

There is only One Power and
One Presence in Life: God the good!

Christ Unity

Welcome to a new Life!



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Looking Ahead January – February 2011

January Theme –
**There is only One Presence
and One Power in my Life;
God the good!**
2 Burning Bowl
9 Only Just Started
16 Free Will or Fate?
23 Let's get this clear
30 Get Some Demonstration

Birthday Potluck

Jan 2 Celebrate with
Krista Bolf, Ed Robinson, Sue
Christensen, Mary Haviland,
Steve McManus, Bill Hunt,
Linda Wheeler, Nell Warner
(Did we miss your birthday? Call the office!)

Trustees Meetings

Sunday Jan 9 at 1:00 pm
Sunday Feb 13 at 1:00 pm

Platter Chatters

Friday Jan 14 at 11:30
Friday Feb 11 at 11:30

Sacred Healing Mediation

Saturday Jan 8 at Noon
Saturday Feb 12 at Noon



February Theme –
**Our essence is of God; There-
fore we are inherently good.**

6 7 Main Aspects of God (1-4)
13 7 Main Aspects of God (5-7)
20 Keep on the Beam
27 How to Maintain Peace

Birthday Potluck

Feb 6 Celebrate with
Maureen Henderson, Kathleen
Tower, and Margaret Stevens.
(Did we miss your birthday? Call the office!)

From Rob's Desk...

As we move into 2011
it's a great time to ask you
what you would like to see in
the way of activities and
classes. In addition to our
regular activities (Sunday
and Wednesdays) we have
had Movie and Desert
Nights, Karaoke Nights, eve-
ning Prayer Service and oc-
casionally workshops on a
variety of topics.

While you *could* do so
at any time, during this
month would you **please**
contact any one (or all) of
your Trustees and give them
your ideas in order that we
can bring you what you de-
sire for your spiritual growth.
Blessings,

Rob

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE...

These are some of the areas within the Ministry where your time and talent could be put to use:

Hospitality Team

Help set up for fellowship in Bosworth Hall following the service.

Video/Sound Technician

Prepare the video/sound system for use (*No experience necessary... we will teach the ease of use of the system.*)

Multi-Media Crew

Work with Power Point, Microsoft Publishing (this newsletter) to support our staff as we grow.

Contact and Communication Team

THANK YOU Pat Dole! Pat has stepped up and is the moving force behind insuring that those who we haven't seen at church receive cards to let them know we think about them.

Ushers & Greeters

You can play an important role! You are the first person new Folks meet. We want folks to be at home here, just as you were the first time you came.

Platform Person

Assists Rev. Rob and our Guest speakers during the Sunday Service

Membership

We are looking for new ideas and your input. Care to Serve?

Did we forget any Ministry Team? If so, let us know and we will find those who are willing to serve in that area.

HEAVENLY NOTES:

A giant thank you to our
⇒ Minister of Music **Steve McManus**,
⇒ Choir Director **Larissa Montegna** and
⇒ The Unity Singers
for the outstanding job they did for our Christmas Candle Lighting Service, as well as each and every Sunday Service throughout the year.



AN AMAZING BOOK

Which is by far the greatest of all books? - The Bible.

Which is the most widely circulated of all books; the world's all time best seller? - The Bible.

Which has been the most loved of all books? - The Bible.

Which of all books has been the most hated (by a small minority who did not understand it)? - The Bible.

Which is the most thrillingly interesting of all books? The Bible.

Which is the best, clearest, and most useful book on practical psychology? - The Bible.

Which book is the simplest and most effective textbook on metaphysics? - The Bible.

Which is the greatest of all story books? - The Bible.

What book contains the world's greatest and finest poetry? - The Bible.

Which is the world's best collection of well written, instructive, and inspiring biographies? - The Bible.

What book can one study to get a good command of forceful, convincing, and beautiful English? - The Bible.

IS THERE A SHORT CUT TO THE SPIRITUAL LIFE?
YES, THE BIBLE.

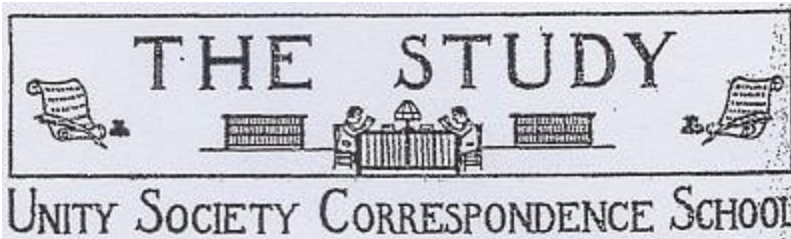
The Roots of Unity...

I'm often asked by those who visit our ministry why we are so "different" that other Unity Churches across the country. I believe that the "difference" comes from my notion that Fillmore's statement

**"I have taken the best of all religions
and brought them all together
in the Light of Jesus Christ's teachings."**

is the foundation of my Life. And as a result, the foundation of what I teach, practice and live.

You will see what I mean and you may even recognize some of the language in this 1909 work...



Charles Fillmore's Introductory Directions to Students...

"The teaching given by this school is called Practical Christianity and Jesus Christ is the head and only Leader.

The Spirit of Truth is recognized as the one authority.

Truth may be recognized in two ways – in intellectual understanding or spiritual understanding. The intellect gets its knowledge from without, from books, from teachers. It merely stores up facts ... but spiritual understanding comes from within, the Spirit quickening the intellect, illuminating the whole consciousness with an inner knowing.

It is the object of these lessons to quicken the spiritual understanding and those who study them in prayer and spiritual meditation will find the light within.

Hold this thought daily: **"The Spirit of Truth quickens my understanding and leads me into all Truth."**

Students should not hurry through these lessons. A hurried state of mind hinders the work of Spirit."

GREAT MENTAL LAWS The Law of Practice

PRACTICE makes perfect. This familiar proverb embodies one of the great laws of human nature and —being a law—it is never under any circumstances broken.

To become proficient in any field you must practice. There is simply no achievement without practice and the more practice, provided it is done intelligently, the greater will the proficiency be and the sooner will it be attained. This is true in the study of music, in the study of a foreign language, in learning to swim or skate or ski or fly. It is true in every conceivable branch of human endeavor.



Practice is the price of proficiency.

In business life and in any kind of management or administration, **experience** is the form that practice takes, and here again it is practice that makes perfect. That is why, other things being equal, an older person is usually to be selected for responsible positions rather than a younger.

In metaphysics the effects of this law are particularly striking. Thought control is entirely a matter of intelligent practice. And true religion may well be summed up as the Practice of the Presence of God. But note that I said **intelligent practice**. Violent forcing is not intelligent practice, nor is monotonous plodding.

Practice is the secret of attainment. We might para-phrase Danton and say practice! . . . and more practice ! ! . . . and still more practice ! ! !

"Be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only." James 1:12.

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PLANNED GIVING... CREATING A LEGACY

It is your right to choose who benefits from your estate after your death. Don't let the state do it for you! A valid will or trust is the only way to protect your loved ones and to designate and benefit a charity. If you were to die without a will or trust, the laws of your state would determine the distribution of your property as they see fit, and your family and friends could battle and lengthen probate for years.

Throughout your lifetime you are in control of your assets and can make changes anytime. Planned gifts also allow you to make a larger gift than you may be able to do right now.

Planned gifts can create special opportunities and benefits for both you as the donor and Christ Unity Church. You can allocate a percentage or cash sum to benefit Christ Unity Church. There can be considerable tax benefits - including income payments for life (Charitable Gift Annuity) or you can also reduce or delay capital gains taxes. For more information and to learn the benefits of making a planned gift, please talk with your financial advisor.

Remember to review and update your estate plans (will/trust) as needed due to marriages, divorces, births, financial gains/losses, or charitable gifts. A valid will or trust is the only way to protect your loved ones and to designate and benefit a charity. Here are some ways you can make charitable gifts or a bequest to benefit a charity.

Bequest/Will or Trust
Outright cash amount
Charitable Remainder
Bargain Sale on property

Trust Life Insurance or IRA
Charitable Lead Trust
Securities/Stock
Charitable Gift Annuity