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Dear Brothers and Sisters:

We send out this e-newsletter 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. [Subscribing](#) to future editions is easy and free, and past newsletters are archived on [the USB website here](#).

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:***

Did you miss our prior newsletter issue (eNL-17, November 2019)? Find it [here](#) (scroll down to see a list of past issues). Topics included:

*Reports from USB Groups*

*Some Anniversary Celebrations*

*The Importance of Mediumship to the USB*

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## *Magnificent Blessings*

We who are associated with the USB are blessed beyond words because we know of, and in many cases, we work with, and for, those Wondrous Souls who lead this amazing organization in the highest Spirit Realms.

These magnificent servants of God are of almost incredible wisdom and spirituality. **They** define spirituality as the level of one's moral consciousness and the **nobility** of one's character, ideals, aspiration, and efforts. They are of the **highest integrity**, the most **loving**, dedicated souls, **committed to service**, the beings closest to perfection and to God.

Michael Flagg, founder of the USB on earth, knew over a dozen of them, including many of the most spiritual teachers and prophets who ever lived on earth. They care for us, they guide us, and with our help they seek to spread their elevated knowledge for the benefit of all on this planet. They call us their brothers and sisters. They do not promote or support a religion; they selflessly seek to share **pure spiritual Truth** – as **they** recognize it. Indeed, we are blessed to knowingly live alongside them in this age of 2000 years, just at the time when they chose to communicate their teachings. How very special!

These Souls endured such great difficulties and made enormous sacrifices to share their wisdom with us, their less enlightened brothers and sisters. Most people on earth do not even suspect **anything** about their existence, let alone their teachings. As USB followers, we have a great opportunity to increase spiritual understanding on earth by promoting and sharing the wisdom of these Great Souls.

Ponder also how privileged we are, not only to have received teachings from these wonderful beings, but also on how blessed we are to have attained a level of consciousness enabling us to acknowledge their existence, their incredible love and service to mankind, and permitting us to learn and advance through their teachings.

We give joyful thanks for these abundant blessings!



## *Spirituality and Moral Consciousness*

The Illumined Inspirers of the USB, those Great Souls, teach that spirituality, which is by far the most important of one's noble qualities, is evidenced by the level of one's moral consciousness and the nobility of one's character, ideals, aspiration, and efforts (*Spiritual Light*, 608:1-4).

Our moral consciousness is an instilled and developed awareness of, and commitment to, right behavior. Being motivated by a compulsion to do right, and not wrong, is what elevates the quality of our lives, improves relationships between people, makes society more pleasant and enjoyable, and if sufficiently widely developed, even heavenly. Those Inspirers teach that “the higher our level of *moral* consciousness, the more does conscience become a part of our very being, and the more spiritual we are—whether we know it or not.”

Our founder, Michael Flagg, exhibited an exceptionally high level of moral consciousness. He once mentioned that, when taking home office work, he would refrain from taking office supplies with him out of concern that he might inadvertently end up using them for personal reasons. While this might seem like an insignificant thing to some of us, it is an example of how we can develop our moral awareness and personal integrity, allowing it to permeate all aspects of our lives – our thoughts, words, and deeds.

We can all work at improving our behavior, by reviewing and learning from our mistakes and trying to rectify them. We can guard our morality with a personal sense of honor.

We can strive to instill these habits in our young children, and we can promote such habits as socially desirable, just as we promote desirable sanitary behavior.

Regarding minor transgressions, we often hear the statement that “Everyone does it,” which of course is not true, even though many may. It is incumbent upon those of us striving to live more spiritual lives to move beyond

such rationalizations. Consider how much worse our world might be if everyone did, in fact, unquestioningly mimic the unspiritual behaviors of others, whether many or few. When facing personal choices on how to act, it is important for us to consciously consider and choose the more moral, inherently good, and hence, the more spiritual path.

## ***USB Historical Articles 1957 - 1959***

In our last quarterly newsletter, [eNL-17, November 2019](#), we included an article titled the ***Importance of Mediumship to the USB***, in which we shared how Michael Flagg visited the UK several times, beginning in 1956, and had numerous sittings with a number of top-class mediums. Through these sittings, Michael learned of his spiritual mission on earth. Although skeptical at first, especially about the claimed stature of the spirit communicators channeled by the mediums, in time Michael came to understand his part in the USB spiritual mission.

To provide further insight into the origins of the USB and learn more about how early USB teachings were made public, we refer readers to six historical [newspaper articles](#) of 1957–1959, written by or about Michael, originally published in *Psychic News*, *Two Worlds*, and *Psychic Observer*, and reproduced with permission on the USB website.

Following is an excerpt from the fourth article, headlined ***Spirit Teachings Bear Divine Hallmark***, in which famous spirit teacher Silver Birch addresses Michael, offering encouragement on his undertaking. In addition to saying that there will be challenges, opposition, and struggle, mentioning humanity's dangers of self-destruction, and its need for spiritual leadership, Silver Birch also shares a message on spiritual laws.

### **"Laws are Perfect"**

**"You cannot measure the things of the spirit with your yardsticks," said Silver Birch at this séance. "Neither can you equate spiritual realities with material standards. The Power of the spirit cannot be hurried.**

**"The Great Spirit has been in charge of this universe for millions of years and, being perfect, is quite capable of continuing with universal activities. The laws are so perfect in their operation that none is excluded, none is overlooked, despite all the multitudinous aspects of being.**

**"Nothing goes wrong in natural activity. The earth never forgets to rotate on its axis. The tide always ebbs and flows with unfailing precision. The seasons follow one another. Growth is automatic, for effect always follows cause."**

## Language Translation of the USB Website

The USB is very hopeful that its teachings and philosophy will spread far and wide, throughout other languages and cultures. As you may remember if you read our [eNL-13, November 2018 issue](#), the Santo Domingo USB group in Spain has dedicated countless hours of effort to translating *Spiritual Light* into Spanish. Final review is still underway and needs to be completed before *Luz Espiritual* is ready for publication.

So, what can you do if you wish to share something about the USB and introduce the teachings from *Spiritual Light* to friends or family who are non-native English speakers? In case you aren't aware, the USB website is already equipped with Google's automated (or 'machine') language translation feature which makes it possible for a site visitor to select a language other than English and see the site content presented in the language of their choice as they browse through the pages. As of this writing 103 languages are offered, and although the translations are not perfect, they are continually improving. This feature can be accessed from the Select Language menu located at the top left of each website page. One caveat is that any attachments that are not part of the core website content will not be translated by this feature (e.g. our newsletters, which are all PDF file attachments, will be displayed in English only).



Below is an excerpt of the [USB Principles and Purposes](#) web page translated into Spanish by Google Translate. We hope you find this feature of value and we refer you to the [Other Languages](#) section of our website if you would like to learn more about it.

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## Principios y Propósitos USB

**Principios USB**

1. Dios es el que está todo bien, un Dios de Amor y Sabiduría, de la Ley y la Justicia.
2. Toda la humanidad son los hijos de Dios, y esto significa que son *todas las* hermanas y hermanos espirituales, sin excepción.
3. Nuestra vida es eterna, y que conservan nuestras individualidades después del cambio llamado muerte.

## *Sharing Your Ideas, Talents and Experiences*

Dear readers, as valued members of our USB community around the world, we are eager to include you in spreading the spiritual teachings of the USB to a broader audience, and hereby propose various ways by which this might be possible.

- Do you have a keen editor's eye? Would you enjoy collaborating with our editorial team to produce our quarterly newsletters or other documents?
- Would you enjoy writing an article on a spiritual topic based on USB teachings and suitable for inclusion in this publication?
- Have you attained new perspectives or been inspired to make important life changes as a result of studying and applying the teachings in *Spiritual Light*?
- Do you have ideas for how we might expand awareness of these universal, spiritual truths to more individuals or larger communities around the world?
- Have you been moved or had new insights while reading and meditating on specific words of wisdom from *Spiritual Light* (we refer to these as Gems)?
- Would you be willing to 'LIKE' our Facebook page and share our posts with others? Or submit to us ideas for new social media posts?

We hope you answer yes to at least one of these questions, and encourage you not to feel constrained by this list, but to freely imagine other ways in which you may feel called to be of service to this mission. You do not need to reside near USB headquarters in Cupertino to collaborate with our small team of volunteers on any of these activities. We'd love to hear from you via email at [staff@theusb.org](mailto:staff@theusb.org).



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We leave you now with some quotations on Love from *Spiritual Light*. May the wisdom of these words be a source of inspiration and enlightenment for you.

A major USB purpose is: "To bring a universal awareness of the spark of God within each of us, and a realization that *love is the greatest basis of spiritual life*." (508:3)

“Love in its noblest sense is far above affection for children and family. It is charity in thought, word, and deed. It is understanding and tenderness and compassion. It is service to others without thought of reward. At times, it is sacrifice.” (510:4)

“When one loves, with a love that enfolds the entire universe, then one indeed is like unto God.” (512:4)

In love and peace and brother-and-sisterhood,

Your USB newsletter team,  
*JF, PF, FG, PS*

If any teaching and/or philosophy in this USB document is in conflict with or is not supported by *Spiritual Light* (ISBN 978-0-9912422-1-4 deluxe flex-cover, 978-0-9912422-2-1 paperback), which contains the only complete *official* teachings and philosophy of the USB, then *Spiritual Light* governs. The inclusion of this statement, in a box in a prominent position, and worded as in *Spiritual Light*, is required on every authentic USB publication containing its teachings and/or philosophy.

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