understanding of the intended actions.

You are all fellow workers. You know where you stand. You know what you have to expect. What you do not know is what awaits you – the faithful – when this short life is over. The sacrifices, the pains the denial of rest for the body will seem so light a price to pay for the privilege of having done God's work in God's way – NOT in man's way.

Some people have the instinct for family. Others like to shut themselves away from their own kind and to live selfish lives. They do not want to be bothered; they just want to keep what they have. They fear that their pockets will be drawn upon if they join a society or a certain religion. These people have their own reward. Those with love in their hearts plan something special to celebrate, anniversaries, birthdays, new born babies, renewing health after illness and especially when there has been a loss. They realise that to have the co-operation of loved ones in the home is indeed one of the greatest gifts that could be granted.

Some have strong family instincts. With many it is developing. How does this show itself? By gathering together a little bank of workers to enlarge their family. Like a growing garden, season by season, the progression and strength are added. These people are inspired. Who inspires them? The loved ones from beyond. They have felt the call that has come to them from those on the earth; they have made it clear that they are willing to make material sacrifices; to obey the dictates of the soul within.

There are many who give prophecy of evil and prophecy of loss. But the pioneers, being inspired, take no notice. They say; "I have made up my mind and I am going to see this thing through. If I should fail – well – I have done my best!" A strong and

wonderful decision. Every effort is made to make whatever the 'thing' is a success. These are the disciples in training for the higher branches of service in the world of Spirit.

Have you ever thought that there is a family spirit in nature? Man is only one aspect of life in this world and in many worlds. In a wonderful way you can see how the family spirit is shown among animals for instance and you also find that there are many who like to stimulate that sense. They do their best to bring together certain creatures which are in harmony with each other and which will produce offspring of their own kind – perhaps in a better form. Then there are the good gardeners. They have the family spirit and demonstrate it among Nature. Infinite trouble is taken to bring on little plants which are placed in the garden with faith. What great joy follows when they find a good specimen – or a specimen that is not too bad. Think of the way in which the family spirit is demonstrated among the trees and their saplings. There are those who understand something of Nature's laws who are doing their best to replenish the forests and to keep this land of ours green and beautiful and useful for a time to come.

The Master said; 'I am the Vine and you are the branches,' What inspiration for everyone. No one stands alone. No one has to be an orphan in the sense that they have no

family behind them. They have the best family of all – that represented by the Master and His disciples. Because they are there; because we can draw strength from them, despair should not walk with us.

Think about that simple sentence in your own lives – ‘I am the vine.’ Are you not in miniature as a vine? The people you attract or those you try to influence – are they not like the tender branches springing up out of your effort? Sometimes they do not make a good showing and disappear from the branch. Never mind about that! Because the vine is the root it has infinite branches to send out more branches and those branches in time also turn into a main body. From them the branches go forth to carry the missionary work of the Christ – which is needed so badly upon the earth. That is the most constructive side.

What about the many trees represented by human beings? What kind of root do they represent? Are they growing in grace, fulfilling the Divine purpose? Or are they sending out those branches which in turn and in time have their influence for bad and not for good?

This is a grave subject and requires your earnest consideration at this time. Public opinion, the whole aura of the earth is fashioned by these different “trees” which represent all sections of Life. You are entitled to your own opinions and to do what you wish. Yet you cannot get away

from the thought which you create in one stage of your life that has to be altered in a stage to come. If it is a good thought in the sight of God it can be so enhanced in a beauty and in a power that you would never recognise it again. But it will be there. It is YOURS. The joy and the glory which follows will indeed satisfy you for ever more.

So, what do you think should be emphasised at this very special time? A time of meeting together, cheerfully and with satisfaction. Old links once made can be renewed. All generations come together with love in their hearts and minds to share family memories which bring laughter and tears and noise and most of all togetherness.

For the glory of God is in all life and His love is never absent. The power that is created from the togetherness of this time cannot be realised until the life to come. Then you may say...‘I wish’..... God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten son.... Too many will know the feeling of loss – not realising that their loved ones are not lost. The sacrifice they made will not be seen clearly as yet; the understanding is not there; the door has not been opened in order that the Christ may enter in. Wondrously, the love in the hearts of those who have gone before is never lost. The power that they have created will never fade away.

Water your vines with the love of

your Loving Father in order that the branches grow in strength and bring forth fruit in their season. You are here for a purpose which is absolutely essential to the love of God being spread throughout the world and that His peace which passes all understanding shall be experienced by all who are prepared to fulfil their promise.

Walk with God in this time of joy and thanksgiving. Play your part in His wondrous story as those in the past have done and who now stand on the side watching and waiting. Spread the fruits of your vine in all directions and see how the vineyard grows. Are the branches growing in strength? Have they been watered by sacrifice and hard work? Or has everything to be left to the Christ?

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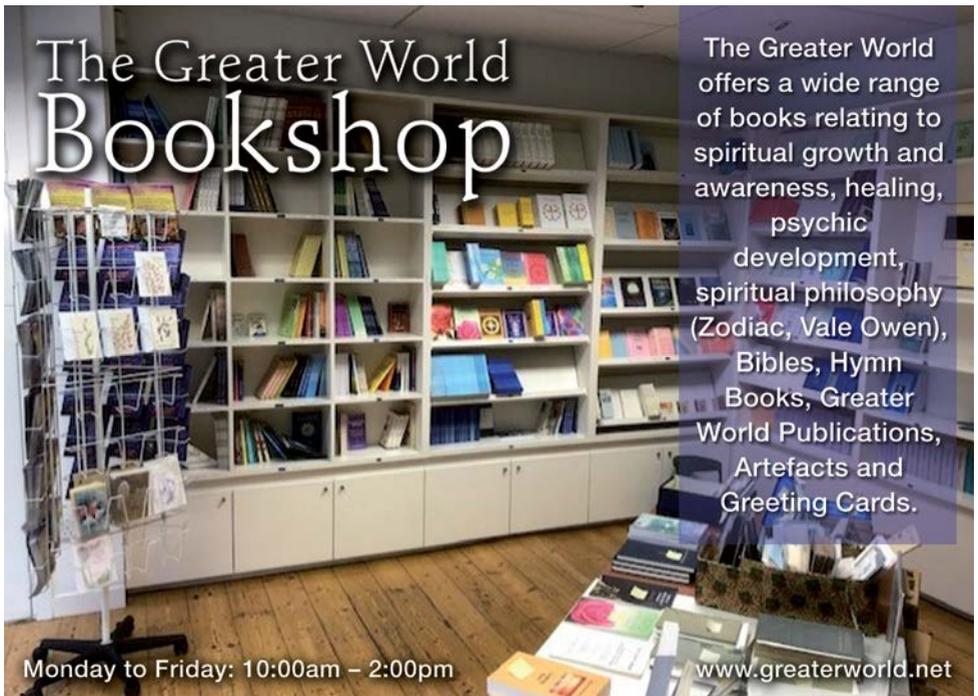
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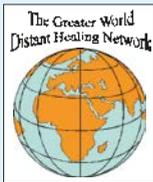
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This is the special tree that stands outside The Greater World.

You have heard about it before.

However, just to prove that we are looked after all year round.

Can you see the face in the tree?