

# MESSAGE OF MANLY P. HALL

## *The Rosicrucian Fellowship Golden Jubilee*



**L**et me add a few words of appraising and congratulations to the many others you will receive in this festive date. In these confusing and oppressive times it is good to know that TRF commemorates today 50 years of constructive leadership in mystic Christianity and looks forward to a future plenty of opportunities of service in behalf of a helpless mankind.

We see that people in the world gather its resources to face the atomic era challenges. But sadly they depend on spiritual values that can provide them courage and comfort. We have notice this trend in many parts of the world and this fact is an inspiration for us to dedicate ourselves even more to live the life and to follow Christ Teachings, following these good and sacred souls that grant this heritage of fellowship and understanding.

I deeply regret for not being able to be with you in person this time but the years run through us bringing not only opportunities but also serious responsibilities. The spirit is always young, but the body does not lean so easily to the world needs.

It seems to me that that it was only yesterday when, for the first time, I have visited your adorable and friendly Headquarters. My mother was a practicing physician in Fairbank, Alaska. She did the Correspondence Courses and became a Member of the Fellowship. Just after the First World War she moved to Oceanside with me. Naturally, she was very anxious to visit the Fellowship, so we went together. We have been welcomed by a fine gentleman, Mr. Adams that has introduced us to several members of the Board. In the same day, I have got acquainted with Mr. Heindel's little dog.

I was deeply impressed with the atmosphere of peace and dedication and I have decided to accept the generous invitation of Mrs. Augusta Foss Heindel to come back when possible. Those were pleasant and marvelous days. I have visited them constantly for many years and I was able to know better how excellent were those people that started with Max Heindel the pioneer work of the Headquarters. When Mrs. Heindel examined my horoscope, she said that I had a natural aptness to graphical arts, so I jointed informally the graphical activities and did my best to be useful. During the evening, there were frequent meetings in the apartment of Mrs. Coens, where we debated the Rosicrucian Fellowship. It took part of these meetings Mrs. Latham and Roberts and Mr. Durrel, the tennis champion of the group.

With the time going, I have felt a sincere affection for Mrs. Heindel and, as it was a mutual feeling, we have passed a considerable time together. In these occasions, she told me facts about his husband's life and the sacrifices he made to spread the Rosicrucian Teachings and to establish Headquarters. In that moment I was a Los Angeles great church minister. It took me too much effort to persuade her to give a public conference to the members of the church. It became a fortunate event. Mrs. Heindel gave a lecture to an enthusiastic audience of around eight hundred people.

When we become older, we have the tendency to become nostalgic. I remember specially of those calm and happy days in Mount Ecclesia. As women that raise their kids with strong character, cultivate a keen discrimination and help us to be always sincere to the dictates of heart and consciousness, they also give us hope that, in a near future, we could come back to this pleasant garden, in the old age.

Beyond this splendid golden jubilee rests the unknown tomorrow. The world that we have met is rapidly changing. New nations are coming forth and old ways of life are being overcome. All over the world men are fighting to break the chains of ignorance, superstition and fear. Clouds of war are forming again, threatening, at the horizon. The unbelievable growth of science brought us to the limits of universal disaster. Millions are becoming aware of generations without God, rich in knowledge and poor of understanding. There is not much to be gained in the space exploitation, unless this leads us to the finding of the Divine Power that inhabits the space. There is not much to be gained in the human mystery exploitation, unless this leads us to the finding of the immortal spirit in man, the only attribute able to provide safety in these confusing times. Even though we recognize the impressive performance of the Fellowship until now, its greater work is still to come. Much more people will be searching for your help and guide and they will be legion. They will try all opportunities and exhaust all resources, but man's need is God's opportunity. The mysticism is the only answer to materialism and this has been proven for generations. With minds dedicated to the truth, with hearts strengthened by simple faith and hands occupied in a useful work we preach not only with words but also through examples.

When an architect plans a beautiful cathedral he in first place builds a model, not only to test his plans but also to reveal his ideas to the others. Centers of spiritual culture, similarly, are established in accordance with the Great Universe Architect's specifications. Mount Ecclesia, this public Center, a miniature of a better world suiting the human spiritual aspiration, was built in the native soil of California.

Friends and members send from all over the world their thoughts of love and hope to Mount Ecclesia. Their fair tribute expresses the fact that they look for you in afflictive

hours, like children looking for their almighty parents. With God's blessings your work flourished and progressed for fifty years and thereby can be firmly sustained during the hours of great necessity. Blessed are those that can be included among the winners of time proof, their reward in this world. Everyone, during its path, has a commitment with destiny. Everything that happens before is a preparation for what comes after. Ancient Temples of Initiation crumbled and their ruins were mixed with the ruins of Ancient World, but all aspirants to a holy life have to be tested during their passage into this mortal existence. To be tested this way and to proceed as a winner is the greatest honor that can be bestowed to a man. One after the other those pioneers will join the Elder Brothers in the work of betterment and redemption of human race.

Here is the radiant host of Heavens, with his refulgent sword of the right cause. Celestial decrees are simple, but almighty. It is ordered that the light dispel the shadows, love overcome hate, faith supersedes fear and good triumphs over evil. Each one of us, following its own discrimination is trying to do so and it is fair and appropriate that all of us rejoice over our accomplishments, because this accomplishment is no more than a testimony of God's work in men's heart.

I am an attentive observer of religious movements in society. I am very enthusiastic with the tremendous resurrection of religious activities all over the world and in all faiths. I am also zealous when I believe that this revival of faith constitutes the proof of the conviction present in all humanity.

The Rosicrucian Fellowship has strongly contributed to this spiritual renaissance through dedicated years of ministry and the harvest time is very close. The mystic dream is the Truth, because he knows that universal laws operate continuously everywhere in all creation.

My blessings are always with you and I hope that soon I will be able to visit you again. Meanwhile, my wishes are that your good labor become a plenty harvest and

**THAT THE ROSES BLOOM UPON YOUR CROSS!**

*Manly Palmer Hall*



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