



Oct. 8, 2020

Dear Friends,

It feels so good to reach out even in the limited way that mail and e-mail allows us to do. Because we are all inherently interconnected and interdependent, any way that we can connect contributes to the greater wellness of the whole. So I am taking a little more time than I normally would, thinking about you who will receive this letter; the Village People, our spiritual family. I love you and I miss you and I pray that you are well during this most interesting time of our lives, and in the life of our planet.

For me, my spiritual practice has become more important than ever. I pray for my brethren, for my community, for our leadership on all levels and for our wellness and the wellness of the planet and all of its inhabitants. I pray for my family and my friends and I pray for myself, for peace of mind and peace of heart, for wellness in all ways and for the vitality and endurance to navigate both what is before me individually and what is before us collectively as inhabitants of a rapidly changing world.

Some of us have been directly affected in areas of physical health and wellness, monetary wellness, or mental and emotional strain. I pray for us, knowing the Truth of who and what we are.

Meanwhile, the business of church continues and the fact that we need you to contribute to that happening remains the same as it ever was. 2020 donations, especially now that we don't have income from rental events and other in-person events that would normally be generating extra income, are down, and so your contribution is more important than ever.

This year I also invite you, more than ever, to consider our auto-tithe option. It has been a very important piece of our money management in 2020 and will be even more important as we move into 2021. Auto-tithe provides us with a steady, predictable income stream which is critical; it's the primary fuel that runs the engine of our good works within each individual, in the community, and in our world. If you'd like to set up an auto-tithe giving plan or if you are already set up for auto-tithe and want to continue or modify your current plan please contact our bookkeeper Tao Becker at [bookkeeper@OaklandCSL.org](mailto:bookkeeper@OaklandCSL.org) or (510) 547-1979 x-7 Mondays and Thursdays.

I also invite you to sign up for our weekly Village News to stay current on classes, events and other happenings at our Center. We continue to offer much to contribute to a world that works for everyone.

Thank you so much for your contribution to an abundant and financially stress free 2021 for your Oakland Center for Spiritual Living. We are likewise overflowingly abundant in our thanks, and our love to you, for your support.  
With great love and gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rev. Jeff Anderson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Rev. Jeffrey R. Anderson  
Senior Minister / Oakland Center for Spiritual Living