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Dear Brothers and Sisters:

This ninth e-newsletter is sent out with our love and blessings to all those who are dedicated to the universal spiritual brother-and-sisterhood of all humanity—the ideal of this organization. If you know others who might like to receive our nonreligious newsletters, please consider sharing these free publications with them. And they can easily <u>subscribe</u> for future editions. (Note: If you print these newsletters, we suggest you do so from the PDF versions archived on <u>the USB website</u>, because the resulting print size will be considerably larger).

First and foremost, we pass on to our brothers and sisters the constant reminder of our Illumined Inspirers to accept *nothing*—not even of what *they* say—that your reason does not wholeheartedly embrace *and* that your inner being does not unreservedly sense is true.

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Our Previous Newsletter:

If you missed our eighth e-newsletter (eNL-08 of July 2017) you can find it <u>here</u> (scroll down on the webpage to see a list of past newsletters). It addressed:

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Reports from USB Groups

Following is an excerpt from a report submitted by Pete, a USB volunteer and leader of the Los Naranjos USB group in Spain.

On October 25th two members of our group joined me in visiting a different spiritual group for a demonstration of trance. The trance medium, unknown to us, had come from England to give a series of demonstrations in Spain.



After a short introductory talk, the medium entered a semi-deep trance. His first trance link was with an old gentleman (spirit guide)

who told us he had lived on the earth plane about one hundred years before Jesus. He gave information of a spiritual nature, saying that the spirit realms are always trying to bring spiritual upliftment to the earth plane.

When questions followed, I asked "Have you heard of the USB in spirit?" He replied, "Yes, it is one of a few groups in spirit that are trying to bring spiritual enlightenment to the earth plane, very much like my opening talk here. It is a higher group than the others, does this answer your question?" to which I of course replied "Yes." Then, as he was asking if there were any more questions, he suddenly returned to me to ask, "Are you a member of USB on earth?" to which I replied "Yes." After a few quiet moments he then said, "I have to tell you that there is an American connection on earth with the USB." By this time we three USB group members were amazed at this wonderful confirmation of our belief in Spirit and the USB. The medium's eyes were tightly closed at all times. I emphasize that nobody else knew that I was going to ask a question or what it would be.

The icing on the cake for me was the third spirit speaker, who also brought words of spiritual wisdom. He was the Reverend George Vale Owen, a former British cleric turned Spiritualist, who had linked from Spirit with the USB from its earliest days.

Just as the demonstration was ending and the final spirit visitor was leaving, the double doors to the outside at the back of the room suddenly flew open as if they were blown open by the wind. But it was a still day outside with no wind and no windows were open!

This was a very interesting and enjoyable afternoon, with lovely confirmations about the USB in Spirit and on Earth.

Recent Developments

<u>Victor and Wendy Zammit</u> kindly included mention of our new YouTube videos at the top of their famous and widely distributed weekly <u>Afterlife Report of August 25th, 2017</u>. You can view these recently-produced USB videos, each brief and about 3–8 mins, on <u>YouTube here</u>.

The <u>Foundation for Mind-Being Research</u> (FMBR) is an organization that meets not far from USB headquarters and that includes presentations by mediums among its speakers (I introduced one, who hails from Scotland and is considered one of Britain's best, on July 21st, 2017 for which you can listen to the <u>podcast here</u>.) In its October 2017 Newsletter, found <u>here</u> the FMBR kindly made mention of the USB's new YouTube videos.

Michael's CornerAt a sitting in London on October 20th, 1956, with
famous medium Leslie Flint, when USB founder
Michael Flagg was first learning about his spiritual
mission, Dr. Marshall, a member of Leslie's spirit
team, told Michael:I am quite frankly amazed at the link that exists
between you and certain souls here... I'm sure
that with the links that you have with the
wonderful entities and souls from our world, you
are going to do tremendous work for humanity...The sitting mentioned here was tape recorded and is one of many such recordings the USB is
working to digitize and make available on our website, for interested people to hear. The quote also
appears in the USB's book, Spiritual Light, Pref:20. I (John) believe this communication speaks to
the work that Michael would later do on earth, to found the USB and share its wonderful teachings

Michael's Corner is dedicated to presenting various tidbits about Michael Flagg's life and his commitment to the USB, including his notable founding of the USB on earth in 1956 following steady encouragement from illumined spirit leaders, through to his last days on earth in 1992.

of spiritual truth with those who were open to receiving them.

Our Gratitude to Volunteers and Helpers on Earth

The USB, surely including its spirit inspirers, is very grateful for volunteers who give loving service in various ways, including helping prepare video and audio recordings, newsletters, and Facebook releases. While we in the USB on earth could use much more such help, these few volunteers have made developments possible that otherwise might have taken years to achieve.

At this time we also particularly thank all those who helped in various ways to publicize the recent release of our new YouTube videos and/or posted supportive comments.

Due to my advancing years, there is now a need at USB headquarters for assistance with its daily operations. Our Illumined Souls have said:

We need helpers, those who are humble in spirit, to join us in our commitment, to serve humanity, as instruments of God. We want us *together* to make this movement strong and powerful, for *good* in the world.

If you are interested in volunteering/becoming involved with the USB, please contact us.

Memento Mori

The Latin phrase *memento mori*, meaning "remember that you have to die," is used by some people to remind themselves of the temporary nature of life on earth and (in some cases) of the life to follow.

An interesting question is: What do such people expect will follow death (of the physical body)?

From independent sources, like near-death experiences (NDEs), out-of-body experiences (OBEs), and mediumship, there is much confirming evidence that our spirits do continue after death, and that once we are somewhat settled in our new spirit life, we will experience a 'review' of our recent lifetime on earth.

Spiritual Light (Topic 1311:10–13) explains the following: that our aura records the sum total of what we are and what we have been, and in fact everything about us; that expert spirit auric scientists can read all our aura's details like an open book; and that after death, such an auric scientist will reveal our past to us (to the extent that we are permitted to know it and can comfortably understand it at that time).

Interestingly, many of the reports of these 'lifetime reviews' include not only what we did and what happened to us, but also how *others felt* about what we did.

It is important to note that, after death, we will be judged not by others, but by ourselves. And that our spiritual progress will depend on our actions and intentions.

Some Questions and Answers

Here I will include a few questions that readers and supporters have sent me, and my (John Finnemore's) answers; I hope to continue these in future newsletters.

Q1. Did Michael Flagg question everything he wrote in the USB's book, *Spiritual Light*?

A1. Most of what he wrote was based on answers Illumined Souls gave him to his questions. They reviewed *everything* before they approved it for release.

Q2. What do you consider to be the core essence of *Spiritual Light*?

A2. I consider the essence of *Spiritual Light* to be spiritual truth. Illumined Souls teach that *"in all things we do, there is no cause greater than Truth"* (topic 304). And the *core* essence, or most important spiritual truth, is contained in the spiritual laws that govern us all (Chapter 4, 402:1).

A working knowledge of those laws is essential for individual progress (topic 1425). If we all lived in compliance with those laws our world would be a heavenly place.

A reminder: While seeking answers to questions, let us not forget to concentrate on those areas that will help improve ourselves and our world.

We would be very happy for you to share this newsletter with friends and others who might be interested. They can add their names to our subscriber list (for our quarterly, free newsletters) and see prior issues <u>here</u>.

In closing, an Illumined Soul has said:

We are sisters and brothers, and we shall continue to seek for what shall bring to the children of earth the peace that they are searching for. We shall continue to bring to those hungry souls [spiritual] food to satisfy their craving.

In love and peace and brother-and-sisterhood,

Your brother,

John Finnemore

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