Manifesto Seven

The Church of the Illuminati

Western Traditions

The Mystic Brotherhood University

Ganoga Florida.
For many years, the Hierophant of the "Western Traditions," and that Body associated with Him, have labored to teach and serve, in the University of the Mystic Brotherhood. During these years, they have labored and worked behind the Veil of Obscurity, seeking neither reward nor honor, content with giving the "Messages of Truth" to those who have come seeking. The unexampled growth of the University has come almost entirely thru the recommendations of satisfied students who have sensed the innate Spirituality of the given Messages, and who have contacted the love which actuates all who serve thru this Institution. Gratified members have carried the Message and so the work of the Institution has grown far beyond expectations, and it is now among the larger in the world of the truly altruistic, non-commercial Institutions.

So successfully has the work been done, so successfully has the entire aim and pursuit been kept intent on service, and so completely has the worldly lure of self-aggrandizement, honor, and reward been resisted, that now there has been authorized a most Epochal Pronunciamento, which is now given forth.
Under the Jurisdiction of this Hierophant of the Body of the Mystic Brotherhood University, there is to again come into Being, in this Western World, and at the beginning of this Western Age, the old time-honored Church of the Illuminati. Documents and Proofs submitted to the Government of the United States, have been accepted and the sole right to the Ancient Symbol and Name of the Church of the Illuminati has been vested in us.

The purpose of the work of the Church of the Illuminati is two-fold. The Western Traditions, which give to the people the Religion of the Illuminati, at this time, fill a great need. Never has there been a period when the cry for Light, and Understanding has risen in greater volume, and the appeals are increasing daily, as countless thousands realize that this is no mere depression, but the birth of a new social system and they realize further, that the change from the old to the new is fraught with danger and grave consequences. They need help, assistance and knowledge. It will be the purpose of the Churches of the Illuminati to furnish this to them.

This requires sincere men and women, ably qualified, trained, and taught in the Work of the Western Traditions, and such will be given an opportunity to aid Humanity and the Western Masters and to support themselves comfortably while doing so. We now open to those, a Profession, and a Service, in the line of work which they most enjoy. It will provide an opportunity for a Service of Love and the opening of channels of Supply by which all that is required and necessary to provide for needs should come to them. The "Mother Church" of the Illuminati will accept Lay-Members for such training (by mail) and will furnish assistance in the work of its regular members who shall be the Ordained Ministers of its Branch Churches throughout the World.

WHO ARE ELIGIBLE

1 - Any man or woman of good moral character who is a student and member of the Mystic Brotherhood University, taking the regular courses of Instruction.

REQUIREMENTS OF MEMBERSHIP

2 - The requirements of Lay-Membership in the Mother Church of the Illuminati, are that the applicant be a member in good standing of the regular work of the Mystic Brotherhood University, and that he shall conform
to definite standards in his studies, that he or she shall be over twenty-one years of age, and that the Lay-Members of the Church must indicate their worthiness for final Ordination by the general manner in which they handle their studies in the University, and their obligations, and follow the general rules, and requirements.

STUDIES REQUIRED

3 - It shall be the purpose of the "Mother" Church of the Illuminati to train and ordain Ministers, Teachers, Practitioners, and the Council shall decide the Curriculum necessary for the training of those who aspire to be such Ministers, Teachers, or Practitioners of the Church, with an authority, which will enable them after graduation, to comply with the Laws of any City and State governing Ordained Ministers, of National Religious Movements, thereby enabling them to incorporate branch Churches, and as the Minister and Spiritual Leader of those Churches, to teach the Religion of the Illuminati, to have private or public classes, and to open their own offices as Practitioners, offering and giving to Humanity, relief and assistance in all sickness and disease, whether such affliction be "Spiritual, Mental or Physical." Also, to enable such Practitioners to aid in creating new Spiritual, Mental, Moral, Physical or Social Conditions for his or her clients.

4 - For the present, the studies required, shall be the regular work of the Mystic Brotherhood University, in the regular department. The Lay-Members of the Church must retain his membership in the University, and he must conform to definite Standards of study and work. He must prove his interest and zeal, as well as his worthiness, to act as Teacher, Practitioner and Ordained Minister of the Church of the Illuminati. The entire work of the Brotherhood, which the Applicant must complete, covers a period of four years or four semesters, if the work is taken at the regular rate of one lesson per week. Those who are able to take two lessons per week thereby cut the time in half.

5 - Each six months, Certificates of Credit will be issued, to those who have completed the work of the half semester. These credit cards, will apply on the requirements of the Lay-Memberships in the Church of the Illuminati. If it is necessary to go on the inactive list of the University work for a time, such credits may be preserved, and when the work is again taken up, the ap-
Applicant may commence from that point. There will be short semi-annual "written examinations" testing the general knowledge and understanding of the student, in the work covered in the preceding half semester.

6 - When the applicant has completed the prescribed course and has accumulated the required number of credits, he shall be entitled to take the Final Examination, the answers to which shall be written and returned to his Teacher, together with his Ordination Offering, which he makes to the Church, in appreciation of the work which has been done with him and for him. If he successfully completes the requirements of the examination, he shall then be ordained a Minister of the Illuminati, certified to by proper Certificates, and he is then qualified, if invited, to act as Pastor of any Church of the Illuminati, in any part of the United States or to teach classes, public or private, and to open his own office as a Practitioner of the Mother Church of the Illuminati.

7 - In this connection, it must be understood that while the work of the Mystic Brotherhood University is under the voluntary offering plan, and that while the Services of the Mystic Brotherhood University, and its Teachers, are without fixed price, to all sincere applicants for knowledge, the special fund of the Brotherhood available for paying the expenses of such students as are not able to pay their own expenses is limited, and practically exhausted, because of the conditions, and the vast number of students who are now being carried by the Brotherhood who do not cover their own actual expenses. Postage stamps, envelopes, paper, and printing require cash and an even larger item is the typing of personal individual letters. Someone must pay these items for each student. This being the case it must be understood that the Church of the Illuminati, while an organization, not for profit, and not commercial, must be self-supporting absolutely. Applicants for Lay-Membership in the Mother Church desirous of obtaining their Degree and of being ordained as Ministers of the Church, must be in a position to cover all the very small expenses of the regular work of the University, and in addition, pay the fees necessary to cover the expenses of the Credit Certificates, Examination details, Records and Clerical details of the Church. The recognized voluntary offerings in the Mystic Brotherhood University, Regular Department are between one and two dollars per month or more, and the expense of preparing the Credits, preparing examinations,
stationery, and all other detailed items of the Church will reach at least a dollar a month per Lay-Member, it is therefore proposed as follows:

8 - The applicant for Lay-Membership in the Mother Church of the Illuminati, shall first of all, be a student of the Regular Department of the Mystic Brotherhood University, and shall so maintain his membership in good standing. If his offering to the Mystic Brotherhood University is one dollar per month, he shall be entitled to one lesson per week, and credits will be duly issued as the work is completed each half semester. If his offerings to the Brotherhood University are one dollar and a half per month, he shall have six lessons per month, receiving extra credits, thus shortening the necessary total time requirements. If his offering is as much as two dollars per month, he shall receive two lessons per week, with double credits, cutting the four year requirements in half. In addition to this, he shall pay a fee of one dollar per month, to maintain his Lay-Membership in the Church of the Illuminati. Under this plan, the member need pay little more than he should be sending at the present time, in the regular department in the Brotherhood.

9 - Those who propose to become Teachers and Practitioners of the Church of the Illuminati, are expected to cooperate with and aid both the Church and the University, by conforming with the rules and regulations thus avoiding adding unnecessarily to the expenses of the University or the Church. This can be done by prompt payment of the necessary offerings, prompt notification of changes in address, and a general interest, enthusiasm and zeal. These are to be expected from all who aspire to be Teachers of Humanity, recognized by the Cosmic Hierarchies, as such.

METHOD OF APPLYING

10 - The Method of applying for Lay-Membership in the Church of the Illuminati to become a Teacher, Practitioner or Minister, is first that one shall join and become an accepted member of the Mystic Brotherhood University, in the Regular Department, then the enclosed application may be filled in, signed, and returned to the Secretary of the Church of the Illuminati, with the enrollment fee of two dollars to cover the necessary clerical expenses of the enrolling of the applicant. If the applicant is not accepted by the "Church Council,"
this offering will be returned. If, at any time in the future, the applicant is placed upon the inactive list, thru failure to comply with the regulations of the Church of the Mystic Brotherhood University, or for other reasons they shall, before reinstatement, fill in a re-instatement application for Lay-Membership in the Church, sending one-half of the regular enrollment fee, that is, one dollar, to cover the cost of transferring the names and records and their active and then back to an active list again. Of course, a reinstatement shall first be made in the files and records of the Mystic Brotherhood University before the Church Application for reinstatement can be accepted.

11 - Present members of the Mystic Brotherhood University desirous of taking up this new work may apply per paragraph 10 and credit will be issued by his Teacher for such work as has been satisfactorily completed. Welfare members may change to the Regular Department by conforming with its requirements and will receive credit for the work already done.

12 - Members of the University, who have been students for a considerable length of time, and have completed such work as may be required a priori to being ordained, as a Minister of the Church, may fill in their application, if they are interested, and send it in now with the understanding, that on account of the amount of detail which is to be yet worked out, it will be three to six months before the final examination can be given, and their Ordination can take place. They are requested to indicate their desire, however, by sending application at this time and assuming regular Lay-Membership in the Church.

13 - With further regard to the matter of the Ordination Offering. Each about to graduate from the Mother Church of the Illuminati, as Teacher, Practitioner, or Ordained Minister, shall make such a voluntary gift to the Church, sending it with his final examination papers. The Church is dependent upon the offerings of its members, the monthly fee is very low, far less than other Institutions and the Ordination Gifts alone enable the work to go on. There is surely no better way in which the love and appreciation of those who are about to be graduated, as Ordained Ministers can be shown than by such Offering at that time. The necessary Church Manuals containing the Order of Church Services, the Rituals, Instructions for the Pastors, the Marriage, Funeral and Baptism Ceremonies, and all of the other details, which
the duly Ordained Minister will need, are included. The Practitioner will have a Manual for instruction, and guidance, in the opening of their offices, and the handling of their clients, while the Teacher receives similar instructions in the forming of their classes - topics to be discussed, the methods and manner of creating and holding interest.

14 - Those who at final examinations make the minimum gift of twenty-five dollars receive the necessary Manuals, and Instructions, together with a beautifully engraved Certificate, attesting their Ordination. Those who desire the necessary robe of their Grade as Ordained Minister will be furnished such Robe and Stole, provided the expense is covered in the offering, which in that event, must be at least fifty dollars. The Robe will be made to measure, of beautiful silk, with Stole of White Satin, embroidered with the Symbols and Insignia of the Order in Gold Thread. The colors of the Robe, may be White or Light Violet.

15 - After graduation, Teachers, Practitioners, and Ordained Ministers, shall all retain their membership in the Mother Church becoming full members and receiving their monthly bulletin, instructions in carrying out the assigned tasks, and the personal questions and problems will be dealt with in the correspondence and advice and instruction will be given. At the time of the graduation, they will be instructed in the proper procedure in organizing a Branch Church in their Community, and in forming classes or opening offices, without the payment of the excessively high licenses which are required in many communities.

16 - The one who contemplates studying and developing with an idea of entering upon the Path of Service, as a Life Profession is naturally interested in many phases of the work. In almost every case, the matter of finances stands first in his mind. He should know of course, that if he does dedicate his life to the Service of the Master, sufficient will be provided for his reasonable needs, if he does his part. Perhaps, it is fitting in the closing pages of this presentation of a new opportunity, that we should discuss this matter in detail.

17 - After all, the right or wrong of the matter of accepting money for Occult and Spiritual Service lies in the mental attitude of the Minister, Teacher or
Practitioner; certainly he or she who is devoting their entire time to work of this kind, is entitled to a remuneration, sufficient to take care of themselves, in comfortable circumstances, and certainly no Minister, Teacher or Practitioner can do their best, nor can the work receive the respect to which it is entitled, unless they are sufficiently endowed with income to maintain their proper station in life, and be free from the worry and care of Obligations. The Offerings of the Church of which the Minister will be the Spiritual Head, are of course, voluntary, as they usually are in any Church. All that a Minister has of Spiritual Understanding or Power, he gives freely to his congregation, that all who are thirsty may come and drink freely of the Waters of Life.

18 - But, those who wish additional services, who are ill or have special problems, which require the time and attention of the Minister in his office, should be willing to reimburse him in accordance with, the services rendered. The Minister may or may not, be able to receive a salary for his work in the Church, but in his work as a Practitioner, he is entitled to remuneration from each of his clients according to their ability. Here again, his mental attitude defines the line of demarcation between right and wrong. If his principal motive is service, and if he has a sincere regard for the problems of those who come to him, then he is maintaining the high standard of Occultism and Mysticism.

19 - There is another field in which the Ordained Minister of the Church of the Illuminati fills out his income. - It is this: he is authorized by the Mother Church of the Illuminati, to accept not more than thirty pupils in any Calendar Year, for the purpose of teaching them to become Practitioners, for the Branch Church of which he is a Pastor. - Their Certificates should be issued by the Pastor, and sent to the Mother Church for its counter Signature, so that the Practitioners may be recognized Nationally. Members of these classes are to pay a fee to their Teacher (the Church Minister) of from two to five dollars per month, who as the Minister may decide. Inasmuch as the work will cover two years, the Minister may have, after the first year, two classes per year, of thirty pupils each, if he desires, a new class commencing at the beginning, and a higher class, which will be approximately half way thru. This will give him then, the authority to teach, and train sixty pupils at a time, and the income is recognized as his right and due for the service he renders in fitting those who de-
sire to become Practitioners, to themselves in turn work with and for Humanity. No one, save Ordained Ministers of the Mother Church of the Illuminati, will have such right to train Practitioners.

19a - Such Ministers also shall have the sole right to use the Ancient Symbol Mark of the Illuminati in accordance with the privileges of sole use vested in the Mother Church by the Government of the United States.

20 - The newly Ordained Minister, when ready then incorporates his branch Church under the Laws of his State, and commences his services, simple at first, but increasing in details as he carefully selects assistants, singers, etc., from those who attend.

21 - As the congregation grows, he announces his office hours as Practitioner and Spiritual Advisor. A little later he can announce the formation of a first class for the training of Special Practitioners for the new Church, and the following year, a second class.

22 - By the time the first class graduates at the end of the two year period, the congregation and work to be done should be far beyond the capacity of the Minister, and the Church will need as many as may remain out of the original class, so they should be able to open their offices and find abundant work.

23 - Of course, much depends upon the capability, the initiative, judgment and personality of the Minister, insofar as he is flexible and actuated by a sincere regard for his fellows, he will find that the Channels of Supply, thru the offerings of the Church, thru his private practice as a Practitioner of the Church, and thru his authorized classes, will be sufficient to maintain him in such station of life as will accord him the respect of his fellow men.

24 - In his elementary training, before Ordination, and after his Ordination as a Minister of the Mother Church, in the forming of his classes, and the work which he will need to give help, in the many problems which will arise in his personal practice, the Minister is going to need help and guidance. He is going to need personal letters, dealing with individual points, he is going to need Rituals, Services, Lectures, and Letters. His needs will be almost unlimited, and it is thru the retaining of his membership in the Mother Church, that provision will be made to supply him with these things.
This will be covered as nearly on a non-profit basis, as is possible, by his small Lay-Membership fee and later by his full Membership fee.

NOT OBLIGATORY

25 - It is NOT obligatory that such Lay-Member immediately upon Ordination shall commence his work. This may be deferred until later, after other duties and affairs are out of the way. He should, however, prepare now and thus have his authority when the way opens.

THE OPPORTUNITY

26 - The Inauguration of the Church of the Illuminati should now afford to each one an unusual opportunity. Those who are, or who can take the full regular work have now a goal towards which to work, a profession that will enable them to secure peace, and happiness in Life which they cannot find in ordinary commercial work with its stress and strain, its terrific competition and its inharmony with fine spiritual natures.

WELFARE PUPILS

27 - Those who are unable at present to take the full regular work may proceed with the Welfare Work, demonstrating by their zeal and enthusiasm, as well as in the general manner in which they handle their correspondence and comply with the rules, that they are worthy. The teacher will note these things and form his opinion so that when the time comes, when formal application can be made, the credits allowed will be such that time will not be lost.

COOPERATION

28 - Each therefore can now work with added enthusiasm, making what sacrifices are needed that due study and development may proceed without distraction, gaining strength thru the discipline of keeping each study period, writing the regular letters as and when due, and demonstrating in the matter of covering their expenses an appreciation of others problems, showing in all things that they can learn and understand the fundamentals of life right living and right growth, and that they have that sympathetic understanding of others, which made the Western Master outstanding.
I ____________________________ respectfully make plea to the Bishop and Council of the Mother Church of the Illuminati for Lay-Membership in the said Church. I understand that such Lay-Membership is a Probationary-Membership to continue as such until I have finished the prescribed studies, passed my examinations and received my Ordination as a Minister, Teacher and Practitioner of the Church, at which time I shall apply for Full-Membership.

I agree to apply myself to my studies to the best of my abilities and as far as I am able, to continue thru all the grades of the University until I receive my Ordination as a Minister of the Church, and so far as I may be able I intend to work at some time either thru a branch of the said Church, or as a Class Teacher, or as a Practitioner, but I understand my present obligations and duties are to be carried but so long as they remain my duties and my obligations.

I agree to maintain my membership in the Mystic Brotherhood in good standing and to regularly and promptly send my offerings to the said University and I further agree to maintain my membership as a Lay-Member in said Church, by thoughtful consideration, by application and zeal and to promptly and regularly make my offering to the Church for the expenses incurred in my behalf. I understand that if I am placed on the inactive list of the University, it will automatically place me upon the inactive files of the Church.

I agree not to reveal the contents of such private manuscripts as may be given or loaned to me as advance to higher work in the Church of the Illuminati, nor shall I allow such private papers to fall into other hands.

SIGNED ________________________  

FILL IN ALL BLANK SPACES AND RETURN WITH ENROLLMENT FEE -  
OF $2.00
Respected Member,

Greetings

Complying with the request which you have sent to your Teacher, I am very happy to enclose herewith Manifesto Seven, which outlines the work of the Mother Church of the Illuminati as a training School for Ministers, Practitioners and Teachers.

I am sure you will read it carefully and will note with interest that it is now possible for you, thru application and zeal to receive credits in the work you have been and are taking, which will be applied if and when you become a Lay Member in the Church.

Upon formal application for Lay Membership and acceptance as such, you will receive monthly, in addition to your regular work from your Teacher, Special, Private Instructions and Exercises in condensed form, fitting you to attain and receive the descent of the Holy Spirit that Power may be yours in Healing, Speaking and Teaching. Each Minister will thus be a true Priest of Power, each Practitioner healing in "the Name of God", and each Teacher vital with Spiritual Grace. These Special Instructions will be sent only so long as they are used and practiced with real application, and with altruistic motives. Only so long also as the Supplicant keeps them Private, and maintains the rules and obligations of his association both with Church and the University, written and applied.

To those who have been so understanding of Universal Brotherhood as to send the University additional amounts above the regular expenses to be used in and for its Welfare Department, I wish it understood that Church Membership will NOT require additional amounts—in other words those who send extra sums need not increase those amounts, but simply ask for Lay Membership and the Scribe will distribute the sums sent, between the Church, the University and the balance to the Welfare Department. We want such as these faithful ones to feel that all we have to give is theirs.

For the present address all communications, including your formal application which is on the last page in the booklet, Manifesto Seven, direct to your regular Teacher, so that it may be expedited.

In His Name,

Bishop
Beloved Brother:

Your letter of the 9th has been brought into my study and indeed it does mark the entering of a brighter year, with many opportunities for spiritual advancement.

I can understand your feelings as you consider conditions about you and I would like to discuss these things for it is well to have a correct understanding of them.

I do want you to get the picture however, as clearly as possible, for the situation is fraught with many difficulties, and the storm-clouds hang low on the horizon. In Italy the philosophers of fasismo have in terms reasserted the old Roman doctrine, that the citizen exists for the State, and every act of the Duce is consistent with that Doctrine, though he has not as yet pushed it to its ultimate.

Germany, so it seems, is following Italy in this, it is impossible otherwise to understand either acts or words of Hitler and his Ministers; leaving Soviet Russia out of the question, it is ominous, or should be for us Americans, that two of the great Powers of Europe should set up systems of Government that so completely oppose what seems to us to be the self-evident foundations of all Governments amongst men. Is there something loose in the world that threatens those foundations?

Ten or more years ago LaFalingenesi di Roma, warned the world that the Moloch State was being reborn, the State that claimed the citizens body and soul for itself, and admitted no limitations, hum­or or design upon its Powers. We, the youngest of the great Nations, founded our Nation upon a flat denial of that claim. The assertion of human rights against the State, contained in the opening sentences of the Declaration of Independence, has been declared by our Supreme Court to be the Soul of the Constitution.

We find ourselves now in an emergency which compels us to re-orient our economic life in such a manner as to bring the government into direct relation with our lives to an extent, and in a degree without precedent in our short history. It is common talk among us that the Constitution is in form some rough treatment as the New Deal develops. In part a jest perhaps, for it is our habit to jest of serious things, at least for a while.

Are we, too, beginning to slip from our moorings? Perhaps not, but as one nears the old World, and begins to breathe the troubled air, and note the lowering clouds, that cover the sky of human affairs, one cannot help wondering whether our own foundations are...
still solidly standing where they did. We are very young yet. As we grow up, shall we escape Moloch? That seems to me, is about the most important single question for our attention.

I think that nothing perhaps would make us realize just how young America is, as will time devoted to a little research into History. So many are accustomed to think that civilization is extending back but a short five or six thousand years, seeing in their Mind’s eye, half naked savages running over the sands and suddenly acquiring the habit of using the cooper and bronze, and becoming civilized. They fail to realize the vast periods of millions of years in which man has inhabited the Earth.

Men who build pyramids whose roof stones stay in place by a mysterious power that baffles twentieth century engineers, do not clothe themselves in skins for a time, live in caves, and learn the use of fire, and we judge them the cities of antiquity, and their accoutrements, that we are justified in believing that the world commerce of these Phoenicians must have been quite on a par in volume and value with anything displayed by England and the United States at the present time.

And even after all this, these mighty civilizations are still young in time, back of these Phoenicians, a hundred and fifty thousand years or more, there reigned the twelve Kings of Atlantis, the mother land, which from the great Sun Temple on the Heights of the Hill in the Center, ruled the entire world, and then another hundred thousand years or more and we come to Lemuria - still finding men civilized, educated, in all arts and sciences, setting out as explorers in their crafts across the Pacific, landing in Mexico, and western United States, we find them building a great canal through the Isthmus, and sending their huge ships equal in size to any of ours of today, out into the broad Atlantic. And so on and on, back and back, to the time when the great Water Rings hid the surface of the Earth from the Sun’s Rays, those days when there were giants that lived practically alone in a true Garden of Eden.

As we glance back over this array of great civilizations that have come and gone, as we survey the catastrophe which sank Atlantis beneath the Waves, and wiped out the Adite Kingdom, as the great flaming meteor from Heaven fell upon the Earth, burying the Earth’s Surface some seven hundred feet beneath the debris. As we study all these things, we realize indeed, how young we are - this civilization of the Anglo-Saxons, England and America, and particularly America, which is now going through the first throes of difficulty with its Constitution, and it is no wonder the question arises whether we have indeed slipped our mooring.

I find I have talked at quite some length, following out the trend of thought, so I will be unable to comment upon the other interesting points in your letter. I have enjoyed going over them however and we noted the correction in the address and in the future your communications will be sent to 2054 Garnit Street. We appreciate your calling our attention to this.

The Brotherhood acknowledges receipt of the Scribe Alma and extend their sincere thanks, appreciation and blessings.

Sincerely, Thy Brother in Light Eternal,

[Signature] Friar