



# Madonna Ministry International

## Happy Holiday 2008

Dearest MM's,

We have come full circle again in the wheel of time, seasons, and all our relations – to another Winter Solstice and Christmas. As the world races to dismantle the past structures that no longer serve, and we usher in new structures, welcoming new leaderships that ignites new hope and a new sense of shared global community; we are here once again: to welcome the birth of the Christ-Child Spirit and Self into our Being, to midwife our own rebirth as well as those we guide, mentor, teach, and love.

On the 3-D level, the Madonna Ministry has accomplished so much, and has traveled thousands of miles, and made a difference in small or large ways, and gave of our hearts, touched some many through our words and deeds. We have also learned so much, through our own journeys, as well as the journey of the Ministry. We have welcomed back ministers and bishops who have gone on their own personal journeys for a while, and have returned to the warm loving MMI Family. And we are soooo excited at all the new and creative projects that are emerging out of our dreams and into manifestation in 2009!

Just a brief rundown of what we've accomplished this year (don't yell all at once that I don't know how to do a short 'n sweet anything! Hahah!):

- We have held 3 conferences this year – thank you to alllll our incredible hosts & organizers!!
- Diamond & Roses Conference in Diamond Bar in February: Hosts & Organizers: Bishop Margaret Hedden, Bishop Kay Wiltse, Bishop Dan Karpf.
- Ireland & UK Journey & Maiden Croft Conference in Glastonbury, UK: Hostess & Organizer for Maiden croft Conference: Bishop Doreen Smith.
- Florida Beach Conference in October: Hostess & Organizer: Bishop Eve Lyn Maurine & Bishop Shirley Catanzaro!!
- We have been guided to a wonderful new relationship with the Aetherius Society U.S. and have welcomed Rev. Paul Nugent (Director of the Aetherius Society U.S.) as a new Affiliate to our MMI conferences to train and transmit the 12 Blessings that were given by Master Jesus.
- We have created a new committee – the **Step Up Humanitarian Committee** to create, sponsor and manage various MMI humanitarian projects. Bishop Conneta Johnson is Chair and brings many years of experience and expertise in her past working for the Project for Humanities.
- We have created a new committee – the MMI Conference Committee to organize all MMI conferences including venue contracting, travel arrangements, speaker booking, etc.
- We have held various classes from Techie Talks to Spiritual Leadership, to Matrix Healing classes to Minister Orientations & Bishop Orientations. And we continue to add more classes to our vision of giving our MMI's more skills in their "Tool Basket".
- We have updated the current Memo Agreement, and added a new policy: Reinstatement Policy.
- We have welcomed back Bishop Diane Deluna from her sabbatical to return to the MMI Board. Yayyy!!
- We are actually updating the MMI website with current info, and working on creating a new webpage that's more cool. So do check on it to see the upcoming events, and download the latest MMI Newsletters. [www.madonnaministry.net](http://www.madonnaministry.net)
- If you want to view the Madonna Ministry pix gallery, we have moved it to [www.Flickr.com: http://www.flickr.com/photos/tordragon/collections/72157608392899136/](http://www.flickr.com/photos/tordragon/collections/72157608392899136/)

Bishop Mei Lan



**Christmas Blessing:** From the Point of Light in the Heart of the Divine Presence, From the Birth place of the Infinite Love of the Divine Mother, From the Depth and Vastness of the Light and Wisdom of all Sentient Beings where all Ascended Masters and Buddha's dwell: Allow yourself to accept the Shower of Radiant Light, Dispensations of Grace, and the Gifts of Divine Blessings! Allow these gifts from the Divine Mother, Divine Father, and all the Angels, Masters & Buddha's to fill you with Grace & LIFE. Let it renew you, refill you, refuel you – in every cell, molecule, atom of your Body, Mind, and Spirit! Hear the Singing of each of your cells echoing the Angelic Choirs and the Music of the Spheres. Feel your Being vibrate to a higher frequency, Calling, and Being! You are purified, sanctified, and WHOLE. KNOW that you are reborn in Joy and Peace, and LOVE.

### *MMI Prayer List*

David Mc Carron  
Laura Black  
Ria Borodine Family  
Olive Messina  
Carol Karpek  
Dennis Warman,  
Grace Imani  
Jessica Macbeth  
Kristy Nix  
Alara T Bears  
Toni Boehm and Family  
Terrie Riley  
Kevin Riley  
Ruth Ann Madden  
Helen Westerberg  
Suzanne Gunion  
Bob Bye  
Laurie Murphy  
Phyllis Sparks  
Mei Lan Willis  
Kyla Carson  
Julian Lacey  
Humanity in general  
Chris Gaddy  
Katherine Davis  
Anthony Mulberg  
Toni Boehm  
Jenny Wood UK MM  
Doreen Smith UK Bishop  
Jennifer Szurmant  
Tim, Margaret and Dan Hedden.

Please advise me if you want to add someone to prayer list or to have someone taken off.

Namaste, Shirley  
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Techy Talk  
With  
John Holden

New Classes will be beginning soon. John will be sending you an announcement in January Newsletter.

*Dearest Ones, Blessed Beings of the Madonna Ministry,*

*I am Mary. I feel exceptional joy with this opportunity to address you.*

*I am here to wish you the warmest, cuddliest, fluffiest feelings of the Joy in this Season that so well remembers the birth of my son; and the wondrous blessings of his embodiment.*

*Let me focus, with you, on the blessings of your embodiment. I am to reveal to you Simplicity of Being. A joyful, ecstatic approach to life will enable Simplicity in your Life. The natural state of your being is to energetically be at ease. Dis-ease is a side effect of complicated and stressful lives. Please, understand that I am not asking you to change your daily activities. What I am asking you each to do is to look at the quality of life your schedule and activities allow. Are you caught up in trying to keep pace with an ever increasing work load? Are you worried about the economy and a "secure" future? Do your children and families appear to need your constant vigilance? Yes, look at these issues and be concerned about society around you. Then, remember, the only place you can truly effect a change is from within and for yourself. Does this mean perhaps you should select a change in your life? Would this change be physical, mental or a combination of both? Only you can say. I do suggest, however, that there is at least one tiny way in which each of you could apply the principle of "Simplify" in your life. Why bother? Because each step you take personally to feeling "better", or towards "healing" yourself brings you closer to the bliss each and every soul seeks. In fact bliss is your ultimate assignment, each and every one of you without exception. My son knew this truth. He was familiar with human trauma/drama and vast arenas of possible experience. Yet, he persevered in his life as Jesus to live and experience Bliss. Were he giving you this understanding, I am sure he would advise you to take advantage of the commutative knowledge and awareness available to you in this moment and take the path of ease. His job was to blaze the trail for you. He did it very well. Now walk on the smooth path he has prepared for you and be the constant Bliss all the sooner. Now would not be too soon, and entirely possible and achievable.*

*If you wish to give yourself a gift during this Christmas season, a gift that will keep on giving, a gift of the greatest blessing available; do so now. Give yourself the gift of Simplicity and Ease. I, and all of heaven's population, support you in this endeavor.*

*I could have come to you this day with words of unconditional praise, and you certainly deserve those words. You each deserve all the praise we could lay at your feet. Your journeys have been fraught with pitfalls; which each and every one of you has handled absolutely divinely. Yet, I come to you with this advice to prepare you for the "what is next". What is next? The most amazing and rewarding times you can possibly imagine. And I wouldn't want any one of you to feel you have unfinished business that prevents your initiation and activation into this space with as much speed, ease and joy as possible. If this sounds like I am predicting change, I am. The heavenly choirs are singing songs of rejoice and fulfillment even now.*

*Feel the swell of Unconditional Love within your heart; as you sense the sound and feeling of at-tune-ment. Let us all be as one. Let us all allow our initiation into greater and greater Bliss. That and so much more, which I assure you is the "that or something better" many of you allude to with unconditional faith and trust. With my love, joy and "well" wishes to each of you,*

*I am Mary.*

*Thru AsariA, 12-22-08*

**MM Birthday's**  
**December**

Grace Imani Neal  
McHenry  
Linda Bailey  
Clio Dixon, D.C  
Robert F. Young  
Elizabeth Scheffer  
Judi Hileman  
Frances Keyes  
Carol Karpeck  
Sandra El-Amin  
Michelle Flora Adams  
Shireen McKenzie  
Mona Reeves  
Lela Loyce  
Patricia Jane Walrath  
Megan C. Eiselt  
Robyn L Thoren  
Rosalind Solo  
Grace Sears  
Anne E. McQuinn  
Janet Maria Castellini  
Adele Jerista

**January**

Arlene G. Smith  
Marianne Gail  
Elizabeth Hunt Sewall  
Tinka Jonakova  
Jeannie Zuls  
M. Morgan Beeman  
Janice Wallace  
June Cravenn  
Celestine M. Williams  
Stephen Gould  
Pamela L. Savory  
Janice Arnold  
Kenyetta Chinwe  
Lisa R. Wimbley  
Kelley G. Galambos  
Adrienne A. Sabir-Hudson  
Jodi Shinkara Morris  
Sharon Fallon Shreve  
Jean Mans  
Alara T Bears  
Barbara Westover  
Helen Magers  
Maynard Rougier  
Ann Trethewey, The  
Netherlands  
Shirley Catanzaro  
Jennifer Miller



**ANNOUNCEMENT !!!**

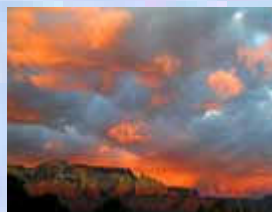
**Meditation Practices & Recipe Book**

Dear MMI Family,

Would you please email me your favorite meditation or practice, along with one of your favorite recipes? We are putting together two small books and would love your input.

Email: [delphian.7gen@cox.net](mailto:delphian.7gen@cox.net)

**MMI Star Council Conference 2009**  
**Sept. 24, 25, 26, 27 Sedona, AZ**



Dear MMI family, get your \$50 deposits in early as we know we will fill the hotel. In 2000 we had a grand conference there. So many of us were Bishoped at that time, magic (as always in Sedona) happened. What a place to be ordained!! If you're looking to spread your wings, share a project, become more involved MM, re-new a relationship, get engaged or married, step into yourself fully or all of the above, the Sedona Conference is the place to let it happen.

Send deposit check made out to Madonna Ministry and mail to:

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16739 E. Ashbrook Dr. Suite A  
Fountain Hills, AZ 85268.

Namaste,  
Shirley

# **STEP UP**

## *THE HUMANITARIAN PROGRAM*

The concept of **STEP UP** was conceived by Shirley Catanzaro and perceived by Toni Boehm and within six weeks it was received by MMI on November 2, 2008.

Marianne Gail spoke at our gathering Sunday morning in Florida of her ministry in Haiti. All who were present felt the call to support her work and within minutes there was a committee formed to raise funds for her next journey planned in the Spring of 2009. Mei Lan was very moved and felt this was the answer to the vision she has been seeing for the expansion of MMI. I suggested that this could be the "Humanitarian Project" which was well received.

What has happened since that moment has been nothing short of a miracle. Six people raised their hands and said yes to move into an international humanitarian program. I said yes to chair the committee and have already held two meetings with the team.

We are asking people not to give up on life but to give up their confusion by Stepping Up to receive the help we can offer and then to Step Up and help someone else.

For those of you who do not know me I received my spiritual training through the United Church of Religious Science, completed their Practitioner Training in 1997 and entered Emerson Institute's Ministerial program that same year. Completed my Bachelor Degree in World Religions in 1999 and was ordained into the Madonna Ministry in Sept. 2000. After reading the Conversation with God book series I became the California State Coordinator of Humanity's Team, founded by Neale, in 2003 for two years and have served on many international committees. In 2005 I became a Priestess and then completed my Bishop training November 2, 2008. Professionally, I have 31 years in the healthcare field. For 25 years I have been a consultant for private doctors training them and their staff to move past their confusion into successful business, entering many practices with only 90 days before they would be forced to close their office. I never lost a client. My grandest client, to me, would be 1-800-Dentist, having written their custom service program and moved them from a local company of 250 clients in So Calif. to 2400 clients' nation-wide in four years.

What I see as possible for Step Up: The Humanitarian Program is that we sponsor projects both home and abroad. Many of our own people have projects that we would want to fund. For \$300 we could support a Reservation child for a year, for \$1000 we could support Marianne with her next journey into Haiti, for \$2000 we could lend support many of our own projects. We just need to set our intentions on the amount we want to share each year.

It would be the committee's responsibility to bring about Awareness, Funding, Evaluation and Oversight for the many projects presented to us and to support them in Functionality, Adaptability and Sustainability. All of this would require donations, grants and fundraising through MMI and each individual project.

This can, indeed, be the outreach program that MMI has been waiting for. It speaks to what we do, moving us beyond just who we are. Speaking for me it is a great honor to direct this awesome movement and to be a teammate with all those who raised their hand and said YES.

Bishop Conneta Johnson  
December 13, 2008

Dear Friends!

The last weeks were very busy but in my mind I was very often by you and the ministry.

Mei Lan's Matrix work inspired me to link on my master thesis. Endophysics, Radical Constructivism and NLP are the core aspects of my work at that time. Now I'm started working with colleague on a new book project in this field. One chief point of the Matrix work for me is to expand our thinking. When we create a reality in that all is possible, also the impossible is going to be possible.

Maybe it's very important for members of a church without walls, to expand the own limitations of what we think what is possible and what is not. So I think Matrix work and that way of thinking is a great benefit for our ministry and for the future.

Hans Küng, a catholic priest and ecumenism theologian said many years ago: No world peace without religious peace! Today it is true, more than ever. But in our church, we are already living this !!!!! Members from different religions are "coming in union" (Holy Communion) and working together to create a home where we can feel us save and live together in peace and love. Our Ministry is a model (or peace) project for that and it works still more than 30 years.

From my point of view, maybe these are two business sectors of our church through that we distinguish us from other churches without walls. I think it's necessary to find our special "product" where we have no competitors.

In nature, female animals only became reproductive, if they have enough feed. With this mechanism provides nature, that the mother is strong and health enough to nurture the brood. In this sense I would like to suggest that we should concentrate us to strengthen or boost the mother church in the US. If it is great and wealth enough there, the "Mother" will get pregnant and it will be easy for her to nurture the subsidiaries in other countries around the world.

These are some of my thoughts about the future of the Ministry. Maybe it could be helpful to ask Asaria or Samarah (who channel Mary) what our "Mother" means to that.

I wish all of you **a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year!**

I'm so blessed to be part of this Ministry and of this process of life and love.

Much Love and Blessings

Bishop Franz Zoder

## **MMI Mission Purpose**

*Dear MMI Family,*

*We are a family, each of us connected and woven by the threads that have brought us together as a group. We have come from diverse ethnic and religious backgrounds and found within this MMI family a home. Like most families we have common goals and also own individual expression. This all adds to the whole of who we are.*

*What tenets do we live by? How best can we come together and yet express our individuality? Please once again read our purpose and Tenets and remember the reasons for weaving your energies with ours.*

## **MMI PURPOSE**

*We are a global, spiritual community—a church without walls. We are world servers who minister joyfully from our hearts to encourage all to express essential Divinity by utilizing creativity. We are nourished by the divine grace of the One. We are called to minister through good will, unconditional love, gratitude, spiritual insight and intuition, discernment and humility, all of which foster direct revelation and enlightened understanding.*

*Namaste, Shirley*

## **Tenets of the Madonna Ministry**

**WE UNDERSTAND THAT:**

- 1. We are disciples of Divine Mother.*
- 2. There is one Power, one Presence, One Life and One Intelligence that expresses itself everywhere and in everything.*
- 3. All beings are individual expressions of the One Universal Spirit called by many names; that which is nameless.*
- 4. Good will, unconditional love, spiritual gratitude, discernment, and humility foster direct revelation of enlightened understanding.*
- 5. Any act which causes one to garner a greater appreciation and awareness of Essential Divinity is a sacred act.*
- 6. Insights and intuitions are direct perceptions of truth.*
- 7. Mystical union with the one to be all encompassing.*
- 8. Expressing creativity is expressing divinity.*
- 9. Awakening to one's true nature is fostered by simple acts of kindness, prayer, meditation, chanting, devotion, faith, selfless service, right human relation, and by expressing one's creativity in beneficial ways.*