

# Divine Love Newsletter

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# FROM THE EDITORS

Dear beloved brothers and sisters, welcome to the new and revised Divine Love Community Newsletter. Our intention is to bring you a more spiritually based publication. While still connecting the various community groups and outreaches, as well as all unaffiliated members, we'll let them share the details of their news and activities in their own communications. In this way, we'll keep announcements short and provide links to more detailed information elsewhere. We hope that the new format will serve our readers better and provide a more spiritually uplifting experience.

The contents of this issue fall under the following categories.

- Spiritual Articles We have four inspiring pieces: *Growth and Unity in the Community* by Ron Shoemaker; "Ingredients" by Elizabeth Morana; "Living Waters" in French A Translator's Experience by Christian Blandin; and A Mouse Story by John Trautwein.
- Poetry Corner No Coward Soul Is Mine by Emily Brontë.
- Member News A team (Susan Kubicek, Eva Peck, Beth Mazur, and Brooke Folk) created new resources for the Prayer Perfect. Patricia Doyle has published her long-worked-on book entitled *The Secret Second Coming What if the Church Got It Wrong*. Bill Frase has published all his blog posts in a book called *Stories for Soul Awakening*. He has also created a podcast where he shares stories and commentaries, as well as recordings of his Divine Love Essentials course lessons. Catherine Kent has completed a video series presenting the core teachings of the Padgett Messages.
- Upcoming Events Catherine Kent is hosting a Divine Love retreat in the Washington DC area on October 8-12, 2020.
- **Praying and Sharing Across the Miles** DLSF Circles of Light and other opportunities for prayer, support and conversations, Divine Truth Sharing Online, Jan Blackston's prayer/study group, and Divine Love Ministry Sunday Service.
- **Divine Love Resources** Free FCDT volumes, Divine Love Minister's Handbook at cost price, free FCNB image archive.
- Padgett Message Jesus is the Way, the Truth and the Life.

We are halfway through 2020 and the COVID-19 pandemic continues to dominate the news and community discussions. Millions of people have been affected health-wise and/or economically, or even lost loved ones. Most of us have had to adapt to social and lifestyle changes. The world is heading into a scary, uncertain future. We were used to order and believed that we are in control of our lives and able to keep those we love safe. However, with the swift and previously unimaginable changes that the first half of this year brought about, we've come to see that "control" is an illusion.

How do we deal with this shattered illusion of "control"? We give control to God – placing our lives and the lives of our loved ones in His Hands. What a wonderful and freeing reality this truth can be! How does it feel when you relinquish control to God? Do you feel the Father's Love upon you? Can you see how He is providing for your needs? Yes, Father takes care of those who take care of themselves. We must work with God and make use of opportunities that He places before us. But in order to see those opportunities, we must let go of control, embrace His Love, and walk in grace. Only then will we be able to dissolve the illusion of being in control and embrace the Divine Love path of our soul.

Past issues of the newsletter can be downloaded from the Divine Love Community portal or from the Divine Love Sanctuary Foundation website.

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# GROWTH AND UNITY IN THE COMMUNITY (RON SHOEMAKER)

When I first met Dr. Stone, there were not many people actively involved. The Divine Love Community was still small with very little communication between members. Recently I was reflecting how much things have changed.



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Now we have people involved from many regions of the earth, people that come from different cultures and societies, speaking languages, wearing clothes and preferring foods that are unique to their way of life. Coming from such a wide variety of backgrounds, people naturally developed varying mindsets that helped them make sense of their world. Because of new technologies, we can now communicate much more freely and in some cases, instantly. Think what that would have meant in Jesus' time!

As people learn about the writings that Padgett and Samuels received from the spirit world, some of them find new insights that are meaningful with far-reaching consequences to their lives.

Coming from diverse backgrounds, people with differing opinions are not always going to interpret the messages in exactly the same light. Our mindset is like the framework within which we view our world, or in this case, the messages. If we always discuss points at the level of our beliefs, we may dance all night and still find we don't agree. A sisterhood and brotherhood built at only the mindset level can bind us until differences cause us to part.

As a Divine Love Community, we need to recognize the uniqueness and worth of each soul. We need to acknowledge that every soul is created in the image of the Great Soul, and in His wisdom and Love, God has granted each the opportunity to acquire the Essence of His Being. As we learn to pray and allow His Love to enter our souls, to that degree we will become at-one with Him and each other. It is our oneness in the Essence of His Love that will enable the Divine Love

Community to come together and demonstrate a lasting sisterhood and brotherhood -- one that will be built on a foundation that will firmly bind us together and allow us to rise above our intellectual differences.

As we learn to earnestly pray and accept our Father's gift individually, we also need to learn to do this as a community. When doing so, we have the opportunity to experience the purity, richness and hope embodied in His Love for each of us and as a community.



# "INGREDIENTS" (ELIZABETH MORANA)

There were a group of individual ingredients that were brought together on an auspicious occasion—auspicious for each of them in a different way. But no matter. The reason for each was pressing, and meant for each to find their way toward a life-changing encounter with God's Great Divine Love and their individual place within It.

The eggs showed up with excitement to meet others. They wondered about the larger world beyond their hen houses. The butter showed up, curious and not fully sure why it had come. It just felt right.

Flour came too. And sugar. And something that was called baking powder. No one knew where baking powder came from or what it had to do with anything. Slabs of dark chocolate showed up ready to be the star of the show.



Photo: Elizabeth Morana

The event came and raised the expectations of each ingredient. When the event ended, each left with a clearer idea of what they hoped would happen. Eggs pictured omelettes were in their future, chocolate pictured fudge, flour pictured dough, while sugar had in mind some brightly colored lollipops. No one knew what the others' purpose could possibly be.

The ingredients hadn't yet moved from their individual interests to wondering how they might be used to contribute to God's plan for them. They didn't know themselves as 'ingredients'—this concept hadn't yet entered their vocabulary. And no one wanted baking powder to come back.

At that point in their development, no one had ever seen cookies, or cakes, or frosting, or chewy bars, or so many confections that God might have in mind. And all were far from knowing there could be even more unimaginable changes ahead. Good changes. *Transformative changes*—if they wished from the depths of their heart's desire.

While some eggs were broken along the way, some sugar spilled, some flour scattered across the kitchen counter, and baking powder lost in the back of a cupboard, each eventually faced the impossibility of being the sole determiner of the endeavor before them. Each—in their own time and in their own way—gave up their personal vision and realized there just had to be another way. And they had no idea that Something Greater than themselves was willing and ready to guide them to it.

After much angst, each ingredient let go of their limited ideas and stepped willingly into the unknown. Sensing from a deep essential place within, they began to yield. They began to sense that they could be used to contribute to a combination that would feed everyone in ways no one of them could ever conceive.

And—even now—each of us reading this can vaguely sense brief flashes of those *myriad, those endless, those completely loving possibilities* in our heart-of-hearts.

# "LIVING WATERS" IN FRENCH - A TRANSLATOR'S EXPERIENCE (CHRISTIAN BLANDIN)

I came to discover, indirectly, James Padgett's messages, in the summer of 2014, through Alan John Miller. As he spoke in his interviews about James Padgett, I started to research about him and in this process, I found Geoff Cutler's website.

First I started to read Contemporary Messages as they were particularly appealing to me. During this reading, I came across Judas' messages and one of them more specifically caught my attention. It was given on October 22, 2001 and titled "Effecting Your Desires — the Law of Desire." Judas wrote: "What Doug wrote you is true. You should continue with the Portuguese site, and you should also continue with the German translation. Nobody demands perfection, nobody demands you to do this overnight. But



"Free Vert, j'aime vert" de Javier Zubiri

if you translate one message per day into Portuguese and German, in one year a volume in both languages would be ready. Do it little by little, there is no hurry, but do it. Don't assume that others will do it. What you don't do, nobody will do."

I assumed what Judas wrote was also addressed to me. This was in April 2016. Since then, I had discovered a website designed to facilitate translations. So I decided to move ahead and start the translation of Judas' messages. After completing the Judas' book translation, I decided to start translating Jesus' Revelations and Sermons received by Dr Samuels. Later on, following the advice of Geoff Cutler, I started on the volumes of True Gospel Revealed Anew by Jesus. It is very challenging as my command of English language is limited.

As in any translation, the difficulty lies in choosing the word or phrase that is closest to the original text or choosing a more flexible expression that is more distant from the text. What particularly complicates the translation task are the sometimes very long sentences that make comprehension more difficult. So, whenever possible, I have preferred to shorten sentences. Of course, my translations are far from perfect, but they have the merit of existing and allowing French readers who do not have the knowledge of English to read James Padgett's messages.

Beside this technical aspect, I find the messages quite challenging to translate as they are really demanding on the spiritual level. Constantly, I am confronted by the difference of perception between my mind and my soul and I must therefore wage an unceasing inner struggle to bring my soul to the forefront. And I am also sometimes questioning the importance of all these translations.

However, through this experience, I became very grateful to James Padgett for dedicating several years of his life to receiving all these messages. Despite all the Love and support he got from his divine soulmate Helen, the support of his parents, grandmother Anne Rollins, and various other friends, it must have been a battle for him to keep faith and continue receiving the various messages. There is evidence that he doubted many times about his mission. From June 1918 on, following the death of his dear daughter Helenita, the situation must have become especially difficult. So even if he didn't achieve all that God, Jesus and the Divine angels had planned for him, he nevertheless fulfilled an incredible task and, for it, he has been rewarded in Heaven.

I am also very thankful for the opportunity to do these translations because it has given my life meaning as well as allowing me to discover wonderful souls with whom I could cooperate. However, I am well aware that beyond this technical work of translation, the most important thing remains my inner transformation. So every day I try to live in accordance with this inner vision and it is a real challenge.

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Editors' note: Christian's translations are on his website and in book form on Amazon.

# A Mouse Story (John Trautwein)

I was reclining in my favorite chair after a great time in prayer. As I opened my eyes, there was a mouse casually strolling across the floor in front of me. Numerous options popped into my head since mice aren't made to feel too welcome here.

I had a fire in the wood stove and the mouse seemed kind of out of it and cold as it swaggered towards the stove. It just parked itself there in the open by the stove and didn't seem alarmed by my presence. I went to the kitchen, got a plastic see-thru bowl and placed it over the mouse. I then slid thin cardboard under the bowl and kindly released the mouse outside, a distance from the house.



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Problem solved, right? I got involved in something for about a half hour, then went to check the wood stove. As I reached for the poker, there stood the same mouse I had just taken outside!! I stoked the fire, set the poker down right next to the mouse and it didn't move. I reached my fingers out and it sniffed, yet still didn't move. I picked it up — yes, a live field mouse — stroked its back a bit and put it back down by the stove.

I got a piece of American cheese, a corn chip and a capful of water and placed it all in a large plastic storage container. Then I picked up my sickly friend (by now) – figuring it would eat, drink and feel better tomorrow – and covered it with a towel near the fire. Not surprisingly, it was dead the next morning.

Somehow, I felt something for that uninvited guest.

So all day in my mind I was wondering, what's the message in this? Then I remembered a prayer I had said in my recliner, asking God to help me experience love more fully. I guess I got an unusual answer to my prayer.

# POETRY CORNER: NO COWARD SOUL IS MINE (EMILY BRONTË)

No coward soul is mine

No trembler in the world's storm-troubled sphere

I see Heaven's glories shine

And Faith shines equal arming me from Fear

O God within my breast
Almighty ever-present Deity
Life, that in me hast rest,
As I Undying Life, have power in Thee

Vain are the thousand creeds
That move men's hearts, unutterably vain,
Worthless as withered weeds
Or idlest froth amid the boundless main

To waken doubt in one Holding so fast by thy infinity,

So surely anchored on The steadfast rock of Immortality.

With wide-embracing love
Thy spirit animates eternal years
Pervades and broods above,
Changes, sustains, dissolves, creates and rears

Though earth and moon were gone
And suns and universes ceased to be
And Thou wert left alone
Every Existence would exist in thee

There is not room for Death

Nor atom that his might could render void

Since thou art Being and Breath

And what thou art may never be destroyed.

# **MEMBER NEWS**

- <u>Prayer Perfect Resources:</u> In a team effort inspired by **Susan Kubicek**, **Eva Peck** created a 7-point outline as well as a structure of the Prayer. **Beth Mazur** created a 7-part slide show of the prayer combined with the spiritual practice of *Lectio Divina*. She also created a slide show combined with reading of the prayer by **Brooke Folk**.
- New Book: Patricia Doyle has published a book entitled *The Secret Second Coming What if the Church Got It Wrong.*This journey into the discovery of one of the most incredible events of our time is available in both Kindle and paperback.

  We are excited to report that it has just reached #1 best-seller/new-release status in 10 Amazon categories!
- New Book: Bill Frase has published Wake-Up Call for the Soul: Stories for Soul Awakening. This compilation of all the posts from his Wake-Up Call for the Soul blog can be downloaded as a free PDF here.
- New Podcast Series: Bill Frase has created the Wake-Up Call for the Soul podcast where he shares stories and commentaries as well as recordings of his Divine Love Essentials lessons. The podcast is also available on iTunes.
- <u>Video Series:</u> Catherine Kent completed a video series presenting the core teachings of the Padgett Messages. Watch the videos on YouTube at Divine Truth Sharing (DTS). Audio-only files of the full series will be published as a Podcast later this year. Next on DTS, Catherine begins a new video series called *You Asked*, to answer questions commonly asked by Divine Love seekers.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Catherine Kent** of Divine Truth Sharing is planning to host a retreat entitled "2020 Perfect Vision: Living the Divine Love Journey" on **8 - 12 October 2020 in the Washington, D.C.** Metropolitan Area. The focus of the retreat is to help participants learn to receive and discern their own personal guidance through prayer. For more information and/or to express interest, contact Catherine.

# Praying and Sharing across the Miles

# **DLSF Circles of Light and Other Opportunities for Prayer and Sharing**

• A complete list with times, Zoom links, and how to contact the hosts is on the DLSF website. For any questions, please contact Jeanne.

# **Prayer/Discussion Groups**

- Catherine Kent and Susan Kubicek are hosting Divine Truth Sharing Online on Thursdays from 7-8:30 PM Eastern US time, via Zoom. Contact Susan for more details or to be added to the mailing list.
- Jan Blackston coordinates a prayer/study group on Thursdays from 7:30 to 8:30 pm Eastern US time on Zoom. If interested, please contact Jan.

# **Sunday Church Service**

• The Divine Love Ministry invites you to join them for a Sunday service on Zoom at 11:00 am Hawaii-Aleutian Time. Services consist of music, prayers, reading, and channelled messages. Please contact Michael or Carolyn for more info.

# **DIVINE LOVE RESOURCES**

#### **FCDT Books**

• The FCDT has several cases of books – Angelic Revelations, Vol 2, New Testament Revelations of Jesus of Nazareth, and What Happens After You Die – that are free to ministers and followers for distribution. If interested, please contact Holly.

• Divine Love Ministers Handbook is available to purchase from Lulu. Its main purpose is to assist those who conduct weddings, child blessings, church services, etc. Rev. Jimbeau Walsh is also offering a ring-binder deluxe version which allows rearranging of pages and insertion of other material for those conducting ceremonies on an ongoing basis.

## **FCNB Image Archive**

The FCNB can provide a 64GB flash drive to anyone interested in helping to preserve the scanned images (22,000+ pages) of ALL the known-to-exist messages (autographs, handwritten manuscripts, and typed transcripts) that came through Mr. James Padgett and Dr. Daniel Samuels. If interested, please email us. We suggest a donation of \$25 to cover related costs.

PADGETT MESSAGE

Jesus is the Way, the Truth and the Life. He is not God, but was sent by the Father to lead men to His favor and Love.

I am here, Jesus.

Be of good cheer for I am with you always. Do not let your heart fear, for the Lord is your keeper and He will be your guide and shield. Only believe and trust in Him and you will soon be born again into the spiritual world of His Kingdom. Let me teach you and give you the thoughts that He gave me while on earth. Let me show you that the things of this world are not the things that save the soul from sin and unhappiness. Be a true follower of your God.

Question: what does it mean to be "born again?"

It is the flowing of the Holy Spirit into the soul of a man and the disappearing of all that tended to keep it in a condition of sin and error. It is not the workings of the man's own will but the Grace of God. It is the Love of God that passes all understanding. You will soon experience the change, and then you will be a happy man and fit to lead others to the truths of God. Let your heart be open to the knockings of the Spirit, and keep your mind free from thoughts of sin. Be a man who loves his God and his fellow man. Your love is only now of the earthly kind, but it will soon be of the things spiritual.

You must not let the cares of this world keep you from God. Let His Spirit come into your soul. Your will is the thing that determines whether you will become a child of God or not. Unless you are willing to let the Holy Spirit enter into your heart, it will not do so. Only the voluntary submission to or acceptance of the Holy Spirit will make the change.

I was the instrument in God's hands of leading men to His favor and Love. When I said "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life," I meant that through my teachings and example men should be able to find God. I was not God and never claimed to be. The worship of me as a God is blasphemous and I did not teach it. I am a son of God as you are. Do not let the teachings of men lead you to worship me as a God. I am not. The trinity is a mistake of the writers of the bible. There is no trinity - only one God, the Father. He is one and alone. I am His teacher of truth, the Holy Spirit is His messenger and dispenser of Love to mankind. We are only His instruments in bringing man to a union with Him. I am not the equal of my Father - He is the only true God. I came from the spirit world to earth and took the form of man, but I did not become a God - only the son of my Father. You also lived as a spirit in that kingdom, and took the form of man merely as a son of your Father. You are the same as I am, except as to spiritual development, and you may become as greatly developed as myself.

Question: Why were you called God's only son in the Bible?

When on earth, I was the only son who had, until then, become vested with the Divine Love of God to the extent of being wholly free from sin and error. My life was not a life of earthly pleasure or sin, but was given wholly to my Father's work. I was His only son in that light. He was my Father as I knew Him to be. He is not a spirit of form like myself or yourself.

I was born as you were born. I was the son of Mary and Joseph, and not born of the Holy Spirit as it is written in the Bible. I was only a human being as regards my birth and physical existence. The account in the New Testament is not true, and was written by those who knew not what they wrote. They have done the cause of God's truths much injury. Let not your belief in that error keep you from seeing that my teachings are the truth.

Be only a believer of God and His truths and you will soon be in the Kingdom.

You will soon be able to understand as I understand.

Good night. Jesus Christ.