

2021 COMMUNITY CONFERENCE ADDRESS

“STATE OF THE CHURCH COMMUNITY”

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Introduction

Good morning, again. I want to welcome and thank you for attending The Community’s 2021 Cosolargy Conferenc, which began this morning with our Sunday Sunrise Divine Service and which will continue and conclude next Saturday with our Zoom meeting at 2 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time. Our format this year is rather new and something we will be expanding upon in the coming months, most likely with virtual classes and seminars being introduced and offered to new Consociates in The Academy.

Next year – in 2022 – we will have an in-person general Convocation, which we haven’t been able to host for two years due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Next year’s event in 2022 is being planned to take place around this same time, which is Second Advent Pentecost. 2022 will mark the 60th anniversary of the birth of the Sun of Righteousness in 1962. Needless to say, this will be an auspicious event that will coincide with an important 20 year cycle -- a double blessing which we will discuss next year. And, of course, I don’t have to remind you that while virtual meetings like these afford us an opportunity to connect, they do not replace the power of in- person attendance, assembly and fellowship.

Overview

As you all know, we call our system the System of Cosolargy. This is a word that was coined by my father in the 1950’s to describe the Cosmic Solar Logos, encompassing a spiritual, metaphysical and practical philosophy that we know as the “Arts, Sciences and Technologies of Cosolargy.” Some years ago, you may remember that I amended that to “the *Religious Arts, Spiritual Sciences and Therapeutic Technologies* of Cosolargy.” You may ask why I did that? Why did I add these words? I did that because true religion is an “art,” and art is the expression and application of skill and imagination. We know that the Christian Church, as well as many other religions, have lost the art form of true spiritual religious practice.

Spirituality is a “science” and it *must* be scientific. That is, it has to be real, and it has to be experienced, and it has to be able to be proven. True spirituality is a divine science. And I’m not talking about someone who says they are “spiritual” just because they practice yoga or meditate. True spirituality as a divine science is a practical activity and a systematic study, structure and behavior that one acquires through observation, experimentation and experience which only the

illuminated mind transformed into Conscious Spirit can understand.

As for *therapeutic* technology - technology is the application of certain knowledge, specifically scientific knowledge, that is always developing and evolving. I think that this is a very important point to understand along with the fact that everything in Cosolargy is fundamentally therapeutic and related to the healing of disease. The word disease is separated -- dis-ease. Whether that is for our own well being -- our bodies, our Force Centers, our mind, our psyche, or our Spirit and Soul, the reflections and inflections we practice each day as Cosolargists to maintain and *heal* the sun, how we strive and achieve to *heal* ourselves, our fellow man and woman, the planet and the cosmos. Everything we do -- what Cosolargy exemplifies and what the Teachings of Light instruct us in is *therapeutic* and *healing*. That is the essence of our System, the Teaching, and this Community.

The history and events of this Community have been well-documented over the past several decades in audio, visual media and text, especially in regards to our scripture, that is to say our Prophecies, Revelations and the Sayings of The Child, which we have been reviewing weekly over the past many months. It should be understood that these Prophecies, Revelations and Sayings were and are spiritual visions that are coming to pass now and will continue to come to pass into the future. Remember, we are living in the limitation of time and space. The Angels and Beings of Light are not, so what is destined to occur, in reality, has already transpired. We, as time/space humans, are only catching up.

We have to continue to do our parts in exemplifying Christ to the best of our abilities and working to aid and abet the Angels and Beings of Light in the divine mission of the transformation of the world, that is the restoration of the creation to its original state which is Light. And, I'm sure, we can all agree that the world is in definite need of transformation. It continues to be in a state of tribulation, chaos and disease, among other things. [This tribulation is due to the energetic, cosmic and spiritual events taking place in the entire universe, which includes our world and its peoples and nations, and beyond.] We see every day the insanity and utter madness that exists. And it's not getting better.

But, there *are* those who are gaining and becoming more and more aware of Christ Consciousness, or God Consciousness, if you like. And then there are those who are becoming more insane and sick. Because of their dark natures they commit heinous acts of violence and evil, whether it be individuals, corporations or nation-states. So that is why this Community -- this Teaching of ours -- is so important to the world. We should remember that no one in the world is teaching what we are teaching. No one in the world is doing what we are doing. Think about it. So that makes each one of you very special, doesn't it? Cosolargy is a practice. It is not a belief-system. It is a way of living, which firstly connects you, the individual, to the source of all life on

the planet; and secondly leads us -- our reborn conscious Souls -- to a divine Communion with the Light of God, which is not the light of this earth, but which has infused its energy within it, which we call the Sun of Righteousness.

Six years ago -- in 2015 -- on this very spot -- this Monastery Gardens, as we call it -- I presented to The Community a five-year plan of action for the advancement of the religious arts, spiritual sciences and therapeutic technologies of Cosolargy. Let us review the progress our Community has made in that time. And since we are at the Sanctuary, let's begin with projects we have undertaken here.

The Sanctuary

Maintenance of the Sanctuary is an ongoing process, and it's something that takes a significant amount of time and energy, love and devotion. The energy that has manifested here, and the frequency that we not only maintain but build an increase is very profound. I believe next Saturday you will be seeing a couple videos about the Sanctuary which will give those of you who have never been here some insight into this very special place. This entire region -- Lake Tahoe, the Truckee Meadows, and Pyramid Lake -- is in reality one of the world's great energy centers, and there is a major energetic ley line running right through this Sanctuary.

Maintaining the roads, the open-air churches and shrines, and keeping up with landscaping -- the watering of hundreds of trees -- is a full-time job. Last year, unfortunately, we had to remove about 20 trees because of a bark beetle infestation, but we will be replacing them later this year. We are currently collaborating with the Nevada Division of Forestry on a management plan for the Sanctuary junipers, sagebrush, wild flowers and other plants, and also to develop a reseeding plan for areas that have been affected by wildfires in the past.

I mentioned 2015 a few moments ago, and I would remind everyone that was the year in which we obtained full property tax exemption for the Sanctuary -- something we were denied for the 35 years prior. I believe that this was a great accomplishment for us to be treated equally with other religious organizations in Nevada and not have to pay property taxes on the 1300 acres that comprise our south and north sanctuaries, which saves us several tens of thousands of dollars annually. I am sad to say that my good friend who lobbied the state legislature on our behalf recently passed away.

In 2018 we completed construction of the parsonage for the Reverends Robert and Noriko Roy, where we just had our Community breakfast and where we meet each week after Sunrise Divine Service. The house is 3500 square feet (325 square meters) and is environmentally sustainable, which means it's primarily powered by the sun. It has always been our goal here at the Sanctuary to build sustainable structures, and it is also our goal to invite other members of our Community

and Ministers of our Church to build their homes, or parsonages, as we call them, and to further develop the Sanctuary. So this is something we are very much open to and would like to discuss with those of you who are interested. Some of the other things we have done to the Roy Parsonage, or we call it the End Times Parsonage because it is connected to the Church of the Prophecy of the End Times, is some significant landscaping which was done last year. And we are currently building of a retaining wall, and, of course, additional improvements to the property will be done in years to come, including a grove or orchard of 100 fruit trees.

Over the past two or three years, one of our main focuses at the Sanctuary has been the renovation of the Cathedral Church of the Americas. As you know, the Cathedral, which is part of the Monument to Human Spiritual Rights, which will be realized sometime in the future, began to deteriorate some years ago. So, in order to save the structure, we had to rehabilitate the concrete which had fallen into severe disrepair, and which would, eventually, threaten the entire structure. The deteriorating parts were primarily the main steps around the base of the three cross-towers and the walls around the entire perimeter of the open-air church. There were also cracks in the floor and leaks in the water feature, which were causing the soil erosion underneath the floor.

The total cost of this repair was \$60,000. It was divided into two phases: The first was completed in 2019, and the second was completed earlier this year. And, of course, I thank very much those of you who made contributions to this very necessary project. We are contemplating a third phase which would be to cover the interior walls with the same polyurethane substance used on the previous two phases, and we are waiting for a quote from our contractor.

Work also continues on the remodel of the late Reverend Mother Carol Ann Crabb's apartment, which is being converted into a Sanctuary retreat apartment, or a guest suite, for use solely by Community members. And you will be seeing a video next week of what we have done. We have had much interest from Community members on the use of this space, and I think it will be very comfortable for everyone who uses it to enjoy, appreciate and work the Sanctuary grounds, as well as being conducive for retreat and contemplation. And I would like to take the opportunity to thank Rev. Greg Klinedinst and Stan Fortmeyer for efforts.

I should mention, however, that while we met our goal for the Cathedral Church, we have not met our goal for the remodeling budget on the retreat apartment, so I assume that you can expect to hear from the Chancellery staff soon so we can continue the upgrades.

Another essential program we are expanding this year at the Sanctuary is the growing of food for our members. We will be starting out small, but we are putting together a comprehensive plan to grow organic vegetables, herbs and fruits by means of both soil farming and aquaponics. We have chosen three sites to begin with, and, as the plan develops, we keep you posted of our progress.

Also this year, as promised, we will be replacing trees in the Monument to Human Spiritual Rights Garden and at the Cathedral Church of the Americas around the bell choir loft, which will be named in memory of our dear departed Brother in Light, the late Reverend Dr. Canon Gary Robert Buchanan. A portion of the Human Spiritual Rights Garden will also be named in honor of our dear departed Sister in Light, the Reverend Mother Carol Ann Crabb who lived on this Sanctuary since 2010 and came to Reno in 1974 to work in this Community with my father.

So let me take this moment to commend the people who live here and work very hard in maintaining and beautifying this Sanctuary, and if Ted, Mike, Barbara, Robert, Noriko, will you please stand and be recognized, please...and Joseph, of course. Thank you.

Sunrise Divine Service

Now, this morning during the Divine Service, you noticed that we are trying a new format for the AMENS, or the AOUMENMNS, which are chanted, and I'd like to discuss this a little bit with you this morning.

As I mentioned yesterday, several years ago I found in my father's private study a paper that described the chanting that we perform at the sunrise service, and over the past several years we have been experimenting with various tones and frequencies, which have included crystal bowls. The purpose of this practice, or this technique, is to *Inflect* and *Reflect* energies through and by means of our primary Force Centers, that is, from the centers of Consciousness, Being, Intellect and Form, although not in that particular order for this particular technique. The concept is to reflect energy from our bodies and our Force Centers to the world around us, the cosmos, and to the sun and to also use the agency of the energy of the sun to circulate energy within our bodies and Force Centers.

The relationship between the physical body, the lower eight Force Centers, and the higher four Force Centers are clearly described throughout all of our material, and for those of you who are new to the System, I highly recommend you review with your preceptor Heliogenics II and other related material.

So what we were experimenting with this morning is rather than merely utilizing the notes of the standard musical scale, we have calculated the precise frequencies of the tones required to more accurately resonate with the primary Force Centers. For instance, out of the Force Center of Form, we have arrived at a precise frequency that is midway between the colors of Red and Orange. The same can be said for the major Force Center of Intellect -- the tone arrived at is precisely midway between the colors Yellow and Green. For Being, the midpoint between Blue and Indigo has been determined. The tone utilized for Consciousness is the middle point of Violet and White. However, White, because it encompasses the entire spectrum, has been based on the

nominal frequencies of Violet and an octave above Red which is double the normal frequency of Red. This particular tone is in both the ultraviolet range, and its sister -- which is an octave lower -- is in the infrared range. Therefore, it spans the entire color spectrum.

And, as I said, this may all sound a little confusing, but we will be putting out a very short paper on this, and it will explain a little better. But I assure you that all of this is based on precise calculations of the measurements of light. And if you have questions, you may discuss them with Reverend Bruce Kanzelmeyer.

Before moving on, let me just say how important breathing is for this ritual and when employing this technique. It is important for all of us to learn to breathe together. We will practice it over the summer. To breathe together in order to maximize the power and effect of the technique. As I mentioned yesterday at our chapel service, it is also important for each of you to understand the importance of standing while practicing this technique and, quite honestly, when practicing any solar technique. You cannot properly circulate energy, you cannot properly circulate the light while seated. And this is an important point to remember. What we are trying to achieve together is magnifying our energies. And this goes hand-in-hand with the importance of assembly and of community fellowship. Our purpose in attending any service, specifically the sunrise service, is really - It was brought to my attention, it is really a good way of putting it - We are here to work. We are here to energetically work. That doesn't mean we can't have a "nice sunrise service," but having a "nice sunrise service" is not the same thing really as working together and our energies working together. And I think that is something that we all can understand.

Steamboat Hot Springs

Now, let's move on to the hot springs at Steamboat. The Healing Center & Spa at Steamboat Hot Springs is an integral part of our Community. It not only provides us with a vital commercial enterprise, it also is an outreach to the local community. The property houses six of our ministers and two other people who are friends of the Church that help maintain the property.

The thing that I'm very proud of at Steamboat is our dedicated team of therapists, staff and management. I don't know how many of you know this but when we were forced to shut down for three months last year due to the Covid pandemic, we were very proud that we were able to retain all of employees and were able to pay them. And, when we were able to reopen, I think only one person decided to move on to other things. Those of you here know that Sonya, my eldest daughter, has been managing the spa for the past couple of years, and I think she's doing an excellent job. I'm glad she is not here because she probably shouldn't hear that I'm very proud of her. As a matter of fact, she and our lead therapist just returned from a four-day conference on hot springs in Montana, and I'll be receiving their report on that next week. I'm also very pleased to say that we have ten superb therapists who practice at the hot springs.

Some of the things we have accomplished in the past few years at Steamboat have been the creation of a new professional website, which is a great improvement and has increased, tremendously, our traffic at the spa; we've remodeled the sauna room and purchased two new saunas; several areas have received new flooring, and all the private tub rooms and massage rooms have been repainted; while the lobby has been given a fresh new look.

Last year due to Covid, we hired a local germ-killing cleaning company that disinfects on a weekly basis to hospital-level standards, which makes our clientele feel every comfortable utilizing our facility; and we are currently in the process of remodeling the steam room and all of our tub rooms, starting with the Red Room. Last week we completed new landscaping in front of the main building, and we've renovated the deck around the outdoor tub.

Some things we are looking into now include a much needed new roof, a complete reconstruction of the outdoor facility, which means a new and expanded soaking area. The apartment, affectionately known as Owl's Place, will begin a slow remodeling process this year, and next year we will remodel the area that houses our production and music departments.

Some other things we're working on that are minor, but include remodeling the laundry room, the break room and the office. We are also looking into the possibility of offering halotherapy. I don't know if you know what that is. It is sometimes known as keliotherapy which is basically a salt room or salt cave, and we are trying to convert some space for that use.

One thing that is quite major is that we are very probably going to have to drill a new geothermal well. The existing well is old and is failing, and the upkeep has become very expensive. So, we have hired a consultant to help us analyze what's the best course of action to take, and we are also in discussion with three well drillers. Needless to say, this will be a significant investment. All of these projects are very exciting and they need to get done; and we will get them done.

The overall plan for Steamboat is to continue to improve and upgrade the property and its facilities, with the ultimate goal that someday it will become a significant attraction for people all over the world. And this is quite fitting, not only for Steamboat's historical status but for the fact that we have some of the best geothermal mineral and healing waters, not only in North America but also on the planet. And there have been rumors from time to time that Steamboat is up for sale. Steamboat will never be up for sale.

Rectory/East Wing

Moving on to the Rectory and East Wing. Many of you here today remember that in the Summer of 2016, there was a catastrophic fire at the Rectory. Luckily due to the quality of the structure. The building was made of concrete, stucco and metal, we only suffered about \$200,000 worth of

damage. But the one thing we were not able to replace and need to are the substantial number of trees that were 40 years old and were lost. So this is something that we will hopefully be able to start working on next year.

On a more positive note, the first phase of the long-anticipated Gene Savoy Heritage Museum was completed in 2019, just in time for our annual Convocation that year. The current Museum showcases many awards and recognitions my father received in the field of exploration, both on land and at sea, as well as photographs, some personal effects, and other memorabilia. The second and third phases will be at the Rectory East Wing and will include a library -- which will hold hundreds of books from the libraries of my father and other Community members -- and an archive that will hold a vast collection of photographs and film, maps, journals and charts, newspaper clippings, and history and artifacts we have collected over our many decades of exploring in Peru and sailing the ships Feathered Serpent I, II and III. Next week, at the Zoom meetin, you will see a short video of the Museum.

Speaking of the East Wing, you all know that the entire building is quite dilapidated. The exterior siding needs to be replaced; the greenhouses need to be repaired, and the main living area needs remodeling. I have to say, that of all of the projects that we have on the table, I don't have the foggiest clue how we are going to get that place up to speed, but I'm sure we'll figure it out.

Chancellery/Chapel of the Holy Child

As for the Chancellery and the Chapel of the Holy Child, this Spring we put in all new landscaping in the front of the building, and we have contracted with a company to replace the chapel roof before the snows come again. So we can all look forward this winter to having no more leaks! There are three other things that are on the list: We would like to remodel the ladies bathroom; We would like to remodel the men's bathroom, and we would like to remodel the kitchen upstairs. We're hoping to get to these things next year.

OK. At this point, let's take a little break, and I'll fill you in on some more exciting things.

Jamilian University of the Ordained

One of the most important projects we can undertake is the dissemination of the System of Cosolargy and the Sacred Teachings of Light to the world. That is the primary mission of this Community. And that is also what we have been spending a lot of time over the past several years concentrating on. As many of you know, a new level of communication is needed in the 21st century, and that is what we embarked on a few years ago.

It began with the construction of a brand new website for Cosolargy with a brand new concept. Instead of a number of varied and separate websites each dealing with one aspect of The

Community, the idea was to consolidate all of The Community's activities into a single website – something we avoided in the past, thinking that some people would be turned off by having religion and Cosolargy so heavily integrated so prominent in relation to The Academy. So that is the direction we have been taking -- one website which will showcase every single aspect of The Community.

Now, this process is ongoing -- the process of consolidating all of our branches and activities into one website -- and we will also be adding the history of our explorations to this website, as it is very important for people to understand why my father went to Peru and how that it was an integral part of his spiritual quest. I'll be talking a little more about that in a few moments. It is important to understand that his explorations were not separate from the teachings.

Our new website has promoted Cosolargy directly, and it has given us a newly gained prominence. In so doing, it has also given us a global outreach that we did not have before. This global outreach is just beginning, and we and continue to expand on.

Some things we are working on now include a media center, or online store, that will offer eight books for the public that have been turned into ebooks. These books include two of our books on exploration -- *Antisuyo, On the Trail of the Feathered Serpent*; the more metaphysical and scientific book *Project X: The Search for the Secrets of Immortality*; the primer texts *The Decoded New Testament* -- 1974 edition -- and the Millennium Editions of *The Decoded New Testament, The Essai Document: Secrets of an Eternal Race* and *The Lost Gospel of Jesus*,

Some other books that are ready to be on the website store are Reverend Petrovich's book on the Odes of Solomon and Gary Buchanan's books on Sonotherapy. We will also be offering free and inexpensive informational publications and videos for the public. The *Community Communique* will be totally revamped and modernized and will be offered through the Cosolargy website.

In due time, a membership portal through which Consociates will be able to access the *Communique*, The Academy and The Sacred College course materials and other training videos and lectures will be made available. We are looking into the concept of a variety of subscription and membership levels where expanded participation in The Community can happen, as well as providing platforms for virtual classrooms and meetings of various kinds.

Over the past years, we have extended our outreach to include international Consociates in the United Kingdom, Australia, Korea, Japan, Mexico, Brazil, and Cameroon in Africa. We have created the Cosolargy Member's Forum on Facebook where we post live the sunrise services among other things. This has the potential for posting regular live Community addresses and other videos such as this address which will be posted next week. We've expanded the use of Constant

Contact to communicate with The Community, and you all receive a weekly message from me. In other words, we are regularly keeping in touch with our Consociates and Ministers through a variety of media.

We are working on a YouTube channel for videos so that posts can be made of the Saturday chapel messages and other things. As for Zoom, this Saturday will be our first attempt with this conference at wide use. As I mentioned, it is more than likely we will begin using this format to host precepting meetings as a classroom-type setting and for workshops as a larger body of people join The Academy and to present live and recorded lectures and presentations more often to more people. We already widely use Skype for one-on-one precepting.

As for a larger body of Consociates, more than 20 new students have enrolled in The Academy this year, and we are receiving an average of 70 to 100 inquiries monthly. So, we are expanding our student base which has resulted in expanding the University staff and training new preceptors of which we have added four. And we have created a manual for preceptors.

For the past three years, we have been distributing our material electronically rather than by printed text or cassette tape. This process -- of transferring texts and audio recordings to digital format -- entails a great deal of work. Let's take the recorded lectures of my father, for example. Combined, they consist of hundreds and hundreds of hours. Each lecture -- and there are more than 400 -- has been transcribed, edited and formatted in order for it to become a written transcript. For the past few years the same kind of work has been done to create the digital audio recordings, electronic transcripts, and other course materials for the first year of the Divinity Program. Electronic materials for the final two years of the Divinity Program are currently being created. This really has been a lot of work for a handful of people, transferring all of this material to a digital format.

Over the past ten years, indexes and glossaries have been created for use for Academy and Sacred College materials. These reference aids are now being used to create additional materials for public consumption and for research.

Over the next couple of years, transcripts and audio files of the final two years of the Divinity Program will be offered. This will complete the production of electronic materials for the entire standard program of education of the Jamilian University of the Ordained.

Our materials are now available in English, Japanese and Spanish, and our website is ADA compliant. The main point is that many people have put in a lot of time, energy, effort and devotion in doing this work so that future generations can have access to it. So I would like to thank all of our staff at the University, and they are Bob, Elizabeth, Amanda, Rebecca, Barbara,

Michael, Ted...anyone else I'm missing...Oh, and, of course, myself.

Our vision -- the vision of Cosolargy International -- as you may know and as I've said before is to have satellite communities in various special and unique areas around the world based on a template of therapeutics for body, mind and Spirit. This, in conjunction with our primary mission of teaching the System of Cosolargy and the Sacred Teachings of Light, is to touch and affect people in positive and beneficial ways in order to fulfill our global and international mission.

The first component of the template is replicating in a modern way the ancient high solar Orders that existed in times past in various places around the world among many peoples. Our Centers, as I keep emphasizing, will focus on healing and therapeutics and the application of Cosolargy's many techniques. The second component of the template is to have facilities for conferences, such as this, seminars and retreats and to provide accommodations such as lodging, dining and other amenities for both Community members and the public at large. These Cosolargy Centers will not only be maintained by tax deductible donations and special contributions by those who are a part of our School but also by investment, endowment and bequest. There must also be commercial enterprise, such as we do at the hot springs at Steamboat, is a prime example. By these means we will be able to maintain our facilities around the world and provide wellness treatments and energetic modalities of various kinds which we all have become familiar with through our System of Cosolargy.

Cosolargy Institute of Japan

The first permanent Community outside of Reno is our Community in Japan. In 2010, we founded the Cosolargy Institute of Japan with its headquarters in Kurume, which is about 25 miles or 41 km from the major technology city of Fukuoka on the island of Kyushu.

Over the past decade, we have been diligently translating our material into Japanese, which is no easy task, and that process continues, including transferring the Cosolargy Papers into ebook format. Several of our books have been translated and published in Japanese.

We have also conducted several seminars, conferences and tours in that country visiting sites that were related to the ancient solar cultures of Japan. And this is something that will add to a new text in our Solar Cultures series which is *Solar Teachings of Japan*, and Bishop Yukinori will be compiling this text. I might add that we have plans to add other solar cultures texts to the series, including one on the *Solar Teachings of Africa*. Gary Buchanan was going to work on *Solar Teachings of Britain & Ireland* but sadly was unable to do so. Hopefully with all of his research, we will be able to put that together.

In 2019 we focused on restructuring some of the aspects of the administration and teaching

methods of the Cosolargy Institute of Japan, which resulted in gaining additional students in Tokyo and maintaining a presence in that great city in addition to our headquarters in Kurume. I visited with each member of our Japanese Community in May of that year (2019), and then we had a special follow-up seminar after our annual Convocation in September that focused on education and precepting techniques for not only our ministers in Japan but also representatives in Australia, Latin America, and Africa.

We continue to look for an adequate place to build our Japan Center. In 2017 we visited Ito Island which is a famous hot springs town on the beautiful Jogasaki coast right on the Pacific Ocean, but our quest to find the right place continues.

In August, Bishop Yuki will be visiting us here in Reno for two weeks and will be staying at the newly renovated retreat apartment here at the Sanctuary. We will be discussing how we can better grow our Community in Japan, the purchasing of a spot for our Center, the continued translation of our sacred texts into Japanese -- our Prophecies and the Sayings of Jamil -- and publishing. We will also be discussing my next visit to Japan, and I will have more details of our future plans after Yuki's visit here is concluded later this Summer.

Mexico Retreat

As you may know, in February of 2017 we established Cosolargy International in Mexico as a non-profit corporation. The corporation's purpose is for 1) spiritual education and instruction, 2) health, wellness and healing, and 3) religious association in the context of Cosolargy and our Community. The corporation can legally operate anywhere within the Mexican republic and is also formed to instruct the Spanish-speaking world in the System of Cosolargy.

All of you gathered here today know that I was born in Mexico City, and that I am very fortunate to be a dual citizen of the United States and Mexico. And ever since I was a youth, it was my quest to find a place in Mexico, as I truly believed, and still do, that my Mexican citizenship is an asset to this Community. I traveled all around Mexico looking for the right place,

Baja California Sur and the Gulf of California, or the Sea of Cortez, was chosen because of its natural beauty and pristine characteristics. I felt something very special there in the sun. The property is a little bit outside of the main town of Los Barriles, which is a 40-minute drive from the international airport at San Jose del Cabo. The climate is mostly warm and sunny with an average annual temperature of 76 degrees Fahrenheit (24C) and annual rainfall of 10". English is widely spoken due to the large American and Canadian presence. Amenities include fresh foods and good restaurants; exceptional seafood; water, fishing and wind sports; hiking; and it's safe as Mexico goes. These things, combined with the sun and eastern exposure, make it an ideal place headquarters for the Latin American branch of Cosolargy International and greatly benefits our

purposes. I love southern Baja California and fell in love with it immediately. I can feel an intense energy there, and the sun is radiant, soothing and beautiful.

And in April of the same year, we were able to purchase almost 2.5 acres on the Sea of Cortez (Gulf of California). Prior to purchasing this property, I spent 20 years looking for a place in Mexico. I've travelled all over that country looking for the right place because Mexico holds a very special place in my heart.

The Mexico Center will be called the "Cosolargy International's Retreat at El Cardonal." A "cardon" is a cactus native to the region and it sits in the middle of the property. We will incorporate this cardon or cactus in the logo of the retreat center with our Cosolargy cross.

Our Mexico Center is the second outside of the United States after Japan which, as I just mentioned, was formed in 2010. First and foremost, the Retreat at El Cardonal is to be our head quarters for Cosolargy in Latin America. Humberto Garcia has spent many, many years diligently translating The Academy course materials into Spanish so that they are now ready to be presented to the Spanish-speaking world. As our mission head in Mexico, Humberto is presently, putting these materials into publishable format for use in Mexico and the rest of Latin America, and he will be meeting with his first student next week.

Therefore, the building of healing centers around the world, such as this one planned for Mexico, and hopefully in Japan, fits our mission which is to heal the sun, heal people, heal the world, and heal the cosmos and the universe and to spread our New Advent Teaching.

This retreat center in Mexico will be a multi-purpose and multi-use facility. It will not only house the teaching center but also a spa and wellness center that will offer various types of therapies. There will be accommodations for guests, a restaurant, and other facilities, including a chapel. Another important aspect that we have discussed is the possibility of a retirement facility for members of our Community.

I do not know how we will build our Center in Mexico, but I do know that the first step was finding and purchasing the property, and I think that the second step is putting a person on the land, much the same as we did 40 years ago on this Sanctuary. So we are this year looking into what it will take to build a caretaker's residence on the property.

Before closing this portion of my report to you, I'd like to mention that we have an opportunity to collaborate with a group called Legacy Works, and I plan to be meeting with them next month. The purpose of Legacy Works is working to create a new model of coastal development in the East Cape region of Baja, which is where we are. The basic idea is that the development style of

Cabo and what all of us are familiar with -in Tahoe and San Jose and other resorts and the things that go on there. All the resorts associated with Cabo are unsustainable and destroying the land and marine life. Cabo is on the west side of southern Baja on the Pacific. We are on the east side on the Sea of Cortez. They do not want to see that happen to our side of the peninsula which is good for us! I think that is an excellent thing that they are doing. So they are collaborating also with National Geographic, the Mexican government and several philanthropies. They are intrigued with our plan for our property, and they would like us to be part of this which could be a very exciting prospect for us.

They were introduced by our good friend Andrew Tuck, who has been in Reno before. He is the founder of a company called Earth Block -- a sustainable building block and design company -- has completed the first phase of our project delivering the preliminary sustainable design phase and vision for the Retreat at El Cardonal. I will also be meeting with Andrew next month in Baja California.

Peru

Over the past few years, I have been able to travel to Peru, and this year we formed in Peru a new corporation which we have named "Gene Savoy Xplorations" -- with an "X." With this entity, we will be able to continue our work in Peru which may include additional explorations but will certainly consist of other enterprises. We are currently looking for some property that can serve in the Gran Vilaya area as a hotel, a travel agency that the corporation will own and operate, and house a museum. Most of you do not know what this area of Peru looks like. When we were exploring in the 80's and the 90', and the early 2000's, the change I cannot express to you. There are paved roads going to Gran Vilaya. People are going in all of the time. They are taking advantage of all of the things that we discovered. The only people who aren't there is us. So I think it would be a good idea for us to be there.

One of the more interesting developments in my discussions in Peru is that the Peruvian government is eager to work with us. Cusco and Machu Picchu, which many of you know of and perhaps have visited, is becoming too crowded. Machu Picchu is becoming destroyed, and the government wants to develop other areas, other archeological sites in the country. They are very interested in the Gran Vilaya area, which my father discovered in 1985, and they have already made significant investments in the area of Chachapoyas and Kuelap, the fortress citadel that protects Gran Vilaya. A few years ago, a French company built an impressive cable car system that takes you from the river valley up to the fortress in 15 minutes. Years ago, you could only get there by hiking or riding a mule which would take you the better part of a day.

Now, while I am not quite yet at liberty to disclose all of our plans right now, I can say that we have the interest of professional archaeologists and others who have already signed up to work

with us.

I do have some exciting news that I'd like to share with you. Last year, I was approached by a university scholar and professor who is working on writing a biography on my father, and we have been working closely with him to put together a complete account of the life of Gene Savoy which will include all aspects of his childhood and youth, his time in the navy and the seminary, his first marriage in Oregon and his subsequent journey to Peru; his life in Peru -- his marriage to the mother of The Child, life with Jamil, the beginning of the Church, his explorations; leaving Peru and moving to Mexico and eventually to Reno; and the building of The Community since 1972. As I said, this is an exciting prospect, and I look forward to working on it.

Miscellaneous

So, dear people. That about sums up my presentation to you this morning. It was not meant to be an inspiring talk, but as I was going through every thing that we have been doing, we've done a lot in five years. If we were to detail everything that has happened in the last five years, I think we should be congratulated.

But, a couple of other things I should add that are also important are first, in 2017, we incorporated The Community in New Zealand. Most of you may know that my wife Radheka was born there, and she still maintains her New Zealand citizenship, which is quite coveted around the world. So in 2017, Radheka went with her mother to visit family and friends whom she hadn't seen for 15 years, and one of the things I asked her to do was to find a good corporate attorney in Auckland, which she did. Needless to say, we formed a corporation in New Zealand. But the interesting thing is that the following year -- in 2018 -- the New Zealand parliament passed a law changing the ownership of property laws so that non-residents, non-citizens -- basically, foreigners -- could not purchase land. However, because our corporation was established the year before, we were grandfathered in. So that shows you the importance of intuition and seizing the moment. This will be very important some time down the road. We don't have plans there presently, except to maintain the corporation.

Another thing we're very proud of is that Two Feathers, the company that was owned by Robert and Noriko Roy for many years, was assimilated into The Community in 2019 and is now being operated as a guild within the Church.

So, my main theme today is that The Community continues to grow and expand. This is a special time, and we should be aware of that. I thank you for your dedication and devotion. Please keep up with your contributions, and please also respond to our very limited requests for additional donations for special projects. I understand your limitations, but we also have a lot to do. Understand, we do not ask for support for enterprises such as the hot springs, but we do need

your help with projects, such as the Cathedral Church repair, the Sanctuary retreat apartment, and things of that nature. It's not that we lack vision or ideas. It's not that we don't know what to do, but we are limited on our resources.

I am very proud of all of you in this Community. I was born into this system., and I am fortunate not to have a lot of baggage that comes with some people coming to the Community. As you know, I was dedicated to service in this Church from the time of my birth. My father dedicated my life to the Light atop the Temple of the Sun at Teotihuacan in Mexico and baptized me in the waters of the Pacific Ocean off Acapulco, and I've never wavered from my service or my duty.

Please bear in mind that one of the primary purposes of this Community is to reach, touch and inspire *people*. We do this on multiple levels, but most of all we should do it with joy. That is sometimes hard to do. But, if we do not reach out to people -- to the world at large -- we are not accomplishing the main goal of this Ministry, this Teaching, or this Community. All of our temporal assets mean nothing without people -- the right people. All of our talking means nothing without people. All of our love means nothing without people.

Please attend the conference next Saturday and please submit any questions you may have. That's it. Thank you.

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Reincarnation

Someone asked me the other day to explain our position on reincarnation, so I thought I'd take the opportunity this morning to explain. To answer the question, we do not teach reincarnation as generally understood. Metempsychosis or the transmigration of souls or, more specifically, to be reborn in another body following death is greatly misunderstood. We approach the matter from a metaphysical point of view before we can understand it from a more spiritual perspective.

In Cosolargy, we study the eight minor Force Centers. Following death of the physical mind/body, these Centers remain or can remain active since they are the source of the functions of the body. Let's concentrate on the psychic center as an example. Like the genes of the physical body itself which pass along to succeeding generations of offspring from one's parents certain characteristics such as physical similarities, the same thing occurs with psychic characteristics. And these characteristics can be traced back to former ancestors which occurs far down the line of progeny. It is not the person that reincarnates, but the characteristics within the psyche, just like the physical characteristics.

In the case of spiritual characteristics which we study in Cosolargy, we talk about and study the four major Force Centers of the spiritual Light body, or the spirit/soul. These spiritual Force Centers, i.e., Consciousness, Being, Intellect and Form pass along their own common characteristics. The spirit/soul, being immortal, can influence other living souls. This is a deep subject which is dealt with in the Oral Teachings of our Community.

But, I'll give you another example. Kahlil Gibran was an initiate in a school known to exist in his home region of Syria and Lebanon. This school consisted of early Christians who gave birth to the so-called Nestorians who fled to China to escape the persecutions. This was the school known to Saint Thomas who went to India to teach. This school was involved in those teachings known in our School. One of the Chinese versions of the teachings that has survived is called the "Secret of the Golden Flower," which most, if not all, of you are familiar with. The book has to do with the *chin tan chiao*, which we were reading about the other day with the *Prophecy on the Golden Age of Light and the Nation of Nations*. The *chin tan chiao* is a system of life that involves many of the techniques we teach, although ours are more advanced due to the age in which we live.

Gibran practiced this secret life process and was influenced both psychically and spiritually. We teach that a person does not have to suffer death to experience a regeneration or rebirth of soul.

Once achieved, this person -- this individual -- transits time as we know it either into the future or back to the past (or both). Equally, such a soul is in or can be in contact with other souls. Evidently Gibran felt an impulse to teach through his remarkable writings certain truths hidden in his words that could be interpreted by learned adepts who were or are capable of understanding them. My father was one such person, as you know. Gibran appears to have had a mission which was to enlighten certain people.

The Essenes of Palestine understood their transgressions, that is, the mortal state to which all humans have fallen which prompted them to aspire to a higher way of life and a return to their spiritual state, or origins, prior to the Fall from Grace. Gibran was a type of modern Essene. He identified with Judas and because of this, he wished to make amends by and through his writings. We might make a comparison with the case of Jesus who was an Essene who had been influenced by the former Teacher of Righteousness. Some people have theorized that Jesus was the reincarnated Teacher who was also martyred and crucified like Jesus.

Thank you for attending this morning's gathering. I encourage you all to attend next Saturday's Zoom meeting and submit any questions you may have before that. Thank you.