



In Unison

The monthly newsletter of Unity in the Olympics

February 2015

The Dynamic Laws of Prosperity

February: Divine Purpose



This month we continue to focus on our divine purpose. Clearly, our purpose is connected to our prosperity. In the following passages we can see that our ability to find success in our endeavors is to align with God. Sometimes this may appear to be the difficult way to go. Yet, ultimately, God is working out the divine purpose in us, and it can do nothing but succeed. Working against it will only lead to dead ends and an energy drain. In the long run, this is the more difficult way.

As we work in alignment with God, we know that the flow of prosperity continues to circulate. The channels for good are clear as we work in the same direction as God's purpose. This is why alignment with our divine purpose is so important to prosperity.

What the Bible says:

"The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me; your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever . . ." Psalm 138:8

"The human mind may devise many plans, but it is the purpose of the Lord that will be established." Proverbs 19:21

"We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose." Romans 8:28

"For the scripture says to Pharaoh, 'I have raised you up for the very purpose of showing my power in you, so that my name may be proclaimed in all the earth.'" Romans 9:17

What Unity says:

"People everywhere on earth are now realizing as never before that the well-being of this world rests with its inhabitants. It is no longer religious dogma or a philosophical theory that the destiny of the race is in the hands of man. God has given all things to us to use as we shall determine." Charles Fillmore, *Atom-Smashing Power of the Mind*

"The real object of life is not making money or becoming famous, but the building of character, the bringing forth of the potentialities that exist in every one of us." Charles Fillmore, *Prosperity*

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Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent, is February 18th. Unity's Lent 2015 booklet, *Learning to Let Go*, will be available soon in our lobby for a love offering. If you prefer, you can order a free copy from Unity by calling 1-800-669-0282.

Thank you!

Our speakers: Pat, Niobe, and Don

Our Worship Assistants: Alice, Diane, Charles, and Teia

Alice for flowers

Jorge for help closing

Alice, Clara, Ruth, and Elaine for supporting prayer time and Prayer Force

Teia for prayer time and much, much more



This church works because of ALL of you!

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

10th Tom Cline

14th Robin Swanson

25th Duane Morris



MISSION STATEMENT

Unity in the Olympics provides an accepting place in which to experience the Peace, Love, and Oneness of the Christ within so that we may more fully express these gifts in the world.

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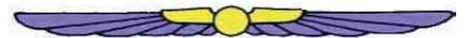


SUNDAY CELEBRATION

Meditation 10:00 - 10:15 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.
Fellowship time following service

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Teia Stitzel, President
Diane Duncan, Treasurer
Barbara Miller, Secretary
Steve Schach, Member
Charles Mawson, Member



LICENSED UNITY TEACHER

Margaret Denstad

Our Church Finances

December Income		December Expenses	
Tithes/Offerings	\$4,607.00	Guest Speakers	\$650.00
Special Services	169.00	Advertising & Promotion	62.04
Book/Literature Sales	25.00	Book/Literature	46.54
Fundraising	1,105.00	Insurance	184.24
TOTAL INCOME	\$5,906.00	Payroll	829.29
November Tithes (paid in December)		Telephone	81.90
MANNA	\$ 50.00	Tithe Expense	420.00
Silent Unity	100.00	Utilities	265.48
NW Region	50.00	Music	125.00
TAFY	50.00	Janitorial	118.75
WorldWide Unity	50.00	Copy Machine	171.71
Dream Center	50.00	.Computer & Internet	37.95
Salvation Army	70.00		
TOTAL TITHES	\$420.00	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$2,992.90

Like any family, we are always in need of certain staples:

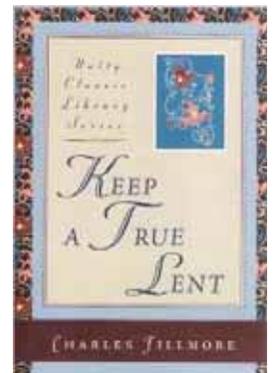
- ♥ Copy paper
- ♥ Cough drops
- ♥ Toilet paper
- ♥ Paper towels
- ♥ Paper napkins
- ♥ Tissues (small)
- ♥ Postage stamps



KEEP A TRUE LENT by Charles Fillmore

This Unity classic begins with chapters on a variety subjects, e.g., Christ in You, The Philosophy of Denial, Reincarnation, and God's Abundance. The latter part of the book, though, contains lessons for each of the 40 days, plus each of the Sundays, of Lent.

We have multiple copies of *Keep a True Lent* by Charles Fillmore available in our library. Now is the perfect time to check it out!



The trials of today are stepping stones over which you pass to a glorious destiny.

- Myrtle Fillmore, *Healing Letters*

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Ideas for practice:

What is your personal purpose? Begin by paying attention to your daily activities for a week, making notes in your journal of those areas that bring you joy. In the second week, look back over the last month or even year for any accomplishments that were joyful. For the rest of the month, take these notes into prayer, seeking to see your purpose in the light of God. (Remember, it takes 21 days to instill a new idea into consciousness.) What is God leading you to be in the world?

Refer to the earlier example of a personal purpose: To understand and connect with God in myself and others. What action words come to mind that describe what brings you joy (i.e., understand and connect, serve, coordinate, write, speak)? What is the principle for which you will work in this (i.e., for God, for peace, for family, for church)? When you have it, commit it to paper, and continue to hold it before God. Add to it any other thoughts as they occur to you.

Review your journal since the beginning of last month's practice. Record any patterns or recurring themes. Note also any areas of insight or resistance. Hold them before God.

Continue with the prayer triad. Share your personal purpose, or ideas that are taking shape in determining your purpose. Support one another in prayer.



ALICE ALEXANDER

Unity in the Olympics

ANGEL OF THE MONTH

Alice dedicates her time in volunteer service to our church community, sharing her many talents.

- ♥ Oversees our accounting
- ♥ Mentored new Treasurer Diane
- ♥ Payroll
- ♥ Taxes and year-end accounting
- ♥ Worship Assistant
- ♥ Ushering
- ♥ Records tithes on Sundays
- ♥ Prayer Force
- ♥ Monday prayer time
- ♥ Contributes articles for newsletter

We are grateful to Alice for all that she brings to our spiritual home.

BUTTERFLY AMBIVALENCE

I wonder if the butterfly
 Misses her cocoon
 In many ways those halcyon days
 Were, to her soul, a boon

I wonder if
 She wishes for those times as
 caterpillar
 To move about on tiny feet
 Enjoying a journey
 Of inches

But oh
 To be a butterfly
 Having lived through all those changes
 And then look down
 Upon the town
 And know the choice
 Of flying

by Joyce Flowers



Dear Unity Family,

Last month we talked about why Unity in the Olympics tithes to Silent Unity. This month we will explore why we tithe to **Association of Unity Churches**, doing business as **Unity Worldwide Ministries**.

Basically World Wide Ministries is the home office of our church. They are there to support each and every small or large church throughout the world. They have resources on their website for our use.



Some of the services they provide are: consulting services, employment services, transitional ministry support, tax exempt status, retirement, pension opportunities, and a *Unity Leadership* magazine.

If we are looking for a minister, they will provide names of students graduating from Unity School and other ministers who are open to new positions. They help us with the interview process by providing sample questions that will help us decide on a candidate.

They ordain and license both ministers and teachers.

They provide mediation services if we are having challenges with our board, or board and minister relationships.

They keep us under their tax exempt umbrella so we do not have to file taxes with the IRS.

They have a huge source of printed material available for us to use - some we buy and others are free.

All of these services take someone to work in their office, answer their phones, and provide the services we request. Hiring help takes money, so each church's tithes help keep the door open for help for the individual churches.

Thank you for your love and support.

Alice