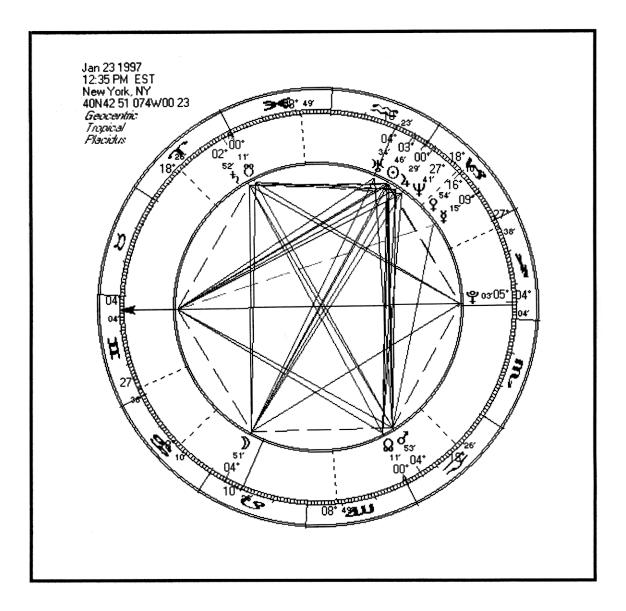


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A Heavenly Tribute



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† Gloria In Excelsis Deo †

At this Holy Time we wish all Members and sympathizers an enjoyable and Spiritually prosperous New Year. We Pray that you may be surrounded by the Holy protection of Almighty God so that you may enjoy good health and happiness throughout the years to come. May you find the inspiration and fortitude to allow that Spark of The Divine Creator, within you all, to manifest as a brilliant Divine Light which will guide you forever onwards and upwards into the Glorious Realms of Enlightenment. Go always with God.

His Eminence Dr. Sir George King, Metropolitan Archbishop of The Aetherius Churches.

JANUARY 23, 1997 A HEAVENLY TRIBUTE

There will be a very rare and favourable planetary alignment on January 23rd, 1997 (Earthyear 33.200), which will be expressed in the heavens as a perfect six-pointed Star. People and groups all over the world will be cooperating with this amazing heavenly event by sending out Prayers to help heal and uplift our world.

I first became aware of this as I was glancing through a well-known New Age magazine. (Note 1.) A brief article entitled "Dawning of the Age of Aquarius" caught my eye - and my breath. Having studied astrology for many years, I realized at once that something very special was about to happen in a few weeks time.

In this period leading up to the new millennium, there have been many fascinating planetary alignments. Many astrologers have predicted doom and disaster. Some of us believe that if it had not been for the Cosmic awareness and manipulations of our Master and his uncanny sense of timing, devastation would have been rife. However, his presence among us and his unique link with the Cosmic Masters has enabled a majestic symphony of Cosmic Energies to be strategically performed so that mankind can gain the necessary rise in consciousness to enter the New Age.

The planetary pattern due on January 23rd is one which is very rare: a perfect six-pointed Star, *the Star of David*. This ancient symbol is considered to be an all-powerful talisman, being the perfect sign of The Absolute. It symbolizes the aspiration of the lower self towards the higher self.

The triangle with its apex pointing upwards symbolizes the Trinity, which has been expressed in many religions, but in its highest aspect means Creation, Preservation and Transmutation, as described in *The Nine Freedoms*. (Note 2.) The triangle with its apex pointing downwards represents the material world and the "enemies" of the Soul. When put together, the six-pointed Star is regarded as the triumph of Spirit over matter and has often been associated with healing, protection and universal harmony. According to our Master, this also represents Cosmic Man. (Note 3.)

It is significant in all the major world religions, including our own Church. It was the Interplanetary Spacecraft, known throughout the ages as the Star of Bethlehem which heralded the birth of the Master Jesus and the dawning of the Age of Pisces. It was on Holdstone Down, during the fateful meeting between our Master and the Master Jesus at the start of Operation Starlight, when the Venusian Avatar of Love raised his Rod of Power from Venus which culminated in a crystal in the shape of a six-pointed Star.

And, of course, we must not forget that our Master is the Star Pupil of the Master Aetherius!

Also, according to Pythagoras, the number six was one of the extremely rare "perfect" numbers, the sum of whose divisors exactly equal it -6(3, 2, 1). Only four of these numbers then existed -6, 28, 496 and 8,128 and the number six was therefore afforded great respect. (Note 4.) Offering such perfection as it does, it also is the number of responsibility! (Note 5.) Many also regard it as the number of universal Love.

One does not need to be an astrologer to recognize the perfection of this planetary alignment. In fact, a vitally important aspect of the "art" of astrology is an intuitive understanding of the first impression that the overall shape and form the horoscope makes. However, one who has studied the art and science of astrology would immediately recognize how unusual such geometric perfection is in any chart; something which may not be seen for many, many lives. Three of the outer Planets, Jupiter, Uranus and Neptune, are joined together for the first time in almost two hundred years. Not since the Renaissance have all five outer-most Planets been so harmoniously arrayed.

This cluster of Planets will centre on the first degrees of Aquarius, joined by the Sun, with the Full Moon opposite them all. This Sun/Moon opposition often means, amongst other things, an unwillingness to let go of the past, which will be relevant at this time of change. It is particularly revealing here, since many astrologers believe that this planetary pattern may be a symbolic representation of the long heralded dawning of the Age of Aquarius.

Apparently this chart was accidentally discovered by an astrologer looking for the culmination of a very long-term cycle involving Neptune (associated with mysticism, Spiritual vision and also dissolution) with Uranus (which rules the sign of Aquarius and is associated with revolution and sudden change). These two slow-moving Planets, which last came together almost two hundred years ago, have been together now throughout the 1990's and have signified many global changes. An example of their influence is the revolution by dissolution that took place in the Soviet Union (when in 1989, they were also joined by Saturn). (Note 6.)

It was on April 2nd, 1995 (Earthyear 31.269), that the Planet Uranus first entered its "own" sign of Aquarius and many people have felt the quickening of vibrations and the dawning of the New Age more than ever before. (Note 7.)

In 1997, Uranus and Neptune will be joined by Jupiter, representing the principle of benevolent expansion. Jupiter will also provide a new optimism and joy, combined with the protective power that this Planet brings to us. This will signify the emergence of a new Spiritual impulse - or the potential at least, for astrology represents potential until we, as human channels, decide to use these Cosmic energies in a positive, consciously-controlled manner.

Other aspects in the chart represent a time of new beginnings, particularly with several of the slower moving Planets having recently moved into new signs. Saturn in Aries is the time for us to stand firmly on our own two feet and already the challenges are being felt. Pluto in Sagittarius is bringing, among other things, a new honesty in religion, and hypocrisy will be replaced through Spiritual transmutation. This time of rebirth also implies a painful process for those who are unwilling to let go of old, worn-out notions which do not belong to this dawning New Age.

Any grouping of Planets seen in a chart represents, as one might expect, a focus of power and energy at that point. The focus in this chart is in the signs of Capricorn and Aquarius, both signs very strongly associated with our Master. He has not only had the vision and the genius to bring about a Spiritual revolution on this Earth (Aquarius), but he has always done so with great precision, discipline and practicality (Capricorn). He has not only visualized his fantastic dream for peace, but he has built even the foundation stones of it himself, brick by brick, with his bare hands. There could never be such an example of a practical visionary as is our Master. These two signs also represent this New Age of Aquarius, which is ruled by both Uranus and Saturn, the Planets associated with the sign of Capricorn.

January 23rd, 1997, will be a time for making our vision for peace and enlightenment a practical reality!

In growing excitement at the possibilities for this day, I asked Steven Medway if he could search the Internet for any other references to this event. Sure enough, several pages were devoted to the idea of a "Global Meditation and Prayer on January 23rd, 1997."

This was the inspiration of a group called the GaiaMind Project, who have this vision of the day:

"Imagine people all over the world sharing a moment of meditation and prayer, a moment of unified global consciousness when people from the world's many diverse spiritual traditions simultaneously focus attention on our interconnected relationship with Gaia - the Living Earth. Each person bringing love, compassion and understanding to embrace the possibility of healing the social, ecological and spiritual challenges before us." (Note 8.)

As I read this several times, I was deeply uplifted. It was as if I suddenly knew beyond any doubt that our Master's work had indeed changed the consciousness of mankind. I cast my mind over the tremendous diversity of belief and thought upon this Planet; the different religions, philosophies and belief-systems that motivated and moved people. I recalled those simple but wise words of the Master Aetherius:

"If you are a Christian, then live the Laws as laid down by Jesus. If you are a Buddhist, live the Laws as laid down by Buddha. If you are a Hindu, then be the best Hindu. This procedure is the one true way for men of Earth to save themselves from their lower aspects." (Note 9.)

This approach seems very relevant now at the moment of dissolution and rebirth when the barriers between us all must come down so that we can, in love and understanding, work together as the one human family that we are, overcoming all barriers, of race, colour or creed.

The Aetherius Society, with its profound and advanced Teachings, can lead the way in New Age thought and action but will also serve, by influence, to fan the flames of Spirituality within the hearts of all good men and women, despite their own religious beliefs. As a truly New Age organization, the Society can help dogma and limitation to be replaced by wisdom, understanding and a global consciousness.

How can we best cooperate with this beautiful heavenly symbology and expression of Divine Power? One proposal for a creative response to the alignment read:

"This alignment may represent a nodal point in a year which promises to be to the 90's what1968-69 was to the 60's. While the 60's were characterized by a Dionysian revolution, the 90's have already been marked by revolution by dissolution, and are full of potential for a sudden Spiritual transformation in 1997.

"May we all have a hand in bringing this into being together leading to the birth of collective planetary awareness." (Note 10.)

The effect of this amazing planetary alignment will last for some time. However, as the Moon and certain of the Planets move relatively quickly through the heavens, the formation of the six-pointed Star will only last for several minutes at any given location on Earth. The first point of the Star depicted in the heavenly horoscope is actually the ascendant, which is a term for the astrological sign which is rising in the sky. This, of course, changes for each degree of longitude on Earth as the Planet turns, just as the sunrise gradually sweeps over the Planet from east to west. The GaiaMind Project has chosen to use the exact time of the alignment over New York City as the time to ask people all over the world to tune in and cooperate in unison in the following way:

"On January 23rd, meditate, pray or do whatever brings you into closer contact with the Divine for five minutes, starting at the local equivalent of 12:30 p.m. EST Then, at 12:35 p.m. EST, join in a minute of focused visualization." (This is 9:30 to 9:36 a.m. PST in Los Angeles, and 5:30 to 5:36 p.m. GMT in London.) The GaiaMind group believes this will "help catalyze the evolution of consciousness and potentiate global healing."

Our Master, when hearing of this time of global Prayer, immediately went into action. Ever moved by any expression of mankind's Divine potential, he scheduled Power Circles to be held at all Headquarters, Branches and Groups throughout the world on the evening of January 23rd and instructed that the Energy be dedicated to peace and upliftment for all mankind. Plans are also underway for OPERATION PRAYER POWER discharges to **take place at the time of simultaneous global Prayer (12:30 to 12:36 p.m. EST, New York time).**

His Eminence is also arranging other special Operations in cooperation with this global Spiritual outpouring.

Our Master urges that all Members and sympathizers of The Aetherius Society promote this as a day of global Prayer. At the time of going to press, plans are already being made to spread this in the media, and press releases are being written to encourage people of all religions to join together in cooperation with this heavenly event.

After all, we have been told by the Karmic Lord Mars Sector 6, that it is cooperation between man and man and organization and organization that *"will be the platform upon which salvation can be built."* (Note 11.)

As well as our concerted efforts to make this a day of global outpouring, we should also prepare for this time of Spiritual awakening in our own lives. Perhaps there are barriers we need to bring down in order to cooperate fully with the New Age. Perhaps we have prejudices, fears and insecurities which hold us back. In Nelson Mandela's inspired Inaugural Speech in 1994 he gave fascinating insights into some of mankind's most common failings:

"Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate. Our deepest fear is that we are powerful beyond measure. It is our light, not our darkness, that frightens us. We ask ourselves, who am I to be brilliant, gorgeous, talented and fabulous? Actually who are you not to be? You are a child of God."

The Cosmic Masters have often urged us to express the Divinity within. In the joyful words of Mars Sector 6: "*Eat, drink and grow into the very Gods from whence you came!*" (Note 12.)

As we join together in one concerted effort to make this a day of Spiritual awakening, we should also remind ourselves of this extract from a Transmission delivered by the Master Aetherius on May 14th, 1958. (Note 13.) These words offer a definite prophecy for the future and perhaps this heavenly six-pointed Star due on January 23rd, 1997, will also serve to remind us of the Star of which He speaks:

Look for a Star

"It is vitally important that all groups become as active as possible at this time, so that the whole of Terra may be helped a great deal. In fact, I will say this, that those groups who do become active for the Planet as a whole will receive knowledge, wisdom, inspiration from all sources. Those groups who are mostly concerned with their own petty organizations, will not receive this inspiration from any source save their own basic sources. That is definite!

"A great move is on foot to release as much Light as possible into Terra during these dark days, so that Terra may be prepared to take the 'test of fire' - as it has been referred to - when it comes.

"The Aetherius Society will have quite a job to do. One job it will have to do is to inform other groups of their responsibility to Terra as a whole. Yes, it is so! It is so!

"Now, I would like to say this. You should look for a Star, which will shine in the East, and it will be very bright. It will glow with blues and golden colours. When you see this, you should all meet in silence, looking not through your two eyes, but through your one Eye and then Power will be given to you."

January 23rd, 1997, can be a bright new dawn for us all; a time when we cast aside our reservations and liberate ourselves from our fears so that we can play our full and active part in the dawning New Age.

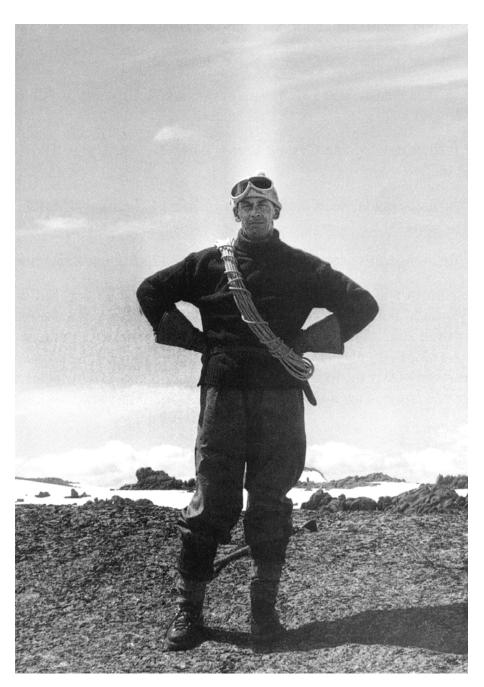
As well as all this, it is the commemoration of our Master's 78th birthday!

And, with an uncanny magic, the Spiritual Energy Radiators in London and Los Angeles will be discharging Spiritual Energy "in memory of a great Adept," to be manipulated by the Masters from Gotha *at the exact time the alignment sweeps over London and Los Angeles!* (Note 14.)

The timing of this Spiritual Monument for our Master was set by the Masters from Gotha and sanctioned by the Lord Babaji <u>eight years ago</u>, in 1989!

How about that, folks!

The Rev. Chrissie Shafe, American Headquarters.



Our Master, His Eminence Sir George King, during the performance of Operation Starlight, a Mission for which, like many others, he was chosen by the Cosmic Masters over all other people on Earth.

- NOTE 1: Published in *Whole Life Times*, Los Angeles, California, Issue No. 175, November 1996.
- NOTE 2: For further information on the Divine Triangle, see *The Nine Freedoms*, published by The Aetherius Society.
- NOTE 3: Information regarding the symbology of the Star of David provided by The Rev. Alyson Lawrence, European Headquarters.
- NOTE 4: Ref. Pythagoras: Lover of Wisdom, by Ward Rutherford.
- NOTE 5: Ref. The Numbers of Life, by Kevin Quinn Avery.
- NOTE 6: For details of The Aetherius Society's role in this, see *Cosmic Voice*, Volume 11, Issues 1, 2 & 3, January 1990.
- NOTE 7: Ref. Planetary Ephemeris 1950-2000.
- NOTE 8: For further details on email, see "info@gaiamind.com".
- NOTE 9: For further details, see Cosmic Voice, Issue 20.
- NOTE 10: For further details, see *The Aetherius Society Newsletter*, Volume 11, Issue 5, March 1972.
- NOTE 11: For further details, see *Cosmic Voice*, Issue 24, April/May 1961, "Cooperation Will Save You."
- NOTE 12: For further details, see *Cosmic Voice*, Issue 14, February/March 1958, "Ye Are Gods."
- NOTE 13: For further details, see Cosmic Voice, Issue 17, August/September 1958.
- NOTE 14: The pattern will be exact at 12:35 p.m. in New York City, but will sweep over the entire Planet at between noon and 1:00 p.m., depending upon the exact longitude within your time zone. The planetary alignment sweeps over London at 12:03 p.m. GMT and over Los Angeles at 12:49 p.m. PST. The Spiritual Monument Operations are from 12 noon to 1:00 p.m. local time in both London and Los Angeles. To find the exact time for your location, cast a chart with 4 degrees Gemini rising on January 23rd, 1997.

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