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

Bringing the Energies of the Christ Life into the Work of the United Nations

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Nations are the expression today of the massed self-centredness of a people and of their instinct to self-preservation. These energies [the forces of Reconstruction] can, therefore, increase that aspect of their lives. They can, however, and in spite of this, increase the potency of the objective which the United Nations (at present) theoretically hold before the eyes of men everywhere. The main object of the Hierarchy is so to distribute these constructive, synthesising energies that the theory of unity may slowly be turned into practice, and the word “United” may come to have a true significance and meaning.

The Tibetan Master, Djwhal Khul, in *The Reappearance of the Christ* by Alice A. Bailey

We regularly come to the United Nations, in exercise of our equality as States, to forge a better common destiny....My presence here responds to a national vocation and a sincere commitment to the international community....today, Costa Ricans are even more aware that the essence of our well-being, and that of any other people, is nourished by the dynamic and delicate interaction among multiple factors: economic, social, cultural, environmental and spiritual. The quest for wellbeing also demands a suitable balance between aspirations and achievements; between “I” and “we”; between public and private; the institutional and the spontaneous; drives and limits; traditions and innovation, freedom and responsibility.

Laura Chinchilla Miranda, President, Costa Rica at the High-Level Meeting of the UN General Assembly on Well-being and Happiness

Dear Friends,
As we know from our own personal experiences, any meaningful or significant goal we may set for ourselves is not easy of attainment, and some goals there are that require a whole life of dedicated striving. We may have had the experience that almost as soon as the goal is conceived, all that which would obstruct the attainment of that goal presents itself seemingly as a challenge to test the firmness and resolve of the articulated goal, whereas, in fact these obstacles often become the stepping stones by which the goal can be achieved.

Conceived under the influence of the three Spiritual Festivals of Easter (Aries), Wesak (Taurus) and the Christ Festival (Gemini) in 1945, those representatives who met in San Francisco at the United Nations Conference on International Organization set forth the following worthy and heroic goals for the whole of humanity to be actualized through the organization that was to be called “The United Nations”:

- Create a permanent system of general security (abandonment of the use of force);
- Promote social progress and better standards of life in larger freedom for all the world’s people—encourage world-wide collaboration to promote improved living standards;
- Encourage the promotion of all human rights as stipulated in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

Throughout its 66 years of existence, these goals have driven the life and activities of this organization. The bad and very obvious news is that “we are not there yet”! The good news is that life on our planet has been transformed as a result of its existence—and the above continue to be the compelling vision towards which, not only the United Nations, but increasing numbers of global citizens are currently directing their life’s purpose.

The United Nations has helped humanity recognize that we are all a part of the One Human Family—interdependent, interconnected and inexorably bound to share this tiny planet we call home.

Nowhere is this sense of a common and shared destiny more evident than in the proceedings leading up to the Earth Summit of 2012—the Rio+20 conference on sustainable development, which is expected to be the largest event in the history of the
United Nations. In the words of Secretary-General Ban Ki-Moon and many of the other organizers, “it is an unprecedented opportunity to build the future we want.”

Taking place in Rio de Janeiro from 20-22 June, United Nations officials, thousands of participants from governments, the private sector, NGOs and other groups will come together to shape how humanity can reduce poverty, advance social equity and ensure environmental protection on an ever more crowded planet to get, in the words of the official website, “to the future we want.”

From the beginning of the first Earth Summit in 1992, it has become increasingly clear that sustainable development could not be achieved by governments alone. Required is the active participation of all sectors of society and all types of people—consumers, workers, business people, farmers, students, teachers, researchers, activists, indigenous communities and other communities of interest. To this end, civil society has increasingly been engaged, so that, as of the writing of this newsletter, 16,698 such major groups had registered for the conference.

Seen as an historic opportunity to define pathways to a safer, more equitable, cleaner, greener and more prosperous world for all, sustainable development is recognized as the bridge, between environmental, economic and social goals; goals of the north and south; between Governments, civil society and business; between science and policy and between policy and action.

These aspirations, plans and activities, this tremendous application of heart and mind to the pursuit of a better common way of life for all the inhabitants of the planet are a reflection of humanity's focused invocation. Everywhere, men and women of goodwill and of loving hearts, and spiritual workers including the Members of the New Group of World Servers are all involved in an act of profound, focused and united appeal. The world we have thus far created is no longer adequate to the evolving spiritual awareness and understanding. The demand, coming from all corners and levels of society is for the expression and actualization of new spiritual values demonstrated in the practices of the day to day life.

In the words of the esoteric wisdom, “men are being stimulated and brought to that point of necessary tension which (as a result of a crisis) must precede a great moving forward upon the Path of Evolution....A great stirring and moving is going on. The world of men is seething in response to the inflow of spiritual energy. This energy has been evoked by the unrealized and inaudible cry of humanity. Humanity has become—for the first time in its history—spiritually invocative.” (The Rays and the Initiations, p. 77)
In the preface to the *Tibetan Book of the Dead*, it is stated that Hinduism speaks of 8,400,000 graded kinds of births culminating in man. According to the Buddha’s teaching, to be born as a human being is a privilege. It offers the rare opportunity of liberation through one’s own decisive effort, through a “turning about in the deepest seat of consciousness”, as the Lankavatara Sutra puts it.

Students of the Ageless Wisdom presented by the Tibetan Master Djwhal Khul within the books authored by Alice A. Bailey, recognize the Buddha as the great Elder Brother of the Christ. Appearing on the planet about 600 years before the Christ, the Buddha demonstrated to the world the nature of enlightenment and left behind the rules by which others might attain.

He thus paved the Way for his Brother, who then was able to build on that work and bring forth the quality of Love such as the world had not heretofore known or understood. He it was who taught us to love each other as He had loved his disciples; He it was who taught that as we treat the least amongst us, so we treat Him. He it was who demonstrated the great Law of Service by kneeling to wash the feet of His disciples, saying, “whosoever will be chief among you, shall be servant of all.” (Matthew 20:27)

The Ageless Wisdom tells us that today, both of these Brothers work closely to unite both Eastern and Western thinking in order to transform planetary consciousness, bringing humanity ever closer to a new energy that will be possible on planet earth, once their work is closer to being understood and accomplished.

One of the great travesties of our time is that the Christ is today primarily understood only through the narrow prism of the doctrines of the Christian churches. The Agni Yoga wisdom alerts us to this limitation while enjoining the need to cleanse the lenses of perception: “One may build a city, one may give the best knowledge, but most difficult of all is to reveal the true Image of Christ. Think, how to cleanse the Image of Christ.” (*Illumination*, II:V:4, Agni Yoga Society)

As the following passage indicates, the esoteric wisdom presents a more wide-ranging, complete and advanced description of this Great Being and His work here on the planet, pointing as well to the needed distinction between His work during the Piscean Age of the past two thousand years and His work in the forthcoming Age of Aquarius:
“First, as the Point within the Triangle, Christ becomes the awakener of the hearts of men, and the one who institutes right human relations by being simply what He is and by standing unmoved where He is. This He accomplishes by transmitting the energies from the three points of the surrounding Triangle [the Avatar of Synthesis, the Spirit of Peace and the Lord Buddha] to humanity. This blended, impersonal energy, triple in nature, will be spread abroad universally, producing evolutionary growth, attracting people and nations magnetically to each other and automatically causing the unfoldment of the sense of synthesis, of provable unity and of a desirable fusion. Just as, during the Piscean Age, there was unfolded in humanity a mass responsiveness to knowledge and to the principle of intelligence, so in the Aquarian Age, a mass response to right relations will equally be evoked, and goodwill (as its expression) will be distinctive of the mass consciousness. It may be difficult to realise and appreciate this possibility but it was equally difficult for the mass of men in the first centuries of the Christian or Piscean era to realise the future growth of the educational systems of the world and the spread of that knowledge which is distinctive of our present civilisation and culture. Past attainment is ever the guarantee of future possibility.” (The Reappearance of the Christ, p. 84)

As humanity awakens to the new Spiritual life and energies now available on our planet—energies, which when recognized and applied, can transform the individual and therefore the planetary life, so the great opportunity of our times will be recognized for what it is: an opportunity for the transformation of consciousness—an opportunity to create a new way of life on planet Earth.

Coming as it does on the heels of the two previous high Spiritual Festivals (Easter/Aries, Wesak/Taurus), the Gemini Christ Festival, also known as World Invocation Day, is a culminating point—providing a crescendo of revelation, allowing humanity to better understand its spiritual destiny and its divine purpose. It celebrates the spirit of humanity—aspiring towards God or higher consciousness. It brings attention to the fact of a Higher Cosmic Will and Plan, recognizing that humanity is not living an uncharted course, and that humanity can be in communication—in contact—with the higher realms of consciousness that exist on our planet and in the cosmos.

It focuses on humanity’s unique role as a bridge builder and its task, ultimately, to become aware of the unimpeded relationship existing among all centers and states of being, relating "that which is above and that which is below," or that which is inward (esoteric) to that which is outward (exoteric)—a form of inbreathing and out-breathing, of receiving and giving.
Using the power of meditative thought, will you participate in this month’s Christ/Gemini Solar Festival meditation to invoke and evoke the energies uniquely available at this time of the year, energies that can initiate humanity’s entrance into a more Lighted spiritual consciousness? Let us keep in mind that it is as a result of shifts in the quality of thinking moving throughout the planet that transformation eventually occurs.

The esoteric keynote for the sign of Gemini is "I recognize my other self and in the waning of that self, I grow and glow."

The meditation meeting will take place at Noon on Monday, June 4th in the UN Meditation Room, on the actual day of the Christ Festival/World Invocation Day, this month occurring on June 4th at 7:12 a.m. We will work silently, in unison, using the meditation outline, "The Spiritual Work of the United Nations and the Liberation of Humanity," from 12-12:30 p.m. and then reassemble outside the meditation room from 12:30-1:15 p.m. for discussion.

For those whose geographic location necessitates that you join in subjectively, we welcome your participation and contributions to electrify, strengthen and deepen the planetary stream of Light, Love and the Will-to-Good.

We wish to thank and gratefully acknowledge those of you who steadfastly use this meditation outline, based on the six-fold progression of divine Love. Your contributions are most helpful and much appreciated. For those who may yet need a copy, please let us know; you are encouraged to use it, not only this Monday, on the day of the UN meditation meeting, but weekly, every Friday.

A UN pass is not required to attend this meeting. Enter the UN through the Visitor's entrance on 1st Avenue at 46th St. After you pass through security and enter the building, the meditation room is located to the right of the information desk and next to the Chagall stained glass window.

Further information about this meditation initiative and the 2012 meditation meeting dates are posted on this web page, which also includes a link to the on-line flyer on Solar Festival Meditations, in English, Portuguese and Spanish.

You are invited to ponder the quote of the month, posted on the first of every month. This month’s quote focuses on humanity as “the custodian of the hidden
mystery.” As usual, it is accompanied by a photograph of the cosmic landscape in which our planet Earth “lives and moves and has its being.”

At this auspicious time of the high tide of the spiritual year, we ask you to add your subjective energies to the following YouTube videos of the Great Invocation in relationship to the spiritual work of the United Nations.

1) Under the heading of “Reconciliation and the Healing of the Nations”
   http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Uw8Owll0HA (4:31); and,

   http://www.youtube.com/user/AquarianAgeCommunity (6:11)

Your continued support and help in circulating these two videos is an invaluable service—a contribution to our common effort to serve the Common Good, thus adding to the expanding tidal wave of Divine Light, Love and Power that seeks entrance in our day-to-day world through the enlightened consciousness of spiritual workers everywhere in the world.

**Please do visit the Aquarian Age Community YouTube channel for updates,** which will be posted by June 4th, in observance of this year’s Christ Festival.**

In closing, we wish to leave you with the following wisdom from the book, *The Reappearance of the Christ*, about the Advancing Planetary Spiritual Teacher whose reappearance, under a variety of names, is expected by the multitudes:

“It is the invocative appeal of the many groups working on behalf of humanity (consciously or unconsciously made) which will bring Him forth. Those who carry out this great act of invocation are the spiritually minded people, the enlightened statesmen, the religious leaders and the men and women whose hearts are full of goodwill. They will evoke Him if they can stand with massed intent, with hope and with expectancy. This preparatory work must be focussed through and implemented by the world intelligentsia and leading lovers of humanity, by groups dedicated to human betterment and by representative unselfish people. The success of the effort now being planned by Christ and the spiritual Hierarchy is dependent upon the ability of mankind to use what light it already has in order to establish right relations in their families, their community, in their nation and in the world.”

In the Joy of shared planetary service,
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