

COMMUNICATION WITH THE SPIRIT WORLD THROUGH
THE TRANCE MEDIUMSHIP OF REVEREND FLORENCE BECKER.

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Transcribers Note: This transcription of communication with the Spirit world was taken from a wire recording made of a séance held through the trance mediumship of Reverend Florence Becker on the 100th Anniversary of Modern Spiritualism, March 31, 1948. The complete wire recording lasts just over an hour. A number of different people from Spirit manifested during this 100th Anniversary séance, including Mrs. Margaret Fox, Katie, Margareta, and Anne Leah Fox, Charles Rosna, Mr. Bell, Reverend Becker's daughter Lolly, Reverend Becker's trumpet guide Dr. E. J. Brings, and others.

The voices manifested in three ways during the séance: (1) direct or independent voice where the Spirit voice manifests clearly and independently of the medium in the séance, (2) Spirits speaking through Reverend Becker who was in trance, or (3) through the trumpet. For example, Mrs. Fox's speaks at different times during the séance, either directly or through Reverend Becker, and through the trumpet. The recorded voices speaking through the trumpet are more difficult to understand due to reinforcement and amplification of the lower frequencies in the voice by the trumpet cone. The male voices through the trumpet particularly are somewhat distorted on the recording.

When Reverend Becker was a child, she would prophesy, predicting future events that would take place. When these events actually came to pass, her parents would punish her for this "work of the devil" by sending her to the attic. Reverend Becker said she looked forward to these trips to the attic. There, a Spirit who called herself Lady Cologna would manifest, sit next to her, and talk with her. During these visits, Reverend Becker told us, Lady Cologna always wore a veil. Lady Cologna, being the guiding power of one of the Seven Principle of Nature, the Air, had never been born a human being and did not reveal her appearance to Reverend Becker at this time.

The transcriber has heard some who knew Reverend Becker refer to Lady Cologna as the Spirit of the Wind. However close the meaning of the Wind and the Air may be, they are apparently not the same thing. Lady Cologna refers to herself as one of the Seven Principles of Nature, which are Earth, Fire, Water, Air, Electric, Magnetic, and Odic, as she, herself reveals them, and as the Principle or Elements of Nature had previously been revealed from Spirit through Reverend Becker's mediumship. The transcriber can only recall hearing Lady Cologna described by Reverend Becker as the Spirit of the Air.

The last time this transcriber had the privilege to talk with Reverend Becker personally was just after a Wednesday evening service, before we were to leave for the California State Spiritualist Association convention in Los Angeles in July 1970. Reverend Becker knew it was the last time she would have a chance to talk with me while on the earth plane. (She passed to Spirit three days later on July 12.) I, of course, had no clue. As we sat next to each other in the healing chapel of the Golden Gate Spiritualist Church, she took my hand in hers and asked me if I needed to talk to her about anything. I, of course, was caught “flat-footed” by her gesture and could think of little.

As we sat there, she made the comment that she had never been able to make friends with the Spirit of the Wind. Her understanding of the Spirits of Nature and her work with them were well known to her students. Some years later, while talking privately with the trance guide of John Houldsworth, the American Indian Moonface, I asked him why Reverend Becker had never been able to make friends with the Wind when she had been able to so do with other Spirits of Nature. Moonface replied, “Because she didn’t have the necessary chemicals in her physical body.”

The article appearing in the July, 2006 issue of *The Summit* about Reverend Florence Becker briefly describes the Spirit paintings that were produced in séances through her mediumship. One of these paintings was of Lady Cologne without a veil. In the painting, Lady Cologne had a human form and face with closed eyes. Spirit revealed sometime after the painting was completed that the eyes would eventually open, but only after Reverend Becker had passed to Spirit.

This painting is now in the healing chapel at the Golden Gate Spiritualist Church. The eyes are slightly open. Reverend Donald Haddick, who later became the second pastor of the Golden Gate Spiritualist Church and was a longtime student of Reverend Becker’s, assured me when the painting was put on display that the eyes had been completely closed when the painting was in Reverend Becker’s home, a place he had the privilege of visiting many times.

We are all indebted to Mr. Sonny Gee, President of the Board of Directors of the Golden Gate Spiritualist Church, for his foresight in having the wire recording of the séance held by Rev. Becker on the 100th anniversary of Modern Spiritualism digitally transferred to cassette tape by a professional sound person.

Lady Cologne’s voice on the recording has a very ethereal and musical quality. The transcriber has heard others speak through Reverend Becker’s trance mediumship and the trance mediumship of John Houldsworth. These voices are clearly human in their characteristics. Lady Cologne’s voice is noticeably different.

We have included portions of the on-going séance just before and after Lady Cologne speaks. Just before she speaks, a man’s voice is speaking through the trumpet, telling those assembled that if they want better Spiritual reception at the séances, they need to “Bring to your instrument (Reverend Becker) better thoughts, deeds, not creeds, and fill your lives with usefulness, not selfish materiality. God Bless the world at large. To each

one of you, do not fall into the pitfalls of stupidity. It is intelligence, and the application of that intelligence, that removes the obstruction from your vision. Good day, children of earth....”

Next, Dr. Briggs, Reverend Becker’s trumpet guide, spoke through her entranced body, “Dr. E. J. Briggs, Fare thee well, my friends.”

LADY COLOGNA’S ADDRESS TO THE SÉANCE

“Good evening, children of earth. This is Cologne. Upon the earth plane, beloved children, you have the Seven Principle of Expression with which to act. And out here in the Eternal Realms of Light, the corresponding Powers in the Infinite Universe that dwells, awaiting only the command of the flesh to bring in their work. Upon the waves of time, the rolling revelry of death is constantly kissing the White Shores of Eternity.

“Oh, beloved of earth, ride each wave with confidence and security that the God’s Ministry is angels, your dear departed, who walk by your side as part of the Infinite Plan. As old as time, children of earth, the Seven Principles in Nature have always been Earth, Air, Fire, Water, Magnetic, Electric, and Odic Forces, working as energies that you might mold your world. But all the brute force of mankind have forgotten there is an Infinite Power always awake.

“The Seven Principles on earth are as old as time and the universe. Yea, even before that was the Infinite Power and the Seven Principles dwell, and I, as one of the Seven Principles, Cologne, known to be one of the daughters of Atlas and Pelone, come always to the earth at the time of need or the beginning of a new dispensation to cast out the old. I have come for years and years and years through different forms and different channels and now in the chaotic time of the Seven Principles of Creative Force in the Universe. There must be clarification. So again we are touching you with our immortal message. There is no death. Man cannot die. It is the changing form of flesh alone that fades and vanishes from your vision.

”But the immortal Principle in man is Soul and Spirit that is connected with the Infinite Spirit of God, knows no separation from the Formless Plan. But man on earth has forgotten his place. His brute force has confused the Creative Law with the finer sensibilities of man, has gotten far away from God. So as one of the daughters of Atlas and Pelone, I come again to beg and plead, *be as little children* and come back to the Principle where all things are possible. Man cannot live and think without this form of God and in these changing worlds you have lost sight of your vision and your purpose.

“Oooh! Children, not in supplication, not on bended knees, not in the mockery of some creed or priesthood but, yea, with the Simplicity of that fervent Divine Love that sets aflame your very Being. *Love ye one another*, Pray not Beloved, when in dire need but may your every walk be cleansing and clarifying your part of the universe. Be a prayer with your acts of kindness, sympathy, and understanding. Then the Great Revelation of the Infinite One shall bring the Waves of Life into your world heavily laden with all the

riches. “Fear not death, Oh children of earth! Take up thy arms in Peace and permit the flow of Life from your very being to bring a cleansing power into your world. In the beginning, man and woman, counterparts of one another should share *equal in all things* of expression. It is the *equality* that must be distributed and meted out with justice and mercy to all mankind that they shall find at the very depth of their aspirations a worth. Your world is troubled, yea, children of earth, troubled because man and woman has lost sight of their purpose. It is not a mythology that we come. We have been kissed with the Waves of Eternity and it is our work to touch the universe and in these days of darkened moments each one shall be called to take unto themselves their responsibility, their part in great planning a way. For the God Principle dwelleth, children, within you and I ask again that you cleanse your world for in these darkened moments we say will come the casting out of the old and you who would survive to start a new justice and mercy and a love on earth and propagate in fields of activity, must go back to your first call, God, the Breath of Life.

“Yea, you are walking very fine, yet you are walking in the thinness of gross materialism without a thought of God and it is because of that materialism that we beg you - clarify your universe. There is a new life and a new world but only when you lift yourself to *cast out the burdens and hatred of one another*. Let the arms you take up, children of flesh, be the Sword of Peace and the Torch of Infinite Wisdom. And then side-by-side you shall know one another first, that all mankind shall be *patient*. They shall be *tolerant* one with another. They shall aspire to weave not a web to ensnare man but they shall weave a great pinnacle of high heights that the Heavens shall mingle on the earth and all mankind will say, ”This is the Resurrection! This is the Light!”

“How, beloved children, can you weave this lofty pinnacle? By your thoughts, your aspirations, in the Law of Life, and with the shuttle in your hand, the loom ever awaits you to spin. Will you be like the one without a purpose? We live today and that which you have woven today you lay aside and must reweave on the morrow?. Then you will never reach your purpose.

*“Life in a golden circler runs
With no beginning and no end.”*

“And you and you and all mankind is the motivating Principle that causes the Light to shine and the shadow to move. It would not be as a warning but it would be that the simple Divinity and Deity should find itself as Principle, the Christ emanating in all things and with that thought reshaping and remolding your atmosphere. Again, you can make a solid foundation for all mankind to breath. There is a path trod only by the blest. And you ...(break in the wire recording)...a blessing on your lips.

“Yea, you who carry a blessing on your lips are among the blest. A child of working Law knows their Principle and Christhood for they have no fear. Voices out here are not silenced and still because you cease to believe as in the days of dark ages. Beloved children, it is not a case of mere recognition of different forms of religion. It is in the hand of every one of you a treasure house rare and beautiful, filled with golden nuggets

God hath given you. Your golden nuggets are sinking deep into materialism and you have lost sight of your purpose.

“By a change in your thinking you can change the universe and by the tranquility of your thoughts and the aspiration of your Soul, you can draw unto yourself an entire world of angels that once trod upon the earth. For your side and my side of life, if you can but pierce the other side, my children, you will find working, not for the destiny, but for the Progression of all mankind a salvation of deeds and a better world to live in. The universe, the Seven Principles of the Universe, yea only gross matter, they have a work to fulfill, and under Nature’s harmonious Laws, they are producing much for mankind.

“You with your high degree of intelligence are destroying them rather than converting them into values of Spirituality. Blessings my beloved children, I am one with you and a voice beyond your vision and beyond your physical hearing have spoken to you and mingles with you to inspire you that from your center you may use your shuttle and on your web of life weave not a strand of impurities but one of service, useful to reshape a chaotic world into the highest Supreme for life must go on beloved children. Let not the experience of the race mind of materiality blot you from your vision. A Soul is known working with the Christ Principle that always shapes for Peace and offers that hand of friendliness.

“Peace I leave unto you, Blessings rich and rare. And it is our work of every hour of need to come and touch the human family.”

(Reverend Becker’s daughter Lolly speaks from Spirit next, either through her entranced mother or by direct (independent) voice, which I understand she often did.)“Oh! Wasn’t she lovely!”

Donald Haddick, sitting in the séance, responded, “Wonderful, Dear.”

Lolly spoke to him, “Hello Daddy!”

“Hello Dear,” Donald responded..

Lolly continued, “Oh my! She was so wonderful bringing her message of Truth and Reality.”

The Spirit named Thomas began speaking through the trumpet again, in a very serious and stern manner. Because of the distortions of the voice recorded through the trumpet, we could not understand all of what he said, but can share the following:

“But may you know...(something about time)...Eternity is forever...Peace unto your universe...comes into the hearts of all mankind, to inspire you. You are your brother’s keeper. You are God’s child of earth...no time to waste. The hour is here...a life of Truth. Truth is the most simple virtue of all mankind. Peace unto your troubled world. Goodnight.” Here the recording ended.