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## Editorial

### On Psychic Awareness

February 1, 2008 the movie "**Over Her Dead Body**" was reviewed in the New York Times

<http://movies.nytimes.com/2008/02/01/movies/01body.html?ref=movies>

It joins the other 19 movies and 9 TV shows with psychic content presently on the market (see listing on the website below- buttons for Psychic Movies and Shows)

<http://www.psychic-experiences.com/psychic-media.php>

The resurgence of open public interest and acceptance about this human faculty laying dormant in the age of reason, appears as an awakening. We live in an extraordinary time. The Spiritual World is rapidly downloading in many of our brethren inspirations related to its presence, more than ever before.

Why is this happening to us?

Consciousness appears staged, in degrees. We remember its layers growing up into adulthood. We look at our ancestors and know we are smarter intellectually than them, proof be it technology or science. We discern states of awake, asleep, dreaming or meditating. Day consciousness has fluctuations, peak times, ebb times and we look for stimulants (cup o' Joe) to keep the focus going. Then the greater states: analysts have told us of the collective unconscious. Visionaries have told us about mystical states, union and illumination. Gifted individuals have told us about the continuity of life and its transition in after life.

Some of them are mediums.

Few words are so misunderstood. To a scientifically trained professional, a medium is a mentally ill person, a lunatic, at best a naïve and misinformed individual. To a person in fundamentalist religion, a medium is someone inspired by Evil. Even to my spiritually evolved Anthroposophist friends, a medium is a person in possession of atavistic clairvoyance, faculty be shunned. The list of objections continues.

Yet, in spite of the labels of the scientific community or major organized religions, people persist in talking to their dearly departed, directly or through intermediaries. Stirring the pot a little more, to my reasoning, Jesus of the Christian church, seems the biggest medium of all. He incorporated the Christ, and allowed a God to "walk amongst us". Rudolf Steiner, the founder of Anthroposophy, was discreetly channeling the Archangel Michael in his "Letters to the Members". This list also continues.

When Western societies separated Church and State, they were following an extrapolation of a split in humanity –between Soul and Spirit. We got more than we bargained for. Consequences are found in the treatment of our elders in nursing homes, the relinquishment of mediums, our refined translators of Spirit to tabloids, and the medical use of chemicals to quiet the voices in our minds as abnormal (prophets beware!). Another long list forms.

While detractors perpetuate their arguments, dedicated Spiritists, have pragmatically developed medium training and protocol based on the study of Kardec's compilations (See Interview, Book Review and DVD Review below.) Spiritists are not the only ones to do so.

In traditional genuine practices Oracles are alive. Here is a first hand description by a Tibetan monk on his becoming an oracle or designated medium to the Dalai Lama, see link below:

[http://www.snowlionpub.com/pages/N81\\_1.php](http://www.snowlionpub.com/pages/N81_1.php)

Our interest in this theme is the consequence of expanding consciousness. This Psychic Awareness subject is of course not new. What seems new is discovering intellectually that for which we are wired for and have experienced more or less unconsciously. "New" is that we can consciously reflect in ourselves the All, in enhanced states of awakened being-ness, according to our degree of development, thus seeking a unified understanding of the body, soul and spirit.

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## News and Links

On **Rosalyn Bruyere's** website, the *Schedule* has been updated 02-04-08- there is new material being taught. This is a development that captures interest. It appears that collaborations are being worked out, the name of Hyemeyhosts Storm teaching in Sierra Madre, particularly stands out.

<http://www.rosalynbruyere.org/>

**Jim Kepner and Carol DeSanto** offer a lot this year on *Nervous System Energy Work*. There is something listed every month until July. An announcement received via Email tells us of an upcoming redesigned interactive website to watch for.

<http://www.pathwaysforhealing.com/calendar.html>

**Adam the Healer** is going to be in **Newark NJ, March 22nd, 2008** It will be the last workshop in the USA this year as Adam (we're told) is very busy with his premed University. His website has been updated; there are some nicely written articles for browsers. This young man, who's development invites follow-up, has a lot of talent and a clean can do attitude.

<http://www.dreamhealer.com/>

**The Monroe Institute** lists a lot of programs. Their *Hemi-Synch* recordings are considered classics.

[http://www.monroeinstitute.com/programs\\_list.php](http://www.monroeinstitute.com/programs_list.php)

**Steiner Books** organized the Fifth Annual Spiritual Research Seminar at New York University's Kimmel Center, Washington Square South- *Healing the Earth and Ourselves, March 14-16; 2008* A special presenter is **Gerald Karnow MD**. He is one of the worlds few anthroposophical doctors period, practicing over 40 years. His presentations are insightful and concise. One has to read many books to absorb what he gives in a short time. Another interesting presenter is **Marko Pogacnik**, a clairvoyant "lithopuncturist" who works with nature spirits. See link below for this seminar's information and an opportunity to browse at many good books.

<http://www.steinerbooks.org/e.php?id=146>

**Prophets Conference**, March 21-23 Spring Equinox Palm Springs, California, *Orbs: Interacting with Other Realms* -Dr. **Miceal Ledwith**, **Dr. William Tiller**, **Dr. Norm Shealy** and several orbs and crop circles researchers from abroad, including Freddy Silva, John Pickering, and Katie Hall from the UK. (book and DVD reviewed in the January issue of the Newsletter):

<http://www.greatmystery.org/events/ps08.html>

"**How your thoughts could cure cancer**". In this video clip, cellular biologist Dr. Bruce Lipton explains how thought affects health, it is placebo revisited (on Dr. Mercola's Newsletter).

<http://articles.mercola.com/sites/articles/archive/2008/2/19/how-your-thoughts-can-cause-or-cure-cancer.aspx>

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## **In Memoriam**



**Pati Traub**

6/24/1954 - 2/9/2008

**Pati Traub**, a popular and loved figure with many friends in the Energetic Community recently transitioned.

She was suffering with advanced cancer. Mutual friends had asked me to help with the long distance energy work. I never met Pati in person, wish I did, we came to bond via emails, several phone conversations and conference calls. I jokingly called her Pati Cake, she gamely called me Brother Bear. We shared spiritual interests and zodiac sign.

To John of God, the Brazilian medium, she had asked:

*“Complete healing and curing to do the work meant to do”*

Her prime directive was her work, unequivocally she was and is a servant of Light. Healing and curing were needed in order to execute her mission. What was that work/mission she implied?

As I came to know of her, what was really striking, was that this energetic sister with her encyclopedic knowledge, was practically homeless. Equally striking was the dedication of her friends and their willingness to go (literally) miles out of their way to help her. She extracted out of those near her empathy and kindness and straight out love. In this day and age of selfish pursuits this is remarkable.

I venture to say she was exhibiting a form of what in an archetype I call the Dalai Lama or Mother Theresa syndrome. (Both without a country, no money, and not even remotely looking like movie stars. In their presences, heads of states, movie stars and people of knowledge straighten themselves up like in front of a mirror.)

Best to let a friend of hers describe "the syndrome":

"Pati is a field that has brought us together through her (shared) being-ness with Creator and I am grateful to be a part. I feel connected to you all (friends of Pati), some of whom I know personally, others I know through who Pati is/was on this Earth." (Laura Kroepel, AZ)

It seems that she projected different faces to different people (a quality in itself) but invariably brought out of her friends that which brings all of us together, that primordial force holding Light assembled to create everything, that which we call Love. Her passing seems to unable, paradoxically, exactly what her request was to powers to be.

Well Pati Cake- good luck with your work!.

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## Request

To those who really knew Pati Traub I am kindly requesting of them to send short messages describing their imprint of Pati, biographic details, place of birth, schooling, life journeys, perhaps a picture of how she looked young, re-assembling her life story as a homage to her and those dedicated souls that facilitated her journey. We anticipate publishing the edited material in the March issue of this Newsletter. (Pati was an early contributor).

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## Feature Article

### The German New Medicine

A presentation by **Dave Dodge LCSW**

As I was driving on my 45 minute commute from my work to my home in late September of 2006, I had an experience that made me feel like I was being directed by my angels. I have mellowed out quite a bit over the years and the vast majority of the time I prefer silence in the car versus noise so I rarely listen to the radio any more. During the rare times I do listen to the radio I seldom listen to radio talk shows. However, on this particular Friday night I was flipping through radio channels and stopped on what turned out to be WBAI, a progressive station in New York City that my wife likes but not one that I was ever particularly attracted to. It was a talk show, so after about 5-10 seconds of listening I decided to switch stations. As I was about to do it, a few choice words from the show attracted my attention. I started to hear a dialogue about a new theory of Western medicine that was based on the *premise that all illness and disease was the result of psychological conflict and, the best part was, when that psychological conflict was resolved, the illness or disease would simply go away.*

The speaker representing this new theory was a man by the name of Gilbert Renaud, a French Canadian Naturopath from Canada (apparently he is the only English-speaking teacher of this theory who travels to various locations in the U.S. to teach it). As I continued to stay glued to the radio, Gilbert talked about a client he treated, a woman who had a problem with her thyroid. He stated as soon as he heard that the client was having a problem with her thyroid he knew that it had something to do with time because “the thyroid is the time-keeper” of the body.

Upon further investigation with his client, Gilbert spoke of how he discovered, as a child, this woman had a younger sister who had an affliction that kept her in a wheelchair and every time the client would try to run ahead to do what she wanted to do, she would be reprimanded by her mother who would tell her to slow down or “come back” to stay with her ailing sister. Gilbert stated that this process, over time, caused some psychological conflict(s) in the client that eventually caused her thyroid problems. Gilbert stated that after a few sessions working with this client he was able to help the client identify and resolve the psychological conflict(s) causing her thyroid problems and eventually the thyroid problems disappeared and her thyroid returned to normal levels. Mr. Girard did not say how he worked with this client specifically, but stated that healing of the physical body can occur simply by bringing the conflict up into the conscious mind. Mr. Girard goes on to say that the physical manifestation of psychological conflict is the basis for all illness and disease and this is being scientifically proven “without exception”.

So what would you think if you heard this conversation? First, I thought, “Could this possibly be true?” And, if it is true, “Wow, how incredible this would be...and how it would shake the very core of the Western Medical Model”. As a matter of fact, even though most of us English-speaking people have not even heard about it yet, this new science called The German New Medicine was discovered over 20 years ago by Dr. Geerd Hamer. His findings have obviously upset the German medical establishment as well as the German government over the years for he has been jailed a number of times being charged with “non-conversion to traditional medicine” as well as other charges.

This German New Medicine is also the foundation for another system of healing called Total Biology, that which I have received three levels of training since first hearing of this new science on the radio. This system was created by Dr. Sabbah, a French doctor who attended Dr. Hamers’ German New Medicine classes many years ago.

I will talk more about The German New Medicine and Total Biology in future Newsletters but, for now, you can learn more about the German New Medicine and Dr. Hamer by going to the following links:

For an 8 page explanation of the German New Medicine

<http://www.renointegrative.com/ExploreGNM2007.pdf>

For a 23 page explanation

<http://www.renointegrative.com/GNMmadrid2005.pdf>

And, the Official website for the German New Medicine

<http://www.newmedicine.ca/overview.php>

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## **Healer of the Month** **Grand Master Lin Yun**



I am honored to present to our community a very special healer- His Holiness Grand Master Professor Lin Yun. There is no one in the West that could be more appropriately nicknamed Mister Feng Shui. In his long and dedicated life he has educated many in this Eastern Art and has maintained and popularized ancient precepts and cures. GM Lin Yun has established several temples and many shrines. For those who want to skip my introduction and go directly to the link of his Temples, Curriculum Vitae, teaching schedule and authentic Feng Shui supplies here is the link:

<http://www.yunlintemple.org/>

I came to know of him several years ago, when I was an Architectural project manager at AIG on Wall Street, NY. , and one of the top executives wanted to use Feng Shui in the planning of his office. I asked an Architect friend who had built a bank branch in the Orient using those principles, to recommend the best practitioner in our area and thus I was referred to Grand Master Lin Yun.

I came to know that he had a temple in Old Westbury, Long Island, NY. (Not too far from the place where Madame Chiang Kai-shek introduced the Long Island Duck thus curing an important vacuum in American gastronomy).

The Grand Master was busy with more lofty affairs, but his foremost disciple Steve Jan, author of 2 books on Fung Shui (in Chinese), agreed to a reading and thus I saw first hand the way this ancient art works. Steve was evaluating the space and colors energetically, sensing with his educated sensitivity the ins and outs of the space to be planned, traffic flow, proposed ambiance and orientation. His sensible remarks swayed a super conservative color scheme of grey, greyer and greyest into a balanced and colorful scheme. His visit brought spirituality in a very stiff corporate setting and enlivened it with instant inspiration.

It may be coincidence, but the CFO of that office who implemented the recommendations survived the AIG shakeup a few years after and the head of the office that had resisted one of the recommendations lost his job in a bitter battle. Another executive in the same firm got extremely sick. He had inherited in a promotion a jinxed office with a main corridor leading to its door, where 3 previous occupants lost their jobs. By simply hanging a calendar with GM's Lin Yun calligraphies in an auspicious location which dispersed the negative chi flow, he was freed of trouble- he is still going strong...

On Feb 12/2003 Steve Jan introduced me to the Grand Master, who gave me a reading, a blessing and protection, consecrating me on a healer's journey. His readings are sublime affairs. His gaze turns dreamy, his head slants slightly and he starts using his third eye, all the while applying the Feng Shui vocabulary of red strings, energetic leaks, blockages, and cures, with which one has to get familiar.

An attempted definition of Feng Shui's use of various objects such as bamboo flutes, convex mirrors, red string, plants and fish tanks, would be space "object-puncture", where intent plays a big role. Steve Jan showed me how we naturally seek positioning patterns, for example when people go into a space such as an elevator car-they huddle/settle in according to invisible rules, some choosing one side or the other. The Bagua (8 sided geogram) helps understand and interpret those positions, and could be compared to the Native American Medicine Wheel, in its use as orientation in life environments.

The Professor's (that's how loving disciples address him) teachings includes Transcendental Cures, Chi'i and Feng Shui adjustments and more esoteric subject as the Theory of the Ling Particles. He has a dedicated following of both Chinese nationals and Western disciples of Black Sect Tantric Buddhism in its 4th incarnation. He often prays for world peace, his demure is Buddhist, compassionate and kind, inspires love, promotes art, and the desire to help. Pictures on the walls of his Stupa in Long Island portray him with various political and religious leaders of the world. His calligraphies have healing power for the environment and those seeing them.

He dictates his readings to his trusted assistant Crystal Chu who publishes annual Chinese system astrological readings, in the form of appointment books and calendars that show the good and bad days for various actions and the appropriate transcendental cures and mantras for the "bad" days.

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## **Interview**

### **Jussara Korngold**



**Jussara Korngold**, BS, MBA, is the founder and president of the **Spiritist Alliance for Books (SAB)**, a non-profit organization, which has the sole aim to promote and disseminate the Spiritist Philosophy, in English, as codified by Allan Kardec. Mrs. Korngold is also one of the founders and directors of the **Spiritist Group of New York**, located in Manhattan, New York City. She is a third generation Spiritist from Brazil, and has been translating and writing spiritist materials and books since 1993. She and her husband Joao have a 12 year old son Gabriel. For more information go to the SGNy website:

<http://www.sgny.org/index.htm>

**ER** Jussara, how did you decide to be a pioneer in establishing the NY center? When did you start, where did you establish it, how did you establish it?

**JK** In 1993, while in London my husband and I joined the Allan Kardec Spiritist Group. When we transferred to New York three years later, we started working on the dissemination of the Spiritist principles in the U.S. We began weekly meetings at the Allan Kardec Spiritist Center – NY, studying "The Spirit's Book". Some members of our group thought it would be great if we could meet more often to study other books of the Codification. Someone offered a conference room at his office. We began an extra meeting once a week. That led to the start of a new Spiritist group intent in pursuing Spiritism in English. We rented a space on April 12, 2001 and officially started the Spiritist Group of New York, Inc at 939 8th Avenue at 56 Street, Suite 409, NY, NY 10019.

**ER** Could you tell how the Center functions? What is the typical attendance?

**JK** We started with only seven members. Today we have five meetings a week and once a month for a group specifically designed for children and youth. We have an average of 30 people per meeting. It is not much, but we work with the same enthusiasm as if we had 100. Our schedule is published at:  
<http://www.sgny.org/schedule.html>

**ER** You wrote a book in 2003 entitled "Practical Guide for Magnetic and Spiritual Healing"; ISBN 0-9742332-2-6. Could you tell us about it? What other books did you write?

**JK** We needed material in English to teach passes (laying-on of hands) that could be right to the point in educating those new to pass-giving. At first, I was only thinking about Spiritist groups in the U.S. that needed clarification on how to perform passes. But of course, anyone can benefit from its content as well. The book has been already translated in German, and it is now being translated into Spanish. I also wrote two other books, "Endearing Gems from Francisco Xavier", so that people in the U.S. can begin to have a glimpse at one of the greatest mediums of the 20th century. The third book is, "Those Left Behind – Understanding Suicide from a Spiritist View". Currently I am working on my fourth book about mediumship meetings. It will be like the "Practical Guide for Magnetic and Spiritual Healing", but clarifying the practice of mediumship according to Spiritism.

**ER** Why is Allan Kardec not well known in the U.S. or English speaking countries?

**JK** I believe it is the absence of translated material. As a matter of fact, to bring study material in English, we funded the Spiritist Alliance for Books (SAB) It is a project that brings together people from all over the world interested in the dissemination of the Spiritism in the English speaking world, and who are willing to volunteer in the effort of translating Spiritist books (which were originally written in other languages) into English. All those books are available at:

<http://www.sgny.org/books.htm>

**ER** Could you venture a comparison with other energy practices (reiki, energy therapy, bioenergy, therapeutic touch, etc)?

**JK** The main difference between the Passes provided in the Spiritist Centers and other similar practices elsewhere is that we do not charge anything for them. We realize that besides using the mediums or pass-givers' own energy, the main source of energy and healing comes from the Spirits. In this manner, even when using our own energies, right after the work of passes is over, the spiritual team present during the treatments will provide **the** participants with the necessary energy, so that we, as well, will leave the treatment room replenished and with a much better energy quality level than when we arrived in the first place. The main element that a pass-giver must offer is the sincere desire to help those that are present to receive assistance combined with the necessary knowledge for the performance of the passes, to direct correctly the energy provided by the Spirits.

**ER** Could you describe briefly other practices associated with Spiritist Healing?

**JK** In order to optimize the results of the passes, an ambience of prayer and meditation will create the environment for the more evolved Spirits to be present and to assist those that come for treatment. This is the reason why in some places you can have an entire group just seated in what they call a "current room or circle". Their prayer as well as the ectoplasm they may be able to provide will facilitate the healing process. The seeing mediums are capable of perceiving the fluidic energy present and many times even the resources of "equipment" the Spirits use on the spiritual plane to help this or that person. Sometimes the entire place will be impregnated by ether-like fragrance or that of chlorophyll during the treatments. As a complement of the treatment received, the person treated will also be given a cup of water that was taken from a sealed bottle that will contain certain healing properties provided by the spirits. This is what we call magnetized water.

**ER** Jussara, could you elaborate on mediumship, mediumship training, mediumship uses in everyday life?

**JK** Mediumship is an inner organic disposition that facilitates awareness of the existence of the spiritual world. To Spiritism, mediumship is a key factor in the process of self-transformation. Mediumship becomes a source of enlightenment both for the spirits in need as well as for us incarnates. A common practice in Spiritism is to use the mediumship meetings to rescue the suffering spirits that have passed and are not aware of it. Together with the Superior Spirits we witness in these meetings renewal and hope for the souls that were once lost.

To Spiritists, mediumship should never become a source of personal or monetary gain. We realize that we work under the guidance of the Superior Spirits that could withdraw. Their aim is to provide us with the necessary enlightenment to help others, and as a result to help ourselves.

A key point in the preparation of educated mediums is to have enough knowledge, the correct preparation and understanding about the mechanisms of mediumship so that one can utilize one's mediumship in a safe way, knowing what sort of contacts one is making with the spirit world. We should not overlook the fact that in the spiritual world dwells good as well as bad and ignorant Spirits, and the latter takes pleasure in hindering our personal spiritual progress. When correctly used, mediumship is truly a gift from God. We perceive the spiritual presence around us, and quite often spirits will inspire us in our daily lives. It is an amazing feeling when we can help someone through the inspiration and guidance received from the spirit benefactors. It is indeed a holy gift.

**ER** What would you like people in the Energetic Community to know about Spiritism?

**JK** In the Spiritist Magazine of 1869, there is a classic communication given by the Spirit Allan Kardec to the medium known as Mr. Peebles that I had the opportunity of translating, in which he says the following: "Dear Mr. Peebles allow me to greet you for your sincere desire to communicate with us. We should not be concerned if we are spiritists or spiritualists. We truly are individuals and Spirits that conscientiously search the truth and that will acknowledge it with recognition, whether it is a result of French or American studies." ..... "Spirits conserve in the Space their sympathies and their earthly habits. The Spirits of deceased Americans remain Americans, as the discarnates that lived in France remain French in the spirit world. From this results the difference of education in some centers. Each group of Spirits, due to its proper nature, its nationality, adjusts its instructions to the character, the special genius of those to whom it addresses itself. But in the same manner that on Earth the barriers that separate the nationalities tend to disappear, in the Space the distinctive characters disappear, the nuances mix with one another, and in a future time, closer than you think, there will be no more French, English or American on Earth or in the Space, but only Individuals and Spirits, all children of God, dedicated, due to all their faculties, to progress and universal regeneration." ... "Ladies and gentlemen, tonight in this meeting I salute the dawn of a future union of the diverse spiritist schools, and I am glad to count Mr. Peebles among those without bias, whose assistance and goodwill will assure the heartiness of our teachings in the future and its universal dissemination."

This is a tremendous lesson to us all. We have the same goal and we should be working together for the betterment and transformation of humankind. We would like to take this opportunity to invite you to join us in the 2nd Spiritist Symposium – Propelling our Integral Healing with the Spiritist Therapy - that will be held in New York at the New-York Historical Society on April 19, 2008. It will be of great joy to gather together people in the Energetic Community and Spiritists to learn from one another and join hands in the path of spiritual perfection. For further information about the Symposium:

<http://www.spiritistsymposium.org/>

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## **Book Review**

### **"Kardec's Spiritism"**

*A Home for Healing and Spiritual Evolution*

Emma Bragdon, PhD

ISBN#0-9620960-5-9

[http://www.amazon.com/Kardec's-Spiritism-Healing-Spiritual-Evolution/dp/0962096059/ref=sr\\_1\\_1?ie=UTF8&s=books&qid=1202955203&sr=8-1](http://www.amazon.com/Kardec's-Spiritism-Healing-Spiritual-Evolution/dp/0962096059/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&s=books&qid=1202955203&sr=8-1)

This is an unusual book.

First of all it introduces Hyppolyte Rivail/Allan Kardec(1804-1869), the writer/educator with a penchant for Mathematics who compiled the fascinating series of Spiritist books by interviewing the great mediums of his time with systematic questions.

It proceeds to describe the present existing conditions and the way the substance of those books took hold in South America/Brazil

Of note, in Chapter Four, a comparative of two evolution systems are discussed, those of David Hawkins MD (author of three ground breaking books on applied Kinesiology) and Aart Jurriaanse (compiler of the teachings of DK- the "Tibetan" as channeled by Alice Bailey).

The author proceeds to describe four functioning Spiritist centers in Brazil: Palomelo, Busca Vida, The Centro and The Brazilian Federation of Spiritists of Sao Paolo. There are detailed descriptions of the procedures in use –many of which are practically unknown: Passes, Dis-Obsession and Dis-Possesion, Laussacs Electromagnetic Devices, and the daily use of more mainstream activities such as Meditation and Chigong.

Then comes the best part- a draft of a program of how such centers could be organized right here in the US.

By the time I finished reading this book, I wanted to do something right away: to get involved in the establishment of a Healing Center!

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## **DVD Review**

### **“Spiritism: Bridging Spirituality and Health”**

Spiritist therapies have been extraordinarily effective in helping people heal from both physical and mental diseases. This inspiring 33-minute documentary heart-fully reveals the details of healing work in Spiritist Centers and hospitals in Brazil and the USA. That means that those who practice and advance the Spiritist Therapies have much to teach us about how spirituality, and specifically Spiritism, can effect wellness and help our ailing health care systems. They can certainly stimulate important discussions on what makes us healthy and what makes us ill.

Spiritists have defined the landscape of how disembodied beings interact with those still in body. They have originated modes of healing that address the subtle energies of the body and emotions to increase wellness. Their precepts dispel the many scary ideas we have about life after death, and bring a great deal of comfort to those who have feared death and the afterlife. Viewers will abandon preconceived notions that Spiritism is a form of black magic, and see a different idea entirely. This film is thus useful for cross-cultural studies.

As you watch the film you will be inspired by both Brazilian and North American leaders within Spiritism, students of Spiritism and also mediums and healers being trained at Spiritist Centers. Daniel Benor, M.D., a psychiatrist and author, recounts his inner voyage from skepticism to believer in spiritual healing. Johann Grobler, M.D., speaks authoritatively on the necessity to attend to the health of the etheric body in order to maintain health. Marlene Nobre, M.D., President of the International Medical Spiritist Association, describes details of how Spiritist healing works.

Contemplate: Whereas we in the USA are just beginning to understand that a strong spiritual life goes hand in hand with increasing wellness – in Brazil, Spiritist Centers which support spiritual growth and healing – independent of the ritual or authority of conventional churches – have been developing for 150 years. Whereas we are only beginning to see that health involves body, mind and spirit, Spiritists have built a way of life based on physical, mental and spiritual well-being. Within that system, individuals gifted as intuitives and healers are given adequate supervision to use these gifts for spiritual evolution and to help others.

Shot on location by professional film crews in Brazil and the U.S.A.  
This film is the second in a series on Energy Medicine produced by Emma Bragdon. The first was “I Do Not Heal, God is the One Who Heals: A Tribute to John of God” Bragdon is the author of “Kardec’s Spiritism: A Home for Healing and Spiritual Evolution”.

In English with option for Spanish, Brazilian Portuguese or French subtitles.  
Format: NTSC, suitable for DVD players, computers and projectors

Price: \$24.95 plus S&H. You may order a copy directly through: <http://www.createspace.com/243118>

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<http://www.emmabragdon.com/>

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## **Announcements**

This Newsletter is being emailed the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of every month.

Deadline for submitting copy, material, announcements and other contributions, is the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the month.

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The links below were reviewed in the January Newsletter- we will keep them on for convenience

**John of God at Omega end of September 08**

<http://www.friendsofthecasa.org/CasaNews.htm>

**Chongtul Rinpoche offers Bon Teachings in Andover MA May 08**

<http://www.bonshenling.org/>

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