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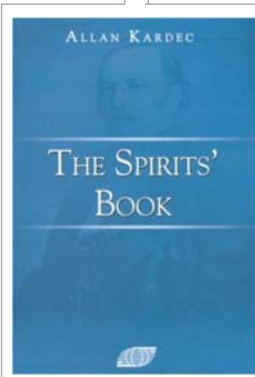
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150 years later...

Published in Paris, on April 18th, 1857, The Spirits' Book is the initial mark for a new phase in humankind's history.

Spiritism is based on the solidity of this book, on the credibility and wisdom of its spiritual teachings, and on the purity of the ethical principles that it proposes. The Spirits' book contains 1019 questions and answers. The questions were formulated by Allan Kardec and the answers were brought in (through mediums) by Enlightened Spirits among which were John the Evangelist, St. Augustine, St. Vicent De Paul, St. Louis, Socrates, Plato, Fenelon, Emmanuel Swendeborg, Benjamin Franklin and The Spirit of Truth.

This phenomenal book can be considered the tree of life because it sheds light onto all subjects of life. It is didactically divided in four parts: Part I – God and the Universe; Part II – The Spirit World; Part III – Ethico-Moral Laws; Part IV – Hopes and Solaces.



Besides The Spirits' Book, other basic works compose the Spiritist Codification: The Mediums' Book, The Gospel According to Spiritism, Heaven and Hell, and Genesis, develop deepen and consolidate the principles of Spiritism.

These were the seeds of love and light which have been spreading throughout the last 150 years from Paris, France to the whole world. Since then, Spiritism has been promoting spiritual education, spiritual healing and comfort to people of all walks of life. It has also been leading several social community outreach programs that have been transforming lives in many countries, especially in Brazil. At-risk children, youth and families have been assisted through the phenomenal work done by Spiritist organizations.

On April 18 2007, we celebrated the 150th anniversary of Spiritism!

- The Editors

The U.S. Spiritist Movement paid tribute to Spiritism



"I have a dream," said Martin Luther King Jr. And we also had a dream. Our dream came true on April 14, 2007, when the U.S. Spiritist movement paid a national tribute to the 150 years of Spiritism. For the first time in North American history, we had a national spiritist event all in the English language. It seems trivial, but till then all the national spiritist meetings happened either in Portuguese or Spanish, due to the fact that the majority of Spiritist centers are run by Latin American leaders.

The U.S. Spiritist movement finally took its shape and identity. As Divaldo Franco said in his greeting email message for the event, "we finally transfer the Spiritist knowledge to the American hands. A new Era has arrived." The sense of identification with America was also "coincidentally" shown in the number of centers which sponsored the event. Just like the 13 colonies of America, 13 were the Spiritist centers who sponsored the dream that came true. Besides the Spiritist

Society of Baltimore (SSB), the following 12 spiritist societies nationwide sponsored the memorable event: Spiritist Group of New York (NY), Christian Study Spiritist Center (FL), Allan Kardec Society of Danbury (CT), Allan Kardec Educational Society (AZ, PA), Allan Kardec Spiritist Society of MA, Allan Kardec Spiritist Society of Marlboro (MA), Spiritist Society Love and Light (NJ), Kardecian Spiritist Federation of Florida, Spiritist Center Divine Light (NJ), Spiritist Group Regeneration (GA), Home of Ehlael Kardecian Spiritist Center (FL) and, Bezerra de Menezes Spiritist Society (MD). Other 7 spiritist organizations gave their moral support to the event: Blossom Spiritist Society (CA), Spiritist Group of Davis (CA), Allan Kardec Spiritist Society of MD, Allan Kardec Spiritist Center of NY, Caritas Spiritist Center (CO), Long Island Spiritist Doctrine Study Group and, the United States Spiritist Council. Other local sponsors also honored the event with their sponsorship. Thanks to this group effort the event was a veritable success.

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SPEAKERS



Mauricio Cisneiro (CSSC-FL)



Jussara Korngold (SGNY-NY)



Sonia Doi (AKSS-MD)



Daniel Benjamin (AKES-AZ,PA)



Daniel Assis (BSC-CA)



Elza D'Agosto (L&L-NJ)



Vanessa Anseloni (SSB-MD)

The SSB was deeply honored to fulfill its task as the hosting organization and also partner with the other Spiritist organizations who also took the challenge of organizing a national tribute to the 150 years in less than 4 months. This national collaboration opened a new phase in the U.S. Spiritist movement.

The atmosphere was of unity and enthusiasm. It was a true spirit of celebration on the efforts taken by many Spiritists throughout the last 150 years. Among the almost 300 attendees, 40% were American-born and there were people from 16 States of the U.S. Majority of the leaders of the U.S. Spiritist movement were present, including representatives of the United State Spiritist Council.

"Revisiting the past, engineering the future", the title given to the event, was originally customized to the American style and it had many highlights, among which were:

- (1) The ingrained potential of our U.S. Spiritist movement to work on the dissemination of the Spiritist message. Well-prepared speakers and poster presenters from coast to coast of the U.S. showed their readiness and preparation to continue this work without hesitation;
- (2) New, effective ways of communicating Spiritism. Inspired on academic meetings, the poster session brought a new venue to learn about Spiritism at a one-on-one level.

- (3) Spiritism touches everyone's soul. American-born Spiritists touched the public's hearts when they shared their personal interest and experience in Spiritism.
- (4) There is an interested youth in America awaiting the opportunity to learn and practice the Spiritist teachings. Several 12- to 18-year old participants experienced an especially customized 4-hour workshop.
- (5) A 12-minute movie made by SSB recapitulated the history of Spiritism and its progress throughout the last 150 years.
- (6) The use of visualization to boost our fluidic communion and close the spiritist event with deep inner peace.

The First United States Spiritist Symposium had a great brain-heart balance. The first part expressed the profound rationale of the Spiritist thoughts, while the second one showed the depth of the emotional work that is provided by Spiritism.

"Build and they [our American brothers and sisters] will come," a Spiritist friend from NY reminded us while paraphrasing a line from the movie *Field of Dreams*. And this event was the true expression of the veracity of this saying. May we continue building the Spiritist edifice in America by making its inspirational teachings and practices available to everyone! ■

TESTIMONIALS

The impact of Spiritism in my life



Roni La'mar (CA)



Greg Stewart (MD)

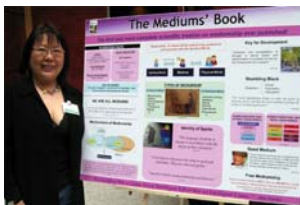


Becky Stafford (MD)

Poster Presenters



The Spirits' Book
Flavio Zanetti (AKSS-MA)



The Mediums' Book
Akemi Adams (BSC-CA)



The Gospel According to Spiritism
Julio Carvalho (SCDL-NJ)



Heaven and Hell
Elmo Delandes/ Joao Korngold (SGNY-NY)



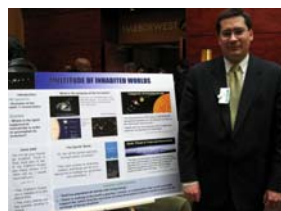
Genesis
Junara Araujo (SGNY-NY)



Existence of God
Judith Peterschmidt (AKSS-MA)



Immortality of the soul
Marcene Vieira (AKSS-CT)



Multitude of the Inhabited Planets
Luis Almeida (SSB-MD)



Reincarnation
Carolina Stronsider (SSB-MD)



Communication of the Spirits
Ezio Oliveira (SGR-GA)

Linked to the Divine

The Spirits' Book, the foundational work by Allan Kardec, discusses in detail everything a person needs to know to orient to the purpose of life and to conduct oneself in accordance with Divine Law. It answers the questions:

- Who am I?
- Where did I come?
- Where shall I go?
- What are the consequences of my actions?
- What do I do with my life on Earth?
- How do I relate to others?
- How do I fit with others in the grand scheme of things?

Amidst the richness of this book is one small area which stands far above the others, in my opinion, in its clarity and promise for us – the relationship between humans and their Guardian Angels. It is that relationship which I should like to explore in these short article.

The concept of Guardian Angels was present in ancient Greek philosophy, alluded to in the Old Testament, discussed by Plato, mentioned by Jesus but really got its “codification” in the fifth Century AD. Honorius of Auton noted each person received a Guardian Angel when the soul entered a body. Interestingly, his view presupposed the existence of the soul prior to its entrance into the body.

Guardian Angels are important to Catholic belief and the Church even set aside Oct. 2 to celebrate

those high beings which accept the mission to protect and to guide souls encased in a human body.

What does The Spirits' Book add to the discussion of Guardian Angels? Question 491 of The Spirits' Book states that the purpose of Guardian Angels is to aid us with their counsel, to console us in our afflictions and to sustain our courage throughout the trials of our earthly life. A Guardian Angel may follow its “ward” through successive lives, so long as the need for such guidance persists. When we advance enough to make decisions which abide by Universal Law, we no longer need the protection and guidance of our Angels, and they go on to other things.

Interestingly, The Spirits' Book mentions that we shall develop as mediums through our attention to our Guardian Angels. This suggests that mediumship is a learned, voluntary act, brought on by sincere attention to the very subtle still, small voice within each of us that is our Guardian Angel.

In The Spirits' Book we learn that all spirits are destined to progress and achieve the level of pure spirits. Guardian Angels are spirits of high degree who accept an assignment to guide the advancement of a soul.

The Spirits' Book says that good Spirits and Guardian Angels never tire of our questions, they

attempt to maintain and to realize the relationship. In other parts of the book, it is noted that Spirits communicate with humans through thoughts, desires, impulses, feelings, hunches and so forth (embellishment mine). At this very moment, your Guardian Angel may be trying to reach you.

Open your heart, that you might receive. Rejoice in the sweetest of all relationships, for your Guardian Angel sees the Face of God and is your direct link to the Supreme Intelligence and source of all that is Good.

Offer your gratitude daily to your Guardian Angel. Practice its presence, that you might know it is with you. Feel its prodding. Notice just for once that it guided you to a “correct” decision in light of your advancement and you will be hooked – dancing in the most harmonious movement with the Divine.

There are many Spirits which may aid you at certain times. But only your Guardian Angel is present at all times, to pick you up when you fall, to help maintain you on the path of advancement. Rejoice and sing the praises of your Guardian Angel's loyalty and affection for you. Doing so just might get you that much closer to God on your path back to the Source of All (God). ■

- by Jim Pursley

"Reason requires that an intelligent effect must have an intelligent force as a cause."

- The Spirits' Book by Allan Kardec

Spiritist Facts



1855 - Prof. Rivail is introduced to the Baudin family, then living at Rue Rochechouart. Invited by Mr. Baudin, Rivail begins to attend the weekly sessions that take place in his house. The mediums, the Baudin couple's daughters Caroline and Julie, start to write with the aid of a small basket.

1856 - Rivail starts to also attend meetings at Mr. Roustan's residence, located on 14 Rue Tiquetonne. The medium was the somnambulist Mrs. Japhet, through whom the Spirits help Rivail completely revise the texts obtained through the mediumship of the Baudin girls.

1856 - On April 30, through the mediumship of Mrs. Japhet, Rivail first receives information concerning his mission. Further communications of a more definitive nature would follow.

1857 - The first manuscript of *Le Livre des Esprits* [The Spirits' Book] is ready at the beginning of the year. The editor, E. Dentu, has it printed at the *Imprimerie de Beau*, in Saint-Germain-en-Laye, 15 miles west of Paris. All expenses are funded by Rivail. The Rivail couple then lived at 8 Rue des Martyrs, on the second floor.

The Spiritist Review – special edition celebrating Allan Kardec's bicentenary (1804 – 2004) - Published by the International Spiritist Council –ISC.





Youth activity at the 1st U.S. Symposium

“What is Intelligent Principle? What is the Spiritist view of Evolution?” With these questions, Nahur Fonseca (AKSS, MA) opened the First Spiritist Symposium’s activities for youth with a brainstorm. Nine teenagers, between 11 and 16 years old, from the States of Maryland, New York and New Jersey, compared the theories of Evolutionism, Creationism, Intelligent Design, and the Spirits’ theory of evolution, which fills in the gaps that Science still cannot explain.

Moving on, they talked about the Universal Trinity: God, matter and spirit; discussed about the attributes of God, its perfection, and how both matter and spirit have to progress for “everything in Nature is linked together, from the primitive atom to the archangel, who himself began at the atom.” (*The Spirits’ Book* q 540).

Next, they watched a video showing the development of a zebra fish egg, and learned the importance of the perispirit on the formation of the body, and as a live record of the progress made by the Spirit, during its internships as Intelligent Principle throughout the three kingdoms of life – minerals, plants and animals – till it reaches the human stage, to progress in the axes of reason and love, intelligence and moral, in one word, as Gabriel put it, the ‘virtues’ that will lead us in the pathway to be pure spirits.

This part of the youth workshop was closed with a song about the legacy of the inferior kingdoms to the Spirit in its evolutionary journey, and an invitation: “Be god for them, as God is for you”, as Jesus once replied to the Pharisees: “Has it not been written in your Law, ‘I said, YOU ARE GODS’” (John 10:34).

In the second part of the workshop, Eduardo Vasconcellos (AKSCenter, NY) led a creative game. The teenagers formed pairs in order to write about the lives of four spirits through a series of three reincarnations, in Egypt circa 1857 BC, in Jerusalem circa 33 AD, and Paris circa 1527 AD. Each team played the role as the group of Spirits who guided the quartet. In the end, they had to plan the reincarnation of the four spirits in the same family. They analyzed the similarities of the stories they’ve created with their owns.

The group was very excited, and Kayla, 11, admitted that she was afraid at the beginning since she was amongst the youngest, with Vanessa and Zachary as well. All of them did great, as they demonstrated the laws of progress, and cause and effect acting upon the lives they were supervising.

At the end of the symposium, the youth group presented a short play to the general, adult public. Daniel, Dominique, Eduardo, Gabriel, Lucas, Nahur, Samuel, and Sebastian acted out the reincarnations of two spirits. The audience applauded in acknowledgment for the great work that the youngsters have done during that special afternoon.

Finally, the youth group was reunited with the adults for the last talk presented by Vanessa Anseloni (SSB, Maryland). ■

- Nahur Fonseca

(Fernanda Ferreira and Eduardo Vasconcellos contributed with this article)

Carolina Strosnider talks about spiritist activities for children



Carolina Strosnider has been the children-youth coordinator at the Spiritist Society of Baltimore for the last 4 years. Born in a Spiritist family, she has been very active in the work of disseminating Spiritism to youth and children. Here, Carolina tells us about the impact of Spiritist Education in her life.

1) When did you become a Spiritist?

I was born a Spiritist. My grandma introduced my mom, who introduced me. I have been going to the spirits center since I remember. My mom would take me with her to volunteer cooking for the homeless and many other activities since I was young. I remember one time, I went with all the children from the center to distribute presents the day before Christmas to less fortunate children. Spiritism has always been a part of my life.

2) What has been the impact of Spiritist education for children and youth in your life?

Since, I do not have children, I can only talk about the impact of spiritism education on me. I think it is much easier to learn the spiritist concepts when young, because they become part of your life without even thinking. The basic spiritism concepts are second nature to me now. I know that I

still have a long way to go and learn, but I believe I have a good foundation to base it on.

3) What does Spiritism represent to you?

To me Spiritism is a way of life. It influences all my decision, but most importantly it gives me awareness of what my decisions means. Spiritism provides me the knowledge I need to understand why my life is the way it is and not some other way.

4) Tell us about the SSB Spiritist education for children.

About 4 years ago, we started the SSB children educational activities during our monthly workshops. Nowadays, we provide activities for children between the ages of 4 and 10, as well as a youth group (11-18). In the beginning, we did not have many children, but now we have many and many more that would like to participate. We hope to expand the children activities this year. Our first step will be to train more Spiritist educators for children and youth so we can expand our program. Second, this summer we would like to have a mini summer camp for the older children. The camp would consist of weekly 2 to 3 hours class. However, in order to expand our children activities we need more volunteers. **We need volunteers to teach the children, to assist the day of and many other things.** The SSB looks forward to the day were we will have weekly activities for several age groups, drama and music classes among many other activities. I am confident that step-by-step, with your help and support, the SSB will get there very soon.

"MOVE AHEAD WITHOUT HESITATION!"

To open the American tribute to the 150th anniversary of Spiritism, we presented the greeting messages from two of the greatest Spiritist mediums of the present time, Divaldo Franco and Raul Teixeira.

Divaldo Franco is a worldwide renowned medium and speaker. He has delivered over 14,000 lectures and spoken in 56 countries in Europe, Asia, Africa and the Americas. Through his mediumship Mr. Franco has published more than 200 books, 70 of which have already been translated in 15 languages. Together with Nilson Pereira, Divaldo Franco founded the "Mansão do Caminho" ("Mansion of the Way"), a philanthropic organization that supports and educates at-risk children and youth, as well as their parents. To date over 20,000 people have received free medical, dental and psychological care from the Mansion of the Way.

Divaldo Franco sent to the SSB an email message saying, "I am certain that this event [First U.S. Spiritist Symposium] will be a mark in the history of the Spiritist movement in the U.S.A., as it will finally be inserted in the American culture. I wish you my best wishes of success and gratitude for this great initiative in celebration of the 150 years of The Spirits' Book."

A touching video message from Raul Teixeira was presented to the public therein. Dr. Teixeira is one of the most prominent Spiritist leaders in the world nowadays. Dr. Teixeira has a B.S. in Physics and his Ph.D. in Education. He is a Spiritist medium, speaker and writer who founded the Fraternal Retreat, a foundation to help and educate at-risk youth and children in Rio de Janeiro. Here is the transcription of his words:

"Dear brothers and sisters, workers of the Spiritist movement in the USA, I would like to congratulate you for taking this new step in the dissemination of the Spiritist Thought in America, as you promote the [First U.S. Spiritist] Symposium in celebration of the 150th anniversary of Spiritism and The Spirits' Book."

America needs vibrant and responsible people like you, so Christ's plan for the dissemination of Spiritism can be implemented. Moved by a spirit of humbleness, knowledge and goodwill, you will be considered as loyal servants of Jesus. Thus, you will deserve the trust of our Spirit Benefactors who are investing their time and effort in the spiritual advancement of the American people."

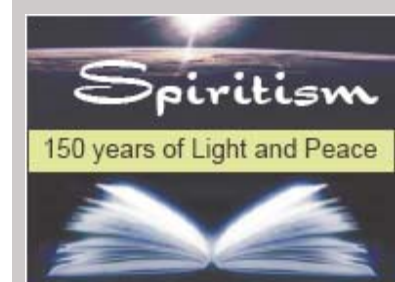
Move ahead without hesitation, because your time is now! Congratulations!"



Prof. Raul Teixeira
Spiritist Medium and Speaker



Divaldo Franco
Spiritist Medium and Speaker



Spirits in Sync

On last April 14, American and Brazilian hearts were united in their national tributes to the 150th anniversary of Spiritism. And Divaldo Franco was the bridge once again, while serving as a medium to bring forth a spirit message in the English-language during the Brazilian Spiritist Meeting in Brasilia, the capital of Brazil. Thousands of people witnessed the unique *specular* mediumistic moment that brought to light the greetings from the spirit realm which was written backwards. That particular moment happened on the same day of the First U.S. Spiritist Symposium. See Joanna de Angelis' message on The Spirits' Book aside...



The Spirits' Book

The human race of our days has drawn upon itself violence, delinquency and dissatisfaction, as a result of advanced technology and wrong perception of many concepts.

However men's urgent problems within find an answer within the spiritist principles.

The Spirit's Book is the key to counter balance the disturbing questions on social and emotional behavior prevailing on our planet.

The Spirit's Book makes many people aware of their responsibilities through a rational faith well founded upon facts.

This search will bring about a revival of Christianity in all its purity, therefore the Spirit's Book is the synthesis of science, philosophy and religion bringing God's answers to men's questions. The comforter promised by Jesus.

- Joanna de Angelis



The Spiritist medium Divaldo Franco psychographs Joanna de Angelis' message during the Brazilian Spiritist Congress held in Brasilia-Brazil, on April 14, 2007.

Accomplished Work!

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The work that has been accomplished here today is the result of the combined efforts of spirits from both planes of life.

We are deeply honored to participate with you in this celebration, and to pay our sincere homage to the one [Kardec] who had not hesitated to serve in the name of God.

My dear beloved, for many eras, we have been together, and the inspiration from on high has been present at each and every step. However, only now we are able to value the knowledge that has been given to us in so many occasions. Let us join in a true fraternal spirit and work for the dissemination of the eternal teachings that are finally engraved in our hearts.

With great humbleness, we thank our Divine Creator and the divine representatives that are gathered here today in such a historic moment in our lives.

May God bless you,

- Joseph

(in the name of the group of spirits herein present)

Message received by Jussara Korngold during the closing ceremony of the First U.S. Spiritist Symposium on April 14, 2007 at the Pier V Hotel in Baltimore, MD – USA

2nd U.S. Spiritist Symposium

In celebration of the 140 years
of the book **Genesis** by Allan Kardec

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The Day After...

On the day after the First US Spiritist Symposium, there was an informal meeting with several Spiritist directors. The goal was to share insights and build strategies on how to disseminate Spiritism on the English language in America.

Representatives of 11 Spiritist Centers were present. The meeting was very delightful and productive. Everyone left with great enthusiasm to pursue the conquest. A summary of the achieved insights can be read at www.ssbaltimore.org/Resources.html



Spiritists got together to build strategies on how to be more effective in the dissemination of Spiritism in America. See more photos at www.ssbaltimore.org/Photos/2007/Symposium/symp07.html

Let the Healing Begin!

Once again America was challenged at the core of its youth. The Virginia Tech massacre brought deep sadness and many questions in the mind of the American people. Why did that happen? Could we have prevented it? What do we do now? No one should be presumptuous to say or assume they know all the answers. But, there are elements that can certainly be addressed.

Spiritism explains that each planet evolves once its population does as well. In our case, the planet Earth is currently transitioning from a planet of trials and atonements to a planet of regeneration. In the first one, “the number of vices to which they are subject also shows their great moral imperfections”, while the second one “is liberated from the ungoverned passions to which human beings are slaves, freed from pride which silences the heart, envy which tortures and hate which suffocates. On all sides the word ‘love’ is written; perfect equity resides over all social relationships; everyone recognizes God and tries to travel in His direction by fulfilling His laws.”

In a world of probations such as ours, catastrophes, disasters happen as a consequence of our needed collective growth. It does not mean that we deserve to suffer, but suffering is a part of a transformative process. Of course there are natural and man-made events. And, to understand the second one, it is important to know that there are many disturbed souls that were given their last opportunity to reincarnate on our planet. After all, reincarnation is a tool of progress. However, if they do not adjust themselves to the overall Earth's evolutive spiritual step, then, they will be compelled to continue their unpostponable growth on other worlds. In this rationale, there will inevitably be shocks between the more and the less evolved souls living in our planet. And the above mentioned tragedy is an expression of it all.

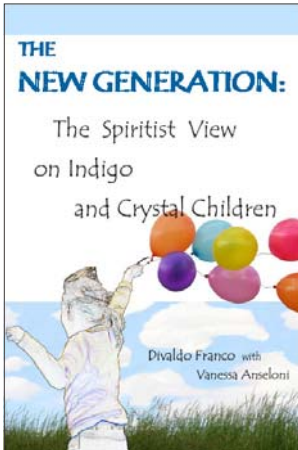
So, what should we do then? Overall, healing is what is needed. The healing of the mind and the soul. So let the healing begin. Based on the Spiritist teachings, we provide you with 3 major steps to help us in this collective healing process:

1. Promote spirituality in your community. Man-made tragedies happen due to a materialistic mentality. Once humanity as a whole accepts the understanding of God's existence and the concept on the immortality of the soul, the actions produced by a materialistic mind will disappear.
2. Send your heartfelt prayers to all involved in the unfortunate event, including the criminal mind. As Jesus said, we shall love our enemies as well, which does not mean we approve of the act, but we exercise compassion and forgiveness. A compassionate, forgiving heart is a healthier heart.
3. Teach the new generations the true value of friendship and importance of friendliness. The Gospel According to Spiritism states that “without charity, there is no salvation.” Charity, in its root meaning, is love in action. Despise and isolationism are opposites of charitable actions. We shall strive to be ever more caring to one another. ■

- by Vanessa Anseloni

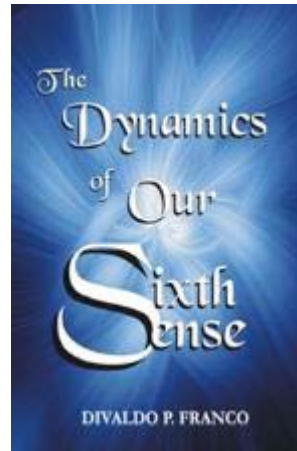


New Books Release



THE NEW GENERATION: the Spiritist View on Indigo and Crystal Children by Divaldo Franco and Vanessa Anseloni

This book was written by the great spiritual leader and humanitarian Divaldo Franco and the neuroscientist and Spiritist Vanessa Anseloni. This book encompasses a never-before put together multidisciplinary view on the challenges faced by the new generations. It brings relevant information in the areas of Neurosciences, Psychology and Spiritism to help people understand and educate the children of today's world who will be responsible for the great transition from a world of wars and suffering into a more fraternal and peaceful one.



The Dynamics of Our SIXTH SENSE

by Divaldo Franco

This book came true as a result of a phenomenal workshop given by the Brazilian medium and speaker Divaldo P. Franco on July 22, 2006 in the auditorium of the Lily Dale Assembly. It crowned the *1 Spiritist Weekend in Lily Dale*, sponsored by the Lily Dale Assembly.

This workshop represents an unforeseen study of our sixth sense, our mediumship. Divaldo Franco provides us with the definition of mediumship, its types, and its therapeutic features. Through his personal experiences, he enlightens us with considerations on the role of mediumship and its charitable purpose. The core of his teachings was of love and kindness. The end of the workshop was blessed with an uplifting trance channeled message of *Dr. Bezerra de Menezes* through Divaldo Franco's extraordinary mediumistic ability.

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Special Event - Workshop

Safe-and-sound mediumship

by Miguel Sardano

Saturday May 26, 2007

6:00 pm - 9:30 pm



Terezinha & Miguel Sardano

Miguel Sardano will explain how to work on mediumship in the light of Spiritism. Dr. Sardano is a retired lawyer from Brazil who has more than 55 years of experience in coordinating mediumship meetings. He is also a writer and collaborator of Divaldo Franco's works. Together with his lovely wife, Teresa Sardano, he founded the Educational Institute Amelia Rodrigues which greatly assists at-risk children and youth in the State of Sao Paulo, Brazil.

Location:

SPIRITWORKS Resource Center
1300 York Rd - Building C, Suite 300
LUTHERVILLE, MD 21093

Free Admission!!!

(No registration required)

This event is sponsored by the **Spiritist Society of Baltimore, Inc.**
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Special workshop

Astral cities, our spiritual homes

by Vanessa Anseloni

"The spirit-world is like a great city where individuals of all ranks and conditions see and meet each other...As in a city, circles are formed by similarities in tastes, and good and bad spirits share the same space without having to interact." - Allan Kardec

In this workshop, we will understand more about:

- The spirit life
- Time between reincarnations
- Organization of the spiritual cities
- Linkage between the material and the spiritual cities

Saturday May 19, 2007

7:30pm - 9:15pm

Location:

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UPCOMING EVENTS

2007 WORKSHOP SERIES

Mar 31- The Spiritist ABC's of anxiety, stress and depression

Apr 28 - Reincarnation, path to freedom

May 19 - Astral Cities, our spiritual homes.

Free Admission !!!

Spiritist activities for CHILDREN (above 4 years old) are provided, while parents are at Workshop

Time: 7:30 pm - 9:15 pm



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2007 Workshop Series on Spiritism

March 31st
The Spiritist ABC's of anxiety, stress and depression

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Feeding the body and the soul

July 28th
The dynamics of our sixth sense

August 25th
Spiritual influence: who is in control?

September 29th
Sleep, dreams and the whole nine yards of the soul's emancipation

October 27th
Decoding the Bible with a Spiritist key

November 17th
Environmentally savvy, Spiritually wise

December 15th
Learning with the Masters, making the difference

***Spiritist Education for children above 4 years old are provided during the workshop**

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These services are offered every
Monday from 7pm to 7:45pm.

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Monday from 8:00pm to 9:30pm
for the study and practice of
mediumship according to
Spiritism.

TALKS on THE SPIRITS' BOOK

A tribute to the 150th anniversary
to help us deepen our knowledge
on Spiritism. - Open to the public,
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Please, contact us for more info.
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Activities are free of charge !!!