Guide to the Temple of the People Collection

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Overview of the Collection

Collection Title: Temple of the People Collection
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Administrative History:
The Temple of the People was founded in Syracuse, NY in 1898 by Francia A. La Due and William H. Dower. It is a continuation of the Theosophical teachings of Madame H.P. Blavatsky, a work carried on by William Quan Judge. In 1903 the Temple of the People moved to Halcyon, California. The Blue Star Memorial Temple was erected in 1923. The Temple aims to formulate spiritual truths as fundamental to human evolution in order to promote the idea that an explanation for the spiritual instinct inherent in all humans is the basis of every religion. The Temple aims to create a lifestyle that is in harmony with natural and Divine law and to promote the study of the sciences in order to better understand the super-physical aspects of human existence, as well as the study of art and social sciences for the welfare of all. The Temple holds that humanity will become a mighty power for good when it is universally attuned to the ideal of unselfish service by a daily application of the Golden Rule.

The Temple in Halcyon offers services in the Blue Star Memorial Temple every Sunday and a short Meditation for World Healing every day. Study classes are offered two days a week in the University Center where the William Quan Judge Library provides study resources.

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Access Terms
This Collection is indexed under the following controlled access subject terms.

Topical Term:
spiritualism
theosophy

Scope and Contents
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The collection includes five bound volumes, Theogenesis, From the Mountaintop in three volumes, and Temple Messages, all published by The Temple of the People, Halcyon, California, as well as post cards, six pamphlets on spiritual themes and two brochures about the Temple of the People and the symbolism of the Blue Star Memorial Temple.
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Post cards of the Blue Temple and the Halcyon Store and Post Office 2011
ArchonID: id556
Brochure: About the Temple of the People 2002
ArchonID: id557
Brochure: Symbolism of the Blue Star Memorial Temple 2003
ArchonID: id558
Booklet: Reincarnation 2002
ArchonID: id559
Booklet: The Temple
ArchonID: id560
Booklet: Inner Planes 2002
ArchonID: id561
Booklet: Questions About God 2002
ArchonID: id562
Booklet: Karma 2002
ArchonID: id563
Bound volume: Temple Messages 1983
ArchonID: id564
Volume I of From The Mountain Top. Copyright 1914, reprint 1974. 1914
ArchonID: id565
Volume II of From the Mountain Top. 1975
ArchonID: id566
Volume III of From the Mountain Top. 1985
ArchonID: id567
Theogenesis 1981