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In thinking about what I might give my family and loved ones for Christmas I discovered I am gifted with little or no budget for the holiday this year. This caused me to look at the whole picture. About why we give gifts and why we expect them. About the cost of the gift and can we give a gift reciprocal in cost according to the generosity of those giving to us. I think we give and get gifts because it is fun. It's not that complicated. Then it crossed my mind that when God gave the first Christmas present (His Son), the magnitude of the simplicity of the gift is overwhelming. God gave the gift of Practical Christianity. Jesus came to teach us how to live a life of joy by example, by precept, by miracle and by parable. All the things in life that we could ever desire produce one result: Joy.



To be in God's good grace is Joyful, to be healthy, wealthy and wise is Joyful, to live in a world of peace and love is Joyful, to be in a wonderful relationship with another is Joyful, to walk about in a world of safety and freedom is Joyful, the list is infinite, . . . "So, my gift to you and to all whom I love is the gift of Joy. I give you my Joy and hope that you will tithe of this gift to help bring the "Peace that passes all understanding," to all the Earth. Blessings my friends."

### New Year Resolution

Resolve not to make yourself a better person but resolve to serve others during 2008 so that your contribution is to help others realize all that they are meant to be.

When we serve others we serve God and by doing so find that we live in a better and kinder world.

God's grace be over you and God's peace flow through you.



### Rev. David Bailey Ordained . . .

On November 4, 2007 Rev. David Bailey added his wonderful consciousness to the Ordained Independent Unity Ministers of the Conference on Practical Christianity. The ceremony was presided over by Rev. Jan Sloan Senior Pastor of Unity Fellowship in Newport News, Virginia.

Rev. Bailey resides in Deltaville, Virginia, and is a retired college professor. Rev. David holds a Ph.D. in World Cultures from the University of Virginia in Charlottesville, Virginia and taught at Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Virginia for 27 years.

Congratulation Rev. Bailey. We all look forward to a wonderful relationship with you and are all equally excited about what you came to teach us. Welcome David.

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### Happy New Year!

Resolve to make at least one person happy every day, and then in ten years you may have made three thousand, six hundred and fifty persons happy, or brightened a small town by your contribution to the fund of general enjoyment. Sydney Smith

The object of a new year is not that we should have a new year. It is that we should have a new soul. G.K. Chesterton

A happy New Year! Grant that I may bring no tear to any eye.

When this New Year in time shall end let it be said I've played the friend,

Have lived and loved and labored here, and made of it a happy year.

Edward A. Guest



Always add to the good.

*"We fairly sizzle with zeal and enthusiasm to do the work that is ours to do."*  
Charles and Myrtle Fillmore

## The Revealing Word

**name of Jesus**--Spiritual understanding proves that the name of a great character carries his name potency and that wherever his name is repeated silently or audibly his attributes become manifest. Jesus knew this, and He commanded His disciples to go forth in His name. The marvelous healing works that they did in His name prove the great spiritual power resident in His name.

It has been said that Jesus brought with him a message of love and grace however, he lovingly conducted a ministry of service. It is this service that might well be the focus of our lives. The proof of our love for God and for Jesus lay, in our service to one another and to the World. Jesus told us:

“. . . he who is greatest among you, let him be as the younger, and he who governs as he who serves.” Luke 22:26

“So when He had washed their feet, taken His garments, and sat down again, He said to them, “Do you know what I have done to you? You call Me Teacher and Lord, and you say well, for so I am. If I then, *your* Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet. For I have given you an example, that you should do as I have done to you.” John 13:12-15

Mother Teresa said, “I see the face of the beloved (Jesus) on each of them (the sick and poor) and I find that because I cannot do enough for the beloved the beloved cannot do enough for me.”

In essence, we serve God by serving each other, ***in Jesus name.***

## Advertising in Logos

It has been decided that many of our members would like their goods and services made available to other members.

It is the policy of the Conference on Practical Christianity that we do not expose our member mailing list or other confidential information to organizations who would begin to become bothersome to our members. However, we do recognize that there are instances where a member might be interested in what another has to offer in the way of goods and services. This being said, we have decided to accept advertising in our newsletter.

The terms: all ads will be a minimum if 1/4 page in size. The overall page size will be represented as the normal printed area of this newsletter.

The rates will be monthly and will be based on the following schedule:

1/4 Page	\$40.00
1/2 Page	\$60.00
Full Page	\$125.00

All advertising rates are based on computer ready jpg files.

Ads having to be created by the Logos staff will be done at an extra charge of \$45.00 per hour with a One hour minimum.

Email [drcharlie@fillmoresunity.com](mailto:drcharlie@fillmoresunity.com) for advertising agreement.

## News from Fillmore Theological College

by Rev. Donald Hudson

### Fillmore College Relocates

January 1, 2008, marks the date of the relocation of Fillmore Theological Seminary to Tulsa, Oklahoma. This coming year promises to be a wonderful year for FTC. We are coming to the final copy of the new College brochure. As soon as it returns from the printer we will begin a mass mailing program.



Rev. Hudson is preparing a program specific to those wishing to enter the ministry as an Independent Unity Minister of the Conference on Practical Christianity. The program will be designed to offer a Diploma in Advanced Religious Studies and all subjects covered will be transferable to degree programs from Fillmore Theological College. The Diploma program is designed to help those interested in Ordination by the Conference on Practical Christianity attain their objective in a more timely manner.

If you have an interest in the Diploma in Advanced Religious Studies toward the ministry you will want to contact Rev. Don Hudson at:

[dhudson758@aol.com](mailto:dhudson758@aol.com)

**Professional Member Quarterly Report  
2007**

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**It's Important . . .**

Not only is it time to pay your dues for 2008 and to pay the dues of your organization, it is also time to renew your commitment to the Conference on Practical Christianity and to the support of those desiring to spread the teaching of Practical Christianity throughout the world.

The teachings of Jesus Christ are foremost among our credo, our tenets, our faithfulness and our allegiance.

Our secondary commitment is to the examples set down in the legacy of Charles and Myrtle Fillmore.

Our belief is that the Unity movement as initiated by Charles and Myrtle Fillmore is in an irrevocable state of change. While change is certainly looked upon as a good thing if we are to grow we must understand that change without allegiance to the foundational beliefs of any organization implies that the organization will become something different from what it is intended.

The Conference on Practical Christianity was created for the purpose that those open to change with allegiance to the Unity discovered by Charles and Myrtle Fillmore would have an affiliation that would afford infinite growth without secular rules (man-made law), that all of the guidance we, as individuals, would ever need is already with in each of us.

You are the light that shines forth, the light that need not be put under a bushel but that by your conduct (example) you so let your light shine. In a world of uncertainty you are that which others may see and take solace that the Christ within is the saving Grace that is of God.

All are welcome to become part of the Conference on Practical Christianity. You can do this without abandoning you membership in other organizations. We embrace folks from all New Thought organizations including member both active and inactive of the Association of Unity Churches.

*"Unity is a link in the great educational movement inaugurated by Jesus Christ. Our objective is to discern the truth in Christianity and prove it. The truth that we teach is not new, neither do we claim special revelations or discovery of new religious principles. Our purpose is to help and teach mankind to use and prove the eternal Truth taught by the Master."*  
Charles Fillmore

Join us and help preserve the Unity movement as well as to create a place for all Unity students, ministers and teachers to network.

“I wish you could see you as God does.”

Rev. C. Smith

What a magnificent creation you are. Imagine that you are a child of God, ideated and created by God, without mistake or error but with purpose and individual celebration of the infinite capabilities of our Source. Does it sound presumptuous? I don't think so.

Here's the benefit of this kind of thinking. Once you have agreed to the thesis and accepted who you are and more importantly what you are then you are free to serve. You no longer have to waste your time with self-help in an attempt to make better that that which is created in the ideal. Your time now can be used in expression of your true being. You can give over your talents to God's service by serving all of God's creations.

You perfect being, who by your creation, is validated as God's perfect idea and expressed without error is a most wondrous event and addition to the fabric of the universe. Without you there are an infinite number of things that would not exist as they do in the world to which you were made. Someone once said, “. . . ***Our greatest fear is not that we are inadequate, but that we are powerful beyond measure. It is our light, not our darkness, that frightens us. We ask ourselves, Who am I to be brilliant, gorgeous, handsome, talented and fabulous? Actually, who are you not to be? You are a child of God.***”

Commit the above quote to memory. Never forget what you are. It is how God sees you.



## Special Book Offer for Conference Members

### The Four Questions

**Dr. Winn Henderson**, a doctor of medicine and author of over 34 books is making available his book on identifying and treating with addiction.

**The Four Questions** is the revised edition of The Cure of Addiction. Back in 1991 when The Cure of Addiction was first published, respected authors and practitioners were quick to praise the work. Dr. Jay Lehr (author of Fit, Firm, and Forty) said, “... the most insightful book ever written on a subject fraught with confusion and misinformation. The Cure of Addiction should be read by everyone who knows they have an addiction and everyone who suspects they may be addicted.” Dr. C. Norman Shealy of the Shealy Institute said, “... the number one, two, and three health problems in this country are smoking, alcohol, and drugs. Your book offers people an opportunity to bring that to an end.”

Dr. Henderson would love for you to have a copy of this book free of charge except for a shipping and handling fee of \$5.95.

Simply Write and ask for your free copy of The Four Questions Include your check made payable to:

Share Your Mission and mail to:

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138 Heavenly View  
Sylva, N.C. 28779

### On Gandhi . . .

Mahatma Gandhi, as you know, walked barefoot most of the time, which produced an impressive set of calluses on his feet.

He also ate very little, which made him rather frail and with his odd diet, he suffered from bad breath.

This made him a super calloused fragile mystic hexed by halitosis.

If you haven't visited our website lately you might want to discover the new look as well as some additions. We have added a minister's resource page.

**Free Unity books** by Charles and Myrtle Fillmore are available on line as we add to the library

[www.fillmoresunity.com](http://www.fillmoresunity.com)

### New Members . . .

Take the time to invite people to join our organization. We all associate with folks who are Truth students that want to be made aware that we exist for them.

If you are a minister it is important for you to invite your congregation to join. This makes for a tighter relationship in the commonality among our members.

We are an organization designed to grow and all of our efforts so far have lent to the purpose of bringing more and more people to the Truth as we understand it.

## Classic Unity . . .

### A LETTER FROM EMILY CADY

April 9, 1930

Dear Mr. Fillmore:

The books have come and I hasten to thank you for sending them so promptly. I am glad and thankful to see these clean cut, unmolested copies of the book. I enclose check for same.

You wonder why I felt so deeply about what probably seemed to you a small matter. Let me tell you. Almost every one of the simple written articles in Miscellaneous Writings was born out of the travail of my soul, after I had been weeks, months, some of them years trying, "treating", claiming the promises of Jesus Christ using all the knowledge of Truth I possessed in a perfect agony of soul to deliver some one of my family or myself from some distressing bondage which defied all human help. One of these was my old father who had been in hidden exile 7 years, though innocent. No process of law, no amount of help from "healers", no prayers availed, till one day God gave me "God's Hand", and in three days father was set free.

Another was a favorite nephew who drank, and began a life of other dissipation. It took weeks of an awful anxiety before I got to the place of really "Loose him and let him go." When I did, and stood there steadfastly, it only required a few hours to see him so "healed" that although 38 years have passed he has yet to touch a drop of liquor.

Another was the dreadful question of money supply. God gave me the vision of "All Sufficiency," then He set me to work to prove it. Over two years I worked at it, never letting a human being know what I was trying to prove, being more times than I can tell, absolutely hungry for want of a 5 ¢ roll, and yet so sure of what God had shown me that I cheerfully taught the Truth to those who came—which in those days were many. At the end of 2 years I suddenly felt that I could endure it no longer, then in desperation I, as you might say, forced God to speak, to tell me Why. His answer was: "And God said Let there be light and there was light." It was all, but it showed me what I wanted to know. That ended the matter and out of it I wrote "The Spoken Word."

I need not go further, but you can see, dear Mr. Fillmore, that these children born as I said before, out of the very travail of my soul, are precious to me,—And how I felt I would rather never see them again than to see them changed in any way. I thank the Fillmores that they have kept them as they were written, for they are God's own burning words to any one suffering under like conditions, however simple they may seem to one not needing them.

I hope that I have not bored you with this long story of Why.

Again I thank you. And also for the faithful continuance of the monthly remembrance. So many times I wish we could talk face to face about these things. Letters sound so hard and are so easily misunderstood. What is why I sent you the telegram. My warmest love to all the Fillmores.

Very sincerely,

H. Emily Cady

#### *Editor's note:*

*Dr. Emily Cady, as most of you know was the author of the articles which eventually became Lessons in Truth.*

*I included this letter because it underscores the faith of Dr. Cady and also the single eyedness of her dedication and dependence on Truth as she understood it.*

*I wish for each of the understanding and dedication to Practical Christianity that was had by Dr. Cady.*

*Rev. C. Smith*

## What about Revelations?

Other than Numbers, probably the most widely discussed and possibly ignored books of the Holy Bible. I say ignored because of the difficulty of gaining understanding what with the symbolism of all the apocalyptic writing style.

There are generally four ways that Revelation is accepted by the general Biblical student.

1. The **preterist** believe that the prophecy in Revelation has already taken place. In fact they believe it occurred before 70 AD.
2. The **historians** believe that Revelation is a history that occurred beginning at the time John was placed on the island of Patmos until now.
3. The futurists believe that Revelations had yet to occur and that it can only occur with the arrival of Jesus also called the second coming.
4. The idealists are my kind of folks. The idealist believes that Revelation is a wonderful story of good triumphing over evil. I like this.

Read the book. Find out what you think and know that the symbolism is a close road map of your life and what it holds.