



A Message from the Director of Church of Peace

CHARVONNE CARLSON, NST, CM, CH



Hello All,

As the cool season is approaching, I hope you are all doing well. This month, we are introducing a Saturday night service. Every Saturday at 7pm CST we will be holding a spiritual service. We are planning to add a couple of different things periodically to the service, as it will be on a Saturday night, and we have a little more time to play with. If you are interested please email the church for the link, or check the website. We will be sending out the link every week via email.

We have a great line up of Guest Speakers and Mediums for our Weds. night services. Rev. Marrice Coverson of Church of Spirit, Chicago, and Geoff Jowett, will be our guest speakers and mediums for two of our weds. night services. I hope to see you there.

Our Let's Talk this month will be our first going live, Q and A, and open discussion about Spiritualism. See flyer in this newsletter for more details.

We are thankful for your support of our church. If you have any questions, or comments, feel free to contact me. Enjoy the changing of the season.

Many Blessings and Love,

Charvonne

Charvonne Carlson, NST, CM, CH Director, Church of Peace, A Spiritualist Center

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Interactive Newsletter

Click on the ad in the newsletter to register for the event









CHURCH OF PEACE: WHO WE ARE?

Church of Peace is a Spiritualist Online Church, registered with the National Spiritualist Association of Churches,

We focus on the educational and spiritual development of Spiritualists through the foundation of Modern American Spiritualism.

"Spirit is an invisible force made visible in all life." —Maya Angelou

Service Information

Saturdays

&

Wednesdays

Time Zones:

8 PM EST/7 PM CST/

6 PM MST/5 PM PST/

AWST 8 am

Zoom link

Contact

Churchofpeacespiritual@gmail.com

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

If interested in joining our church, please fill out a membership application below

General Membership Application

(for other memberships see website)

Annual dues for Church of Peace is \$30.00 for General Membership

Contact churchofpeacespiritual@gmail.com

for membership information.

Mail application to:

Church of Peace
A Spiritualist Center, NSAC
2445 S. 82nd Street

DONATIONS:

Are you interested in donating to our church?

There are a couple of ways you can help:

Using our PayPal link:

Churchofpeacespiritual@gmail.com

CLICK TO DONATE

Through the Mail to:

Church of Peace A Spiritualist Center, NSAC 2445 S. 82nd Street West Allis, WI 53219

NEW SEASONAL SERVICE

Offered Fall & Winter of 2022-2023

SATURDAY SERVICE

7 pm CST

Contact

Churchofpeacespiritual@gmail.com

For the ZOOM Link



Please see our EventBrite page for a listing of our classes and events at

https://www.eventbrite.com/o/church-of-peace-a-spiritualist-center-nsac-

Church of Peace, A Spiritualist Center NSAC
Wednesday Evening Service
Guest Speaker and Medium
Reverend Marrice Coverson, Chaplain
September 14th
7pm CST



The Reverend Marrice Coverson is the Pastor of the Church of the Spirit in Chicago -- the first female and African American to hold that position. Rev. Coverson is also the first African American since 1924 to hold a Trustee position on the Board of Directors of National Spiritualist Association (NSAC) of Church's Board of Directors. She also has served as President of the NSAC Illinois Chapter.

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Zoom link

Church of Peace, A Spiritualist Center NSAC
Wednesday Evening Service
Guest Speaker and Medium
Reverend Geoff Jowett
September 21st
7pm CST



Rev. Geoffrey Jowett is a author, teacher and medium. He has studied at the Morris Pratt Institute and Lily Dale. He is an ordained minister through the New Thought Spiritual Center of Palm Springs. He teaches every summer at Lily Dale and has his own website, https://geofjowett.com/, where you can find his books, classes and more.

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NSAC Convention 2022

(Three years in the making!!!)

Phoenix Arizona, October 10-14, 2022 at the Crowne Plaza Phoenix Airport

Click here for online registration

Click here to download a fillable PDF for mail-in registration

Click here for a complete list of sponsorship and volunteer opportunities

Click here to download a flyer with hotel details

REMEMBER TO LOOK OVER THE BYLAWS AMENDMENTS before

heading to Convention (See Members Page in NSAC.org)

Convention Schedule (subject to change)

Sunday, October 9

10:30 Sunday Church Service, Church of the Living Spirit

3:00 – 5:00 Welcome Reception

3:00 - 4:30 Registration

7:00 - 7:20 Healing Service

7:30 - 8:30 Religious Service

Monday, October 10

8:00 – 9:00 Convention Registration

8:00 – 9:00 Workshop Check-in

9:00 -12:00 Workshop: Teaching the aspects of Mediumship (Rev. Rosemary Calderado, NST)

1:00 – 4:00 Workshop:

Part 1: History of Trumpet Mediumship (Rev. Stacy Kopchinski, NST)

Part 2: Demonstration of Trumpet Mediumship (Rev. Lorraine Radice, NST and Rev. Havivah

Richards, NST)

5:30 - 6:00 No-Host Reception (Cash Bar)

6:00 – 9:00 Dinner and Dancing

Tuesday, October 11 and Wednesday, October 12

7:30 Tues. NST Club meets

7:30 Wed. Ministerial Association meets

8:30 – 8:45 Registration

9:00 - 4:30 Convention Business Session

7:00 - 7:20 Healing Service

7:30 - 8:30 Religious Service

Thursday, October 13

7:30 Spiritualist Healers League meets

8:30 – 8:45 Registration

9:00 – 4:30 Convention Business Session

7:30 - 8:30 Religious Service

Friday, October 14

7:30 Licentiate Ministers & Certified Mediums Society meets

9:00 - 4:30 Convention Business Session



Tribute to **TWO** Spiritual teachers who helped Spiritualism grow in our Modern times

Over the last four weeks, two amazing mediums and teachers in the Spiritualist community have made their transition and Church of Peace wants to send our condolences and healing thoughts to their family and friends. These two women dedicated their lives to being missionaries and teachers of the Spiritualist principles. Many of us in the Spiritualist community were graced to be mentored by them and know the impact they have made in connecting many to the Spiritual world.

Let us remember Reverend Janet Nohavec and Mavis Pittilla in our thoughts and prayers.



REV. Janet Nohavec

March 18, 1957—July 27, 2022



Mavis Pittilla
October 15, 1939- August 22, 2022

NSAC SOCIETIES/CLUBS

LICENTIATE MINISTERS AND CERTIFIED MEDIUMS SOCIETY

Charvonne Carlson, President charvonne.carlson @gmail.com | 262-385-1280

Sharon Watson, Secretary-Treasurer sawatson @cflrr.com | 352-237-2277

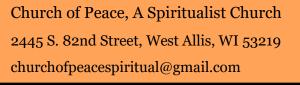
(Students are welcome to join)

SPIRITUALIST HEALERS LEAGUE

Havivah Richards, President reverendhaviness @gmail.com | 480-297-6502

Sharon Watson, Secretary-Treasurer sawatson @cflrr.com | 352-237-2277

(Students are welcome to join)





EQUAL SPIRITS ARTICLE

"Domestic Violence and Spiritualism"

by Allison E. Bell

In the Spiritualist Declaration of Principles, principle 6 states "We believe that the highest morality is contained in the Golden Rule: "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you" and principle 7 states "We affirm the moral responsibility of individuals and that we make our own happiness or unhappiness as we obey or disobey Nature's physical and spiritual laws." Domestic violence is irrefutably in conflict with both principles.

Domestic violence is much more prevalent in the United States than the average American realizes. Domestic violence is defined by the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence as, "the willful intimidation, physical assault, battery, sexual assault, and/or other abusive behavior as part of a systematic pattern of power and control perpetrated by one intimate partner against another. It includes physical violence, sexual violence, threats, economic, and emotional/psychological abuse." There is a direct correlation between domestic violence and rape, stalking, homicide, and health issues brought on by being abused. Men are significantly more likely to be the abuser in a heterosexual relationship. Women experience more repeated and severe forms of abuse and are more likely to lose their lives to homicide by their partner. Although women are generally the recipient of abuse in a heterosexual relationship, they also abuse. It is believed that men are less likely to report being abused. Studies show that there are high rates of domestic violence in same-sex relationships as well.

Domestic violence is an equal opportunity experience. You can become a victim no matter your gender, socioeconomic status, race, marital status, generation, level of education, sexual orientation, physical ability status, religion, nationality and where you live. People living in rural areas are more likely to be abused than people living in urban and suburban areas. The state of Oklahoma based on 2022 reports, has the highest rank for domestic violence. In Oklahoma, 49.10% of women and 40.70% of men experience domestic violence in their lifetime. North Dakota ranks the lowest with 25.30% of women and 26.10% of men.

One organization that is in the forefront of domestic violence awareness, intervention and prevention is **FU-TURES WITHOUT VIOLENCE.** They are a social justice nonprofit organization serving the global community by offering training, support, awareness education and other resources to women and children effected by domestic violence. Their mission is "to heal those among us who are traumatized by violence today – and to create healthy families and communities free of violence tomorrow."

They have been providing groundbreaking programs, policies, and campaigns that empower individuals and organizations working to end violence against women and children around the world for more than thirty years. Futures Without Violence has special programs that target men and boys exclusively. The purpose of these programs is to prevent abusive behaviors before they start and to help to rehabilitate those that are currently abusers. Future Without Violence takes a holistic approach fighting against domestic violence. They understand that targeting all groups of society is necessary to be truly impactful. Some organizations focus solely on those that are being abused and their children. In order to have the most effectiveness, medical professionals, legal professionals, politicians, teachers, coaches, and community members that come into contact with others on a regular basis need to become a soldier in the fight for change. If properly trained, they will be in a position to observe people and notice changes in personality, appearance, facial affects and behaviors that are possible signs of someone living in an abusive situation.

Futures Without Violence has an exhaustive collection of resources offered to the public ranging from free webinars to toolkits for working within various communities and environments such as the workplace.

To learn more about Futures Without Violence, visit their website at <u>futureswithoutviolence.org</u>. There you will find a plethora of valuable information and resources that you can use to assist your churches in making a difference in your community.



Check out and subscribe to Church of Peace YouTube Channel

for past lyceums, services and discussions at

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCulMYzK67Bmv KS tEcqvUw/featured

CHURCH OF PEACE PSYCHICAL RESEARCH SCIENCE SOCIETY DISCLAIMER

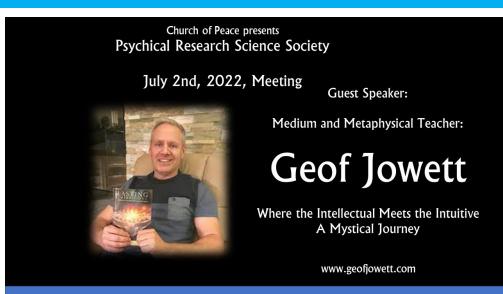
The views and opinions expressed by Presenters do not necessarily reflect the views or positions of Church of Peace, PRSS or the NSAC.

Have you checked out July's PRSS Meeting?

Geof Jowett's Talk:

Where the Intellectual Meets the Intuitive: A Mystical Journey

Click on the Image to watch the video





Check out COP's new initiative

Equal Spirits

Equal Spirits focuses on equality among all living spirits. In the mission of Spiritualism, Church of Peace's goal is to create an equal and diverse community and presence in our global majority world. Our center focuses on topics each month that reflect our belief in celebrating the heritage and contributions of all people.

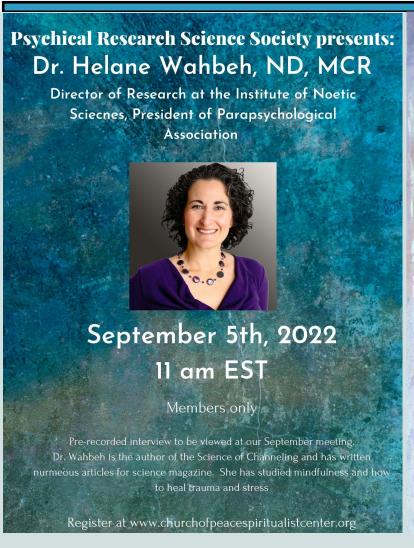




CHURCH OF PEACE PSYCHICAL RESEARCH SCIENCE SOCIETY

In following Spiritualism, Church of Peace would like to start a Psychical Research Science Society. This society will meet once a month to discuss the study, research and findings of phenomena. This society will have membership dues of \$10 annually. These dues will help pay for guest speakers, opportunities to study with groups and scientist and classes that can be offered through the society. Membership is offered to all people regardless of church or religion. Our goal is to shed light on the current studies, scientific findings, technology and groups that have proven the existence of life after physical death. We hope you will consider joining.

The meetings will be on the First Saturday of the month





Register at www.churchofpeacespiritualistcenter.org

Check out

Institute of Noetic Science and the

Parapsychological Association

Check out:

Monroe Institute

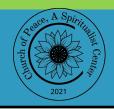


Are you interested in speaking or presenting for PRSS?

Our meetings are held online the First Saturday of the month at 11 EST.

If you would like to present a topic, contact us at psychicalresearch@gmail.com

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Psychical Research Science Society presents: Rev. Dr. Janet Decker

Clinical Hypnotherapist, certified psychic medium, teacher and counselor



November 5th, 2022

PRSS members attend for free Non-members cost is \$15

Rev. Dr. Janet Decker is a certified clinical and spiritual hypnotherapist and a certified psychic medium and spiritual counselor. She is Dean of Metaphysical Studies for the International Metaphysical University (IMU) where she also teaches psychic development and paranormal studies. Janet is the lead pastor, and president of the Board of Directors of the Healing Light Spiritualist church in Etna, Maine, and creator and teacher of the Independent Spiritualist Ordination program offered through IMU.

Rev. Dr. Decker will discuss how hypnotherapy and psychic mediumship is connected plus share her experience as a hypnotherapist and Spiritual minister

Register at www.churchofpeacespiritualistcenter.org

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Dean of Metaphysical Studies for the <u>International Meta-</u> <u>physical University (IMU)</u>

Lead Pastor and President of the Board for <u>Healing Light</u>
<u>Spiritualist Church</u> in Etna, ME

Creator and teacher for the <u>Independent Spiritualist Ordination program</u> offered through IMU

Author of Becoming the Goddess

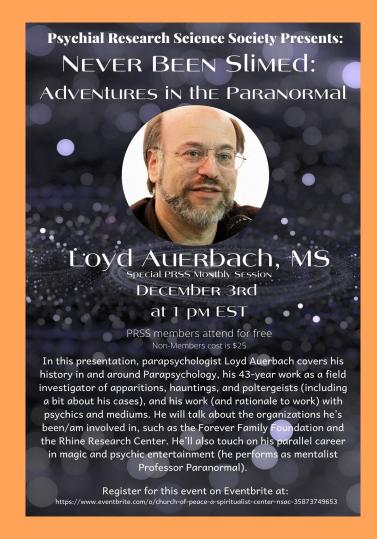
<u>Hypnosis for Overcoming Anger (Hypnotic Empowerment</u> for Self-Awakening)

<u>Hypnosis for Self-confidence and Self-Esteem (Hypnotic Empowerment Series for Self-Awakening) (Hypnotic Empowerment Series for Self-Awakening)</u>

<u>Hypnosis For Stress Reduction (Hypnotic Empowerment Series for Self-Awakening)</u>

<u>Hypnosis To Improve Memory And Recall (Hypnotic Empowerment Series for Self- Awakening)</u>

<u>Hypnosis For Psychic Development (Hypnotice Empower-ment Series for Self-Awakening)</u>



December 3rd,2022: Loyd Auerbach, MS

Director, The Office of Paranormal Investigations

President, Forever Family Foundation www.foreverfamilyfoundation.org

Adjunct Professor, Atlantic University

Instructor, Rhine Education Center www.rhineedu.org

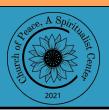
Rhine Research Center, Vice-President Board of Directors <u>www.rhine.org</u>

Windbridge Research Center Advisory Board www.windbridge.org

Psychic Entertainers Association, Meeting of the Minds Liaison

http://www.mindreader.com





Fundraiser

Mediums of Church of Peace are offering to do a private readings.

30 minutes for \$60

We are at the midway point for the funds needed to acquire the headstone for Rev. Bertha Crear

If you would like to donate or book a reading please contact the church: churchofpeacespiritual@gmail.com

We will schedule a reading with participating mediums of the Church.

Church of Peace, A Spiritualist Center is dedicated to the research of Spiritualism.



Through our research we discovered that the Rev. Bertha Crear, was the First Black American Spiritualist to hold credentials with the National Spiritualist Association and Spiritualist National Union in 1922.

We were able to gather information about her and her contributions to Spiritualism. While researching, we discovered that there was only a cement number marking her burial spot in Columbus, Ohio. This saddened us.

We decided to have a fundraiser to purchase her a headstone.

If you feel moved to contribute, you can use PayPal:

churchofpeacespiritual@gmail.com

The ultimate goal is \$3,500 for the headstone including the taxes and fees associated with it.





HEALING REQUESTS

Church of Peace would like to remind members to send all healing requests to <u>churchofpeacespiritual@gmail.com</u> by Tuesday each week. Please use first names only.

During our Saturday and Wednesday services we will read the names aloud so our healers and members can send healing energy to those in need.

Remember the fourth Sunday of the month at 8 am CST is a healing service is offered by the Church of Peace.

"Spirituality lies in what you do and how you do it and not what result you get." -Kapil Dev

SPIRITUALISM: YESTERDAY, TODAY AND TOMORROW

Francisco "Chico" Cândido Xavier,

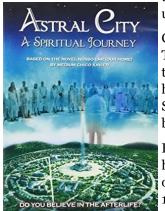
Extraordinary Medium/Channel and Brazilian Spiritual leader (1910 -2002)

Considered the most prolific psychographic medium of all time, <u>Chico Xavier</u> would lose his mother at a young age while growing up very poor near Pedro Leopoldo, Minas Gerais, Brazil. Chico will go on to channel his mother and multiple departed spirits at a very young age. Together with these spirits, Chico would go on to publish over 450 books from 1932 to 2002. <u>Nossor Lar (Astral City)</u> was his spiritual memoir channeling a well known doctor and it was published in 1944, selling over 2 million copies. In 2010 to honor <u>Chico Xavier</u>'s work, his book was made into a film.

Chico is also famous for his automatic writing where he would channel the departed loved ones and have them write letters to the sitters. One thing people need to know about his extraordinary gifts was the he was clinically blind and required multiple surgeries on his eyes. To write the letters and later books is a great accomplishment from a man with limited education and sight. His letters were unique because they were usually written in the handwriting of the departed, some letters were even written in foreign languages that Chico did not know. It is estimated he wrote over 10,000 letters in his life time for grieving believers.

In 1979, one of his letters was used to free a man from murder charges. The grieving parents of the victim went to Chico for a letter. Their son wrote through Chico the facts about the incident proving that it was an accident. The parents shared this with

the courts. The judge allowed the letter into evidence and it was the first time phenomena had been used in a court of law in Brazil.



Chico was known for his humility and never charged any of the sitters for the letters he channeled. The profits he made from his books were often donated to charity. He lived a minimalistic life and trusted spirit would provide for his wellbeing. He was raised Catholic but his gift became to much for him to be accepted by the local church, he sought out Spiritualists at the age of 17, and discovered the Spiritism religion in 1927. Spiritism/Espiritismo was widely accepted in South America due to blending Christian ideology with Spiritualism.

He often discussed his spiritual mentor <u>Emmanuel</u>, a spirit who helped direct his gifts and connect him to other spirits including Jesus. Despite the ridicule and criticism by the Christian groups, Chico often discussed Jesus in his inspirational messages as he traveled Europe and the United States in the 1930s. Chico was also known for his <u>prophecy</u>. He predicted his death, predicting he would pass on a great day with much celebration so not to bring sorrow to others. He died on June 30th, 2002 when Brazil had just won its 50th World Cup.

Bragdon, E. (2020, May 26). Chico Xavier was a medium who helped redefine religion:. IMHU. https://imhu.org/integrative/chico-xavier/ USSF. (2022). Francisco C. Xavier. US Spiritist Federation | USSF. https://spiritist.us/chico-xavier/



COMMUNITY RESOURCES

The following articles are highlighted in the Church of Peace newsletter to educate the members on activities around the world that involve topics related to Spiritualism and Diversity. We encourage sharing resources. Please email any suggested articles, books, videos, classes or links to churchofpeacespiritual@gmail.com that could be added in future e-newsletters. Reminder that many of the articles do not express the views of Church of Peace or the NSAC. Click on the individual article links to learn more.

ARTICLES

What Is Channeling? - IONS - Institute of Noetic Sciences by Dr. Helané Wahbeh

Channeling & Spirit Guides: Voices From Within, Not Beyond by Benjamin Radford for Live Science

What Happens During Channeling by The John Ankerberg Show

Espiritismo The Formation of Identity based on Puerto Rican Spiritism by BE Schmidt

Another one of blind psychic Baba Vanga's chilling predictions by the New York Post

Cognitive Health and Differential Cortical Functioning in Brazil by KC Spindola-Rodrigues

Why Mediums Need To "Master the Message" | eomega.org

The power of water: spirits and knowledge in West Java by Jörgen Hellman

<u>Sensing the presence of gods and spirits across cultures and faith by Tanya Marie Luhrmann ,Kara Weisman ,Felicity Aulino, Joshua D. Brahinsky, John C. Dulin, Vivian A. Dzokoto ,Cristine H. Legare ,Michael Lifshitz , Emily Ng, Nicole Ross-Zehnder, and Rachel E. Smith .</u>

<u>What Does a Spirit Do All Day On the Other Side?</u> Interview with Medium Tony Stockwell by the Omega Institute

Why I am a Spiritualist? by A. E. Newton-an article from The North American Review, Volume 147 (1888)

NSAC NEWSLETTER

To be informed on the latest activities, events and movements in the National Spiritualist Association of Churches, please read their newsletter at the link below $\underline{August\ Newsletter}$

Also check out the NSAC Social Policy Statement as posted at the Equal Spirit's page on Church of Peace's website

NSAC Social Policy Statement



DECLARATIONS OF PRINCIPLES

- 1. We believe in Infinite Intelligence.
- We believe that the phenomena of Nature, both physical and spiritual, are the expression of Infinite Intelligence.
- We affirm that a correct understanding of such expression and living in accordance therewith, constitute true religion.
- 4. We affirm that the existence and personal identity of the individual continue after the change called death.
- We affirm that communication with the so-called dead is a fact, scientifically proven by the phenomena of Spiritualism.
- 6. We believe that the highest morality is contained in the Golden Rule: "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."
- 7. We affirm the moral responsibility of individuals and that we make our own happiness or unhappiness as we obey or disobey Nature's physical and spiritual laws.
- 8. We affirm that the doorway to reformation is never closed against any soul here or hereafter.
- We affirm that the precepts of Prophecy and Healing are Divine attributes proven through Medi-



HEALING PRAYER

I ask the Great Unseen **Healing Force** To remove all obstructions from my mind and body And to restore me to perfect health. I ask this in all sincerity and honesty And I will do my part. I ask this Great Unseen **Healing Force** To help both present and absent ones Who are in need of help And to restore them to perfect health. I put my trust in the love and power of God.

OCTOBER EVENTS

Psychical Research Science Society meeting is held the first Saturday of the month

Lyceum is held every **fourth** Thursday of the month

Healing Meditation Service is the 4th Sunday morning at 8 am

Register for all events at https://www.eventbrite.com/o/church-of-peace-a-spiritualist-center-nsac-35873749653

