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Dear Brethren,

The day of anticipation eventually arrives. The Feast of 1995 is just a matter of weeks away. From the ministry and staff we wish you a marvelous and rewarding occasion.

Spiritual Principle/Current Event: A World Religion Is Emerging—as Prophesied

Usually, we try to introduce each Current Event section of the *Announcement Letter* with a broad but significant spiritual principle. In the last issue of this letter we did not follow that pattern due to the fact we had introduced the earlier issue with that principle. After reviewing our notes, we must again apologize for not giving any significant Biblical material. With the space constraints self-imposed, we want to devote our attention exclusively to the final portion of this most important subject as we have outlined them. Now to the subject.

In July we addressed the issues of: 1) A world religion is prophesied, and 2) What is the nature of that religion? In August we covered: 1) Manifestations of that religion in its development, and 2) The scheme is a well-orchestrated plan.

From the pens and lips of those who advocate this system, what is and how well is the preparation of that plan progressing? By studious "watching" the children of God should not be caught unawares. Remember, they and they only will know and realize just what is happening.

From the *World Goodwill Newsletter* flier, "this is a time of preparation not only for a new civilization and culture in a new world, but also for the coming of a new spiritual dispensation . . . At the end of an age human resources and established institutions seem inadequate to meet world needs and problems. At such time the advent of a Teacher, a spiritual leader or Avatar, is anticipated and invoked by the masses of humanity in all parts of the world."

Further, a 1994 book entitled, *Spiritual Politics: Changing the World from the Inside Out*, New Agers Corinne McLaughlin and Gordon Davidson say: "Fundamentalist Christians have a great fear of any movement toward a world government such as the United Nations, or toward 'oneness' such as the New Age movement. They see this as the work of the devil. . . . a helpful way

for fundamentalists to overcome their fear is to remember the 'unity in diversity' theme, which forms the basis of the work of both the United Nations and the New Age movement." What is the oneness to which they make reference? Dr. Norman Meyer, a man with a long list of credentials, says: "there is no longer any 'we' or 'they.' For the first time, and for all time, there is only 'us'—all of us humans, together with all our fellow species and other members of the Gaian community." To them this "Gaian community" will necessitate a governing elite who will be teaching a new humanism, a different world view—a total planetary concern. The philosophical preparation is succinctly spelled out by David Spangler. He says: "The need of our time is to allow the image of Christ to grow in our minds to become truly holistic and not a symbol of a particular group of people or of a particular theology. . . . In short, the Christ needs to be our doorway into a state of dynamic beingness and relationship in which we become planetary, universal, in our outlook and behavior." Talk about putting the cart before the horse. This is the epitome of the worship of the human mind. Instead of looking to Christ for instruction, they are creating a Christ in the image of what they feel is acceptable and right.

The above is the philosophical preparation. Now for a hair-raising description of the physical and technical preparation required for the institution of their dream. Barbara Marx Hubbard in her book, *The Book of Co-Creation—An Evolutionary Interpretation of the New Testament*, says: "No worldly peace can prevail until the self-centered members of the planetary body either change, or die. That is the choice. . . . Evolution empowers the horseman upon the red horse to kill that which cannot love God above all else and his neighbor as himself. . . . This act is as horrible as killing a cancer cell. It must be done for the sake of the future of the whole. . . . We, the elders, have been patiently waiting until the very last moment before the quantum transformation, to take action to cut out this corrupted and corrupting element from the body of humanity. . . . [T]he destructive one-fourth must be eliminated from the social body. We have no choice, dearly beloveds. . . . [I]f allowed to live on to reproduce their defective disconnection, [they would] destroy forever the opportunity of Homo sapiens to become Homo universalis, heirs of God." She continues: "Only those who are capable of evolving . . . who willingly follow their inner voice" will be allowed to survive.

A terribly frightening prospect. It lies in our immediate future. Thank God, there is a day of redemption just beyond. Considering the severity of their plan, one must ask, who is the source of such a plot?

There is a recognition of the need for a religious premise. Hans Küng, a Globalist theologian, writes: "Any form of . . . church conservatism is to be rejected. . . . To put it bluntly: No regressive or repressive religion—whether Christian, Islamic, or Jewish or whatever provenance has a long-term future." Continuing, in his book, *Global Responsibility: In Search of a New World Ethic*, Hans Küng states: "If ethics is to function for the wellbeing [sic] of all, it must be indivisible. The undivided world increasingly needs an undivided ethic. Postmodern men and women need common values, goals, ideals, visions. But the great question in dispute is: Does not all this presuppose religious faith? What we need is an ecumenical world order!"

Who is the god of this New World Order? The source of direction and inspiration? David Spangler is quoted in Malachi Martin's book, *The Keys to This Blood*. He states, "At some point each of us faces the presence of Lucifer. Lucifer comes to give us the gift of wholeness—that is the Luciferian initiation. It is one that many people now and in the days to come will be facing. It is an initiation into a New Age." Who are these strange, higher entities whom men occasionally meet? Monte Leach, an editor for Share International says: "Now, for the first time in thousands of years, the Masters are returning to work openly among humanity. Not since the Atlantean era in pre-history has such a thing happened. . . . They usually work through disciples, like Buddha. But now they're among us and ready to help our world take its next step." Are these demons masquerading as extraterrestrial beings? And just what is the next great step? Let South African theosophist Aart Jurriaanse answer. "This great objective of eventually gathering all peoples of the world into one great Universal Church is the task of Masters Koot Hoomi and Morya, assisted by the Master Jesus. . . . [and] it is out of the present religious turbulence that the New World Church is going to evolve." How did Helena Petrovna Blavatsky, mother of the New Age, view the religious orientation of our day? She wrote: "To accept the Bible as 'revelation' and nail belief to a literal translation, is worse than absurdity—it is a blasphemy against the Divine majesty of the 'Unseen'" She said, "The Great Serpent of the Garden of Eden and the 'Lord God' are identical."

Men today are being taught that through the acquisition of knowledge and the resulting advances in technology they can eventually have the same powers as the Creator God. Barbara Marx Hubbard, mentioned above says: "We are becoming co-creators through the evolution of our mind and its technological extensions. We see the vision of our species reconnected to each other, to nature and to the Creator, gaining the capacities of omniscience, omnipotence, omnipresence and life eternal." Sound like Genesis 3?

The most abhorrent, yet most revealing, statement was made by Shirley MacLaine. In her book, *Dancing in the Light*, MacLaine says: "When that [self] awareness is achieved, I will be aligned completely with that unseen Divine force we call God. For me to deny that Divine Force now, would be tantamount to denying that I exist, therefore I AM. I know that the God-source exists. Therefore, IT IS. Since I am part of that force, then I AM that I AM."

And finally, how do the perpetrators elect to bring this "grandiose" plan to pass? A few quotes should be sufficient.

A *World Goodwill Newsletter* flier, dated June 12, 1995, states that a self-evident truth is this: ". . . only through humanity itself can the divine Plan work out." Continuing we read, "When awakened in sufficient numbers of human beings (the indwelling soul of all men and women) will enable humanity to take its rightful place in helping the Plan of God to find full expression on Earth."

And what is the power and force by which the New Age plan be will effectuated? The UN International Covenants on Human Rights, Article 18, reads: "Everyone shall have the right to freedom of thought, conscience, and religion. This right shall include freedom to have or to adopt a religion or belief of his choice, and freedom, either individually or in community with others and in public or private, to manifest his religion or belief in worship, observance, practice and teaching." Sounds good until the rest of Article 18 is read along with other disclaimers throughout the document. And how does Article 18 read? "Freedom to manifest one's religion or beliefs may be subject only to such limitations as are prescribed by law and are necessary." The number of such proscriptions is considerable. Remember the material which you have already read.

The above added to that which has been previously given should familiarize all of us with the nature of the religious beast which is alarmingly surfacing right now. As other material comes to light we will try to keep you well informed.

Prayer Requests

[Omitted for confidentiality]

General Requests

Protection of time: To serve everyone acceptably I (RCC) must protect specific time. My best time for writing is in the morning. Unless the situation is critical in nature, I would like to request that the hours from 8:00 to 11:00 A.M. be protected, unless an emergency exists. In such cases I try to be available at any time during the entirety of the 24-hour period, of each day. The demands of writing have appreciably increased. For your consideration, I do convey my sincerest and heartfelt thank-you.

Office

Effective November 5, 1995 the telephone area code for the Eugene area will change to 541 rather than 503. However, both 541 and 503 can be used until June 30, 1996. After that time only 541 can be used for the Eugene area. The northwest section of the state which includes the Portland metropolitan area has been reserved for the area code number 503. The rest of the state of Oregon will be in the 541 area.

Feast of Tabernacles

The Feast of Tabernacles is fast approaching. So that we have time to evaluate and make necessary decisions, we need every second tithe request here in the office by September 18. Decisions will be made and, where approved, checks will be sent so that the recipients will have time to make all necessary arrangements. A couple of points to remember. Outside of major exceptions—to be determined by the ministry—unless the potential recipient has been faithful to God in performing his or her part it does not seem right to those who make the sacrifices necessary to make available second tithe for assistance that such largess be given. We must honor them, too. Secondly, there has always been an upper limit per recipient. Again, we need to receive those requests immediately.

Because of the need to make up Feast of Tabernacles prayer lists, various work assignments, etc., we need to know who is transferring from the normal Feast site they attend to another location. Since this is short notice for this year's Feast we realize some may not be able to inform us sufficiently in advance. For future Feasts please let us know at least one month before so that we may properly plan assignments, etc.

This year we are encouraging any and all who are attending the Feast at the Townsend site—as is always true with respect to the Newport site—to bring any cassette tapes which they wish to return. At the time of the Feast we will consolidate them to be shipped back inexpensively. It will be a help both to you and to the office. For your help in this matter we sincerely thank you.

Due to the heavy press of work in preparing for the Feast of Tabernacles there will be no October *Announcement Letter* or *Monthly Letter*. The letters will resume with the November issue.

Trip Schedule

September 9	Canada	B.G.C.
October 7-16	Townsend, TN	R.C.C.

Tape Schedule

Tape Series	Mailed	For	Title/tape #
WSE-RC 59-23	07/03	09/02	Despair or Glory, Which? #23
WSE-BC 147-12	07/12	09/09	Mighty Acts and Miracles of God #12 (Wilderness)
WSE-RC 59-24	07/12	09/16	Despair or Glory, Which? #24
WSE-BC 147-13	07/26	09/23	Mighty Acts and Miracles of God #13 (Joshua)
Trumpets	09/06	09/25	AM & PM
WSE-RC 59-25	07/26	09/30	Despair or Glory, Which? #25
Atonement	09/06	10/04	One service
WSE-BC 147-14	08/09	10/07	Mighty Acts and Miracles of God #14 (Gideon)
WSP-RC 20-2	08/09	10/21	How Does Your Conscience Guide You? #2
WSE-BC 147-15	08/23	10/28	Mighty Acts and Miracles of God #13 (Samson)

In Christ's service,



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