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NEWSLETTER

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*Dr. Al. G. Salazar, Minister Emeritus*

### LESSON TOPICS FOR OCTOBER

**Oct 3      EVERLOVING  
AND EVERLASTING**

*Practitioner Pamela Johnson*

Our purpose in life is to transcend the material world – the world of cause and effect – and to practice the Omnipresence of GOD. How do we accomplish this, you ask? Our work in this life is abiding in the everloving and everlasting Spirit of GOD.

**Oct 10      GOD IS LOVE**

*Rev. Dr. Miriam Comer Johnson*

In our spiritual journey, we learn many aspects of God. We seek knowledge and understanding. We struggle to develop faith. We are told, however, that of all that we learn and do spiritually, “the greatest of these is love.”

**Oct 17      PUT ON THE NEW MAN**

*Rev. Janet Friedline*

Life is full of changes, and each one requires something from us. When we step out in a different way, we become a “new man.” Let us discover what this means.

**Oct 24      THE POWER OF LOVE**

*Rev. Donna Gatewood*

The power of love is unlimited, and we may apply this power of love in all our ways and in all the activities of our daily lives. Let us apply it first to ourselves.

**Oct 31      LIVING BETWEEN  
TWO WORLDS**

*Rev. Maria Borrero*

Once we are conscious that we are on a spiritual path, we begin to feel we are living between two worlds. A relationship with God will reveal his Kingdom here on earth.

**OUR DAILY BREAD**

*Rev. Pat Beach*

In praying after the manner that Jesus taught, we say, “**Thou givest us this day our daily bread.**” In other words, we acknowledge that God has already provided for our true needs. These provisions are constantly given and we have only to know that this is so.

In our reflection, it is essential to recognize that the “bread” we receive is more than food alone. This is nourishment for the wholeness of spirit, mind and body. Jesus said unto his disciples, “**...the bread of God is he which cometh down from heaven, and giveth life unto the world...I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me**

**shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst.”**

In the deep silence of true prayer, we have union and communion with Christ and are no longer dependent upon symbols. To know that God is in us and ever with us is to have communion as an ongoing experience. In the words of our founders, “Communion is realization of the Omnipresence.” Let us take time often for the stillness in which this life-giving substance is given and received.

Thank you, Father, for the ability to know your Presence in the midst of us. Amen.

### **PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE**

Hello Friends,

Welcome to Autumn!

Have you noticed some changes in the church? Just in case you've missed them let me tell you what I am talking about.

Thanks to the generosity of Connie Greco we can lounge in the comfort of home on the wonderful overstuffed little love seat that has made its home in the library. It's cozy and inviting and just the right place to settle in with a good book.

Five new air conditioners (two in the sanctuary, one in the library, one in the minister's office and one in the office manager's office), a new toilet in the lavatory at the back of the sanctuary, new lighting over the pulpit and a new electrical box to accommodate the need for all the extra power were lovingly donated by a member of our church family who wishes to remain anonymous.

To Connie and our anonymous donor we extend our sincerest thanks and our heartfelt gratitude for your kindness and continued support of the church and the teaching.

We extend our gratitude to Dr. Salazar for his visit and lesson at the Church last month. As always, it is a pleasure to be in his presence and hear his words of wisdom.

In early October, two of our ministers, Rev. Donna Gatewood and Rev. Janet Friedline will travel to Secaucus, New Jersey on behalf of the Divine Science School to ordain several new ministers

Blessings,  
Elan Darlington  
President, Board of Trustees

### **WHAT’S NEW ON THE SHELVES**

Take a look at the Featured Books shelf in the bookstore; we’ve added some new books to our shelves and we think you might find them interesting, uplifting and enlightening. Here is just a taste of what you will find on the shelves for sale this month.

“*Silence of the Heart*” by Robert Adams

“Robert Adams’ classic renowned treatise on life, Reality, and True Illumination, “*Silence of the Heart*” continues to transform lives throughout the world with its instantaneous elevation into new heights, directly guiding one into “The Unimaginable Beauty Within.” This book also includes a CD

“*Happiness This Moment—The Secret to Happiness*” by Robert Adams

“...Your True Self is Bright and Shining this Moment. Through the clear Realization of the Truth, your Real Self will come shining through. Everyone is looking for happiness. Happiness is the Unchanging Truth of your Real Self. You are not the outer images that keep changing. It does not matter what is happening in your life, nothing is more powerful than the Absolute Truth of who YOU are, An Embodiment of Happiness.” This book also includes a CD.

*“The Mystic Path to Cosmic Power”* by  
Vernon Howard

“This book is the most refreshingly honest book you will ever read. For over 35 years *“The Mystic Path to Cosmic Power”* has helped millions of men and women from all over the world and from all walks of life find real happiness. Advanced spiritual truths are simplified for practical application and swift progress in your daily life.” The book includes the greatest secret on earth; how good things happen to you; the only answer to anger and much more.

*“Spiritual Power of Truth”* by Joel S.  
Goldsmith

“This book is a collection of insightful essays for those prepared to relax their grasp on fragmented spirituality in order to rise to the indivisibility of Truth. All people eventually come face-to-face with their inner Truth at some point in life. As influences from the outer environment conflict with the inner Truth the results can have an adverse impact on your health, finances, and personal relationships. There is a greater power to overcoming this dilemma.”

One of these new books may be just what you are looking for but if not, keep looking for new books on the Featured Books shelf. You just don’t know what you may find there.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

After the summer break we are happy to say that our Sunday school is in full swing. We were delighted to have Gabriel and Elijah back with us after their long absence.

The first Sunday school session of the season was held on September 19. We took the time to get reacquainted and to catch up on the things we did over the summer and

how the new school year is shaping up. We talked about those summer experiences that reminded us that God is Good and Present everywhere all the time.

During the month of October we will begin our studies in earnest by offering instruction in Basic Divine Science, Bible, Meditation, and Practicing in our daily lives. The schedule for the month is:

- Oct 3 Daily Practice of the Principle  
Ms Élan
- Oct 10 Basic Principle of Divine Science  
Rev. Donna
- Oct 17 Meditation  
Rev. Maria
- Oct 24 Bible  
Rev. Donna
- Oct 31 Daily Practice of the Principle  
Ms Élan

All children are welcome.

Love and Blessings,

Donna Gatewood,  
Director, Youth Ministry and Sunday School

### ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

This year, Alumni presentations will begin in October. The theme this year is **Divine Science and the Beatitudes**. We are pleased that **Karla Rodas will be the first speaker of the year on Sunday, October 3 immediately after the service. Be sure to join us!**

### FLOWER CALENDAR

The 2011 Flower Calendar has been posted on the bulletin board just outside the bookstore.

### SHIRLEY SINGS

The church’s music director and soloist for many years, Ms Shirley Taylor Moore, is

being presented in concert at 4:00 in the afternoon on Sunday, October 24, 2010, at the Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church. The church is located at 6601 Bradley Boulevard in Bethesda, Maryland.

Ms Moore, accompanied by Mr. George Peachy, Pianist, will be performing the works of Handel, Faure, Brahms, Verdi, Obradors and others. Suggested Donation is \$20 for adults and \$10 for children 12 and under. This is a wonderful way to spend a cool autumn afternoon. Everyone is welcome.

### **FLOWER CALENDAR**

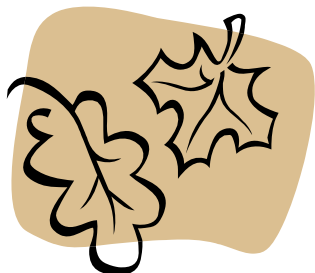
Thanks to all who contributed flowers to beautify the church sanctuary this past year. The 2011 Flower Calendar is now available and has been posted on the bulletin board outside the bookstore. If you would like to contribute flowers for Sunday services, please sign up early so that you can choose your special dates. The cost per Sunday is \$45 and the flowers are yours to take after the service.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Oct. 3, Sunday, 12:15 pm Alumni Presentation with Karla Rodas in the downstairs fellowship hall.**

**Oct. 7, Thursday, 7:00 pm, Evening with Joel Goldsmith (CD) – all are welcome. Refreshments will no longer be served and session will end in silence.**

**Oct. 17, Sunday, 12:15 pm, Board of Trustees Meeting.**



### **TRAFFIC ISSUES FOR OCTOBER**

Please be mindful of the two upcoming events which will tie traffic up and close some bridges. **Please check the media or the event websites to determine the best way to get to church.**

**Oct 24 – Army Ten Miler starts at 7:00 am [www.armytenmiler.com](http://www.armytenmiler.com)**

**Oct 31 – Marine Corps Marathon starts at 7:00 am [marinecorpsmarathon.org](http://marinecorpsmarathon.org)**

### **Ongoing Prayer/Study Groups and Class:**

**Tuesdays – 6:30 pm**

**Wednesdays Meditation – 12:00 noon**

**Wednesdays Bible Class – 7:00 pm**

**Thursdays – 7:00 pm (Men’s Group)**

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### **Office/Bookstore Hours:**

**Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday**

**10-3**