

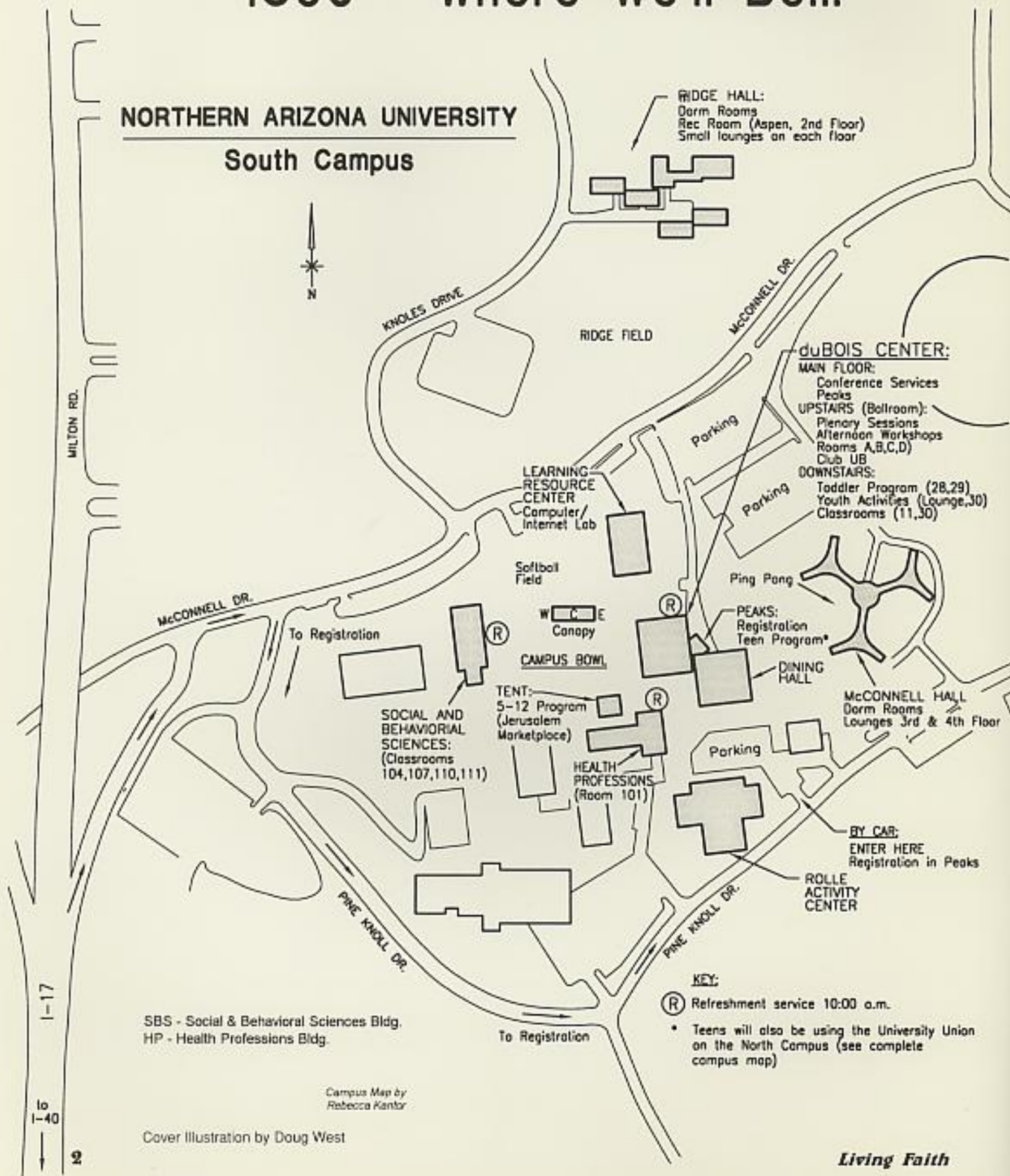
Living Faith

The Fellowship's
1996 International Conference

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for students of *The Urantia Book*
Flagstaff, Arizona August 3-8, 1996

IC96 - Where We'll Be...



Welcome to IC96

On behalf of the planning committee, welcome to the Fellowship's 1996 International Conference. The three-year planning process has been an exercise in living faith for each member of the committee. We have worked with enthusiasm to bring a vision to life for the community despite the challenges of our personal lives. There are thirty-three members of the committee listed in the back of the program, and each member is the chairperson of another committee. At least 200 active readers have worked together for several years to plan and present this conference.

Growth is the most significant challenge we face as a community in the coming years: the revelation will appeal to an increasing number of diverse individuals who will hunger for fellowship with one another. And growth requires an organization able to provide for the nourishment of community relationships: to celebrate the faith of living the revelation and to share a vision of progress with the family of humanity.

IC96 brings to life a set of visions held by members of the planning committee for many years, visions expressed this week as international, intergenerational, and interfaith opportunities. The next conference will build upon past visions and embrace new ones. Become involved; volunteer. Planning a conference with a dedicated team of revelationists is an experience unparalleled in the everyday work of mortal existence. Every skill has a place in the process; every talent is a resource to share.

We hope you enjoy the conference. It was our pleasure to work together to create a community vision of "Living Faith." I speak for each member of every committee when I say the work has been a gift. With love and gratitude on behalf of the IC96 planning committee,

*Janet Farrington
IC96 Conference Chair*

A Greeting from the President of the Fellowship

I am pleased to welcome you to the Fellowship's 1996 International Conference. This triennial gathering is an opportunity for sharing and celebrating. A wide variety of activities are planned to stimulate body, mind, and spirit. These provide a framework for the most important element of the conference -- you. It is your presence that really makes this conference a success.

This week we will all enjoy the fellowship of hundreds of others who, like ourselves, are unique, Adjuster-indwelt and Father-conscious children of God. Such a gathering is certain to enrich each of us, returning us to our homes both rested and inspired to continue our common purpose of seeking and doing the Father's will.

Thank you for helping to make this gathering possible. I look forward to meeting and sharing with you during our week together.

Steve Dreier

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IC96 & Daily Life

IC96 is offering a wide variety of workshops and discussion groups in the mornings, afternoons, and evenings. These meetings have been listed in this program to help you select from the various course offerings. There will be no sign-up sheet for any of these workshops. Please use this program to identify the course presenters, topics, and locations for the workshops you plan to attend.

Registration

Please wear your name badge at all times, as it is your ticket to conference events. When you register, be sure that you have picked up your Tuesday tour tickets and signed up for your box lunch at the Navi-Hopi desk and that you have enrolled children in the appropriate youth program.

Housing

On-campus conference attendees will stay at Ridge and McConnell halls. Both are equipped with coin-operated laundry facilities. Check-in is after 1 p.m. Check-out includes leaving the room in good condition and stopping by the front desk at the hall to return keys and meal cards. *There will be a \$20 fee for lost room keys and \$30 for an outside key.* Linen service includes two sheets, one blanket, pillow and case, and one washcloth and towel. Linens will be changed Tuesday.

Rooms in Ridge Hall are equipped with telephones. Local calls are free; long-distance calls require calling card. To receive calls, the Ridge desk is (510) 523-2790 and the staff will provide the caller your phone number.

Pay phones are in the lobby of McConnell Hall. To receive calls, the campus operator's number is (510) 523-9011. The caller should ask for McConnell Hall and staff will take messages and post them in the lobby.

Parking

Free parking is available on campus for conference participants. Parking permits will be issued upon check-in. The permits are valid at most lots on campus.

Meals

Cafeteria-style meals will be served in the duBois Center. Meal times are: breakfast, 6:30 to 8:30 a.m.; lunch, 12 noon to 2 p.m. (except Thursday, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.); and dinner, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Thursday's dinner will be served at the Country Fair.

On-campus registrants will be issued a meal card at registration. The card is valid only in the duBois dining hall. Replacement of a lost card is \$5. The meal package begins on day of arrival (either Friday night dinner or Saturday night dinner) and continues through Friday breakfast (following conclusion of IC96).

Off-campus registrants may purchase meals on a per-meal basis. The special Thursday night meal at the Country Fair must be purchased at registration.

If you plan to participate in the bus tour on Tuesday, be sure to order a box lunch at the time of registration for IC96. Those remaining on campus will observe the usual meal schedule.

IC96 Workshop Series

IC96 will feature two intensive workshop series on important topics that represent many years of research among our readership. These workshop series will start with a morning program and be followed by afternoon and evening discussion groups. Familiarity with concepts presented in *The Urantia Book* on these topics is recommended.

Patterns of The Universe

Universal pattern, as described in *The Urantia Book*, is as conceptually unique as the Supreme, the ascension career, and the morontia life. Pattern is Source, and Source supplies the unifying principle/energy/dynamic of all life. Pattern offers many signposts shining through every aspect of our lives, as it waits to be discovered. We are made of both Pattern from a spiritual source and patterns in material form.

Our relationships, customs, history, visual arts and music, mathematics and science all contain patterns. Paradoxi-

cally, such patterns all around us are not Pattern and yet they contain it. Since the Isle of Paradise is the nucleus of every ultimaton, Pattern does pervade all space, including material copies.

In becoming more sensitive to patterns and the Pattern that lies behind them, we can gain deeper insight into *The Urantia Book's* revealed overview of a great master universe, and into the significance of that gigantic, harmonious, interlocking design for our own lives here and now.

Presenters will examine different aspects of Pattern as spiritual source and patterns as its copies: mandalas, sacred geometry and art, designs in nature, and macro and micro levels of the cosmos. There will be slide presentations, handouts, and live music.

The two afternoon sessions are for adults only and will be limited to those who have attended the morning program. The evening session is open to all.

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Daily Schedules



Sunday-Monday-Wednesday

6:30 - 8:30 a.m.	Breakfast
9:00 - 10:00	Plenary Session (<i>Doors close promptly at 9 a.m. for worship</i>)
10:00 - 10:15	Refreshment Break (<i>Workshop Sites</i>)
10:30 - 12:00	Morning Workshops
12:00 - 2:00 p.m.	Lunch
2:30 - 4:30	Afternoon Workshops & Activities
4:30 - 6:30	Dinner
7:00 - 8:00	Worship Sessions
8:30 - 10:00	Evening Workshops, Discussions & Meetings
9:00 - 12 midnight	Club UB

Tuesday

6:30 - 8:30 a.m.	Breakfast
7:00 - 5:00	Off-Site Excursions (<i>boxed lunches</i>)
8:30 - 12:00	On Campus, Free Time
12:00 - 2:00 p.m.	Lunch (<i>for those not on excursions</i>)
2:30 - 4:30	On Campus, Free Time
4:30 - 6:30	Dinner
7:00 - 8:00	Worship Sessions
8:30 - 10:00	Evening Workshops, Discussions & Meetings
9:00 - 12 midnight	Club UB

Thursday

6:30 - 8:30 a.m.	Breakfast
9:30 - 11:00	Morning Workshops
10:00 - 12:00	General Council (<i>Open Session</i>)
11:30 - 1:30 p.m.	Lunch
1:45 - 3:00	Final Plenary Session
3:00 - 3:30	Closing Community Celebration
4:00 - 10:00	Country Fair (<i>includes dinner</i>)

*All Reader Services at IC96 end at 5 p.m.
Conference ends at 10 p.m. Thursday evening.*

IC96 Program

	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
6:30 - 8:30		Breakfast	Breakfast
9:00 - 10:00	Registration	Worship & Plenary Session: Dan Massey <i>Cosmic Family</i>	Worship & Plenary Session: Earlene Green <i>Global Family</i>
10:30 - 12 noon		<p>Morning Workshops: Pat Fearey <i>Patterns of The Universe</i></p> <p>Gard Jameson <i>Spiritual Unity: Interfaith Relations</i></p> <p>Myriam Montanez <i>Unifying Cosmic & Human Family</i></p> <p>Charlene Morrow <i>Cosmic Family Relationships</i></p>	<p>Morning Workshops: David Glass <i>Harmonizing The Global Family</i></p> <p>David Kantor <i>Racial Legacy of The Global Family</i></p> <p>Claire Thurston <i>Spiritual Dimensions of Fathering</i></p> <p>Will Wentworth <i>Global Family: The Way Forward</i></p>
12:00 - 2:00		Lunch	Lunch
2:30 - 4:30	Registration	Afternoon Workshops & Activities	Afternoon Workshops & Activities
4:30 - 6:30	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner
7:00 - 8:00	Registration Singles Social (duBois, Southwest)	Worship Sessions	Worship Sessions
8:30 - 10:00		Evening Workshops	Evening Workshops
9:00 - 12 midnight		Club UB	Club UB

At A Glance

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast
Day Trips Off Campus	Worship & Plenary Session: Geri Johnson <i>Human Family</i>	Free Time	General Council: Open Session
	Morning Workshops: Nora Abdemoakher <i>Where Human & Divine Meet</i> Marta Elders <i>What I've Always Been But Never Really Knew</i> Alison Gardner <i>Gender in the 90s: Perspectives</i> Jeffrey Wattles <i>The Golden Rule & The Gospel</i>	General Council: Open Session or Morning Workshops: (9:30 to 11 a.m.) Jill Hull <i>The Spirit of Community</i> Ron Louie <i>Cosmic Reunion</i>	
Lunch	Lunch	Lunch (11:30 to 1:30)	
	Afternoon Workshops & Activities	Worship & Plenary Session: (1:45 to 3 p.m.) Mo Siegel <i>Faith Family</i>	
Dinner	Dinner	Closing Community Celebration (3 to 3:30 p.m.) Country Fair (4 to 10 p.m.) includes dinner	
Worship Sessions	Worship Sessions		
Evening Workshops	Evening Workshops		
Club UB	Club UB		

IC96 Conference Reader Services

Berkeley Elliott International Center

The Berkeley Elliott International Center, located in the Agassiz room at duBois, will serve as a resource center for international attendees and readers with international interests. Sponsored by the Urmia Foundation and the First Society of Oklahoma in memory of a long-time international explorer for *The Urantia Book*, "Berk's Place" will display selected works from Berkeley's art collection as well as many photos from international trips she organized. The Center will offer translation facilitation for conversation as well as video playback of speeches and workshops for study by those for whom English is a second language. The Center will also host daily worship, a series of sessions entitled "International Perspectives," slide shows, and receptions for international guests. Check schedule board for information.

Club UB

Readers can gather at the duBois Ballroom each evening in a coffeehouse atmosphere over coffee, tea, and soft drinks to enjoy conversation together. Low-key entertainment will be featured. At 10 p.m. the entertainment will gear up for dancing, and beer and wine will be available with prepurchased tickets from the IC96 Store. Entertainment will be provided by a house band of professional musicians and talented readers. A magician will also perform in the audience. Tuesday night: Skits from Oklahoma City; Wednesday night: Dance party. Check entertainment board for daily featured performers.

Computer Lab

A computer lab, located in the South Learning Resource Center with 18 workstations linked to the Internet, will be freely available to attendees each day between 2:30 and 4:30 p.m. Experienced individuals will be on hand to introduce new users to the Internet, to discuss reader services available electronically, and to examine the future of Internet-related technologies and the growing readership community.

An E-mail address has been provided for the conference, allowing readers unable to attend to send and receive messages. Stop by and participate in extending IC96 to the far corners of Urantia. Check your E-mail, learn how to search the web, share your favorite web sites, learn about IRC chat and the various on-line *Urantia Book*-related discussion forums.

Hospitality & Health Room

The Meadows room in the duBois Center is a place to relax, meet a friend, read, and play table games. Light refreshments will be served.

IC96 Program Overview

The program will begin promptly at 9 a.m. in the Ballroom at the duBois Center with a 15-minute worship session followed by an inspirational speaker. Since comprehensive childcare is provided, plenary sessions are intended for adults. Four concurrent workshops will follow the plenary sessions. Local and international speakers will explore the daily theme with presentations for beginning to advanced *Urantia Book* readers.

A variety of discussion groups will meet in the afternoons. In addition, many outdoor activities have been organized for young and old alike. In the evenings, conference attendees will have a choice of worship experiences. Evening workshops will also be held.

There will be no sign-up sheets for attending workshops. Please use this program booklet to make decisions on which events you will attend.

IC96 Store

The IC96 store and art gallery is located in the Fremont room at duBois. Store hours are 12 noon to 6 p.m. each day, except Tuesday. In addition to products available from Good Cheer, another 20 vendors will be selling their items.

Information Center

The communications center for IC96 will be located inside the main entrance of duBois Center. You are invited to leave and pick up messages here or post a notice to announce special meetings. A schedule of rooms available for use by common-interest groups will be posted.

Teen Center

Teens (13-17) will meet in the Peaks lounge at 9 a.m. and divide into two groups. One group will experience the Ropes Challenge course on Sunday and the other will hike, visit Indian ruins, and participate in rites of passage. The groups will then switch these activities on Monday. After dinner, all teens will be able to play basketball, volleyball, ping pong, board games, swim, or



watch movie videos.

On Monday and Wednesday from 9 p.m. to 12 midnight, IC96 will feature Club UBTeen at the University Union building. These evenings will include music by a D.J., food and soft drinks.

There are no scheduled activities at the Teen Center on Tuesday. The teen program will end at lunch on Thursday.

Toddler Room

Childcare is provided for children four and under in the basement of the duBois Center in Rooms 28 and 29. In addition, supervised trips to an outdoor play yard and the older children's program are planned.

The Toddler Room will be open each morning and afternoon (except for Tuesday) from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. Childcare is also provided each evening during the worship service, from 6:45 to 8:15 p.m. Please review the schedule posted at the Toddler Room for Thursday afternoon's schedule and any changes.

Parent cooperative childcare will be available after 8:15 p.m. and during Club UB. Specific times and locations will be posted on the information board at the Toddler Room.

Parents, please sign up for two hours of volunteer time, if you have not already done so. On Saturday, August 3rd, sign-up sheets will be at the registration table and the Toddler Room. All adults are also welcome to help out.

Tuesday Tours

Be sure you have picked up tickets and requested a box lunch for your bus tour when you register.

For those going on the Glen Canyon/Colorado River float trip, report to the south side of the parking lot by Lumberjack Dome Stadium at 7 a.m. This is located east of the duBois Center. The bus leaves between 7:15 and 7:30 a.m. and is expected to return 12 hours later.

The other three bus tours (Grand Canyon National Park; Oak Creek Canyon, Sedona, Jerome & Montezuma Castle; Petrified Forest, Painted Desert, Meteor Crater) will load at the south side of the parking lot by Lumberjack Dome Stadium at 7:15 a.m. The buses leave between 7:30 and 7:45 a.m. and are expected back 8 hours later.

Worship & Meditation

IC96 will provide more variety than ever before to our worshipful experience of divinity. Each morning prior to the plenary speaker, there will be 20 minutes of worship ranging from an American Indian dance experience to East Indian (Himou) to classical harp and song. Afternoon sessions will provide practical, hands-on workshops about worship. And in the evenings, worship opportunities will vary, some with audiovisuals or songs and others focusing on pure science.

Room C in the duBois Center will be dedicated to silent worship and meditation throughout the conference.

Youth Center (5-12)

Children explore life through their senses: touching, seeing, hearing, moving, smelling, and feeling. The 5-12 year olds will have an opportunity each morning (8:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.) at IC96 to explore what life was like in the days of Jesus. As they enter the "Jerusalem Marketplace" tent, they may put on a costume, fill their pouches with gold "coins," and explore any of 15 different areas which could have been found in a village 2,000 years ago.

There will be a variety of activities for kids and adults from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. At 3 p.m. on Thursday, all the children will lead a processional for the Closing Community Celebration prior to the Country Fair.

Evening activities (6:30 to 10:30) on Sunday, Monday, and Wednesday in the Youth Center, located in the Lounge and Room 30 in the basement of duBois, include art, games, ping pong, and videos. A schedule of activities will be available at the kids' registration table.

Parents, all 5-12 year olds are expected to participate in the program or they are to be with their parents or a designated adult. Each parent is requested to sign up at the registration table to volunteer two hours at the Youth Center. All adults are also welcome to help out.

That which the world most needs to
know is: Men are the sons of God,
and through faith they can actually
realize, and daily experience,
this ennobling truth.

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IC96 Sunday, Cosmic Family

Worship: American Indian Dance

Speaker: **Dan Massey**

The Cosmic Family

duBois Center, Ballroom

9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

The three persons of Deity resident on Paradise comprise the universal pattern of unified association and harmonious collaboration among beings. This pattern recurs endlessly throughout the universe, finding expression in individuals, families, groups, organizations, nations, and all other associations of literal and spiritual realities. This revelation of the absolute foundation of harmony and unity in the universe is a central concept and key theme of *The Urantia Book*.

Dan Massey has read *The Urantia Book* for 22 years and has participated in study groups and society functions for most of that time. He serves on the General Council of the Fellowship and on the Executive Committee as Chairman of the Education Committee. Massey works as a manager of computer systems and software development for large-scale multiplayer simulations for government clients. He lives in Great Falls, Virginia (near Washington, D.C.) with his wife Alison Gardner and two children, Ross and Tiye.



Morning Workshops, 10:30 - 12:00

Pat Fearey, SBS-110

Patterns of the Universe

Presenters of this workshop series will include Chuck Thurston, Boulder, Colorado; Stephen Zendt, San Francisco; Claudia Ayers and Larry Watkins, Sacramento, California; and John Creger, Berkeley, California.

The presenters will examine different aspects of Pattern as spiritual source and patterns as its copies: mandalas, sacred geometry and art, designs in nature, and macro and micro levels of the cosmos. There will be slide presentations, handouts, and live music. *This workshop is a prerequisite to afternoon Patterns sessions.*

Interfaith Panel, duBois Ballroom

Spiritual Unity: Interfaith Relations

The panel includes individuals who are intimately involved with interfaith relations. They are Richard Prince, M.D.; Sister Pratima, Brahma Kumaris; Steve Rohrbach, Interfaith Council of Boulder; Rob Crickett, a former Tibetan monk; and Gard Jameson, Chairman of the Fraternal Relations Committee and moderator of the panel.

The panel will explore the importance and progress of responsible dialogue between the faith traditions, along with details of getting involved in interfaith activities.

Myriam Montanez, HP-101

Unifying Cosmic & Human Family in Faith

This interactive workshop will examine the relationship between the cosmic and human family linked through continuous Living Faith. Our vision is to unify concepts from the human point of view in relation with faith development for the evolution and ascension in harmony with the infinite.

Montanez is a native of Bogota, Colombia who has worked for the socioeconomic development of peasant and Indian communities in Colombia through agrarian reform programs. She has been studying *The Urantia Book* since 1992 and translates secondary works.

Charlene Morrow, SBS-104

Cosmic Family Relationships

This workshop will be a continuation and simplification of Dan Massey's presentation, with an emphasis on our relationships with God's family of personalities who assist in the Father's downreach as we make our upreach. We'll meet some of the personalities who facilitate our journey from here to eternity.

Morrow is a mother of two and grandmother of five. She is an interior designer in Oklahoma City who has been studying *The Urantia Book* since 1956. She is a charter member of the First Urantia Society of Oklahoma.

Afternoon Workshops, 2:30 - 4:30

Joel & Serafina Andrews, duBois-A

Opening to Seraphic Presence Through the Arts

The Andrews will share their experiences of co-creating with the angels and processes to open rapport with the seraphim. Attendees will be able to practice co-creation through writing, music and artwork.

Claudia Ayers, duBois-30

Patterns in Form & The Ideas Behind Them

This playful how-to, hands-on workshop will sharpen pattern awareness by investigating number, relationships, sacred history, repeat pattern exercises, puzzles, and origami paperwork surprises - bringing to life some of the universal geometric concepts introduced in the morning session. *Limited to adults. Attendance at morning session required.*

Jean Barr, SBS-111

How To Accomplish Cosmic Consciousness

Attendees at this program will learn ways to actively ascend the psychic circles to cosmic consciousness and on to cosmic mind or Light & Life. The program will include a study and clarification of biblical references.

Pat Fearey, duBois-11

Patterns as Artistic Symbols

Using collage, we will make mandalas as personal statements and our own symbols of cosmic integration, planetary healing, and a well-balanced outlook on life in this universe. Even if you think you "can not draw," you will create a work of beauty to take home, and you'll know how to continue exploring this art form on your own. *Limited to adults. Attendance at morning session required.*

Irwin Ginsburgh, SBS-110

Two Cosmologies: Science & The Urantia Book

This workshop will focus on the equivalence of cosmology in *The Urantia Book* and modern science.

Ginsburgh is a long-time reader of *The Urantia Book* who is a retired biochemical engineer. He has spoken at two of the Scientific Symposia.

Steven Hecht & Dori Smith, duBois-B

Beauty in Our World: The Face of God & Love

Participants will climb the ladder of beauty beginning with the five senses and ascend to the beauty of truth to finally arrive at the life of love lived by Jesus of Nazareth.

Hecht has read *The Urantia Book* for 26 years and has had graduate-level training in theology and philosophy.

Barbara Lee, McConnell Lounge, 3rd Floor

Faith: Our Spiritual Receptivity

By living faith we can transcend the negative emotional consciousness by doing the will of God. As we treat each other with respect through God's love, we become part of the universal family in faith.

Lee is a long-time reader of *The Urantia Book* and resides with her husband Jim in Mount Jackson, Virginia.

Steve McIntosh, SBS-107

Developing Your Beauty, Truth & Goodness

This presentation explores how the practice of three-way balance among matter, mind and spirit (beauty, truth and goodness) is essential to experiencing the full measure of God's love.

McIntosh has been a student of *The Urantia Book* since 1973 and is a member of the General Council.

Harry McMullan, HP-101

21 Steps To A Spiritual Awakening

The teachings of *The Urantia Book*, considered as a spiritual program, embody life-changing power that we may all experience. It all begins with recognizing our needs.

McMullan has been a reader of *The Urantia Book* since 1967 and serves as Chairman of the Finance Committee.

Myriam Montanez, duBois Southwest

The Urantia Book in Colombia

This bilingual presentation will be an exploration of the experience of bringing the Urantia revelation to Colombia.

Montanez has been studying *The Urantia Book* since 1992 and translates secondary works into Spanish.

Kevin O'Bryan, Canopy East & Center

The Universal Family

Every man, woman and child can freely participate as a Whole as well as within the Family as a Whole through the rhythmic, balanced interchange of Love.

O'Bryan has read *The Urantia Book* for 25 years.

Father Robert Schuer, SBS-104

Faith: Seeing the Invisible, Knowing the Unknowable, Doing the Impossible

Lecture on the origins of faith and its importance, function, and use as well as its results and rewards. After physical and spiritual life itself it is the most valuable gift from God.

Schuer has been an ordained Catholic priest for 48 years and a reader of *The Urantia Book* for 20 years.

IC96 Sunday, *continued*

Buck & Arlene Weimer, McConnell Lounge, 4th Fl. *The Psychology of Living Faith*

This workshop includes a philosophical framework for understanding faith, explores emotions that hinder or help living faith, and includes techniques to facilitate an increased capacity for the experience of faith.

Married for 26 years, the Weimers have been reading *The Urantia Book* since 1972. Arlene has a Ph.D. in psychology and Buck is a clinical therapist.

International Perspectives, duBois Agassiz *Reflections from a Former Tibetan Monk*

Rob Cricket from Melbourne, Australia has spent the last several years as a faith minister in the area of drug rehabilitation. He will give an account of his own living faith journey of finding Father-likeness, sonship, and siblinghood.

Spiritual Unity Panel, Ballroom *Spiritual Unity Beneath Our Diversity*

The readership of *The Urantia Book* is growing more diverse in areas of organizational loyalties, national cultures, and religious practices. Being human, our differences often generate group antagonisms. How can we better live the great spiritual truths which unify us and thereby avoid long-term divisions in our growing community? Please join with our panel members to explore this timely issue.

Panel members include Marilyn Kuliecke, Jeff Wattles, Bob Slagle and Steve Dreier, moderated by Marvin Garwyn.

Worship Workshop, duBois-D Sister Jayanti

Exploring the meditative techniques of the Brahma Kumaris.

Afternoon Activities 2:30 - 4:30

Capture The Flag (all ages), Ridge Field Jay Nelson

Cosmic Poetry, Peaks John Farrington

Participants will examine the value of the written and spoken word in poetry and prose, and will have an opportunity to compose and recite poetry to the group.

Farrington has read *The Urantia Book* since 1979.

Kundalini Yoga, Ridge Rec Room John Edgington

The techniques of yoga form the oldest system of personal development. The goal of yoga is to develop self-mastery and to give balance and proportion to all aspects of life.

Edgington has been a *Urantia Book* reader for 24 years and is a Kundalini yoga teacher and Reiki master.

Music, duBois Patio Gary Deinstadt, Coordinator

Ping Pong, McConnell Path

Softball (all ages), Large Field north of Bowl Tom Choquette ("Half mitt, will travel")

Volleyball, Sand Pit near Rolle

Evening Worship 7:00 - 8:00

Joel Andrews, HP-101 An hour of cosmic harp music.

Arizona Society, SBS-110 This worshipful experience with a Southwestern theme will use all of the faculties of the senses.

International, Agassiz Share a worshipful experience with international friends.

Sister Pratima of the Brahma Kumaris SBS-111 This meditation will lead the group into an experience of the divine using the Royal Path of Raj Yoga.

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divinely God-conscious, you are
then born of the spirit as
children of light and life ...

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Evening Discussions, 8:30 - 10:00

Susan Bedell, duBois-B

UFOs & The Urantia Book

There will be a slide presentation on various sightings and encounters around the United States followed by a group discussion on their possible origins and motives.

Matthew Block, HP-101

Human Sources of Paper 196, The Faith of Jesus

This workshop will study Paper 196 intensively, focusing on the four source books and the ingenious ways they were used by the midwayer. *This is the first of a two-part presentation.*

Block started reading *The Urantia Book* in the mid 1970s while in his teens and now works at the Fellowship headquarters. His avocation is finding human source materials used by the revelators in preparing the Urantia papers.

Dave Holt, SBS-111

Understanding Self, Soul & Survival into Eternal Life

This will be a discussion of the differences between self, soul, and spirit, including a history of the concepts and a look at blending psychology and religion. This study is intended for those involved in therapy, counseling, and spiritual guidance, aiming at helping others solve problems and prepare for eternal life.

Holt has been a student of *The Urantia Book* since 1978 and holds a master's degree in English. He was a professional musician for many years.

International Perspectives, Agassiz

Arvidas Maciokas

Dr. Maciokas is from Vilnius, Lithuania and he is strategically involved in the economic course his country will be taking in the next century. He will share his experience with *The Urantia Book* in Lithuania, where he hosts a study group.

Internet Panel, SBS-110

Internet Technologies & the Spread of the Fifth Epochal Revelation

Panel members Mark Turrin, Larry Watkins, Russ Gustafson, Scott Foerster, Phil Geiger, and Rosey Lieske will discuss how the Internet might be used for outreach to the readership community. Moderated by David Kantor. Panel members either work in the field of telecommunications or have experience providing Internet content.

Scott McDougall, McConnell Lounge, 3rd Floor

Interfaith Issues

Meeting on interfaith activities for *Urantia Book* readers.

IC96 Workshop Series

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The Racial Legacy of the Global Family

The intensive series on race will examine the concept of race as it is developed in *The Urantia Book*. There will be a total of three sessions, each of which can be attended as a complete session or as part of the series.

The series begins with a morning workshop led by David Kantor. In this session, attendees will be given tools to examine their own attitudes toward contemporary racial issues and it will include an overview of the evolutionary process detailed in *The Urantia Book* along with a look at the field of population genetics and the state of racial concerns on a global scale.

The second session will consist of talks by Matthew Block and Charles Olivea. Block will review *The Urantia Book's*

presentation of the dynamics of racial difference and explore two agendas of planetary progress: survival of the fittest and survival of the faithful. Olivea will present his speculative metaphysics of race, with the premise that race is a biological governor permitting various potentials of body, mind, and spirit to emerge on the finite stage of planetary existence and how race seems to be part of a cosmic design which Deity uses to create evolutionary tension in finite creature growth.

The final session will consist of a presentation by Kermit Anderson and a panel discussion open to the audience. Anderson will help us understand the difference between the simplistic view of genetics propagated by mass media as contrasted with the much greater complexities faced by researchers and ethicists.

IC96 Monday, Global Family

Worship: Sister Jayanti

Speaker: **Earlene Green**

We're All Connected

duBois Center, Ballroom

9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

This inspirational sharing on our Global Family will touch on the variety of people that comprise planet Urantia and what unites us, helping us to see God's flower garden and our responsibilities to each other and our planet.

Earlene Green has been a reader of *The Urantia Book* for 19 years and has hosted a study group in the Washington, D.C. area for nearly a decade. Green has authored a booklet entitled "Race and *The Urantia Book*," and has travelled around the world extensively, most recently to New Zealand and Australia. Her career is in acting and modeling. In addition, Green is a docent at the National Archives in Washington, D.C.



Morning Workshops, 10:30 - 12:00

David Glass, Ballroom

Harmonizing the Global Family

This workshop will focus on greater interpersonal harmony in the global brotherhood of man and *Urantia Book* community. The presentation will be based on harmony quotes from *The Urantia Book* and will include a harmonization exercise and examples of harmonic beauty in classical music.

Glass has been studying *The Urantia Book* 24 years and has assisted in forming many study groups. He has also placed more than 60 *Urantia Books* in libraries in the Dallas/Fort Worth area.

David Kantor, SBS-110

The Global Family: Race, Evolutionary Biology & The Kingdom of Heaven

This workshop will provide an interactive exploration of sources of social identity with an emphasis on race and ethnicity, as these issues are developed in *The Urantia Book*. Attendees will examine their own preconceptions and prejudices related to diversity. This session serves as an introduction to two afternoon sessions which will more fully examine the issues of racial legacy.

Kantor is a long-time student of *The Urantia Book* from the San Francisco Bay area and Chairman of the Special Projects Committee.

Claire Thurston, SBS-104

Spiritual Dimensions of Fathering

Understanding the meaning of fatherhood is crucial for child development, social progress and spiritual evolution. Participants will discover their values in parenting. An outcome of this program is that participants will have a better understanding of the importance of the father's spiritual contribution to the child plus the connection to understanding God the Father.

Thurston has been researching the father's role in the child's spiritual development since 1987. Her research has been published in *Quest* magazine, and she is currently writing a book on this subject.

Will Wentworth, HP-101

Global Family: The Way Forward

This presentation will examine the evolutionary plan for normal planets, the situation on Urantia and how we may proceed from here. How are the unified potentials of the Father's plan separated, developed individually, and then reunited? We'll explore the certainty of the final outcome and the long time we must expect it to take.

Wentworth, a farmer in Australia, has been reading *The Urantia Book* for 25 years.

Afternoon Workshops, 2:30 - 4:30

Jaye Bartlett, McConnell Lounge, 4th Floor

Unconditional Love (Healing Circle)

This workshop will consider what *The Urantia Book* teaches about unconditional love and healing. Participants will experience and understand that unconditional love creates a greater sense of wellness on all levels (body, mind and spirit).

Bartlett has been a reader of *The Urantia Book* for 20 years and has hosted study groups for 15 years.

Larry Bowman, SBS-107

Pentecost Plus 40: Relating to Early Christianity

The workshop will study how widespread the life and teachings of Jesus were 40 years after he died and the sufferings that many of his believers and closest associates experienced. When was Stephen martyred and Paul converted? How long did the apostles remain together before they dispersed? When did the persecutions begin and how severe were they?

Bowman has been a reader of *The Urantia Book* for more than 40 years. He is a second-generation reader and helped form the Grand Canyon Society of Arizona. He has been a librarian for 30 years.

Ronald Craig, HP-101

Jesus' Teachings About the Kingdom

This workshop will examine the five phases of the kingdom and its cardinal features. It will also study the evolution of the kingdom and understanding our previous mistaken ideas so that participants may get a glimpse of the "big picture" and the ideal of Jesus' concept of the kingdom of heaven.

Craig has been studying *The Urantia Book* since 1972 and hosts a study group.

Marvin Gawryn, Southwest

Mission of The Urantia Book in the Americas

IC96 is fortunate to have many readers from Central and South America in attendance. We will engage in a bilingual dialogue exploring the evolution of *The Urantia Book's* mission in the three Americas. What can we learn from each other and how can we help each other? Join us for a time of fraternal bridge building.

Gawryn is a long-time reader of *The Urantia Book* and a member of the General Council and Fraternal Relations Committee.

Richard Mitchell, SBS-104

Jesusonian Values & The United Nations Convention on the Rights of Children

This workshop is a brief look at the history of the United Nations convention on the rights of the child, its adoption and ratification process in each nation and practical uses, interwoven with teachings from *The Urantia Book*.

Mitchell has worked in child psychiatric centers dealing with youth in crisis and is a foster parent.

Charles Olivea & Matthew Block, SBS-110

Seeking a Comprehensive Cosmology: The Issue of Race

This workshop is a follow-up to the morning presentation on race and will provide participants with a higher sense of the origin, nature, history, and destiny of races in our world and the universe and how this reflects God's will.

Olivea is married with two grown sons and is a high school history teacher from Watertown, Connecticut. He is a long-time reader of *The Urantia Book*. Block started reading *The Urantia Book* in the mid 1970s and now works at Fellowship headquarters.

Will Sherwood, SBS-111

Target Marketing The Urantia Book

This workshop is designed to help participants learn effective ways to successfully introduce *The Urantia Book* to others. Sherwood is a public speaker and marketing communications professional. He has studied *The Urantia Book* since 1969 and has been active in the First Society of Los Angeles.

Jeffrey Wattles, duBois-A

Studying The Revelation of The Father

This workshop is designed to share techniques for enhanced study of *The Urantia Book*, examining lessons on thinking, feeling and doing as well as discerning how to proceed beyond an intellectual approach to *The Urantia Book*.

Wattles teaches philosophy at the university level and has written *The Golden Rule*, which will be published in October. He has been a student of *The Urantia Book* for 25 years.

Bruce Wenger, duBois-B

Living Faith Is Big Business Success

This workshop will focus on the global revolution in big business management, examining the correlation between the highest religious philosophy and this new management style, including the highly profitable effect this new style has had and the importance of the individual in creating this success.

Wenger has been a student of *The Urantia Book* for 22 years.

Urantia Book Translations Panel, Ballroom

This panel will review how translation projects are an integral aspect of Fellowship activities. The various translation projects underway will be explained. Additional languages and modes of translation will be discussed. Finally, we will explore how to find and allocate resources to these projects.

Panel members include Douglas Fraser, a long-time reader of *The Urantia Book* who played a key role in translating the book into Spanish; Nora Abdemoakher, from Bosnia now residing in Berkeley who is translating the book into Serbo-Croatian; Lila Dogim, a long-time reader of *The*

Urantia Book, who is coordinating the Russian translation, and Vladimir Nepomnyaschiy from Moscow, the Russian translator; Barry and Kyong Cha (Kay) Clark, who are finishing the Korean translation of Part IV, and Mr. Tai Kim, a minister and the current Korean translator; and John Lange, moderator and long-time reader of *The Urantia Book*, who is chairman of the International Fellowship Committee.

Worship Workshop, duBois-D

Gard Jameson

Worshipful techniques from the contemplative Christian tradition.

Afternoon Activities, 2:30 - 4:30

Basket Weaving, Canopy East & Center

Pam Baldwin

Everyone will make a basket.

Building an Angel, duBois-11

Patrick Yesh

Create an 8-foot angel collage and develop a closer relationship with your angels.

Dances of Universal Peace, duBois-30

Connie Brobeck

Originating in the Sufi tradition, these circle dances represent many cultures.

Frisbee, Ridge Field

Kundalini Yoga, Ridge Rec Room

John Edgington

Middle Eastern Dance, McConnell Lounge, 3rd Fl.

Michelle Klimesh

Belly dancing is the oldest known dance form on earth, dating back more than 5,000 years. Klimesh has read *The Urantia Book* 22 years.

Music, duBois Patio

Gary Dienstag, Coordinator

Ping Pong, McConnell Path

Softball, Large Field north of Bowl

Tom Choquette

Spiritual Creativity, Peaks

Julie Kittsley Blake

Participants will learn that creativity is God's gift to us and that we are all creative. We will examine ideas and turn them into a painting, story, or song. Blake is an actress, director, painter, and writer. She has studied *The Urantia Book* for 11 years.

Volleyball, Sand Pit near Rolle

The consciousness of a victorious human life on earth is born of that creature faith which dares to challenge each recurring episode of existence when confronted with the awful spectacle of human limitations, by the unfailing declaration: Even if I can not do this, there lives in me one who can and will do it, a part of the Father-Absolute of the universe of universes. And that is "the victory which overcomes the world, even your faith."

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Evening Worship

7:00 - 8:00

Eric Cosh, HP-101

Joyful live music from a former member of the New Christie Minstrels.

International, Agassiz

Share a worshipful experience with international friends.

Jesusionian, SBS-110

Paula Thompson and friends will bring music and meditations to facilitate a beautiful group worship.

**Sister Jayanti of the Brahma Kumaris
SBS-111**

This meditation will lead the group into an experience of the divine using the Royal Path of Raj Yoga.

Evening Discussions

8:30 - 10:00

Matthew Block, HP-101

Human Sources of Paper 196, The Faith of Jesus

This is the second of a two-part presentation. (See Sunday Evening Discussions on page 13.)

Rebecca Bynum, SBS-104

World Peace -- The Achievable Goal

We will examine the nature of warfare and how war is the result of delusional thinking, especially the notion of unlimited national sovereignty. We will also discuss the "Hitlerization" of modern warfare in which civilian population centers are viewed as legitimate targets for destruction and how disarmament promotes instability and adds to the likelihood of war. Finally, we will discuss how the manifest destiny of the United States can bring peace to the world.

Bynum has been a student of *The Urantia Book* since 1980. She has given several lectures and radio broadcasts on world peace.

John Creger, duBois-A

The Urantia Book and Academia

This will be a sharing to bring the insights of the spiritual renaissance and of *The Urantia Book* to academic discourse. This is a daunting, often discouraging task, yet much guidance and support are available to us in this work. Creger, a husband and father, teaches English to teenagers and writes

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songs and poetry. He is writing a Master's thesis on spiritual meanings in literature, citing *The Urantia Book* as a source.

John Hyde, duBois-B

The Movement: Present State & Healing

Hyde will discuss ways to create synergy among the organizations involved in the Urantia movement.

**International Fellowship Brainstorming
Agassiz**

A published Fellowship *Urantia Book*, ongoing Fellowship-sponsored translations, and increased Internet activity all serve to broaden our global mission. We need to consider where we go from here.

Stephen Zendt & Larry Watkins, SBS-110

Patterns & Sound

Listening thoughtfully to world music, patterns, rhythms and sounds, we experience these in all their rich diversity as expressions of divine harmony. In soaring Gregorian chants echoing throughout great cathedrals or in primitive drumbeats from the thump of hands on skin, we can find a mathematical precision expressing universal and recognizable ideas. Relax and enjoy.

IC96 Tuesday

No scheduled daytime campus activities or childcare. Sign up for spontaneous workshops at the Information Center.

Worship (7 to 8 p.m.): Alison Gardner and Steven Hecht, SBS-110, multimedia prelude to silent worship; Francyl Gawryn, HP-101, share in the feast of the divine with song, prayer, readings, and silent meditation; Rick Giles, SBS-104; and International, Agassiz.

Evening discussions (8:30 to 10 p.m.): Ken Glaziou, SBS-110, Evaluating The Science Content of *The Urantia Book*; JoAnn Weidman, duBois-11, "Has The Time Come for *Urantia Book* 'Ministers'?" and Carlos Zapata, Agassiz, 20 Years of *Urantia Book* Stewardship in Colombia.

IC96 Wednesday, Human Family

Worship: Joel Andrews, Harp

Speaker: **Geri Johnson**

*Faith Makes All Things Possible
& Love Makes Them Beautiful*

duBois Center, Ballroom

9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

This will be an inspirational look at faith and changing attitudes and their impact on family relationships, as well as a look at the power of the individual upon the family and the needs of the individual versus the group. Johnson will share some background on her work with Aziz and stories on heartaches and joys, family unity and discord, examining the great need for faith and simply trusting in the goodness of God.

Johnson is a speech pathologist working primarily with children with language impairments. She is married to J.J. Johnson and is the mother of two teenage sons. Her family currently lives in Saudi Arabia.



Morning Workshops, 10:30 - 12:00

Nora Abdemoakher, SBS-104

Where Human and Divine Meet

The Urantia Book presents the idea of combined working of humanity and divinity. This workshop will attempt to strengthen our faith-belief that all things work out for good and the unfoldment of God's plan for all of us, founded on the exquisite and majestic experience of loving and being loved, and that is what family is all about. We'll discuss how living faith works within the family and how by faith all things become new.

Abdmoakher was born in Bosnia and found her husband and *The Urantia Book* in Sweden. She currently lives in Berkeley, California and is working on translating *The Urantia Book* in her native language.

Marta Elders, HP-101

What I've Always Been But Never Really Knew

This workshop will focus on the significance, purpose, and evolution of the human family as presented in *The Urantia Book*, with emphasis on the value of the parent-child relationship. We will seek an experiential sense of the value of consciously participating in family with a focus on the unique meaning for each individual. The group will also explore the manner in which the human family potentially reflects the divine family.

Elders is a licensed psychologist, parent and family member, and has been studying *The Urantia Book* for 25 years.

Gender Panel, Ballroom

Gender in the 90s: Evolutionary & Revelatory Perspectives

Through an examination of the meanings and values regarding gender imparted in various sections of *The Urantia Book*, we hope each workshop participant will gain new insights on this issue. More important, we hope the event will inspire entirely new ways of looking at gender and its close relationship to spiritual development and enrichment.

Panel members include Byron Belitsos, Stuart Kerr, Jeanne Melchior, Claudia Ayers, and Larry Watkins. Moderated by Alison Gardner.

Jeffrey Wattles, SBS-110

The Golden Rule & The Gospel

The primary focus is on Jesus' lesson on the Golden Rule, probing into the six levels of meaning in this rule for living. Wattles will share his own experiences of how teaching the Golden Rule in public settings leads to a presentation of the gospel.

Wattles teaches philosophy at the university level and has written *The Golden Rule*, which will be published in October. He has been a student of *The Urantia Book* for 25 years.

Afternoon Workshops, 2:30 - 4:30

Kermit Anderson, SBS-110

Race in The Urantia Book: Admonitions & Warnings

Anderson, a genetics counselor, will help us understand the complexities of genetics faced by researchers and ethicists and how the perspective of *The Urantia Book* illuminates these issues while exposing racism as a moral and spiritual problem. This is followed by a panel, composed of all presenters in this workshop series, discussing how to present *The Urantia Book* to a multi-racial world.

Jaye Bartlett, McConnell Lounge, 4th Floor

Unconditional Love (Healing Circle)

This workshop will consider what *The Urantia Book* teaches about unconditional love and healing. Participants will experience and understand that unconditional love creates a greater sense of wellness on all levels (body, mind and spirit).

This is a repeat of a session presented earlier in the week.

Beth Bartley & George Thornbury, HP-101

Being Single in a Family-Oriented Society

Some single people feel left out in family situations. This discussion will present the issue so that other single people can provide feedback. We will examine various family types, especially human and faith families.

Bartley is a member of the General Council and Executive Committee as Secretary-General of the Fellowship. Thornbury is a long-time reader of *The Urantia Book*.

Peri Best, Canopy East

From A Different Point of Shoes

Most conflict between family members, co-workers, neighbors, or countries is a result of an inability to see things from another's point of view. This workshop will help participants experience the 'other' in a fun and relaxing way. Participants should wear loose-fitting clothing, as some movement is involved. Also bring a blanket to use as a mat.

Best is trained in music, dance, theater, and the visual arts.

Nina Bravo & Jim Downs, Southwest

Value Identification & The Family

This bilingual workshop will provide a discussion about the process of value identification and how to augment our awareness of values in family life.

Bravo is a therapist and author based in Santiago, Chile. Downs is author of *Positive Qualities*, which will be published later this year.

Lynn Chapman, duBois-11

Experiencing Sonship with God

This workshop will involve experiential exercises to work toward cooperation with the Thought Adjuster, clarifying life purpose, and insight into relationships as tools to knowing and experiencing another fragment of God.

Chapman has been a student of *The Urantia Book* for more than 20 years and has worked in psychiatry and art while raising four children.

Michael Hill, duBois-B

The Experience of God: Truth, Beauty & Goodness

The fruits of living faith include the development of personal spiritual relations with the Universal Father. Our ability to experience God is conditioned by our capacity to spiritually grasp the qualities of divine truth, beauty and goodness. This workshop will focus on these divine realities, outline ways to better identify their meanings in our lives, and ways we can increase our ability to recognize and appreciate them.

Hill is a marriage, family and child counselor and has been a reader of *The Urantia Book* for nearly 30 years. He is co-founder of the School of Meanings & Values.

Heber Kimball, SBS-107

Be Still & Know I Am God

This workshop will focus on how to make contact with the Indwelling Spirit by using scientific techniques, unifying meditation techniques historically and cross culturally.

John Kimball, Canopy Center

The Decisions of Jesus

This will be a personal sharing of spiritual growth which has been inspired and strengthened by examples in the life choices of Jesus.

Kimball is an engineer and has been studying *The Urantia Book* since 1977.

Cecilia Ann Lampley, Canopy West

Managing Conflict Through Empathy

This will be an experiential process in managing conflict. Lampley is pursuing post-graduate work in Marriage and Family Therapy.

Lawrence Schkade, Ballroom

Science, Self and Sonship

This presentation integrates *Urantia Book* revelations, modern science, personal development and spiritual growth

to provide a better understanding of our mortal life machines (body and mind) and how that relates to our eternal destiny.

Schkade is a long-timer reader of *The Urantia Book* who has spoken at two of the Scientific Symposia. He has been involved in research on the mind in an academic setting.

Preston Thomas, SBS-111

Our Call

Many of us feel a call to service, but don't know what form our service should take. This workshop presents a focused vision of the great call of the Urantia revelation and explores the questions of how we can best work for this mission.

Thomas lives with his wife and two sons in Earlsyville, Virginia and founded the Einstein School, which provides individual instruction emphasizing the teachings of Jesus. Thomas is a long-time student of *The Urantia Book*.

Patrick Yesh, SBS-104

Thought Adjusters in the Family

We will discuss how to increase our awareness of the Thought Adjuster in each family member and using language that reminds us of our special companions to overcome negative human emotions which can be destructive.

International Perspectives, Agassiz

V. G. Ram Kumar

Ram Kumar was introduced to *The Urantia Book* nine years ago. He resides in Madras, India, where he develops computer software. He will give a presentation on the spiritual life in India.

Worship Workshop, duBois-D

Bill & Kaye Cooper

Spiritual exercises leading to a worshipful experience.

Afternoon Activities

2:30 - 4:30

Jersualem Marketplace (1:30 - 4:30)

Sara Blackstock & Kids

Kids will be dressed in costume grinding grains, weaving baskets, working with clay, and will demonstrate what life may have been like 2,000 years ago. *Please come.*

Cosmic Poetry, duBois-A

John Farrington

Dances of Universal Peace, duBois-30

Connie Brobeck

Kundalini Yoga, Ridge Rec Room

John Edgington

Middle Eastern Dance, McConnell Lounge, 3rd FL

Michelle Klimesh

Music, duBois Patio

Gary Deinstadt, Coordinator

Softball, Large Field north of Bowl

Tom Choquette

Volleyball, Sand Pit near Rolle

Evening Worship

7:00 - 8:00

Rob Crickett, SBS-110

Experience Michael's healing and the peace of Jesus.

Francyl Gawryn, Peaks Lounge

Participants will move selectively through a number of stations, each with a different aspect of the worship experience.

Marty Greenhut, SBS-104

Participants will join together as in a family reunion to experience brotherly love and the love of our Father.

International, Agassiz

Share a worshipful experience with international friends.

Man's sole contribution to growth is
the mobilization of the total powers
of his personality — living faith.

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Evening Discussions, 8:30 - 10:00

Polly Friedman & Jeannine Caryl,

McConnell Lounge, 3rd Floor

Improving Relationships: Making It Work

We will explore the developmental stages of relationships, identify dysfunctional patterns, and integrate spiritual values to enhance our ability to love and be loved.

Friedman, active in the Urantia movement since 1965, is a founder and director of The School of Meanings & Values. Caryl is a licensed psychotherapist and clinical social worker. Spiritual issues are a primary part of her practice.

Irwin Ginsburgh, SBS-107

Introducing The Urantia Book

This will be a progress report on Ginsburgh's introductory book to *The Urantia Book* and a planned television documentary on the subject. Ginsburgh is a Ph.D. physicist with 50 U.S. patents.

John Hyde, McConnell Lounge, 4th Floor

Fatherhood

This workshop is for men only. We will discuss issues related to parenthood and focus on providing moral inspira-

tion to the family. Our vision is for participants to develop a stronger sense of the importance of fatherhood and a heightened appreciation for this sacred responsibility.

Hyde is married and has one child. He has been a reader of *The Urantia Book* since 1977. He has been an area coordinator and has served in many capacities at the society level.

International Perspectives, Agassiz

Christel Garrick

A native of Sweden, Garrick has lived and worked on four continents. She will lead a discussion concerning the Fellowship and the revelation from a European perspective. "Can anything good come out of the U.S. of A.?"

Michael Wisenbaker, SBS-110

The Big Bang Never Happened

This is a command repeat performance from Scientific Symposium III in which Wisenbaker introduces the development of new thinking in the creation of the universe by modern science, debunking former popularity of the Big Bang Theory. Wisenbaker is a long-timer reader of *The Urantia Book* who has spoken at two of the Scientific Symposia.

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Thank you to the ClubUB house band: David Meade on drums, Ray Peterson on bass, David Brandom on woodwinds, singer and engineer Eddie Ames, & Gary Deinstadt on keyboard; Northern Arizona University staff: Louise Brown, Marcy Biesemeyer, & Natalie Alexander; Janet Savery at Marriott; and Dana Morris at Tri Rentals.

IC96 Thursday, Faith Family

Morning Workshops, 9:30 - 11:00

Ron & Ferne Louie, SBS-110

Cosmic Reunion

Cosmic Reunion is a fun, interactive exercise in which each member of the audience is assigned a unique identity, complete with family history, belonging to a member of the diverse group of universe citizens. Individuals will then seek their own pre-assigned "cosmic family" by interaction with others. The goal is to reunite with all family members in the shortest time possible. The happily reunited family then gets to "translate" in euphoric delight to the next stage of the cosmic journey.

In playful, but meaningful reversion we condition our bodies, minds, and spirits to the realization of "living faith" within our individual roles in the cosmic family.

Other activities include a multimedia session with a sing-along of inspirational songs and a brief audiovisual exploration of a cosmic family portrait.

Ron is an architect and structural engineer and Ferne is an ESL (English as a Second Language) teacher in Vancouver, British Columbia. They have four children.

General Council, Peaks

Open Meeting

Community Building Panel, Ballroom

The Spirit of Community

Panel members will briefly share experiences of spiritual community and visions of what more can be accomplished. Emphasis will be on overcoming obstacles in community building.

Panel members have direct experience in community building efforts and include Mary Ebben, author of *The Urantia Book Basics* and employee at Jesusonian Foundation; Alan Goodman, who actively facilitates community building through Study Group Council; Lou Ann Harney, a *Urantia Book* reader for 15 years; Jill Hull, a *Urantia Book* reader for 20 years, psychologist, and moderator of the panel; Eric Johnson, a *Urantia Book* student for more than 20 years; and Steve Rohrbach, a *Urantia Book* reader for more than 20 years.

Repeat Sessions, SBS-107 & SBS-111

There will be a repeat of presentations which have received rave reviews. *Get details at the Information Center.*

Worship: Eric Cosh, Barbara Hester, Susan Mogilka

Speaker: **Mo Siegel**

You Have Faith, A Lot of Faith

duBois Center, Ballroom

1:45 - 3:00 p.m.

You and I are part of a 2-billion person global faith family actively searching for God. While we differ in customs, traditions, and values, we are all generally pursuing a common goal -- doing God's will in this life. Yet whether you are a faith-led Christian, Muslim, Jew, Hindu, or *Urantia Book* reader, religionists face the same challenge. How do we grow our faith amidst the difficult trials of living?

Urantia Book readers have been uniquely blessed with revelatory knowledge destined to stimulate a new age of reason and faith. You are the earthly hands of our unseen friends in this process of spiritual uplift. So, keep your faith. Grow your faith, and share your faith with other religionists. Don't give in to fatigue, indifference, and life's sorrows. Be strong. You can master the challenges of life with unswerving faith in our Heavenly Father and trust in the Master.

Siegel is a businessman, husband, father of five, and an active reader of *The Urantia Book* since 1969. He is a member of the General Council and the Executive Committee as Chairman of the Domestic Extension Committee. He is also chairman of Jesusonian Foundation.



Closing Ceremonies, 3:00 - 10:00 p.m.

A Community Celebration, 3:00 - 3:30

Adults leaving the hall will be met outside at the Bowl by the children. Please take their hands and form a circle around the gazebo. We will give thanks by singing and dancing to the timeless Israeli folk song "Mayim" (The Water of Life).

MAYIM

An Israeli folksong from Isaiah 12:3

"Therefore you will joyously draw water from the springs of salvation."

V'shavtem MAYIM b'sa sohn (*And you shall draw water in joy*)

Me ma-ai-nay ha yeshu-ah (*from the wellspring of salvation*)
(repeat first two lines)

MAYIM (6 times) b'sa sohn (*waters in joy*)
(repeat this phrase)

Hey Hey Hey Hey, MAYIM (6 times) b'sa sohn
(repeat from beginning)

Country Fair

4:00 - 10:00

IC96 will come to its grand finale with a 1940s-style country fair, which will be held in the Bowl at the campus. There will be plenty of music, food, and fun for all members of the family.

Our Next Conference

Please join us next year at the beautiful campus of the University of British Columbia in Vancouver for the Fellowship's Summer Seminar, Triennial Delegate Assembly, and General Council meeting. The Summer Seminar is scheduled July 10 through 13, 1997 and will be followed by the annual meeting of the General Council July 13 and 14.

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Program Changes

Monday:

Irwin Ginsburgh, "Introducing *The Urantia Book*"

Rescheduled from Wednesday to Monday, 8:30-10:00 p.m.
in SBS107

Jeff Wattles, "Studying the Revelation of the Father"
Room changed to HP 101

Ron Craig, "Jesus Teachings About The Kingdom"
Room changed to duBois A

add:

The Urantia Book: A Video Documentary by Bill Wade
8:30-10:00 p.m. in SBS 111

Monday and Wednesday:

Michelle Klimesh, "Middle Eastern Dancing"
Room changed to McConnell Lounge, 4th Floor

Jaye Bartlett, "Unconditional Love (Healing Circle)"
Room changed to McConnell Lounge, 3rd Floor

Wednesday:

Patrick Yesh, "Thought Adjusters in the Family"
Time changed to 8:30-10:00 p.m.

add:

A Musical Worship Program with Josh Wilson
7:00-8:00 p.m. in HP101

"Living Faith"



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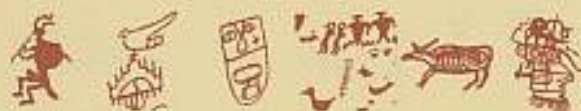
The Urantia Book

Flagstaff, Arizona • August 3-8, 1996

The revelation touches each of our lives in a unique way and challenges each of us to broaden our perspective and to live as full partners with the Divine. This partnership requires living faith—in God, in the unseen beings who work without fail on our behalf, in our relationships with our diverse brothers and sisters, in the potential of the struggle presented by this confused world, and in the opportunity to experience truth, beauty and goodness in all realms of family life.

A celebration of community

With great effort we realize living faith in our challenging lives, and manifest the reality of the whole through a synthesis of parts. We are mothers, fathers, sisters, brothers, sons, and daughters; we provide for our material necessities through diverse careers; we reflect the nature of spiritual reality in relationships with family and friends; we work to evolve using our minds, hearts, and souls. Together we form a



community, a living entity struggling and becoming more than the sum of our parts.

Experience the dynamic expression of love between brothers and sisters who share the same vision but express it in unique ways. Experience the uplifting joy of families at play. Experience an infusion of faith from the strength and dedication each of us brings to living the revelation. Join us in Flagstaff for a celebration of community.

A beautiful mountain setting

The conference will be held on the Northern Arizona University campus, sitting majestically amid the San Francisco Peaks at an elevation of 7,000 feet. The outdoors is part of our meeting space; we will take full advantage of the trees, walkways, fresh air, and night sky to create an experience that combines the beauty of nature with the goodness of relationship and the truth of the soul. Accommodations will be reasonably priced, affording the entire family an opportunity to attend. For those who might feel challenged by the elevation, we will be holding an acclimatizing pre-conference retreat at Sedona, Arizona and there will be a staffed health room at the University itself.

A unique program

Our conference topic, Living Faith, will be investigated in four daily themes: Cosmic Family, Global Family, Human Family and Faith Family. Each morning there will be in-depth Urantia Book presentations on the day's theme by some of the world's most innovative thinkers, followed by break-out group presentations and facilitated discussion. The morning program will include presentations for non or new readers, intermediate, and advanced students.

Each afternoon we will explore Living Faith through discussion and activities that relate to how we live our lives—our careers, families, and personal explorations, and, we will play together. Family-oriented, small group and individual activities will be

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experience. Teenagers can look forward to the challenge of **ropes course**, the adventure of an **overnight camp out** and personal quest, the excitement of a **teen lounge**, and the satisfaction of building a community within a community, making friends from around the world.

Pre-conference retreats

On August 3, the Saturday just prior to the conference, special interest retreats will take place for **musicians, writers, and artists**, providing an opportunity for those who are translating the revelation into creative expression to meet together, network, and share ideas. A special pre-conference retreat for those who wish to adjust more gradually to the elevation will take place "half-way up the hill" in the charming artists' community of **Sedona, Arizona**. Information on these activities will be included with the registration materials.

An exchange of ideas

- One of the strengths of the Urantia community is the remarkable diversity of approaches readers take in their intellectual and spiritual quests. We welcome such new thinking, which keeps us all fresh and recharged. If you would like time in the afternoon program to present your new ideas based on The Urantia Book, consider this your invitation. We will endeavor to provide space for all those prepared with presentations and for those who simply wish to facilitate open discussion on topics of mutual interest.

For registration information, please fill out the accompanying form, separate the panel, attach a stamp and drop it in the mail. We look forward to hearing from you. If you would rather telephone, our number is (312) 327-0424; or fax (312) 327-8159.

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Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, Arizona
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PROGRAM

Each day will be divided into three parts, allowing us to focus on aspects of living that form a dynamic whole.

The mornings are designed to **engage the mind**, with short plenary talks followed by in-depth and interactive presentations on the daily theme. In the afternoons we will offer a wide range of activities and discussion designed to **enhance our relationships**. In the evenings we will **embrace the spirit** with worship and entertainment. Through this balance of study, play, and worship we hope to experience a diverse and unifying community vision of living faith to carry with us into our daily lives.

While the morning program has been designed to assure targeted talks on the daily themes, the afternoon program is open to presenters who submit proposals for discussion based on the revelation, or group activities (sports, art, drama, music) for thirty or more. Proposal forms are available from the Fellowship office and must be returned by March 15th.

DAILY THEMES and PLENARY SPEAKERS

Sunday	Cosmic Family	Dan Massey	Washington D.C.
Monday	Global Family	Earlene Green	Silver Spring, MD
Tuesday	Free Day		
Wednesday	Human Family	Geri Johnson	Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
Thursday	Faith Family	Mo Siegel	Boulder, CO



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SUNDAY, MONDAY and WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

6:45 – 8:45 am	Breakfast
9:00 – 10:00 am	Plenary Session
10:30 – 12:00 pm	Concurrent Study Sessions
12:00 – 2:00 pm	Lunch, free time
2:30 – 4:30 pm	Afternoon Activities and Discussion
4:45 – 6:45 pm	Dinner
7:00 – 8:00 pm	Worship <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Interfaith * Urantia Community
9:00 – 12:00 am	Club UB Entertainment

TUESDAY SCHEDULE

6:45 – 8:45 am	Breakfast
9:00 – 5:00 am	Off campus tours
12:00 – 2:00 pm	Lunch on campus for those not on tours
2:30 – 4:30 pm	Workshops and Spontaneous Discussions
5:00 – 7:00 pm	Dinner
7:00 – 8:00 pm	Worship <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Interfaith * Urantia Community
9:00 – 12:00 am	Club UB Entertainment

THURSDAY SCHEDULE

6:45 – 8:45 am	Breakfast
10:00 – 12:00 pm	Open Fellowship meetings / Study Sessions
12:00 – 2:00 pm	Lunch
2:00 – 3:00 pm	Free Time / Continued Discussions
3:30 – 5:00 pm	Closing Plenary / Family Worship
5:00 – 10:00 pm	Country Fair (Dinner)



ROOM and MEALS

The conference will be held at Northern Arizona University. The dormitory reserved for our exclusive use has two twin beds per room with a bathroom and shower down the hall. We also have limited space in a second dormitory set up with two rooms (two twin beds each) sharing a common bathroom. These are being reserved for families on a first come, first served basis. We have secured enough beds for 1100 people; those who register late will need to either camp or stay at a nearby motel. Information for alternative lodging options will be sent with your registration confirmation packet upon request.

The adult rate of \$49 per day includes three meals and linens. Children 8-17 will be \$32 per day; **children seven and under are free!** For those staying on campus, NAU offers a room and meals package only, which includes meals from Saturday night through Thursday night. For those staying off campus, single meals can be purchased on campus.

REGISTRATION

To help us in our final planning stages we are offering a significant registration discount through March 15th. Return the form included in this flyer to the Fellowship office by March 15th and receive a **\$30 discount** on adult registration.

Between March 15th and June 15th a modest \$10 reduction will be offered. After June 15th, all adult registrations will be at the full \$95 rate.

We have lowered our children's registration fees below rock bottom in order to encourage you to bring your entire family. Children 5 thru 12 will be charged only \$15 for the entire week, and teens 13 thru 19 only \$30. Registration for children 4 and under is free.

Why register now? In addition to the discount, early registration guarantees a bed at the campus and your choice of tours. Based on our first response cards, we are anticipating a record-breaking crowd. So register now!

PRE-CONFERENCE RETREATS

In order to bring writers, artists, and musicians together to share ideas and network for the future, we are planning three **Saturday retreats**, loosely organized and dependent on interest. If you are able to arrive a day early and spend time with others who want to translate the revelation into creative expression, check the box on the registration form. Books, movies, music, art? It can happen!

ALTITUDE ADJUSTMENT

Although a trip to Sedona sounds as if it would be fun in its own right, the altitude adjustment program is being planned exclusively for those who are **"altitude challenged."** (Others who would like to visit Sedona, please sign up for the Oak Creek/Sedona tour on Tuesday.)

The plan for those who need 24 hours of gradual elevation adjustment is to arrive in Phoenix Friday morning, travel midway up the hill and stay at a predetermined motel, discuss other ways to handle high altitude, share a meal and a walk, and arrive in Flagstaff Saturday around 3:00 pm. Cost for transportation is \$15 one-way. Please register for return transportation with Navi-Hopi (one-way return is \$25). Check the box on the registration form for altitude adjustment information.



GENERAL INFORMATION

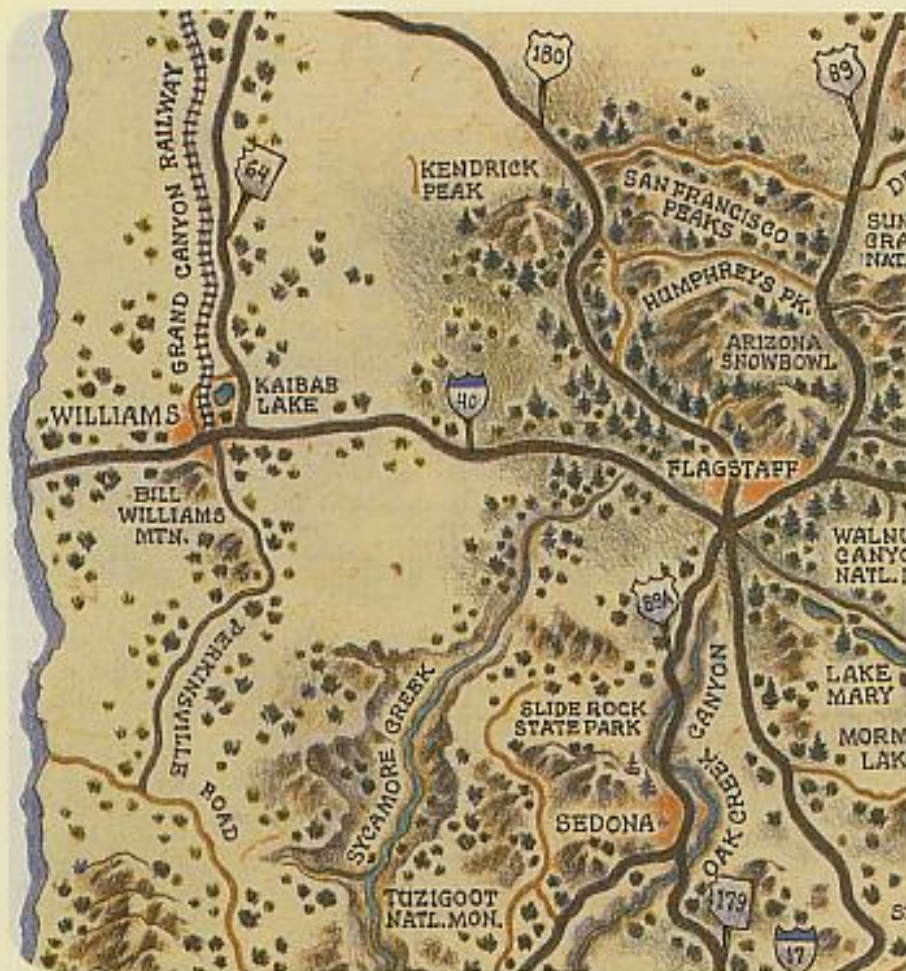
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The Fellowship's 1996 International Conference for students of The Urantia Book has been designed with families in mind. Not just mom, dad, and the kids, but families of every shape, size, and sentiment; together we form a unique and intentional faith family. Bring your kids, neighbors, friends, parents, aunts and uncles ... even your boss! Enjoy a glimpse of Light and Life—we have done our best to plan a brief and beautiful encounter with eventual reality on Urantia: a vision for our children, a reminder for ourselves and our loved ones, a renewal of hope for everyone who struggles with evolutionary life. Experience Living Faith in loving action! Embrace spiritual reality in material form! Join us in Flagstaff for an evolution ... revelation-style.

CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

- ✚ A balance of study, play, worship, and entertainment everyday.
- ✚ A well-designed interactive children's program with stimulating environments in the morning, inter-generation play in the afternoon, and a variety of music and night walks in the evening.
- ✚ A parent co-operative "four and under" program with outdoor and indoor play environments designed just for the little ones.
- ✚ For teens, a separate program titled, "FAITH IN LIVING: Are you willing to risk it?" A ropes challenge course, initiative games, outdoor activities, overnight camping, teen dances, music and video ... all designed to stimulate faith in daily living, to encourage personal transformation, and to encompass the teens as a vibrant community within a community.
- ✚ An International Readers' Lounge and Computer Lab where each of us can spend time getting to know readers from around the world and learn to communicate with each other via the World Wide Web.
- ✚ A Health & Hospitality room for relaxation, communication, and health assistance for the duration of the conference.
- ✚ An IC96 Store and Art Gallery where the creative interpretations of dedicated readers will be on display—and for sale—along with beautiful conference mementos.
- ✚ An old-fashioned Country Fair, envisioned and created with exceptional loving care, an event most of us can only imagine with the help of Norman Rockwell.
- ✚ Entertainment Club UB-style! Talented community musicians team up with a professional house band to create a club environment worthy of the universe reversion directors.





LOCATION

Flagstaff is located 146 miles north of Phoenix at the intersection of Interstates 17 and 40. The city of 47,000 sits at 7,000 feet, at the center of a great hub of ancient Native American enclaves, pine-carpeted peaks, and a varied expanse of mountains, rivers, canyons, and lakes.

With an average temperature of 80° F (23° C) in summer, Flagstaff attracts many visitors during the peak tourist season—August. Afternoon thundershowers can be expected. Exciting storms and moderate summer temperatures promise a stimulating weather experience.

RECREATION

Flagstaff is surrounded by the Coconino National Forest, a 1.8 million-acre wonderland with more than 320 miles of hiking trails. The San Francisco Peaks are another of Flagstaff's prominent natural assets; Humphrey's Peak at an elevation of 12,643 feet is the highest point in Arizona. In downtown Flagstaff visit the 1926 Monte Vista Hotel, the Museum of Northern Arizona, the Coconino Center for the Arts, and the world-famous Lowell Observatory.

Nearby attractions include Wupatki National Monument with more than 800 ancient Indian ruins, Meteor Crater where a giant crater fell to earth 50,000 years ago, Oak Creek Canyon which Rand McNally Road Atlas lists as among "the great American road trips," and of course, the Grand Canyon!



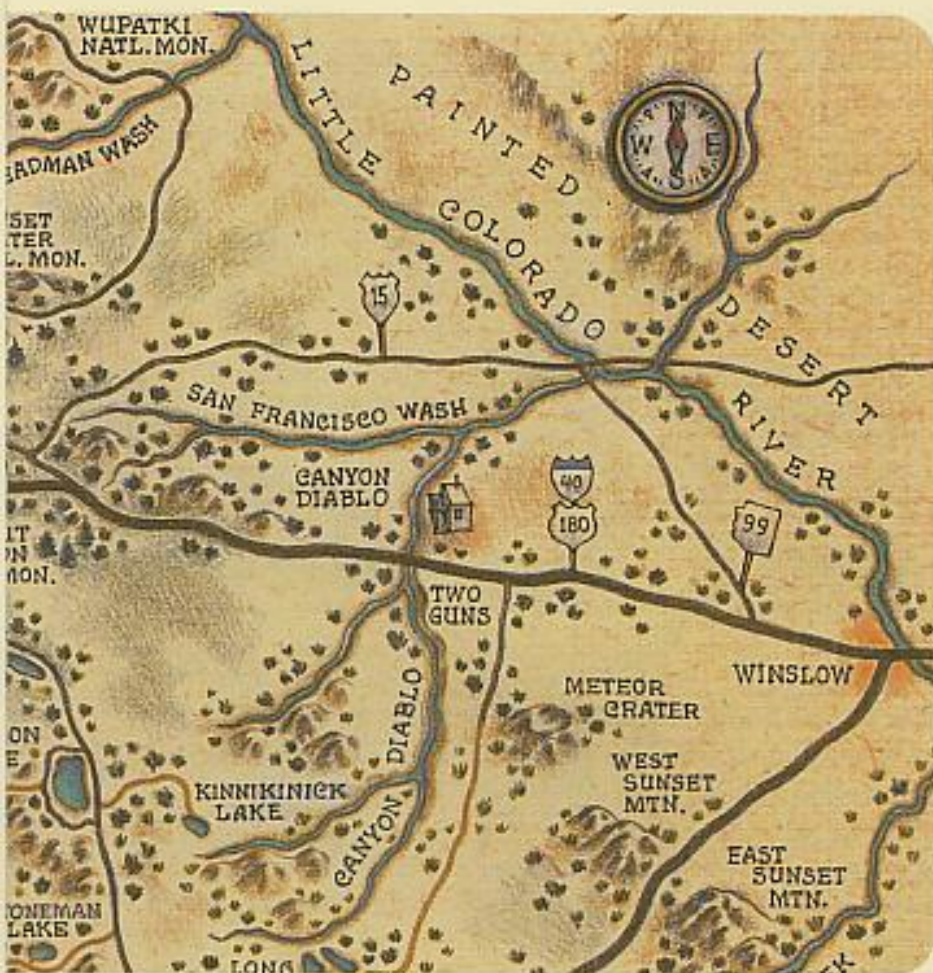


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TUESDAY TOURS

We have planned some fantastic tours for those of you who would like to see the beauty of Arizona on our free day, Tuesday August 6: There will be an all-day Grand Canyon sightseeing tour; an Oak Creek Canyon/Sedona/Montezuma Castle tour; a Petrified Forest / Painted Desert tour; and for the more adventurous, a Colorado River Float Trip. Most of these tours are half price for children 5-15 and free for children under five. Complete information and registration forms will be sent with your conference registration confirmation—just check the Tuesday Tours box on the registration form.

TRANSPORTATION

Those flying into Phoenix will have the option to reserve a seat on a Navi-Hopi bus for the 2-1/2 hour drive to the conference site in Flagstaff. The cost is \$40 per adult round trip or \$25 one-way; children 5-15 are half price and children 4 and under are free. Registration will be handled directly by Navi-Hopi. Forms will be sent with your registration confirmation packet. Reservations need to be made by June 25th to ensure a seat.

The Pulliam Airport is located four miles south of Flagstaff. Flagstaff is also served by the Greyhound/Trailways bus service (1-800-231-2222) and Amtrak railroad (1-800-872-7245).

