



URANTIA FOUNDATION'S NEWS ONLINE

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REPORT ON THE KICKOFF MEETING FOR THE REVISION OF THE SPANISH TRANSLATION

By Georges Michelson-Dupont, Vice President, Urantia Foundation, Recluses, France

Members of the revision team for the Spanish translation gathered at 533 W Diversey Parkway this past August for their first meeting. Present were Associate Trustee Olga López and Carmelo Martínez from Spain, Anibal Pacheco from Chile, and Raul Pujol from Puerto Rico. Also in attendance was Associate Trustee Víctor García Bory from New York, who is serving as liaison between the Translation Committee and the revision team. His work includes overseeing the project and coordinating the needs of the team members. Gard Jameson attended as a resource as did I, the Manager of Translations and the chair of the Translation Committee. Peter Russell was invited to serve as the meeting's facilitator.

The Meeting's Purpose

1. Facilitate, coordinate, and organize the team of four individuals who will be working together for at least five years on a profound revision of the two current Spanish translations.
2. Create conditions for a dynamic, loving, and working relationship in a spirit of cooperation based on the teachings of *The Urantia Book*.
3. Learn about each other in order to create a high performing team that is engaged in a project to create an in-depth revision and synthesis of Urantia Foundation's two current Spanish translations of *The Urantia Book*. It is our hope that it will be a beautiful translation that will appeal to the majority of the Spanish-speaking readers worldwide.

Unfolding of the Meeting

The meeting was conducted by Víctor García Bory and Peter Russell with the following agenda:

Friday: The Human Aspect

1. All persons introduced themselves and expressed their expectations.
2. Each member's role on the team was analyzed. Their talents, strengths and weaknesses were discovered. Problem solving techniques were discussed.
3. This sharing time together allowed for relationships to be established which was the main objective of this session.



Raul Pujol, Carmelo Martínez, Georges Michelson-Dupont, Olga López, Peter Russel, Víctor García-Bory, Gard Jameson, Anibal Pacheco.

Saturday: The Organization of the Team.

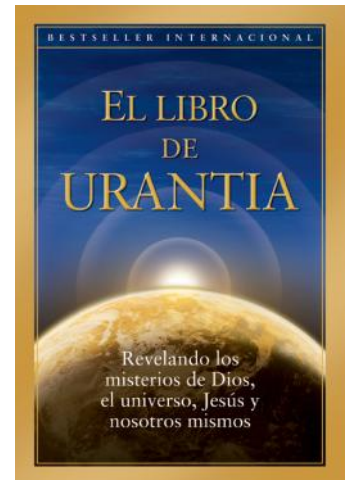
1. All member's roles were clearly defined as were details for their work flow.
2. An analysis and in-depth study was done regarding the guidelines and methodology to be used in this revision.
3. A demonstration was given on how the new translation website functions which was followed by practice exercises.

In Conclusion

Victor did an excellent job selecting the individuals of this team. He will report on the progress of the revision at our next board meeting. He is dedicated to the success of this project and has been responsive, constructive, and reliable.

The Foundation's Spanish Revision Team is comprised of dedicated individuals willing to work together in the spirit of brotherhood and cooperation.

It is clear to me that the human and technical qualities that each member brings will result in the accomplishment of this work. Their dedication, commitment, and desire to serve the Spanish communities on both sides of the Atlantic has started off the revision project well indeed!



NOTEWORTHY GOALS AND DECISIONS FROM THE JULY 2011 BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

By Mo Siegel, President, Urantia Foundation, Boulder, Colorado, USA

2011 Goals

Community Relations:

1. Increase goodwill and communications with readers and reader groups worldwide via quarterly newsletters, local reader gatherings, and foster organizational cooperation wherever possible.

Urantia Foundation has been working as a partner with a number of organizations devoted to spreading *The Urantia Book* throughout the world. Efforts towards cooperation will continue as the number of translations increases.

2. Increase community accessibility and usage of the facilities at 533 W Diversey Parkway in Chicago for activities directly related to furthering the Foundation's mission.

The doors of Urantia Foundation are open to Urantia Book organizations needing

meeting facilities for the purpose of furthering the Urantia Revelation. For further information please contact Tamara Strumfeld at tamara@urantia.org.

3. Involve younger readers in the work of the Urantia Revelation.

The on-going search for young leaders and volunteers continues. Any suggestions you may have are welcome.

Book Printing, Sales, and Distribution:

1. Increase book sales and distribution in 2011 by seven percent over the 20,000 books distributed in 2010. Sales and distribution targeted improvements include e-books, audios, book store sales, and web downloads.

Urantia Foundation's physical book sales for the first quarter of 2011 were slightly up. North American book stores continue to struggle with internet sales and digital book competition. Downloads of *The Urantia Book* are increasing at a dramatic rate so the goal will be reached, but the book industry remains challenging.

2. Increase distribution in North America, Brazil, Italy, Russia, Hungary, and Holland.

The work of Henk and Claire Mylanus in distributing *The Urantia Book* and its translations in Europe continues to solidify distribution in European markets. Despite the changing book market, sales continue.

3. Develop and implement a plan to expand the audio versions of *Urantia Book Translations*.

An effort to join forces with others interested in supporting this project continues. More information on providing audio versions of *The Urantia Book* and its translations will follow in the next few months.

Translations:

1. Advance the translations of *The Urantia Book* and revisions now in progress.

Updating translations is a high priority of Urantia Foundation. A revision process has been set into place for the Spanish, Portuguese and French translations. Work continues on the Chinese and Japanese translations. We are gaining momentum on the Chinese translation with a target date of publication in 2016.



2. Continue refining the new translation software.

Translation software to support translation projects and translation revision projects has been developed. This software improves the efficiency and accuracy of these projects.

Education:

1. Support the goal of creating 1000 study groups by 2025, cooperate with readers and organizations by supporting a centralized study group portal, participate in the study group initiative, and provide study group teacher and leadership training.

The Urantia Book Fellowship, Urantia Association International (UAI), and Urantia Foundation have launched a global, non-political, study group portal intended as the repository of all publically listed Urantia Book study groups in the world.

If you have not done so yet, please list your study group at: <http://www.urantiabookstudygroups.org/home.php>

The UBIS fall trimester included more courses than ever. Registration filled up within three days. For more information, please visit <http://www.urantia.org/en/education/course-schedule-and-registration-information>. The Spanish UBIS website is currently being developed with the Portuguese website following.

3. Investigate the implementation of hosting study forums, study group blogs, and interactive study group webinars at 533 W Diversey Parkway.

The Education Committee has plans to host forums and interactive workshops in the near future.

4. Cooperate with other individuals and organizations whose goal is educating others about The Urantia Book and its teachings.

This year's summer conferences were well attended by members of the Expanded Board of Urantia Foundation. More efforts are needed to provide quality educational experiences for readers.

has been met for the first half of 2011. The winter match fund raiser will be a big push this year. With anticipated pledges of \$180,000, raising another \$180,000 will be the goal.

3. Find people of means who will joyfully fund seeding The Urantia Book and its teachings throughout the world.

The financial goals of a not-for-profit require vigilance and accountability to our donors. We thank all of you who have given to our fundraising campaigns.

Building Renovation at 533 W Diversey Parkway:

1. Launch a capital fund drive to fully renovate the aging birthplace of the Fifth Epochal Revelation.

A new fund for the building renovation has been established. The second floor bedrooms and bathrooms are the focus of the 2011-2012 efforts. Major improvements will be seen on the second floor as a result of the generous donations to this project.

There is a download center for each translation which is accessible via each language's homepage on Urantia Foundation's website. Just click on download.

2. Finalize an electronic repository/database that synchronizes, coordinates, and safeguards the processes necessary to create error free printed books, eBooks, online texts, and all other forms of media.

HTML files for every translation on Urantia Foundation's website have been standardized according to the current, best practices. Work has begun on further transformation of these files by creating UBXML files that can be used for printing, digital books, internet, the translation software, and more.

Many thanks to Jay Peregrine, Jim Zigarelli, Larry Watkins, Tamara Strumfeld, Rob Reno, Mary Jo Garascia, Rogerio Silva, Georges Michelson-Dupont, and other anonymous servers.

Organizational Development:

1. Continue governance improvements at Urantia Foundation which include placing documents on Google Docs and providing continuing education for the team at the Foundation.

Most of the Foundation's vital documents are being uploaded to Google Docs, and team members are participating in educational classes for non-profits.

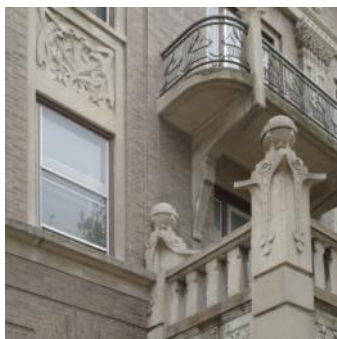
Budgets and Donations:

1. Stay within the approved 2011 operating budget which is under the operating budget of 2010.

Due to additional service opportunities that have arisen in 2011, the Board of Trustees approved new expenditures for the year. Our 2011 budget will be comparable to 2010. Annual operating expenses for Urantia Foundation continue to be about \$800,000.

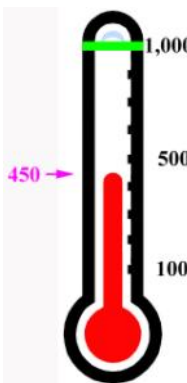
2. Increase donations and the number of donors by ten percent over 2010.

Thanks to the generous donations from readers, this fundraising goal



Safeguarding the Text:

1. Create the most user friendly internet download center at www.urantia.org that offers readers of The Urantia Book the most up-to-date versions of all translations formatted in the standard reference system.



STUDY GROUP GOAL

Special thanks go to Scott Brooks and his team for all the work they have done creating this site. Together we can help study groups grow from approximately 450 groups to 1000 groups by 2025.

2. Support the efforts of The

Urantia Book Internet School (UBIS) to double the classes offered and begin offering courses in Spanish and Portuguese.

Decisions

1. Finnish Urantia Books:

Book sales have significantly slowed in Finland, and there is a perceived need to attract younger people. The Board approved the printing of a soft cover Finnish book with a new cover to help increase sales.

2. New Leather Books in English:

The Board approved the creation of a new leather book that will be bound with durable blue and white book covers. These gift books will be available for Christmas.

3. Use of Social Media:

Urantia Foundation has a long standing policy that members of the Expanded Board not post on internet discussion boards. The Board adopted a resolution that members may participate in discussions about *The Urantia Book* on the Foundation's Facebook page as well as their own social network sites.

4. New Social Media Roundtable at 533 W Diversey Parkway:

With the global growth of social media, the Board approved convening a Social Media Roundtable at 533 W Diversey Parkway in Chicago. The invited participants will be social media experts within the Urantia Book reading community. This meeting will take place in 2012.

5. History of the Revelation:

Decades ago Emma Christensen, an "adopted" daughter to Dr. Sadler, began a history of *The Urantia Book* which has not been completed. Urantia Foundation is working with historian, Dr Sioux Oliva, to facilitate the production of a history of *The Urantia Book* from the early 1900s to the time of its publication in 1955. Other members of the Education Committee are contributing to this history project.

6. Broadening Urantia Foundation's Planning Team:

Because so much of the work of Urantia Foundation is accomplished through committees, the board decided to broaden the planning process to include individuals beyond the Expanded Board. The January planning meeting will



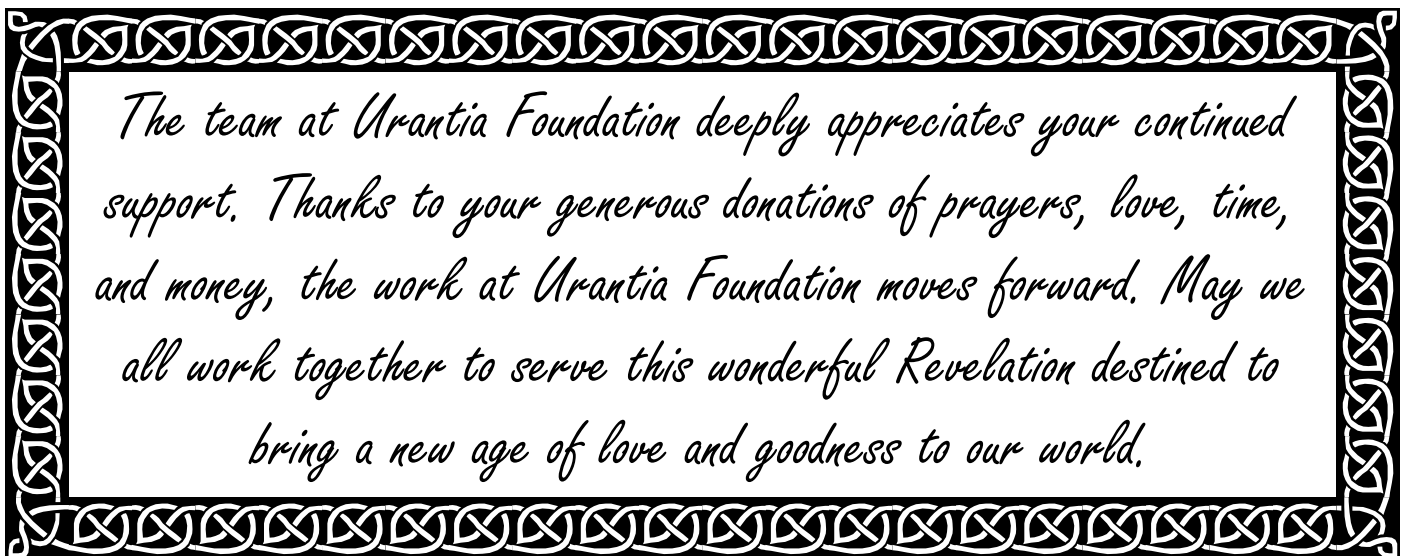
Emma Christensen

include former expanded board members, Urantia Foundation staff, and committee members. Our hope is to enlarge the circle of wisdom and create a broader shared vision.

My Comments

In a mere 56 years, the Urantia Revelation has spread from a small handful of believers in Chicago to readers throughout the world. Revelatory light now glimmers in virtually every continent on this planet. We have come a long way from selling three books in 1957 to having 710,000 physical books in print.

The team at Urantia Foundation deeply appreciates your continued support. Thanks to your generous donations of prayers, love, time, and money, the work at Urantia Foundation moves forward. May we all work together to serve this wonderful Revelation destined to bring a new age of love and goodness to our world.



URANTIA BOOK READERS STUDY TOGETHER THIS SUMMER



By Marilyn Kulieke, Secretary, Urantia Foundation, Lincolnshire, Illinois, USA

What a great summer for studying *The Urantia Book*! In mid-July, Urantia Association International sponsored a Leadership Symposium in Techny, Illinois. At the end of July, The Urantia Book Fellowship held their international conference in Salt Lake City, Utah.

The theme of the Leadership Symposium was "Building Community—One Study Group at a Time." The four day conference included morning plenaries, large group presentations, and afternoon workshops where the same group members worked together for the entire conference. Pato Banton performed on Thursday evening, and a musical concert was given by Robert Solone and Cristina Seaborn on Saturday evening. The conference concluded with a moving worship time featuring music, singing, and the reading of one of Jesus' sermons from *The Urantia Book*.

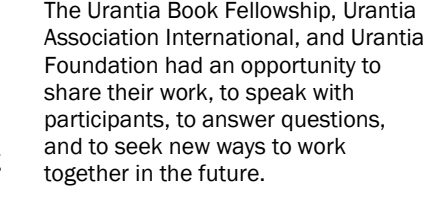
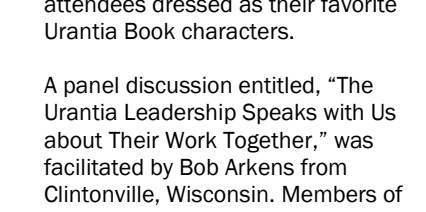
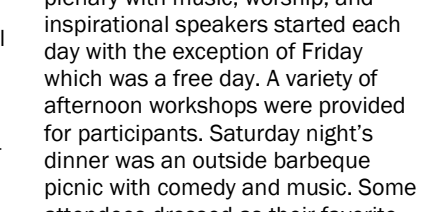
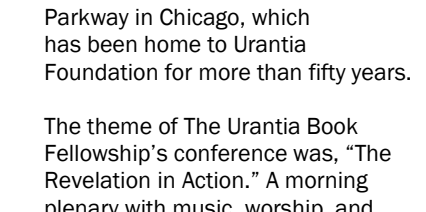
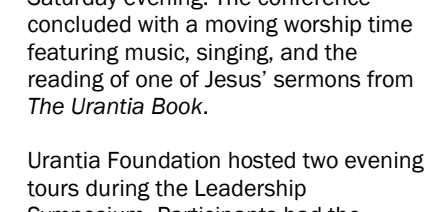
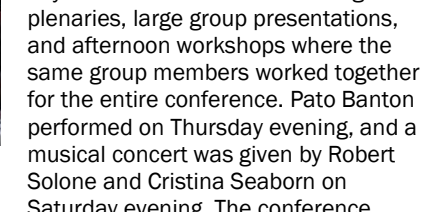
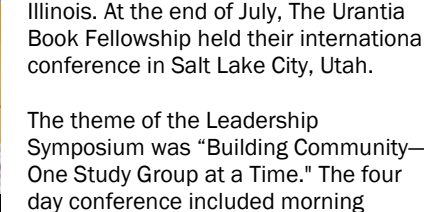
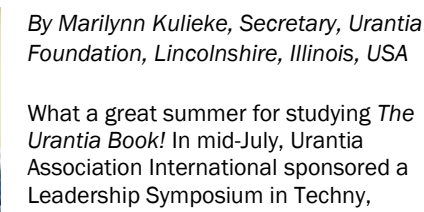
Urantia Foundation hosted two evening tours during the Leadership Symposium. Participants had the opportunity to visit with the Trustees and to learn about 533 W Diversey

Parkway in Chicago, which has been home to Urantia Foundation for more than fifty years.

The theme of The Urantia Book Fellowship's conference was, "The Revelation in Action." A morning plenary with music, worship, and inspirational speakers started each day with the exception of Friday which was a free day. A variety of afternoon workshops were provided for participants. Saturday night's dinner was an outside barbeque picnic with comedy and music. Some attendees dressed as their favorite Urantia Book characters.

A panel discussion entitled, "The Urantia Leadership Speaks with Us about Their Work Together," was facilitated by Bob Arkens from Clintonville, Wisconsin. Members of The Urantia Book Fellowship, Urantia Association International, and Urantia Foundation had an opportunity to share their work, to speak with participants, to answer questions, and to seek new ways to work together in the future.

Overall, it was a great summer for study and furthering the Urantia Revelation throughout the world.



TRAINING TEACHERS/FACILITATORS FOR THE URANTIA BOOK INTERNET SCHOOL



By Marta Elders, Associate Trustee, Darien, Connecticut, USA

This past June ten previous students from the Urantia Book Internet School (UBIS) had the pleasure and challenge of taking the Teacher/Facilitator training session for UBIS courses led by Dorothy Elder.

The four week period focused on:

Week 1) qualities of an effective teacher;

Week 2) the process of developing a course with appropriate and meaningful questions;

Week 3) UBIS procedures for students and teachers including problem solving techniques; and

Week 4) the procedural process working with the UBIS system, course review committee (CRC), teacher/facilitator requirements, and any additional thoughts that arose throughout the process.

During the first week of the training Dorothy wisely encouraged us to consider our own experiences over the years and reflect on the teachers who have been most influential in our lives. What were the qualities we deemed most important and/or essential? By having each of us look to our own experiences, we moved into the "of" rather than the "about" sense of teaching. We then reflected on the abilities/qualities needed to be a successful UBIS teacher/

facilitator and what skills are needed to engage in internet teaching. This experience reinforced our own wisdom and allowed us to focus on "discovery" rather than "interpretation" which is the hallmark of the UBIS project.

Our second week assignment was to design a course, state its purpose, write an intro for the first paper/section to be studied, and offer three questions. Courses were either topical or thematic, and many of us commented that we would love to attend the courses that were being put forward by others. During this period we considered each question using Bloom's taxonomy—knowledge, comprehension, application, analysis, synthesis, and evaluation. Using this classification as well as considering questions in terms of fact, meaning, and value, gave us more clarity and understanding of learning.

As we began the third week

we looked more closely at the expectations for students and discussed different ways to support their learning and involvement. We also discussed how to accomplish this in the UBIS format. We pondered ways to respectfully interact with students while maintaining structure and openness to all while focusing on *The Urantia Book* and its teachings. This led to an inquiry approach as to how to solve problems as they arise during a course.

In the course's final week we learned more about the teacher/facilitator requirements, procedure for course preparation, and the available UBIS support and mentoring system. Dorothy modeled the teaching/facilitating style that has been shown to be successful. It became quite clear that while we don't "teach" truth, we can live truth in such a way that it is perceptible to others.

PLANNED GIVING TO URANTIA FOUNDATION



By Gard Jameson, Treasurer, Urantia Foundation, Boulder City, Nevada, USA

Urantia Foundation's legacy

has been, is, and will be to preserve inviolate the text of *The Urantia Book*. With its new Standard Reference Text that was created in collaboration with The Urantia Book Fellowship, we have created an elegant quality of textual integrity in perpetuity. Urantia Foundation is endeavoring to do all in its power to carry out its sacred trust and mission to seed *The Urantia Book* and its teachings throughout the world.

The Urantia Book Internet School is breaking new ground in providing quality education in English, and soon, Spanish

and Portuguese will follow. There will continue to be educational forums hosted at 533 W Diversey Parkway to promote in-depth understanding and appreciation of the teachings of *The Urantia Book*.

Part of the charge of the Trustees is to make sure that its trust is financially stable. To that end, the Trustees have initiated a program designed to invite planned gifts by those who share the vision of seeding the Fifth Epochal Revelation throughout the world. As Ralph Zehr, a longtime

reader, asks, "What greater gift and opportunity do we have?"

Planned gifts represent the responsible distribution of significant wealth during one's life or at the time of our passing onto the Mansion Worlds. Significant wealth is any amount over \$1,000. Planned gifts can be incorporated into one's will or trust very simply by using proper language. There are a variety of trust formats that can provide ongoing financial support for the donor while providing a significant gift at one's passing. Urantia

Foundation has available some helpful information and guidance for making planned gifts. To receive information on planned giving, please contact Jay Peregrine at +1-773-525-3319, or urantia@urantia.org.

We encourage you to consider a planned gift to benefit the spreading of the Fifth Epochal Revelation. Each and every Trustee of Urantia Foundation thanks you for your consideration of such a gift.

Through our work with the Expanded Board of Trustees, with wise representation from all parts of the planet, we seek to be worthy stewards of this revelation. We greatly appreciate your input and your assistance. May our

generation be the one to secure the long-term financial stability of this Epochal Revelation as we bring it to the peoples of our beleaguered planet! May each of us find a way to be a blessing through the Urantia

REPORT FROM THE PIPELINE OF LIGHT 2003-2011



By Michelle Klimesh, Pipeline of Light Coordinator, Danville, California, USA

This summer the Pipeline of Light reached a milestone. In the eight years since its inception, a total of three thousand copies of *The Urantia Book* have been placed with readers around the world. The Pipeline of Light is a service of The Urantia Book Fellowship. Our efforts, however, are truly cooperative with the bulk of books we ship out each year being translations published by Urantia Foundation. The Spanish translation, *El libro de Urantia*, is our most highly requested book.

Readers from the following 71 countries have received *The Urantia Book* from the Pipeline:

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| Algeria | France |
| Argentina | Germany |
| Armenia | Ghana |
| Australia | Greece |
| Bahrain | Guinea |
| Belize | Guatemala |
| Bolivia | Haiti |
| Botswana | Honduras |
| Brazil | Hungary |
| Bulgaria | Iceland |
| Cameroon | India |
| Canada | Italy |
| Chechnya | Kenya |
| Chile | Kyrgyzstan |
| China | Lithuania |
| Colombia | Malaysia |
| Costa Rica | Maldives |
| Croatia | Mexico |
| Cuba | Moldavia |
| Cyprus | Myanmar |
| Dominican Rep. | Nepal |
| Ecuador | Nicaragua |
| Egypt | Nigeria |
| El Salvador | Pakistan |
| England | Palestine |
| Fiji | |



Sandra Cabezas's Study Group in Ecuador Received Six Spanish Urantia Books from the Pipeline

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| Panama | Russia | Switzerland |
| Peru | South Africa | Taiwan |
| Philippines | South Korea | Togo |
| Poland | South Vietnam | Turkey |
| Romania | Spain | |

I deeply appreciate the continuing efforts of the Pipeline volunteers and the continuing donations from readers who make our work possible. If you would like to support this outreach effort, contact us at <http://stores.homestead.com/UrantiaBook/-strse-Pipeline-of-Light/Categories.bok>



A READER'S EXPERIENCE STAYING AT 533 W DIVERSEY PARKWAY



By Clemens Trauzattel, Dresden, Germany

How would you imagine a visit to a place of "living history?" Did you ever think something like..."if walls could talk?" It would be too easy to say that the building at 533 W Diversey Parkway is such a place. And while the Urantia Revelation lives in the hearts of men and women, and a physical place cannot be an inner home like the place where the spirit meets our personal minds, still, there is something about this building.



What place on earth could have a comparable meaning to us, like the Isle of Paradise has for all the energy of the master universe? While the Revelators hoped for us to be "inside" the book, to share our inner life with God, still, in some way, this former house of the Sadler family has given birth to a way of life.

I have been reading *The Urantia Book* for about ten years, and I never really thought of the Foundation existing somewhere other than in my mind. However, one evening during the UAI conference this past July, I took a bus ride from that place in my mind to the beautiful art nouveau building at 533 W Diversey Parkway in Chicago. Imagine the flair of the situation I found myself in; meeting Urantians from 24 countries and learning of their personal life-approaches and their unique ways of dedication to what they see and do. The air of inspiration, the nights of exchange instead of sleep, the days of spirit-learning instead of the normal routine; this was a real "Whoopee" for me.

Now try to imagine what I experienced when I entered the open house of Urantia Foundation. The Trustees were present. The building was slowly radiating out feelings of calmness and welcoming. The light from the walls reflected warmth from the wood and the items of the interior. How could one not enjoy this time and this place as an encapsulation of what has been accomplished until here and now?

On the second floor, people sat around the conference table. Little groups gathered on the balcony enjoying some sky above their heads along with conversation, people met in the



533 Conference Room

kitchen, had conversations in the corridor, everywhere. Meanwhile, Tamara Strumfeld and Mike Wood were showing us the staff's offices and the visiting room on the first floor.



The Urantia Book was on a table in the entrance hall. Carefully framed in light from the right and left, it was the center of the building and the mirror of life within it. In some way, it would be the first and the last thing you would see when returning to or leaving Urantia Foundation.

Dr. Sadler's wooden bookcases were beautiful and well-tended with hardcover and leather-bound books. His desk, seeming not quite so modern through the eyes of today, allowed us to imagine what it would have been like in the early 1900s.

After Techny, I spent an entire week at Urantia Foundation before traveling to Salt Lake City to attend The Urantia Book Fellowship's conference. During my stay, I observed the staff at work and caught a glimpse of them performing the multiple tasks required

to run such a unique foundation. I also visited the basement and saw all of the books in storage. Many interesting rooms had copies of books in a multitude of languages.

The study group on Tuesday evening had a neat vanguard of skillful cooks who prepared a welcoming dish for all the attendees. Many guests from the Techny Conference were present. An elegant conference table, shaped like an ellipsoid, with comfortable conference chairs is in the same room that the original Forum held its gatherings. It offers an ideal place for such meetings.

Guests stay on the second floor of the Foundation, which seems built to host any group or individual. Mike Wood contributed so much to our experience that we felt at



Mike Wood

home. He took us around town, showed us the evening silhouette of Chicago, and had us as guests at the Piano Bar in Maggianos.

Jacob Dix, also spending the week at Urantia Foundation, gifted me with the understanding that the work of receiving this revelation was hard. If we dive into the lives of those who came before us and



Bettina Strumfeld

how they produced the earth counterpart of our heavenly

revelation, we can appreciate what we have.

There were also lessons learned. Bettina, the daughter of Tamara, taught me that American frogs make "Ribbit." I was perplexed because German frogs make "Quaak." There is life in 533 W Diversey Parkway, and it feels beautiful.

I hope to deepen many of the contacts and feelings I have experienced during my stay at Urantia Foundation. But even more, I hope that my own life's moving and static centers are not in any way excluded from the daily presence of spirit. I am grateful for this beautiful time.

COMMENTS FROM READERS

What *The Urantia Book* Means to Me

In the first 55 years of my eternal life, I have experienced many "game changing," life-impacting events: first physical life awareness, first moral decision, first day of school, first Little League home run, turning 13, finally winning a fight with my big brother, Daryl, being Toledo Mud Hen's batboy, the graduation of loved ones, first love, first kiss, loss of innocence, Secretariat turning for home, being captain of my high school baseball team, giving my life to God, true appreciation of my family, moving away from home, first day on a real job, living on the beach, making new friends, family health realities, moving back home, my mother's on-going smile, graduation of friends, marriage (finally), and my mother and brother's guiding light—just to name a few. And



although I did not realize it at the time, 35 years ago, the most life-changing event of all was the day I found *The Urantia Book*, or perhaps it found me—I'm not sure which.

The Urantia Book has taught me everything I really need to know. It has revealed to me the deepest truths and mysteries of life and introduced me to so many wonderful fellow Urantia Book readers. It has made ultimate sense of the past, present, and eternal destiny of mankind. It is my spiritual-life guidebook and source for all things eternally significant. It has taught me the beautiful attributes of a great life and the values of being good, reasonable, wise, faithful, merciful, tolerant, truthful, trustful, trusting, appreciative, courageous, hopeful, patient, sympathetic, loyal, unselfish, humble, sincere, adventurous, curious, fearless, kind, fair, just, serving of others, loving of work, humorous, cheerful, zealous, enthusiastic, positive, calm, peaceful, righteous, ego-free, low in pride, prayerful, and worshipful—just to name a few.

What a blessing and privilege it has been to live most of this first life knowing just a few of the amazing absolute truths that Michael knew when he lived his life here on earth as Jesus. How great it has been

that *The Urantia Book* has made me aware of the fragment of God that lives within me and that I can have a personal relationship with God through this divine gift... that God dwells within me and leads me Godward, every step of the way, and by choosing to cooperate with God and do his will, life continues after physical death.

I am forever grateful that *The Urantia Book* has taught me how to prepare for the eternity of life; to cherish every day of life; to love the truth; to desire to do good to others; that life is an endless career of adventure, an everlasting life of anticipation, an eternal voyage of discovery; and to simply love one another.

I love *The Urantia Book*!

Stay gold my brothers and sisters. I so look forward to growing with you throughout eternity and becoming perfected spirits in Paradise with you.

Life is beautiful!

Michael Berry, Columbus, Ohio, USA

The Urantia Book has taught me everything I really need to know. It has revealed to me the deepest truths and mysteries of life and introduced me to so many wonderful fellow Urantia Book readers.

How can
God be
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and also
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So Many Questions Answered

When I think of how my mind has expanded cosmically because of the teachings within *The Urantia Book*, I feel total gratitude and appreciation. I now have tangible explanations for who is God the Father? What is the Trinity? How is Jesus the begotten Son of God? How can God be everywhere and also within me? How do I fit into the plan of perfection? I now have a concept of what omnipotent, omnipresent and omniscient means.

I've learned how important my life and freewill decisions are and how they affect the big picture, the Supreme Being. It has expanded my thoughts and mind on the other beings our Universal Father has created in different dimensions of reality. For me to realize that we are a vast family of created beings all working to perfect our Father's plan of perfection is the best "gig" going! If our Universal Father was running for the office of First

Source and Center, I would vote for him again. He is the Absolute Best!

This book has revealed so much truth to me. It has answered so many questions I have had about who I am, what is life about, and what happens after this life. I am so excited about the eternal journey of everlasting life. It is everlasting because you can never learn all there is to know about our infinite Father, ever!

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I am blessed and grateful!

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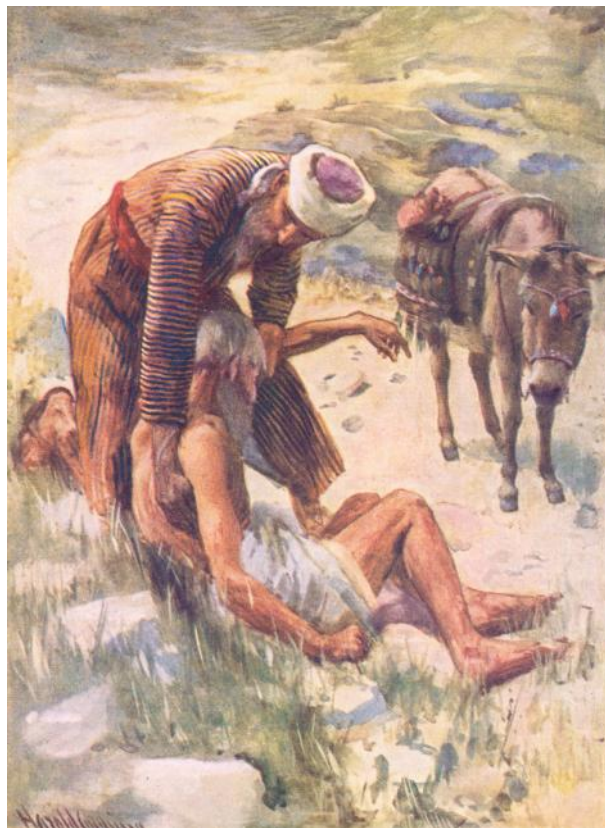
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