Sunday Service April 4th 2021

Written and recorded by Gina Langsfield during the closure, for the Spiritualist Association of Great Britain

Good afternoon Ladies and Gentleman, this is Gina Langsfield speaking to you on behalf of the SAGB and welcoming you to our Easter Reunion. For those who are joining us on Zoom today please welcome our medium Pauline Mason and our chair-person Peter Smith.

Would you please like to join me in prayer

Dear God, loving Spirit

As Easter a time of hope, upliftment and rebirth comes round once more we ask that the hope will be for the re-emergence into life for our troubled earth, the upliftment shall be the fulfilment of that hope and the rebirth shall be the feeling of joy the fulfilment our hope shall bring.

Into your hands we commend our future safety, happiness and freedom.

Amen

Easter Rebirth

Safety, Happiness and Freedom.

Three things for which so many have yearned for over a year now. Last Easter I recall reading a poem for you in those first days of our Sunday Broadcasts which spoke of the promise of Easter. We had then all hoped that long before Easter came round again this dreadful pandemic would be well and truly behind us and we would be living our lives as normal again.

Sadly, as in most wars, and this has certainly been a war albeit with a virus instead of a human foe, it wasn't fated to be over quite so quickly. So here we are again, still living with our longing of safety, happiness and freedom but hopefully these are now getting much closer, there is an end in sight, even if we still have a little way to go.

And, the vaccines will slowly give us our lives back...that is for the fortunate amongst us. On the 23rd March we joined in a day of reflection thinking of all those whose earthly lives will not be restored to normal by the ending of lockdown, those who have passed to Spirit either through Covid or during the pandemic, those left bereaved and those with long Covid symptoms or mental health problems caused by this terrible period.

As Spiritualists we know that those who have passed will know safety, happiness and freedom once more in the Spirit world, but that sadly is cold comfort to the mourners and the long term sick still fighting the battles here on earth. We have to place our trust in God's wisdom and in Spirits laws that these people will be comforted and will be shown the way back to safety from illness, happiness in learning that loved ones live on and are with them still and freedom from fear of the terrors this past year has brought to them.

But Spirit needs our help, they need us Spiritualists to be their light bearers here on earth. With knowledge we know comes responsibility. We need to be there in whatever way we can for the bereaved, the lonely, the despairing, the fearful...we need to be strong for them, even if we may not feel like it. Spirit will see us through and life will return to normality again but for some things will never be quite the same and at Easter the time when the promise of proving eternal life has particularly poignant significance, we need now more than ever this time year to be Spirit Light Bearers.

Have a safe hopeful and happy Easter, enjoy chocolate eggs, sunshine and our first steps back towards freedom and let us not forget that we need to share the sunshine and the hope of freedom with those souls who have suffered in the darkness and been imprisoned by the invisible chains of inner torment for so long.

On behalf of our manager Karl and the trustees, our staff, mediums, healers and as always myself, Gina, have a fun-filled Easter for those of you who can and a Spirit blessed Easter for all and may we soon all be together again.

And now for our Zoom friends I hand back over to Peter Smith.

Background Music – All things bright and beautiful

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