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### **Reverend Jymmisms**

**Happy July 4**<sup>th</sup> ! I trust you will have an opportunity to sit back this 4<sup>th</sup> and recognize how blessed we are to have the freedoms we have in this country. We live in one of the most diverse and beautiful states in the Union, with an ocean!! Ventura County is a pure delight to live in, my grandchildren live here! Thank you God.

From the Declaration of Independence: I hold these truths to be self-evident, that I am created equal, that I am endowed by my Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness. I believe when we make it personal, we make it powerful. I would like to share with you Marianne Williamson's "7 principles to guide you in my spiritual AND Political Practice".

★ The power within me-mind

# **Coming Events**

*August* brings a night of an array of ESC's wonderful talent.

September we will celebrate and bless all the animals that are so precious to each of us.

October will showcase the work of all of the talented artists at ESC.

Emerging Spirits Happy-nings

and spirit-is greater than all powers outside

★ Forgiveness and love are both my goal for the world and my means of achieving that goal.

★ I do not look away from the problems of the world, for that is negative denial. Rather, I look toward them and pray to be agents of positive change.

★ I embrace both the love and the sorrows of the world, for what is embraced with love is automatically delivered to realms of more positive unfoldment.

★ I will take constructive political action, in accordance with the magnificent opportunities afforded us as citizens of these United States. But I do not act in order to oppose what is; I act in order to make another, more positive choice for the future.

★ I seek peace within myself at all times, for lack of peace in me will be reflected outside of myself.

★ I see citizenship as a divine gift, to be used in love's service, for the creation of a better, more just, more compassionate world.

Happy summer! Sit back, relax and remember. visualize. feel, sense, smell summer... Hair gets lighter. Skin gets darker. Water gets warmer. Drinks get colder. Music gets louder and Nights get longer. Life gets better, dancing bare foot No school. Sleepovers. Tanning. Beaches. Water fights. Tank tops. Flip flops. Lemonade. Sunglasses. Taking Pictures. Late nights. Icecream. Memories. Warm air. Camps. Short shorts. Sleeping in. Summer Breeze. Tan lines. Sand castles. Long hair. Mud fights. Bonfires. Slushies. Pool parties. Palm trees. Barbeques. Blue skies. Concerts. fire flies, s'mores, summer love, watermelon, flashlight tag, falling stars, hot nights...And I add one more, summer solstice with tiki torches with friends.

Reverend Jymme Taylor

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## **Practitioners'** Corner

#### **Red Badge of Misery**

Was there a high school student among us who didn't have to study Hemingway's 'Red Badge of Courage'? This book maintained that soldiers who were wounded and wore the red badge of courage, a battle bandage, dressing, were somehow nobler than the rest of us who didn't get shot. This red badge elevated the wearer. through their suffering, on to a higher plane of sacrifice, whether the wound was selfinflicted or not. The Soup Nazi, in the comedy show Seinfeld, also 'suffered' for his art/soup. Whether this was true or not. depended on whether the "soup" was an "art" or not and how seriously the chef took it.

I maintain there are people

who wear a 'Red Badge of Misery' whoever they go. These folks are oblivious to the grace and beauty around them, blind to the free gifts under their tree. They regret putting a higher denomination coin in the subway box than they intended. Like Milton in the movie 'Office Space', someone else is always getting the bigger piece of cake. My brother, where ever he walked, was always looking down because, once, he found some money. He was scanning the crosswalk for coins when the bus hit him.

Once in a while it's good to look down and watch your step, keep from tripping, keep from stepping on a snake or an open manhole cover. In the Tarot, the Fool is always looking up and never sees the perils of the cliff edge that is next to him. Balance may be the answer for some. Scan for the 'Benjamins half the time and look for animal figures in the clouds the other half.

I am not saying ignore the pain. Pain is your body's way of telling you, hey, 'something may be wrong here and it needs attention.' Pain is a voice to listen to, but we should not allow it to distract us from the beauty of what surrounds us. If we give up our, "Red Badges" and focus on what we want, instead of what we don't want (the pain?), our lives will improve. Nothing prospers in negativity.

We don't need no stinking badges!!

Jim Brown, ESCSP

## Living in Truth

Time gets away from us so quickly. Hard to believe it is already July 2017. Not quite sure how that has happened. It isn't just that I am old as it seems even the young people also talk about how time goes so quickly. I believe there are many reasons why most people are experiencing this, however, I think that our 24 hour connection to the world contributes mostly to this phenomenon.

Time is really only an illusion. Remember the times when you thought you were going to be late to an important appointment as you were leaving long after you had planned? And you arrived just in time. How did that happen? It happened because you knew you would make it. You stepped outside the little r reality and stepped in the Big R Reality of life.

Time isn't the only area of our life where we can turn to the Big R Reality. When we give up the little r reality of worry, aggravation, resentment, unworthiness, (you fill in the blank for you) and turn to the Big R Reality, life will show up how we want it.

The Big R Reality is the Truth we have been seeking while experiencing the little r reality using a truth we didn't quite understand. Once we discover the ease of switching gears and seeing life through the prism of the Big R Reality of Truth, voila, our experience changes. This isn't hard, but it isn't easy. It just means we have to turn our vision inward to find that place within us that has always known the Truth. It will not lie to us. Seek and you will find. Knock and the door will open. And we have to seek.

Searching is so worthwhile. With each revelation of Truth we discover, the bigger R Reality we will experience. Keep searching as the journey is so fulfilling and don't let the speed of time deter you.

**Reverend Fran Williams** 

### EMERGING SPIRITS HAPPY-NINGS

## 2017 ESC Summer Solstice Ceremony

Marina beach was the venue for ESC's 1st Annual Summer Solstice Ceremony. In lieu of fire pits, an endangered species apparently, a ring of lit tiki lights were placed in the sand and we gathered around them. The high tide waves were loud and crashed over the breakwater as seagull cries punctuated the evening air. Brisk, light breezes and a clear sun accompanied Reverend Jymme, who spoke about balance. Eighteen people attended this first ever event and were asked to share their thoughts on balance. As the warm sun began to set and eventually descended behind a curtain of fog, the air turned cold and it was time to fold our chairs and leave. Each of us. I believed knew, we would be back.



Reverend Jymme spoke about balance.





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 <i>12 noon</i> Sunday Service & Potluck	3	4 JULY	5	6	7	8 <i>6p</i> Timber Hawkeye
9 <i>12 noon</i> Sunday Service	<b>10</b> <i>10a</i> Open Board Meeting	<b>11</b> 6:30p A Course In Miracles	12	13	14 6p Movie Night	15 10a Men's Group
16 <i>12 noon</i> Sunday Service	17	<b>18</b> 6:30p A Course In Miracles	19	20	21	22 2p Rev & Kevin Concert
30 Service	24 31	<b>25</b> 6:30p A Course In Miracles	26	27 12 noon The Joy of Writing	28 6p Movie Night	29



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