The Spiritual Work of the United Nations and the Liberation of Humanity

The Spiritual Work of the United Nations: Building Humanity’s Lighted House

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Those who are demanding to be saved have cried aloud. Their voices penetrate into the formless world and there evoke response.

Those who in distant aeons have pledged themselves to save and serve respond. Their cry too rings forth and, ringing, penetrates into the dark and distant places within the worlds of form.

And thus a vortex is established and kept alive by that constant dual sound. And then a touch is made and for a space and during time, the two are one—the Saving Souls and the Units to be served.

Slowly the vision of the Saving One becomes a light which guides the Crying Ones into the place of light."

The Old Commentary in Esoteric Astrology by Alice A. Bailey

I slept and dreamt that life was joy. I awoke and saw that life was service. I acted and behold, service was joy.

Ambassador Abdul Momen, quoting Rabindranath Tagore at UN Program, Rabindranath Tagore: the Universal man in celebration of the centenary of the publication of Gitanjali 30 May 2013

Dear Friends,
All who are spiritually awakened on the planet at this time recognize the need to uplift, raise and transform the individual and collective human consciousness. Such also is the intention of this meditation initiative and this monthly newsletter. We know this to be the purpose and the Plan for our times.

By the presentation of spiritual ideas and ideals we seek to awaken into fuller activity an aspect of human nature that is always present, but which for long eons, has been subordinated to selfish, materialistic and ambitious ends.

By focusing on the “spiritual work” of the United Nations, we also share in the attempt to help clarify the international situation, to support the establishment of a world unity, which will produce right human relations based on the rule of the Soul or the rule of Love/Wisdom. We seek to strengthen the UN’s goal of encouraging the cultivation of sound governments who have the welfare of their citizens foremost in their minds; of developing a new system of economics, based on the principle of sharing; and, we also encourage the development of a united spiritual effort, inspired by Love-Wisdom and focused on developing an enlightened world public opinion.

Along with other spiritually oriented groups, we strive to awaken that intuitional consciousness that can result in a changing political landscape in which the family of nations (the “united” nations) will recognize the need to cooperatively and purposefully unite in order to serve the Common Good; wherein the spiritually aware strive to become responsive to the spirit of synthesis, understanding and cooperative goodwill.

Our planetary life and humanity are in the midst of an epic transition—a transition that the Ageless Wisdom tells us is over 18 million years in the making.

The crises confronting humanity are crises of existing conflicts and cleavages—between ideologies; between the reactionary and fundamentalist groups and the progressively minded people who respond to the newer spiritual impressions and the pragmatism of justice and right human relations; between the old cultures and civilizations and the new incoming ways of living and thinking; between the spiritual laws of the fifth kingdom of the Soul and those of the fourth kingdom of humanity; between the self-conscious individualistic way of life and the way of brotherhood, love, and the Common Good.
Juxtaposing materialism and spirituality, these conflicts and cleavages are encapsulated by the Tibetan Master, Djwhal Khul who refers to the following three major human trends:

“There are today three major human trends: First of all, a trend towards a spiritual and free way of life; secondly, a trend towards intellectual unfoldment; and lastly, a potent trend towards material living and aggression. At present, the last of these innate tendencies is in the saddle, with the second, the intellectual attitude, throwing its weight upon the side of the material goals”. (The Externalisation of the Hierarchy, p. 182)

Isn’t it imperative then for those who are spiritually aware to focus on the first of these trends?

Is it therefore not incumbent upon us to strengthen and support “the spiritual work of the United Nations and the liberation of humanity”?

Many reading this newsletter have most likely heard or read that “all truth passes through three stages. First, it is ridiculed. Second, it is violently opposed and third, it is accepted as being self-evident.”

The need to recognize and cultivate the spiritual way of life—not only in the individual life, but within the family of nations, is increasingly becoming self-evident.

One recent example of this at the United Nations was the program organized by the United Nations Academic Impact (UNAI) and the UN Department of Public Information (DPI) entitled, Rabindranath Tagore: the Universal man in celebration of the centenary of the publication of Gitanjali.

The event was part of an ongoing series organized by the UN Department of Public Information’s Academic Impact initiative, which brings together experts from leading think tanks and academic institutions in the New York area to exchange ideas with senior UN officials.

Through this program the United Nations honoured the Bangladeshi Nobel laureate, Rabindranath Tagore, whose collection of poetry, Gitanjali, and its universal message of harmony were the focus of this event that sought to promote tolerance, mutual respect and cross-cultural understanding.
Referring to his poems and music as “prayers for one’s self enrichment, purification and salvation,” Ambassador Abulkalam Abdul Momen, a fellow Bangladeshi and Vice-President of the General Assembly, praised Mr. Tagore as a role model for our times: “His firm stance against communalism and all forms of fanaticism serves us as a constant reminder of the need to remain vigilant and united in our total rejection of all forms of violence, bigotry and injustice.”

Mr. Tagore’s poems were honoured with the Nobel Prize in literature in 1913, the first time an Asian poet was awarded the prize. At the time of his selection, the Nobel committee praised Mr. Tagore’s “profoundly sensitive, fresh and beautiful verse, by which, with consummate skill, he has made his poetic thought, expressed in his own English words, a part of the literature of the West.”

In addition to artistic endeavours, Mr. Tagore started the Visva-Bharati University, the motto of which has been, “Where the world makes a home in a single nest.”

As Mr. Momen stated, “Instead of any clash of civilization, it was to be a place where students and teachers from the East and the West would sit together and learn from each other in a common pursuit of truth”—an impressive idea for the UN General Assembly itself.

As the participants in this meditative initiative understand, deepening and strengthening this spiritual work at the UN can only occur as we become aligned with the cosmic energies of the monthly solar festivals, which cycle into our planetary system, offering inspiration and opportunity to those who can avail themselves.

Being guided by the discipline of esoteric astrology, we are aware that the whole story of astrology is, in reality, one of magnetic interplay leading to the externalization of the inner spiritual reality. According to the Tibetan Master, Djwhal Khul, esoteric astrology “is the story of the response of form—vast as in a solar system, microcosmic as in a human being, and minute as in an atom or a cell—to the urge or pull of foci of energy and of streams of force.” (*Esoteric Astrology*, p. 336)

Each of these monthly newsletters calls attention to the fact that an open door to the increasing radiance of Light, Love and Power is available at the time of each of the monthly Solar Festivals.

As increased numbers of spiritual workers avail themselves of this opportunity, so the light of the heavens will increase the light of earth. The soul’s essential nature is Light and it is this soul-Light that eventually affects the form as evolution proceeds.
This month we focus on the energies reaching our planet from the sign of Cancer. The Tibetan Master further tells us, “through the door of Cancer streams the ‘magnetic magical light which guides the soul into the dark place of experience.’”

It is through the right use and control of the “organ of illumination”—the mind—that planetary conditions are changed and suffering can be brought to an end on our planet. As the Agni Yoga wisdom reminds us, each era has its own call. And, the power of thought is the evocative principle of the New World. (Solar Festival Meditations)

Will you join in meditation as we ponder the esoteric keynote for this sign of Cancer: “I build a lighted house and therein dwell”?

As we have been writing, because of the renovations that are part of the UN Capital Master Plan, the UN Meditation Room is now officially closed and will not be available for approximately two more years.

We are therefore happy to let you know that beginning with the upcoming Cancer Solar Festival, on Friday, June 21st—the day of the Summer Solstice in the Northern Hemisphere, the UN meditation meeting will be held as a Webinar, making it possible for anyone with a computer to join. The meeting will begin promptly at Noon and end at 1:00 p.m. U.S. Eastern Daylight Time. The first half hour will include a brief introduction, a guided group meditation, using the meditation outline, “The Spiritual Work of the United Nations and the Liberation of Humanity” followed by 1/2 hour of discussion.

Registration is required. In order to register, please click here: https://www4.gotomeeting.com/register/544295559

A copy of the meditation outline, which we encourage you to also use weekly, every Friday, is available upon request.

In asking you to work with the new video, recently posted in the Aquarian Age Community YouTube channel, “What is the Relationship between the Spiritual Work of the United Nations and the Transformation of Planetary Consciousness?” we would like to mention a few words about the photograph of the Pleiades Star Cluster that accompanies the talk.

In the books authored by Alice A. Bailey, the Tibetan Master has much to say about the significance of this star cluster. For example, the following:
“In considering the occult meaning of what is here suggested, one point in elucidation may be imparted, leaving the working out of the other two relationships to the student. The Pleiades are to the solar system, the source of electrical energy, and just as our sun is the embodiment of the heart, or love aspect, of the Logos (Who is Himself the heart of ONE ABOUT WHOM NAUGHT MAY BE SAID) so the Pleiades are the feminine opposite of Brahma. Think this out, for much is contained in this statement.” (A Treatise on Cosmic Fire, p. 156)

And,

“God is love, we are assured, and this statement is both an exoteric and an esoteric truth. This underlying love of Deity reaches our solar system primarily through Gemini, which forms, with the constellation of the Great Bear and the Pleiades, a cosmic triangle. This is the triangle of the cosmic Christ and is the esoteric symbol lying behind the cosmic Cross.” (Esoteric Astrology, p. 348)

You are encouraged to carry out further research and ponder the potentialities indicated for the Spiritual Work of the United Nations and our planet’s evolution. Thank you for your contributions in strengthening and supporting this work, which when successful, will lead to the liberation of humanity.

As always, you are invited to ponder the quote of the month, which is posted on the first of every month, accompanied by a photograph of the cosmic landscape in which we live and move and have our being.

Thank you for working with the videos in the Aquarian Age Community YouTube channel, which includes the Great Invocation in the Six Official Languages of the United Nations, as well as with the video under the heading of Reconciliation and the Healing of the Nations. Your continued support and help in working with and circulating these videos is welcome and deeply appreciated.

We will look forward to your participation and contributions in the upcoming Webinar.

We leave you with the following poem written by Rabindranath Tagore and featured in the flyer of the above cited UN program. May it inspire the freedom, cooperation, harmony and goodwill intended!
Where the Mind is Without Fear

Where the mind is without fear and the head is held high
Where knowledge is free
Where the world has not been broken up into fragments
By narrow domestic walls
Where words come out from the depth of truth
Where tireless striving stretches its arms towards perfection
Where the clear stream of reason has not lost its way
Into the dreary desert sand of dead habit
Where the mind is led forward by thee
Into ever-widening thought and action
Into that heaven of freedom, my Father, let my country awake.

In loving and shared planetary service,

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