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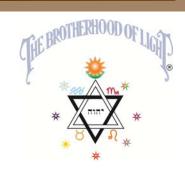
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The Sacred Hebrew Alphabet: Mem—Manifestation and Matter

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em is the second mother letter of the Alefbayt (AB). As such, it stands in direct contrast to Aleph, the first letter, both symbolically and linguistically. If Aleph represents the invisible, unseen aspects of God, then Mem represents the visible glory of His manifestation. Linguistically as well, the two letters and their associated sounds are contrary: Aleph is a deep, back

consonant, classified by the Ancient Hebrew linguists as a guttural, while Mem is a high, front consonant, sounded by pursing the lips together to completely block the flow of air, and is for this reason classified as a labial consonant. One cannot help but notice the uncanny similarities between the symbolic and linguistic properties of both Aleph and Mem.

Based on my own linguistic investigations, additional considerations have also come to light. Examining a large sample of Ancient Hebrew (AH) words which all begin with the letter "M", a very large number of words examined had their roots in other letters. As a common English example, consider the word "destruct", which

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The Fourth House: A Spiritual Reflection of the Shadow

by Meg Dissinger

The fourth house presents some very interesting challenges as we consider the inner dynamics of this mundane house. Externally we know that this house relates specifically to the home: where we come from, where we live, from whence we come, how we live/have lived in our domestic environment, our parentage, what we have inherited, our childhood and all the emotions we carry from our childhood experiences, and then the conditions at the end of our lives. As we begin to consider the spiritual meanings of the fourth house, please reread what you have just read, and then begin to consider the enormity of what the inner implica-

tions are of this dynamic house. Close your eyes and take ten deep breaths before continuing.

Let us begin by considering the position of the fourth house in the horoscope. It is located at the very bottom of the chart, below the horizon. The time of day indicated here is from 10 PM to midnight, the dark of the night, the time when energies are often thought to be at their lowest. It is the dark time of the soul, the secret time, the dream time, or if we are awake, a time of worry, reflection, and prayer. Also looking at this

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Editorial

Christopher Gibson

"When a tradition gathers enough strength to go on for centuries, you don't just turn it off one day." – Chinua Achebe (1930 – 2013, Nigerian novelist)

ermeticism is one of those traditions that has gathered the strength that enabled it to survive over the centuries. During the first three centuries of the Common Era, Hermetic philosophy was concurrent with early Christianity, Neo-Platonism, and Gnosticism in its scope and practice. Classical authors such as Plutarch, Tertullian, lamblichus and Porphyry were all familiar with Hermetic writings.

During the Dark Ages, Hermeticism flourished in Constantinople, while, with the exception of Islamic Spain, it was forced underground in the West. The Fall of Constantinople in 1453 brought a flood of Greek scholars to Italy and Hermeticism was again to find its florescence in the Italian Renaissance. Under the protection of the powerful De Medici's, Marsilio Ficino, Giovanni Pico della Mirandolo, and Giardano Bruno were able to translate and comment on Hermetic writings.

In the late 18th Century, Hermetic philosophy influenced European culture through the Lodges of Egyptian Freemasonry and artistic forms of Egypto-mania.

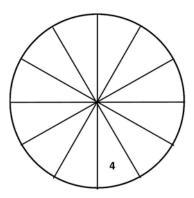
The 19th Century welcomed a rise in Spiritualism which spread from the United States to Europe. In their search to better understand the spirit world and afterlife some Spiritualistic movements looked into philosophical structures of the past; Hermeticism, Neo-Platonism and Rosicrucianism.

The upheaval of the 20th Century brought about greater freedom of thought, scholarship and access to information from the past. C. C. Zain (Elbert Benjamine) was at the vanguard of a movement that sought to reconcile material science with occult science, and his efforts became the basis of the Brotherhood of Light Lessons.

One's history, roots, and traditions are all ruled by the Fourth House, the focus of this Quarterly. In this issue of the Quarterly we continue to celebrate the 100-year anniversary of the commencement of the writing of The Brotherhood of Light Lessons, begun by C. C. Zain on March 21, 1914, by sharing with you excerpts from the book, *The Brotherhood of Light Teachings Come to Earth* by Australian author Dennis Sutton. We hope that you enjoy reading about our tradition - a tradition that has survived for centuries!



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Fourth House Associations

Home, property, real-estate, land, family, father, domestic matters, early-childhood, beginnings and endings. One's ancestry, roots, traditions, genealogy, heritage, family history, origins, homeland, national identity.

Fourth House Environments

Apartment buildings, aqueducts, chicken-coop, day-care center, farm, farmer's market, feed store, fertility clinic, fields, garden, grocery stores, home-furnishing stores, hotels, housewares, housing developments, hydroponic farms, kennels, laundry, mines, motels, nursery, nursing homes, obstetrics office, pastures, realtor's office, rental units, reservoirs, restaurants, spa, stables, supermarkets.

Fourth House Occupations

Animal breeder, attendant, baby-sitter, baker, butler, caretaker, carpet-cleaner, caterer, chef, concierge, cook, custodian, dietician, farmer, fertility specialist, garden-designer, gardener, governess, grocer, grounds-keeper, horticulturalist, house-painter, house-sitter, housewife, launderer, maid, midwife, miner, mother, musician, nurse, nutritionist, obstetrician, pet-sitter, property-appraiser, property-manager, realtor, valet, waiter.

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position, it occurs to me that as it is opposite the light, then it is surely the shadow of the hero's journey. As a member of the Trinity of Psychism, the 4th house has dominion over things which are occult/ hidden, things we must investigate before their meanings may be revealed. These are not to be confused with those secrets of the twelfth house, but those things which relate to our earliest relationships and the places where we live on an inner level. These are the internal castles, the inner dungeons, the inner environments of the soul.

Taking the time to really look at the 4th house in our own horoscope brings incredible insight for spiritual growth. As we begin our journey in life we are consumed mostly with the mundane aspects of the fourth house. Since most of us at that time have little or no knowledge of astrology, it's more in tune with Maslow's hierarchy of needs: a roof over our heads, food on the table, and then the critical impressions of our environment: how were we loved, how were we treated, and how did we feel about it. Were we cherished and safe or were we not? Was our environment conducive to healthy attachment, or were we scarred by situations beyond our control which have led to separation?

For those of us fortunate enough to have stumbled upon our philosophy based upon the works of C.C. Zain, or those of us fortunate enough to have stumbled upon something else that has brought us into a realization of Self, we are blessed. By our ability to see and study our early environments objectively, we can come to terms with the events of our young lives and use that information to create a different home environment for ourselves into our adulthood. Our familiarity with alchemy allows us to harmonize natal energies and to see these as the shadow material which is basic to our understanding and acceptance of all we are and all we can become. Most of this material is located right here in the 4th house of our natal horoscope. It is the classic Hero's Journey as outlined by Joseph Campbell: the separation, the quest, the realization, the assimilation, and the return all in one tidy package.

The other interesting thing when considering the fourth house is that it relates to where we begin and where we will end. From a spiritual perspective it is

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one would discover in the dictionary under "D", but the core meaning (semantic value) of which is probably more closely related to its root "struct". In a similar vein, a full fifty-nine percent of all Mem words examined technically began with the letter "M", but had non-Mem roots. While any attempt to explain this phenomenon falls into the realm of speculation, it does at first glance appear to be a disproportionately large percentage of the sample. In the case of Aleph, only about 10% of the words examined were found to have non-Aleph roots. Of course, it

will be necessary to postpone a final judgment until data on the remaining letters come in, but in this case, from a preliminary perspective, it appears that one of the most significant results regarding words which begin with the letter "M" has to do not so much with what is there, as with what is not. Did the ancient authors of Biblical Hebrew (BH) mean for us to glean some spiritual truth from this fact, or is it simply an artifact of some other linguistic eventuality? While it is purely homoletical, I like to imagine that in the same way that we are taught that the physical

world is a veil, and that we are cautioned not be fooled by the apparent reality of its condition, linguistically, words appear to commence with the letter "M", but truly find their values and essences elsewhere. Perhaps here we find an admonition never to forget the true Reality, that which was originally expounded and elaborated in the lessons of Aleph, as related to the Supreme, Invisible, and Unknowable God.

There are, of course, other semantic (meaning-based) clusters which emerge in an investigation of words which begin with the letter "M" (Mem words), however none even comes close to the percentage of words which exhibit the former semantic link. The next most significant category is that of Mem words which indicate "To rebel/ Be bitter/To disobey/To trickle/To distill/To anger/To be painful/Sorrow", and according to my investigation, this group makes up 5% of all Mem words. While it may ultimately prove to be statistically significant, it comes nowhere near approaching the 59% of Mem words which have Non-Mem Roots.

An additional sematic category which makes up about 3% of words examined is "To reign/to rule/be king/be queen/ take counsel". Most if not all of these words relate to the

Hebrew word "Melech", or king, so it may simply be an example of clustering, a linguistic phenomenon in which several secondary words are built up around a primary anchor word. As an English example, consider the words "household", "house-party", and "house-warming". While they are all distinct words, they all have in common a relationship to the anchor word "house".

Additional semantic groupings exist, but our task here is to describe the overall, most obvious and curious examples of sound symbolism. Returning, then, to a considera-

> tion of how the letters themselves are pronounced, Mem is articulated by pursing the lips, and momentarily blocking the flow of air out of the mouth (bi-labial stop). Its formation is overt, obvious and visible, in much the same way that the material world represented by Mem lies in plain view. By contrast, Aleph is articulated in the deepest recesses of the throat, completely invisible from sight, in much the same way that the origins of Life itself are shrouded in mystery and the unknown. When considered in this light, and if it be at all possible to develop a case for the

existence of sound symbolism, we must admire and revel in the sheer genius of predecessors who would take the time, and demonstrate the consideration necessary to link the meanings of words with the very sounds and letters that comprise them.



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Tarot Correspondence — The King of Cups



Divination

"The King of Cups signifies a person ruled by the sign Cancer: mild, reserved, homeloving and pleasant. Right way up it denotes a Cancer man; reversed it indicates a Cancer woman. The dominant idea is I FEEL.

From The Sacred Tarot by C. C. Zain

Physical Description

Cancer: Middle height, upper parts larger, small mouth and face, pale, milky eyes.

From Horary Astrology by C. C. Zain

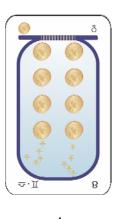
Interpretive Notes

The Court Arcana generally represent the 12 personality types associated with the 12 signs of the zodiac. However, this correspondence does not necessarily refer to the sun-sign, so the reader should focus on describing the personality and appearance based on zodiacal symbolism. The Kings and Youths, when upright, are interpreted as a masculine influence governed by each sign; when reversed, feminine. The Queens, when upright, represent women; when reversed, men.

In the Hermetic System, the tarot represents a synthesis of the universe, based on astrological symbolism; the court arcana can also represent the 12 houses in a horoscope. The King of Cups, Cancer, corresponds to the Fourth House of Home, property, real-estate, land, family, father, domestic matters, early-childhood, beginnings and endings. One's ancestry, roots, genealogy, heritage, family history, origins, homeland, national identity.

Tarot Spread Example—The Yes or No Spread











Tarot Spread Interpretation

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The Querent asked the question: "Will we travel to Italy this fall?"

Card Spread

- I) The distant past—Three of Cups is read as "a marriage for love; its inner interpretation is RESEARCH."
- 2) The recent past—The King of Scepters (Reversed), is normally read as "a person ruled by the sign Aries: fiery, headstrong, ambitious, courageous and energetic. Right way up it denotes an Aries man; reversed it indicates an Aries woman. The dominant idea is I AM."
- 3) The present—Three of Scepters is read as "a business partnership; its inner interpretation is PROPAGANDA."
- 4) The future—Eight of Coins (Reversed), is read as "a costly law suit; its inner interpretation is FIDELITY."
- 5) The distant future—Eight of Swords, is read as "loss of honor, or business failure; its inner interpretation is EX-PERIENCE.

Summary

The Yes or No spread is comprised of five cards laid out from left to right. Cards I and 2 represent the past of the matter inquired about, the center card represents the present, and cards 4 and 5 symbolize the future. Right side up cards represent a "yes" answer, and reversed cards "no." Each card is worth the value of one point for

yes or no with the exception of the center card, which has the value of two points. In this spread three of the cards were right side up, including the center card, indicating a "yes" answer.

The Querent is planning to go to Italy in the fall to celebrate a 30-year anniversary with his companion. The Three of Cups mirrors traveling with a partner and the long-term relationship.

The King of Scepters (Reversed) represents a woman of Aries temperament, possibly the travel agent recently engaged in arranging the trip.

The Three of Scepters as the center card is a business partnership, again representing the agency organizing the travel itinerary.

The near future is indicated by the fourth card position, the Eight of Coins (Reversed), often interpreted as a costly law suit. More than likely this represents the fact that in order to travel the Querent will have to transfer money out of funds currently tied up in stock. He is currently watching fluctuations hoping to cash out at a high point in the market.

The Eight of Swords, in the final position shows some difficulties while traveling, but that the ultimate goal in travelling will be the "experience."



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Celebrating 100 Years, Part 2

of Brotherhood of Light Lessons

Elbert Benjamine began writing the Brotherhood of Light lessons in March 1914. To commemorate this 100 year milestone Dennis Sutton has compiled a detailed history and chronology of their writing, revision and rewriting from the

start date to their completion in 1949. With a commentary on Elbert and a section that provides a time-line of the many articles and books he wrote, the story of the lessons forms the nucleus of his new book, *The Brotherhood of Light Teachings Come to Earth*.

Based upon information Dennis gleaned from Church of Light documents he acquired during his visit to Los Angeles in 1994, as well as other sources, the book is divided into three parts: I.) Elbert Benjamine; 2.) Brotherhood of Light Teachings Come to Earth; and, 3.) Articles and Books to Supplement the Lessons. Using a "serial" release process, portions or sections of the book will be featured in each of the next three editions of the Quarterly. The book will also be available for purchase as a download in the online store at www.light.org for those who want their own copy.



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The Brotherhood of Light Teachings Come to Earth

A tribute to Elbert Benjamine's extraordinary achievement

DW Sutton

Part 2: The Brotherhood of Light Teachings Come to Earth

n 1909 a group of progressive thinkers – The Brotherlacksquare hood of Light – were trying to form a corporation as a means to getting the great cause in which they believed established on the Earth. The organization's Articles of Incorporation included a seemingly impossible aim: 'To place intelligently before the world the philosophy of planetary influences, to teach those who desire to learn the philosophy, to publish books as pertain to astrology and various occult subjects, to establish a Church and College of Astrologers, and to diligently search for Truth.' And in the spring of 1910 Elbert Benjamine promised to fulfill the organization's aims and in particular write a series of courses of lessons on each of the 21 occult sciences: 21 separate courses to be ultimately published as 21 separate books. Then, after a four year preparation, on March 21, 1914, when the Sun on its annual journey around the zodiac entered Aries Elbert commenced writing The Brotherhood of Light lessons.

In a Brotherhood of Light promotion issued in 1931 Elbert Benjamine explained:

'The Brotherhood of Light is custodian of knowledge concerning every branch of Occult Science. In every lesson it issues will be found information of value not to be found elsewhere. These lessons, in the order they are listed, lead by easy steps from first principles to complete mastery of the most difficult occult subject. The most advanced student, as well as beginners, will receive new light from every lesson. They are issued with the definite purpose of reviving The Religion of the Stars – which is a Religion of Natural Law – as understood and taught by the Hermetic Initiates of ancient Egypt and Chaldea. The world has outgrown the dogmas of the Piscean Age. The Religion of the Stars is the Religion of the Aquarian Age.

Any person may buy one or all of these lessons, except the Degree MSS. The Degree MSS. are sold to no one,

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and can only be procured by members who pass the degrees to which they pertain. They are given without charge as a reward for Occult Advancement.'

Promotional material issued by The Church of Light always states: Brotherhood of Light Lessons – Standard the World Over – 21 Courses – 210 lessons. Course 10 and Course 12, due to their size, consist of 2 volumes – parts 1 and 2.

If you go by the numbers Elbert wrote 232 Brotherhood of Light lessons. Lesson No. I is Ritual of Initiation and Lesson No. 232 is not-sold award How to control inner plane activities. There are 21 not-sold award lessons so that makes 211 regular lessons (232 less 21) but as there

is no lesson No. 102 there are 210 regular Brotherhood of Light lessons. Lesson No. I was probably completed soon after he commenced writing on March 21, 1914 and the final revisions were made to Course 15 – the last course to be revised – in the summer of 1949.

But documenting an accurate time sequence for the writing and revision of each lesson is nigh on impossible. The copyright dates given in the book or e-book versions of each Brotherhood of Light lesson are unreliable. Serial

40, for example, in Course I has a 1926 copyright yet it was completely re-written in 1948. In fact most of its information content was unknown in 1926. And lesson No. 86, which explains How to Erect a Horoscope, was issued in 1921 and Course 10-1 was issued in 1922 but in May 1915 Elbert had commenced teaching an astrology class and in December 1918 – on a Tuesday night – Fred Skinner commenced teaching a chart construction class and there were versions of both Course 8 and Course 10 available to students before 1920.

In January 1920 Elbert Benjamine published the first Brotherhood of Light Annual. It consisted of a six page manuscript entitled Clouds Dispelled from Popular Customs and in it he explained The Brotherhood of Light's information product. He wrote:

'The lessons issued by The Brotherhood of Light are for the express purpose of providing those who wish to know more about nature's laws and less about isms and cults with reliable information. We teach the student to investigate and demonstrate for himself, rather than merely rely upon the authority of others. Blind belief and acceptance of statements upon authority without demonstration has been the curse of the world. Sooner or later each individual must work out his own destiny. Our lessons point the road to Self-Conscious-Immortality.'

He then explained: 'Suffice to say that present-day religions borrowed their symbolism and customs, without exception, from still older religions; and these from those that went before; until we find at their source the spiritual conceptions of an Astronomical Religion, a religion of natural law, which is destined to be the Religion of the Aquarian Age – The Religion of the Stars.' And that

'those who scoff at astrology are almost without exception those who have never studied the subject and have never put it to the test. Astrology may be proven experimentally by any person of average intelligence who will devote a little time to the study of Courses 8 and 10.'

Elbert then set the record straight. 'Astrological influences only affect man through environment, physical or astral...So, by knowing what forces will be brought to bear upon him he can shape his environment to take

advantage of conditions. The mechanical details of how planetary influences reach man and influence him are fully explained in Course I.' And 'It is impossible to understand many of our popular sayings without some knowledge of astrology. Thus it is said of March: "If it comes in like a Lion it goes out like a Lamb, but if it comes in like a Lamb it goes out like a Lion." The student is referred to Course 2 for a more detailed explanation of signs, houses, planets etc.'

Then, in keeping with the article's title, Elbert dispelled the clouds from some popular customs. 'The serpent' he wrote 'is, and ever has been the symbol of wisdom. It tempted Adam and Eve to partake of the tree of knowledge of good and evil. Before the advent of Christianity the inhabitants of Ireland understood astrology, as is recorded by the Roman conquerors, and commonly con-

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versed with those who had passed to the next world. But St. Patrick drove the serpents, or true knowledge of natural law, from Ireland; though he was never able to eradicate its symbolism. This symbolism together with that of Masonry is explained in detail in Course 4.' And 'Maunday Thursday is the day before Good Friday. On this Thursday it is the custom of those in high office to wash the feet of the poor, similar to the practice of the Love Feats of certain sects. The feet symbolize understanding, and the ceremony really signifies the understanding of the law of sacrifice or personal pride for universal good. Pisces is the sign of expiation, as is fully explained, with a vast amount of other occult information, in Course 6.'

Then, 'In Course 7 I have already explained the origin and significance of the Jewish Passover and its ceremonies fasting, eating bitter roots and unleavened bread, and daubing door-posts with blood - also the significance of circumcision. Therefore I shall dismiss Easter with mentioning the custom in Ireland on midnight before Easter of clapping hands and shouting, 'Out with Lent', and rising before the Sun on Easter morning to 'See the Sun dance in honor of the resurrection.' Just what this resurrection signifies in soul-development is fully explained in Course 3.' And 'Whit Sunday is said to be kept in commemoration of the descent of the Holy Ghost. It is really a festival held in honor of the passing of the Sun from the sign of greatest fertility, the Bull, to the sign of the greatest mental activity, Gemini. The descent of holy power, therefore, in individual cases must follow the use of the fecundity of Taurus for mental and moral unfoldment. These methods are fully explained in Esoteric Psychology, Course 5.'

Elbert then explained: 'The meaning of Halloween can only be fully comprehended by knowledge of astrological cycles that occur approximately every 13,000 years, bringing catastrophe by fire or flood. The details governing cataclysmic occurrences are found in Course 7'; and 'The psychic laws and principles governing the relation of the dead to the living are fully explained in Course 1.'

This promotion of The Brotherhood of Light's information product reveals that Courses I, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and I0 were all available in January 1920. And that 'Each regular lesson of Brotherhood of Light consists of 9 or 10 pages — about 6,400 words — of condensed information, bound neatly with frontispiece in a MS. Cover. Each lesson, postpaid, 25 cents.' So there were early versions of some courses available before their known issue dates,

and never one to let useful information go to waste much of what Elbert wrote in Clouds Dispelled by Popular Customs later appeared in Chapter 7 – Astrological Significance of Holidays – of Astrological Lore of all Ages published in 1944.

Outline of Initiation

This manuscript is issued to all members of The Church of Light. It was first issued in May 1915 but was written before its issue date and since then has undergone considerable revision. The current version lists the 21 Brotherhood of Light Courses and the 21 Award manuscripts that were completed in 1940. It also contains articles written by Elbert that first appeared in The Rising Star during the 1940s and a commentary on the lessons that he wrote in August 1951. It was last revised in 1981. There is an Outline of Initiation Part 2, but it has no author or issue date.

Course 1: Laws of Occultism

Course I examines and explains the various types of psychic phenomena, the nature of the inner-plane, and how it affects human life. All phenomena arising from the properties and energies of the inner-plane – clairvoyance, clairaudience, telepathy, psychometry and precognition – are identified as psi phenomena. Einstein's Special Theory of Relativity indicates how inner-plane energies operate and how they can be brought under personal control and used to personal advantage.

In 1931 Elbert wrote: 'This Course of 7 lessons embraces more than its title implies. It explains not only the mechanical details and psychological processes of all psychic and spiritualistic phenomena, but also the mechanical details of planetary influence, and elucidates the fundamental principles upon which all occult science rests. This course is essential to all students of the occult, and advanced students should not make the mistake of skipping it. Occult science in any of its branches can only be thoroughly understood with a knowledge of the facts presented in this Course, and which, in so far as we are aware, cannot be obtained elsewhere.'

Course I was originally titled *The Laws of Mediumship and Spiritism* and in 1931 it was available in both manuscript and book form. The book contained a portrait of its author and each lesson commenced with two birthcharts. Then in the March 1940 issue of The Church of Light Quarterly Elbert announced:

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'Course I of Brotherhood of Light lessons explains the interrelation between the inner-plane and the outer-plane, and how it operates not merely in the production of psychic phenomena of all kinds, and how it makes ESP possible, but also as permitting astrological forces to influence human life and destiny, and as responsible for everything occult. To better denote what it really embraces, and to indicate its paramount importance as a basis for the understanding of any branch of occult science, we have changed the title Laws of Mediumship to Laws of Occultism.'

In 1948 Course I – Laws of Occultism – was revised so some lessons have a misleading copyright date. The birthcharts of popular movie stars may have replaced less well known personalities and Montgomery Clift's chart in Lesson 43 is a late entry – post 1951.

Lesson 39 – Occult Data – was first issued in manuscript form in January 1919. It was rewritten in January 1921 and issued in booklet form in May 1926. The Prefatory Note states: 'This lesson in manuscript form was issued to members of The Brotherhood of Light in January 1919, and since that date has been constantly used in the various chapters of the fraternity. In January, 1921, it was rewritten and issued in its present form. Now, after five years, I find no necessity for changing it in any way even though it is my intention to keep all The Brotherhood of Light lessons revised up to the latest discoveries in both occult and physical science.' No changes were made to this lesson in 1948 when Course I was revised.

Lesson 40 – Astral Substance – was issued in manuscript form in February 1919. It was rewritten in February 1921 and issued as a booklet in January 1926. The Prefatory Note in the booklet states: 'Now, after a lapse of five years I find no necessity for changing this lesson in any way beyond the addition of two paragraphs relating to a discovery made in 1925.' This lesson was completely rewritten in 1948 so the 1926 copyright is misleading.

Lesson 41 – Astral Vibration – was issued in manuscript form in February 1919. It was completely rewritten in September 1923 and issued as a booklet. In the Prefatory Note Elbert wrote: 'I have now entirely rewritten this lesson with the objects in view of including in it the latest discoveries of science relative to its subject matter and presenting the whole in a more readable style.' This lesson was revised and rewritten in 1948 – the comments on Pluto and the signs, houses and aspects were all added – so the 1923 copyright is misleading

Lesson 42 – The Doctrine of Nativities – was issued as a manuscript in February 1919. It was rewritten and issued in booklet form in February 1924. The Prefatory Note Elbert states: 'I have now entirely rewritten this lesson with the objects in view of including in it the latest discoveries of science relative to its subject matters, and presenting the whole in a more readable style.' This lesson was revised and rewritten in 1948 so the 1924 copyright is misleading. (In 1924 there were 110 million people in the USA. In 1948 there were 180 million. Now in 2014 there are 316 million.)

Lesson 43 – Doctrine of Mediumship – was issued in manuscript form in February 1919. It was rewritten and issued as a booklet in November 1924. In the Prefatory Note Elbert wrote: 'I have now entirely rewritten this lesson with the objects in view of including in it the latest discoveries of science relative to its subject matters, and presenting the whole, I trust, in a somewhat more readable style.' No changes were made when Course I was revised in 1948.

Lesson 44 – Spiritism – was issued as a manuscript in February 1919. It was rewritten and issued in booklet form in December 1924. Subheadings were inserted. In the Prefatory Note Elbert states: 'I have now entirely rewritten this lesson with the objects in view of including in it the latest discoveries of science relative to its subject matter, and presenting the whole, I trust, in a somewhat more readable style.' No changes were made in 1948 when Course I was revised.

Lesson 45 – Phenomenal Spiritism – was issued in manuscript form in February 1919. It was rewritten and issued as a booklet in January 1925 when subheadings were inserted. No changes were made to this lesson when Course I was revised in 1948.

Course 2: Astrological Signatures

The subject matter of this course is the soul and the astrological environment that influences its destiny. It explains why the soul was brought into existence, why physical life provides it with the necessary developmental experiences, why it will always occupy a form, the manner in which it makes progress and the significance of each planet, sign, aspect and house in astrology. It explains how self-conscious immortality is attained and the symbolical significance of the ancient Egyptian initiation.

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In 1931 Elbert wrote: 'This course is embraced in nine lessons, which explain the Hermetic Philosophy of the origin, nature and destiny of the soul. It reveals the purpose of human life, the steps leading up to it, the various forces that influence the soul, and the method by which the soul can solve all problems with certainty.'

Course 2 was originally titled Laws of Astrological Signatures. Lesson 2 – The Two Keys – was issued in May 1916; Lessons 46 and 47 were issued in March 1919; Lesson 4 was issued in July 1916; Lesson 3 was issued in June 1916; Lesson 5 was issued in August 1916; Lessons 20 and 21 were issued in November and December 1917; and Lesson 1 – The Ritual of Egyptian Initiation – was issued in April 1916. Lesson 46 was originally titled – First Principles – The Zodiac – and Lesson 47 – First Principles – The Houses. Each serial was originally sold as an individual lesson and in 1918 they were combined into Brotherhood of Light Course 2 – Laws of Astrological Signatures – in an order that favored the logical sequencing of the information.

Then in 1925 Lesson 2 – The Two Keys – was rewritten. In 1926 Lesson 46 was rewritten and re-titled The Zodiac. In 1927 Lesson 47 was rewritten and re-titled Mundane Houses; but all the references to Pluto are post 1932. In 1927 Lesson 4 – The Mission of the Soul, Lesson 3 – Physiology and Correspondences, and Lesson 5 – Doctrine of Signatures – were rewritten. The comments at the end of Serial 3 explaining the relationship of the nine-point plan to the gestation of a healthy child were the known facts in 1927, but they're incorrect and awaiting revision. In 1928 Lessons 1, 20 and 21 were rewritten. In 1931 The Laws of Astrological Signatures was available as a cloth-bound book and in 1932 its title was changed to Astrological Signatures.

Course 3: Spiritual Alchemy

The experiences of life are symbolized by the metals of alchemy and this course explains how your character is built by the events and conditions you experience. It explains why the right mental attitude is the crucial factor when it comes to building your character and a truly spiritual body.

In 1931 Elbert wrote: 'This course is explained in 5 lessons which fully explain the teachings of ancient and medieval alchemists in regard to spiritual matters. This is the first time the true meaning of the metals and the true nature of alchemical terms and processes have been rendered into common language. There are no blinds in

these lessons and every process in the work is clearly and fully explained. Course 3 is intensely practical, and of utmost value to any person in solving the difficulties of everyday life.'

Lessons 49 to 53 – the five lessons that comprise Course 3 – Spiritual Alchemy – were written and made available to Brotherhood of Light members in April and May 1919. It was revised and rewritten in 1931. The indications are that only minor revisions occurred after that date.

Course 4: Ancient Masonry

Elbert Benjamine's writing and revising of Course 4 – Ancient Masonry – was a spectacular achievement. It's a storehouse of occult wisdom. Breathtaking information lifts and leaves the reader spellbound. The subject matter is the ancient secret doctrine that has been bequeathed to us by spiritual masters of the ancient past. The important truths their doctrines impart, which embrace the soul's proper relationship to the universe and God, are written in the language of universal symbolism.

In 1931 Elbert explained: 'This course is embraced in 13 lessons on Ancient Masonry. In this treatise the threefold interpretation of every ritual and symbol of Masonry is fully explained. The astrological meaning and derivation of each symbol and its meaning as applied to the individual and to mankind as a whole is given, and the principle it contains as used in the unfoldment of the powers of the soul is elucidated. Every degree is given in detail. Few people realize what a fund of information regarding Occult Law lies concealed beneath the rites and symbols of the Ancient Masons, who were the original magi. This wisdom is now, for the first time, made accessible to the reading public.'

The 13 lessons that comprise Course 4 were written and issued from September 1916 to September 1917. They were revised in 1926-1927 and in 1938-39. Their final revision saw subheadings inserted and examination questions changed and reduced from 27 to 25.

Throughout The Brotherhood of Light lessons Elbert regularly opposed the idea that a particular lesson contained the last word on its subject matter. And in August 1951 he wrote: 'This writer is not so foolish to believe that what has already been published in the 210 Brotherhood of Light lessons is the last word, or that no errors have been made in them, or that new demonstrated facts may not make necessary some revision of the ideas there

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presented.' And throughout the revisions of the lessons he practiced what he preached. All the astrology lessons written before 1930 contained no references to Pluto and Pluto's discovery necessitated their complete revision. And some astrological comment that was refuted by new evidence was later discarded.

Lesson 6 – Ancient Masonry Introduction – was written and issued in September 1916. It was revised in 1938 when the comments under the subheading – Where the Ritual Places Emphasis – were added.

Lesson 7 - Entered Apprentice - was written and issued in October 1916. It was revised in May 1926 and in 1938 was rewritten and restructured. Its title was changed to Entered Apprentice and the Planets. In 1916 Elbert wrote: 'Perhaps, also, beyond the orbit of Neptune, which marks the present day frontier, lie other yet to be discovered orbs. With these we need not be concerned; for our observation of newly discovered planets in the past implies that man is not yet refined enough to respond to their influence. They will only have a meaning to human life when man is further evolved and when one or more of the planets in the present chain of ten becomes dormant in its influences over human life. Then, according to the teachings of the Ancient Masons, will the effect of ultra-Neptune planets become important.' But in 1938 these comments were discarded. The comments under the subheading - New Planets Usher in New Periods in World Affairs - were based on new research and Elbert wrote:

"...the work of the Church of Light Research Department on the charts of those who lived before the Periods of each of the super-octave planets began, shows conclusively that, despite astrological ignorance of their existence, these planets were then profoundly affecting people's lives through such conditions as were already at hand."

He concluded: 'Astrologers are not omniscient, no more so than chemists. At the turn of this century chemistry had only atoms and molecules. Then it found within the atom the electron and the proton, and became satisfied it had all the building blocks. But this family of two expanded by 1938 to embrace no less than six fundamental particles within the atom. Yet the world would have been vastly poorer had it been without chemists in 1900. Astrology, like chemistry, is a progressive science; and it is foolish for astrologers now to claim they know all there is about astrology, as it would for chemists to insist there is no more to learn about chemistry. Nevertheless, both

even in their present state are practical and highly useful sciences.'

Lesson 8 – Entered Apprentice continued – was written and issued in November 1916. It was first revised in November 1926 and in 1938 the comments under the subheading Contrast of Ancient Masonry Teachings with those of Present Day Orient were added.

Lesson 9 – Opening the Lodge – was written and issued in December 1916. It was first revised in July 1926 and in 1938 had its title changed to Numbers and Opening the Lodge. The comments relating to thought-cells and training the brain to control the thoughts under the subheading – The Important Duty of the Tyler – were added.

Lesson 10 was written and issued in January 1917. It was first revised in January 1927 and in its final revision in 1938 the comments under the subheading – Jachin and Boaz are United by Electromagnetic Boundary Line Energy – were added. Elbert coined the terms Boundary Line region and Boundary Line substance in 1937.

Lesson II was written and issued in February 1917. It was first revised in September 1926 and in 1939 some comment was discarded and those under the subheading – The River Jordan is the Dense Etheric-Astral Belt Separating the Physical from the Upper Astral – were added.

Lesson 12 was written and issued in March 1917. It was first revised in November 1927 and in 1939 got a new introduction.

Lesson 13 was written and issued in April 1917. It was first revised in September 1928 and in the final revision in 1939 the comments relating to velocities under the subheading – How the Five Points of Fellowship Do Their Work – were added.

Lesson 14 – Mark Master, Etc. – was written and issued in May 1917. It was revised in April 1927 and in 1939 had its title changed to Mark Master Mason. Some comments were discarded and the comments under the subheadings – The Keystone of Psychic Development is proper Electrification and The Keystone as Applied to Natal Astrology – were added. The comments on Select Master Degree, Super Excellent Master Mason Degree and Heroine of Jerico were moved to Lesson 15 and the comments on Secret Monitor were moved to Lesson 16.

Lesson 15 was written and issued in June 1917. It was revised in May 1927 and in 1939 some comment was dis-

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carded and the end comments were rewritten and moved to the start of Lesson 17.

Lesson 16 was written and issued in July 1917. It was revised in July 1927 and in 1939 the introductory comments were moved to the start of Lesson 18. The comments under the subheadings – Time on the Inner-Plane, Distance on the Inner-Plane and Gravitation on the Inner Plane – were added. Under the subheading Order of Knights Templar the reference to 'Pluto, ruler of the sign of death' replaced the original reference to 'the lost orb of heaven.'

Lesson 17 was written and issued in August 1917. It was revised in August 1927 and in 1939 the introductory comments were moved to the start of Lesson 18. The comments under the subheading – That Which Determines Control – and the references to Upper-Pluto – were added.

Lesson 18 was written and issued in September 1917. It was revised in September 1927 and in 1939 the com-

ments under the subheadings – Three Methods of Acquiring Information from the Inner Plane, Mediumship, Two Methods of Independent Psychic Work, Feeling ESP and Intellectual ESP – were added. (article continued at light.org—see below.)



Part 2 of The Brotherhood of Light Comes to Earth could not be printed in its entirety due to lack of space. It is continued on The Church of Light website Research Page. Look for a Beacon announcement or look for "100 Years of Brotherhood of Light Lessons: Part 2, on the Research Page at light.org.

Check Dennis' website for more of his writings at:

astrologyforaquarius.com

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so clever to be able to relate both of these to the same energies: the sign on the cusp of the 4th house, the planets in the 4th house; or in the case of an unoccupied house, the planet(s) ruling the 4th house. It feels like a very orderly circle to consider that these are the same for the beginning and the end. This may not make much sense to us in our twenties to our forties; however, as we push into our fifties and beyond, the time of reflection comes upon us. This is often precipitated by the loss of parents, family members, friends from our past. These events invariably lead us to begin to consider our own end of life and how, where, why, and with whom we want to approach the final adventure. As I personally consider this, I find it very humorous how much of my early life I bring into the end. I find myself searching out friends from my long-ago past, reflecting on events and drawing meaning from so many of those events into the joy of what I know as the present. I understand in ways I would never have guessed the impact of my attachments. All of this I find reflected in my own 4^{th} house, and especially my own 4^{th} house with alchemy applied.

This is the spiritual journey of the 4th house. We look for the truth in the past and apply what we have

learned to our present. We consider the changes in environment throughout our lives from a deeper inner level. If there is a repository for emotional energy in the mundane houses, I propose it is here in the 4th house. We are the sum total of all our experiences, and the 4th house provides a mirror into all the environments and experiences we have stored for our reflection and purpose of spiritual growth.

A piece of wisdom I have been blessed with is that in life the best we have to share is our experience, strength, and hope. The experiences are simply the stories, and in their telling we hopefully are not stuck in the negativity of them, but rather we are able to glean from them the gold of the experiences. In the recording of these experiences we gain the strength of knowing what in those experiences is real gold, and what is the dross. With these reflections we can pass along the gold of what we have learned. Of course the true value here is to then live the life of golden experiences, golden knowledge, and the absolute love of this amazing opportunity to build our spiritual body right here and right now.



Membership Room

The Church of Light 2015 Convention—The Hermetic System of Astrology Register online at light.org—2015 Convention page

The Biennial Church of Light Convention will be held June 24-28, 2015, in Albuquerque, New Mexico. This fun-filled and informative convention includes two days of preconference tours, a preconference intensive, and two full days of speakers focused on the captivating topic of Hermetic Astrology. Learn how you can use astrological techniques for personal insight and transforming your life. Church of Light Conventions offer a great opportunity to meet like-minded people who share your interest in The Brotherhood of Light teachings.

For those of you who are planning to make New Mexico your vacation destination, we have planned two exciting day trips.

On Wednesday, June 24 2015, we will celebrate the summer solstice with the ceremonial dances at San Juan Pueblo, known as Ohkay Owingeh in Tewa, the native tongue. On this day the Pueblo celebrates the feast of their



San Juan Pueblo Feast Day

patron saint, John the Baptist, with a crafts fair and traditional native dances. Feast Day is a vibrant time for non-natives to partake of the food, arts and culture of the Indian world.

On Thursday, June 25, 2015, we will explore Old Town Albuquerque, the historic heart of the "Duke" City. Albuquerque is the most populous city in the state of New Mexico, and the 32nd-largest city in the US. On this field trip we will experience a docent-led tour of the Albuquerque Museum, savor lunch at a local restaurant, and enjoy some free time for shopping and sight-seeing.

Friday, June 26, starts off with a pre-conference intensive titled "Using the Horoscope 2015 Program and its New Features Including Progressed Astrodynes and Aspectographs", facilitated by Paul Brewer, Church of Light President and designer of the Horoscope software. Friday afternoon is The Church of Light Annual Business Meeting, a great way for members to become

informed about activities and goals at Headquarters. This is also your opportunity to vote for directors and give your input on any items of discussion. Friday evening is made complete through Initiations, a highly-anticipated feature of our conventions. Initiations are the time when new members are formally inducted into the organization, as well as marking grade and degree changes. This inspiring ritual will be officiated by Hermetician members of The Order of the Sphinx.

Saturday June 27 and Sunday June 28, are two full days of speakers offering presentations on the topic of Hermetic Astrology. Our 2015 speaker's roster includes:

- Mikael Salter—The Role of Astro-Physical Interaction in Chart Interpretation
- Wendy Banks—Planets in Aspect: Advanced Delineation Techniques
- Christopher Gibson—Mapping Your Future: Free-Will and the Hermetic System of Progressions
- Adriana Donofrio—Personal Growth: Jungian Insights and Hermetic Techniques
- Pamela Van Rooij—Decanates: The Myths and Marvels in Your Horoscope
- Gale Gorman—Building a Better Life Through Astrology

Saturday evening's celebrations will include an Awards Banquet and an unforgettable show by the Rogue Bindis—an exotic performance troupe. This performance promises to be an enchanting kaleidoscope of skills from around the world performed to live music played on a variety of eclectic instruments. A Rogue Bindis show combines comedy, Middle Eastern dance, hula-

hoops, and more. The night will conclude with an "Arabian Nights Dance Party." Be sure to pack your dancing shoes and something exotic to wear.



The Rogue Bindis

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Our special convention 2015 rate is \$88 a night (plus tax) for up to four adults to a room. These rates are valid for rooms reserved from June 23—30, 2015, should you want to attend the preconference tours or stay on for a couple of days after the convention. The group rate will expire May 24, 2015; we strongly recommend making your room reservation in advance.

toric Old Town district, To make your room reservation and receive our special this classic Southwestern group rate call (800)959-4726. Please identify yourself as a inn offers warm hospitali- member of The Church of Light.

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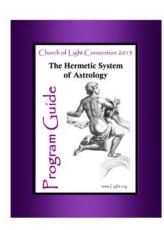
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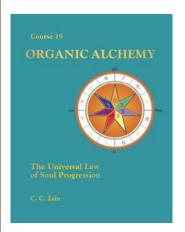
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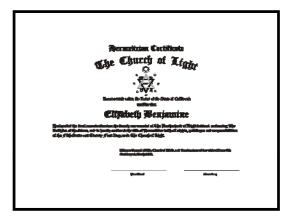
The Order of the Sphinx Volunteer Opportunities



The Order of the Sphinx is an organization of Hermeticians continuing their service to the Church of Light.

The Order of the Sphinx is recruiting Certified Teachers and Hermeticians to participate as mentors in the Mentorship Program. Duties involve communicating with students, by email or telephone, who are currently working on passing their Brotherhood of Light Lessons.

If you are interested in volunteering your time as a mentor contact: peter@light.org.



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Patrick Ramsey (and assistant Tigger)

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Branch Church - Fort Worth, Texas Activities



The Fort Worth Center offers Brotherhood of Light classes on the first and second Tuesdays of the month from 7-9 p.m.

Religious services are held on the third Sunday of the month at 11 a.m.

A schedule for the upcoming month is available on their website at: owlswebnest.com

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Select "Fall 2014 Astrology Lab" in the Educational Classes section of the online store. Suggested donation is \$12 per class or \$85 for the ten-week series. As usual, classes are funded through free-will donations; no one will be turned away for lack of funds.

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First Sunday Roundtable Discussions

Veiga O'Sickey will continue monthly discussions on **Stellar Healing** beginning at 11 a.m.

(there will be no class in July)



Yvette Fortin

Second Sunday Roundtable Discussions

(there will be no Second Sunday Discussions during the summer months)



Radine Ramsey

Third Sunday Religious Services

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Veiga O'Sickey

Calendar of Third Sunday Services: June—November 2014

Date		Event	Presented by
June 15, 2014	Cancer Service		Pat Ramsey
July 20, 2014	Leo Service		Christopher Gibson
August 17, 2014	Virgo		Veiga O'Sickey
September 21, 2014	Libra—Autumnal Equinox		Paul Brewer
October 19, 2014	Scorpio Service		Pat Ramsey
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A loving Cosmic Intelligence, of which we are all a part, whose infinite goodness guides us through undeviating natural law.

A Divine Plan manifests through progressive evolution in which each soul has a unique and important role.

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We develop increasingly advanced tools and training in astrology, extrasensory perception, directed thinking and induced emotion toward the end of maximizing each person's happiness, usefulness and spirituality;

We promote the importance of the four essential freedoms: Freedom from Want, Freedom from Fear, Freedom of Expression and Freedom of Religion;

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