



"...Without working together, love couldn't exist; and love is the power of God that gives balance to the universe."

Paul & Stephen

- Emmanuel (Spirit) / Chico Xavier

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After the Storm

Hello Dear Friends!

We are once again ushering in warmer climates and changing seasons. With all changes come some challenges right? What about the seasons of our lives? Do they not also change and at times bring about more challenges? How can we find joy and balance amidst changes that provokes uneasiness within us? These are the deep penetrating questions that may cross our minds. Perhaps at times when we feel downcast and overburdened by challenges we become sad or melancholic. How do we lift ourselves up again?

Joanna de Angelis in the book *After the Storm* shares with us that love brings the awareness that "only by helping one another can [we]... be saved". Saved from what you may ask; saved from the misery of veering off your reincarnatory plan, saved from being selfish, self-centered or self-absorbed. When Joanna de Angelis shares this information with us in the introduction of the book she places pearls of wisdom in our hands to have a broader and more charitable attitude. She tells us that by cultivating this love for your neighbor will stimulate you to help him. That is one of the reasons why at the *Spiritist Society of Baltimore* we have always had outreach programs. Most recently we are involved in giving donations to the Esperanza center as a way to remind us of the joy of giving.

We invite you to start your inner journey towards happiness by helping to fulfill the law of charity and the law of work by helping one another not just with alms but with your positive words and thoughts towards one another! Also, encourage your children to be loving and charitable towards others! Begin today to build your better tomorrow!

- The Editors



A Brief History about HUMBERTO DE CAMPOS (The Brother "X")

Humberto de Campos was born in the city of Miritiba, in the state of Maranhao, on October 25, 1886.

He was the son of Joaquim Veras and Ana de Campos Veras. Now a days the city has been named after him in his honor. With his father's death when he was only 6 years old, his family moved to the state's capital of Sao Luis where he started to work in local commerce to help on the subsistence of his family. Later they moved down to the city of Parnaiba, in the neighbor state of Piaui, where he spent most of his childhood. At that time, in 1896, he planted a cashew tree in the back yard of his family house. He called the tree: "My friend from my childhood". It was under this cashew tree that he got inspiration to write some of his first famous poems. Today that tree is still being conserved by the Parnaiba City government which turned out to be a very popular tourist site for those who want to get to know more about Humberto de Campos. The site is visited daily by tourists from all over the world becoming popularly known as "The Cashew tree of Humberto de Campos" which is a little square surrounded by white marble plates on the walls with his most famous poems.

Humberto de Campos was considered one of the greatest columnist of the XX century. In the same town of Parnaiba, Piaui, the tourists can also find more about his life by visiting "The Humberto de Campos Memorial", where they can see some of his personal belongings, books, photos, etc. The Memorial was opened with the help of Parnaiba's mayor, Hamilton Castelo Branco and from Humberto de Campos's grand daughter, Catharina de Campos, who lives in Rio de Janeiro.

In his book "Memories", he tells more about the Cashew Tree. Being under that tree the tourists/visitors can smell the great aroma of the tree. It is the only cashew tree of its kind that gives fruits throughout the year. A normal cashew tree has its seasonal time to give fruits.

In 1910 when Humberto de Campos was 24 years old, he published his first book of poetries titled: "Dust", which gave him a reasonable recognition in Brazil. Two years later he moved to Rio de Janeiro where he pursued his journalism carrier and started to gain distinction among the literature's world in Brazil. At that time he became friends with well known writers of his time such

as *Coelho Neto* and *Olavo Bilac*. He became known by his great chronicles published in important newspapers in Rio de Janeiro.

In 1919 he became a member of the Brazilian Literature Academy. A year later he started his career as a politician representing his home state of Maranhao. He was re-elected and worked as such until the break out of the "Brazilian Revolution" in 1930 when he was exiled out of Brazil to live in Europe. In 1933 with his debilitating health, he published his book: "Memories" (1886-1900) in which he describes his memories about his childhood and youth. That book had a great acceptance by the public and the critics at his time with successive editions in the next decades.

After many years of illnesses that made him almost blind along with several urinary problems, he died in Rio de Janeiro in December 15, 1934 at age of 48.

After he passed away, his popularity grew with his several chronicles, anecdotes, tales, and reminiscences of his own. They were all published on the follow years after his death. Several books, supposedly written by the author's spirit, psychographed by the Brazilian medium Chico Xavier, as a result the Humberto de Campos family then opened a lawsuit against Chico Xavier with the allegation of violating the copyrights of Humberto de Campos works. The accusations, which caused great polemic at the time, was judged groundless by the courthouse.

In 1950, a new scandal arrised with the work "The Secret Diary" kept by the author some period during the 1910 decade and with assiduity of 1928 until his death. It was published by the very known Brazilian magazine called "O Cruzeiro", which their editors published in a book in 1954. The publication caused a great scandal at the time of its publication for the reason of several notes and personal impressions made by the author in respect to great renown authors of the Brazilian Literature, politics and the society of his time, such as Machado de Assis, Getulio Vargas, Olavo Bilac and others.

BROTHER X

The first contact by the spirit of the deceased poet with Chico Xavier, occurred three months after the poet's death in March of 1935. That encounter happened during the medium's sleep when the spirit of the author presented itself to the medium. A few years later, in May of the same year, the firstfew pages has been psychographed which was entitled, "The word of the deceased ones", having as its main subject the description of the intense work of spirituality by the human progress.

The option to use the pseudonym "Brother X" was chosen because of a lawsuit initiated in 1994, by the incarnated author's family, against the Brazilian Spirit Federation and the medium. The family wanted to detain all the copyrights of the spirit's works, in case it would be confirmed as the author of the mediunic works. Although the Judiciary decision at the time has been unfavorable to the widow, for precaution, the spirit author started to sign his texts under the pseudonym above, avoiding future sorrows or annoyances by the author's family.

Subsequently, the defense job in this process, resulted in the classic work: "The Psychocgraphy before the Courts" by the Brazilian lawyer Miguel Timponi.

Therefore, the first five books published by the Brazilian Spiritist Federation Publishing came to the public in with the author's real name. Starting with sixth book, published in 1945, they became assinged the author as, "Brother X". The next following decades would then be the revelation of an important contribution for the spreading of the Spiritist Movement in Brazil. The book "Brazil, the Heart of the World, the Nation of the Gospel" In 1938, his books continued to have great impact in the Spiritist movement, some of which were chronicles and tales and texts that elucidated about some of the passages in The Gospel in Accord of Spiritism.

Below are the books psychographed by Chico Xavier through the spirit of Mr. Campos/ "Brother X".

- 1937 - "Chronicles of Life after death"
- 1938 - "Brasil, the Heart of the World, the Nation of the Gospel"
- 1940 - "New Messages"
- 1943 - "News from the Life after Death"
- 1945 - "Lazaro Revived"
- 1948 - "Light Above"
- 1951 - "Points and Tales"
- 1958 - "Tales and Fables"
- 1964 - "Tales from that Life and from Beyond"
- 1966 - "Tales and Chronicles"
- 1969 - "The Stand of Life"
- 1988 - "Account of Life"
- 1989 - "Histories and Notes"



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"There is no happy reality that is worth a tenth of a good dream" – Humberto de Campus

After the Storm

"Love will make people realize that only by helping one another can they be saved, for there is individual suffering, and when one person suffers all are affected. Happiness cannot be self centered, and it is doubtful that anyone could rejoice while surrounded by those in tears. Hope, based on the concept of brotherhood, stimulates the young to go forward and to achieve what is noble."

- Joanna de Angelis

After the Storm, by Joanna de Angelis/Divaldo Franco



- Jesus and the Worker -

Message dictated to Raul Teixeira by the Spirit William March

"In fact, these are days of confusion in the soul of the world, causing difficulties in the actions of good. Jesus, however, had already asserted that, on Earth, the human soul would only find afflictions.

There are shadows looming over men's heart, promoting the fury of violence and crime everywhere. But Jesus stated that both good and bad men get the foundations of their deeds out of their own hearts.

These are times in which we observe the devastating activity of the impertinent materialism and selfish interests that spread misery through war. However, Jesus established that blessed are the peacemakers.

A gigantic number of individuals, sick and needy in many ways, in a world of billions of souls, still suffer the torture of disregard and neglect. However, let's remember Jesus' action, recalling that He said He did not come for the healthy but for the sick.

We see hypocrisy expanding everywhere we look, leading to deception and illusions. Many defenseless men surrender to easy and compelling speeches delivered by those with evil hearts and who triumph in the immediacy of the world. Jesus, however, warned: beware of false prophets, scattered here and there.

Sometimes, dismay looms over the paths of the good servants because it seems they face so many exhaustive fights and carry the weight of the world on their tired shoulders. However, we should not forget Jesus' advice: **Have good faith!**

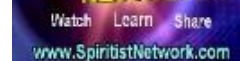
Dear friend, **whatever problems present themselves in the footsteps of your earthly journey, whatever challenges come up in your evolutionary path**, whether within yourself, in family relationships, or in the areas of your work, **your faith in Jesus Christ will serve as the safe anchor for your heart and the moral guidance and comfort that you need.** In it you will always find the answers to your concerns, so that you won't be distressed or tormented, but so you can carry on, overcoming the shortcomings around you, doing the work that you need in order to cooperate with the Work of God, under the clarity of the Consoler.

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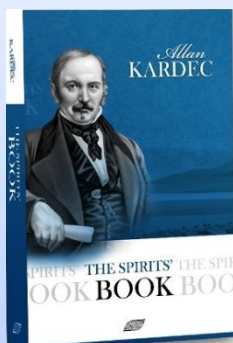
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DESTRUCTIVE CALAMITIES

737. For what purpose does God inflict humankind with destructive calamities?

"To impel them to progress more quickly. Haven't we stated that destruction is necessary for the moral regeneration of spirits, who acquire a new degree of purification during each new existence? You must see the end in order to appreciate the results. You only judge such things from your own personal point of view, and you regard such inflictions as calamities because of the injury they cause you. However, these hardships are often necessary in order to make things arrive at a better order more quickly, and to accomplish in a few years what would otherwise require many centuries."



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Spiritist Activities



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Calendar – June 2013

- All Services are free of Charge -

SATURDAYS 6:00pm – 7:30pm *

All sessions are followed by Passes services

June 01 - Yesterday's Children

(Sat @ 6pm) (Movie Screening)

June 08 - Spiritist View of marriage

Sat @ 6pm by Daniel Santos

June 09 - Special Event at SSVA:

(Sun 11-4pm) **Chico Xavier and Emmanuel**
by Geraldo Lemos Neto

June 15* - Behavioral disorders in the Family

(Sat @ 6pm) by Kirsten DeMelo

June 22 - Understanding our extended family

(Sat @ 6pm) by Alba Morales

June 29 - Divorce in the light of Spiritism

(Sat @ 6pm) by Leo Vieira

June 30 - Fundraising Event: Summer Bar-B-Q

(Sun 12-4pm)

Join us!

Special Event at SSVA with by Geraldo Lemos Neto Sunday, June 09 @ 11 am - 4 pm



Location: **SSVA Headquarter**

4280 Henninger Court - Suite I, Chantilly, VA 20151

Part 1: **Chico Xavier: Remembering Chico Xavier and his Legacy**

Lunch break (Lunch price \$15.00/person)

Part 2: **Emmanuel's Novels and Reincarnation.**

Geraldo Lemos Neto is a Brazilian spiritist speaker, medium, writer and currently the coordinator of the Chico Xavier's home museum in Pedro Leopoldo, MG, Brazil. He is also the founder of "Vinha de Luz" publisher, which has been publishing unprecedented mediumistic materials from Chico's works. He is the author of Chico Xavier's biography entitled "Chico Xavier - Love Mandate", published in 1992.

Event sponsored by SSVA and supported by SSB

You are invited to our

Summer Bar-B-Q

Sunday, June 30, 2013

12 pm – 4 pm

Location:

128 Kriders Church Rd
Westminster, MD 21158



Ticket price:

\$ 20 per person \$ 10 per child

(20% discount for families of more than 3 members)

This event is a part of the fundraising program of the Spiritist Society of Baltimore

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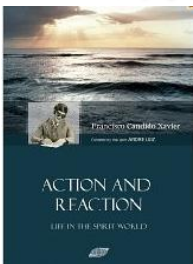
Ongoing Study

THURSDAYS - 7:30pm – 9:00pm *

Study session on the book **Action and Reaction**

The spirit author Andre Luiz presents studies of real-life cases and offers guidance regarding paying one's spiritual debts, the law of cause and effect, preparations for reincarnation, collective expiations, and the value of prayer. Andre Luiz shows us that the possibilities of our current existence are connected to our actions in past existences, just as our actions of today will condition our possibilities in the future.

* *Action and Reaction* by Andre Luiz, psychographed by Francisco Candido Xavier - Published by Edicel



MONDAYS

6:15 – 8:00 PM*

Fraternal Counseling

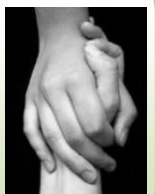
(6:15pm-7:55pm)

Spiritual Treatment

(7:00pm – 7:45pm)

Outreach Program

We are now collecting items to donate to the Esperanza Center.



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