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### From Karl (Austria–Vienna)

Our Father in Heaven, let us and others honor and keep your name holy. Let us and others acknowledge your reign and do your will, so that what is already happening in Heaven may also truly come to pass on Earth. Give us today our bread for tomorrow. And forgive us our debts, as we also forgive those who are indebted to us, and lead us away from temptation; deliver us from evil. For yours is the power and the glory forever.

You shall pray like this three times a day. This comes from: *The New Testament and Early Christian Writings. Complete Collection of the Oldest Writings of Early Christianity* – translated by Klaus Berger and Christiane Nord. Frankfurt/M.: Insel Verlag, 2017.

(From old archives, 2016)

# A decade of light: new horizons for our Bulletin

Dear Readers.

Ten years... a whole decade! As I have briefly shared with you, we have reached a wonderful milestone. Our humble bulletin now exists for exactly ten years. That is ten years of sharing heart to heart, ten years of seeking the light in the writings of Jakob Lorber.

It is a journey we have undertaken together, and for that, I am incredibly grateful. With the new year in sight, I look forward with hope to the next stage. The next ten years begin in January!

Hopefully, the first issue of our new era will then roll off the press (or arrive in your digital mailbox). Attentive readers will notice a change: this year the bulletin will be published a total of eight times. The publication months are January, March, April, June, July, September, October, and December; in the remaining months (February, May, August, and November) there will be no bulletin.

This is a decision I have made with a heavy, yet joyful heart. The "New Revelation" requires full attention, and I am also engaged in other equally important activities related to the writings of Jakob Lorber. Although my heart is always set on maintaining this monthly contact, time does not always allow it.

Nevertheless: you will not lose me, and hopefully, I will not lose you!

#### **A Personal Greeting**

The month of January is also a time for special attention. I intend to send each reader a personal message. The text is formulated in general terms. For now, while the world around us experiences the darkest days of the year, I wish you from the heart "light in the darkness." May the warmth of the Inner Sun illuminate your heart and your home.

Warm regards, G.

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# Wilhelm Erdmann from Germany wrote to us:

#### Reinhard Giesa has passed away

When Reinhard, as a mechanical engineer, still had a company car at his disposal, he also visited the Andritz spring in Graz, which is maintained by the Lorber Society. As a fisherman, Reinhard, together with the Lorberians, enjoyed eating the fine trout from the spring.

In Graz, Reinhard also visited the grave of Jakob Lorber, which is planted with flowers and is easy to find within a large area of marble tombstones, as the cemetery gardeners often have to guide Lorberians who are making pilgrimages to Lorber sites.

Bishop Martin, as described in the New Revelation, died like a bishop of Münster in 1846, and the resting places of the bishops in the Münster Cathedral were destroyed by a bomb during the war, with the remaining bones being placed in a box and sent to a museum.

Today, where the bishops once found their final resting place, a large church organ stands, which Lorberians can easily find when they, like Reinhard, pilgrim to Bishop Martin's grave. "Bishop Martin" had initiated the German Bishops' Conference during the 50th anniversary of his episcopate.

The Lorberians lose with Reinhard Giesa a member who had read all the texts of the New Revelation by Jakob Lorber and even organized Lorber conferences when the Lorber publishing house no longer held them. Reinhard also sold Lorber books by the Löns Lake.

At Reinhard's conferences, Rene Abbe, Peter Eppich, and Hermann Petersen, who transcribed many writings from the time of Johanne Ladner into the computer, gave important lectures that helped Lorberians "realign" and no longer send Jesus into the churches' heaven on Ascension Day.

When Reinhard became a Lorberian, he also visited the last important Lorber conferences in Bietigheim, which ended with the total solar eclipse, as the New Revelation had warned about. During solar eclipses, evil spirits easily rise to the earth's surface.

At the good Lorber conferences that Maria Tanner organized in Schwarzenberg, Reinhard arranged for the youngest participants to have Lorber evenings in the fireplace room, often providing the wine, which was usually too expensive for the younger Lorberians in Switzerland.

In Hamburg, at the Lorber conferences, Reinhard felt at home, as he lived with his second wife in Hamburg and organized discussions at the cellar bar for Lorberians. These discussions often revolved around "insight into the possible," which Lorberians in the GDR often needed.

In Lüneburg, Reinhard also attended the conferences of the Berlin Swedenborgians, as he very much enjoyed the good northern German food served there, although the name Jakob Lorber was not used at the conference, as the Swedenborgians have their own church.

With Reinhard Giesa, the Lorberians lose a prophet who, at Lorber meetings, when necessary, had a connection to God and spoke the most important words that Jesus would say, for where two or more gather in Jesus' name, He is also present.

Reinhard Giesa also predicted an important event with the number 2027 at a Lorber meeting at the Institute of Correspondence Science. This event could also be brought forward from 2029 to 2027 because Europe will need an important therapy, which Maria in Fatima had prophesied.

This therapy will involve the Catholic Church, as it was with the French Revolution, being purified by the Jesuits in 2029. However, this time the stone churches will not be converted into horse stalls by the French; instead, they will be torn down by many materialists.

Before his death, Reinhard Giesa read the youth of Jesus of the Lorberians, as Reinhard, through his Catholic faith, was a devotee of the Blessed Virgin Mary. In the services he attended with his parents, Mary was given more honor than God the Father Jesus of the Lorberians.

In his last Lorber meetings before his death, it was also about the respect that the Lorberians show to the mother of Jesus, who, in the New Revelation, leads the afterlife's children's kingdom but never sought to replace God-as-Jesus-Christ, as Reinhard had learned.

Reinhard was guided to this important respect in his last Lorber meetings, which then took place in his living room. By then, he had only left his apartment to go shopping, as Reinhard had become weaker and felt frail.

Respect includes four ways of thinking: the provocative thinking of the Sadducees, the receptive thinking of the Pharisees, the reflective thinking of the Essenes, and the orderly thinking of the judges. The Sadducees overcome the fear and rights of the good people who make the laws.

The Pharisees overcome the lust and order of the good people who maintain order. The Essenes overcome the enjoyment and power of the good people who claim power. The judges overcome the guilt and fear of the good people who do not fear Jesus.

In Reinhard's workshop, Lorberians who visited Reinhard Giesa in Schlage Ickhorst always had a place to stay, which was last used by the Lorberian Matthias Lang when Matthias Lang visited many Lorberians in Germany for thought exchanges.

Matthias Lang held Lorber meetings on the Elbe and in the former GDR, where Matthias demonstrated with an unusual eagle feather how hydrogen, which all birds need for flight, flows into the feathers. Without the hydrogen produced, no birds can fly.

Through the revelations of Martin Seemann, who, as an important prophet of the Lorberians, also received timely revelations from the Creator, Reinhard learned the science of correspondence, for through music, God-as-Jesus-Christ primarily showed this science to the Lorberians.

Today, after Martin Seemann's death, the bearer of Jesus' word, Samuel Surazal, provides timely revelations, which can also be read and heard on the internet, and helped Reinhard before his death because Jesus was Reinhard's doctor, as he had no general practitioner.

The Lorberian missionary work was also left to Reinhard Giesa, as described in the GEJ by the angel Raphael. He left it to the seven masters of discipline: poverty, need, misery, blindness, abandonment, pain, and despair, which, as 2,000 years ago, make the teachings of Jesus necessary.

Reinhard leaves behind a son from his first marriage, who will bury Reinhard in the cemetery of Bissendorf in the Hanover region, in a rhododendron grave, as he lives in Reinhard's birthplace of Göttingen and can rarely visit the grave, as he does not have a driver's license.

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The Swedenborgiana Publishing House in the Netherlands – a journal for Swedenborg publications –

sent me this message, which I would also like to include in our Bulletin.

# **Biography of Emanuel Swedenborg (1688–1772)**

Emanuel Swedenborg lived from 1688 to 1772. He was born in Stockholm, the son of Jesper Swedberg, who was a court preacher and later became bishop of Skara in the Swedish (Lutheran) Church. Following his elevation to the nobility, the family name was changed to Swedenborg.

Emanuel Swedenborg studied at the **University of Uppsala**, and subsequently expanded his scientific knowledge **through travels** to England, the Netherlands, Germany, France, and Italy, where he came into contact with the greatest scholars of that time. He himself is, moreover, also counted among the greatest scholars, and this **in many fields of science**.

He wrote a large number of works in the fields of mathematics, geology, chemistry, physics, and astronomy, as well as in anatomy, physiology, and philosophy. **His books presented** some important new theories, which were only acknowledged as correct by science much later, including those concerning the atomic theory. Swedenborg also recommended new methods in the technical field. The government of his country appointed him as an **Assessor** (member) of the Department of Mines, in which function he performed practical work in both the administrative and technical areas. He was also a member of the Swedish Parliament, in whose activities he actively participated, and in which he, among other things, **advocated for the stabilization of finances**.

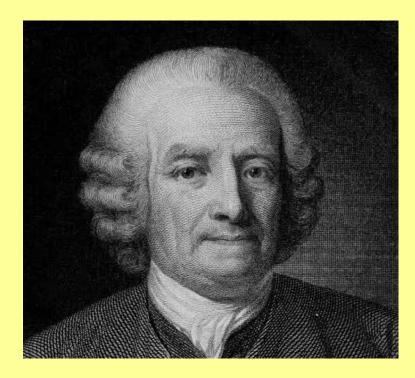
However great Swedenborg's importance was for science and for the welfare of Sweden, his later work was of even greater significance, and he himself acknowledged that his entire study of the earthly sciences had only served as preparation for an even more important task.

In a letter, which he sent in 1769 to a friend, an English clergyman, and in which he provides details about his life course at the latter's request, he writes:

'But all that I have hitherto shared with them I consider in comparison as of little importance; for it is far surpassed by the circumstance that I have been called to a holy office by the Lord Himself, Who most graciously appeared to me, His servant, in the year 1743, when He opened my sight into the spiritual world and enabled me to **converse with** spirits and angels, in which state I have remained to this day. From that time on I began with the printing and publishing of the diverse Arcana which were seen by me or revealed to me, concerning Heaven and Hell, the state of man after death, the true worship of God, the spiritual sense of the Word, besides many other highly important matters, which are conducive to salvation and wisdom.'

In order to dedicate himself entirely to the sublime mission about which Swedenborg writes in this letter, he turned away from the **pursuit of science** after 1743. In his **later life** he **wrote exclusively** the theological books mentioned there. These books contain the Doctrine for the New Church, which is **signified by** the New Jerusalem in

the Revelation of John, which Doctrine is also in accordance with the internal sense of the Old and the New Testament.



The foundation of that doctrine is that God does not exist in three Persons, but that God is One in Essence and in Person, in Whom the Divine Trinity **resides**, and that the Lord God Saviour Jesus Christ is that God.

#### Note

It should also be mentioned that www.swedenborg.nl has a digital library where one can download many documents and subsequently translate them into the desired language using a translation machine, such as Deepl. G.

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# The 4 Purifying Fires of the End Times

from Rudy van Cauteren from Belgium

Most people have likely realized by now that we are living in the much-discussed **End Times** because many unusual events are striking us. These events, however, certainly have their causes, messages, and effects. They are far from accidental and are explained by **Jesus The Lord** in the following texts (**GJE**, **Part 8**, **185 and 186**).

The text in parentheses (in a different font in the original) represents my interpretations and additions based on current events that are occurring and were predicted by various seers and visionaries (including **Bertha Dudde**, **Aloïs Irlmaier**, and others).



Chapter 185

#### The First Two Types of Purifying Fire

- [1] Thereupon the host, Kado's father, stood up and said: 'O Lord and Master, what will it be like in that time (the present End Time) of which You have said that men will be **purified by fire** before Your return (His seventh return), and what kind of fire will that be?'
- [2] I said: 'Yes, friend, that fire will be great and general distress, misery, and sorrow, of a greater extent than the earth has ever seen. Faith will fade

(godlessness everywhere) and **love will grow cold** (technology, trade, and marketing are paramount), and all poor generations will complain and pine away (the proletariat, wage earners), but still, the great and powerful and the kings (the multinationals, billionaires, heads of government) of this world will not help those who plead, because of their excessive pride and thus also because of an excessive hardness of their hearts!

- [3] Likewise, one nation will rise against another and attack it with firearms (wars: Ukraine-Russia, Israel-Arabs, ...). As a result, the rulers will fall into great, unpayable debts and plague their subjects with impossibly high taxes (high prices for houses, apartments, rent, energy, water, ..., armaments). This will cause **excessive dearness, famine, many malignant and contagious diseases and epidemics** among people, animals, and even plants (due to survival stress, scarcity of healthy food and lifestyle, unnatural living with chemical substances and radiation from devices with which one must work, nuclear accidents (Chernobyl, Fukushima), ...)!
- [4] There will also be **fierce storms** on land and sea, and **earthquakes**, and the sea will overflow its banks in many places (tsunamis, giant hurricanes, violent earthquakes, climate changes, ...), and then people will be seized with great fear and anxiety because of the things that will then come upon the earth (the many shocking news reports and government measures)!
- [5] All this will be permitted to turn people away from their pride, their selfishness, and their great sloth. The great and those who imagine themselves powerful will be chastised with boredom and will thereby be compelled to act, to be freed from that torment (political debates, international emergency conferences, ...).
- [6] And behold, that is the **FIRST type of fire**, by which people will be purified before My return.
- [7] In that same time, however, the **natural fire\*** (editor's addition: **Electricity**) will also begin to play a role of tremendous importance. The fire will drive ships across all seas with a speed greater than that of the wind; people, with their keen intellect, will also create iron vehicles and roads, and instead of draft animals, they will harness fire to the carriages and speed across the earth faster than a shot arrow with its great power (the high-tech transport methods).
- [8] Thus they will also know how to tame the **lightning** (electricity and electronics) and make it the fastest conveyor of their wishes and will from one end of the earth to the other (communication methods: artificial satellites, television, telephone, ...). And if they, those proud and greedy kings, wage war against each other, the fire will also play a very decisive role in this; for by its great power, masses of iron in the form of a heavily weighted bullet (drones with bombs) will be hurled at the enemy, the cities, and fortresses with the speed of lightning, causing great devastation (in Ukraine, Russia, Gaza, ...).
- [9] And the ingenious people will take these weapons so far (**atomic bombs**) that soon no nation will be able to start a war against another. For if two nations attack each other with such weapons, they will easily and quickly exterminate each other down to the last man, which will certainly not yield a true victory and gain for either of

them. Those kings and their military leaders will soon realize this, and therefore they will prefer to tolerate each other in **peace and good friendship** (America (Trump) and Russia (Putin) are not there yet); and if a very proud and ambitious disturber of the peace arises somewhere and attacks his neighbor, the peace-lovers will unite and chastise him. And in this way, the ancient peace among the nations of the earth will gradually break through and become permanently established (near future of the world situation).

- [10] When nearly **eighteen hundred ninety (1890)** years are counted from My present presence (33 7 (the earlier Roman census) + 1890 = 1916 is obviously and historically—in the middle of WWI—incorrect and wrongly printed; the correct number should have been '2000' or 'two thousand years' (see 'The Return of Christ': "But until then, another thousand and not yet another thousand years will pass from now!"), thus: 33 7 + 2000 = 2026, possibly late 2025), there will be virtually no more war on earth and around that time My personal coming to this earth will also take place and the **greatest purification** of mankind will begin (the transformation of the Old Earth for the New Earth (\*)).
- [11] Although wars will still occur among the less civilized nations of the earth, they too will soon become impossible for them. I will corner them with the help of My righteous and mighty kings and military leaders and let My light pour out among them, and they too will then be transformed into peaceful nations who are devoted to the light.
- [12] Look, that is the **SECOND type of fire**, by which people will be purified!

#### Chapter 186

#### The Third and Fourth Purifying Fire

- [1] (The Lord:) 'A **THIRD type of fire** will consist in that I will raise up increasingly brighter enlightened seers, prophets, and servants (Swedenborg, Jakob Lorber, Mayerhofer, Max Seltmann, Bertha Dudde, Bruno Gröning, David Sörensen, ...) for several hundred years beforehand (18th and 19th centuries), who will instruct the peoples all over the world just as brightly and clearly about everything in My name, and thereby free them from all sorts of **lies and deception**. These lies and deception, through the efforts of false prophets and priests, even in My name, will pave the way for their own downfall and they will start the evil beginning soon enough, and here and there they have already begun it in My present time (the Pharisees, the Knights Templar, the Rosicrucians, the Illuminati, ...).
- [2] They will, just like the heathen priests, perform **false signs and wonders** and will tempt many people (covid-19, AI, ...), thereby acquiring great earthly treasures, riches, power, and great prestige for themselves; but through the third fire and its very bright light, they will lose everything and be utterly destroyed. And the kings and princes who wish to help them will lose all their power, their assets, and their thrones; for I will raise up My kings and military leaders (the angels) against them and grant them the victory, and thus the ancient night of hell and of its messengers among men on earth will come to an end.

- [3] Just as this night exists now in the heathen, blind, and senseless ceremony (all liturgical and New Age practices) called religion, it will also exist in those times, but it will be utterly devastated and destroyed by the **third type of fire** from the heavens! For the lie will be just as incapable of victoriously enduring the struggle with the light of truth from the heavens as natural night can face the risen sun! It must flee into its dark holes and depths, and those who once stand in the light will no longer seek out the night.
- [4] I have now shown you the third type of fire (the **instruction of truth**), which has an extremely destructive effect on the darkness of men, and so I will also show you a **FOURTH type of fire**, by which the earth, men, and all creatures must be purified at My second coming; this type of fire (the **world conflagration**) will consist of all sorts of great **natural upheavals of the earth**, specifically in those places on earth where people will have built excessively large and magnificent cities, in which the greatest pride, lovelessness, bad morals, false justice, power, prestige, sloth, and at the same time the greatest poverty and all sorts of distress and misery will prevail, caused by the excessively overgrown epicureanism of the great and powerful.
- [5] In such cities, all kinds of **factories** will also be built on a very large scale out of excessive greed for profit, and there, instead of human hands, **fire and water** will do the work, along with thousands of kinds of intricate machines made of metal. The heating will be done by means of the ancient **coals from the earth**, which people will dig out from the depths of the earth in extraordinarily large quantities at that time.
- [6] When such activity has once reached its highest point through the violence of the fire, the earth's air in such places on earth will also become too saturated with **flammable ether types** (exhaust gases, chemical gases, ...; Aloïs Irlmaier: Paris burns by human doing), and these will soon ignite here and there and turn such cities and regions, along with their many inhabitants, into **ruins and ashes**; and that too will be a great and effective purification. But what the fire produced in this way will not achieve, all kinds of great **storms on earth** will achieve (the comet as "the enemy that I will send to the earth from the distant sky," see **GJE**, **Part 5**, **108**), naturally where it will be necessary; for nothing will be burned and destroyed without necessity.
- [7] As a result, the air on earth will also be freed from its evil vapors and nature spirits, which will have a beneficial influence on all other creatures on earth and will also benefit the natural **health of people**, so that all those many malignant physical diseases will cease to exist and people will be able to reach a healthy, vigorous, and old age.
- [8] Because the people thus purified will stand in My light and will forever observe the commandments of love from within and truly, the earthly land ownership will also be divided among the people so that everyone will have enough that, with proper diligence, he will never have to suffer distress (the **New Earth**). The leaders of the communities and also the kings will entirely follow My will and light and ensure that no lack ever arises among a people in a country. And I Myself will visit people now here and then there and strengthen and uplift them, wherever people will have a very strong desire for Me and the most love for Me.

- [9] With this, you now have an answer to your question that is easy for you Greeks to understand. It is indeed a prediction for a still quite distant future, but it will not remain unfulfilled; for everything can perish sooner, even this earth and the whole visible heaven, than that one of My words and promises should remain unfulfilled. -Have you understood that well now?'
- \*: Regarding what is yet to happen at the very end of the End Times, Jesus said (GJE, Part 5, 107):
- [4] ... Then a people will arise in the **Far East (China)** and overflow these lands like a great **Egyptian plague of locusts**, devastating everything: people, cattle, and all cities, towns, villages, and individual houses, and that people will then subjugate the nations far into **Asia, Africa, and Europe**, just until a greater and more general judgment comes upon all the ungodly (the transformation of the Old Earth for the New Earth)!
- [5] But all who remain faithful to Me in their faith and their love will be spared the judgment; for I Myself will gird Myself with the **sword** for them and take the field for them. And every enemy must yield before My sword! The sword shall be called **'Immanuel'** (God the Lord with us), and its sharpness shall be the truth, and its considerable weight the love of God, the Father of His faithful children. Whoever wants to fight must do so with the sharpness of the truth from God and with the power of love from the heart of the Father of eternity! Equipped with this weapon, he will triumph over every enemy of My name, and therefore over the enemy of life and truth!"

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# The Four Purifying Fires of the End Times

#### **Short Summary**

The texts from "The Great Gospel of John" (Das Große Evangelium Johannis) describe four distinct 'Purifying Fires' that are intended to cleanse humanity at the end of time. Jesus explains these events to one of His disciples, Kado.

#### The First Fire: The Great Distress

This purifying fire consists of global **distress and misery**. It will be greater than anything the earth has ever experienced.

- Faith will disappear and love will grow cold.
- The powerful will not help the poor because their **pride and hard-heartedness** are too great.
- There will be wars and high government debts, leading to enormous taxes, extreme price increases, famines, and diseases.
- Violent natural disasters such as storms, floods, and earthquakes will increase.

All these events are intended to turn people away from their **pride**, **selfishness**, **and laziness**.

#### The Second Fire: Technological Development

This fire is the increasing significance of natural and technological power, particularly **electricity**.

- Humanity will develop **fast means of transport**, driven by the power of fire (e.g., internal combustion engines).
- Communication tools such as television, telephones, and satellites will connect the world.
- New, devastating weapons, like the atomic bomb, will become so powerful that war would lead to mutual annihilation. This will force rulers to maintain peace.

This technological "fire" serves to purify humanity by demonstrating the consequences of war and hatred so drastically that the nations will choose **peace** instead.

#### The Third Fire: The Truth

This fire is the **Light of Truth** that frees humanity from lies and deceit.

- Seers and prophets will enlighten the peoples about the Truth.
- This Light will expose **false prophets and priests** who perform false wonders and accumulate wealth.
- The lies of the hypocrites will be completely destroyed by the Light of Truth, just as night gives way to the rising sun.

This purifying fire cleanses humanity by freeing it from false ideologies and religious deception so that it can recognize the **Truth**.

#### **The Fourth Fire: Natural Upheavals**

This fire consists of great **natural upheavals** that mainly strike the cities where the greatest pride, lovelessness, and misery prevail.

- Cities with factories powered by coal and water will be destroyed by flammable vapors and gases in the air.
- In addition to the flames, tremendous storms will complete the destruction. A comet or star will also play a role.

This fire cleanses the earth of the negative influences of industrial overproduction and human arrogance. It will also cleanse the air and heal nature, leading to healthier and longer lives for people (the **New Earth**).

#### The Judgment from the East (Supplementary Prophecy)

The texts also point to a future invasion from the **Far East (China)**, which will serve as a great judgment upon the wicked. Those who remain faithful to Jesus will be spared, for He Himself will fight for them with the **Sword of Immanuel** (God the Lord is with us).

# In the next issue in January 2026, we will discuss the topic of LOVE.

Furthermore, I intend to address the topic of "apparent contradictions" in Lorber's writings in 2026, as well as other related subjects.

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