

Outreach Committee report 12/31/2010 Midnight. ☺
The touch of a whole year. ☺

There is so much to report on and so little time. I will assume that the report sent out at midyear was directed to everyone on this list and a new accounting for that time or funding is not needed. I will also assume that our budget for 2011 has been shared with everyone and will not dwell on the content except to say we truly need more money to be as effective as we can. John, however, is a good steward of our assets. He also has an incredibly large cattle prod. Don't mess with John. ☺ ☺ Do love the boy though! ☺ Attached you will find a website for Urantia Youth that is being built, along with a few other goodies you might find interesting.

The standing members of our committee are Thomas Orjala, Aurora Hill, Bobbie Dryer, Bill Rocap, Tony Finstad, and Tom Choquette. There are several other individuals that have helped us over the last year, and will continue to do so. To them we are eternally thankful for without them the true work would not get done. We are a very busy committee and would like to extend an invitation to anyone who feels lead to do some serious work for this revelation. We need your help.....bottom line! Our only limitations in resources are people and money. John has promised us all the money we can use, (in fairness to John, perhaps I dreamt that), and our access to people depends on you and those that you know that are willing to give of their time to minister to our brothers and sisters of Urantia. Ours is the blessing of service.....come join us!

The Outreach Committee is broken up into 5+ segments:

Direct book outreach is the domain of Thomas Orjala. Thomas runs a group of volunteers, or solicits funds, for projects that concern getting the Urantia Book out to the public. We have sponsored several Urantia Book Expos, (book fairs geared toward introducing the public to the Urantia Book). We have, or will be sponsoring Expos in San Diego, San Francisco, Cleveland, Seattle, Florida, New York, Portland, and Chicago to name a few. We offer books and secondary works as well as booth fees available to local readers for assistance in Expos that they sponsor and run.

We have a sticker program that we offer to various groups and organizations to put on Urantia Books and other secondary works to offer a free Urantia Book to those who mail in the sticker with their personal information. To date we have over 15 people that have taken advantage of this program. The value in such a program is that the individual receiving the book has to do something as well as be someone.

We sponsored a media arts presentation in Montreal. It was very successful and we will be using the final products on our future web sites.

We sponsor blog talk radio. A radio program put on by Paula and Chrystalyn about Urantia Book topics out of Boulder Colorado.

We are sponsoring a Cosmic Road Show, which features a small group of well read, personable Urantia Book readers on a cross country jaunt of personal ministry and distribution of the Urantia Book. We sponsored one from Montreal to Chicago last year, and plan on sponsoring at least two more this year.

Study group information and association is the domain of Bobbie Dreier. Bobbie has worked with a group of volunteers over the last few years in creating a study group portal for us as well as other organizations that facilitate the organization of study groups for their own support and advancement.

Youth and Young Adult is headed up by Tony Finstad. Tony has put together an extremely dynamic group of young people to help facilitate an understanding of the importance of youth and young adults into our Urantian Community. It is absolutely necessary that we learn how to communicate and work with the potential youth of our community. Tony and his committee have put together several projects to facilitate the bringing together of our established community with the potential of young readers.

IC11 will host a day dedicated to young readers. The first whole day of the conference, Wednesday, will be hosted by our young adults and all of the workshops will be involved with introducing young adult perspectives and ideas to the larger group of attendees. We are hoping to raise funds for a "2 for 1" package for attendees to the Truthseekers part of the conference. Otherwise known as bring a friend. Because we are scattered across the United States and Canada it is challenging to form community. We have found over the years that young people attending our Truthseekers outings are uplifted and energized for their trip back home to the real world. What happens is they have no support system and end up falling away from the gains that they made. We are proposing a 2 for 1 so that they can bring a friend and the two of them together can expand on the values and spiritual facts they have come to embrace during their outing with Truthseekers once they go back home.

The Committee is working on creating study aids as well as marketing materials to introduce new and existing young readers to the values of participating in our community. We are in the process of creating a web site dedicated to young Urantia Book readers. A snap shot of the site has been attached to this communications. The Committee will hold a conference in the Boulder area this

spring on young leadership and its' challenges. We hope to hold regional conferences throughout the states over the next several years. A study in progress.

Our creative dissemination committee is chaired by Bill Rocap. Creative dissemination is critical in getting the teachings of the Urantia Book out to this darkened world we live on. As we have all experienced, most people are not going to read the Urantia Book. Creative Dissemination is about taking the values and uplifting messages of our wonderful revelation and making them available to everyone. To date we have two projects that will be in full bloom by the middle of 2011. Spiritual Vitamins are a product which contain the highest concepts of the Urantia Book and are distributed through a daily quote, or vitamin, contained in a jar of either 90, 180, or 360 doses. They will be distributed through ecommerce on various web sites. The different categories of the vitamins are: truth, beauty, goodness, love, mercy, ministry, the bible, the Urantia book, prayer/worship, multiple vitamins, meditative, fruits of the spirit, and the art of living. We have over 70% of the quotes accumulated and are looking to having at least 400 quotes in each category. The Outreach Committee is partnering with Truthseekers in this business venture. Not only will we be getting the teaching out, but hopefully creating a cash flow that will enable us to generate more funds for outreach. The Golden Gate Society has volunteered to help us in the packing and distributing of the vitamins with the monies saved being donated back to the Outreach Committee and Truthseekers. The web site for spiritual vitamins is in construction and at www.spiritualvitamins.us

Creative Dissemination is also working on a project called the Prysm Project. This project is creating a secondary work that will be available to all individuals concerned with making the knowledge of the Urantia Book more accessible to young and non-readers.

Our interface committee is headed up by Aurora Hill. Aurora has pulled a group of diverse people together to help with the sharing of projects and knowledge between different groups representing the revelation, as well as different subgroups within the Fellowship.

A new Committee on Service Outreach: ???????????. A must. We are told we need to center on service to grow spiritually. Perhaps we could pick some segment of Society to serve. What if we were to develop a service model that we could share with other Urantians around the country? Maybe the elderly, maybe youth at risk, maybe single moms, maybe HIV clinics, so many to choose from. What if we were to specialize in one? Become known for serving in one particular area. Encourage different Urantia Communities to embrace a service project we have put together and

tested. The potential is awesome. Need members to work on this project. Feel motivated, or moved by the spirit? Contact us.

At the end of the day it is essential that the Outreach, Educational, and Membership Committees work together to create an avenue of dissemination for our wonderful revelation. There is so much work to do and we are in desperate need of individuals that are willing to work. If you feel lead by the spirit to help us and the angels with this work, please do not hesitate to contact us.

In Her Service
With His Grace
Love Tom