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August 09 Newsletter

Welcome to Purley Chase Centre Newsletter in which we will be keeping you up to date with what is happening here at the centre.



Hi Everyone,

Last week we had over 40 people mainly from America enjoying time at Purley with dancing singing and great piano and fiddle playing. They stayed for 13 days so you can imagine the house was full of laughter and life.

This week we have the 9-12yr olds staying and enjoying their summer camp, some for the first time so it is very exciting. Tomorrow they go on a trip to Twycross zoo hopefully the weather will improve. Love Anne

The good the bad and the ugly

Greetings! Aborigines believe that the shapes of things in the afterlife can change and that shapes of things are formed by the power of the minds of the people who live there: "The spiritual dimension is thought built. because of the plasticity of spiritual substance to thought power."¹ This also seems to apply to people's bodies.

In the next life, no thoughts can be hidden: "There is nothing concealed that will not be disclosed, or hidden that will not be made known."² Scary or what?! Swedenborg also says: "...the body of every spirit and angel is the outward form of his love, exactly corresponding to ... the form of his mind."³ In other words, if a person is truly good inside then he or she cannot help but look beautiful in the next life, even if they felt they were physically unattractive in this life and vice-versa. It seems that the only real and lasting beauty is one which radiates from a beautiful - wise and loving - personality; which will show to an extent in this life but much more so in the next.



So, if you wish to 'change your mind' or *regenerate* as the scriptures call it, it is suggested that one reads the scriptures of one's religion and interprets them from genuine love to the Lord and charity to the neighbour. Then try to live out the interpretation. Difficult!! But the rewards are probably out of this world.

¹ Understanding Aboriginal Culture' by Cyril Havecker p69. ² Luke Ch 12 vs 2. ³ Heaven and Hell by Swedenborg No. 363. <http://smallcanonsearch.com/read.php?book=hh§ion=363>

I wish you productive thoughts on the subject: Rev. David Gaffney

Events coming up over the next few months:

13-20 Summer Camp – 16th to 22nd August

<http://www.purleychasecentre.org.uk/centre-events/events/summer-camp-13-20-yr-olds.html>

Releasing our True Spirit – 25th to 27th August

<http://www.purleychasecentre.org.uk/centre-events/events/releasing-our-true-spirit1.html>

Trees of the Field – 11th to 13th September

<http://www.purleychasecentre.org.uk/centre-events/events/sacred-circle-dance1.html>

Prayer & Praise – 14th to 18th September

<http://www.purleychasecentre.org.uk/centre-events/events/autumn-studies1.html>

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