The Golden Thread



ECKANKAR—The Path of Spiritual Freedom

Events in the GTA: May/June 2017

DREAM MESSAGE FROM DAD

My Father Lets Me Know He Has Passed On



One morning, I awoke later than I'd planned. As I got up, I remembered just a snippet of a dream.

Normally, I write down my dreams.

It's a spiritual discipline I've practiced for years and have found very helpful.

But getting a late start, I thought, I barely have time to write this down. It's almost nonsense, really. It doesn't mean anything.

I decided to scribble it down anyway before getting ready for work. Then I completely forgot about it.

Shortly after I arrived at work, I got a phone call. It was my sister letting me know our father had passed on earlier that morning.

That call began a busy few days. With the help of the ECK and the Mahanta²,

I got through the more challenging times. But I didn't even look at my dream journal for three days.

Finally, I realized I needed to get back

to my normal routine and start writing down my dreams. I took out my dream journal and set it by the bedside.

What was the last thing I wrote? I wondered.

When I flipped the pages to read the last entry, I was shocked. There was the record of my last dream fragment: Daddy called and left a message on my cell phone. He said, "I'm already home. I'll wait for you and meet you there."

My father had sent me a message through a dream to let me know he had passed on.

This experience changed me. The ECK teachings had already taught me that Soul cannot die. Death is only a transition into a new plane of existence.

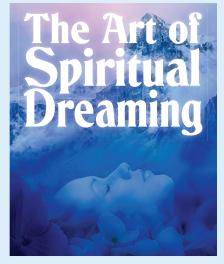
The dream message from my father was confirmation of his happy new life. This made me happy too. Now I could completely share in his joy.

It also reminded me of how important it is to write down my dreams. Had I not taken the time to write down this dream fragment, I would have forgotten about it and missed the great gift it brought me.

- I. ECK (pronounced EHK) is the Life Force, the Holy Spirit, the Audible Life Current which sustains all life.
- 2. The Mahanta is the Spiritual Master in Eckankar.

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2017 ONTARIO ECK SEMINAR EVENTS WORKING WITH CYCLES

OF SPIRITUAL CHANGE
Workshop with Mike DeLuca
Toronto ECK Centre, 19 Yorkville Ave.

THE ART OF SPIRITUAL DREAMING

Friday, June 2, 7-9 pm

2017 Ontario ECK Regional Seminar Holiday Inn Yorkdale, 3450 Dufferin St. Saturday, June 3, 1 pm - 9 pm

HOW GOD SPEAKS TO US

ECK Light and Sound Service Toronto ECK Centre, 19 Yorkville Ave. Sunday, June 4, 10:30 -11:30 am



KEYNOTE SPEAKER **Mike DeLuca**

Mike DeLuca has been exploring his own dreams as a student of Eckankar for over 43 years. An

internationally recognized speaker and workshop facilitator, Mike has been a featured guest speaker for Eckankar at seminars and workshops throughout North America, South America, Africa, Australia, Singapore, Malaysia and the West Indies.

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Advanced Spiritual Study Program

Eckankar offers an advanced spiritual study program called *The Easy Way*. Classes are held at the Toronto Eckankar Centre. For more information call: 416-926-8946.

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OPEN HOUSE

Tuesday & Friday, 6 pm to 8 pm Wed. & Thurs., II:30 am to 2 pm Sunday, IO am to 2 pm

Please feel free to drop in to ask any questions, or browse through the books available on display.

COMMUNITY HU SONG

All are welcome to attend a Community HU Song, regardless of their faith or beliefs. This is a special opportunity to sing HU, a love song to God, for about 20 minutes in the company of others. Refreshments are served afterwards.

Every Friday 7 pm
Every First Sunday II am
Every Third Tuesday 7 pm
Every Third Wednesday I2 pm

BOOK DISCUSSIONS

An ECK book discussion is a fun way to share insights and experiences and learn more about Eckankar. You do not need a book to attend and are welcome to join as many or as few sessions as you wish.

35 Golden Keys to Who You Are & Why You're Here Friday, May 5, 7:45 pm

Autobiography of a Modern Prophet
Sunday, May 7, II:45 am

The Art of Spiritual Dreaming

Friday, May 12, 7:45 pm Friday, June 9, 7:45 pm

Spiritual Exercises for the Shariyat, Book 1 Friday, May 19, 7:45 pm Friday, June 16, 7:45 pm

Stranger by the River

Tuesday, May 16, 7:45 pm Tuesday, June 20, 7:45 pm

Stranger by the River (Farsi)

Friday, May 26, 7:45 pm Friday, June 23, 7:45 pm

MISSISSAUGA

Mississauga Valley Community Center 1275 Mississauga Valley Blvd. Room 2 Info: 1-866(IAMSOUL)426-7685

ECK WORSHIP SERVICES

Learning from Past Lives and Soul Travel
Sunday, May 21, 10:00 am

How Divine Spirit Works in Our Lives Everyday

Sunday, June 18,

COMMUNITY HU SONG

Sunday, May 21, II:40 am Sunday, June 18, II:40 am

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Free Book Offer Spiritual Experiences Guidebook

This dynamic guidebook from Eckankar can help you validate and understand the purpose of your spiritual experiences.

- · Remembering a past life
- ·Out-of-body experiences
- · Knowing the truth instantly

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ECK LIGHT AND SOUND SERVICES

People from all walks of life gather to celebrate a life lived in harmony with Divine Spirit. Each service focuses on a different aspect of Eckankar. All are welcome.

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How Divine Spirit Works In Our Everyday Life

Sunday, May 14 10:30 am to 11:30 am

Thriving Spiritually In Our World

Sunday, May 21 10:30 am to 11:30 am

HU: A Love Song To God

Sunday, May 28 IO:30 am to II:30 am

How God Speaks To Us

Sunday, June 4 IO:30 am to II:30 am

Spiritual Surrender: Let Go & Let God

Sunday, June II IO:30 am to II:30 am

What Is Life Teaching Me Now?

Sunday, June 18 10:30 am to 11:30 am

The Secret of Love

Sunday, June 25 IO:30 am to II:30 am