

“Captive Soul Trapped by Matter and Darkness”



“The Kingdom of Hell, and of fierce wrath, always gape after the Soul, and set their jaws wide open to devour the captive soul; which is held fettered with two strong chains; the one of the Kingdom of Hell; the other of the Kingdom of this World, and it is continually led by the heavy, lumpish, bestial, and sickly Body, as a thief who is often led to the place of execution, and still by a petition reprieved, and laid in prison again, and the poor soul must lie thus in prison the whole time of the body; where the Devil on the one

side very suddenly rushes upon it with his devouring fierceness, wrath, and malice, and would carry it into the abyss. Then instantly the glistening world with pomp, bravery, covetousness, and voluptuousness of Perdition; presenting sickness and fear, and it is continually trembling and quaking; and when Man goes but in the dark, how is it amazed, and continually afraid that the executioner will take it, and do execution upon it!

“If we did well considering the abominations and great sins of man before God, ... then we should scarce ever be merry in this world at all, if the spirit of this world did not cast foolish fancies and seeming joys and pleasures before us, in our imprisonment; ; or if the regeneration did not cause us to rejoice, that we shall be delivered out of this prison; for in this life we find nothing but abomination, sin, misery, and death.” ~[Jacob Boehme](#)

Devour the Captive Soul

The Kingdom of Hell does want to “devour” every soul. There is no doubt that Jacob Boehme is correct in saying that. It wants to claim as many souls as it can get. It is like a magnet drawing them to it. The good news is that an even more powerful force draws the soul towards heaven. More powerful, and yet, if we choose to embrace the clutches of Hell, hell will win the struggle and claim our captive soul—at least for a time.

The soul is a captive because it does not wish to be here, it did not choose to be here, and it is out of place here. The soul is a spirit and doesn't do well in a physical world of matter. It is like a fish out of water, if not worse. This is why we enter this world with our spirit and soul in a dormant state something like being in a coma. It is not a healthy place for them. Nonetheless, we must awaken them and develop them while we are still trapped in a physical body. It is the

only hope we have of freeing ourselves of the clutches of Hell and the fallen world of matter.

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Services for the Week of November 21, 2020



Saturday, November 21, 2020

10:00 AM COMMUNION

Chapel of The Holy Child

RR Gene Savoy Jr

Lector: RC Ted Staver

Cantor: Rev. Noriko Roy

Reader: Rev. Michael McIntyre

Sunday, November 22, 2020
6:44 AM SUNRISE DIVINE SERVICE

Church of New Epiphany

Leave: 5:45

Gate: 6:35

Sunrise: 6:59

RR Gene Savoy Jr.

Concelebrants:

RC Robert Petrovich

RC Ted Staver

RC Peter Foust

Assistant: Rev. Barbara Whitney

OPEN-AIR COMMUNION

Church of the Christian Churches Rev. Robert Roy

Church of the End Times Rev. Noriko Roy

Wednesday, November 25, 2020

12:00 NOON COMMUNION

Chapel of The Holy Child

RC Peter Foust

Friday, November 20, 2020

9:00 AM PRAYER & FELLOWSHIP

Chapel of the Roses

Rev. Mary Foust

WEEKLY MESSAGE: November 2, 2020



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THE SACRED TEACHINGS OF LIGHT

HEAD OVERSEER'S WEEKLY MESSAGE



November 2, 2020

As you have probably heard by now, our Sister in Light, the Reverend Mother Carol Ann Crabb, passed out of this world on Saturday, October 24, 2020 while we were all gathered in the Chapel of the Holy Child remembering and honoring the late Reverend Canon Dr. Gary Buchanan. Many of us found the timing very interesting and surely not coincidental. Someone mentioned (symbolically, of course) that Gary was offering his hand and helping Carol Ann up to Heaven.

I had a special relationship with Carol Ann. She joined The Community in 1973 and moved to Reno a year later in 1974 when I was three years old. When The Community purchased the Rectory on Carmel in 1976, Carol Ann became part of the household and was important in helping my father with his research not only as his personal librarian and research assistant but also as the librarian for the Jamilian University of the Ordained. She was one of the very special people who was instrumental in my upbringing and was one of my teachers at the Jamilian Parochial School. When Carol Ann married the late Reverend Lawson Van Buren Crabb in the 1990's, she left the Rectory to reside with Lawson at Steamboat Hot Springs. Lawson was a great friend to those of us who had the pleasure of knowing him. He was a gentleman of the American South and a major benefactor of this Community. Some years after Lawson's passing, Carol Ann relocated to the Chapter House at the Red Rock Consecrated Sanctuary where she lived until very recently.

I am including the obituary that appeared in yesterday's newspaper for your review. Please note that we are asking for your help in defraying some of the costs associated with Carol Ann's passing. Please make your contribution to this special cause. Any remaining funds will be combined with gifts received for Gary and will go towards purchasing trees that will be planted at the Sanctuary in their memory. The memorial service for Carol Ann will be held in the Chapel of the Holy Child this Saturday, November 7th.

Gene

Carol Ann Crabb

RENO - Carol Ann (June 30, 1944 - October 24, 2020) was born in Buffalo, New York to Estella and Howard Heavener. She was raised with a brother, Robert James Heavener, and two sisters, Ruth Ellen and Edna Mae. She was a sensitive and caring individual with a nature to educate, as shown in her choice of Library Science as a means to aid researchers in all fields of study. She received her Bachelor degree in Arts and Philosophy from the State University of New York at Buffalo, with two years at Syracuse University, and went on to receive her Master of Science, Library Science degree from Syracuse University.



Carol Ann was Assistant Professor for seven years in the area of Librarian for Readers Services at Jefferson Community College, instructing and providing assistance and tours for both students and visiting librarians. She had authored and co-authored four publications in the field of Library Science by 1974 when she chose to join the faculty of the International Community of Christ, Church of the Second Advent, accepting the position of Chief Librarian at the Jamilian University of the Ordained Library in Reno, Nevada in 1974. She later went on to teach Library Science at the Jamilian Parochial School. She became invaluable as the personal librarian to the Head Bishop of the Church, the late Most Right Reverend Gene Savoy, Sr., aiding his research in religious and cultural studies and in many other areas. Carol Ann was instrumental in the education of the late bishop's son, the Right Reverend Gene Savoy, Jr., who now heads the Church.

She was ordained into the ministry of the International Community of Christ in December 1974 and served on the governing board of the Church. She met and married the Reverend Lawson Van Buren Crabb. Together they were appointed Rectors of the Church of New Qumran at the Red Rock Consecrated Sanctuary where they served together until his passing in April 2000.

Carol Ann was preceded in death by her sister, Edna Mae Heavener, and is survived by her brother, Robert James Heavener, and her sister, Ruth Ellen Heavener and also three nephews, three nieces, four great nephews, five great nieces, and two great great nieces.

A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, November 7, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. at the Chapel of the Holy Child of the International Community of Christ, 643 Ralston, Reno, NV. A reception will be held immediately following the service at Bishopstead, 2025 La Fond Drive. In lieu of flowers, please send a donation to the International Community of Christ for the planting of trees at the Red Rock Consecrated Sanctuary in her memory.

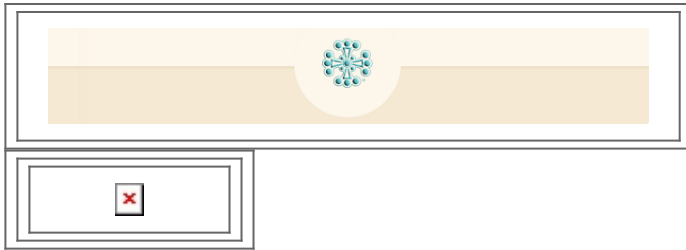


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WEEKLY MESSAGE: October 29, 2020



HEAD OVERSEER'S WEEKLY MESSAGE



October 29, 2020

Hello. In continuing our review of The Secret Sayings of Jamil from The Image and the Word series, we move on to The Sixteenth Saying, which is relatively short.

The Sixteenth Saying

“And the Companions of the Way, those in the Islands and others from The Community, waited on the shores for The Man and his ship to appear out of the sea.

“And on the third day of June, 1979, the Day of Pentecost, after a voyage of twenty-two days, the Ship of Light reached the Islands. And it was with great joy that The Man and the Seafarers were received in their midst. And they celebrated with the Islanders, exchanging gifts and bringing good cheer to each other.

“And on the tenth day after their arrival, The Man with The Mariners left their companions and island friends to return to the ship, for The Man felt the voice of Jamil speaking to his inner Spirit and he would be alone with those who had accompanied him on the voyage.

“And they raised sail, thrusting the hull of the Ship of Light into Honolulu Harbor and set course southeast toward Diamond Head. And when they had six fathoms of water under the keel, the anchor was dropped. The Man instructed the seamen to let her lay there for the afternoon in the idyllic surrounding of tropical verdure and cloudy skies blessed by a majestic rainbow broken into a spectrum of six radiant colors.

“And while the white schooner lay at anchor, rocking gently in the glittering swells of the sea, The Man, as master of the ship, called all hands aft for he would speak to them. And

when The Mariners were gathered about him, The Man bowed his head in contemplation and fell silent. After a time, The Man raised his head, and withdrawing two scrolls of white paper from his alforja, as was his custom when revealing the Secret Sayings of Jamil, he pulled away a ribbon that bound one of the scrolls. Unfolding it he spoke saying:

“‘And these are the words of the Sixteenth Saying:

The planet, being a living thing upon which all living creatures, including Man, subsist, by necessity draws its nourishment from the sun, thus revealing that all living bodies in the material universe are dependent and have a life span predetermined by events and circumstances manifest in the cosmos that supports them.

Knowing the transitory nature of material things, and being observers of natural phenomena, let the members of the Order note the unmistakable signs that the material sun is diseased. If this condition is not cured, the result will be the death of the planet and the cessation of all living things in the solar system.

Let the members of the Order keep this secret to themselves.’

“After reading these words. he rolled up the scroll and, replacing it in his Indian-designed cotton bag, fell silent again. And this Saying was given on the seven hundred and eighteenth day after the Ship of Light had sailed from its home port on the mainland of America.”

And that is the Sixteenth Saying.

I ask you to please remember in your prayers the Spirit of our Sister in Light, the Reverend Mother Carol Ann Crabb, who passed away last Saturday, October 24th. Carol Ann passed from this world at the same time we were gathered in the Chapel of the Holy Child remembering and honoring our Brother in Light,

Gary Buchanan. Carol Ann now joins her Brother in the Realms of Light.

Again, if I may be of any personal service to you, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours in Light+,

Gene

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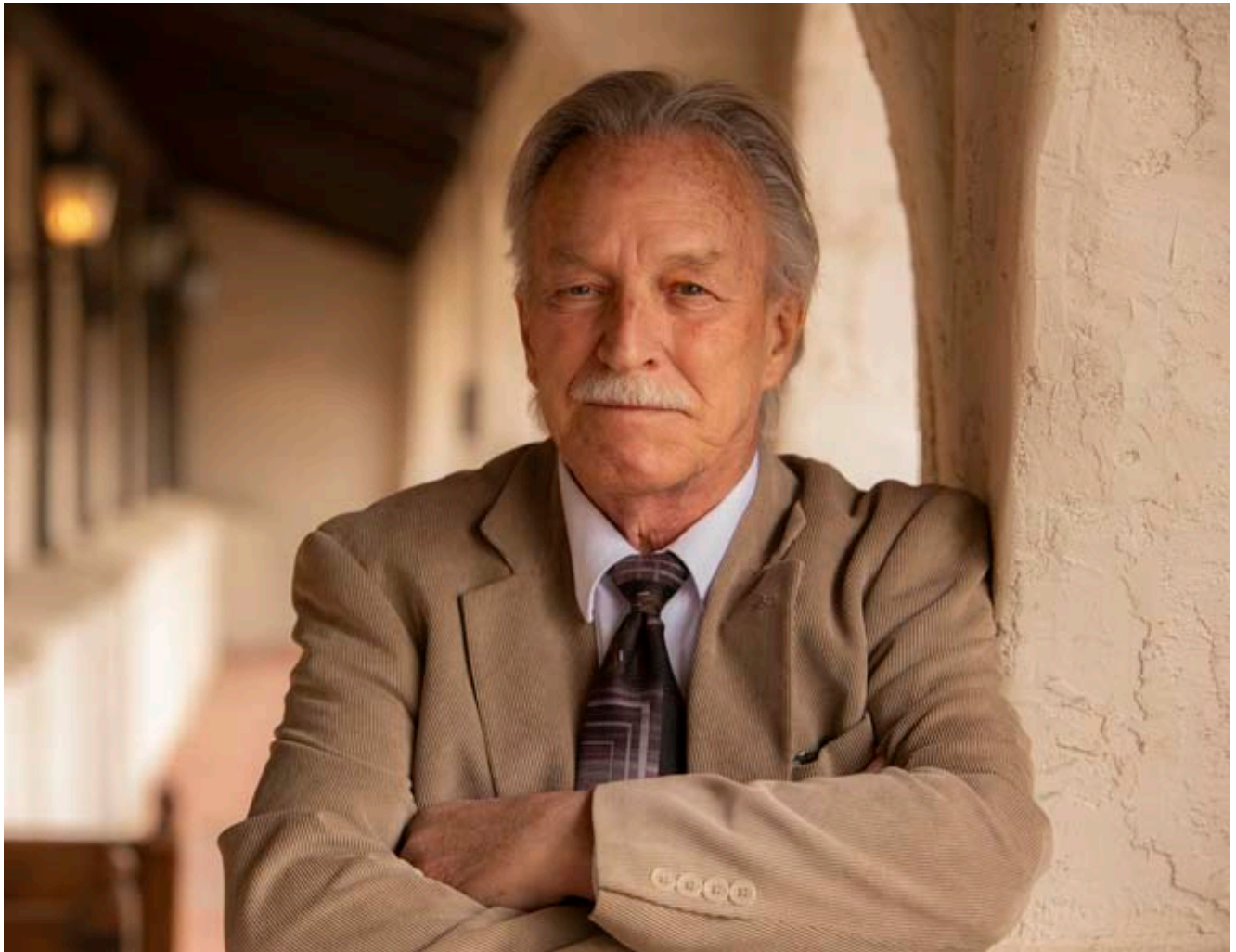
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Rev. Canon Gary Buchanan Passes into the Light, Memorial Service Held



Gary Robert Buchanan in May 2020 PHOTO: Jeff Dow

[Link to obituary in the Reno Gazette-Journal](#)

Reverend Canon Gary Buchanan (May 28, 1948 – October 16, 2020) passed away at the age of 72 at his residence at Steamboat Hot

Springs in Reno, Nevada in the early morning of October 16, 2020. On October 13th, before his passing, other members of the Sacred Oversee and Gary's wife, Rev. Canon Amanda Buchanan, were at his side while Rev. Mother Rebecca Willis administered to him the rite of the Anointing of the Sick. Four days later, on the afternoon of October 17th, Bishop Gene Savoy Jr anointed Gary's remains in company with the members of the Sacred Oversee, his wife Dea. Radheka Savoy, and his daughter Helena Savoy, who held Gary very dear.

A Memorial Service was held to celebrate Gary's life on Saturday, October 24, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. in the Chapel of the Holy Child. In attendance were members of the Reno Church Community as well as friends and family.



In lieu of a eulogy, Gary's wife Amanda chose to play a recording of an early musical piece Gary had composed in Australia in memory of the Child Jamil shortly before he moved to Reno to become a member of the resident Community. It is titled "Adagio for the Child." The piece was written and performed by the orchestra of the Queensland Conservatorium in Brisbane, Australia in 1976.

Prelude music for the Memorial was an assortment of small ensemble pieces and the "Concerto for Cello and Flute" composed by Gary, as was the piece of music played during the processional, "The Song of Moses."

The scriptural readings by Bishop Gene Savoy jr and Rev. Canon Robert Petrovich were accompanied by a recording of the piece "Scripturale" by Gary. The closing prayer delivered by Rev. Mother Elizabeth Reece and the benediction of committal read by Rev. Michael McIntyre were accompanied by music of the same name recorded by Gary. And the final blessing and seal of blessing delivered by Bishop Gene Savoy jr were accompanied by a recording of the piece "Hebrew Psalmody" composed and played by Gary.

The recessional music was also a recorded collection of pieces composed and performed by Gary: one movement of the "Age of Light Symphony," "Bethshemesh," and "Peruvian Sunrise."

A celebration of life followed the service at Gary and Amanda's home on the grounds of Steamboat Hot Springs. The celebration included an outdoor reception and barbeque on the site where Gary and Amanda had hosted many barbeques in years past.









Gary at "Fortaleza Kuelap" in Amazonas in February 2020 PHOTO:
Gene Savoy Jr



Gary and Gene at the fortress of Kuelap, the entrance to Gran Vilaya, in February 2020



Gary at the newly installed Chabuca Granda statue in Barranco, a suburb of Lima in February 2020

[Link to obituary in the Reno Gazette-Journal](#)

Obituary Text Posted in the Reno Gazette-Journal:

Gary Robert Buchanan

1948 – 2020

Reno – Gary (May 28, 1948 – October 16, 2020) was born to Riley and Marie Buchanan in Morganton, North Carolina.

Gary was a composer, conductor, explorer, Sonatherapist, researcher, author, minister, father, grandfather and great-grandfather.

Gary's musical career began when he was chosen to be in the first class of the North Carolina School of the Arts where he studied trumpet and composition. After attending the School of the Arts, Gary went to the University of North Carolina for his Master's Degree in Music Composition and then to the University of Washington for his PHD. After attending the University of Washington, he went on to teach composition under Crown appointment at the Queensland Conservatorium in Brisbane, Australia for three years before coming to Reno. There he became music director for the International Community of Christ, Church of the Second Advent, and taught music and geometry at the Jamilian Parochial School. He collaborated with the late Bishop Gene Savoy, Sr. to create all the liturgical music for the Church. For many years, he also served on the Church's Sacred Overseer and the faculty of the Jamilian University of the Ordained.

From 1989-2001, Gary accompanied Gene Savoy, Sr. and the younger Gene Savoy, Jr. on numerous expeditions into the interior of Peru to explore the the eastern Andes, where they uncovered numerous sites associated with the legendary civilization of the Chapapoya, which Savoy, Sr. had discovered in the 1960's.

In Nevada during the 1990s, Gary composed several works commissioned by the director of the Ruby Mountain Symphony in Elko, Nevada to accompany theatrical performances by Cowboy poet Sue Wallace and Mark Twain impressionist MacAvoy Layne. During this time Gary also founded the Foundation Orchestra, which he conducted and arranged music for into the early 2000s. Gary, a talented arranger and musician, also arranged works for the Ruby Mountain Symphony and the Reno Pops Orchestra and played French Horn in performance with the Carson City Symphony and the Reno Pops Orchestra.

For 30 years, Gary researched Wave Front Bioresonance and wrote two books on this subject while Director of Wave Front Bioresonance at the Healing Center and Spa at Steamboat Hot Springs in Reno, Nevada. Gary lectured internationally each year to share his research with select audiences in Europe, Japan, the U.S. and other nations. In 2018, he presented to the Globe International Sound Healing Conference in San Francisco; in 2017 to the International Light Association in Fort Lauderdale, Florida; in 2016 to the International Water Conference in Sophia, Bulgaria; in 2015 to the International Conference on the Spiritual State of the World at Lake Biwako, Japan.

Gary was a loving husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather. He had three children, two godchildren, twelve grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. One of the great joys in his life were these children.

Gary is survived by his wife, Amanda Buchanan, sons Bradley Buchanan of Ventura, California and Kym Buchanan of Wisconsin, daughter Amy Buchanan-Rodriguez of Reno, and his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, October 24, 2020 at 11:00 p.m. at the Chapel of the Holy Child of the International Community of Christ, 643 Ralston, Reno, NV. A BBQ reception will be held immediately following the service at his home at Steamboat Hot Springs, Nevada.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation in his name to the International Community of Christ for the purchase of trees to be planted in his honor at the Red Rock Consecrated Sanctuary.

“The Quiet Zone”



Last week a report appeared in the media with the results of an Oxford University study, proving that periods of silence are good for us and aid in the healing process. This concurs with the philosophy of Pythagoras two and a half thousand years ago who, while teaching the therapeutic benefits of musical harmonics, always insisted that his students first learn the discipline of silence.

The university research program was conducted by Oxford's department of clinical neurosciences and given the acronym SILENCE (for: Sleep in the ICU Lowering Elements of Noise in the Critical-care Environment). A quote from their principal investigator: "Noise is a distraction and a stressor, and a quiet and calm environment is definitely better for patients and staff in hospitals. It would make sense that complete silence has a calming effect."

It has been measured by doctors that silence is more relaxing

for your body and brain than listening to music, by the lowering of blood pressure and increased blood-flow to the brain.

The SILENCE study obviously had our physical and psychological wellbeing as its primary concern. While thinking about silence, we should not ignore the fact that *sound* is also an effective remedial agent – recently I co-wrote an article on scientifically-proven healing using acoustics and vibration, which will be published soon. However, medicine for the body is often more effective when the patient is harmonious in mind and spirit – hence Pythagoras’ assertion that we first centre ourselves in silence. And solitude and silence work well as a team.

[Read the full article on Paul’s blog at his web site
southernsunlightcom.wordpress.com.](http://southernsunlightcom.wordpress.com)

“Intellectual-Principle and Consciousness”



"This universe is a living thing capable of including every form of life; but its Being and its modes are derived from elsewhere; that source is traced back to the Intellectual-Principle: it follows that an all-embracing archetype is in the Intellectual-Principle, which therefore must be an intellectual cosmos, that indicated by Plato in the phrase 'The living existent'.

"Given the reason-principle (the outgoing divine idea) of a certain living thing and the matter to harbor this seed-principle, the living thing must come into being: in the same way that once there exists—an intellectual Nature, all powerful, and with nothing to check it—since nothing intervenes between it and that which is of a nature to receive it—inevitable the higher imprints form and the lower accepts it. The recipient holds the idea in division, here man, there sun, while in the giver all remains in unity.

"All that is present in the sense realm as Idea comes from

the Supreme. But what is not present as Idea, does not. Thus of things conflicting with nature ... is not in the seed; for a lame leg is either inborn through some thwarting of the Reason-principle or a marring of the achieved form by accident. ...

"This suggests the question whether the intellectual cosmos contains the forms only of the things of sense or of other existents as well." ~[Plotinus](#)

A Living Universe

Some find it difficult to accept that the entire universe is a living thing. Many can't even accept that the planet Earth is a living thing and that the sun is a living thing. Their disbelief doesn't change the reality of it, but it does hide the truth from them.

When Plotinus writes about the universe, it is often not clear if he means the physical universe of matter, the spiritual universe of energy, or a combination of both. In this case, it doesn't really matter. The spiritual universe is alive, and so is the physical one. The proof of this is actually simple, though many will not accept it. It is this: the dead cannot generate the living. Yes, life forms can grow from the bodies of the dead, but the dead are not generating those lives. Something living must generate living beings, and it is reasonable to assume a hierarchy of generation is responsible. The Universe generates galaxies, the galaxies generate stars and planets, the stars and planets generate life forms such as plants and animals. This is not saying that God is not the creator of those beings, but only explaining the process by which that creation takes place. It is a sort of universal assembly line where each level generates one or two levels below it. They may not even be aware that they do it, but it happens nonetheless.

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Services for the Week of November 14, 2020



Saturday, November 14, 2020

10:00 AM COMMUNION

Chapel of The Holy Child

RR Gene Savoy Jr

Lector: RC Peter Foust

Cantor: Rev. Greg Klinedinst

Reader: Rev. Dorothy Kubiak

Sunday, November 15, 2020
6:35 AM SUNRISE DIVINE SERVICE

Church of New Epiphany

Leave: 5:30

Gate: 6:05

Sunrise: 6:50

RR Gene Savoy Jr.

Concelebrants:

RC Robert Petrovich

RC Ted Staver

RC Peter Foust

Assistant: Rev. Barbara Whitney

OPEN-AIR COMMUNION

Church of the Races of Man Rev. Harold Boulette
Church of the Americas Dea. Stephan Fuelling
Church of the New Covenant Rev. Shinobu Fuelling

Wednesday, November 18, 2020

12:00 NOON COMMUNION

Chapel of The Holy Child

RC Robert Petrovich

Friday, November 20, 2020

9:00 AM PRAYER & FELLOWSHIP

Chapel of the Roses

RC Robert Petrovich

Douglas Eugene Savoy III
Baptized



Douglas Eugene Savoy III
PHOTO: Gene Savoy Jr

The Rite of Baptism for Douglas Eugene Savoy III, son of Bishop Gene Savoy Jr. and Radheka Patel Savoy, was performed during Communion of Fellowship Service on Saturday, October 10, 2020.



Parents and child following baptism PHOTO: Stephan Fuelling

The ceremony took place at 10:00 a.m. at the Chapel of the Holy Child. Bishop Gene Savoy Jr. officiated.



Parents and godparents with child PHOTO: Stephan Fuelling

Godparents Parental Olimpia and Gary Huss took part in the service alongside the parents of the child.



Baptism reception table PHOTO: Stephan Fuelling

A reception followed at the Rectory-Abbey at Bishopstead to which the entire resident congregation was invited to attend as guests of the Savoy family.



Baptismal cake PHOTO: Stephan Fuelling



Noah Huss converses with Gene Savoy III PHOTO: Stephan Fuelling

The traditional Chapel baptism was the second part of a two-fold initiation undertaken for the child Gene.

The first ceremony was conducted on the morning of Saturday, August 1st, the day commemorating the Confirmation of God's Divine Law, shortly after sunrise at the Garden of Oracles on the Temple Mount at Red Rock Consecrated Sanctuary. Present at this initial ritual were the child and his parents.

During this ritual, the child Gene was anointed with Sacred Chrism.

Bishop Savoy conducted this rite for his son in order to dedicate his life to the Light. In similar fashion, more than forty years before, during the first year of his own life, Bishop Savoy's father and predecessor as Head Bishop had dedicated him to the life of Light at the top of the Temple of the Sun at Teotihuacán and later baptized him in the waters of the Pacific Ocean at Acapulco.



Savoy family at baptismal reception PHOTO: Stephan

Fuelling

WEEKLY MESSAGE: October 21, 2020



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HEAD OVERSEER'S WEEKLY MESSAGE



October 21, 2020

I apologize for the delay in getting this to you. The last few weeks have been particularly busy with the baptism of my son and then the passing of Reverend Gary. We are presently preparing for his memorial service this coming Saturday in the Chapel of the Holy Child.

This is the final portion of the commentary on the Fifteenth Saying of Jamil.

The Fifteenth Saying (Part 5)

“The Man paused for a moment to allow for more questions, and hearing none he continued saying, ‘Earlier in the day we had a question concerning the preordained and their identities. I can only say that there is a certain kind of person who understands the mystery spoken of in the scripture I just read. Others, no matter how much they read, no matter how often they listen to our words, cannot fathom the mystery, they cannot grasp the meaning. Now, why is this so? My answer is found in the knowledge and belief that at the moment preordained persons are conceived, God touches them – at least He touches certain ones – and quickens them. By that I mean He fills them with the Spirit of Truth. And those persons live a very special life which prepares them for this preordained Teaching of Light. God makes of them very special persons; those persons have charisma. And even though the conception that takes place results in a material body that is tied to the physical world, there still remains the indwelling spirit placed there by God which co-exists with the natural Man.

“‘It appears that we do have a mystery here: which person does God touch? Does He select only certain ones, or does He touch everyone at birth? After all, does not every person have the right of spiritual birth? I would think everyone does. But I

do know that people are not born spiritually equal. Some serve God, others do not. Some wish to serve God, others do not. People have different feelings about God and the world in which they live. What makes them different? It is the inner spiritual nature that makes them different. So we have to accept that God does touch certain people. Everyone could not be Jesus or Jamil; they were unique. There is no reason to ask why they were chosen. God works in His own fashion. So let us accept the fact that God does select certain people to serve Him.

“‘This religion of Light, though universal, is not emphasizing numbers. It is a religion that has been formed to be governed by a few people who are intelligent and wise enough to understand and apply it. They are the Guardians of Light, and the guardians of humankind, for they hold the keys to Man’s future. People ask us, as you have asked, whether this religion is for all humankind. All humankind can apply this teaching. But let us be realistic. Not all humankind can understand this teaching, at least not at this time. We know that from our own experiences. Therefore, to maintain the religion we have to build it properly so that it can one day benefit more people. Our major concern should be to live the Teachings in Community, and to preserve them. We are doing no more than carrying on the tradition of the Community under Jesus.

“‘If any of you have doubts that the religion of Jesus was for a select number of people, let me read to you from the New Testament: We speak wisdom among them that are perfect. Yet not the wisdom of this world, nor of the princes of this world that come to naught. But we speak the wisdom of God and a mystery. Even the hidden wisdom which God ordained before the world unto our glory. Which none of the princes of this world knew, for had they known it they would not have crucified the Lord of Glory.

“‘If we can accept this premise, then we have a foundation for

understanding. And our task as Guardians of Light is to seek out the preordained, wherever they may be. Since we do not know them by name, we are obliged to reach as many people as we can in order to find the preordained. Once they hear the call, they will follow. The others will not, and no amount of convincing will ever change them.

“‘You might recall from scripture that Jesus led Peter and James and John up to a high mountain, apart from the other apostles and followers, and on that mountain top Jesus was transfigured before them. It was said that his face did shine like a sun and his raiment was white as light. Why the sudden transfiguration? Why did it not take place in his youth, or earlier life? Why on the mountain shortly before his crucifixion? This event tells us something about preordination, something about pre-existence. When God touches a person and places him or her in His service, that person is charged with a way of life. That person becomes a person of destiny with a life to be lived like a story. Nothing can be changed. And when the time comes for the spiritual birth of that person, the spirit implanted within at the moment of conception flowers like a water lily on the day of its opening; something new seen that was always there. Spiritual birth comes at the moment of transition, shortly before making the transit from one world to the next. And this is what is meant by the words of Jesus, You must be born again. I saw this occur with Jamil. His transfiguration was a beautiful thing to behold. No picture could show the beauty. No words could describe it.

“‘On our appointed day, after the long life of service to God, we shall each experience a transfiguration when we are born into another world; immortal, enlightened, freed from the bonds of the earth forever.’

“And The Fourth Mariner asked The Man saying, ‘When shall we take these teachings into the world in order to reach the preordained of God?’ And The Man answered saying, ‘When our

work is completed on this ship, we shall begin the Great Teaching.'”

These words are fitting at this time, as we contemplate the passing into the Realms of Light of our Brother in Light, Gary Buchanan. Last Saturday, when I anointed his body with Holy Water and Sacred Chrism and placed a sacred stone into his mouth, which we do by ancient tradition prior to the cremation of the material body, I could see the peace and tranquility that surrounded this preordained and pre-existent personage. And while I miss my friend and companion because I am human, I do not mourn his passing. Rather, I rejoice that he is free from the bonds of this world and goes on to join the Angels and the Beings of Light and assist us in our work in a different and more profound way. Gary was and remains a prince of this Church and of the sun – a prince not in the sense of worldly wealth but with an abundance of spiritual treasure.

Again, if I may be of any personal service to you, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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