

Let us celebrate new beginnings here at the Positive Living Centre, too. We are a vibrant, loving community with an intention to grow, prosper and spread our word more widely in the community in the coming year.

Wishing you all a joyful and prosperous New Year!

Rev. Joanna Drewry
Interim President

Library

The library and book table is in a state of transition right now. Christine Rerrie has graciously agreed to be the team leader, with the help of Kim. Look forward to hearing from them in future bulletins. In the meantime, Christine is looking for a couple more volunteers so that we can have the library and book table open every Sunday. Please see her after church or call her at 250-477-9687 if you are interested in helping her out.

The Positive Living Centre of Victoria

Centre News for January 2011

Kim's Korner

A prayer to carry in our hearts for 2011:

'Lighting our way to Peace' by Dr. Ernest Holmes

I recognize the eternal and universal presence of Spirit. It is the absolute cause of everything that exists, all in all. I consciously unify with Spirit, recognizing that my life is an expression of divine Life. I am one with the human family. We think with one Mind, beat with one Heart, feel with one Spirit, and are the allness of one soul, individually expressed and uniquely imprinted.

I recognize that the Universe is made of abundant loving energy. There is nothing in the world but Gods love. I am at peace with myself and with all other people. I know that peace fills the hearts of every man and every woman, everywhere. The truth about individuals involved in conflicts is that they are the love of God. They, as I now recognize, the sacredness of all life.

In my own affairs, the reasons for conflict and arguments are gone. I now act in loving ways, aware of the essence of who I am and knowing this essence cannot be altered by anyone. I am a loving peaceful spirit, I forgive all who may have injured me. And I forgive myself for those I have wronged.

Our home planet Earth, is a living, evolving, sustaining world of peace. The world treats its precious inhabitants harmoniously and with love. Through correct use, which I declare as a reality now, there is a limitless supply of land, food, water, and shelter for all its citizens. I give thanks for this realization of truth for myself, my human family and Earth. I now go forth gently and gracefully, fully aware that it is through Your Divine Presence that we are able to live one with the other, fully embracing all forms of expression. Knowing that You have created me in Your image and have empowered me to co-create with You, I understand the power of my thought. I bless and release this prayer into the Universe, surrendering it to the activity of Law and the all sustaining power of Love.

Bless you in 2011.

In Love,
Rev. Kim

President's Remarks

What a wonderful opportunity the New Year provides for us. A new year is a fresh start. It is more than making resolutions – it's all about the promise that we each see in the future. In New Thought teaching we know that we are the co-architects of our lives with Spirit. With every thought and in every day we provide the path for our lives. It is the power of this teaching that draws us back to Ernest Holmes and other great teachers of New Thought. As we open our lives to the infinite possibilities that Spirit has in store for each one of us, we celebrate the New Year with real joy!

In January the Board will hold a half day retreat to plan events and activities for the coming year. If you have suggestions for activities or events that you would like to see the Centre undertake in 2011, please let Rev. Kim or a Board member know what you would like to see by way of events, educational opportunities, guest speakers and social events for the coming year.

Rev. Kim is leading us through three Sundays of placing in the burning bowl all those elements of our lives that we wish to leave behind – our fears, anxieties, resentments, angers. How liberating to symbolically free ourselves from these elements that weigh down our thought and our health and let them become smoke and ash. They become nothing and their apparent power disappears just as easily at the smoke.