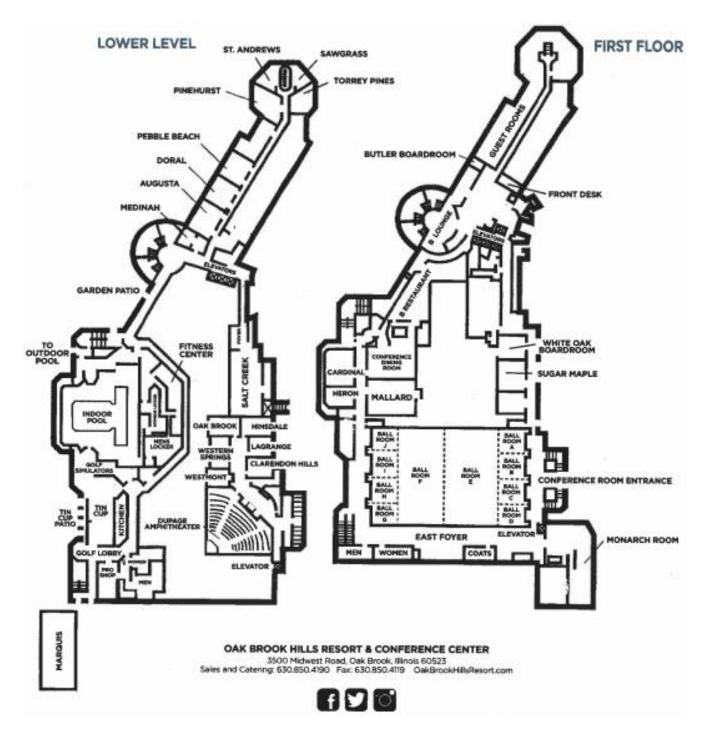


# SITE MAP – Oak Brook Hilton Resort and Conference Center



While I don't intend to misplace it, in case I should happen to, this Program Booklet belongs to:

# WELCOME HOME!

It has been six long years since our family has been free to gather for an International Conference, and we have missed you, one and all. As you review this program, you will see that we have planned activities and presentations designed to penetrate deeply into your heart, actively stimulate your mind, and nourish your soul's desire for connection.

There is no real substitute for spending time together studying, serving, and interacting. Please enjoy these days reconnecting with long-time friends, making new friends, and strengthening your Urantia family ties.

As a compensation for the recent pandemic isolation, we seem to have been graciously granted a full complement of Celestial Artisans and Reversion Directors. For your pleasure, they have orchestrated a week filled with beautiful music, meaningful silliness, and uplifting frivolity!

All who participated in planning IC23 sincerely hope that you will leave this experience feeling nurtured, loved, and connected in heart, mind, and soul, both to one another and to our entire universe family.

We appreciate your willingness to make the extra effort to get here and be a part of this special event. We look forward to seeing you again, each time we reunite in the joy of the love of our Heavenly Father and His wondrous eternal family!

#### Gratefully,

The IC23 Planning Team: Lara Amyx and Lila Dogim, Co-Chairs, Sally Annabella, Ken Keyser, David Schlundt, Trudi Cooper, and Jackie Koury

#### **TABLE OF CONTENTS:**

nage

	puse
Site Map	2
<b>General Information</b> Yoga, Divine Meditation, Friends of Bill W.,	4 , etc.
Social Activities	5
Worship Program	6
Children + Teen Program	10
Monday, July 24, Schedule Afternoon and Evening	11
<b>Tuesday</b> , July 25, Schedules Morning Afternoon Evening	12 15 17
<b>Wednesday</b> , July 26, Schedules Morning Afternoon Evening	18 21 23
<b>Thursday</b> , July 27, Schedules Morning Afternoon Evening	24 27 29
<b>Friday</b> , July 28, Schedule Morning	30
Acknowledgements	31
Participate with the UB Fellowship	32
Save the Dates for SSS24	33
Our MC and Plenary Speakers	34
Daily Schedule Overview	36

# **GENERAL INFORMATION**

as scheduled. When Plenary Worship begins, please remain seated guietly when the lights go down. The entrance doors will be closed for 20 minutes, after which seating will resume. **BOOKSTORE and GALLERY:** Hours as posted by the door Location: Sugar Maple YOGA (All levels welcome): Location: Augusta **DIVINE MEDITATION:** Location: White Oak Room open all day – 6:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Facilitated at 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. **COFFEE HOUSE and FRIENDS OF BILL W.:** Location: Medinah Open all day 6:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

#### **SOCIETY TABLES:**

Tour the Society tables to learn more about each one, their projects, and how to get involved.

#### **COMMUNITY BOARD:**

Let the community know of activities not listed in the printed Program Booklet. Post your flier or sticky note with timely information. Please respect other's postings, too.

#### **SOUL TABLES:**

Pause a moment with a new or long-time friend. Conversation-starter cards (optional) will be provided on each table.

Take a moment to write out a message of gratitude to share. Note paper will be available to

#### **JOY BOARD:**

Location: Society Tables in North Foyer

SILENT AUCTION

facilitate your personal expression of joy.

Please help us raise funds for Fellowship programming, grants, and scholarships! A number of our members, friends, societies, and supporters have graciously donated a variety of gifts to entice you! Visit the tables in the North Foyer and browse – write in your name and make a bid on any item(s) that appeal to you. Bidding continues all day Monday through Thursday, with the winning bids being announced at the end of the Thursday evening "Costume Contest and Gala" in Ballroom E-J. Highest bids win!

- Arrangements can be made for shipping items that you cannot transport on your own.

– Thank you to all who contributed items for the auction, and for your generous bids!

# Location: Ballroom E-J

Each Plenary is preceded by 15 minutes of Gathering Music. The Plenary will begin promptly

**MEALS:** All meals will be served in the air-conditioned Marguis Tent.

Room open all day – 6:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Facilitated at 7:00 a.m. by Susan Meyers.

PLENARY GATHERING MUSIC:

Location: East Foyer

Location: North Foyer

#### Location: East Foyer

Location: East Foyer

# SOCIAL ACTIVITIES: Monday through Thursday evenings

**CONVERSATION ROOM:** Monday through Thursday evenings Location: Monarch 8:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. – a guieter social space for personal conversations.

CLUB UB/OPEN MIC: Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evening Location: Ballroom E-J Around 9:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. – Hosted by Peri Best and Gary Marlin "Club UB" is an open mic for anyone who would like to sing a song, read a poem, share some humor, or ??? There will be a sign-up sheet for a 5-minute spot at Club UB.

#### Monday, July 24 – 8:00 p.m.

"Welcome Home, Family" – Time to enjoy a *freestyle* Meet-n-Greet with an opportunity to add to your mingling fun by participating in the "Urantia Book Character Name Game." Please make a special effort to welcome our international attendees.

#### **Tuesday, July 25**

7:00 p.m. – Family Games 8:00 p.m. – Urantia Family Life (UFL) – a special presentation

### Wednesday, July 26 – 8:00 p.m.

"An Elegant Evening Concert" – featuring pianist Greg Adams. This is an opportunity to dress in your finery to honor the Celestial Musicians and their human accompanists. Formal wear is encouraged, but by no means required. Tasteful appetizers to follow.

### **Thursday, July 27** – 8:00 p.m.

"Costume Contest and Gala" – Presented by the Celestial Reversion Directors in liaison with the DORCs (Directors of Reversion Committee). A photo booth will be available. Get creative with these categories in mind:

Most Clever Best in Show Best Pun Most Believable Best Group Silliest All kids who enter will get a prize!

> And it was certainly a new sight on Urantia to observe these children of Adam and Eve at play, joyous and exhilarating activity just for the sheer fun of it. The play and humor of the present-day races are largely derived from the Adamic stock. The Adamites all had a great appreciation of music as well as a keen sense of humor.

> > Paper 74:6.7 (page 835.1)

Location: Ballroom E-J

Location: Ballroom E-J

Location: Ballroom E-J

Best Costume Male **Best Costume Female** 

# Location: Ballroom E-J

# Living the Supreme Moment of Self-Expression and Connection

# **A Worship Program**

Note: All ages are welcome to our community worship

Worship is the highest joy of Paradise existence; it is the refreshing play of Paradise. What play does for your jaded minds on earth, worship will do for your perfected souls on Paradise. Paper 27:7.5 (page 304.3)

In these few days, we will gather together to express our devotion and connection to our Divine Parents throughout our Hearts, Minds, and Souls. We will be led to worship through Meditation, Poetry, and Music.

We will start with a short guided meditation, in which the invitation is to open up to the present Moment with all of our senses, no matter what arises, giving us the opportunity to be aware and choose the connection within. In the mornings, after the meditation, we will go into silence for a few minutes, having the possibility to experience the power of staying attuned and listening. In the afternoons, we will be inspired to stay attuned with music playing from our beloved brothers and sisters from the Music Team. We will conclude this precious moment each day with a Prayer.

By connecting to the present Moment and allowing ourselves to be, we can each day at each moment reaffirm our commitment as daughters and sons of God to start to listen to our indwelling Divine Guide, our Thought Adjuster, and to follow our Father-Mother's will. The practice of doing so, each day, is part of our duty and privilege. And throughout this conference, we invite you to honor it once more, before the Plenaries.

Worship is the highest privilege and the first duty of all created intelligences. Worship is the conscious and joyous act of recognizing and acknowledging the truth and fact of the intimate and personal relationships of the Creators with their creatures. Paper 27:7.1 (page 303.5)

# Living the Supreme Moment of Self-Expression and Connection A Worship Program (continued)

# ଡ HEART ଡ

#### 9:00 a.m. Tuesday Morning

#### An Invitation to Wholeness

May we become bearers of joy, we who are invited to share in the Cosmic Dance! We pray for the gift of wisdom, that the motivations of our heart might be made pure, that we may recognize the perfect timing of all things and know the seasons of the heart. May we walk with faith all the days of our lifeconfident in your Living Presence even in times of trouble, and with assurance for what is and all that is to be, May we have faith in the unfolding of our lives, and radical trust in the universe.

by Nan Merrill, with excerpts from Psalm 106

#### 1:45 p.m. Tuesday Afternoon

#### <u>Trust</u>

The journey to my center is more a spiral than beeline, but still it takes me where I most want to be – that portal into mystery, the still point where my soul abides. From that space which is really more a state of being than a place, I can know what I know with certainty and live my life with an open heart. In the stillness of this moment. the word that slips in is "trust." Anchored in trust, rooted in trust, I will know my next step when I need to, and probably not before.

by Danna Faulds

# Living the Supreme Moment of Self-Expression and Connection A Worship Program (continued)

### ୭ MIND ୭

#### 9:00 a.m. Wednesday Morning

#### Secret Portal

The secret portal into truth never closes. Sometimes I move through it with ease, while other days I can't even see it. Knowing it is still there, and open wide, a silent invitation into light, nothing keeps me separate except my old beliefs in what I can and cannot be. It's really just a choice between awakened strength and all-consuming doubt. So which will it be? I'm not stopping until I'm on the other side, right in the midst of the mystery.

by Danna Faulds

#### 1:45 p.m. Wednesday Afternoon

#### A Daily Miracle

It's not that my mind has gone quiet, or my old conditioning has simply disappeared. It's not that life's usual ankle-biters aren't here, but I've found a place of peace inside them. There's space to breathe and heal and be myself, even in the midst of imperfections and an endless array of unknowns. I've grown in my ability to let peace be a present reality, but it still occurs to me as a gift, a grace, and a daily miracle to be here.

by Danna Faulds

# Living the Supreme Moment of Self-Expression and Connection A Worship Program (continued)

# ୭ SOUL ୭

#### 9:00 a.m. Thursday Morning

#### The Interconnected Whole

I pray to rest awhile in that inner space where Self and soul and source all radiate their light. May I know, if only for a fleeting moment, that the interconnected whole leaves nothing outside its warm embrace. It's love that joins, love that strengthens bonds, love that illuminates and takes me on a sacred journey. May I open to the mystery and silence from which this love arises and know it as my home.

#### 1:45 p.m. Thursday Afternoon

#### Psalms for Praying

Awaken us to the Oneness of all things, to the beauty and truth of Unity. May we become aware of the interdependence of all living things and come to know You in everything and all things in You. For as we attune to Your Presence within us, we know not separation and joy becomes our dwelling place.

by Nan Merrill with excerpts from Psalm 106

by Danna Faulds

# ဖာ HEART, MIND, and SOUL ဖာ

### 9:00 a.m. Friday Morning

### <u>Right Here</u>

It's all right here, even if there are no words to adequately describe it. The All. The Everything. The Big Love. The open invitation to be free. Mystery. Silence. Harmony. The Shining. God's truth and the truth of me intersect at a point of knowing that what I am at my core is not separate from the whole. It's all right here. Possibility. Presence. Essence. Joy. Where else could divinity be but right here?

by Danna Faulds

# **CHILDREN + TEEN PROGRAM**

#### CHILDREN + TEEN PROGRAM – "MEET-n-GREET":

Monday – 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Location: Mallard

Parents bring your youngsters to meet the leaders of the program and other families. Begin your "Soul Art" project with Patrick Yesh, facilitator.

CHILDREN + TEEN PROGRAM: 9:15 a.m. to 12:20 p.m. – and – 2:00 p.m. to 5:05 p.m.

During the Plenaries and Workshops, Tuesday thru Friday, parents are welcome to turn the care of their youngsters over to the responsible, adult volunteers of this age-specific Children + Teen Program. After the Workshops conclude at 12:15 p.m. and 5:00 p.m., **5 minutes** is allotted for parents to reunite with their kids from Heron, Mallard, or Cardinal. **No child care is provided after 5:00 p.m.** 

Infants – ages 0-2	Facilitated by Missy Theiss	Location: Heron
Pre-School + Grade School – ages 3-8	Facilitated by Martha Babatola	Location: Mallard
Pre-Teens + Teens – ages 9-18	Facilitated by Aprilhelen	Location: Cardinal

QUESTIONS, please contact Robert Arkens at (715) 584-3593, or robertarkens@gmail.com

#### ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED DAILY:

To serve with the Children + Teen Program, please contact Aprilhelen: (870) 414-3341

Children are naturally trustful, and parents should see to it that they do not lose that simple faith.

Children are normally kind and sympathetic when old enough to appreciate actual conditions.

Children can easily be taught to function as peacemakers. They enjoy team activities...

From "The Ordination of the Twelve" the Section on "Fatherly and Brotherly Love" Paper 140:5 (page 1573)

# **MONDAY AFTERNOON and EVENING, JULY 24**

12:00 to 5:00 p.m. – Registration Desk	Location: Main Lobby by Hotel Front Desk
<b>12:00 to 5:00 p.m. – Hospitality Room</b> Stop in to say "Hi," enjoy refreshments, and	<i>Location:</i> White Oak d linger until your Hotel Guest Room is ready.
4:00 to 6:00 p.m. – Children + Teen Progran "Meet-n-Greet"	n Location: Mallard
Parents bring your youngsters to meet the Begin your "Soul Art" project with Patrick Y	
5:30 to 5:50 p.m. – Divine Meditation	Location: White Oak
6:00 to 8:00 p.m. – Dinner Served	Location: Marquis Tent
8:00 to 10:00 p.m. – Entertainment "Welcome Home, Family"! (see also pa	Location: Ballroom E-J age 5)
Please be prompt; you will enjoy the openi There will be a Welcome by Sue Seccombe, "Such a Life on Such a Planet." Then it is ti	ng remarks and be informed for the days ahead. Fellowship President, as well as a short sketch: me to enjoy a <i>free-style</i> Meet-n-Greet with an participating in the "Urantia Book Character
8:00 to 10:00 p.m. – Conversation Room	Location: Monarch
Available concomitantly with each evening	s circei tairinterit activities,

Available concomitantly with each evening's Entertainment activities, this room will offer a quieter social space for personal conversations

#### 9:00 to 10:00 p.m. - Club UB

Location: Ballroom E-J

Sign up for Club UB's "Open Mic" for Musicians, Poets, Mimes, etc. (see page 5)

# These Greeks had been in faithful attendance upon Jesus' teaching in the temple.

# On Monday evening they had held a conference

at the home of Nicodemus, which lasted until the dawn of day, and thirty of them had elected to enter the kingdom.

> From "The Inquiring Greeks" Paper 174:5.5 (page 1903.2)

# **TUESDAY MORNING, JULY 25**

## 🎐 HEART 🦻

"...when the emotions of love for your neighbor well up within your heart, give expression to such urges of affection in intelligent ministry..."

Jesus to his followers – Paper 157:2.2 (page 1745.1)

6:45 to 8:45 a.m. – Breakfast Served	Location: Marquis Tent
7:00 to 7:20 a.m. – Yoga	Location: Augusta
7:30 to 7:50 a.m. – Divine Meditation	Location: White Oak
<b>9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. – Plenary</b> Worship and Music (see page 7) Presentation on HEART – <b>André Radatus</b>	Location: Ballroom E-J

"Give God Your Heart and You Will Have a Heart to Follow" (see page 34)

9:15 a.m. to 12:20 p.m. – Children + Teen Program

#### 10:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. – Workshops

The Prevalence of Nonsense: A Perspective on RaceLocation: Pebble BeachPresenters: Gard Jameson along with Sherry Cathcart Chavis, Ariana Horn, Richard Jernigan,<br/>Al Lockett, André Radatus, David Schlundt, Cristina Seaborn,

The Urantia Book's treatment of race using language of the early 20th century has been problematic for many. Using presentations and discussion, the intent of the revelation will be framed as antiracist. The concept of race will be examined through today's understandings of history, evolution, genetics, politics, and social science.

#### What Must I Do to Be Saved?

Presenter: Andrea Barnes

Simon Peter asked Jesus. "James claims you teach that the Father forgives us even before we ask him, and I maintain that repentance and confession must precede the forgiveness. Which of us is right? what do you say?" Paper 174:1.1 (page 1989.1) In this workshop we will explore how the unchanging love of the Father gets reconciled out here in time and space through the agents of our Mother Spirit.

#### Location: Clarendon Hills

#### Tuesday Morning Workshops (continued)

# Planting Seeds of Meanings and Values in Young Children via the Best of Children's LiteraturePresenter: Ted L. BlaneyLocation: Doral

Helping parents and grandparents learn additional ways to assist children in their balanced brain, mental, and spiritual development starting at a young age.

#### **Self-Mastery and Psychic Circle Attainment**

Presenter: Michael Hill

Emotional maturity, self-control, and self-mastery are essential components in Psychic Circle attainment, our goal of mortal personality realization. With recognition and acceptance of our mammalian heritage, the addition of spirit-led mind guides us to harmonize our dual natures and successfully earn our circles, achieve better Adjuster attunement, and actualize divinity attainment in our daily lives through service.

#### In-Depth Study: Experiencing God through Personality Integration – Part I

Presenters from the Fellowship Education Committee: Location: Oak Brook Marilynn Kulieke, Barbara Newsom, and Mike Painter

This participative workshop explores one of the most intriguing concepts in *The Urantia Book:* personality. When we strive to integrate material, mindal, and spiritual work in concert with our human will, personality can exponentially bring us Godward. Our focused readings, to be completed before the workshop, prepare you to explore in greater depth how we can experience the God of Personality, a changeless and perfect personality, through our own personality identity and unity of will in a changing world. Advance preparation is required; therefore this workshop is limited to IC23 participants who pre-registered for it. For information about this program, please contact the Education Committee Chair at: Jackie.Koury@urantiabook.org. (Part II will be held on Tuesday afternoon)

# Let's Go Fishing! How the Center for Unity Engages Young Truth Seekers Presenter: Gabriel Rymberg Location: Hinsdale

This workshop will provide a demonstration of the Center for Unity's new online app, soon to be renamed "Discover Jesus." A group discussion will focus on how we can engage and serve young people with the Fifth Epochal Revelation using modern technology and methods of communication. Please bring your ideas and comments.

#### Location: Western Springs

#### Tuesday Morning Workshops (continued)

#### Authentic Unselfish Service: The Value of Your Unique Contributions

Presenter: Steven Sawyer

Living the teachings requires many decisions including the choice to lovingly serve others, bonding us to each other and to the Divine Presence within. Quotes, presentation, and discussion will explore loving service now and in eternity.

#### The Role of Poetry in Spreading the Teachings of The Urantia Book

Presenters: Duane Johnson, Byron Belitsos, and Peri Best Location: Ballroom B

A panel discussion involving poets, artists, and musicians will consider the contribution of the arts to complement the Urantia Book teachings. Themes will include personal motivations to create art, the effect of art on others, and art as self-exploration and spiritual growth.

#### Don't Invent, Discover – Connecting in the Moment – Heart, Mind, and Soul Presenter: Carol Schindler Location: Ballroom C

Using improvisation techniques, participants will express the concepts of *The Urantia Book*. A series of interactive exercises, followed by discussion, will be used to build trust, observation, and responding to what is happening in the moment.

#### Forgiveness

Presenter: Patricia McGrath

#### Location: Ballroom D

Mercy and forgiveness of self and others are paths to spiritual strength and healing in our lessthan-perfect world. The challenges of practicing forgiveness in daily life will be explored including the importance of daily time spent with our Thought Adjuster.

Location: Ballroom A

# **TUESDAY AFTERNOON, JULY 25**

#### 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. – Lunch Served

1:45 to 2:45 p.m. – Plenary Worship and Music (see page 7) Presentation on HEART – Sally Annabella "Do It with Heart" (see page 34)

2:00 p.m. to 5:05 p.m. – Children + Teen Program

## 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. – Workshops

#### Playmaking

Presenter: Peri Best

To enhance expressing our spiritual selves in a creative way, using the input of participants and some spiritual "nudges," a play will be created on the spot and performed.

#### Jesus' Inner Life through Breathing and Movement in Spirit

Presenter: Jimmer Prieto

This workshop will use presentation, discussion, and exercises to explore Jesus' teaching on Meditation, Prayer, Worship, and Communion. Participants can continue to enrich their inner life with new spiritual insights on Breathing and Movement, and the guidance of the Spirit of Truth.

#### **Knowing Jesus by Heart**

Presenter: Sally Annabella

Take a deep breath and dive in! Immerse yourself in the sea of living water that is the spoken word of the Son of Man. Come and listen, or come prepared with your favorite Jesus quote, whether one line or an entire parable or sermon. Participants will take turns reciting, facilitated by the host. There will be a human prompter and also pre-printed quotes for brave, spontaneous souls who wish to participate.

### **The Great Challenge**

Presenter: James Johnston

Starting with "The great challenge to modern man is to achieve better communication with the divine Monitor..." we explore the meaning of self-consciousness, soul consciousness, and spirit consciousness considering times when we may have experienced any of these forms of consciousness.

Location: Marguis Tent

Location: Ballroom E-J

Location: Pebble Beach

Location: Doral

#### Location: La Grange

Location: Clarendon Hills

## Tuesday Afternoon Workshops (continued)

Marriage and Parenting with Heart, Mind, and Soul, as Inspired by *The Urantia Book* Presenter: Tom Vasile Location: Hinsdale

Using quotes from The Urantia Book, parents and couples will examine translating knowledge of The Urantia Book into growth and understanding; relationships filled with love, goodness, and service; and using divine guidance to benefit themselves and their children.

#### Love-Based Living

**Presenter: Dave Tenney** 

The workshop explores basing one's life on the principle, power, and presence of Love and how that can foster our individual and collective well-being in seven interrelated aspects of life: the spiritual, mindal, physical, relational, emotional, behavioral and environmental.

Location: Western Springs

#### In-Depth Study: Experiencing God through Personality Integration – Part II

Presenters from the Fellowship Education Committee: Location: Oak Brook Marilynn Kulieke, Barbara Newsom, and Mike Painter

This participative workshop explores one of the most intriguing concepts in *The Urantia Book:* personality. When we strive to integrate material, mindal, and spiritual work in concert with our human will, personality can exponentially bring us Godward. Our focused readings, to be completed before the workshop, prepare you to explore in greater depth how we can experience the God of Personality, a changeless and perfect personality, through our own personality identity and unity of will in a changing world. Advance preparation is required; therefore this workshop is limited to IC23 participants who pre-registered for it. For information about this program, please contact the Education Committee Chair at: Jackie.Koury@urantiabook.org. (Part I will be held on Tuesday morning)

#### Intergenerational Circle of Fellowship: Sharing Our Spirit Journey with One Another Presenters: Paul and Jorgey. Krupa Location: Ballroom A

In a circle of fellowship, we will share stories of living the teachings, expanding our understandings of each other and our relation with God who exists beside us and within. We encourage all ages to join in an intergenerational dialogue.

# Tuesday Afternoon Workshops (continued)

### Amplified Voices of The Urantia Book: A Living Revelation Instrument

Presenter: Matte Jockas

*The Urantia Book* reassures that "...certain victory will crown the efforts of every human being who will run the race of faith and trust..." Paper 32:5.8 (page 365.4) This workshop argues that because truth is both innately valuable and directly connected to human flourishing, the development of truth seekers should be a principle aim of individuals and society.

#### The Poetry of K. Brendi Poppel

Presenter: William "Sonny" Schneider

Exploring how poetry can uplift the soul through an exploration of the divinely-inspired poetry of K. Brendi Poppel includes sharing her poems and stories of her life. Participants will receive a free CD of her audio and video performances.

#### **Prisoners Have Value Too!**

Presenter: Mark Kurtz

Many childhood influences can lead to crime and imprisonment, with some incarcerated people sincerely experiencing remorse and desiring change. The workshop focuses on loving those who have erred and on how *The Urantia Book* and prison ministry might serve these children of God.

# **TUESDAY EVENING, JULY 25**

The Urantia Book Fellowship International Conference 2023

5:00 to 6:00 p.m. – Free Time	
5:30 to 5:50 p.m. – Divine Meditation	Location: White Oak
6:00 to 8:00 p.m. – Dinner Served	Location: Marquis Tent
7:00 to 8:00 p.m. – Family Games	Location: Ballroom E-J
8:00 to 10:00 p.m. – Entertainment Urantia Family Life (UFL) – a special presentation (see pag	<i>Location:</i> Ballroom E-J e 5)
8:00 to 10:00 p.m. – Conversation Room	Location: Monarch
9:00 to 10:00 p.m. – Club UB Sign up for Club UB's "Open Mic" for Musicians, Poets, Mimes, e	Location: Ballroom E-J etc. (see page 5)

Location: Ballroom B

Location: Ballroom D

Location: Ballroom C

# WEDNESDAY MORNING, JULY 26

#### 9 MIND Ģ

The contact of the mortal mind with its indwelling Adjuster... is more frequently facilitate by wholehearted and loving service...

Paper 91:7.1 (page 1000.2)

6:45 to 8:45 a.m. – Breakfast Served Location: Marguis Tent 7:00 to 7:20 a.m. – Yoga Location: Augusta 7:30 to 7:50 a.m. – Divine Meditation Location: White Oak 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. – Plenary Location: Ballroom E-J Worship and Music (see page 8) Presentation on MIND – Brad Garner

"An Unwitting Geologic Misadventure into the Secular Wastelands" (see page 34)

9:15 a.m. to 12:20 p.m. – Children + Teen Program

#### 10:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. – Workshops

The Seven Adjutant Mind Spirits: A Revelation for a Scientific Explanation of Mind **Presenter: Bruce Johnson** Location: Pebble Beach

Using presentations and discussion based on a 2016 Urantia Foundation "Scientific Symposium," we will explore using the revelation of the seven Adjutant Mind Spirits to develop a scientific understanding of mind.

#### The Importance of the Preservation of History

Presenter: Jacob Matthew Dix

Contemplating the history of *The Urantia Book* from the perspectives of heart, mind, and soul, we will present and discuss how the Urantia Book Historical Society preserves this history and makes it available to others.

Location: Doral

# Wednesday Morning Workshops (continued)

# Face-to-Face Groups and Virtual Groups: The Development of Fellowship (English and Spanish)

Presenters: Xóchitl Quintero and Agustin Arellano

Location: Clarendon Hills

Location: Hinsdale

The advantages and disadvantages of both face-to-face groups and virtual groups at Urantia Book readers meeting will be discussed, in addition to the importance of living together, sharing, and supporting each other as Urantia Book readers.

The Melchizedek Schools and The Celestial Overseers: Applying Paper 37:6 (page 412)Presenter: Calvin Len McKeeLocation: La Grange

Each epochal revelation has been accompanied by some type of schools, with some directed by celestial personalities (e.g., Planetary Prince, Melchizedek). We will examine the Melchizedek training schools in Paper 37, and consider how these schools could be implemented as part of the Fifth Epochal Revelation.

#### Whetting the Mind's Appetite for Truth

Presenter: Jack Miller

A history of water from the standpoint of *The Urantia Book*. Defining the recently discovered 4th phase of water and why I believe water is both the sender and receiver of consciousness. Building a greater appreciation for water and life, and how to improve health, planetary protection, and spirit communication.

The Discovery of Values and Meanings: The Seven Psychic Circles and How We LIVE ThesePresenter: Miranda Clendening and Tommie ClendeningLocation: Western Springs

Learning about the Seven Psychic Circles and mind and how they are related; how they have implications for how we live our lives; how we can progress toward spiritual maturity and stability of character; and how we can cultivate amazing relationships as faith-brothers and faith-sisters.

#### A Cosmic Destiny of the Human Race: The Universal Nature of Our Divine Potential Presenters: Paulette Suzanne and Gordon Lent Location: Oak Brook

This workshop has a beautiful multi-media entertainment experience to offer everyone. It is centered around the vast scope of the Urantia Book's description of the cosmos and a wonderful take on the cosmic destiny of our human race. This presentation is guaranteed to be an expanding and visionary journey into the field of human possibilities. (Will be offered on Thursday afternoon also.)

## Wednesday Morning Workshops (continued)

#### **Revelation and Revival**

Presenters: Steve Sawyer and Pamela Chaddock

We will focus on the recent Revival event that occurred at Asbury College in Wilmore, Kentucky. We will also focus on the experience of participating in a revival in light of the Urantia Book's teachings referenced in: After Pentecost, Paper 195 (page 2069), and The Faith of Jesus, Paper 196 (page 2087).

Physiology of the Brain that May Facilitate Thought Adjuster Communication

Presenters: Geoff Taylor and Susan Meyers

We examine the mechanisms that facilitate communication between the spirit, mind, and brain with the Thought Adjuster to create a "... mind of perfect poise, housed in a body of clean habits, stabilized neural energies, and balanced chemical function..." Paper 110:6.4 (page 1209.4) https://tinyurl.com/27xbyapk for Geoff and Susan's Workshop Handout.

#### The Big Picture – The Foreword for Advanced Students

Presenter: William "Sonny" Schneider

Providing guidance to the understanding of the importance of the Foreword and the related subjects: trinities, triunities, triodities, Absolutes, universe ages, and our Father as Infinite, to develop a better understanding of our Father's purposes universally and for us personally.

#### Urantia Jury Duty: The Teachings in Action

Presenter: Serge Jusyp

What would it be like to serve on a jury and be able, legally, to apply the teachings contained in *The Urantia Book?* This workshop will present fact situations (based on real events) and ask reader-jurors, in groups of five or six, to deliver verdicts applying the teachings, followed by discussion.

#### Location: Ballroom D

#### Location: Ballroom A

Location: Ballroom C

Location: Ballroom B

# WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, JULY 26

#### 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. - Lunch Served

Location: Marquis Tent

Location: Ballroom E-J

1:45 to 2:45 p.m. – Plenary Worship and Music (see page 8) Presentation on MIND – Gloriann Harris "The Journey" (see page 34)

2:00 p.m. to 5:05 p.m. – Children + Teen Program

### 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. – Workshops

#### The Mind of Ganid, the First Disciple of Jesus

Presenter: Dennis Kersey

Location: Pebble Beach

We will explore how the mind of Ganid was shaped by intimate personal contact with Jesus over 17 months and the implications this may have had for the rise of Mahayana Buddhism with its emphasis on loving service and the Inner Enlightened One or Buddha as the divine presence.

More than Meets the Eye: The New Testament Gospels and the Writing of Part IV Presenter: Merritt Horn Location: Doral

We're going to take a new look at the relationship between Part IV of *The Urantia Book* and the New Testament gospels. It is not what you think it is! If you ever mention Jesus when talking about *The Urantia Book*, you'll want to come and join this surprising conversation... I guarantee that you'll learn something new.

#### The Art of Soul-Making in a Perilous World

Presenter: Byron Belitsos

Location: Clarendon Hills

Have you fully entered the path of soul-making and self-perfecting? In this workshop, learn how to more skillfully engage in these practices, especially in the face of great adversity. Discover also how these teachings are better understood in the light of current psychology and Christian pneumatology. Based on Byron's book *Your Evolving Soul* (2017)

#### Program Booklet – page **22** of **36** The Urantia Book Fellowship International Conference 2023

## Wednesday Afternoon Workshops (continued)

#### Help the Book "Fall off the (Internet) Shelf" for Truth Seekers

Presenter: Jena Lassiter

We need writers! The Urantia Book Fellowship is working to create new content on its site to satisfy actual web searches truth seekers are looking for. We will work through an example of how to create these articles for our favorite Urantia Book topics.

#### Creativity of the Inner World

Presenter: Linda M. Huff

The topic will cover the relationship between creativity and the inner and outer worlds, and the different set of values of each, to develop a better understanding of what types of thinking and values need to be cultivated across generational lines that will prepare leaders to deal with society's future. See "The Inner Life." Paper 111:4 (page 1219) This workshop is appropriate for all generations.

#### **Identity Boxes and the Seven Psychic Circles**

Presenters: Peter Laurence, Eileen Laurence and Vipin Thekkekalathil

Through interactive exercises, participants will reflect on the major religious/spiritual identities they currently hold, explore the way our identities create "boxes" within which we live, and analyze the relative value of those boxes and how we can make choices based on universal spiritual values.

#### The Role of Philosophy in *The Urantia Book*

Presenter: Mike Painter

We will explore the role of philosophy in *The Urantia Book*, considering questions such as: Why is philosophy important? Can philosophy help us discover patterns of thought in The Urantia Book? What has human philosophy contributed to understanding The Urantia Book? And, what is the relationship between philosophy and the mind?

#### Happy Dream Cult

Presenter: Trudi and Eric Cooper

Happy Dream Cult is part street theater and part life coaching. By means of an in-depth interview process, we help the participants discern their dreams, passions, skills, and talents that make them unique and special in all the universes.

# Location: La Grange

Location: Oak Brook

Location: Hinsdale

Location: Western Springs

#### Location: Ballroom A

## Wednesday Afternoon Workshops (continued)

#### The Need for Socio/Religious Organizations

Presenter: Tom Allen

The origin, history, and destiny of religious social organizations will be explored using "The Ghost Cults" Paper 87 (page 958) and "The Social Problems of Religion" Paper 99 (page 1086). How can a social organization maximize the values of living the teachings and what does the future hold for Urantia Book students?

#### The Foreword of The Urantia Book for Beginners

Presenter: William "Sonny" Schneider

Using materials and verbal instruction, this workshop will provide basic information on how to create a simplifying path to the understanding of the Foreword.

#### Passing the Torch of Religious Culture from Parent to Child

Presenters: Ruthie Wilde Wenger and Brad Garner

"In this work of passing on the cultural torch to the next generation, the home will ever be the basic institution." Paper 81:6.23 (page 909.4) Urantia Family Life (UFL) invites you to an ongoing exploration of how religious culture passes through generations. Come hear the vision of a newly married Millennial and Gen Xer couple, and share your own thoughts in facilitated discussions.

# WEDNESDAY EVENING, JULY 26

5:00 to 6:00 p.m. – Free Time	
5:30 to 5:50 p.m. – Divine Meditation	Location: White Oak
6:00 to 8:00 p.m. – Dinner Served	Location: Marquis Tent
8:00 to 10:00 p.m. – Entertainment "An Elegant Evening Concert" – featuring pianist Greg Adar	Location: Ballroom E-J ns (see page 5)
8:00 to 10:00 p.m. – Conversation Room	Location: Monarch
9:00 to 10:00 p.m. – Club UB Sign up for Club UB's "Open Mic" for Musicians, Poets, Mimes, e	Location: Ballroom E-J etc. (see page 5)

#### Location: Ballroom B

Location: Ballroom C

Location: Ballroom D

# **THURSDAY MORNING, JULY 27**

# ဖာ SOUL ဖာ

# Religion...is an impulse for organizing the soul for dynamic service.

Paper 100:3.1 (page 1096.6)

6:45 to 8:45 a.m. – Breakfast Served

7:00 to 7:20 a.m. – Yoga

7:30 to 7:50 a.m. – Divine Meditation

Location: Marquis Tent

Location: Augusta

Location: White Oak

Location: Ballroom E-J

9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. – Plenary Worship and Music (see page 9) Presentation on SOUL – Sherry Cathcart Chavis "Living the Teachings from the Soul" (see page 34)

9:15 a.m. to 12:20 p.m. – Children + Teen Program

### 10:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. – Workshops

Soul Identity and Personality Unification – part 1 of 2 (see Thursday afternoon) Note: You are welcome to attend either one or both of this two-part workshop. Presenter: Patrick Yesh Location: Pebble Beach

Our soul is a real part of ourselves now! Through our personality choice, we will follow instructions from *The Urantia Book*, meditate, and create soul art with our Father Fragment. We will transfer our identities to our soul, use our dual soul mind, and activate His perfect paradise plan for us.

# The Seven Psychic Circles of Attainment and Guidance on How to Achieve ThemPresenter: Mike SchneiderLocation: Doral

Using *The Urantia Book* and *The Keys of Jeshua* by Glenda Green, I will describe the seven dimensions or spiritual domains of the heart: Unity, Love, Life, Respect, Honesty, Justice (or Mercy, as we know they are the same), and Kindness, and consider how they are comparable to attainment of the seven psychic circles. Paper 110:6 (page 1209)

## Thursday Morning Workshops (continued)

#### The Role of Physical Health in Spiritual Progress and Adjuster Communion

Presenters: Sharri Gaines and Richard Rosen

Our bodies are temples of the spirit of God within—the Thought Adjuster. Caring for the body's health is an integral component of Adjuster communion and spiritual progression, as indicated by the Revelators. We will cover "Seven Pillars of Health" designed to improve and enhance divine living here on Urantia.

#### Living the Teachings: Principles and Practices

Presenter: Chuck Thurston

The objective of this workshop is twofold. First, to develop a deeper understanding of what is meant by the formulation of principles and standards, and how they relate to heart, mind, and soul. And, secondly, to explore how these can find fuller expression through our habits and practices.

#### Communion with God: How to Begin a Daily Practice of Communion with God Presenter: Michael Painter Location: Hinsdale

This workshop examines beginning a daily practice of communion with God; why it is important; how to get started; overcoming the obstacles to starting and continuing this practice; realizing the benefits of a daily practice; along with how to know if this practice is helping.

#### Accomplishing the Extraordinary on Urantia

Presenter: Timothy Hobbs

How do we take what we have learned from The Urantia Book and create the extraordinary on the planet by bringing together advisors, providers, and driven individuals to take us toward Light and Life? We will talk about existing projects, and nurture, grow, and empower our journey on Urantia.

### Hope Road: View and Discuss the Documentary on Child Sexual Abuse

Presenter: Eileen Laurence

Hope Road is an hour-long PBS documentary about the sexual abuse of minor children. After watching the film, there will be a discussion time, the length of which will be determined by the number of attendees.

Location: La Grange

Location: Clarendon Hills

Location: Western Springs

se

Location: Oak Brook

## Thursday Morning Workshops (continued)

#### **Deep Dialogue: Principles for Interreligious Discussions**

Presenter: Thomas Pirie and Barbara Newsom

Interfaith Deep Dialogue provides new space to understand and deepen our own faith while providing ever-unique opportunities to appreciate the faiths of others. It can help us intentionally move from tolerance, to exploration, to a breakthrough experience of love for a sister or brother on this shared journey. It challenges us to stretch our understandings of values and meanings held by others and harmonize those beliefs in mutually resonating tones. Please join us as we discover common ground and a common voice that gently and compassionately speaks to each one of us and all of us in spiritual sisterhood and brotherhood.

#### Answering the Call Within: Living a Life of Service – part one of two (see Thursday afternoon) Presenter: Al Lockett Location: Ballroom B

"Answering the Call Within" will focus on a sense of mission and how you can become more effective in demonstrating God's will and purpose in your life. Part one is on Servant leadership and will help participants to become more effective in their daily lives as they take on leadership roles.

#### **Be of Good Cheer**

Presenter: Jill Strunk

We will focus on Jesus' constant exhortations to "Be of good cheer" and his watchword "Fear not." The class will use The Urantia Book, as well as psychological wisdom, to increase the capacity for and habit of experiencing joy, while limiting fear and anxiety.

#### What Prayer Was to Jesus—and Is to Us

Presenter: Kurt Cira

In this workshop we will dive into a single paragraph in *The Urantia Book*, Paper 196:0.10 (page 2087). We will take a look at each of the 22 benefits of prayers, what each of them means, and the values they bring to us. I will share the spiritual practice I have developed that includes my prayers for myself and my prayers for others.

Location: Ballroom C

Location: Ballroom A

Location: Ballroom D

# **THURSDAY AFTERNOON, JULY 27**

#### 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. – Lunch Served

1:45 to 2:45 p.m. – Plenary Worship and Music (see page 9) Presentation on SOUL – Chuck Thurston "Morontia Now—the Key to Eternity" (see page 34)

2:00 p.m. to 5:05 p.m. – Children + Teen Program

### 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. - Workshops

Soul Identity and Personality Unification – part 2 of 2 (see Thursday morning) Note: You are welcome to attend either one or both of this two-part workshop. Presenter: Patrick Yesh Location: Pebble Beach

Children, youth, and parents will develop a new self-image, a soul identity. We will meditate, create soul art, journal, and share. With our soul mind we will create affirmations to our Thought Adjusters to activate His perfect divine plan for us.

#### If I Only Had a (Morontial) Brain

Presenter: Tim Duffy

In this workshop we will seek to understand some of the potential characteristics of our future morontia minds. How might our morontia minds differ from our mortal minds? How can we best prepare ourselves to think like a morontian?

#### Sharing Our Lives with the Divine

Presenter: Tom Choquette

How to recognize and respond to communion with the Divine through love, mercy, and ministry. A powerful way to do the will of God in our lives by consciously connecting to those spiritual forces around us, to grow in ways illustrated by the life of Jesus and the teachings in *The Urantia Book.* 

Location: Marquis Tent

Location: Ballroom E-J

Location: Doral

Location: Clarendon Hills

## Thursday Afternoon Workshops (continued)

Having a Urantia Book Dream: The Search for the First Garden of Eden and Finding It Presenter: Robert S. Bates Location: La Grange

This is an interactive workshop for an adventure suggested by *The Urantia Book* that stimulates the mind to search for clues that are mentioned and explore those that physically exist. We will compare the physical arrangement of the first Garden of Eden found in *The Urantia Book* to the results of the 2004 and 2006 History Chanel expeditions.

I'm Knitting You a Soul, Hand Me More Yarn: The Psychology of Spiritual Growth Presenter: David Schlundt Location: Western Springs

Seeking experiences that foster spiritual growth is like handing the Thought Adjuster more yarn to knit our souls. The challenge is how to balance the various tasks of living on a material world. I will use the happiness equation to help guide us toward living a satisfying, healthy, productive, and fulfilling life.

#### Living the Urantia Adventure

Presenter: Neal Waldrop

Using "Planetary Mortal Epochs," Paper 52 (page 589), the challenges of growth of a civilization that embraces the full range of human life will be explored through presentation and small group discussion. How can we contribute to advancing both the evolution of our civilization and the growth of the Supreme?

A Cosmic Destiny of the Human Race: The Universal Nature of Our Divine Potential Presenters: Paulette Suzanne and Gordon Lent Location: Oak Brook

This workshop has a beautiful multi-media entertainment experience to offer everyone. It is centered around the vast scope of the Urantia Book's description of the cosmos and a wonderful take on the cosmic destiny of our human race. This presentation is guaranteed to be an expanding and visionary journey into the field of human possibilities. (Will be offered on Wednesday morning also.)

Evil and the God of Love: How Christians and Urantians Handle the Problem of EvilPresenters: Byron Belitsos and Gard JamesonLocation: Ballroom A

How do believers in an all-powerful and loving God come to terms with the suffering caused by the evils all around us? This workshop draws from the newest book by Byron Belitsos, Truths about Evil, Sin, and the Demonic (Wipf and Stock, 2023) and aims to help us minister hope and consolation to those we love and serve.

Location: Hinsdale

#### The Urantia Book Fellowship International Conference 2023 Program Booklet – page 29 of 36

### Thursday Afternoon Workshops (continued)

The Ordination, "You Are the Salt..." – part two of two (see Thursday morning)Presenter: Al LockettLocation: Ballroom B

"You Are the Salt..." will strive to re-ignite the charge Jesus gave to all who are "...aspiring to represent him in the world..." Paper 140:4.1 (page 1572.1)

#### We Mortals Are the Sons of God

Presenter: Patty McGrath

How do we learn to live that reality in each of life's various challenging situations? This workshop will stress the importance of truly realizing the incredible worth of each personality that the First Source and Center creates. Spending time with God, daily, will also be stressed.

#### Is Your Love Dangerous or Wise?

Presenter: Ruthie Wilde Wenger

Jesus once counseled a young man that, "Love...is the supreme reality of the universe when bestowed by all-wise beings, but it is a dangerous and oftentimes semiselfish trait as it is manifested in the experience of mortal parents." Paper 177:2.3 (page 1922.1) Urantia Family Life invites all Urantia Book students to participate in discussion and activities designed to challenge existing notions of love, and practice the most powerful love of all: Fatherly love.

# **THURSDAY EVENING, JULY 27**

5:00 to 6:00 p.m. – Free Time	
5:30 to 5:50 p.m. – Divine Meditation	Location: White Oak
6:00 to 8:00 p.m. – Dinner Served	Location: Marquis Tent
8:00 to 10:00 p.m. – Entertainment	Location: Ballroom E-J
8:00 p.m. – "Costume Contest and Gala" (see full description	on page 5)
8:00 p.m. – Silent Auction bidding continues – Bidding ends	at 9:00 p.m.
9:30 p.m. – Silent Auction results	
9:45 p.m. – Contest Winners announced	
8:00 to 10:00 p.m. – Conversation Room	Location: Monarch

#### Location: Ballroom C

#### Location: Ballroom D

# FRIDAY MORNING and AFTERNOON, JULY 28

# HEART, MIND, and SOUL

The coming of the Spirit of Truth purifies the human heart... is...a stimulus for mind, and an unfailing energy for the soul.

Paper 194:3.19 (page 2065.7)

6:45 to 8:45 a.m. - Breakfast Served Location: Marquis Tent 7:00 to 7:20 a.m. – Yoga Location: Augusta 7:30 to 7:50 a.m. – Divine Meditation Location: White Oak 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. - Plenary Location: Ballroom E-J Worship and Music (see page 9) Closing Presentation – Gary Deinstadt "The Invisible Made Visible" (see page 34) A Celebration Remembering "The Last Supper" – Facilitated by the Worship Team 9:35 a.m. to 12:05 p.m. – Children + Teen Program 12:00 p.m. – Hotel Checkout 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. – Lunch Served Location: Marguis Tent 1:30 p.m. – General Council Meeting begins Location: Cardinal

හ හ හ

**Observers Welcome** 

Blessings on Your Journey Home!

# **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:**

Planning Team: Lara Amyx – Conference Co-Chair Lila Dogim – Conference Co-Chair Sally Annabella Ken Keyser

Program Chair: David Schlundt

Registration: Geoff Theiss

Children + Teen Program: Robert Arkens – Chair Aprilhelen Martha Babatola Missy Theiss

Urantia Family Life (UFL) www.urantiafamilylife.org

Worship Planning: Sandra Rymberg

Music Planning: Sally Annabella Cristina Seaborn

Socials Planning: Trudi Cooper Jackie Koury

**Hospitality Coordination:** Andrea Barnes **Publicity Coordination:** Cristina Seaborn **Geoff Theiss** Tech Planning: Audio Lead - Joseph Truax Video Lead - Deadrick Baker Michael Bain Cristina Seaborn **Geoff Theiss Special Thanks - Dan Macias** Bookstore: Brent St. Denis- Coordinator **Rick Lyon Conference Artwork and Design Derek Samaras Pre-Conference Spiritual Retreat:** "Jesus' Beatitudes in Practice" **Bobbie Dreier** Gard Jameson **Carol Schindler** and many others... Thank you one and all!

Jesus taught that service to one's fellows is the highest concept of the brotherhood of spirit believers.

Paper 188:4.9 (page 2017.4)

# DO YOU LOVE THE URANTIA BOOK FELLOWSHIP? JOIN US!

### **Our Vision**

A global community promoting spiritual transformation by sharing a revelation of living truth.



### Our Purpose

To connect people together as brothers and sisters to share the truths of the Urantia Book teachings to promote our personal and spiritual growth.

### **Our Mission**

To facilitate the worldwide spread of *The Urantia Book* and its teachings, to stimulate study, support individual spiritual growth, connect truth seekers, and ensure that reliable resources about *The Urantia Book* and related communities are available to people everywhere.

# https://urantiabook.org/About-The-Urantia-Book-Fellowship



# SERVE WITH US...VOLUNTEER CORNER

Are you hungry to serve the community, in and beyond the Urantia Book movement? We have an on-going list of opportunities that are updated often.



# https://urantiabook.org/Volunteer

# **SAVE THE DATES!**

# SUMMER STUDY SESSION 2024 (SSS24)

# **Igniting the Word:** Teaching the Truths of *The Urantia Book*

Thursday, July 25 to Sunday, July 28, 2024 Unity Village, Kansas City, MO

Sponsored by the Fellowship Education Committee Questions: Contact jackie.koury@urantiabook.org



# STAY INFORMED WITH THE "MINI-MESSENGER"

The Urantia Book Fellowship offers a free on-line subscription which can be sent directly to your personal email address.

If you are not already receiving the "Mini-Messenger," when you log in or register on the Fellowship website you can identify your preference on how it should be sent to you:



# https://urantiabook.org/Sign-Up-For-Mini-Messenger

# **OUR PLENARY SPEAKERS**

#### André Radatus "Give God Your Heart and You Will Have a Heart to Follow" Once we give God our heart, we are led from who we think we are to being the true child with whom God will transform the world.

### Sally Annabella "Do It with Heart"

Our loving Father in heaven has gifted us a divine spark of Himself to dwell within our hearts. We are taught in *The Urantia Book* that loving service brings not only us, but also those we are serving, closer to knowing our Father in heaven. So as we serve, let us do so wholeheartedly.

#### Brad Garner "An Unwitting Geologic Misadventure into the Secular Wastelands"

This talk recounts how and earnest second-generation reader was deceived by his own mind. While pursuing an advanced geology degree he became a lost sheep, in the pantheistic mists of the New Age movement. Only by the grace of God was he found again. He repented. It's a cautionary tale for anyone living in "the barren times of a materialistic and secular age."

#### **Gloriann Harris**

#### "The Journey"

Experiencing, eventuating, evolving, growing. Seeking the path, following the path, losing the path, finding the path.

Travel advisors. Travel guides. Travel companions.

### Sherry Cathcart Chavis "Living the Teachings from the Soul"

Jesus answered: "There is but one commandment, and that one is the greatest of all, and that commandment is: '...you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul, with all you mind and with all your strength.' "Paper 174:4.2 (page 1901.2)

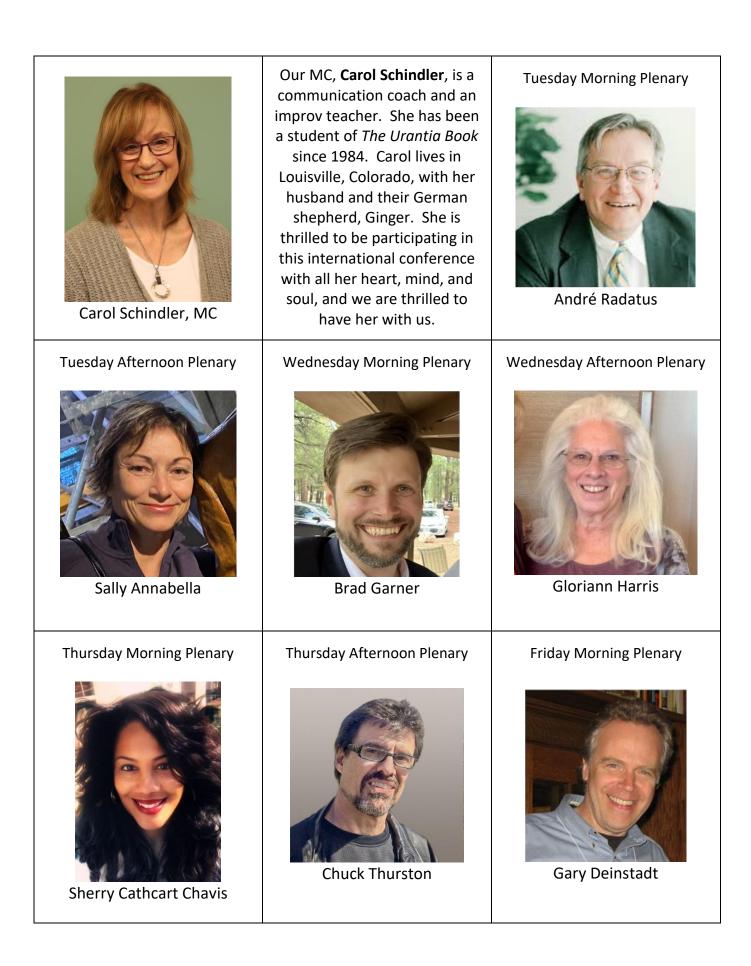
#### Chuck Thurston "Morontia Now—the Key to Eternity"

Imagine if you had the opportunity to discover a "vast level" of reality manifestation that had never previously been detected due to the "utter ignorance" of its existence.

See Paper 0:5.12 (page 9.2) and Paper 103:6.7 (page 1136.2) What would it be like to be among the first pioneers to explore this newly revealed dimension of reality? The morontia concept finally gives us a way to understand how it is possible to evolve a soul that can survive physical death and be reawakened on the next world of our heavenward ascent!

### Gary Deinstadt "The Invisible Made Visible"

As we creatively strive to live the teachings with a whole heart, mind, and soul, our branches naturally begin to bear fruit. What does that look like exactly?



	IC23 - LIV	- LIVING THE T	ING THE TEACHINGS: HEART, MIND, SOUL	ART, MIND, SO	υL	
	MONDAY 7/24	TUESDAY 7/25 HEART	WEDNESDAY 7/26 MIND	THURSDAY 7/27 SOUL	FRIDAY 7/28	SAT 7/29
6:45 - 8:45 am		Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	
7:00 - 7:20 am	Pre-Conterence	YOGA	YOGA	YOGA	YOGA	General Council
7:30 - 7:50 am	Spiritual Retreat	DIVINE MEDITATION	DIVINE MEDITATION	DIVINE MEDITATION	DIVINE MEDITATION	Meeting
	2 2 2	Served	Served	Served	Served	2 2 2
9:00 - 10:00 am	Continues from Sunday Evening	Worship & Plenary PRESENTATION ON <b>HEART</b> André Radatus	Worship & Plenary PRESENTATION ON MIND Brad Garner	Worship & Plenary PRESENTATION ON Soul Sherry Cathcart Chavis	Worship & Plenary CLOSING PRESENTATION Garv Deinstadt	Observers Welcome
10:15 - 12:15 pm	12pm-5pm	WINNIN	WORKSHOPS	WORKSHOPS	Hotel Check out by 12:00 noon	Hotel Check out by 12:00 noon
12:30 - 1:30 pm	REGISTRATION	Lunch Served	Lunch Served	Lunch Served	Lunch Served	GC Lunch Served
1:45 - 2:45 pm	4pm HOTEL CHECK IN	Worship & Plenary PRESENTATION ON HEART Sally Annabella	Worship & Plenary PRESENTATION ON MIND Gloriann Harris	Worship & Plenary PRESENTATION ON SOUL Chuck Thurston		
3:00 - 5:00 pm	4pmbpm CHILDREN + TEEN PROGRAM MEET-n-GREET	AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS	AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS	AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS	General Council	Blessings
5:00 - 6:00 pm		FREE TIME	FREE TIME	FREE TIME	Meeting Begins	mm
5:30 - 5:50 pm	DIVINE MEDITATION	DIVINE MEDITATION	DIVINE MEDITATION	DIVINE MEDITATION	2	safe
6-00 - 8-00 nm	Dinner Served	Dinner Served	Dinner Senied	Dinner Served	Observers	travels
		7PM FAMILY GAMES			Welcome	home.
8:00 - 10:00 pm	WELCOME HOME, FAMILY! ALL-CONFERENCE MEET-n-GREET	FAMILY LIFE SKIT and MUSICAL OPEN MIC	ELEGANT EVENING CONCERT	COSTUME CONTEST AND GALA		

Program Booklet – page **36** of **36** The Urantia Book Fellowship International Conference 2023