



Divine Love Newsletter

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FROM THE EDITORS

Dear beloved friends, welcome to the May 2020 edition of the Divine Love Newsletter. We have a lot of news to share as so many of you are rising up to meet the challenge of walking in grace and channeling God's light and love to earth during these difficult times. The global coronavirus pandemic is upon us and while many are suffering, we have been chosen to be guideposts to those seeking God's Truths. We are pillars of light dispelling the darkness and illuminating God's Love for all to witness. Let us "take up the torch" and allow God and His angels lead us to opportunities of helping mortals and spirits awoken to the truth that Divine Love awaits them and is free for the asking.

Before delving into community activities, we want to share that our beloved sisters Susan Kaufman and Gillian Clark have departed their earthly bodies for their journey home to the Celestial Kingdom. Both Susan and Gillian have been involved in the Divine Love community for many years and we will miss their loving presence.

Divine Love community outreaches have been growing. We have more online zoom meetings than ever before. There are also apps and forums to keep connected with fellow devotees. And we are pleased to announce that healers/counsellors are making themselves available for online sessions.

We thank Jeanne Fike for sharing highlights of the Divine Love Sanctuary's 6th Annual Soul Awakening Tour to the Eastern U.S. Before their trip was cut short due to borders being closed, they visited Monroeville, Pennsylvania and Houston, Texas.

Catherine Kent is planning to host a retreat entitled "2020 Vision: Living the Divine Love Journey" on 8 - 12 October 2020 in 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.

Eva and Alex Peck share their creative writing gifts using the acronym C.O.R.O.N.A.V.I.R.U.S. Michael Nedbal shares an article on how to pray for God's Divine Love. Terry Adler shares her concern about the welfare of a San Bushmen community in Drimiopsis, Namibia.

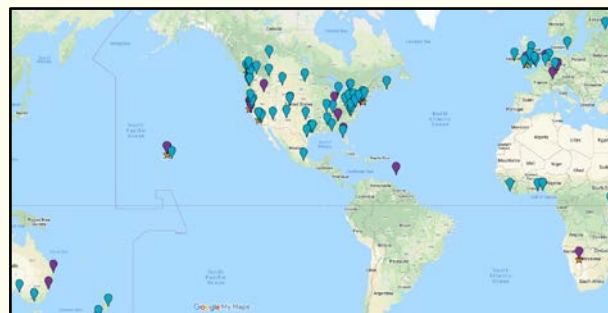
Member news includes a new podcast by Brooke Folk, a new book and class by Bill Frase, "Essentials of Divine Love 12-lesson course", and Geoff Cutler and Al Fike's new website dedicated to contemporary channeled messages.

Past issues of the newsletter can be downloaded from the [Divine Love Community portal](#) or from the [Divine Love Sanctuary Foundation website](#).

Contributions can be emailed to the editors at editors@fcdt.org (Michael Nedbal and Eva Peck)

DIVINE LOVE COMMUNITY MAP

The [Divine Love Community map](#), (username: *members*, password: *DivineLove*), has ten churches/prayer groups, 29 ministers, and 84 Divine Love souls registered. We welcome Davina Callas and Kara Vaughan Boudoin to our community. If you or your group would like to be included on the map, please send [us](#) your email address, location and a picture.



OBITUARY: REMEMBERING SUSAN KAUFMAN (CAROLYN STOKES)

Susan passed away on April 1, 2020, after an overnight stay in the hospital. She suffered from asthma and pneumonia. Our condolences to her family and friends.

I was first introduced to Susan by Rev. Bill Asnis, head of FCNB in Santa Cruz, California, in early 1981. We were both members of the church. She was earthy, saucy and had big, chocolate-chip colored eyes with thick lashes. She was a bright and gifted individual, who freely shared of her beautiful contralto voice, and her piano and harp skills. She wrote rock operas, plays, drama and poetry. She also gave great hugs.

A couple of interesting memories that I recall were when Susan and her friend, Eugene, produced (lighting, stage props, costumes, choreography, and rehearsals) a touring musical medley. The performers consisted of herself, and several other church members (she corralled me into joining to help me recover from a bad car accident). We were performing a selection of Loeb, Rogers & Hammerstein songs at senior citizen centers throughout the Santa Cruz area. When she wasn't busy taking care of her daughter, she would play the piano and share prayers and readings from the Padgett messages with the elderly and shut-ins.

Another selfless act was Susan following guidance to leave her home in the Live Oak section of Santa Cruz one sunset afternoon and drive to my home, which at that time (1986) was in Soquel. She didn't find me there, so she went on foot, looking for me. She found me on a beach (about a mile away from home and before cell phones were popular). I was by myself going through pre-birth contractions, before my daughter, Glorianna was born.

She got me up on my feet and prayed with me. Then she slowly walked and supported me, with many stops to go through the contractions and breathing, to get me safely home. It took us over two hours to get there, as I didn't want her to leave me, even when she suggested it would be faster to go and bring her car closer. By the time we got back to my place, it was late at night.

We lost regular contact after my family relocated to Washington State in 1993. Susan briefly reconnected with us via email and phone in 2013 (she was then living in Brooklyn, N.Y.). In March 2017, she became a regular participant in our Skype, now Zoom, Sunday service hosted from the island of Oahu, HI. Susan performed three of her original songs (that had rock and jazz influence in them) during the services – she periodically graced us with singing “Daddy Come Home,” “Prayer Song” and “Divine Love Song”.

She is survived by a sister, her lovely daughter, Jessica, who attended the DL Gathering in Windsor, CA in 2013, and lives in Soquel, CA, and her three grandchildren. We miss Susan, as well as her beautiful, big heart. God bless you, sweet soul.

Susan loved requesting us to sing the first song from Songs of Praise, Songs of Joy, entitled “All Day, All Night”. The lyrics said, “...All day, all night angels watching over me.” Now, she is watching over us. Susan was also honored in the [April 2020 issue of The New Birth Commentary](#): Remembering Susan Kaufman – by Jan Blackston, Minister of the Divine Truths.



*Susan Kaufman in 1992
(Photo supplied by Carolyn Stokes)*

OBITUARY: REMEMBERING GILLIAN CLARK (ELIZABETH MORANA)

A dear seeker and teacher of the Divine Truths, Gill Clark passed over into the world of spirit on January 24, 2020 just shortly after publishing her first book, *The Path of Souls*, in which she sought to share the Divine Truths in her own words with many quotes from the Padgett messages. I had the privilege of corresponding with Gill since 2014. A deeply sincere teacher of the Divine Truths, she lived with a pure and open heart, shared her rich spiritual insights, and sought continually to be of use to others. Gill made lovely contributions to FCNB's newsletter over the years. May our Father continue to fill her soul with His Great Divine Love! And may He bless her family and surround them every moment with His Love!

PRAYING AND SHARING ACROSS THE MILES

Whenever two or more pray at the same time for the best and highest while in the flow of God's Love, even though on different continents, the spiritual light and power in the world increases, leading to more miracles and healings. This can in turn magnify our efforts to be channels of Light, Love, Peace, Healing, and Harmony for the world.

Due to the global pandemic and social isolation, there has been an increase in the number of people joining Zoom groups. DLSF Online Circles of Light have had up to 40 participants in more than one Circle. To keep up with the number of people seeking to pray with others, DLSF have increased their Online prayer times to every Monday, Tuesday and Sunday, and alternate Fridays, and are posting a weekly calendar on their [website](#).

All the online meetings across the Community – FCDT, DLSF and FCNB – are grouped below by areas/time zones of the host/s. To convert to your own time zone, click [here](#).



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Eastern Time Zone (GMT-4)

- **Jan Blackston** coordinates a **prayer/study group** on Thursdays from 7:30 to 8:30 pm on Zoom. After initial greetings, the first 30 minutes are spent praying for the Divine Love followed by discussing a message from the *True Gospel Revealed Anew by Jesus* volumes. If interested in joining the group, please contact [Jan](#).
- **Bill Frase** hosts **Pittsburgh Circle of Light** online every Wednesday, 5:45-7 pm. Sessions begin with conversation and prayer requests. Our period of silent prayer opens and closes with spoken prayer. Participants are free to share any soul perceptions after the prayer. Those interested in joining on Zoom, please contact Bill through [the web form](#) or via [email](#).
- **Catherine Kent and Susan Kubicek** have recently begun hosting **Divine Truth Sharing Online** on Thursdays from 7-8:30 pm, via Zoom. The mission is to facilitate soul growth through prayer, deepen understanding of Divine Truth, and commune with others of similar soul aspirations. Before each meeting, participants are encouraged to watch a selected video from the DTS YouTube channel and/or read the referenced Padgett Messages, and to bring questions and thoughts on the week's topic to discuss. All are welcome! Contact [Susan](#) for more details or to be added to the mailing list.

Pacific Time Zone (GMT-7)

- **Al & Jeanne Fike, with Brooke Folk** are hosting **Circles of Light** consisting of introductions, prayer intentions, channeled messages, and experience sharing, at the following local times: Sunday, 10 am; Monday, 7 pm; Tuesday, 4 pm; Friday, 4 pm (this is bi-weekly for the duration of the Mediumship program). For additional details and specific dates, please check the [DLSF calendar](#) or subscribe to Mailchimp notifications by contacting [Jeanne](#).

- **Terry Adler** is hosting **West Vancouver Circle of Light** on Wednesday, 7 pm. Contact [Terry](#) for more information.
- **Raphael Legros** is hosting a **prayer circle at the First United Spiritualist Church** in Burnaby, British Columbia, every second and fourth Thursday of the month, 7:30-9:00 pm. For details, please contact [Raphael](#).

Hawaii Time Zone (GMT-10)

- **The Divine Love Ministry** invites you to join them for a **Sunday service** on Zoom at 11:00 am. Services consist of music, prayers, reading, and channelled messages. Please contact [Michael](#) or [Carolyn](#) for more info.

Central European Summer Time Zone (GMT+2)

- **Arie and Marion Hordijk** are periodically hosting a **prayer group in Laufach, Bavaria, Germany**. For dates and times, contact [Arie](#).

Additional Prayer, Sharing and Support Opportunities

If you are interested in spiritual discussions and/or connecting with others around the world for prayer and support, please check out the list below. Among the participants engaged in these discussions are four experienced counsellors offering loving support free of charge to those struggling with fear, loneliness, and other mental health issues. Send a private message to [Jeanne](#) for more details or if you would like a referral for a private appointment.

- **WhatsApp**

[LightBringers Worldwide Lattice of Light](#) is a global effort to infuse our world with Light and Love through engaging in simultaneous prayer through the free WhatsApp chat platform. New participants are daily joining the Prayer Chat Line. Prayer requests are welcome and responded to by an army of prayerful warriors from around the world. Audio recordings of contemporary messages from Celestial Angels are posted in LightBringers almost daily, as they are received. A Divine Love Conversations group is complementary to the WhatsApp LightBringers prayer chat line. To join the group, contact Bill Frase on LightBringers, or, if not a member, click [here](#) for instructions on how to join.

- **Divine Love Sanctuary Facebook Page**

The [Divine Love Facebook group](#) focuses on sharing spiritual experiences and inspiring others on their journey of praying for God's Divine Love. Group members post questions or share something edifying with others commenting. Over the months, some profound insights and amazing personal experiences have been shared. Eva Peck downloaded all the questions and answers posted and edited them into a book format entitled Experiencing Divine Love (available for downloading from the [Facebook group page](#)). Four volumes of Experiencing Divine Love are now available for downloading under from the group page under [Files](#). If interested to join the group, go to [its link](#) and click "Join".

- **Divine Love Sanctuary on Twitter**

[Daily tweets](#) share a wide variety of news and information including Celestial messages, happenings in the Divine Love Community, inspirational quotes, interviews from Divine Love Radio, Divine Love books, and much more.

- **Divine Love Sanctuary Podcasts**

[Divine Love audio messages](#) are uploaded on a regular basis and can be listened to online or on your podcast app, or downloaded for later. These include: selected messages from the DLSF mediums published the same day or next day after having been received; topical contemporary messages from recent past published occasionally; key teaching messages from James Padgett published weekly.

- **Forums**

For more in-depth conversations, visit the DLSF [board](#) or the [New Birth forum](#).

• **Online Mutual-Support Sessions**

Three healers/counsellors (Elizabeth Trask, Rickie Avitan, Terry Adler) in the Divine Love Community are inviting participants to co-create series of four weekly mutual-support sessions over Zoom to address anxiety, fear, doubt, overwhelm or a sense of isolation. We believe the Divine/God/Creator, along with our angelic spirit guides and teachers, will be co-creating with us! Each session will be an hour and a half in length, from 10:30 am to noon PST, starting Thursday, May 7. All are welcome. Fee is by donation to **Divine Love Sanctuary Foundation**. For more information and access to the Zoom link, please email **Terry Adler**.

DLSF EASTERN US RETREAT HIGHLIGHTS (JEANNE FIKE)

Our 6th Annual Soul Awakening Tour to the Eastern U.S. was cut short when Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau called all Canadians travelling abroad to come home before airlines and international borders would close due to the Coronavirus. We were disappointed to cancel more than half of our trip, including Divine Love retreats in Florida and New York. We are pleased, however, to share the highlights of retreats held in Pennsylvania and Texas.

Monroeville, Pennsylvania

Our third visit to Monroeville occurred between March 6-12 and was hosted by **Bill Frase**, his family, and members of the Monroeville United Methodist Church's Circle of Light Divine Love prayer group. Nineteen of us gathered at Arlene Segar's lovely home for a long weekend of prayer, messages, and meeting old and new friends.

The group was evenly divided between local Monroeville residents and online Circle of Light participants, many who had met in online Circles but not in person. Most of the latter hailed from the southwestern Pennsylvania area (affectionately dubbed the "Divine Love Capital of the US"). Others came from Missouri, Michigan, upstate New York, New Jersey, and Virginia. It was a meeting of two worlds – the locals and the online regulars – and by all measures, it was a great success!

The weekend started off Friday night with getting-to-know-you activities and a Divine Love happy hour. On Saturday and Sunday, we spent the time praying and enjoying meals prepared by our Monroeville friends.

A highlight was participating in our regular online Sunday prayer circle from Monroeville. Our tech team of Brooke Folk, Bill Frase, and Beth Mazur worked it out so that we could all be together at Arlene's AND with our friends from around the world!

Houston, Texas

The Houston Retreat, held on March 14-15 and hosted by **Do Nguyen**, was attended by the most culturally diverse group of people we have ever had the privilege to pray with! There were four people from Vietnam, a woman from Taiwan, a Yogi monk from Indonesia, a black woman from Texas, an alcohol-and-drug counsellor who works in a Residential Treatment Program, and our dear Caucasian friend, Lorraine Borchers from Bend, Oregon.



Monroeville, Pennsylvania (photo supplied by Jeanne Fike)



Houston, Texas (photo supplied by Jeanne Fike)

It was great to meet new friends who were eager to share their spiritual experiences and open their hearts and minds to the message of God's Great Divine Love. We were cocooned in a tropical garden on a grassy lakeshore of the five-bedroom home of Do Nguyen. The setting was delightful to all the senses, with amazing wildlife, exotic birds, turtles and even spotting an alligator!

We spent four days together in prayer, healing, presentations on emotional integration, opening the chakras, chanting / dancing on the lakeshore deck and feasting on Vietnamese food! We heard heart wrenching stories about our Vietnamese attendees' life-threatening experiences during and after the Vietnam War. Our new friend, Christian Le (Portland, Oregon), shared his terrifying memories at age 7, when he escaped with his mother and brother Daniel in an overloaded boat. During a terrible storm that threatened to capsize the boat, Mother Mary came to the brothers manifesting her angelic presence.

OTHER DLSF UPDATES (JEANNE FIKE)

- **Cooperation with AREI**

Thanks to Patricia Doyle and her wonderful team who hosted the Divine Love Retreat in Phoenix, followed by AREI Symposium in Scottsdale, AZ, in September, 2018, connections were made with Founders of AREI (Afterlife Research and Education Institute), Wendy and Victor Zammit. This spring, Rev. Jimbeau Walsh, as well as Al and Jeanne Fike, have made three presentations introducing Divine Love to three of their Sunday Global Gatherings. Each presentation was well received and well attended and they have been invited to come back. On Sunday, April 19, the Fikes gave a presentation on the difference between Divine Love, natural love and mediumship. The video replay is available here.

- **Online Mediumship Development Program**

On April 3, DLSF launched its first online program using the Zoom platform: Divine Love Mediumship Development, in partnership with Brooke Folk and Divine Love Radio, Maureen Cardoso and Jimbeau Walsh, Divine Love Mediums. There are 45 participants from across Canada and the U.S., Hawaii, Australia, the U.K. and Namibia. A different topic is presented each session along with a homework assignment designed to apply the teachings. Smaller discussion groups meet between each session to share experiences. We are deeply grateful to Beth Mazur, Bill Frase and Brooke Folk for their technical support, and to Karen Lyons, Kevin O'Neill and others for transcribing the messages. Karen Lyons is gathering transcripts of all the lessons and messages which will be published on our website when the time is right.

DIVINE TRUTH SHARING RETREAT (CATHERINE KENT)



Divine Truth Sharing is hosting a retreat entitled "2020 Vision: Living the Divine Love Journey" on **8 - 12 October 2020 in Washington, D.C.** Metropolitan Area.

Enrich your personal experience of living in the world as a true child of God, deeply appreciating and actively seeking His Divine Love each day. The more we understand what it means to be in genuine relationship with God, the easier it is for us to receive, discern, and follow the tender guidance of our Loving Creator, moment by moment. Come learn and share on this guided retreat.

We are all called to pray directly, soul-to-God, to grow in our Father's Love. Divine Love soul development occurs most effectively in our daily lives when we are able to receive, discern, and obey the guidance that comes privately to us through our own prayers. Yet, few people know how to do this. This retreat, subtitled "What Happens When the Medium Goes Home?" will help participants learn to receive and discern their own personal guidance through prayer, which requires its own study and practice. Everyone will be encouraged to use free time during the retreat to connect with each other and to practice what we are learning, as much as practicable, so we can experience God directly, when no medium is present to provide a channel. On Saturday, we will visit the Washington, D.C. sites once frequented by James E. Padgett. For more information and/or to express interest, contact [Catherine](#).

CORONAVIRUS CONTEMPLATION (EVA AND ALEX PECK)

We're living in a very tumultuous time – in many aspects, unprecedented. Day after day, sobering news reports emerge – both of the COVID-19 spread and its casualties, as well as its impact on society, especially the economy. Some of us may have lost jobs and are struggling financially.



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The entire world has dramatically changed in a remarkably short time. It was

only at the end of December, 2019, that a young doctor, Li Wenliang, sent a message to other medics about a new virus in Wuhan in Hubei Province of China. Now, only a few months later, the whole world is in various degrees of lockdown.

This is a time for young and old to stop to ponder life – its instability and uncertainty. We are blessed to understand life's higher purpose and destination. But while still on earth, what should be our focus and values to remain resilient and sound-minded, to avoid excessive feelings of stress, fear and anxiety so prevalent in the society, and to be a light to and able to help others? Here are a few reflections using the acronym C.O.R.O.N.A.V.I.R.U.S.

CALMNESS: Despite the turbulence, may we live from day to day with an abiding calmness, peace, and clarity of mind, enabled by taking additional time to pause, reflect, pray for ourselves and others, and especially ask for God's Love.

OPENNESS: Let's keep an open mind to what is unfolding and what these dramatic events may be teaching us about our individual lifestyles and the civilization as a whole. Will some of the deeply-rooted structures and entrenched power bases need to change?

REFLECTIONS ABOUT REALITY: Let's deeply reflect on the realities of life. All things are impermanent and come to an end – sometimes very quickly and unexpectedly, such as the untimely death of a loved one. Therefore, it's important to make the most of our time and opportunities, helping others and engaging in positive deeds while we can.

ONENESS: From this present crisis, let's appreciate anew the intricate inter-connectedness of all humanity and the entire web of life on the earth – how we are all in this together as one human family, how we are all interdependent, as well as dependent on other species. This contrasts with the predominant focus on an independent self (egocentricity), with everyone largely looking out for themselves.

NEW NORMAL: While many are asking when will things get “back to normal”, others feel that for the welfare of all, this would not be the best way forward. In reality, the “normal” that we have known and gotten used to in the Western world has not been working for humanity except for a relatively few. When we take an unbiased look at the various crises around the earth, it becomes increasingly clear that new norms need to emerge. There is an urgent need for a new world based on cooperation, kindness and caring, rather than competition, and the pursuit of power and possessions. Some see the present

pandemic as a catalyst for the formation of new and better approaches. We can each pioneer this new vision by choosing love in all that we do.

ACCEPTANCE AND APPRECIATION: In the present situation, it's easy to slip into denial, fear, anger, and even depression – or obsessing about getting what we want, and trying to avoid what we don't want. Instead, may we accept what is, and appreciate in a new way what we have. Appreciation and gratitude are powerful positive states that increase immunity and promote wellbeing. By accepting and appreciating whatever situation we find ourselves in, we can make the most of our opportunities and reach out to help others less fortunate.

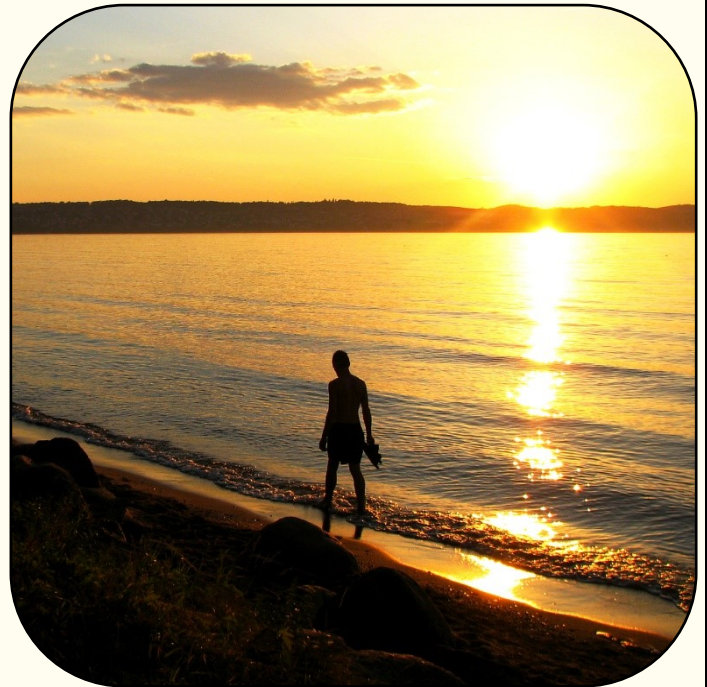
VISION: Some have postulated that our civilization needs a new vision for humanity. Such a vision would include a world where *loving-kindness* has replaced anger, hatred, enmity and war; where *cooperation and humility* have replaced competition, arrogance, superiority and pride; where *generosity* has replaced greed, miserliness, selfishness and hoarding; where *wisdom* has replaced darkness, confusion, delusion and misperception; where *contentment* has replaced envy, jealousy, clinging and covetousness. Embodying such values on a worldwide scale would return us to a golden age on earth (which according to ancient spiritual writings, as well as scientific and archaeological evidence, had existed before and is destined to return).

INDIVIDUALISM: A great deal of suffering arises from a predominantly “I”, “me”, and “mine” orientation – desiring happiness only for ourselves, without the thought of how to benefit others. The present crisis is pointing to the need for cultivating altruistic love and compassion – being sincerely concerned for the wellbeing and happiness of others, and for them to be as much as possible free from suffering.

RESOLUTIONS: This time of crisis can be a good time for new resolutions, for example: to maintain hope and faith that some good will come out of the pain; to keep a peaceful mind, no matter what happens; to be patient and gentle with people and situations; to let bygones be bygones, leaving behind past hurts and regrets; and to cherish each day, knowing that life can change, or end, quickly.

UPROOTING UNWORKABLE PARADIGMS: For some time now, scientists and other concerned people have been saying that the consumer-driven “good, comfortable life” enjoyed by many of us in the West is unsustainable for the planet. The fact that a relatively small percentage of earth’s population consumes a mammoth share of the earth’s resources, in an environmentally destructive manner, can no longer be acceptable. May the present crisis powerfully reinforce the need to uproot unworkable modes of operation.

SOUL SEARCHING AND SPIRITUALITY: This time of upheaval affords an ideal opportunity to spend extra time in prayer and meditation -- to turn within into the depths of our hearts and souls, and to seek more of our Father’s Divine Love as well as guidance how we can be instruments of light and hope in this dark world. May we help others realize that peace, happiness, and freedom from suffering cannot be achieved by looking to people, possessions, or pursuits of status, fame and power, but rather by turning to a loving God, who desires only the best and highest for all His children.



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HOW TO PRAY FOR AND EXPERIENCE GOD'S DIVINE LOVE (MICHAEL NEDBAL)

Praying to our Heavenly Father for His Divine Love is the single most important thing that we can do. Taking the first step toward a regular prayer practice sets in motion a host of angels working behind the scenes to assist us in preparation to receive God's Divine Love and to help us develop a close, personal, and deep relationship with God that will intensify for all eternity. God will meet us more than half way in establishing a loving relationship: "God wants and is patiently waiting for the love of man".¹

How do we make the start? How do we pray so that God hears the earnestness in our soul longings? Jesus states "...that men shall believe with all the sincerity of their

minds and souls that this great Love of the Father is waiting to be bestowed upon each and all of them, and that when they come to the Father in faith and earnest aspirations, this Love will not be withholden from them. In addition to this belief, pray that He open up their souls to the inflowing of this Love..."¹

Ann Rollins suggests to James Padgett: "Let not your desires originate from only the intellectual, but try to bring the longings of the soul into being. Do not rest satisfied until a response shall come, as it will certainly come. You will know that the Love is present and working its transforming power upon the soul."² The Padgett Messages clearly show us the way. Yet, many of us still find making that initial connection challenging.

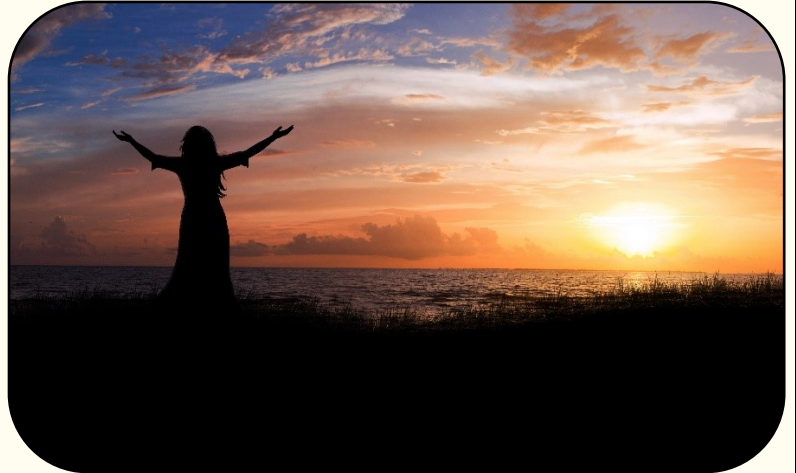
When I first learned about the availability of God's Divine Love, it took me quite some time to feel a connection with God. I felt that I obtained a response after I devoted myself to at least 20 minutes of focused prayer, three times a day, for three weeks. During this time I kept a journal about my experiences and what did and did not work. I'm including a summary of these notes below in the hope that some of it may resonate with you and assist you in your prayerful desire to connect with our Heavenly Father.

TECHNIQUES OF PRAYING FOR DIVINE LOVE

Schedule: Set a goal to formally pray three times a day for at least 20 minutes each time. You may not always achieve this, but do the best you can. If you are still working, your morning prayer can take place while driving to work. Believe it or not, I had my most intense Divine Love experiences while driving. Your midday/afternoon prayer can be during your lunch break, and your evening prayer can be more formal with a specific location and time designated. The important point is to have a goal and try to stick to a schedule. If you can make prayer a part of your daily routine, you will more likely stay with it.

Location: During your formal prayer in the evening, find a private or semi-private place and make it your holy sanctuary. Find a comfortable position, perhaps a candle to focus your mind, incense or anything that makes you feel spiritually elevated. Generally, I wouldn't recommend using your bed, which is for sleeping, while your intention is not to sleep but to connect with God.

Mindset: Our purpose in praying is to establish a relationship with God and keep growing closer to Him through the reception of His Divine Love. However, avoid specific expectations as to what you are going to experience. Expectations can be a form of control, as well as a source of disappointment. Also, if you are expecting a burning sensation in your chest, you are not allowing yourself to be open to other ways that the Father may bless you. So, be completely open.



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¹ ARDT, Vol. I, Page 174 | TGRABJ, Vol. I, Page 24.

² ARDT, Vol. I, Page 180 | TGRABJ, Vol. I, Page 345.

Make it ok if nothing physical or spiritual happens. Be gentle with yourself and enjoy the experience of being centered and raising your energy. When I first began my dedicated prayers, I simply felt peace. There are many on the Divine Love path that do not experience physical sensations concurrent with the inflowing of the Divine Love.

This is a time for you to connect with God. Praying for others is important and has its own rewards for you and those you pray for. However, dedicate this time to establishing your personal relationship with God.

Below are some specific notes that I made to myself.



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- **Have faith and trust.** Faith in God is vital – trust that your life is going to turn out well, and that wherever He leads you, it will be for the best. Also important is faith that Divine Love is waiting to be bestowed on you and will enter into your soul if properly asked for. You don't need to "heal" your emotions or past sins prior to receiving God's Love. Divine Love will transform and heal your soul.
- **Ask for help.** "All progression depends upon the help that comes from outside the mind or soul of man"³. Professor Salyards continues, "... if a man depends upon his own powers, exclusively, he will never progress. And this law does not apply only to the soul's progress ... but also to the progress of the mere mind, and also to what might be called the purely moral qualities".³ I used to think that if I were spiritually strong enough, I could progress on my own. This belief was not in harmony with God's Law of Progression⁴.
- **Pray for the right reasons.** Is the reason to be ahead of everyone else, or to become a member of an elite group (the Celestials)? Or, is the reason to be at-one with God, to be in His Love forever? Are you praying for advancement or because you love God and want to be with Him?
- **Be in a state of gratitude.** Take the time to consider your life and the blessings that you have received. Appreciate our beautiful planet and your brothers and sisters who are on the same spiritual journey. God has given you so much because He loves you. Soulfully appreciate everything He has given you and thank Him for it.
- **Be open and relaxed.** Stress from our daily life puts up a wall to the inflowing of the Father's Love. The Love will not come in if we have negative thoughts or are thinking about something else. Think of your soul like a flower that needs to open in order to receive God's Love. When it is closed due to stress or other factors, it is not allowing the Divine Love to flow in. Ask the angels for help in letting go of the stress.
- **Pray with all your heart.** Jesus said to James Padgett, "I do not want you to think that you are now in a condition that leaves you free from sin or from the necessity of appealing to the Father with all your heart for an inflowing of His Love".⁵ Your heart and soul need to be engaged in praying for God's Love. Like the Prayer Perfect concludes, "We pray thus with all the earnestness and sincere longings of our souls ..."⁶

A few more observations are worth considering.

- ◆ **First**, there seems to be an ebb and flow to progressing in the Love. God's Divine Love will flow intensely for a while and then it may not be felt as strongly for a period. This is a normal process and it doesn't mean that you are doing anything wrong during the slow periods.
- ◆ **Second**, it is important to not only pray to receive God's Divine Love, but to also give your love to God and others. Some come to a plateau in receiving the Love if they don't reach out in love.

³ ARDT, Vol. II, Page 91 | TGRABJ, Vol. II, Page 52.

⁴ ARDT, Vol. II, Page 93 | TGRABU, Vol. II, Page 52.

⁵ ARDT, Vol. I, Page 8. | TGRABJ, Vol. I, Page 368.

⁶ ARDT, Vol. I, Page 12 | TGRABJ, Vol. I, Page 41.

◆ **Third**, and very important, is **surrender to God’s Will**. This is not easy and it may take time to completely surrender. It may feel scary in that you may think the Omnipotent God might do something that causes you to lose your identity. You may fear that God will have you do what you don’t want to do. These thoughts of the mind couldn’t be farther from the truth. Your identity actually comes alive when you surrender because you stop taking on identity projections from your family and friends. And God won’t ask you to do anything that you don’t want to do. He wants you to be happy and desires your actions to be anchored in love and never forced or have a basis in fear.



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I finally took the leap of faith and jumped off the cliff surrendering my soul and my life to God. I prayerfully asked God to take my soul and my life. That was the turning point in my prayer and the time when I really started to feel connected with God.

Below is a short introductory prayer to the [Prayer Perfect](#) which is designed to “teach the spirits” and ask for help in preparing the soul.

“Dear Heavenly Father, thank you for this opportunity to connect with You and receive Your blessing of Divine Love. I ask, Father, that if there are any spirits present who are not open to receiving Your Divine Love, and are here to cause discord and distraction, that they be removed and taken back to their homes in the spirit world until they can return in harmony with your Love. I ask that my soul be in ascendancy over my mind and to know Your Truths. I ask to let go of all that is not in harmony with Your Love. I ask to be surrounded by Your Light and Love and lifted up toward your Celestial Kingdom, where I may make rapport with my spirit band, in order to receive assistance in opening my soul to the inflowing of your Divine Love.” Then, continue with the [Prayer Perfect](#) or your personal prayer.

If you need more preparation time to release the stresses of the day, meditate for a period to center yourself before going to Father. After the prayer, I will sometimes hold the thought of asking for God’s Divine Love. At other times, when I am in need of specific guidance, I will clear my mind and ask for help with a particular question or issue. I communicate to the Father that I am open to any guidance that He may convey through His angels.

There will be times when you get discouraged and feel unworthy. Know that you are a beautiful child of God. He loves you because you are His child, not for what you do. Make a daily affirmation to tell yourself “I am a child of God and worthy of His Love”.

Who Is the Greatest?

Mark 9:33-35 (ESV)

And they came to Capernaum. And when he was in the house he asked them, “What were you discussing on the way?”

But they kept silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest.

And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, “If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all.”



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FUND-RAISING IN THE TIME OF COVID-19 (TERRY ADLER)

We in First World countries are mightily challenged by the restrictions and other fallouts from this recent pandemic: loved ones may be affected, routines are disrupted, outcomes are uncertain. Yet, those with whom we are connected in the Third World are far more vulnerable as they have so little to begin with.

Some of us in the Divine Love Community are particularly concerned about the welfare of a San Bushmen community in Drimiopsis, Namibia that our dear friend, Helge Mercker, introduced us to in 2014. The children are especially vulnerable due to the HIV/AIDS infection of their parents/caregivers. Over the past few years, several Divine Love Community members (Al and Jeanne Fike, Geoff Cutler, Terry Adler, Betty Owen, Judy Dunbar, Diane Mawson, Kevin O'Neill, and Arie and Marion Hordijk) traveled to Drimiopsis and witnessed the amazing efforts being made by local leaders together with Helge and the Children's Sanctuary Namibia (CSN) board to provide care for the children.

Those of you who in the past contributed to this cause helped make possible the construction of a Sanctuary for the children orphaned by AIDS. However, the building has yet to open its doors to provide shelter, education, food, security and loving care for the most vulnerable from among those looked after. To achieve this, we require funds for food, furnishings, electricity and water, as well as medical care, staff salaries, and training. Never has the need for such a shelter been more urgent.

Due to COVID-19 closure of businesses, Drimiopsis wage earners have lost their jobs. Schools have been closed. Numbers of children coming to be fed through the trice-weekly CSN Soup Kitchen have risen. The only help given by the Namibian government is monthly per household N\$200 per child (\$15.50 CAD), a bag of mealie meal and cooking oil.



Children practice physical distancing while waiting in line for vitamin supplements. (Photo supplied by Judy Dunbar)



A child washes her hands at one of the hand washing stations on the Sanctuary Land prior to receiving a meal. The Mother House is in the background. (Photo supplied by Judy Dunbar)

We are reaching out now for your help to continue feeding the children and to complete their Sanctuary.

An anonymous donor has offered to match donations, dollar for dollar up to \$10,000! The offer extends to the end of 2020 or until \$10,000 has been raised.

Please visit [our website](#) to learn of recent developments and plans for ongoing progress that depend on our/your support. Donations can be made through PayPal on the website or mailed directly to our Treasurer: Betty Owen, 493 Central Avenue, Gibsons, BC, V0N1V1.

May you be blessed for any contribution you can provide! Remember, it will be doubled!

(Terry Adler, Founder, President, on behalf of the CSNS Board Diane Mawson, Betty Owen, Judy Dunbar, Helge Mercker.)

FCDT DIVINE LOVE BOOKS AND MINISTERS' HANDBOOK AVAILABLE

- The FCDT has several cases of its books – *Angelic Revelations, Volume 2*, *New Testament Revelations of Jesus of Nazareth*, and *What Happens After You Die* – that are free to ministers and followers for distribution. The books can be donated to libraries, used book stores, and charity organizations in your area. If interested, please contact [Holly](#).
- *Divine Love Ministers Handbook* is available to purchase directly from [Lulu](#). Its main purpose is to assist those who conduct public ceremonies (e.g., weddings, child blessings, church services, etc.). [Rev. Jimbeau Walsh](#) is also offering a deluxe version in a “day-planner” ring binder for those who intend to use the Handbook for public ceremonies on an ongoing basis. The deluxe version allows rearranging of pages and insertion of the minister’s own material.

FCNB IMAGE ARCHIVE (ELIZABETH MORANA)

The Foundation Church of the New Birth, Inc. is able to 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 – including both published and unpublished messages. These images are easily accessed as they are listed in order of date received. We feel it is imperative that copies of these images be held in many places throughout the world to safeguard them in a way that the Jesus' original teachings were not able to be preserved. Also, these images are of use to anyone wishing to publish them on their own website, or to carry out research on them. To request a flash drive of images, please email us at newbirth@divinelove.org or write us at Post Office Box 6, Williamsville, New York, 14231, U.S.A. We suggest a donation of \$25 to cover related costs.

Postage costs vary widely, based on destination. Suggested donations are always optional and depend on the financial ability of the individual. Donations, which can be easily made via the Donate button at the bottom of the [FCNB Home page](#), also help to cover our monthly cost of \$115 for preserving the original, physical messages in a climate-controlled storage facility. All board members and ministers serve as volunteers.

MEMBER NEWS

- **Brooke Folk** has recently launched **Worldwide Celestial Broadcast Communications**, a podcast Chapel of the Air radio presentations. This is an educational program in affiliation with celestial angels who point out errors in traditional beliefs and answer questions such as: Where did humanity go wrong? Is God punishing us now? What is the importance of the soul? Is there life after death? Are we experiencing Earth changes now? What's the difference between natural and divine love and how do we receive the divine? To tune in, go to celestialbroadcast.buzzsprout.com.
- **Bill Frase** has written a book *Divine Love Essentials* [downloadable as a free PDF](#), which provides important information related to spiritual laws, the realms of spirit, and God’s Plan for the Salvation of All. Bill is also offering an **Essentials of Divine Love 12-lesson course**, based on the book. The Zoom classes started on April 28 and are held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Eastern Time. If you are interested in participating in the course, please indicate your interest in the form [here](#) or contact [Bill](#).
- **Eva Peck** has compiled Volume 4 of *Experiencing Divine Love* from comments on the [Divine Love Facebook](#) group. She has also combined all the topics from the four volumes that relate to prayer for the Love under the title, *How to Pray for and Experience Divine Love*. Group members can download both PDF books from the group web page under “Files”. If you are not a member, click on “Join”.
- **Geoff Cutler** and **Al Fike** have created a new website (soultruth.ca) designed to have all the contemporary messages received in the last few years on one site. Presently it contains mostly messages received through Al, but future plans are to post messages received through Jimbeau Walsh and Maureen Cardoso, and possibly others. Big thanks are due to all who transcribed the verbal messages, especially Kevin O'Neill and Karen Lyons.

HELP NEEDED

- **Joan Warden** is working on The Prayer for Divine Love Translation Project with Ian Nicol for his website [Truth for all People](#). Besides English, the Prayer now has authentic translations in Spanish, French, German, Danish, Norwegian, Czech, Hungarian and Dutch. If you can write in another language and would be willing to **translate the Prayer** and to share it, please contact [Joan](#) or Ian through his [website](#). Thank you and God bless.
- **Jimbeau Walsh**, with the assistance of **Tim Foley**, would like to compile a songbook for use at Divine Love services, retreats and prayer circles. If you have a song or a hymn that is 'public domain' or one that you have the songwriter's permission to use, please feel free to send it along with the **lyrics and chords/melody** to [Jimbeau](#).
- **DLSF** is looking for volunteer assistance to reformat messages into Lulu Template for self-publishing. More volunteers are needed to transcribe messages. Contact [Jeanne](#) if you'd like to be part of the DLSF team!

PADGETT MESSAGE

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Judas, the Apostle, Discusses What the Best Thing Is for Men to Do Who Desire to See God and Realize That He Is a Personal God with All the Attributes That Belong Only to a Supreme, Infinite Being

Let me write, *Judas*.

I have not written you for a long time and feel that I must write you and declare some truth that is of importance to you and to mankind. I will not write a very long message, and what I have to say will be put in short sentences and made succinct. I know that you wonder who I am and what I will write about, and you must not be surprised if I tell you what you may think is not of much importance.

Well, my subject is, "*What is the best thing for men to do who desire to see God and realize that he is a personal God, with all the attributes that belong only to a Supreme, Infinite Being.*"

God is a spirit and a person, and not a mere nebulous being without form or personality. He is real as to these qualities, and is not wanting that which will make him the Father that Jesus so often called him.

Now in order for a spirit to see and understand just what all this means, the spirit must get in that harmony with Him that will enable the spirit to possess qualities of soul that is like the qualities of the Father that the spirit desires to see and understand. This condition can be obtained only by the spirit pursuing the way that the Master so often writes you of, and which is absolutely necessary in order for the spirit to obtain the qualities necessary for such comprehension. **Only as a soul is filled with the Love of the Father can it possibly be in the condition that will enable it to see and comprehend this personality of God.** No mere development of the intellectual faculties or of the natural love will suffice for this purpose; and while such development is necessary in order for the spirit to become the perfect man in order to enjoy the condition that belongs to that man, yet such development is not sufficient to enable the spirit to see and comprehend the Father.

It is much easier for a spirit to get in the condition just mentioned than to get in the condition last described; and as you may see the wholly different thing that the development leads to, (*this*) should be sufficient to induce the spirit to accept the Father's Love, and become a true son of His.

I have written what I desired, and thank you for the opportunity, and with my love will say good night.

Judas.