

The dying experience

Luxembourg experimenters receive letter from angel

1995, October 14. Luxembourg ITC experimenters Maggy and Jules Harsch-Fischbach awakened to find the computer running, and a new file on the hard disk. The file had been planted in the computer while they slept.

All in a night's work for the research team at CETL (Cercle d'Etudes sur la Transcommunication, Luxembourg). Since 1985 they have had dialogs with spirit colleagues over the telephone and across radio speakers. They have received pictures from the spirit worlds on their TVs and in their computers. They've gotten letters via computer and FAX. Physical objects have materialized in their presence--crystalline stones, centuries-old coins, jewelry, and small religious icons. Typically these apports were accompanied by verbal explanations delivered by their spirit colleagues through their technical equipment.

The computer file which they received on that autumn morning in 1995 contained a letter from the higher being Ishkumar. Before that day, CETL had reported receiving

messages ABOUT Ishkumar from their spirit colleagues, but never instrumental contacts directly FROM him.

In this surprise correspondence, Ishkumar reported that when people on Earth die, he and some of his many colleagues come here to help us make the transition. From their perspective, he said, it is sometimes rather amusing what we humans go through during our final days on Earth. Not the suffering and the grief; that is obviously serious business. But for many of us, death is a kind of last-minute rush to get our lives in order. Here is the letter (translated from German by Hans Heckmann):

Children of Earth, people of Terra! Often, when we come to take you home at the end of your earthly lives, we notice that you are in great haste. Like someone who unexpectedly has guests coming, you dash to and fro and

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First color picture is reported

Independent experimenter Adolf Homes of Germany is the first to report to *Contact!* the reception of a color picture from his spirit colleagues. Mr Homes woke up on October 13, 1994, in a strange, trance-like

state with a compelling urge to try an experiment with his color television. This was unusual for him. Other paranormal video images had come across his old black-and-white set, and his spirit colleagues had always contacted him beforehand, usually by phone, so that he would be ready.



He climbed out of bed, turned on the color TV and set up his camcorder in front of the TV. At the very moment that he turned on the camcorder, this image of deceased voice pioneer Friedrich Juergenson (left) appeared on the screen for 24 seconds. During this time a loud, cracking noise came from the next room. Mr Homes remained seated and kept his focus on the TV. As usual, Mr Homes spoke to the TV in an effort to elicit voice contact with his spirit friends,

-- color photo of F Juergenson in spirit reproduced courtesy of Adolf Homes and the German journal *Transkommunikation*, published by retired physicist, Prof. Dr. Ernst Senkowski.

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Declaration
of the International Network for
Instrumental Transcommunication (INIT)

Preamble. We, the undersigned, do hereby declare that there are phenomena which can be interpreted as instrumentally supported communication with other levels of existence.

1. The experimental results obtained up to now are encouraging but not sufficient to draw definitive conclusions. Therefore we intend to investigate these phenomena in greater detail.

2. In order to allow better results and simplify procedures, we consider it essential to improve our technical equipment, as well as **our self**.

3. To this end, we intend to establish a network of independent people interested or active in the field.

4. We plan to publish a newsletter as well as other media, with which to share our results. An editorial committee will decide what to include in this newsletter.

5. We welcome participation by those who wish to become involved in Instrumental Transcommunication (ITC) from a perspective that is not only technical, but also ethical/moral.

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From the frontiers of Science

ITC poses challenge to modern science

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Just imagine how much fear would be eliminated from the world if it could be established, once and for all, that physical death is a transition to a different state; not an extinction but an awakening to "where one was all along"; not a going somewhere, because we are already there; not a ceasing to exist because we couldn't non-exist if we wanted to.

The matter is obviously important to the individual, relating as it does to our values and life goals. But it is important to society as well. Our present health care system spends a major fraction of its resources keeping people physically alive past the point where, with a different cultural outlook on mortality, they would be preparing for a dignified and meaningful death. The concept of survival of consciousness beyond physical death is central to spirituality and religion. It is a major challenge to the presently dominant epistemology ("rules of evidence") of science, as we shall observe below. Most importantly, the fear of non-survival--the fear of death as ceasing existence--underlies many of people's other fears; fears that will be even more prevalent as modern society undergoes a transition which is uncharted but imminent.

There is, in fact, a tremendous amount of evidence supporting the "survival" hypothesis. It comes from various sources, including those involved in meditation, hallucinogenic drug experiments, near-death experiences, "past-life" and "spirit release" therapies, telepathic channeling and, more recently, electronic communications coming purportedly from individuals who are physically dead (the latter being the research of interest to the International Network for Instrumental Transcommunication (INIT)).

So what is the scientific status of these data? The answer, in truth, is nil. The data have no scientific status. Why? For one of three possible reasons. One is that the phenomena are illusory--they simply don't exist, and "researchers" are being misled by their own hopes and expectations. A second possible reason is that there is not yet enough data to convince an appropriately skeptical scientific community, and much further time and effort will be required to create a convincing body of evidence. A third is that there is some characteristic of modern Western science that prevents it from

assimilating the data that have been and will be gathered. It is this third possibility I want to examine here.

Modern science has taken a dim view of the survival hypothesis, although on what turn out to be rather shaky grounds. Pervading practically all of science is the assumption that its basic information inputs are essentially limited to the data of physical sense perception. That being the case, it is not surprising that evidence suggesting a nonphysical but nonetheless real aspect to human experience tends to result in ostracism.

The idea that the self might in some sense survive physical death, and might be able to communicate back to the living, is not a new one, of course--in this or most other cultures. But most of us in this modern age have been taught in effect that ideas like this were--or should have been--left behind with the Middle Ages. Surely with our present degree of scientific sophistication we can dismiss the idea of spirit communication as a prescientific concept for explaining phenomena we would now interpret in more scientifically acceptable terms! Perhaps.

Harvard philosopher/scientist William James was much concerned about this kind of puzzle. He felt science had been unduly restrictive in adopting an epistemology of positivist empiricism (that is, whatever we know scientifically is known through empirical research in the physically measurable world). He proposed casting the scientific net more widely, with an epistemology of "radical empiricism."

In his *Essays in Radical Empiricism* James defines his terms thus:

To be radical, an empiricism must neither admit into its constructions any element that is not directly experienced, nor exclude from them any element that is directly experienced.

James's "radical empiricism" admits data from the senses, and thus includes within its purview the experience of the physical world. But it also encompasses the broad spectrum of inner realities found within the subjective life of the person. It also implies that no phenomena are to be excluded from investigation solely on the basis that they "violate known scientific laws."

Looking at human experience through the eyes of James' "radical empiricism," we must be impressed by the diverse realms of reported experience which imply something like a nonmaterial self that Western science appears unable to accommodate. For example, out-of-body

experiences (experiencing one's center of consciousness and perception to be somewhere other than behind the eyes--as, for instance, above and looking down upon the physical body) and near-death experiences are apparently far more common than we usually take them to be, and often lead to a deep conviction that the real "I" is something quite different from the physical body. "Spirit releasement therapy" appears to be effective in some cases of post-traumatic stress in war veterans which had resisted other therapeutic interventions. Research on childhood memories of past lives has turned up numerous cases where the veridicality of the memories was substantiated; while alternative hypotheses are possible, the data strongly suggest something like the Eastern concept of reincarnation.

Additional support for taking the spirit concept seriously comes from research on "mediumistic" communication purporting to come from persons no longer living. For several decades either side of the turn of the century a great number of competent scientists--particularly Frederic W.H. Myers and colleagues in England, but including William James and others in the US--were interested in these communications which were claimed to originate from the "spirits" of the deceased. Again, while alternative hypotheses are certainly possible, some of the cases were quite evidential in the sense that information showed up which was known to the deceased but not otherwise available to the "medium." In addition to these data, there are the anthropological reports from other cultures, indicating that in their perceived realities "spirit" manifestation and possession are not at all unusual. And there are the "revealed" writings that play such an important role in Christian and other religious traditions, and which are supposed to have come from some transpersonal source.

All of the work with mediums over many decades had faced the obvious problem that, whatever one might assume about the original source of the communication, there was no way of telling how much the message had been corrupted by bubbling up through the medium's unconscious mind. This problem plagued all of the researchers from Myers on, and was a source of continual frustration, even when there seemed to be something significantly evidential in the messages received. Because this problem seemed so unsolvable, and with the growing influence of positivistic philosophies and behavioristic science, serious interest in mediumistic communication had by mid-century declined to a low ebb.

As if in response to this problem, shortly after magnetic tape recorders became

widely used, in the 1950s, messages began to appear on various tape recorders which purported to be from discarnate beings. This was "hard" evidence, presumably unfiltered or uncolored by the mind of the medium. As time went on, the quality of the transmissions improved, and some of these messages purported to come from persons who, prior to their death, were deeply involved with research on the survival issue. In still more recent times, as other technologies became available, these communications have extended to involve television screens, videotape recorders, and words and images scanned into computer disks; to include real-time two-way communication; and to include photograph-like images as well as verbal messages. All of this would seem on the face of it to constitute a totally preposterous claim, yet some of these communications, collected by researchers in at least six countries, comprise intriguing evidential significance. They even suggest that further progress will be made through the active collaboration of researchers on *both* sides of the curtain we call death.

Most scientists today would claim that there is still no satisfactory scientific evidence to support a hypothesis of the continuation of personhood through the transition called death. That objection would be based largely on the presumption that unembodied intelligence is simply impossible; consciousness and memory cannot be imagined to exist in the absence of a physical brain. It is essential to recognize that *science in its present form is not in a position to deny that possibility*. That is because the present epistemology of Western science rules out any consideration of consciousness as a causal reality. Thus it does not find in its understanding of causality anything resembling a self or a personality, endowed with reason, will and a valid sense of value--*either* before or after death.

The puzzle of consciousness--embodied or discarnate--poses the most fundamental challenge to the dominant scientific epistemology--to accept "scientific method." To include consciousness as a causal factor--even though we take that assumption to be obvious in our everyday lives--is to abandon the whole idea of a strictly nomothetic science, a scientific worldview within which everything obeys inviolable "scientific laws" and conscious intention has no place. The quantified relationships of conventional science *do*, of course, describe what happens under those conditions when consciousness as a causal factor is not interfering; and so they continue to be useful for prediction, control and the design of manipulative technologies. But that science--quantum physics and chaos theory included--*is in no way qualified to either affirm or deny the*

efficacy of consciousness, whether or not it appears to be embodied.

The real issue then, is not whether specific researchers may have been deluded in the evidence they assembled, or whether some network of misguided individuals may be deliberately colluding in a massive deception. The real issue is whether the time has come to seriously challenge the adequacy of the dominant scientific epistemology. The basic issue was identified decades ago by the French philosopher Henri Bergson, in his "philosophy of process." Mainstream Western science assumes that we have basically one kind of probe into the universe through which to obtain verifiable knowledge--namely, the physical senses (and their technological extensions). Bergson said no, there are two; the second is the deep intuitive mind.

To be sure, what appears to one person to be direct intuitive, noetic knowledge may well appear to differ from another person's inner knowing. But that is true for perception through the physical senses as well. (After all, no two people see the same rainbow. More to the point, the natural world as perceived by the Native American Indian was totally different from that perceived by the European immigrants.) Appropriate verification procedures need to be found. That may seem a difficult task, but it is an inherent aspect of any possible reconciliation of Western science with the vast range of phenomena and experiences centering around mind and spirit. The issue of an appropriate epistemology for the study of consciousness, mind and spirit--a "radical empiricism," if you will--has only recently become a subject of discussion in the scientific community.* The work of the International Network for Instrumental Transcommunication can be as meticulously and professionally carried out as is humanly possible; still, its acceptance by the community of scientists will ultimately depend upon the satisfactory resolution of that issue.

*This issue relating to the present limitations of Western science is complex and controversial. It is examined by fourteen scientists and philosophers in W. Harman and J. Clark, eds. (1994), *New Metaphysical Foundations of Modern Science*. Institute of Noetic Sciences, P.O. Box 909, Sausalito CA 94966 (telephone: 415-331-5650). Also in W. Harman and C. De Quincey, *The Scientific Exploration of Consciousness: Toward an Adequate Epistemology*, Institute of Noetic Sciences report no. CP-6 (1994) (summarized in *Journal of Consciousness Studies*, Vol. 1 No. 1, Summer 1994, pp. 140-48).

Verifications

Is ITC for real?

Our invisible colleagues understand the skepticism on the part of many people toward the phenomenal contacts being made since the 1980s. Most of these colleagues have lived in physical bodies in the dense physical world, subject as we are to the limitations of the five physical senses, and so they take extra pains to convince us that ITC is for real.

In this article we look at four situations which lend evidence to the legitimacy of ITC work:

- a highly personal letter to American ITC pioneer George Meek from his recently departed wife Jeannette,
- two pictures of early Swedish voice experimenter Friedrich Juergenson which arrived at different receiving stations at the same time, five years after his death,
- two pictures of spirit colleague Anne Guigne simulcast 71 years after her death, again, to different experimenters, and
- computer verification of recent phone calls to US researchers from early voice experimenter Konstantin Raudive 22 years after his death.

Jeannette Meek's love letter

Jeannette Meek died on April 2, 1990. As a well-known pioneer of ITC research, her husband George W. Meek of Franklin NC knew his beloved mate would make every effort to contact him through a very successful receiving station in Europe -- the CETL lab in Luxembourg.

George took his last trip to Europe in July 1990 and spent a weekend with Luxembourg experimenters Maggy and Jules Harsch-Fischbach. He observed the assembly and operation of a new ITC system which employed electronics, ultraviolet light, and crystals, and the three friends reminisced about dear Jeannette.

On February 21, 1991, George Meek was back home in North Carolina writing a letter to his friends in Luxembourg to ask if they had received word from Jeannette.

That same day the CETL experimenters returned to their Luxembourg home from their full-time jobs to find their computer running, and a new file on the computer disk.

The file contained a long message from their spirit colleagues, including this letter from Jeannette:

Dear G.W.!

I'd like to cook up a few good names for you believing I could have wings. I'm sure you recall I often have told you there are lots of things you come in handy for, not only to do (such as take caps off bottles) but also to tell somebody else just what to do (expert advice)!

Well, it seems as if there are still people who do not believe in the contacts your friends here at CETL are having. Here are some details which except you and Molly (give her my warmest greetings, I miss her) nobody can know:

In 1987, end of April, tenant Debbie called to say her refrigerator was off. It must have been on a Thursday morning and no connection with the storm we had before. At the close of her work day she called again to say she was having more trouble. This time she had left her purse on the seat of the car of the lady with whom she had been riding. This lady was quite far from Franklin so Debbie asked to borrow our key to her place.

Another story: on April 29th, Ann Valentin wrote a letter saying that she had not received the Magic of Living Forever booklets they had ordered, but Harlequin novels.

Third story: John Lathrop (I don't think Maggy and Jules ever heard THAT name!) shut off the electricity at the "C" house to put in the new light. He wasn't down there very long but charged \$20 service in addition to \$40 for the bulb itself plus tax (the scoundrel).

Don't try to explain this, Honey. My never-ending love to you. I miss you so much, but I know we will be together.

I have big work to do here. Result of that idiot war.

Love forever.

J. to M. Please Maggy, forward this to George. He can be of great help to you all. Send my best wishes to Loree also. Thank you.

Jeannette Duncan Meek.

End of contact.

Maggy called George and read the letter to him over the phone. George realized that the three items in the letter were known only to George, Jeannette and their assistant Molly, and he was struck with the realization that the message from his beloved wife was perhaps the best hard evidence ever produced that life continues after our short lives on Earth, and that ITC is legitimate.

O Friedrich Juergenson's likeness

n June 12, 1992, pictures of ITC pioneer Friedrich Juergenson (†1987) were received in a computer in Luxembourg (Figure 1) and on a TV set in Rivenich, Germany (Figure 2). Following are excerpts from a message that accompanied Figure 1:

All thoughts are basically nothing but telepathy. In our view the human eye is blind, for it prevents the recognition of existing possibilities and extrasensory perception . . .

Our message is to tell you that your life goes on. Any speculations on how an individual will experience it are bound to be limited in validity. All your scientific, medical or biological speculations miss the mark of these realities. What serves as "real" to science is not close to reality in the broad picture. It is no more than a word in a book. . .

Thoughts have no limits. Other dimensions and structures of being unknown to you are able to capture your thoughts and our thoughts telepathically.

-- Friedrich Juergenson 1992-06-12

That message was followed by some closing comments by spirit colleague Swejen Salter:

This transmission was supposed to go through Station Rivenich (as well as Luxembourg), but it was not possible because of a lack of technical support.

A Anne Guigne's likeness

Among the massive quantity of paranormal messages received by CETL in 1993 across their computer and FAX machines, were several short messages by a newcomer to their group of spirit colleagues. A young woman identifying herself as Anne Guigne (pronounced "GeenYAY") reported she had been the childhood friend of university professor and ITC researcher Remy Chauvin of

The text from F Juergenson was passed on unchanged by Station CoTime (in spirit) to Station Luxembourg. F Juergenson's picture, however, could be sent directly to Station Rivenich.



Two similar pictures were received at different ITC stations on the same day. The CETL team of Luxembourg found Figure 1 in their computer. It shows spirit colleague Swejen Salter preparing to send an image of F Juergenson to a television on Earth. Figure 2 was received on the television of Adolf Homes of Germany. Both pictures were received at approximately the same time. (Pictures courtesy of CETL and Adolf Homes, respectively.)

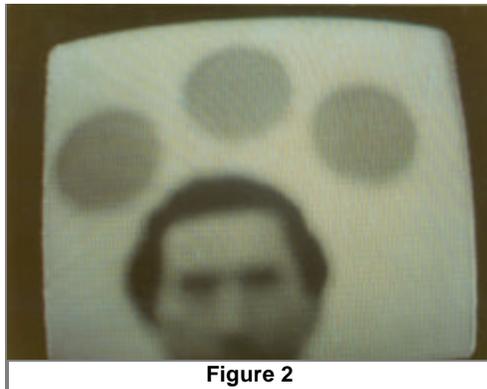


Figure 2

The picture transmission proved to be extremely difficult because of the primitive scanning system of your television sets in connection with the human psyche. Redundancies can develop quickly. Moreover, F Juergenson is residing on the Fifth (mental-causal) Plane, and our picture technicians could barely stabilize him within the ocular's angle of coverage . . .

-- Dr Swejen Salter, Project Leader, 1992-06-12 8:52

Meanwhile, experimenter Adolf Homes of Germany was notified by spirit colleagues on 1992, April 28, that they would try to send him a video image of Friedrich Juergenson in the near future. Two months later Mr Homes had forgotten about the message. On June 11 he was out of the house. His daughter Karin received a phone call from spirit colleague Konstantin Raudive, who

announced that a video transmission would be attempted the following afternoon. On June 12, after lunch Mr Homes set his camcorder up in front of his old black-and-white TV set, and made recordings all afternoon. The image of Friedrich Juergenson (Figure 2) flashed across the TV screen for 0.7 seconds, and was captured on tape.

Mr Homes' black-and-white TV has no antenna connected, no cable connections, and is left tuned to an empty channel.

France. She said that she had died at a young age and had remained close to Remy Chauvin as he grew up, acting as a guardian angel, and that she still played that role today. Professor Chauvin did not (and to our knowledge still does not) recall a childhood friendship with Miss Guigne.

Nevertheless, the messages continued. On November 10, 1993, two pictures of Anne Guigne were received by ITC experimenters: again, one through a computer in

Luxembourg (Figure 3), the other through the TV set of Adolf Homes in Rivenich, Germany (Figure 4). Figure 3 was accompanied by the computer text:

Anne Guigne. Born at Annecy 1911 April 25. Transition made 1922 January 14. Guardian angel of Remy.

Since these pictures were made public, *Contact!* has been informed of a book about the life of Anne Guigne.* On the book cover is the picture in Figure 5 showing a young Miss Guigne photographed during her short life on Earth, circa 1919. The book, written by an ardent Roman Catholic and expert on Saints, Renee de Tryon-Montalembert, is a plea for the sanctification of Anne. Evidently people who experienced miracles surrounding the girl's life, and those who have researched her life since her untimely death, feel that she deserves sainthood. The author further stresses that Catholic children need a child saint of their own to admire as a role model, and Anne would do well in that role.

In all fairness, until the death of her father in World War I, Anne had a naughty, temperamental side bordering on evil. She would kick her brother on the floor, steal candy and throw terrible fits of temper. On one occasion she told the old family doctor, "Take your junk and go jump in the lake!"

When her grief-stricken, newly widowed

* *Anne de Guigne; enfance et saintete* (childhood and sanctification), published in 1989 by Editions Saint-Paul, Paris.



Figure 3

mother, said, "Anne, if you want to console me, you must be good," something seemed to click inside the girl. Life for her became an inner struggle always to make the right choices, and she became a joy to live with.

Following are excerpts of a longer message received both in Luxembourg and in Germany along with the pictures. (The message to Adolf Homes arrived in his Commodore 64 computer.)

As a little girl in France I got very ill. I was an important source of information (for higher beings monitoring her life on Earth). Through spiritual insight and prayer I learned from the Omnipotence that I was better able to understand the things I needed to know here on the third (mid-astral) level and could do more for mankind from here than on Earth.

(At some spiritual level) I desired the change into a multi-dimensional world and was allowed a fast passing over to a world some memory of which was still alive in me. It is the same beautiful world you have heard about from others like me . . .

Anne's letter goes on to talk about her role as the leader of the Group for the Protection of All Newborn Life, a group of physicians and theologians in spirit who are concerned about people who die on Earth as children. She discusses the responsibilities and retribution of the adults responsible for tragic, premature deaths of children.



Figure 4

Figure 5



Verification of US phone calls

On January 21, 1994, I (Mark Macy) was sitting in my office when the phone rang at 10:05 a.m. I assumed it was my wife Regina, but instead a deep, familiar voice boomed out with enthusiasm through the telephone speaker:

This is Konstantin Raudive. Dear Colleague Mark, we have succeeded in building a new bridge to the States. You are the first to be contacted by this means. This is the first contact you get from us. This is Konstantin Raudive.

As the voice said, this was my first ITC contact. Was it for real? I had heard Dr Raudive's voice numerous times on tapes from Europe, and the voice sounded the same. It *felt* real. In recent months I had felt a growing kinship with Konstantin Raudive and other invisible colleagues. Still, someone could have faked it. The fact that phones are attached to public networks was not assuring.

A week later, on January 27, my good friend and colleague George Meek of Franklin NC got a longer phone call from Konstantin. The call helped to ease my mind.

G Meek: Good morning, this is George Meek.

K Raudive: *This is Konstantin Raudive. George, my friend, at last we succeed in contacting you. Jeannette is beside me, and she wants to give you all her love. This is Konstantin Raudive. This is the first contact you get from us. I suppose that you can hear me? (pause)*

G Meek: I can hear you very well. Very plainly.

K Raudive: *Fine. So, this is the beginning of a new story, a new chapter, George. You are a very good friend of ours even if we haven't met. We will continue this. This is the first bridge we have succeeded to build to the States. Mark was contacted and I must interrupt now.*

The last sentence waned as though the contact was running out of energy, but it provided further confirmation about the legitimacy of my own phone call.

Sarah Estep, president of AAEVP (American Association of Electronic Voice Phenomenon) has worked since 1979 to get people in the US interested in paranormal voice experiments. She was sitting at home in Annapolis MD when the phone rang. When the voice said, "*This is Konstantin Raudive,*" Sarah felt a rush of excitement and immediately reached over to switch on the tape recorder which she keeps near the phone. Caught unawares, she simply asked, "Dr Raudive, how are you?!" As proof that a sense of humor doesn't die, Konstantin replied:

I'm as fine as a "dead one" can be. Dear Sarah, thank you very much for everything you did for the propagation of the voices. We tried and we

succeeded in building this bridge to the States. You are one of the first who are contacted by this means. Thank you very much for all the work you did. We are very proud and honored that we could contact you. I must interrupt now. This was the first contact. This is Konstantin Raudive.

Sarah said with deep emotion, "Thank you so much!" Being psychically sensitive, she says she always has a sense of location when talking to people on the phone, whether they are across town or a thousand miles across the country. This paranormal phone call gave her a unique feeling of immediate presence. "I felt as if I could have reached out and touched him!" she said later.

All told, five ITC researchers in the States received phone calls from Konstantin Raudive during the first quarter of 1994 --Mr Meek, Mrs Estep, Walter Uphoff of Wisconsin, Hans Heckmann of Pennsylvania, and myself. Several of us received multiple contacts. All five of us felt confident that the phone calls were indeed from our spirit colleagues, but no one could be absolutely certain; there was no proof.

Then on February 20, German experimenter Adolf Homes received a message on his desktop computer (which was attached only to the power socket in the wall). The message read in part:

This is Konstantin Raudive via the devices at Station Rivenich (Germany). Dear colleague Adolf Homes, I herewith confirm my own contacts with Mr Malkhoff and Mr Meek and Macy in America. More contacts have been made successfully in China and Japan by telephone and FAX. Our tests are necessary because humanity is in a state of being -- created by themselves -- which is negative for us to the point that we cannot influence consciousness. We therefore ask you to open the psychic barriers to a greater extent. Only then is there a possibility for us to proceed with more contacts via radio receivers, televisions and (standalone) computers. Unfortunately messages from our side by telephone and fax do not suffice to make clear to humanity our reality as one of many realities. (Presumably that is because telephones and FAX machines are connected to the public network).*

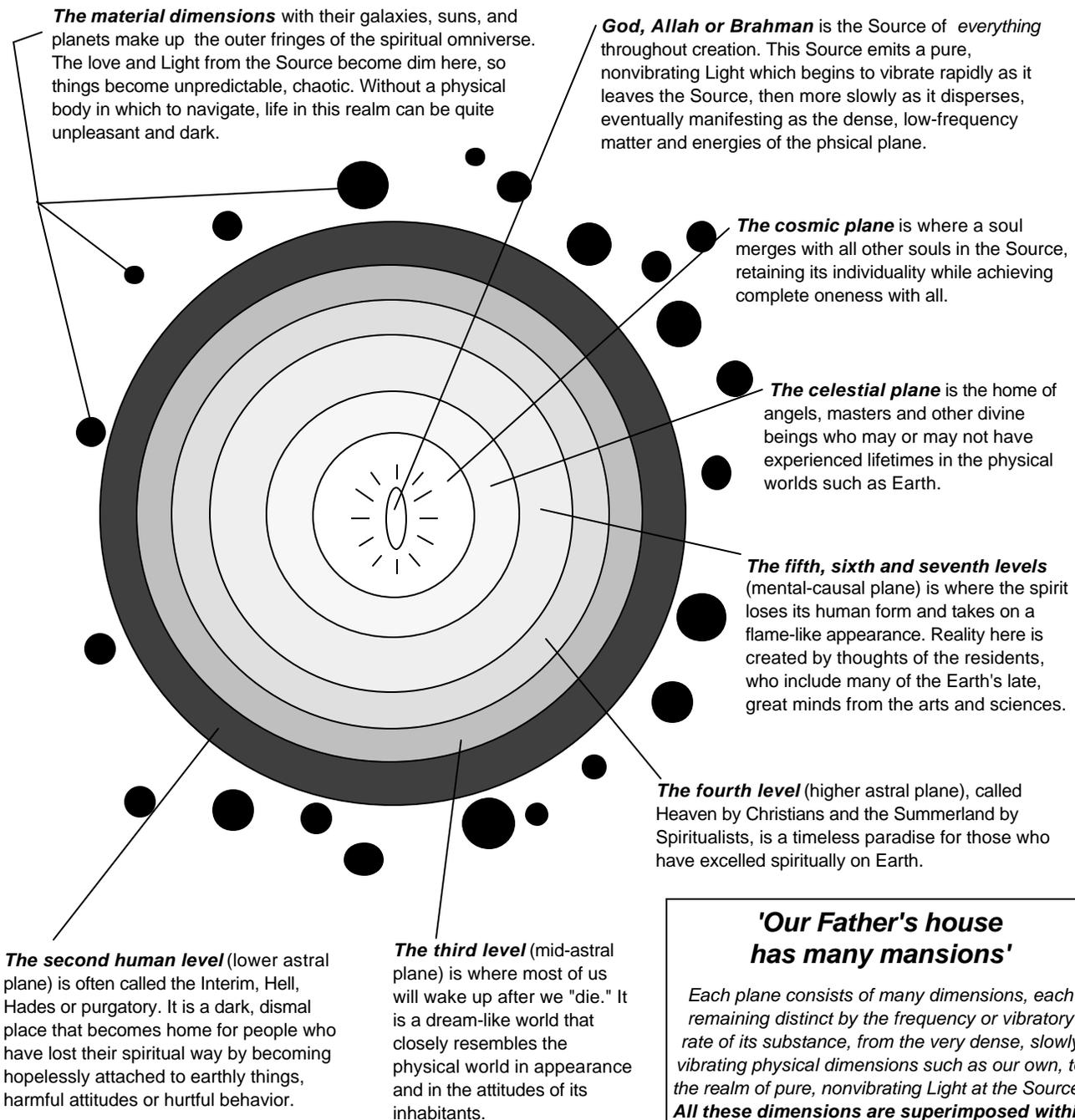
In any event, this letter turned up in a computer in the private home and ITC lab of Adolf Homes, who assures us that it was not typed into the computer by him nor by anyone else. It could not have come across any network because the computer is attached to nothing but the power outlet in the wall. And the message verifies two of the telephone calls placed to the US. At last, reasonable proof.

* These contacts have never been verified. If we do indeed have colleagues in Asia, they have not made themselves known to us at the time of this writing. --MHM

A multidimensional model of reality

We are told by our spirit colleagues that the multidimensional reality visible from their realms is too complex to be described accurately in modern terms and concepts. The model on this page is not intended to give the full story, nor to threaten or replace any beliefs or theories which readers may already have. Its intent is only to help explain how ITC contacts are made, and with whom. There are a number of problems with this

paradigm, the main one being its inability to illustrate the interpenetration of all these various dimensions or levels of consciousness (the idea that they all exist in the same space). Also, boundaries in the model are arbitrary; we are told there are many, many planes or levels within each dimensional region shown here. Nonetheless, we are told by our invisible colleagues that the model is reasonably accurate, given the limitations of our language.



Telephone contact

More ITC stations announced

On 1995 September 7, three days after the first INIT meeting in England, spirit colleague Konstantin Raudive made contact with German experimenter Friedrich Malkhoff to announce that the meeting had charged up the energy bridge between spirit and Earth. Numerous contacts were made in the ensuing weeks. Of special interest is a telephone call from Dr Raudive on October 23, at 5:06 p.m., which discusses the future of ITC.

K Raudive: *I would say the following to you, Friend Malkhoff: The spiritual has to rule the world. Material wealth must not be the criteria for everything. After all, man is not living from bread alone but needs spiritual values and the freedom for personal development. When this is missing on your side, there is no actual assurance of human ascension. Those who deal with ITC on Earth need our help urgently in the form of psychological, ethical or religious knowledge and perception. Only then can the experimenters and researchers be led out of the blind alleys in which they are momentarily stuck, and a truly just and peaceful cooperation can be established. Dear Friend Malkhoff, seven stations are to be built. You, of course, are not included since you already operate a station.*

F Malkhoff: Can you tell me more about these seven

stations?

K Raudive: *No, it is something that will be played out on your side, and I cannot say much about it at this moment.*

F Malkhoff: If I understand you correctly it will depend on the experimenters?

K Raudive: *Yes, you understand the situation exactly, friend Malkhoff.*

F Malkhoff: It is very nice to hear about this.

K Raudive: *It may be that the message has come through Station Rivenich (operated by experimenter Adolf Homes in Rivenich, Germany).*

F Malkhoff: Well, I have had little contact with Colleague Homes lately.

K Raudive: *Yes, that is exactly what I was going to talk to you about. You have to get organized on your side. It would be beneficial if a certain cooperation would develop. Do not misunderstand me, Friend Malkhoff. You need not initiate anything; you have done enough. It is now up to the other gentlemen and ladies to approach you, and each other.*

F Malkhoff: Yes, I understand....

Dr Raudive concludes by saying that much expansion is planned for ITC in the coming years, humanity willing.

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but to no avail. He continued for eight minutes with no results.

Then he walked across the hall to investigate the noise. He discovered the computer running--it apparently had been switched on paranormally--and on the screen he found the following message under the name *Juergenson*:

This is Friedel from Sweden.

Dear people, as you know, we are able to enter your structure in various ways. I am sending you again a projection of myself, but with your apparition image. The visual date is incorrect for the physical realm. The projection since January 17, 1991, has been in the quantum of space- and time-lessness. All your and our thoughts have their own electromagnetic reality which does not get lost outside the space-time structure. Not only our transcontacts but the consciousness of the total universe is to be understood strictly spiritually and creates essentially all physical and psychical form. Seen in this light, we too are still human beings. This mutual enterprise creates all the forms. These in turn are illusions because they change. Many of us are able to put on a

physical appearance.

Please pass on my message to all people. This is F Juergenson speaking.

Adolf Homes was born in 1935, and his mother, Elise Caroline Homes, died at the time of birth. His father was killed in World War II a decade later, so young Adolf grew up in evangelical Christian orphanages. Throughout his life, his deceased mother remained on his mind.

In the 1980s Mr Homes was introduced to EVP (electronic voice phenomenon), a field of research underway since the late 50s involving the use of a tape recorder to capture short, faint spirit voices. He began experimenting, but had little success until he came across a book, *Radio communication with the dead*. Following suggestions in the book, such as tuning his radios to frequencies between 1400 and 1600 KHz, he began to enjoy rapid progress and decided that he would try to contact his mother. He felt deep gratitude to the book's author for this opportunity at last to meet the mother whom he had never known during

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A brief history of ITC

(excerpted from the book *Conversations Beyond the Light*, by Dr Pat Kubis and Mark Macy)

In 1901, US ethnologist Waldemar Bogoras traveled to Siberia to visit a shaman of the Tchouktchi tribe.* In a darkened room, he observed a spirit conjuring ritual. The shaman beat a drum more and more rapidly, putting himself in a trance state. Startled, Bogoras heard strange voices filling the room. The voices seemed to come from all corners and spoke English and Russian. After the session, Bogoras wrote:

I set up my equipment so I could record without light. The shaman sat in the furthest corner of the room, approximately 20 feet away from me. When the light was extinguished the spirits appeared after some "hesitation" and, following the wishes of the shaman, spoke into the horn of the phonograph.

The recording showed a clear difference between the speech of the shaman, audible in the background, and the spirit voices which seemed to have been located directly at the mouth of the horn. All along, the shaman's ceaseless drum beats can be heard as if to prove that he remained in the same spot.

This was the first known experiment in which voices of "conjured spirits" were recorded on an electrical recording device.

In the 1920s, Thomas Alva Edison, inventor of the electric light, the motion picture camera, and phonograph, was busily at work in his laboratory building a machine to achieve spirit communication with the dead. His assistant, Dr Miller Hutchinson, wrote:

Edison and I are convinced that in the fields of psychic research will yet be discovered facts that will prove of greater significance to the thinking of the human race than all the inventions we have ever made in the field of electricity.

Unfortunately, Edison died before he could complete his invention. Yet, as he lay dying, he remarked to his physician, "It is very beautiful over there." Edison was a scientist, very factual, and as a scientist would never have reported "It is very beautiful over there," unless he believed it to be true.

Then, in the early 1950s in Italy, two Catholic priests, Father Ernetti and Father Gemelli, were collaborating on

* The account of Waldemar Bogoras comes from Italian ITC researcher Eleanor Nogues, as reported in the journal *Parasciences*.

music research. Ernetti was an internationally respected scientist, a physicist and philosopher, and also a music lover. Gemelli was President of the Papal Academy. On September 15, 1952, while Gemelli and Ernetti were recording a Gregorian chant, a wire on their magnetophone kept breaking. Exasperated, Father Gemelli looked up and asked his father for help. To the two men's amazement, his father's voice, recorded on the magnetophone, answered:

Of course I shall help you. I'm always with you.

They repeated the experiment, and this time a very clear voice filled with humor said:

But Zucchini, it is clear, don't you know it is I?

Father Gemelli stared at the tape. No one knew the nickname his father had teased him with when he was a boy. He realized then that he was truly speaking with his father. Though his joy at his father's apparent survival was mixed with fear. Did he have any right to speak with the dead?

Eventually the two men visited Pope Pius XII in Rome. Father Gemelli, deeply troubled, told the Pope of the experience. To his surprise the Pope patted his shoulder:

Dear Father Gemelli, you really need not worry about this. The existence of this voice is strictly a scientific fact and has nothing whatsoever to do with spiritism. The recorder is totally objective. It receives and records only sound waves from wherever they come. This experiment may perhaps become the cornerstone for a building for scientific studies which will strengthen people's faith in a hereafter.

The good father was somewhat reassured. But he made certain that the experiment did not go public until the last years of his life. It wasn't until 1990 that the results were published.

In 1959, the man who was to become a great pioneer in the recording of voice phenomena, Swedish film producer Friedrich Juergenson, captured voices on audiotape while taping bird songs. He was startled when he played the tape back and heard a male voice say something about "bird voices in the night." Listening more intently to his tapes, he heard his mother's voice say in German:

Friedrich, you are being watched. Friedel, my little Friedel, can you hear me?

Juergenson said that when he heard his mother's voice, he was convinced, he had made "an important discovery." During the next four years, Juergenson continued to tape hundreds of paranormal voices. He played the tapes at an international press conference and in 1964 published a book in Swedish: *Voices from the Universe* and then another entitled *Radio Contact with the Dead*.

In 1967, Juergenson's *Radio Contact with the Dead* was translated into German, and Latvian psychologist Dr Konstantin Raudive read it skeptically. He visited Juergenson to learn his methodology, decided to experiment on his own, and soon began developing his own experimental techniques. Like Juergenson, Raudive too heard the voice of his own deceased mother, who called him by his boyhood name: "*Kostulit, this is your mother.*" Eventually he catalogued tens of thousands of voices, many under strict laboratory conditions.

In 1971, the chief engineers of Pye Records Ltd. decided to do a controlled experiment with Raudive. They invited him to their sound lab and installed special equipment to block out any radio an

d television signals. They would not allow Raudive to touch any of the equipment.

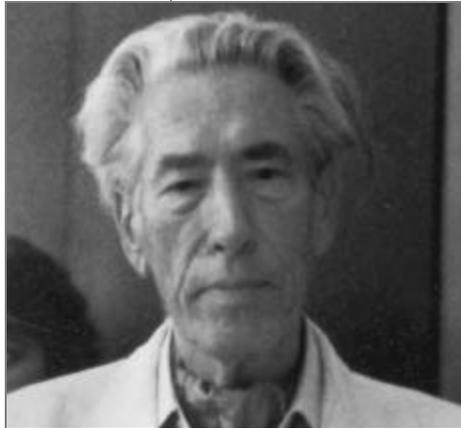
Raudive used one tape recorder which was monitored by a control tape recorder. All he could do was speak into a microphone. They taped Raudive's voice for eighteen minutes and none of the experimenters heard any other sounds. But when the scientists played back the tape, to their amazement, they heard over two hundred voices on it.

Experimenting in the electronic voice phenomenon (EVP) became very popular in Europe in the 60's and 70's. Many individuals and groups collected voices over their home tape recorders.

Then the 1970s brought a significant breakthrough. Ironically, it occurred in the US where EVP had been virtually ignored. In 1973, spiritual researchers George and Jeannette Meek met a psychically gifted man, William O'Neil, who could see and hear spirits. The Meeks provided funding and direction for a ground-breaking project of advanced spirit communication, and O'Neil provided the necessary psychic skills and electronics know-how.

O'Neil recruited several of his spirit friends into the project. One of his invisible colleagues was the spirit of Dr George Jeffries Mueller, a deceased university professor and NASA scientist who simply appeared in O'Neil's living room one day as a semi-materialized spirit, and announced that he was there to assist in the project of Meek and O'Neil. It became a rather astonishing collaboration between dimensions: Doc Mueller in spirit helping Bill O'Neil on Earth design a new piece of electromagnetic equipment that would convert spirit voices into audible voices. Appropriately christened *Spiricom*, the new device was a set of tone generators and frequency generators that emitted 13 tones spanning the range of the adult male voice.

By the fall of 1980 Spiricom had advanced to the point



A picture of Friedrich Juergenson, circa 1977, during lifetime on Earth. (Compare to the picture on page one.)

where Doc Mueller's spirit voice, although quite buzzy, was loud and easily understandable, and Meek and O'Neil soon catalogued more than 20 hours of dialog with their spirit colleague Doc Mueller. These are reported in some detail in the book *After We Die, What Then?* by George Meek.

The pioneering efforts of George Meek and Bill O'Neil planted seeds and fueled minds all around the world. Sarah Estep started the American Association of Electronic Voice Phenomenon (AAEVP) in 1982

and quickly assembled a list of hundreds of EVP experimenters to receive her newsletter. In Europe, thousands of people were already following up on the EVP experiments of people like Friedrich Juergenson and Konstantin Raudive, and they became very excited and inspired by the news from the States.

And just as airplanes got bigger and better as younger minds built upon the foundation, so has ITC flourished since Spiricom. Most notable among the new generation of ITC researchers are Friedrich Malkhoff and Adolf Homes of Germany and Maggy and Jules Harsch-Fischbach of Luxembourg, Directors of CETL, the ITC receiving station in Luxembourg whose work won the 1992 Swiss Award for Paranormal Discoveries.

Friedrich Juergenson, Dr Konstantin Raudive, and other great pioneers of EVP such as Klaus Schreiber and, more recently Bill O'Neil, have died and are now coming across on television and other electronic media. On June 12, 1992, Friedrich Juergenson told the eagerly watching ITC experimenters on earth:

Every being is a unity of spirit and body that cannot be separated on earth or in spirit. The only difference is the fact that the physical body disintegrates and in its place comes the astral body.

Our message is to tell you that your life goes on. Any speculations on how an individual will experience it are bound to be limited in validity. All your scientific, medical or biological speculations miss the mark of these realities. What serves as "real" to science is not close to reality in the broad picture. It is no more than a word in a book.

As suggested by the contacts reported on page one, ITC at the present time is leading us in a rather exciting direction.

Computer contact

German woman enjoys ultimate island excursion

Edith Koerner Schoenheid died in the early spring of 1995. She was the wife of retired German pharmacist Ludwig Schoenheid. Shortly after her transition, a letter was sent to Ludwig through the ITC receiving station CETL, Luxembourg. Apparently she was carried through the tunnel by a Light being and delivered to a gentle tribe on a tropical island, where she was nurtured back to health, and youth, in her spirit body.

This is the account of his wife's transition, narrated by an island girl:

Station Faanui, 1995 April 18 12:32

I, Mootai, will now tell you a tale, a tale that happened just as you will read it now. I was sitting in the bay near the lagoon, and it was quiet. The slopes with the coconut palms and the pourau trees were gleaming silver in the moonlight. I remembered that I once lived at a similar lagoon, long, long ago on another island.

Suddenly I heard a noise accompanied by the noa-noa of the hibiscus blossoms and the tiare blossoms. It was that same noise that one always hears when the tunnel is opening. A black point, first only as big as a coconut, began to grow and grow until it was as wide as a large wooden cask. The noise was like a rustle and gurgle, also like the roar of water as it lashes at the outer edge of a coral reef. The whole event was accompanied by colors that revolve around the black entrance of the tunnel -- rich colors of cobalt blue, aquamarine and turquoise.

One of the Light beings, which we also call the People of the Rainbow, came out of the tunnel. I, Mootai, knelt down and closed my eyes in awe. Then I looked up and the twilight of the night went into broad daylight. The Light being was carrying a woman in his arms, a sight that at first frightened me because she was old and her hair was gray, her skin white, and she was sleeping the dead sleep.

"Here," I was told by the one from the People of the Rainbow, "I bring you this woman to take care of. She was living with the name Edith Koerner and she went through much sorrow and pain. Now that she has finished her mortal life she shall rest among your people and recover from the dead sleep. Then we shall see . . ."

And I, Mootai, took the woman in my arms. She was light and delicate, and I carried her to the healing hut

and lay her on a bed of palm leaves.

All this happened on the day that you on Earth call the 11th of February.

Together with the others of my people we cared for Edith. Everyday we looked after her, for this was the desire of the Light beings. After a few weeks, her hair was dark again and her eyes shone like stars when she opened them for the first time. She looked around, amazed, and touched her body which was again young and firm, and her face which had become smooth in the course of weeks while she was sleeping.

Later I often watched her while she was gazing at her reflection in the clear water of the lagoon. She was shaking her head with the dark curls. She repeated over and over, "I've known such a long time about this experience, but when it happens I just can't believe it!" Later she took a bath in the clear water and she lay under the suns in the sand.

Everyone of our tribe liked her very much and she took part in the activities of the people. Especially she was interested in our customs of getting-in-touch, important ceremonies in which we tell songs to the gods and burn herbs which give off a vapor through which we can see into your world.

Maupai Hartmann, who is of white skin too and has been with us for many years, often and long talked with her about his journeys into other regions along the River of Eternity. The two were like brother and sister. The more Edith heard about the world outside our tribe, the more restless she became. One day she couldn't stand it here with us anymore and, at her request, Maupai Hartmann took her along in his boat with sail that was driven by energy of the suns. The whole tribe stood along the shore to say goodbye. Under the stars the two embarked for the station which they call Timestream, as Edith knows people of her family there and she will help the great white doctor who talks with picture boxes and sound boxes and whose magic is so strong that word of it has spread even here to the lagoon.

This was the story of Edith, the white woman, who often talked about her husband Ludwig and her daughter Edna and who came here old and ill, but who left our tribe as a beautiful young girl. This story happened just as you have heard it, and it was told by Mootai of Motu Toopua who has lived here already for more than a thousand years of your chronology. I greet you all!

Stateside ITC gets a boost**Computer letter announces new spiritside assistance**

The following letter appeared in the computer at the CETL receiving station, Luxembourg, on 1995 October 7. The passages in parentheses () were part of the original letter. Bracketed material [] has been added by the editor (Mark Macy), who also corrected many typographical errors.

Dear Mrs Harsch,

This letter is addressed to you as I know you are the main communicator on your side for messages like this. My name is Arthur Beckwith. I suppose you don't know me, although I know you very well.

I am in charge over here at Timestream station doing analyses of your newsletter, also the comments resulting which are published in different countries (for example my home colleague Mark Macy).

With this I intend to give you and my fellow researchers in the States, Mark and Pat [Kubis] (who has to be included in our common work, I think), some details allowing them to make serious and complementary research on "deceased persons" such as I.

I was born in Houghton-le-Spring Sunderland (UK). I was in Jamaica in 1857 where I met my beloved wife Susan. And I was employed at the [New York?] Sun, the Brooklyn Daily Eagle [and] the [?] Citizen.

I am here now, at Group Timestream, together with Scott Joplin, Marjorie Hamilton, Bill O'Neil, Jeannette D [Meek] and my friend Bill H. Lynch who was (as he told me) in his terrestrial days rector of St John's Roman Catholic Church in Lambertville NJ (he seems to have had some difficulties in offering to perform marriages during 1912 without cost) and Francis H. Glazebrook of Morristown [NJ?] (a medical doctor).

The message came as a bit of a surprise. First of all, no one in ITC knew anyone named Arthur or Susan Beckwith, nor Marjorie Hamilton nor Bill H. Lynch nor Francis H. Glazebrook. That is still true at the time of this writing (1995 December 23). Hopefully by next issue of *Contact!* we will have more information to report.

The other names -- Bill O'Neil, Jeannette Meek and Scott Joplin -- are more familiar to us. Mr Joplin (♯ 1917) was a well-known ragtime composer and pianist who has made contact through Luxembourg and has been identified as a friend of Jeannette Meek (♯ 1991), who was the wife of ITC pioneer George Meek. Bill O'Neil (♯ 1993) was Mr Meek's principal colleague in the development of *Spiricom* (see the story on pages 10-11). It has been common knowledge that Mr O'Neil and Mrs Meek have been working with others to build a spirit group around Mark Macy's ITC experiments in Colorado since 1993.

Apparently the author of this letter, Mr Beckwith, had much difficulty in putting his thoughts through the advanced processes of our spirit colleagues at Timestream sending station. A well-known psychic (who requested anonymity) told me, "He's an interesting guy. He had daughters--Elizabeth, Becky. . . He liked chocolate cake and still does. He said that sending a letter via ITC equipment is a major effort. He suggested that someone, someday, look up his daughter's children."

So, INIT-US has been given a challenge to unearth the backgrounds of the folks mentioned in the letter, and we invite readers to assist in the search. Meanwhile, once again we thank our spiritside colleagues who remain dedicated to the difficult task of opening communication channels with their friends, colleagues and loved ones on Earth

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his lifetime.

Consider these facts: 1) the book was written by Swedish experimenter Friedrich Juergenson, 2) Mr Homes read the book cover to cover three times and developed a strong emotional connection with Mr Juergenson through common interests, 3) he succeeded not only in making contact with a being identifying herself as the mother he had never known, but he persuaded her to return to service to Earth as his

principal spirit colleague in ITC, and 4) it was Mr Homes who received the color self-portrait of F Juergenson (page 1) in 1995, eight years after Juergenson's own physical death in 1987. Coincidence? Hm-m. Consider also that Mr Homes received a message indicating that his mother and F Juergenson worked together to make the contact possible.

Angel letter. . .*(continued from page 1)*

try to get some order in the chambers of your spirit and your heart. You quickly get things out of the way which you left lying around carelessly for a long time. You hide other things under the furniture and the carpet because you are ashamed that you neglected them.

Dear people! We come only to greet you, not to judge you. The pupil is not being judged after an hour of testing, but only after his entire period of learning.

You try to imitate us because your religions teach you to do so. That is nice, but do not overdo it. You are still human beings. Sometimes you impose tasks on yourself and others that are too hard. When you fail, you grow ill-tempered and finally become angry with us. You are not perfect, but this is no reason for us to find you repulsive or to look down upon you.

We accompany the lonely and grieving. We lie next to the sick and we ease the burden of the suffering. We love human beings, but people sometimes expect this love to give them something which we cannot give because you are unable or unprepared to receive it. We do understand your desperation and your skepticism, your doubt and your anger. We know you are only on a journey. Once you get back to us, you will feel like the child who sits smiling and securely on its mother's lap.

Therefore, do not make this time of your transit unnecessarily difficult for each other. Lighten your hearts and take off your masks in front of each other and you will be prepared on the day we take you home.

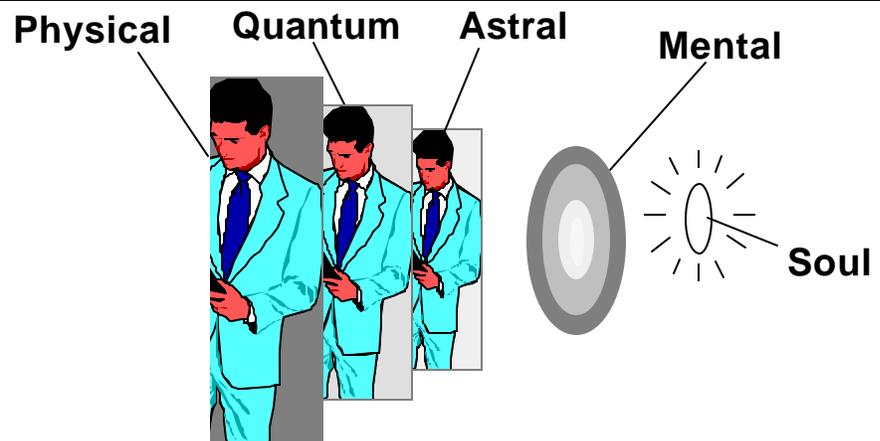
Ishkumar

What's it like to die? One of the most prolific spirit communicators in ITC is voice pioneer Konstantin Raudive who died in 1974. From his new home in the worlds of spirit, Dr Raudive reports that a personal day of reckoning is an exaggerated concept in many minds. Apparently it would more aptly be called a **MOMENT** of reckoning. Dr

Raudive's message (as reported by Maggy Harsch-Fischbach in 1988, translated by Hans Heckmann, and edited by Mark Macy):

I watched myself throughout a movie of my life. It felt as though I were watching someone else and myself in the same body. A Light being offered occasional remarks and selected certain events in my life to drive home acts of selfishness and unfairness on one hand, and my acts of love, kindness and compassion on the other hand.

So, when we die perhaps it is reasonable to expect a brief replay of the life we've just led. We probably won't sit before a panel of stern judges. Things will just flash before our eyes. And then we'll get settled into our new lives.



A model of our spiritual makeup

Our spirit colleagues in ITC have told us that the actual composition of the many spiritual realms and the true nature of our spiritual self is impossible to describe in modern terms and concepts. What follows is a simple model of the spirit bodies within us. We have been told that the model is reasonably accurate, considering the limitations of the printed word and two-dimensional illustrations.

Our research suggests that when we "die" and shed the physical body, we live on in a quantum body, usually for just a few days. It is this quantum body that people often equate with ghosts and apparitions. It is a transitory vehicle for our mind as it moves from the dense physical world to the subtle spiritual realms.

A few days after our physical death, the quantum body dissipates and we find ourselves in an astral body. The astral body is invisible to our physical senses, but once our spiritual senses kick in it looks and feels much like the physical body looks and feels now.

Eventually, after many lives in many worlds in the physical and astral dimensions, we will shed our bodies with the familiar human form, to become a being of Light. Then we will be residing in a formless mental body, or mental sheath, with an appearance of a living flame, or a ball of living Light.

Ultimately we will shed the mental sheaths and, as a soul --a pure ray of undying, nonvibrating Light -- merge with the Source. At that point we will retain our uniqueness while becoming one with All.

We are also told that we exist at all these different levels concurrently, that time is an aberration of the physical dimension. As our spirit colleague Dr Swejen Salter reported about her difficulties getting settled into the next life after her physical death in 1987:

I found it frightening and fascinating to find out that energy and matter are one and the same thing, that a body only seems to exist and that time has to be understood as a bodily substance.

The role of higher beings. ITC experimenters have been aware since 1986 that their work is assisted by beings whom we on Earth typically refer to as "angels". One of ITC's principal spirit colleagues, Dr Swejen Salter, informed Luxembourg experimenter Maggy Harsch-Fischbach that her work involves meetings with these nonhuman beings, who have identified themselves as Technician, Ishkumar, Seth 3, Thfirrin and Isar, among others. In a computer letter to Earth on 1991, February 21, Dr Salter wrote:

Some of us regard them as great souls or creators. They live on our plane and yet are really not among us. They can ascend to higher planes and again "bend down" to our level. Their power is almost unlimited and so is their wisdom and goodness. Their entire being is illuminated by understanding and forgiveness. It is impossible to describe the good feeling that overcomes the person who faces them and can speak to them.

We seek council with these higher beings to determine the information to send to Earth. The meetings take place in a round room with transparent walls. During the talks the room revolves, and lights, colors and shapes of breathtaking beauty pass by on the outside. Soft "music of the spheres" is heard in the background.

Until the fall of 1995, the high-pitched, computer-like voice of Technician would announce the beginning and end of many contacts, and the Luxembourg experimenters would receive occasional words of wisdom and encouragement from that being, but for the most part the Technician and his angelic colleagues stayed in the background, quietly

providing protection, energy and direction to the ITC project.

Many of these beings have never lived in physical bodies, and they seem to find it difficult to relate to some human problems, compulsions and peculiarities. One principal difference between us in the physical realm and our angelic colleagues in the higher spiritual realms, is the notion of individuality, or personal boundaries. We are told that the higher beings live in groups or clusters. They are fused beings. They lack the boundaries that we have--not just the structural boundary of a skin covering of a physical body or astral body, but also the invisible boundary which we call the ego. Our findings in ITC are beginning to corroborate what the Eastern religions have been telling us for centuries: Individuality as we know it seems to be an illusion of the physical world. When we get beyond the ego, we are all one.

Our higher colleagues live this oneness. They identify themselves as part of a group of beings. For example, the being Thfirrin refers to himself as "one of the seven". Thomas Becket of Canterbury (a 12th-Century English statesman) has contacted ITC experimenters several times. He is reported to be part of a higher being called Seth 3; the two have fused into one being. (Seth 3 is no relation to the more familiar "Seth".)

Editor's note: Future issues of *Contact!* will include other messages from higher beings, including a computer letter from Thfirrin lending credibility to the theory that an inhabited planet once existed in an orbit between Mars and Jupiter...where today there is just an asteroid belt.

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January 2005 - - -

This is an electronic replication of the *Contact!* Journal which I published a decade ago. Only this last page has been changed; this message replaces the mailing information that is no longer valid. Otherwise this journal is virtually identical to the printed journal first published in 1996.

From 1995 to 2000, members of INIT received a taste of the tremendous possibilities in store for humanity through ITC research. We were in close collaboration with a team of departed colleagues, loved ones, and celebrities (Spirit Group Timestream) who worked hard to open unprecedented communication channels from their world in the spirit realms, to our world, via radios, TVs, telephones, computers, and other technical devices. Our project was facilitated by a group of ethereal beings--"The Seven"--who told us they had accompanied our world for many thousands of years. I now believe that these seven ethereal beings are the Seven Archangels cited in holy text and historical documents down through the ages. They have come close to our world on six occasions when humanity approached an End Time in which major changes occurred on our planet. They told us during their most recent visit in the 1990s:

This is the seventh time that we accompany and guide you on your progress towards a free, wealthy, and sane future in which humanity will have stripped off the chains of intolerance and cruelty--a future in which it will be able to establish fruitful, enduring relationship with the light, ethereal realms of existence."

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Mark Macy