



# the Divine Current

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Quarterly Newsletter and Calendar of Public Events

**"Seize the moment, seize the day—and embrace life with joy and wonder. The ECK teachings offer you a simple way to enjoy life to the fullest measure: the Spiritual Exercises of ECK. Do them daily, do them well. For they bring love."  
—Harold Klemp, *The Living Word*, Book 2, p. 206**

## Conversations Happen When I'm Open to the ECK<sup>1</sup> Flow

I like to go shopping. It is not haphazard conspicuous consumption, but it is for the few things we need, especially if it involves thrift stores.

Shopping can be a good therapy when life's challenges are wearisome. Health, finances, relationships, and peer pressures can affect our energy levels and distract us from our purpose on Earth.

A light shopping trip is just the answer. So when my health needs were creating cabin fever, I assembled four chores and scheduled a shopping trip.

My first stop was a private home to pick up a used item purchased online. The seller was very friendly,

and we had a nice health chat that veered into end-of-life decisions. Nothing deep, but we were both very open. It was refreshing for both of us.

The second stop was a major big box retailer of household items, where they move things around periodically to slow down the customer's pace. This means everyone is searching for items. We all looked goggle-eyed. It is quite a remarkable spectacle.

In this store they give out free food samples. I had been thinking of buying a protein supplement. Lo and behold, I encountered a senior lady sharing samples of a popular protein supplement mixed into an alternative milk product. It was tasty. I described why I was looking for a protein supplement; she was very open-hearted and we had a nice conversation.

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**1. ECK.** The ECK is the voice of God, the Audible Life Stream or Sound Current. It is the heartbeat and the pulse of God's creation.

**You are warmly invited on a *Soul Adventure* to discover more about "SPIRITUAL GRACE"**

*Save the Date!*

***Adventures in Spiritual Grace - A Day of ECK***

**11 am to 3 pm on Sunday, June 2, 2024**

**EB Shurts Building, 810 W. College Ave, Waukesha, WI**

**Enjoy uplifting stories, spiritual discussions, youth and family programming, food and fellowship, creative arts and more!**

**11:00 am to 12:15 pm—ECK Light and Sound Service – *The Art of Graceful Living***

***"We are all caretakers for ourselves and each other. Take every step with grace, for life is a precious adventure."* —Harold Klemp, *The Road to Spiritual Freedom*, pp. 17-18**

**12:45 to 1:45 pm—Potluck Lunch**

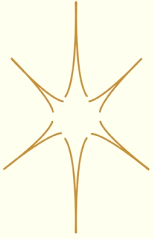
**1:45 to 2:45 pm—Afternoon Programs for Everyone**



**ECKANKAR—The Path of Spiritual Freedom**

# ECKANKAR *in Wisconsin*—Public Events

For updates to the Calendar of Public Events visit [www.eckankar-wi.org](http://www.eckankar-wi.org).



## ECK Light and Sound Services

The ECK Light and Sound Service often includes a reading from the ECK works, a HU Song, video of Harold Klemp, the Mahanta, the Living ECK Master, personal stories, creative arts, and small group discussions on spiritual principles at work in our daily lives.

**HYBRID EVENTS: ATTEND IN-PERSON OR REGISTER ONLINE AT [ECKANKAR-WI.ORG](http://ECKANKAR-WI.ORG) OR MEETUP.**

**FELLOWSHIP AND SNACKS FOLLOW SERVICES AT THE ECKANKAR CENTER OF WISCONSIN. MASKS ARE OPTIONAL.**

**Online – Sunday, April 7th • 11am—12:15pm**

### *Be the HU*

“This next story includes something you can take home in your heart, to help you realize how important it is to imbue yourself with the living essence of the Light and Sound of God. This Light and Sound of God is available in the word *HU*.”

—Harold Klemp, *The Road to Spiritual Freedom*, Mahanta Transcripts, Book 17, p. 251

**In-person— Sunday, May 19th • 10—11am**

Holiday Inn Express, 15451 W. Beloit Road, New Berlin

### *Living Life as a Spiritual Exercise*

"The Spiritual Exercises of ECK give you confidence in yourself. You learn that you are Soul, you are eternal. Then you know with certainty that you will live forever, that death cannot destroy you."

—Harold Klemp, *ECK Wisdom on Prayer, Meditation, and Contemplation*, p. 31

**In-person— Sunday, June 2nd • 11am—12:15pm**

EB Shurts Building, 810 W. College Ave, Waukesha

### *The Art of Graceful Living*

#### *Living in the Spirit of God's Love*

“When you are with others, realize that they too are lights of God who are also trying to find their way home to a better, happier, more graceful life.”

—Harold Klemp, *The Awakened Heart*, p. 12

**—See more on page one – Day of ECK—**

**Hybrid – Sunday, May 5th • 11am—12:15pm**

Online & at the Eckankar Center of Wisconsin

### *Becoming a Lighthouse of Divine Love*

“The highest principle you can live is divine love. This is living in the spirit of God’s love.

“If you can do this, you will be a light to others.”

“...Just realize that as you give love to God, God’s love has already been given to you. Now all you need to do is accept God’s love and return it to life. For in returning it to life, to your fellowman and other creatures of God, you are returning it to God.”

—Harold Klemp, *How the Inner Master Works*, Mahanta Transcripts, Book 12 pp. 109-110



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## **ECKANKAR Center of Wisconsin**

6501 Watts Road, Suite 150, Madison, WI 53719

Phone: (608) 665-0826

## **Open Hours: Saturdays - 10 AM to 1 PM**

Stop in to share in spiritual exploration and conversation, or to sit in quiet contemplation in this peaceful space.



# Experience HU — The Sound of Soul

[thesoundofsoul.org](http://thesoundofsoul.org)

HU, a sacred name for God, has been sung for thousands of years for spiritual unfoldment and can uplift people of any religion, culture, or walk of life.

After a brief introduction and reading, experience singing HU for fifteen minutes followed by a short period of quiet contemplation. Then enjoy small group spiritual conversations with others of like heart.

## Eckankar Center of Wisconsin

Sundays • 11 am – Noon

Apr 21st • May 19th • June 16th

6501 Watts Road, Suite 150, Madison  
(608) 221-8696 Carolyn for Information

## Brown County Public Library

Tuesday April 2nd • 5:30 – 7:00 pm

2253 Main Street, Green Bay

[richesabound4u@gmail.com](mailto:richesabound4u@gmail.com) Neil for Information

## IN-PERSON Spiritual Discussions

Go higher, further, deeper on your path of spiritual self-discovery!

Tuesday, April 16th, 6:30 – 7:45 pm

### Have You Had a Spiritual Experience?

Tuesday, May 21st, 6:30 – 7:45 pm

### Dreams

Tuesday, June 18th, 6:30 – 7:45 pm

### Karma & Reincarnation

#### L.E. Phillips Memorial Public Library

400 Eau Claire Street, Eau Claire

(715) 308-5338 for Information

## Have You Had a Spiritual Experience?

Please join us for an **Online** discussion!



## ECKANKAR Soul Adventure Magazine

Vol. 2, Number 3

Thursday, April 25th, 7– 8 pm

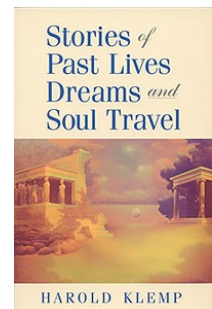
For Information, Zoom link or

Call-in Info contact

Linda Mary at (608) 393-8851.

## Stories of Past Lives, Dreams, and Soul Travel

by Harold Klemp



Please join us for an **Online six month** book discussion beginning on **Sunday, June 16th, 7–8:15 pm**

This book can be purchased at your favorite bookseller or at [Eckankar.org](http://Eckankar.org).

For Information, Zoom link or Call-in Info email [Bhiggins.WSS@gmail.com](mailto:Bhiggins.WSS@gmail.com).

## ECKANKAR Cable Broadcasts

ECKANKAR cable broadcasts feature talks by Harold Klemp, the spiritual leader of Eckankar.

**Duluth** - Digital Channel 180

Wednesdays, 3 pm and 6:30 pm • Thursdays, 8 am

**Stevens Point** - Cable TV Channel 984

Mondays, 9 pm • Tues/Thursdays, 10:30 am

Wednesdays, 3:30 pm • Fridays, 2 pm



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## LINKS TO WISCONSIN MEETUP GROUPS ARE BELOW AND AT [ECKANKAR-WI.ORG](http://ECKANKAR-WI.ORG)

[Northeast WI](#) [Eau Claire](#) [Kenosha](#) [La Crosse](#) [Madison](#) [Milwaukee](#)  
[New Richmond/Somerset/Hudson](#) [River Falls/Ellsworth/Prescott](#) [ECKANKAR in Wisconsin Online](#)



Conversations Happen When I'm Open to the ECK Flow—continued.

I soon found myself in a corner double-checking my shopping list when a man spotted an item in my cart he had been searching for. He approached with a half-laugh and half-smile and asked where I found the item. Of course, my mind went blank, and we had a good laugh. I did recall sufficiently to guide him. Although I felt he wouldn't accept, I offered him my item as I could easily get another one. Knowing it was his job to fill his cart, he smiled and departed in the general direction of his item—another refreshing and open conversation.

My third stop was to drop off some printing paper at the ECK Center of Wisconsin. Easy enough, but I was hungry for one of the ice cream bars in the Community Room. I sat down to enjoy an ice cream bar. Soon, a senior man entered the room with a step ladder and tool belt. We were both surprised and inquisitive. He was the grandfather of a student enrolled in the elementary school in the same building. He had retired from the cabling industry that provides internet, Wi-Fi, phone, security, and other cable services. The school, learning of his expertise, asked him to secure bids to improve service. The bids were so high that he offered to complete the work for one-third the cost. He even gave up his winter vacation in sunny Arizona to help. We had a delightful talk about the difficulties of upgrading an older building and general workforce issues. He departed in good cheer after sharing his story. It was another refreshing conversation.

**1. Spiritual Exercises of ECK.** The daily practice of aligning with the Sound Current for direct, personal spiritual experience. One practices creative techniques, using contemplation and the singing of sacred words, to bring the higher awareness of Soul into daily life.

My final stop was at a thrift store to look for a curtain rod long enough to hold a large quilt. I walked in, and immediately, the manager appeared to direct me. I quickly found a rod that was perfect but had no price tag. I approached the check-out counter, and there were the clerk and the manager. The clerk asked the manager the price, who responded with an appreciated thrift store price. We added the tax, and I told them to keep the change and was quickly out the door.

Throughout this adventure, the ECK had timed everything perfectly. I arrived home well-laden and even discovered an expected package on the porch. This little trip showed me that the ECK always arranges things for the best of all concerned. I'm even looking forward to my next shopping trip. The right attitude invites interactions uplifting to all involved, regardless of the circumstances. The Spiritual Exercises of ECK<sup>1</sup> help me maintain that attitude.



Richard Berling  
Madison, WI

“So what is the reason for living?”

“Life is God's blessing to each Soul—you—to learn how to give and receive love. That's what's going on behind the scenes in this great laboratory of life.

“The secret of all time is that we are each to be a steward of divine love.

“Sing *HU*, and the blessings of love will find you.”

—Harold Klemp, *The Sound of Soul*, p. 6



Temple of ECK, Chanhassen, MN  
[eckankar.org/Temple](http://eckankar.org/Temple)

## Resources for Spiritual Exploration **New!**

***ECKANKAR Seeker Central***

[ECKSoulAdventure.org](http://ECKSoulAdventure.org)

***Adventures in ECK Parenting***

How to bring divine love into every moment of life.

***Animals are Souls Blog***

Soul dwells here in the world of nature.