



Flow of the Spirit Newsletter

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A Message from Robert

By Rev. Robert Test

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*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 enlightenment.
We are here only to
express our true nature
which is LOVE*

What a wonderful time of awakening we are experiencing in our society right now. The movie and book of “The Secret”, the open dialogue on the Oprah Show about Eckhart Tolle and his new book “A New Earth” and numerous books such as “The DaVinci Code” are bringing a new awareness of spiritual truth in our world.

I sincerely believe we are headed into a new era of consciousness and understanding of our purpose in life. We are all guiltless, sinless children of God finding our way back to the “Father” through the illusion that our belief in the material world puts in front of us to block our spiritual path.

It is truly time to be intent in manifesting our true spiritual selves through meditation, study in spiritual audios and books, and gathering with like minded people (maybe church on Sunday and the other fellowship opportunities available).

God is love and only love. There cannot be anything else. However, the world wants us to believe that “they” have the answers in their rigid doctrines of materiality and guilt. This is duality which doesn’t exist when we focus on the being one in spirit.

My heart tells me that the existing ego structures will rise up against these new ideas (actually ancient ones taught by Jesus) so our approach to these upsets will be to send only “Love” in thought and action in all we do.

Robert

Events at Flow of the Spirit

Weekly:

Sundays, 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. A *New Earth* Study Group in the Dome Chapel, Van Alstyne. Rev. Madelyn Test is facilitating a study group into the latest book recommended by Oprah Winfrey - *A New Earth* by Eckhart Tolle. This book expands on numerous ideas to help us transcend our ego based state of consciousness and experience personal happiness and joy.

Wednesdays, 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. in the Dome Chapel, Van Alstyne: *A Course in Miracles* Study Group, facilitated by Judy Sumrell, a facilitator who 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 your 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, Texas. Literally hundreds of people have experienced enhanced spiritual awareness through this study group as well as other phases of Rev. Ingalls' ministry. The group meets from 8:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and studies from different Goldsmith books and letters throughout the year. Call Rev. Ingalls at (214) 361-2215 for more information and/or directions.



Spring at Flow of the Spirit Church

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April, 2008

Saturday, April 5: Movie Night and Potluck. Our movie for the month of April will be "Luminaries." This movie is similar in format to "The Secret" with a little more spiritual content. Our potluck begins at 5:30pm and the movie begins at 7:00pm. Come join us for another joyful evening.

Saturday, April 12: Spiritual Enlightenment Alliance Meeting. Flow of the Spirit is a member of the SEA (Spiritual Enlightenment Alliance of New Thought Churches). The 1st Quarter, 2008 Meeting will be held here at 11:00 a.m.

Saturday, April 19: Intuition Workshop, 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Rev. Madelyn Test will continue her series on enhancing and empowering your Spiritual Self. This workshop's focus will be on "The Power of Forgiveness." Bring snacks to share. Love offering basis.

Saturday, April 26: Beautifying our Church! 10 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

May, 2008

Saturday, May 3rd: Beautifying our Church! 10 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 17th: Meditation workshop from 10:00am - 2:30 p.m. Rev. Robert Test will share ideas and processes from both eastern and western philosophies of meditation. The secret to *the spiritual life* is meditating. Come and find a system that works for you. Love offering basis. Bring a snack to share.

Saturday, May 24th: Potluck and Movie Night. Our movie for the month of May will be *The Moses Code*. The potluck begins at 5:30 p.m. and the movie begins at 7:00 p.m. We hope you will join us!

June, 2008

Sunday, June 1st: Paul Ingalls is the speaker for the Sunday Worship Service at 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, June 8th: Paul Ingalls will be ordained. We all look forward to this special event.

Saturday, June 14th: A *Clutter Be Gone* Workshop from 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. with Tina Calabrese. Can a clutter-free life, really make life healthier, wealthier and wise for us? YES! Bring a snack to share. Love offering basis.

Saturday, June 21st: Potluck and Movie night (movie to be announced). The potluck begins at 5:30 p.m. and the movie begins at 7:00 p.m.

The Last Word

By Rev. Madelyn Test

Many years ago we were very involved in much of the work that Catherine Ponder suggested to do. Her books talked about doing affirmations for what we want in life. Goal setting, in this century, seems a bit different, maybe letting it up to God to handle for us. Sounds much easier and more struggle free to me anyway. Catherine Ponder, however, is still very much of an inspiration in my life and I would like to share one of her affirmations with you that might resonate for you.

*All that has offended me, I forgive. Within and without, I forgive.
Things past, things present, things future, I forgive. I forgive everything
and everybody who can possibly need forgiveness of the past or present.
I forgive positively everyone. I am free and they are free too.
All things are cleared up between us now and forever.*

Catherine Ponder 1971

May the rich blessings of forgiveness make way for your life to flow abundantly!

Madelyn

Thank you for your wonderful support of Flow of the Spirit Ministries. 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.
