



NEWSLETTER of the FIRST URANTIA SOCIETY of LOS ANGELES



UBS - URANTIA BROADCASTING SYSTEM PRESENTS:

## PERSON TO PERSONALITY!

Our favorite "person-to-person" host, Edward R. Mortal (Hoite Caston), will debut in a unique talk show special, "PERSON-TO-PERSONALITY", which will air on March 1st at 1:00 PM. This special will explore the fascinating subject of PERSONALITY! Mortal will utilize the new **ETERNAVISION** process to enable him to transcend the time/space continuum and interview famous personalities from the past!

Scheduled guests at press time are Andon, Lucifer, Nathaniel the Apostle, Ellanora and a surprise guest. This special will be taped before a live audience, and with the aid of Mansion World Computers, they will participate in this in-depth look at Personality. This event will cover such topics as Personality's meaning, its origin, function and destiny!

Don't miss this real-life drama! This special promises to explode old myths and will examine the paradoxical aspects of everyones' Personality.

This special is brought to you by Friedman & Associates.

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### NEW MEETING LOCATION (SEE PAGE 3)

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## WORDS FROM THE PRESIDENT

From time to time, members of the Governing Committee receive reactions to FUSLA presentations or publications. This is good because it allows us to determine what programs and articles most nearly meet the needs of URANTIA Book readers in our area. Positive response is reinforcing and negative response permits us to reexamine our directions and evaluate our efforts.

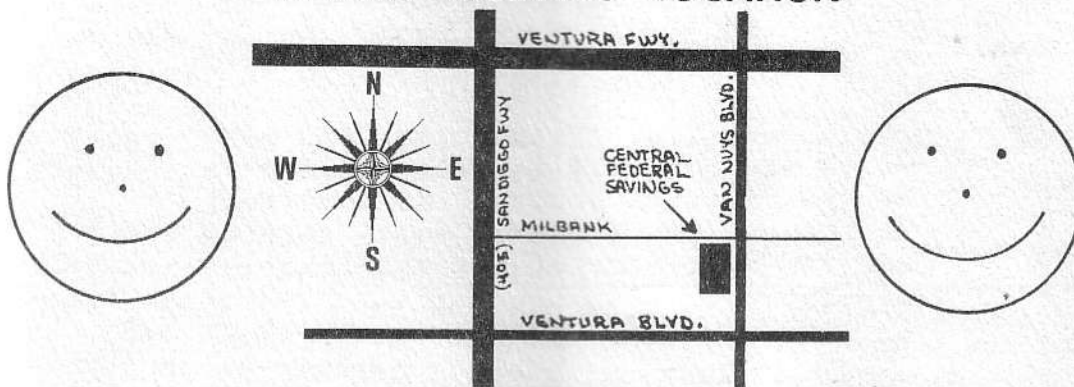
There are so many new readers and potential readers attending our study groups and Society meetings that we want to be sure to keep lines of communication open. Their response is often questioning -- trying to understand what we believe the teachings mean. Perhaps this is a good time to point out that the policy of URANTIA Foundation (a trust formed for preservation of The URANTIA Book in its original form) is that there is no official interpretation of these teachings. The URANTIA Book must stand on its own to be understood by each reader as truth is revealed to that reader. None of our programs or publications purport to interpret or explain these beautiful teachings, but do represent the understanding of the speaker or the writer. Each of us invites your questions or responses. The beauty of group study in loving fellowship is the free exchange of ideas. With each of us listening to and respecting the beliefs and opinions of others and freely expressing our own, this sharing should lead to growth and greater understanding for all of us.

If you have prepared a study which you would like to share with others, or if you have a suggestion for a study to be prepared by another, won't you let the Governing Committee hear about it. The primary purpose of FUSLA is to provide the best possible opportunities for the study of The URANTIA Book. There are study groups each week throughout the area and a Society meeting the first Sunday of each month, unless another date is published prior to the monthly meeting. Readers and prospective readers are welcome to join us.

May our studies lead to living the teachings of Jesus, accepting and sharing the Father's love and thereby making the world around us a better place to live. Love to all.

-- Lucile Faw

## MARCH MEETING LOCATION



AT LAST! We now have a wonderful new meeting place for our monthly FUSLA meetings! This new facility will be available for the upcoming MARCH 1st gathering. This location provides us with a kitchen, plenty of parking (no gates to contend with), coffee urns and last but not least, bathrooms adjacent to the meeting room! The entrance to the "Community Room" is located at ground level on the WEST side of the CENTRAL FEDERAL SAVINGS building at 4464 Van Nuys Blvd., in Sherman Oaks, California. The meeting time is unchanged: 1:00PM on the first Sunday of each month. WE'LL SEE YOU THERE, MARCH 1st 1981!

### NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS

The MONITOR invites submissions from its readers. Material should be legible and sent to The MONITOR: 16950 Hartland St., Van Nuys, CA. 91406, or, phone Dick MacDonald: (213) 343-3364.

## the MONITOR

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## MORALITY - A Study

### JESUS ON MORALITY

"Verily, verily, I say to you, he who rules his own self is greater than he who captures a city. Self-mastery is the measure of man's moral nature and the indicator of his spiritual development..."

(1609)

Jesus was never prone to preaching morality or ethics as such. His mission had a connection with this area, but with very different emphasis. Jesus was wholly concerned with the inward spiritual fellowship with God the Father that directly manifests itself with an outward and loving service for man. Jesus made it clear that the morality of his teachings were inseparable from the religion of his living. He taught morality, not from the nature of man, but from the relationship of man to God. Jesus showed that man develops his character by unselfish service and unfolds his moral nature in loving relations with his fellow man. He stripped morality of all rules, conventions and ceremonies and elevated it to the majestic levels of spiritual thinking and truly righteous living.

Although Jesus spoke rarely on the subject of morality, he did remind his followers that the morality of any act can be determined by the individual's motive, and that the highest forms of good are unconscious.

Anyone who examines the life of Jesus will soon realize why he did not spend his time on Urantia discussing morality. His entire life, the way he lived it, revealed to man the highest possible morality that man could hope to achieve: the dedication of one's life to doing the Father's will. Jesus taught the highest moral lesson by the most lasting and effective method... example. His life, the living of it, was a permanent moral inspiration for all mankind, so beautifully illustrated for all who knew him or learned of him by the moral ideals he set for himself to live by.

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# Study Group News

The Van Nuys study group will return to alternate Thursdays for meeting nights. After the February 26 meeting EVERY OTHER THURSDAY meeting time will go into effect. This has been done in response to member requests and to avoid confusion.

Lee Rector, visiting the North Hollywood study group (on business from Nashville), shared his "how I found the book" story ("I knew God was big, but I didn't know he was that big!", he said after reading one page!) and informed us of several top country music artists who read the URANTIA Book. The North Hollywood group now meets every Monday night. This group has grown very slowly, but now has an average attendance of six or seven people.

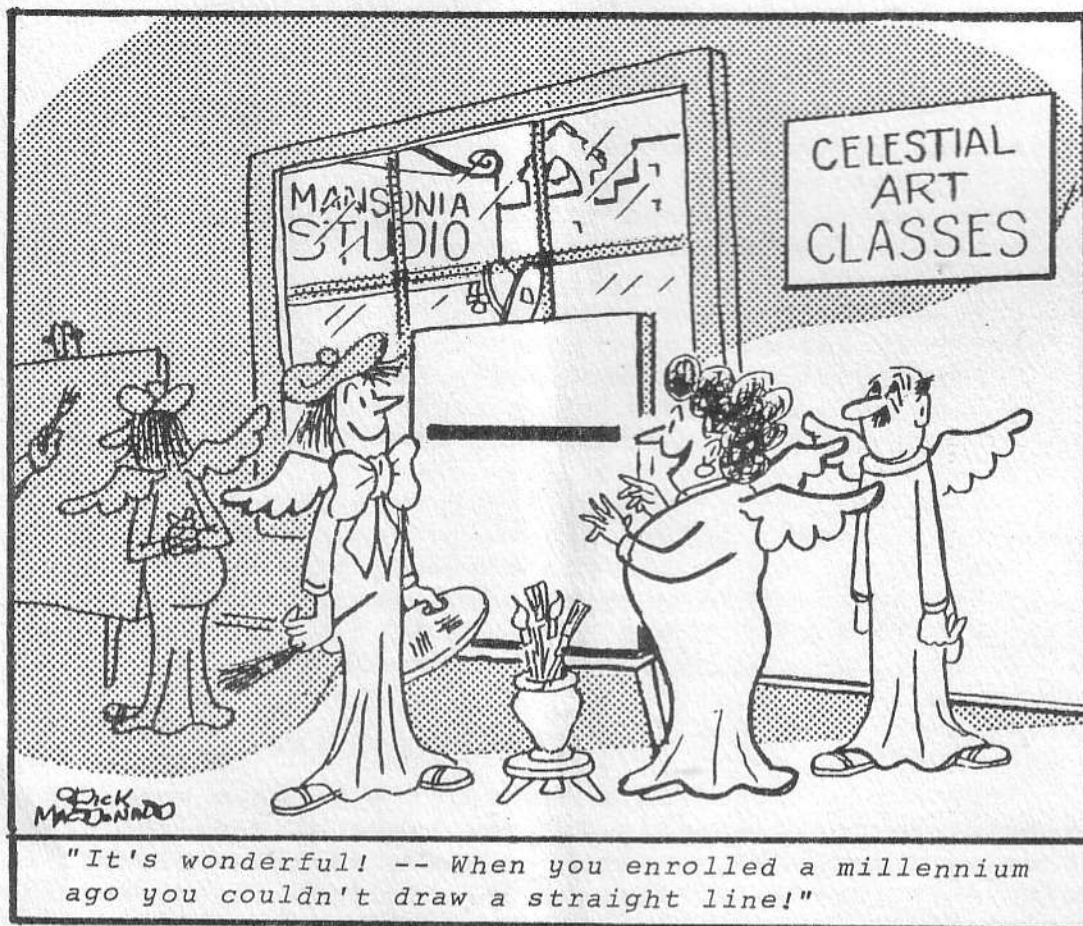
Vince Ventola's Santa Monica group, established on the subject of prayer, meditation and worship, has now evolved into the study of the Thought Adjuster papers. The group still begins and ends with ten minutes of prayer & meditation. STARTING NEXT MONTH "THE MONITOR" WILL BEGIN A NEW COLUMN ON "STUDY GROUP NEWS". WATCH FOR IT!

## BULK RATE INFORMATION

FUSLA has initiated a new mailing program which is known as bulk-rate mailing. As you may have noticed, the February issue of the MONITOR was mailed under this new method. In using this particular channel for mailing, the Society is saving about 46% on all of their publication mailing; and as you may have suspected, this mailing privilege also imposes some "musts" upon us:

1. Your complete address must carry your correct ZIP Code.
2. If you wish to remain on the mailing list, PLEASE notify us of any change in your mailing address immediately. Bulk-rate mail is not returned to the sender; so we no longer have any way of knowing of your change of address unless you advise us.
3. Any change in your address should be sent to: The MONITOR, c/o Dick MacDonald, 16950 Hartland Street, Van Nuys, CA. 91406 -or- you may call Dick at (213) 343-3364.

# Reversion Director's Corner



"How many sleepless nights have I spent mixing cement to build bridges I never had to cross."  
-- Gertrude MacDonalld  
1876 - 1954

## ATTENTION ALL FUSLA MEMBERS

Our Book Chairman, Irving Townsend, informs me that FUSLA members are urgently needed for volunteer work in placing *The Urantia Book* in libraries and help with the accompanying follow-up activities. This important service opportunity is essential for the wise dissemination of the revelation and FUSLA's growth. Please, if you can help, contact Irving at the meeting on February 1st, or call- (213) 473-4379.



# MARCH STUDY GROUP ACTIVITIES

<u>AREA</u> <u>CONTACT</u>	<u>MEETING DAY &amp; TIME</u> <u>PHONE</u>	<u>(FORMAT)</u> <u>&amp; TOPIC</u>
<u>Ventura County</u> Gary Reedy	1st & 3rd Mondays @ 7:30 PM (805) 484-2991	(Read and Discussion) Thought Adjusters
<u>Malibu</u> Duane & Lucile Faw	2nd & 4th Mondays @ 7:30 PM 456-9708	(Read and Discussion) Beginning Readers Group Jesus' Teachings in <u>The</u> <u>URANTIA Book and Bible</u>
<u>Santa Monica</u> Joanne Whitbread	Mondays @ 8:00 PM 450-4475	(Read and Discussion) The Jesus Papers
<u>Santa Monica</u> Vince Ventola	Wednesdays @ 8:00 PM 396-9180	(Prayer and Discussion) Thought Adjusters
<u>West Los Angeles</u> Dick Ziglar	Wednesdays @ 8:00 PM 474-8195	(Read and Discussion)
<u>South Bay</u> John & Jane Roper	Thursdays @ 8:30 PM 545-1450	(Open Forum, Discussion)
<u>Orange County</u> Pierre Chicoine	Mondays @ 7:00 PM (714) 761-1565	(Open Forum, Discussion)
<u>Van Nuys</u> Dick MacDonald	<u>ALTERNATE</u> Thursdays @ 8:00 PM 343-3364	(Open Forum, Discussion) Call for Information
<u>North Hollywood</u> Chick & Ellen Montgomery	Mondays @ 8:00 PM 763-6650	(Read and Discussion) The Jesus Papers
<u>Glendale</u> Jim Wanlass & Donna Byrum-Klavir	Tuesdays @ 8:00 PM 254-9056	(Read and Discussion) Papers 91-93 3rd Tuesday Open Forum

(The study group leaders gave FUSLA their permission to publish this list as a service to interested URANTIA Book readers. PLEASE -- Always call study group leaders before attending meetings.)



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