

Grace United Church of Christ

307 Plymouth Street

Culver, Indiana

MEREDITH J. SPRUNGER, MINISTER

November 14, 1958

Dr William S. Sadler
533 Diversey Parkway
Chicago 14, Illinois

Dear Dr. Sadler:

Am enclosing a new evaluation and revised summary of the Urantia Book. The new evaluation being more objective, I believe is much better than the older ones. In the revised summary I merely incorporated the supplement sheet and made a few minor changes in the old edition.

Have been doing much thinking about the best method of presenting the Urantia Book to people. Having had dealings with three theological professors, numerous ministers, and many laymen - I am convinced that the summary or personal coaching is a practical necessity for presenting the Urantia Book.

Almost without exception - even among the most educated - professors, ministers, and laymen come up with badly distorted concepts of what the Urantia book claims. The summary may not be convincing to some critical minds but it will help such people approach the book with a more balanced understanding. It is definitely only preparation for reading the book but much confusion is saved by this procedure.

I am reminded that the Urantia Book itself is a condensation of material originally prepared for presentation. This kind of realistic adjustment to human limitations it seems is wise.

Therefore I should like to suggest that the Brotherhood consider the possibility of printing a dignified booklet containing the enclosed evaluation and summary or similar material which would be available to individuals as an aid in introducing the Urantia Book to interested friends.

If you agree with this proposal, would you present it to the General Council. If you do not think it is wise, I would appreciate knowing why. After your counsel I thoroughly agree with your advice regarding the promotion of the Urantia Book. This may be a case, also, where I need to consider certain things which, at present, have escaped my consideration. Would appreciate what ever suggestions you have to give.

Cordially yours,

Meredith

*Ack'd 11/15/58.
Asbnd for 15 Nov*

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MEREDITH J. SPRUNGER, MINISTER

November 14, 1958

Miss Marian Rowley
533 Diversey Parkway
Chicago 14, Illinois

Dear Marian:

Am enclosing copies of a new evaluation and a revised summary of the Urantia Book. The new evaluation being more objective, I believe is better than the older one. The new summary simply incorporated the summary sheet and a few minor changes of the older edition. You are welcome to more copies if you should want them.

Cordially yours,

M. J. Sprunger

November 15, 1958

Dr. Meredith J. Sprunger
Grace United Church of Christ
307 Plymouth Street
Culver, Indiana

Dear Meredith:

Thanks for your new evaluation and summary. I haven't had time to read it yet, but I hope to tonight.

Doctor asked me to acknowledge for him too and tell you that he will present your idea to the Executive Committee at our December meeting. He would like you to send 15 more copies, if you can, so that each member of the committee can have a copy to study.

Cordially,

Secretary-General

Marian Rowley

GRACE EVANGELICAL AND REFORMED CHURCH

307 NORTH PLYMOUTH STREET

CULVER, INDIANA

MEREDITH J. SPRUNGER, MINISTER

Nov. 18, 1958

Miss Marian Rowley
533 Diversey Parkway
Chicago 14, Illinois

Dear Marian:

Thank you for your letter. Have sent sixteen copies of the evaluation and summary. If they do not arrive, let me know. They were sent loosely packed in a large packing envelope. Since they can slide around, thought maybe they ^{might} wear a hole through the envelope - but think they will be alright.

Cordially,

Meredith