



Flow of the Spirit Newsletter

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A Message from Robert

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The Spring Time of Spiritual Awareness

It's that time of year again when we shake off the spell of cold from the winter season and enter into the rebirth of spring. All around us we see the signs of new beginnings. The Daffodils blooms first, then we see the blooms of the Redbud tree, and then the Iris begins their part of the spring ritual. We experience a new state of being in the natural environment around us. Spring has sprung and behold all things are new.

It is appropriate that the story of Easter takes place as part of this spring ritual. Jesus, our master teacher, overcame death and began life after His resurrection in a new body and a new state of being. Jesus taught in parables and stories, telling us that we are children of God, and then showed us through His resurrection that life is truly eternal. He promised us that these things He did, we will also do (and even greater things). We can enter the Kingdom of Heaven (which is within) and experience spiritual enlightenment as a child of God.

This renewing of the spirit is all around us. We must let go of the old (there is a lot of that right now) and step into the new as we experience this new Heaven and Earth. I really believe that the world is showing us that it is time to change. It appears that our way of life is changing as we experience new leadership and ideas in our national culture and global interactions. We are going to learn what works and what doesn't work in our future. It appears that radically different ideas are fighting for your beliefs and support. Only those principles that align with spiritual ideas will take us into the new world of spiritual enlightenment.

Our job now individually is to stay grounded in our spiritual practices (prayer, meditation and study) and with the help of Holy Spirit, take care of ourselves and our families. Then let God take care of everything else. If we are to enter into the new spring of spiritual enlightenment and awareness, we must each do it as a child of God and hold everyone else in the light of God's perfection knowing only God exists in what I see!

Holding you in perfection of God's light.

Rev. Robert

*Flow of the Spirit Church
is a Christ centered,
Independent Church.
We seek to accept each
other for who we are and
together continually
strive toward our
spiritual unfoldment. We
are here only to express
our true nature which is
LOVE*

Events at Flow of the Spirit

Weekly:

Sundays, 4:30 - 6:00 p.m. *The Power of Now* Study Group in the Dome Chapel, Van Alstyne. Rev. Madelyn Test is facilitating a study group into the book *The Power of Now* by Eckhart Tolle. This book expands on numerous ideas to help us transcend our ego based state of consciousness and experience the presence with personal happiness and joy. You can enter and/or leave the class at anytime in the year.

Wednesdays, 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. *A Course in Miracles* Study Group in the Dome Chapel, Van Alstyne. Judy Sumrell, is the facilitator. She has over 20 years experience with this spiritual classic. *A Course in Miracles* is a year-long curriculum that is targeted at removing the blocks to awareness of Love's presence, which is the natural inheritance as a child of God. It is a series of daily lessons that is designed to return the individual to a spiritual awareness of God's presence in all things. You can enter and/or leave the class at anytime in the year.

Wednesdays, 8:00 - 9:00 p.m. at Dr. Ingalls' house in Dallas. Rev. Ingalls has been holding this Wednesday night *Joel Goldsmith* Study Group for more than 25 years at his home near North Park Mall in Dallas. Literally hundreds of people have experienced enhanced spiritual awareness through this group as well as other phases of Rev. Ingalls' ministry. The group studies from different *Goldsmith* books and letters throughout the year. Call Rev. Ingalls at (214) 361-2215 for more information and/or directions.



Signs of Spring at Flow of the Spirit Church

APRIL 2009

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April, 2009

Sunday, April 5: Rev. Madelyn Test, Flow of the Spirit's Co- Minister, will be conducting the 10:30 a.m. Worship Service.

Saturday, April 18: 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. A workshop will be held discussing the movies 2012 and 2013. The church will be showing parts of the movies answering questions, concerns and what really relates to us now. Bring a snack to share. Love offering basis.

Saturday, April 25: Beautification Day! From 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. come help beautify your church grounds, enjoy lunch or just be here to chat with your church family.

May, 2009

Saturday, May 9: Movie Night and Potluck. *The Leap*. A new movie with Gary Renard, "The Disappearance of the Universe" and many other visionaries, authors and scientists. The potluck begins at 5:30 p.m. The movie begins at 7:00 p.m. Come join us for another joyful evening.

Sunday, May 17: Rev. Paul Ingalls, Flow of the Spirit's Associate Minister, will be conducting the 10:30 a.m. Worship Service.

Saturday, May 30: Rev. Paul Ingalls workshop entitled "Metaphysical Interpretation of the Bible." Part 3. 10:00a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Bring a snack to share. Love offering basis.

Interpretation of the Old Testament based on ancient texts and ideas brings some interesting ideas into today's modern world. Come study with Rev. Paul Ingalls as he decodes some of these ideas in this class. Many of the stories are about us as individuals and give us directions in how to live life. Paul has studied these ideas for years. Join us as we look forward to a better understanding of ourselves.

June, 2009

Saturday, June 13: Board Meeting at 3:00 p.m. Movie Night and Potluck. Movie to be announced. The potluck begins at 5:30 p.m. The movie begins at 7:00 p.m. Come join us for another joyful evening.

Sunday, June 14: Rev. Paulette Hogan, Minister of Unity of Sasche, will be conducting the 10:30 a.m. Worship Service.

Saturday, June 27: 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. A workshop will be held discussing a recent movie. The church will be showing parts of the movies answering questions, concerns and what really relates to us now. Bring a snack to share. Love offering basis.

Sunday, June 28: Rev. Paul Ingalls, Flow of the Spirit's Associate Minister, will be conducting the 10:30 a.m. Worship Service.

The Last Word

By Rev. Madelyn Test

In the Garden

Sometimes when I feel alone and a bit concerned as I listen to the confusion of what's happening in the world around us, this song comes to me, lifts me up, and nourishes my soul. It reminds me that I am not alone and all I have to do is go into my quiet place and listen for that loving and guiding presence within me. It reminds me that I can have and keep that joy with me even when I leave the garden as I move ahead in my daily life; I am wishing that it does the same for you. I spaced the words as it reads in my song book.

I come to the gar-den a-lone, While the dew is still on the ros-es; And the voice I hear, Fall-ing on my ear; The Son of God dis-clo-ses.

And He walks with me, and He talks with me, And He tells me I am His own, And the joy we share as we tar-ry there, None oth-er has ev-er known.

He speaks, and the sound of His voice, Is so sweet the birds hush their sing-ing, And the mel-o-dy, That He gave to me; With-in my heart is ring-ing.

And He walks with me, and He talks with me, And He tells me I am His own, And the joy we share as we tar-ry there, None oth-er has ev-er known.

I'd stay in the gar-den with Him, Tho the night a-round me be fall-ing, But He bids me go; Thru the voice of woe, His voice to me is call-ing.

And He walks with me, and He talks with me, And He tells me I am His own, And the joy we share as we tar-ry there, None oth-er has ev-er known.

Love, Madelyn

Thank you Dear God for Your divine inspiration as I listen and trust in You more and more and more each day.

Thank you for your wonderful support of Flow of the Spirit Church. Your prayers and contributions are greatly appreciated.

The church is flourishing and growing and we give thanks for the evidence of Spirit in our lives each day.
