

Creative Life



Creative Life Spiritual Center

Serving greater Houston since 1985

Jesse G. Jennings, Founding Minister

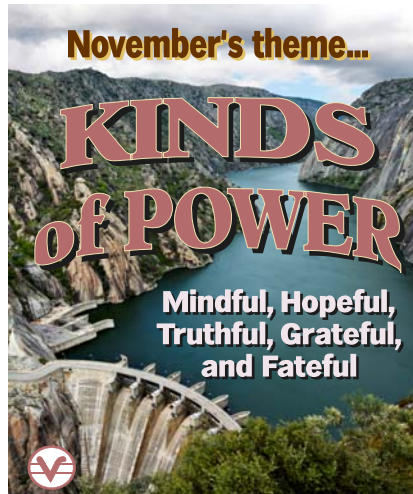


Blessing of the Animals



Many of us have beloved family members who cannot attend the Center with us, so on Sunday, November 15, at about 12:30pm, in the courtyard, we'll welcome our pets to our annual ceremony blessing them and their presence in our lives. Please bring only one animal per human, safely restrained and current on vaccinations (or a photo if your pet has other plans that day). Water, healthy treats will be provided. We will also memorialize pets who have passed. Your host is practitioner **Tammie Sheets**, and the children of the Center will also participate. Please sign up in Builders' Hall to take part in this service. To help, or for more information: tammie.sheets@creativelife.org

NOVEMBER 2009



Thanksgiving Blood Drive

Our next blood drive happens on Sunday, November 29, with potluck snacks for the donors, and the Bloodmobile on site all morning. As we're now holding these quarterly, you can participate through CLC in the Blood Center's "Commit For Life" program — go to their site www.giveblood.org for info. The need for blood products (both platelets and plasma) is constantly growing, and it's a gift only we as people can give to others. Also, it's a way to at the same time have your blood pressure and cholesterol checked. Volunteers are gratefully accepted to help set up and clean up after the snacks, place signs, etc.; the event coordinator is **Ruth Catalogna**. Sign up in Builder's Hall to donate or bring food. More info: racatalogna@hotmail.com

November Traditions

Mind Moves, Form Follows: A Celebration of the Practitioner's Craft

Come meet some of the licensed Religious Science practitioners of our Center, including the newest two, and enjoy hearing them speak on what they do and why they do it. Wednesday, November 18 at 7pm in the Great Hall.

Thanksgiving Eve Sharing Celebration

It's a cross between a Quaker meeting and open-mike night, as you're invited to come tell us a significant moment or two from your year, or just bask in the glow of others' reflections. Wednesday, November 25 at 7pm in the Great Hall.

For more on our Wednesdays, see p. 7

Glorious Chamber Music!



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Pianist **Meryl Ettelson** made her debut as soloist with the Philadelphia Orchestra at age 13. At 14 she gave her first recital at the Philadelphia Conservatory, where she was a student of Annetta Lockhart. At the New School of Music she studied chamber music with Jascha Brodsky, first violinist of the Curtis String Quartet. In her teens she studied with Eugene Helmer, renowned for his expertise on technique. At Indiana University, where Ms. Ettelson pursued her Bachelor's, Master's, and Doctoral degrees in piano performance, she was awarded the Performer's Certificate in recognition of her outstanding musical abilities. While there she was fortunate to study with Sidney Foster, Jorge Bolet, and Menahem Pressler. She has performed both as soloist and collaborative musician all over the United States and Europe.



Mark Johnson Photography

Violinist **Steven McMillan** received Bachelor of Music and Master of Music degrees from Rice University's Shepherd School of Music. Currently he is Concertmaster of both the Victoria Symphony Orchestra and the Galveston Symphony Orchestra and is Associate Concertmaster of the Corpus Christi Symphony Orchestra. Mr. McMillan was appointed Concertmaster and soloist of the Mantovani Orchestra for their 1991-92 world tour. He has also toured the country extensively as the Assistant Concertmaster for Andrew Lloyd Webber's *Phantom of the Opera*. Mr. McMillan has been fortunate to work with many of the world's most renowned conductors including Leonard Bernstein, Max Rudolph, Raymond Leppard, Sir Alexander Gibson, Sergiu Comissiona, Krystof Penderecki, Cornelius Eberhardt and Charles Rosekrans.

Sunday, November 29, 11:00am



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We're grateful for...



♥ Board President **Ron DeLorme**, for services above and beyond the call of duty tending to our plumbing repairs...

♥ Outdoor work day volunteers **Nick Berryman, Ron DeLorme, David Ferrier, Daniel May, Mike Nolan, Franceska Perot-Starcevic** and **Carthel Smejkal**, all fed lunch by **Elsa-Maria Saenz**...

♥ *Celebration of Autumn* event creator **Nancy Bonilla-May**, assisted by **Melody Berryman**; special music guests **Kenny Gaines** and **Wayne Wilkerson**; practitioner **Sheryl Boyle** and poet **Dick Schmelzkopf**; **JJ McDonald** and the Thursday night *Heartfelt Living* class for setup support; "front of the house" crew **Phil Beckhelm, Nick Berryman**, and **Daniel & Natalie May**; raffle assistants **Ron DeLorme** and **Debra Morwood**; and everyone who contributed items, bought items, and/or brought food...

♥ Sunday musical guest **Hans York**, and Wednesday performers **David Mayes, Pam Parrott, Bruce Ross, Dick Schmelzkopf**, and *Significant Others* (**Nancy Bonilla-May, Sarah Pitzer** and **Bob Pryor**)...

♥ **Nancy Bonilla-May, Chip Carney, Ron DeLorme, Bob Pryor** and **Bruce Ross** for their setup, cleanup and stage presence on Wednesday nights...

♥ **Mary Ellen Dupree, Sharon Eatman** and **Tom Hooper**, who help clean up on Sundays, and practitioner **Marion Wright**, who starts the coffee...

♥ October's *Heartfelt Usher/Greeters* **Linda Benthall, Bob Biddison, Barbara Brown, John Dantche, Ron DeLorme, David Dewhurst, Robert Dupree, Ken Dwight, Sharon Eatman, Elly Hard, Tina LeMarier, Lisa Mallozzi, Debra Morwood, Mike & Yaso Nolan, Lilia Reade-Pellicano, Ann Richardson, Ron Sandlin, Judith Sherbenou, Fred & Rosa Thompson**, and **Marion Wright**, all coordinated by **Bill MacKenzie!**



Wedding

♥ **George Abreu** and **Jennifer Adkins** were married at the Center on Saturday, October 17...

The Green Team



Do you have a great love and respect for Mother Earth? Do you have a passion for ways that are "Earth Friendly"? If so, then Creative Life needs you!! We would like to form a working committee to help create ideas and *follow through* with those ideas in order to make Creative Life a more "green" environment. We have specific tasks too, if you'd rather not plan. Please e-mail **Melody Berryman** at melodyberryman@sbcglobal.net

Donations by Mail



These folks mailed in a donation to the Center, or made one online, during October. *Thank you!*

George Abreu
Barbara Baldwin
Libby & Phil Beckhelm
Linda Benthall
Myokei Caine-Barrett
Kris Cockrell
Jan DeVries
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David Ferrier
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Judy Ramsey
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Creative Life Spiritual Center

"I never knew there was a place that teaches what I've always believed!"

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Creative Life is a spiritual community in suburban Houston, Texas, teaching and living the Science of Mind, a transformational path first articulated by the American philosopher **Ernest Shurtleff Holmes** (1887-1960).

We have activities for all people and interests, and welcome everyone, especially those for whom traditional Western religion has seemingly had no place.

Serving greater Houston since 1985, Creative Life is a member of the *United Centers for Spiritual Living* (formerly known as the United Church of Religious Science), which dates from 1927. "Science of Mind" and the circle-and-v symbol are registered trademarks. Membership in our Center is a statement of your commitment to your own spiritual process, using the principles taught here as a springboard, as well as a way of shaping our Center's collective future and enjoying a symbiotic, caring relationship.

No prior spiritual affiliation need be renounced in order to join us. Membership request cards can be found in the Great Hall vestibule, bookstore, or requested by mail or e-mail.

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Dream Interpretation Workshop



Yvonne Ryba

Have you ever had out-of-body experiences or consistently dreamed of an animal? Is this your animal totem? Come and find out at this next dream workshop. We all dream in symbolic language. Each of us has a personal dream dictionary within us, coupled with the knowledge of universal symbols, e.g. the ocean, an old woman, a snake. In this workshop we will discuss this symbolic language using our own dreams to reveal their meanings. Practitioner **Yvonne Ryba** has kept dream journals for over 30 years.

Her family recognized the power of dreams and she found she had an ability to help others understand their own. She has hundreds of dreams she collected from people and has written on "Dreams From the Bible" for a St. George, Utah, newspaper as well as having two 30-minute TV programs on dream interpretation and holding workshops across the country.

Please bring one or more dreams, which you have written out, with you. The class will also discuss several dreams which have, in each case, saved the dreamer's life or brought about a dramatic change in it. You will be given a workbook to keep, and you may bring snacks for the break. Saturday, November 7, 10am-12:30pm. Cost is \$25. Sign up in Builders' Hall. Details:

yvonne.ryba@creativelife.org

Conscious giving

Everything you see around the Creative Life campus, from the carpets to the coffee to the 6+ acres of land we now own and occupy, was manifested through the generosity of our Center members and friends—folks like you! Please remember the ongoing life of your Center, which costs about \$5,000 per week to fund, by doing your part and more if you can! You can donate to Creative Life by credit or debit card on a one-time or regular basis—just visit the bookstore to set up this service—or give via PayPal. We are a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation, so your regular contributions are tax-deductible.

Life Center supplies

The Life Center, founded by Pastor **Winston James** in 1991, is a care facility for the homeless at 4516 Old Yale Street in the Heights. We are pleased to join with other area faith communities in offering support to them through a collection of cleaning supplies, trash bags, nonperishable food socks, men's and women's underwear, and hygiene and grooming products. Please use the collection box in Builders' Hall.

Women's Tele-Series



Leading women in the field of consciousness speak in a free tele-series in which you can participate live, or listen later to the recordings,

at any time, from anywhere in the world. All of the women leaders have generously volunteered their time and their wisdom so that as many women as possible can come together to awaken our power to shape the future. It's called *Women on the Edge of Evolution: Awakening to the Power to Co-Create Our Lives and Shape Our Collective Future*, and registration information is at:

womenontheedgeofevolution.com

RenFest continues!



As the Texas Renaissance Festival rolls on, and with it the 17th season of *Creatyve Lyfe Booksellers*,

our gratitude goes to the Huckabays and their outstanding team of hawkers and salespeople who are making this season our most successful in many a year. Each weekend has a theme (Roman Bacchanal, Highland Fling, Barbarian Invasion and Celtic Christmas remain) and the event continues through November 29, located off FM 1774 between FM 1488 and Hwy. 105, north of Magnolia, in Plantersville, where it has been a Houston-area fall tradition since 1974. Discount tickets are available at Randall's and HEB stores, and visit their website is www.texrenfest.com. We're in booth #157, up the first lane to your left after entering, on the left.

James Huckabay, (713) 858-6974
or ravic752@yahoo.com

Valinda Huckabay, (713) 858-6975
or valinda.huckabay@creativelife.org

Authentic Woman® Network Luncheon

You are invited to a supportive network that encourages you to lose what's not real about you and to become expertly comfortable in expressing your authentic womanly self at home and in the world. Facilitated by minister **Marsha Lehman** and open to all women who would like to feel at home in a professional and personal network of women focused on spiritual principles of success and a feminine way of being in the world... without apology. We focus on different aspects/roles of the Authentic Woman® and offer encouragement to women who want to form close friendships that are meaningful and lasting.

Our next luncheon will be Wednesday, December 2, 11am-2pm. We will have a holiday luncheon and our conversation will be about the authentic gifts you bring to the world versus the things you think you have to do, especially around the holidays. A light vegetarian lunch will be served. Cost is \$15. Please sign up in Builders' Hall. Details:

marsha.lehman@creativelife.org

Work Days



CLC Trustee
Franceska Perot-Starcevic
invites you to the
next monthly
outdoor work day
on Saturday,
November 7, at

9am, when we will clear brush and work in the flower beds along the Western boundary. Come join us in the beautiful weather! Then trustee **Debra Morwood** hosts the next indoor work day, caulking and painting, on Saturday, November 21, at 9am. Details: fdperot@sbcglobal.net
debra.morwood@creativelife.org

Yoga classes



Sonya Nelson

In the blink of an eye, we'll be preparing feasts for the holidays and feeling the stress of that busy season! Now is the time to begin a yoga practice so you can master the skills of

breathing deeply and staying present. One of the first things that new yoga students are amazed by is the awareness they gain with their breathing. This awareness helps them in every aspect of their lives. Forrest Yoga places strong emphasis on breathing skills in a loving atmosphere of acceptance. Other benefits of attending a Forrest Yoga class is greater flexibility, relief to joint pain, better posture and fun! Both classes are open to all levels and no one is ever asked to work beyond a level that is safe and appropriate for them. Join CLC practitioner **Sonya Nelson**, certified yoga instructor, on Thursday mornings from 9:30-10:45am in Katherman Hall. Wear loose, comfortable clothing and do not eat two hours prior to class start time. Drop in for any class for \$15 to CLC. E-mail sonya.nelson@creativelife.org.

Additional info:
www.sonyanelson.net

Saturday Sacred Art Playshops for Women

The first in a quarterly seasonal series is the *Winter Solstice Sister-Friend Bracelet Playshop*, sponsored by minister **Marsha Lehman** and featuring our own practitioner **Ann Richardson**, artist and Peace of Mind business owner. Join them for this beautifully relaxing and creative day of a playful form of sacred art. You will have the experience of making a bracelet for a beloved sister-friend that will initiate her into the deep connection of self-rediscovery in the season of winter. The bracelet could be for your mother, daughter, aunt, a friend who feels like a sister, a woman who means so much to you. This bracelet, meant to be presented on Dec. 21, the Winter Solstice, will contain beads, adornments and a written prayer. You will be guided into your inner intuitive connection to help you create the affirmative prayer that will accompany your bracelet gift. The ritual that you will experience in the playshop can be the ritual that you use to present the bracelet. The ritual will help anchor the gift so that it will continue to have meaning and give inspiration throughout the winter months, the months of deep reflection and rich, connection with the womanly self. Come, be in the company of other women on this day of meditation, gentle laughter, magical creation and delightful connective sharing of the heart. Take home the gift of a Sister-Friend Bracelet that will be a symbolic reminder of the beauty that your friend is and expresses...that comes from that deeply feminine nature we call the Goddess. Open to all women from all spiritual walks of life...ages 15 to 105. Saturday, Nov. 14, 10am to 3pm at the Center. Cost of \$35 includes materials and light lunch. We need to know you're coming and the number of guests you are bringing, so use the signup sheet in Builders' Hall or register by e-mail: marsha.lehman@creativelife.org

Abraham-Hicks study group

Abraham teaches, "The basis of your life is freedom; the purpose of your life is joy." The purpose of this group is to expand our understanding of the teachings and writings of Abraham-Hicks, discussing personal applications and practical experiences, using their newest book, *The Vortex: Where the Law of Attraction Assembles All Cooperative Relationships*, available here. **Anise Flowers** and practitioners **Gary McMillen** and **Yvonne Ryba** facilitate. 6-8pm on the third Sunday of each month; next is November 15. Please read Part I of the book before the meeting. Open to all, join anytime. Cost is a love offering. Details: doctoranise@gmail.com

Fun-Loving Singles

This group is for all Creative Life Spiritual Center friends or members who are single, divorced or widowed and age 21 or over. We welcome all singles regardless of ethnicity, gender, or sexual orientation, who are interested in a safe, open environment to meet, form friendships, participate in group events and just have FUN! The goal is to promote camaraderie among singles, not to be a matchmaking or therapy support group.

We have not done a coffee/breakfast get-together in a while. Let's do one at Strack Farms on Sunday, November 1, at 9:15am. It's an all-you-can-eat buffet. They're on Louetta between Kuykendahl and Stuebner-Airline, and their website is www.stracks.com. A few of us are planning on meeting at Luby's in the Woodlands at 2:30pm on Thanksgiving day to enjoy a traditional Thanksgiving meal with no cleanup after! Here is the Luby's website with location information: <http://www.lubys.com/City.asp?City=The%20Woodlands> If you would like to meet up there, please let **Bob Pryor** know at robertmpryor@comcast.net

YOUTH NOTES



Debra Morwood

First, many thanks to all who helped with the Halloween Party: our teen class for help with trick-or-treating and games; **Aleena~Joy Davis, Stephanie**

Deatherage, Larry & Lynn Dines, Keri Ford & Ann Lux, Cindy Thomby, René Wemple, and all the teachers and parents who donated candy, balloons, and anything else!

On Sunday, November 1, Miss **Keri** will be teaching the teen class. I think she has a surprise craft and discussion scheduled. Come visit with us at CLC on Sunday to find out what she is up to!

November and December are shaping up to be really busy months. Looking ahead a bit:

November 15 ... Minister **Jesse Jennings** and practitioner **Tammie Sheets** will be blessing the animals in the courtyard after the 11am service. Bring your pet and have them blessed. It is a beautiful expression of love for our fur companions.

December 2 ... *Significant Others* will be performing at the Wednesday night service. **Nikki Saren** and **Daniel May** will be performing with them. This is very exciting and, if you can, come out and let's cheer them on!

December 6 ... The CLC Youth Teachers will have a meeting immediately following the 11:00 service. (approximately 12:30pm). We will meet in the 7-10 classroom. If parents have any questions or concerns they want addressed, please let me know and we will include this on the agenda.

As always, I am available to answer any questions concerning the CLC Youth Services Department. I am in my office (at the top of the stairs in Katherman Hall next to the upstairs practitioner room) from 10:15 until 11:00am on Sundays, available by cell phone (281) 787-2761 and at debra.morwood@creativelife.org.



It's Halloween for our toddlers...



and the 3-6-year-olds...



plus the 7-10 age group...



and of course the teens...



plus...um...the teachers...



and there were enough snacks for all.



NOTE TO CLC PARENTS...

Your sense of comfort leaving your children in our care is important to us; more important still is their safety while entrusted to us. We need you to know that between 11am and 12:15pm Sundays, your child must either be in the appropriate class, or seated in the Great Hall with you. *These are the only options.* Children are not permitted to roam the CLC campus unsupervised, nor to leave it without you, or with whomever you give us written permission to allow to take them. On Sundays, please bring your children who are going into class to the registration desk in the south lobby of the learning center for check-in, and fill out the necessary forms for children who are new with us. Thank you!

7-10-year-olds'

Volunteers are now being accepted to co-teach this group!

Workday 10/10

Photos by Carthel Smejkal



Francesca tending to a tree



Nick and Daniel say whazzup?



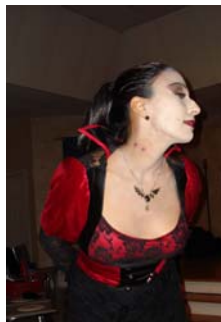
David readies his rake



Daniel and Ron wrestle with clippings

YOUTH WAND-MAKING WORKSHOP

Photos by Debra Morwood and René Wemple



Nancy

Celebration of
AUTUMN



Friday, October 23
with special musical guests
Kenny Gaines & Wayne Wilkerson
Doors open at 6pm — dance and eat
SHOW STARTS AT 8PM
Tickets \$10 until Oct. 14 • \$15 thereafter • Children under 12 \$7 • Under 5 free
Raffles • door prizes • silent auctions • adult and child costume contests
Potluck soups • chili • stews • desserts
To help or donate:
Nancy Bonilla-May • nbm5@aol.com

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Kenny, Nancy, Melody and Wayne



Lisa



Tina & Pam



Jaye & Jesse



Aleena & Cheryl



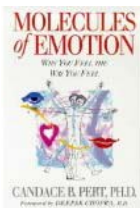
Margaret & Tina

Happy, Healthy & Harmonious

Experience the Radical Presence through *Do In* (self-massage on power points), mindful breathing (*Pranayama*), sound healing and guided health and rejuvenation meditation. These practices renew the body, lift the spirit and return us to our natural state of joy; great ways to lift depression, calm anxious tendencies, reduce stress and expand awareness. With **Anne Sermons Gillis**, 9:30-10:45am, Wednesdays, ending November 3, in Katherman Hall. Cost is \$15. Details: anne@annegillis.com.

Wisdom of the Universe

Book discussion group



Read on your own, learn with your peers. The purpose of our group is to explore the world of current science to learn more about its relevance to our ability to change our minds and change our lives. Our next book will be *Molecules of Emotions* by Candace Pert, Ph.D., available in our bookstore.

Join us in the youth wing Wednesdays, noon-2pm, bi-weekly (Nov. 4 & 18) to engage the process of critical enlightenment through the sharing of information. Led by **Denese & Dick Schmelzkopf**. Details: denese28@comcast.net

Nonviolent Communication: Relief Through Emotional Freedom

We are continuing to meet on Wednesdays from 4-5:30pm, using the book by Marshall Rosenberg, *Nonviolent Communication: A Language of Life*. In knowing and allowing our feelings to express, our universal needs such as freedom, creativity, support, integrity, protection, compassion, community, understanding and play can surface and bring us awareness of what is presenting itself to be alive in the moment. Join our group at any time. Facilitated by **Sylvia Roeling** and practitioner **Lynn Beckett**, lynn.beckett@creativelife.org or (281) 682-3655.

Renegade Reflections group

Circular exploration conversations that begin with a quote and a few questions supplied by minister **Marsha Lehman** and practitioner **Aleena-joy Davis**. The intention of this group is to listen, share, learn and take away something new that shakes us up, so we can make the change we want to live in the world. Wednesdays, 5:30-6:45pm. November's topic: *Becoming a Challenge-Free Zone* (Who says we have to have challenges? Is there a better approach to living? What would that be?). Details:

marsha.lehman@creativelife.org

Wed. Night Celebrations 7pm in the Great Hall

NOV 4 *The Changing Heroics of Power*, with minister **Jesse Jennings**; music is TBA

NOV 11 *Veteran's Day: Power and Glory, For God and Country*, with minister **Jesse Jennings**. Music is by **Bruce Ross**

NOV 18 *Mind Moves, Form Following: Honoring the Practitioners' Craft*, with the CLC **Practitioners**. Music is by **The Practets**.

NOV 25 *Thanksgiving Eve Sharing Service*, with minister **Jesse Jennings** and the members and friends of CLC.

DEC 2 *The Power of Imagination: Mind Remakes Your World* with minister **Jesse Jennings**; music by **Significant Others**

Lunch of Like Minds

A bunch of CLCers meet for lunch Thursdays at different restaurants from FM 1960 to The Woodlands, and you're invited! To get on the invitation list: **Cathy MacKenzie**, cathy.mackenzie@creativelife.org

A Course in Miracles discussions

A Course in Miracles is "a unique, universal, self-study spiritual thought system that teaches the way to Love and Inner Peace is through forgiveness." (www.acim.org) The *Course* states, "Projection makes perception. The world you see is what you gave it, nothing more than that. But though it is no more than that, it is not less. Therefore, to you it is important. It is the witness to your state of mind, the outside picture of an inward condition. As a man thinketh, so does he perceive. Therefore, seek not to change the world, but choose to change your mind about the world." We're in our fifth year of regular weekly meetings, now working through the *ACIM Text*. With practitioner **Bill MacKenzie** at 7pm Thursdays in the library. Open to all; join anytime. Donation. Details: bill.mackenzie@creativelife.org

Deck the Hall



On Sunday, November 29, after the 11:00 service, we're going to get the Great Hall decked out for the upcoming winter holidays, and we need YOU for about 3 hours (less if we have at least 8 people volunteer). This involves setting up and decorating the tree and putting out the other decorations. If you'd like to help, please get in touch with Sharon Mignerey at (281) 257-6580 or sharon@sharonmignerey.com

Self Compassion and Self Care

How do I come first in my life??? Let's explore together the ways in which each of us can choose to take the best care of ourselves and let go of the resentments and duties. Let's remember what it was like to live life our way. This class will be held the for three consecutive Saturdays in December beginning Dec. 5. The hours are 3pm until 5pm. The cost is \$35 per class or \$100 for the three classes. Each session will contain stand-alone information. Facilitated by practitioner **Lynn Beckett**, (281) 682-3655 or lynn.beckett@creativelife.org.

Center Recordings

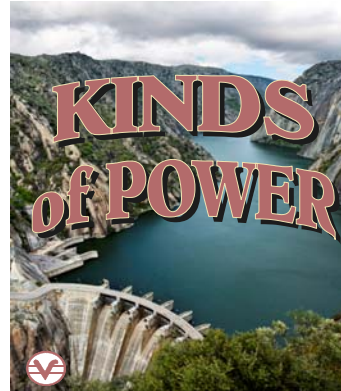


Our Sunday services (opening meditation, "encouragement" and closing treatment), as well as longer Wednesday evening talks, are available on CD. **Individual sales:** Each 80-min. CD contains one service, and is \$4. Use the bookstore clipboard to order, then pre-pay, and pickup, or add \$2 each for mailing. **Mail subscriptions** are \$60 for 3 mos.; \$115 for 6 mos.; \$200 for a year; or \$350 for two years, domestic postage included. Subscribe in the bookstore, receive a shipment every two weeks. info@creativelife.org

Creative Life Sundays

Come at 9:30 or 11:00 to enjoy the new series...

Based in part on the book by **James Hillman**



"Ancient thought could not even conceive of the individual's soul life apart from the soul of the world."

STANDARD TIME BEGINS

Mindful Power:
Efficiently Living, Growing & Serving

Hopeful Power:
Spirit Rising, Like Riding a Flying Dragon

Truthful Power:
Getting Real, Then Different, Then Real Different

Grateful Power:
To Go Where We Want To, We Must Love Where We Are

ONE SERVICE ONLY 11AM

Fateful Power:
Invention, Imagination, and the Return of Wonder

"I LOVE MYSELF THE WAY I AM"

A chance to sing, laugh, and be here now

EVOCATION

Centering ourselves in the eternal moment

"UNIVERSAL LOVE ENFOLDS ME"

A time to deepen within, and then connect with each other

MUSICAL MOMENT

with **Geoffry Oshman**, the **CLC musicians**, and visiting friends

ENCOURAGEMENT

A talk by minister **Jesse Jennings** on conscious living today (see topics above)

SPIRITUAL MIND TREATMENT

An affirmative prayer, the heart of our spiritual practice

GROUP SONG

An old favorite, or the latest new song we're starting to learn!

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GIVING TIME

*Divine love, through me, blesses and multiplies all the good I am and have, all the good I give and receive.
I am prosperous now, and so it is!*

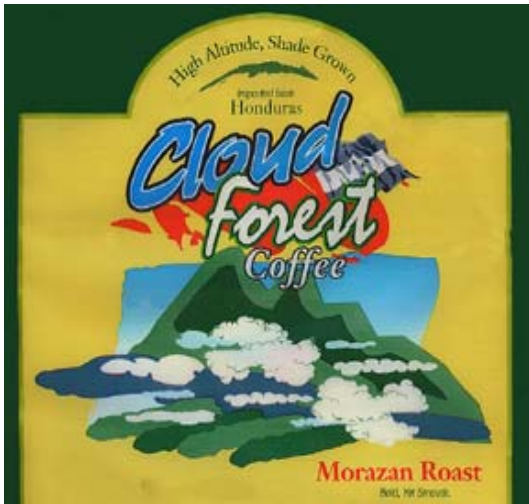
MUSICAL MOMENT 2

with **Geoffry Oshman**, the **CLC musicians**, and visiting friends

CLOSING CIRCLE AND "PEACE SONG"

Something wonderful is happening through you right now!

Scenes from Honduras



Here are some photos, taken by **Lynn Rippelmeyer** and friends, showing the coffee growing, the children shoes charities benefit from that industry, and clothes and shoes donated by CLCers and members of Northwoods Unitarian Church in The Woodlands, among other benefactors, being gratefully accepted by young Hondurans.



ONLY \$10
IN THE
BOOKSTORE



Honduran support

We are accepting donations of durable used or new shoes, and also clothing (used/clean/in good repair), which pilot **Lynn Rippelmeyer** delivers to the people of Honduras each time she flies there. Please use the collection boxes in Builders' Hall — no extra-large sizes, women's shorts, winter clothing, or high heels, thanks. In the bookstore we're selling Honduran-grown coffee at \$10 the pound, to help support several children's charities there. We now also have the opportunity to donate medical supplies to *Medical Bridges* for use in 80 countries. No expired prescription medicines, please; these can be taken to a pharmacy for proper disposal. Also needed is a portable sewing machine.

Details: ljripp@comcast.net



CLC's Practitioner Team

Mind remakes your world!

Our licensed Religious Science practitioners are trained in the art and science of spiritual support using affirmative prayer, and are committed to serving your needs. Have a new goal, an old problem, or a question about applying our teaching? Work with a practitioner and watch what happens with conscious use of the Law of Mind. Access them by leaving a prayer request in of the boxes, by attending one of their events (see at right), or by appointment. Events are donation-based or free; appointments are fee-based.

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Power Up with Positive Prayer

What exactly is a “Religious Science practitioner”? Literally, a practitioner is anybody who practices something; our Religious Science practitioners are trained in the *art and science of spiritual support using affirmative prayer*, and are committed to serving your needs. Each has spent literally hundreds of hours in training, to direct natural compassion into helping you through listening, caring, and using spiritual mind treatment — affirmative prayer — to reveal the truth of you that is greater than any apparent limitation. Each is licensed by the United Centers for Spiritual Living, and engages in ongoing study and spiritual development.

Help is Nearby

Our Creative Life practitioners are outstanding spiritual support persons, available to lovingly and confidentially assist you, and are at your service...

- **Sundays** at “The Power of Prayer” (now in the downstairs meditation room) where requests are received and acted upon in a small group setting, or with the practitioner of your choice in the Great Hall or garden for a quick “meet and treat”...

- **By appointment**, on an individual fee basis for a one-hour session of spiritual support and treatment...

- CLC members receive an annual invitation by mail for a free “**birthday** **checkup**” with the practitioner of your choice (see list at left). Just pick up a form in the Practitioners’ Loft and call for your appointment...

- **More options** requesting and receiving prayer support include using a form on our website by going to www.creativelife.org/links/prayerrequest.php. Further, trained, skilled practitioners await your call to the UCSL World Ministry of Prayer, 24 hours a day, every day at (800) 421-9600 or by email to prayer@wmop.org.

What Practitioners Do

COME MEET OURS ON WEDNESDAY, NOV. 18!

“It is in this sense that God is the answer to every human need. The Divine Spirit is the knower in us; the Universal Law is the actor. The savior is Christ in us, knowing though us. There is no opposite to this, nothing competes against it, nor can it be monopolized. All of God is everywhere present. The entire possibility of the action and reaction of the Law is ever available. Any result is merely a reflected image, never a thing in itself, always in the realm of effects projected by causes over which the conditions themselves have no control whatsoever. The conditions themselves automatically respond by corresponding.” —ERNEST HOLMES, from *How to Use the Science of Mind*

How do I know if I need a practitioner?

In one respect, no one needs a practitioner, because each of us is gifted with the ability to pray affirmatively, with results following. Practitioners are a useful spiritual support system for any times when you feel it would be good to get outside your own head for a while and allow another, trusted person to speak the word around a clear idea of your good. Times like these can include when you’re under stress, have a big decision to make, feel fear, are grieving a loss, or are just overwhelmed for the moment by your life. Another useful time, often neglected, is when everything is going just great. Practitioners are happy to treat about continued good in your life, too!

(excerpted from our brochure, *You and Your Practitioner*. Request yours today!)

CALENDAR

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NOVEMBER 2009

EVENT KEY
■ Celebration service
■ SOM certified class
■ Other class/group/wkshp
■ Meditation/prayer/ritual
■ Musical event
■ Social/service event
■ Youth event

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 CELEBRATIONS 9:30 & 11 Jesse Jennings: MINDFUL POWER: EFFICIENTLY LIVING, GROWING AND SERVING <i>Benfest</i> • offsite Singles' breakfast 9:15 Power of Prayer 12 Children and Youth 11 Music rehearsal 12:30	2 ○ Practitioner I class #6 • 6:30pm Practitioner II class #7 • 7pm	3 Change Your Mind! Change Your Life! final class • 10:30am Practical Mysticism class #5 • 7pm	4 Happy, Healthy & Harmonious 9:30am Wisdom of the Universe book club 12pm Nonviolent Communication 4pm Renegade Reflections 5:30pm Midweek celebration: THE CHANGING HEROICS OF POWER Jesse Jennings • 7pm	5 Yoga 9:30am Lunch of Like Minds offsite • noon Heartfelt Living class #6 • 6:30pm A Course in Miracles 7pm	6	7 BenFest 9am • offsite Gardening work day 9am Dream workshop 10am
8 CELEBRATIONS 9:30 & 11 Jesse Jennings: HOPEFUL POWER: SPIRIT RISING, LIKE RIDING A FLYING DRAGON Musical guests: Suburbanoid Fatties <i>Benfest</i> • offsite Power of Prayer 12 Children and Youth 11 Music rehearsal 12:30 12:30	9 ☾ Practitioner I class #7 • 6:30pm Practitioner II class #8 • 7pm	10 Practical Mysticism class #6 • 7pm	11 <i>Veterans Day</i> Wisdom of the Universe book club 12pm Nonviolent Communication 4pm Renegade Reflections 5:30pm Midweek celebration: POWER AND GLORY, FOR GOD AND COUNTRY Jesse Jennings • 7pm	12 Yoga 9:30am Lunch of Like Minds offsite • noon Heartfelt Living class #7 • 6:30pm A Course in Miracles 7pm	13	14 BenFest 9am • offsite Sacred Art playshop 10am
15 CELEBRATIONS 9:30 & 11 Jesse Jennings: TRUTHFUL POWER: WE GET REAL, THEN DIFFERENT, THEN REAL DIFFERENT <i>Benfest</i> • offsite Power of Prayer 10:30/12 Children and Youth 11 Music rehearsal 12:30 Animal blessing 12:30 Abraham-Hicks 6	16 ● Practitioner I class #8 • 6:30pm Practitioner II class #9 • 7pm	17 Practical Mysticism class #7 • 7pm	18 Wisdom of the Universe book club 12pm Nonviolent Communication 4pm Renegade Reflections 5:30pm Midweek celebration: MIND MOVES, FORM FOLLOWS: CELEBRAT- ING THE PRACTITIO- NER'S CRAFT Jesse Jennings • 7pm	19 Yoga 9:30am Lunch of Like Minds offsite • noon Heartfelt Living class #8 • 6:30pm A Course in Miracles 7pm	20	21 BenFest 9am • offsite Indoor work day 9am
22 CELEBRATIONS 9:30 & 11 Jesse Jennings: GRATEFUL POWER: TO GO WHERE WE WANT TO, WE MUST LOVE WHERE WE ARE <i>Benfest</i> • offsite Power of Prayer 10:30/12 Children and Youth 11 Self-Care group 2 Music rehearsal 12:30 CLC Board 12:30	23 Practitioner I class #9 • 6:30pm Practitioner II class #10 • 7pm	24 ☽ Practical Mysticism class #8 • 7pm	25 Wisdom of the Universe book club 12pm Nonviolent Communication 4pm Renegade Reflections 5:30pm Midweek celebration: THANKSGIVING EVE SHARING SERVICE Jesse Jennings • 7pm	26 <i>Thanksgiving Day</i>  Singles' Thanksgiving dinner 2:30 • offsite	27 BenFest 9am • offsite	28 BenFest 9am • offsite
29 ONE CELEBRATION 11 only Jesse Jennings: FATEFUL POWER: INVENTION, IMAGINA- TION & THE RETURN OF WONDER Musical guests: Meryl Ettelson and Steven McMillan <i>Benfest</i> final day • offsite Blood Drive all morning Power of Prayer 10:30/12 Children and Youth 11 Music rehearsal 12:30 Holiday Decorating 12:30	30 Practitioner I class #10 • 6:30pm Practitioner II class #11 • 7pm	DECEMBER 1 Practical Mysticism class #9 • 7pm	2 ○ Women's Networking Luncheon 11am Wisdom of the Universe book club 12pm Nonviolent Communication 4pm Renegade Reflections 5:30pm Midweek celebration: THE POWER OF IMAGINATION: MIND REMAKES YOUR WORLD Jesse Jennings • 7pm	 	November's theme... KINDS of POWER Mindful, Hopeful, Truthful, Grateful, and Fateful 	