



Universal Brotherhood Movement

“GoodNews” Newsletter ~ Spring 2008 Edition

Greetings from the Administrative Office!

By ~ Minister/Director Robin Morini

You may remember me, the voice so happy to hear from you on the other end of your phone calls the past ten years. Well, I am still the “happy to hear you” voice on the phone, only this time in the position of Administrator.

After 17 years of dedicated, loving, service to UBM, inc., Julie decided to create a delightful bakery and opened *Sticky Buns Natural Bakery & Chocolate Shoppe* in Murphy, North Carolina! While we were speaking recently over the phone, Julie was busy baking her signature sticky buns, and oh how my mouth was watering as I envisioned delicious caramel topping slowing dripping over fresh-baked buns...trays of hand-dipped chocolates...fresh baked organic breads, all with a steaming cup of organic coffee...yummm!

Plenty of adjusting has been going on at the UBM office ~ and I do want to thank everyone for their patience. Rick came by for a quick visit, making decisions for

our new arrangements. As always, he brought warm rays of his own brand of sunshine to Florida, along with the long-distance loving flow from Jeni. During our meeting, I officially accepted the position as Administrator, and Rhiannon accepted the position as our new Assistant. Rhiannon is currently attending Florida Atlantic University, enrolling in their nursing program. She also works as a server in a nearby restaurant and now we are delighted to have her on board with the UBM. Busy, busy, busy!

More changes were on the way! In October 2007, we moved our offices in Coral Springs to a beautiful office here in Boca Raton, Florida. It is a quiet location surrounded by palm trees and shade-giving banyan trees. Our new address is listed inside ~ and we love our new office!

Our UBM GoodNews was in need of a makeover, and Minister/Director Paula Webb volunteered to give our

online newsletter just that look. Many of you may be familiar with the newsletter of the National InterFaith Council that is written and published by Paula. We appreciate the fine work Paula presents in her published books, presentations, and now our newsletter. Please make sure we have your current e-mail address so we can contact you with any further information, updates, and or course, our GoodNews Newsletter!

Paula and I are also updating our *Minister's Ceremony Book*. It will include wedding ceremonies, funeral services, invocations, baptisms, commitment unions and more. Please contact either one of us if you are interested in sharing a ceremony of your own. This is a very exciting project that we will have completed by June 2008 ~ just in time for our Conference!

Conference Chairperson is Rev. Michael Dearing, with assistance from Rev. Rosemary Cathcart. The Doubletree Hotel has special room rates for July 8—15; a sit-down banquet is scheduled for Saturday evening, multiple seminars are listed on a variety of subjects ~ as well as the opportunities to see the Grand Ole Opry, the Parthenon, and other such sites. Most importantly we will gather to share ideas, thoughts, prayers, and the love we will radiate with each other. Be on the lookout for your Registration Packet ~ and see you there!

From the bottom of my heart I want to share with all of you how much I appreciate and enjoy this opportunity to be a part of our UBM family here in the office, where so much energy and love come my way.

With Love,

Robin

“Develop & Grow Your Ministry” is the theme for our 2008 Conference, held this year in Nashville, Tennessee

“THE LESSON OF GIVING”

~ BY DR. RICK PRIGMORE ~

(Excerpt from “The Joy of Living”)

We are told in the scriptures and sacred writings of the ages that we manifest our destiny, that abundance is ours for the claiming, that all good things are ours by divine rights, aren't we?

How many of us really believe that? We read it, we preach it, we expound on it ~ but, when the chips are down, we opt for less. We feel we aren't "worthy" to have it all. We "don't deserve" it.

This lesson was brought home to us more forcefully when we were preparing to dispose of most of our 'worldly good' and take off in a motor home. This house was under contract and we needed to empty it. We thought first of having a garage sale. That would be fun and profitable. But, then, we thought, if we really believe in abundance, why not give it away?

We invited about 40 friends to a 'pot luck' farewell dinner on Sunday. As each guest entered, he or she was given labels with their name on them. At dinner we explained we couldn't take much of what was in the house and we had no plans to ever settle down again.

So, after dessert, they were instructed to go through the house and put their labels on the items they would like to have. Then, take them home.

We noticed that one person gazed lovingly at an oil painting and said,

“I've always loved that painting...but, I'll take this vase.”

We said, “No, take the painting.”

Another said,

“I've always admired that tea cart ever since I've know you...but I'll just take this picture.”

Again, we said, “No, take the tea cart.”

The scene was repeated time and again. People were willing to settle for less than they really wanted. They felt they should pay us something or “hold it for us” until we returned. It was *so difficult* for them to *accept* the abundance of life.

What a great lesson ~ for us in releasing our attachment, but more important, for everyone to test their belief in promised abundance.

Whatever we desire is ours by divine right.

We have but to ask.

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To order a copy of “The Joy of Living” contact Dr. Rick Prigmore ~ rick@universalbrotherhood.org

“DEVELOP & GROW YOUR MINISTRY”

Universal Brotherhood Movement Conference

July 11—13, 2008

Doubletree Hotel

Nashville, Tennessee

Speakers will include: *Dr. Reginald Worrell ~ Rev. Gregory Possman ~ Rev. Rosemary Cathcart ~ Rev. George Rosvally ~ Dr. Mike Dearing*

With a Special Musical Event by ~ ***Armand & Angelina!***

Please join your fellow ministers in spirit, song, fellowship and love this summer!

If you haven't received your Registration Packet as of yet ~ please contact Rev. Mike Dearing at imadear@insightbb.com



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“KEYS OF LIGHT”

Artwork by Rev. Robin Morini

Rev. Robin, a 2nd generation artist has developed artistic illustrations for healing since an early age, and continues ~ along with her ministry ~ with her original art illustrating numerous books ~ activating the universal knowledge in all of us.

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~ *INSPIRATION* ~

“The deeper the self-realization of a man, the more he influences the whole universe by his subtle spiritual vibrations.”

Paramhansa Yogananda ~ Autobiography of a Yogi

“A man of humanity is one who, in seeking to establish himself, finds a foothold for others, and who, desiring attainment for himself, helps others to attain.”

Confucianism ~ Analects

“You give but little of yourself when you give of your possessions. It is when you give of yourself that you truly give.”

Kahlil Gibran ~ The Prophet

“Generosity knows no race, nor creed.”

Judaism ~ Talmud

~ *PRAYER* ~

“May the power of Your love O Lord, fiery and sweet, so absorb our hearts so as to withdraw them from undo attachment to all that is under Heaven. Grant us, O Lord, that we may be ready to die for the love of all that you have created. Amen”

St. Francis of Assisi

(1182-1226)

“O God of love, we ask You to give us love; love in our thinking, love in our speaking, love in our doing. And love in the hidden places of our souls; love of those with whom we find it hard to bear, and love of those who find it hard to bear with us; love of those with whom we work, and love of those with whom we take our ease ~ that so, at length we may be worthy to dwell with You, You who are eternal love...Amen.”

William Temple

(1881-1944)

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~ *MEDITATION* ~

“Blessed Be Me” Meditation

By ~ Rev. May Hutchinson

That I may be a servant to you on this earth
That I may bring joy to those around me and give you the glory
That I may bring understanding, love, and allowance
That when I see pain, I comfort
That when I see struggle, I help
That when I see confusion, I clarify

That in order to do all these things
I have to remember
That it all starts with me

If I do things that bring me joy, I will spread joy
If I judge not myself, I'll not judge others
If I do things that build confidence
I will know confidence and give confidence

The Universe and my creative space, all start with me
God, Guardians, and Terrestrial Guides are here to accompany me ~ not to do it for me

I allow me to explore, expand, and excel
I allow them to open doors for me, and guide me to that which I have asked of them.

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PRESS RELEASE

2007 Citizenship Award ~ Rev. Andrea Kay Smith

On December 17, 2007 the 2007 Citizenship Award was present to Rev. Andrea in recognition of her outstanding Community Service for contributions made positively impacting the quality of life for the residents of DeKalb County, District 3, Georgia. We congratulate Rev. Andrea on work well done!

For more information on Rev. Andrea's work ~
www.partnershipsinpeace.org