



Newsletter

Awakening Humanity To Its Spiritual Magnificence

A spiritual community that honors all paths to God

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Hoisting the Sails

The Center for Spiritual Living Los Gatos is moving upward and onward, metaphorically hoisting its sails to catch the winds of change and warm currents of enthusiasm and growth that will carry it to new horizons.

Our guest speakers, each giving so generously of their time and talent, have provided a variety of perspectives and insights into the teaching of the *Science of Mind*, and several have offered their own workshops and seminars at our Center since the first of this year. Accredited *Science of Mind* classes are in full swing, and a book based class on Eckhart Tolle's *A New Earth* is scheduled as a summer class offering. The piano at the Center has been tuned in anticipation of guest musician performances, and the landscape project for the front of the building and the construction of our Center's sign, to be hung from the existing sign, are underway as of this writing. The building owners are planning repairs and upgrades to the building which our members will also soon be enjoying.

A new kind of energy is being invited into expression, and the Board of Trustees is facilitating that newness through a commitment to their individual spiritual growth and release of old ideas and beliefs through coursework from The Q Effect. Remembering that consciousness creates our experience, your Board is taking the lead by doing the spiritual work called for to set out in a new and exciting way.

We believe you will find the upcoming speakers, classes, activities, and events individually nourishing for mind and spirit, and supportive of the larger community in which we live. We look forward to seeing you.

With highest regards,
Your Board of Trustees

Dates to Remember

May - Honor Your Mother

2nd: Rev. Alice Carpenter
9th: B.J. King, R.Sc.P
Mother's Day Plant Sale
16th: Rev. Carolyn Douglas
Workshop: Hour of Power
21st: Spiritual Cinema, 7pm
23rd: Rev. Mary Jo Sparry
30th: B.J. King, R.Sc.P

June - Honor Your Father

6th: Rev. Alice Carpenter
Playshop: Cash Flow Game
13th: Rev. Jane Holt
18th: Spiritual Cinema, 7pm
20th: Rev. Alice Carpenter
Father's Day Ice Cream Social
23rd: New Earth, Summer Class
27th: B.J. King, R.Sc.P

Mother's Day Plant Sale May 9th

Mother's Day is one of the most special holidays we celebrate. We have chosen to support you in honoring Mother's Day by holding our annual Mother's Day plant sale.

The community of Los Gatos is invited to partake of this Mother's Day sale featuring a variety of orchids and other potted plants. We have selected the most colorful, the most beautiful and the best we could find all at great prices.



The sale will be from 8am until 1pm in the parking lot of the church, located at 550 Hubbel Way Los Gatos. Look for the covered "patio" where our plant shop will be set up. Feel free to

browse the attractive inventory of orchid and other varieties of plants.

This is a great way to honor your Mother or someone who has been a nurturing presence in your life. Bring a friend. Browsers welcome!

Hour of Power Sunday, May 16th

Join Rev. Carolyn Douglas and other members of the Center for Spiritual Living Los Gatos on Sunday, May 16th at 12:00 noon for a powerful workshop session entitled the "Hour of Power".

Using the principles of the Science of Mind, the workshop will focus on releasing the past and moving into forgiveness.

Registration for the workshop is \$10. Bring your lunch and meet Rev. Carolyn in the Fellowship Hall. For details and the latest information contact the church office at 408-286-1913.



Take Me Out To The Ball Game

The Board of Trustees for the Center for Spiritual Living - Los Gatos invites you to join us and your fellow congregants to watch the San Jose Giants Baseball Team play the Bakersfield Blaze. The game is on **Friday Night, May 14th at 7:00 P.M.** at the San Jose Municipal Stadium located at 588 East Alma Avenue. If you are interested in attending declare your intention by signing up on the church roster on Sunday. We have about 30 tickets to give away so it's first come first serve. It's our way of saying thank you for all of your support.

The Giants are a Class-A Advanced team in the Northern Division of the California League, and are a farm team of the San Francisco Giants. The San Jose Giants are also the current defending California League champions as they recently captured the pennant in 2009 by having swept the High Desert Mavericks three games to one.



Join in the excitement and thrill of America's favorite pastime as we gather for an evening of fun at the ballpark. Your church group will be sitting up top between home plate and the first base line.

If you are interested in car pooling contact the center office at 286-1913. Parking is available and the gates open at 5:30 PM.

Drawing The Good

I draw my Good to me as I travel along the Way of Life, and nothing can keep It from me.

My Good will always follow me.

I accept the Good and rejoice that It is with me.

I accept the Good.

~Ernest Holmes~

Upcoming Guest Ministers and Speakers



Reverend Lacy Atkinson

Rev. Lacy Atkinson is an assistant minister at the Center for Spiritual Living in Fremont. He has been a minister since 1999 and was ordained in 2004. He is a regular speaker on Sunday mornings, has taught accredited classes and has led the 4-T, Keys to The Kingdom and 5 Gifts classes the past several years. He has served with the International Centers for Spiritual Living youth, adult, and teen groups. Being a retired Deputy Fire Chief of San Jose, Rev. Lacy has executive experience in addition to his years as a Religious Science minister.

Speaking Traveling in Italy



Reverend Alice Carpenter

Rev. Alice received her ministerial training in Redding where she served as Staff and Assistant Minister for two and a half years. She became Pastor of the Center for Spiritual Discovery in 2001 and was ordained in 2004. Rev. Alice served as co-chair of the RSI Asilomar Conference in 2005. She retired as Pastor of the Center in December 2007 but continued as a member of the Board for the Los Gatos Center for Spiritual Living until February 2008.

She currently serves as Chairman of the Church Chartering Committee for International Centers for Spiritual Living, and continues to provide guidance and spiritual support to the Los Gatos Center, as well as instruction in Science of Mind principles.

Speaking date: May 2nd, June 6th, June 20th



Reverend Carolyn Douglas

Rev. Carolyn Douglas has followed the philosophy of the Science of Mind since 1984. She was licensed as a Practitioner of Religious Science in 1992, and received her Masters of Divinity from Holmes Institute School of Conscious Studies in 2001. Rev. Carolyn received her first Letter of Call to New Perspectives Corporate Chaplaincy in 2001. She received a Letter of Call for Assistant Minister to the FireLight Church of Religious Science and Science of Mind Center in 2002. In 2003, Rev. Carolyn received her Letter of Call for Senior Minister to the FireLight Church of Religious Science and Science of Mind Center. The FireLight Church is now known as Illuminate Spiritual Center, San Jose. Rev. Carolyn was ordained in May 2004.

Speaking date: May 16th

Upcoming Guest Ministers and Speakers (continued)



Reverend Jane Holt

Rev. Jane Holt has returned to the Center for Spiritual Living in Fremont where she originally took her ministerial training, serves as a staff minister in teaching, speaking, event coordinating and facilitates spiritual empowerment workshops.

Her spiritual path started at childhood and finally twenty-five years later found Religious Science. She says, "This teaching made sense to me on all levels and changed my life when I began to apply what I was learning". Rev. Jane received her ministerial license in August of 2003.

Rev. Jane brings a wide range of skills and experience to her ministry. She has worked in profit and non-profit fields and in areas such as leadership development and is versed in many multi-cultural venues. She currently works as a Senior Health Educator and describes herself as a "Midwife to Life"

Speaking date: June 13th



B. J. King, R.Sc.P.

When I walked into First Church of Religious Science 26 years ago, the first words I heard spoken by Dr. Scott was, "Something great and wonderful is happening today and you are a part of it." I knew I had found my right place to be one with a loving, supportive GOD. I felt called to become a Practitioner and began that course of study. I am in my 19th year of being a licensed Practitioner and I am so grateful I answered the call.

I have been honored to pray and counsel with individuals and families, present motivating workshops, facilitate classes, being a guest speaker at other churches.

Speaking date: May 9th, May 30th, June 27th



Reverend Mary Jo Sparry

Rev. Mary Jo is an ordained Minister, serving as an Assistant Minister at the Center for Spiritual Living in Fremont. She has facilitated workshops at the RSI Asilomar Conference, and is often published in Creative Thought magazine.

Rev. Mary Jo has taught accredited Science of Mind classes, and speaks monthly at the 9:30 am Sunday service at Center for Spiritual Living-Fremont. Currently, Rev. Mary Jo is teaching SOM 300 for the fourth time and loves it. In addition to that, she is a Bay Area career consultant.

Speaking date: May 23rd

Let's Get In the Flow

The CA\$H FLOW — Sunday, June 6th



There always seems to be more *month* than *money*! Has the value of your 401(k) or IRA taken a giant leap downward, while the cost of just about everything has taken a giant leap upward? When our cash flow is limited, we tend to jump into the proverbial “stress pool”.

Join Spence Preston as he takes us on a journey of transformative concepts as we play Robert Kiyosaki's CA\$H FLOW 101.



A lot has happened since his original presentation in November 2008 when the economy was in turmoil and the need to review our conscious and unconscious thoughts about

money has never been greater.

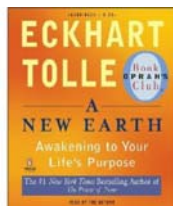
This event will be on Sunday, June 6th after church service. We will begin at noon and conclude at approximately 2 PM. The registration fee is \$10.

This may be the best monetary investment and time you have spent all year!

A New Earth — Summer Class

Begins Wednesday, June 23rd

Said to be one of the most powerfully transformational books of our time, *Eckhart Tolle's A New Earth* will be the subject of Rev. Alice's summer class. The ten-week class will be held in Wednesday evenings, beginning June 23rd through August 25th from 6:30 PM until 8:30 PM on the sanctuary.



The class curriculum, workbook and the exercises will follow those currently available through the *Oprah* website. Tuition for the class is \$100 and is payable on a weekly basis. Pre-registration is requested and interested students may register at the Usher table before and after Sunday service. You may also contact the church office to register.

You may purchase the *A New Earth - Awakening to Your Life's Purpose* at our Book table.

Father's Day Ice Cream Social

Sunday, June 20th

Do you have plans for this Father's Day? If you still have your Father with you, then consider yourself fortunate. If not, you may have fond memories of other Father's Days.

Remember when you were a child and your Dad took you for an ice cream cone?

Do you remember staring at the different flavors and then deciding on the one you really wanted? You waited with anticipation while the ice cream was being scooped and you hoped that it would be huge.



Here at the Center for Spiritual Living—Los Gatos, we plan on having an Ice Cream Social. This has always been a favorite event of our church and this year be our guest.

We will have a selection of ice creams with syrups and toppings of all kinds. Build your own just the way you like it.

The Social will be held right after Sunday service in the Fellowship Hall. Treat your Father or Father figure and yourself to a scrumptious sweet treat this Father's Day.

*A recollection of childhood games, children's
laughter and dreams of tomorrow,
forever to come.*

*You make me happy.
Your smile is all that.*

*One smile from you
lights up the totality of my being.*

Spiritual Cinemas

Kung Fu Panda

Friday, May 21st

Prepare for an awesome movie with this animated Kun Fu Panda. It is a delightful movie that can stand among the best of animated features.



Po is a noodle-slurping dreamer who must embrace his true self, fuzzy flaws and all in order to become the Dragon Warrior.

When the Valley of Peace is threatened, lazy Po, the Panda discovers his destiny as the “chosen one” and trains to become a Kung Fu hero. Transforming the unsleek slacker into a brave warrior doesn’t prove easy. It’s up to Master Shifu and the Furious Five—Tigress, Crane, Mantis, Viper and Monkey—to give it a try.

This Oscar nominee for Best Animated Feature is an ultra-satisfying movie that has heart and that’s the secret ingredient.

The Blind Side

Friday, June 18th

This movie is based on the true story of a tough-loving interior decorator named Leigh Anne who invites homeless Michael Oher, a teen from across the tracks and a broken home, to live in her Memphis mansion with her and her family. At age 16, Michael embarks on a remarkable rise to play NFL football.



In the film’s soaring, triumphant final moments, viewers get the sense that this isn’t a story about race or redemption or the complexities of class and culture. It’s a story about an authentic, compassionate response to vulnerability and need. It is a story about family.

These Spiritual Cinemas will be held at the Church at 7 PM. Your donation of \$7 gives you hot popcorn, beverages and discussion after the movie. Be there for high entertainment.

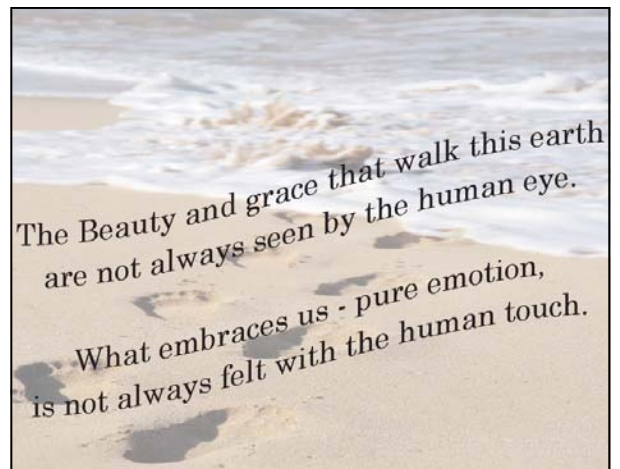
Vision Board Playshop

A Successful Event

B.J. King R.Sc.P. and members of the Center for Spiritual Living-Los Gatos gathered after service and worked on personal vision boards. B.J. guided us through a journey of vision and dreams with ideas for our highest good. All participants were successful in creating one vision board, while some were so resourceful they created two! This workshop was fun and helpful in giving us a visual that we could take home and post where we could see it frequently everyday.



Great fun manifested by all!





By way of a reminder – the *One Family* Summer Conference is being held in Chicago, from July 26-30. Members of International Centers for Spiritual Living, United Centers for Spiritual Living, Agape, and Independent New Thought Centers from around the world will be joining for these 5 days in a not to be forgotten gathering of the like minds and hearts.

To be held in the Marriott Chicago Downtown, the conference features presentations by Michael Beckwith and Rickie Byars Beckwith from the Agape Center, workshops with Glenn Morshower (The Extra Mile TV series) and Rick Tamlyn (The Bigger Game model of success), and a candid “Spirits in Rebellion” presentation from five Presidents of International Centers for Spiritual Living, including Dr. Kenn Gordon, Dr. Candice Becket, Dr. James Golden, Dr. Arleen Bump, and Dr. Frank Richelieu. Rev. August Gold and Rev. James Mellon, pastors of two of the fastest growing centers in the New Thought Movement, will join forces, bringing the week to a climactic experience of divine evolution.

Information regarding the conference is available on-line at www.newthoughtnewworld.org, or can be picked up from the Usher’s Table on Sundays. Reduced rate and registration has been extended to May 31, 2010 (you will save \$100 off the conference package fee), and your children will attend FREE! Conference packages include admission to the full conference, a dinner banquet, and four nights at the Marriott Downtown Magnificent Mile.

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