



Thou spirit of my earthly realm!  
Reveal the light of your age  
To the soul gifted with Christ,  
That in striving it can find you  
In the choir of the spheres of peace,  
Sounding the praise and might  
Of human meaning in Christ devotion!

*Rudolf Steiner*

*From: The Spiritual Background  
of the First World War (GA 174b),  
Stuttgart, 30 September 1914, p. 28*

**Newsletter  
for the co-workers of the anthroposophic medical movement  
Whitsun 2012**



*Photos, left to right: 1 Rose from the Goetheanum garden park, 2 Waldorf kindergarten children in Korea, 3 IPMT/Japan medical training – projective geometry, 4 Group photo of the Young Physician's Forum steering group, 5 IPMT/ USA medical training, observation of nature.*

**Dear Friends**

The context for the motto of this Whitsun Newsletter is the association course which Rudolf Steiner gave together with a Polish doctor in the face of the First World War. The verse seems particular apposite in view of the current situation. It provides the opportunity for us to turn to the spirit associated with the whole of humanity which yet guides the human beings of a particular region of the earth. The address is not to a folk spirit in a national sense – but to the spirit of the earthly realm as a whole. It would be nice if many of us around the world could include the motifs which are touched on in the motto in our inner work. The ability of spiritual beings to fulfil their work depends in the age of freedom on what people think and want in reality. And so I want to use this opportunity to thank Kai Iruma from Japan on behalf of all of us. Through his contribution on Japan after Fukushima he provided an example of the kind of active collaborative thinking which gives nourishment to the spirits living in the environment of our earth and an approach to inspire us.

Weleda's new course was set out at the company's shareholders' meeting on 1 June 2012. The members of the administrative board, which has been in office since the end of March, presented themselves on the platform at "Scala Basel", the building of the Anthroposophical Society: Paul Mackay / president and council member of the Anthroposophical Society; Dr. Jürg Galliker / vice president / lawyer, management consultant in financial law and mediator; Elfi Seiler / pharmacist; Dr. Andreas Jäschke representing the Ita Wegman Clinic as well as Dr. Harald Matthes / manager of the Gemeinschaftskrankenhaus Havelhöhe hospital. The members of the new management team with their responsibilities are: CEO / Ralph Heinisch; Markets / Andreas Sommer; Production Dr. Samir Kedwani and Finances / Controlling / Communication, Services / Heinz Stübi (CFO ad interim). The new element in the course set by the company is a strict functional orientation with regard to the operational processes which has led to a considerable slimming down of the management group. As a result the office in Basel, which opened in 2010 will be closed again and there will no longer be the hitherto independent country managements to avoid duplication. Although this is a very painful process for the members of staff involved, this approach is, nevertheless, convincing in terms of the objective situation.

I do not want to omit to mention here that in advance of this comprehensive restructuring the commitment and involvement of Georg Soldner, Dr. Markus Karutz, Dr. Reinhard Schwarz, Dr. Andreas Arendt and Dr. Thomas Breikreutz, representing the International Coordination of Anthroposophic Medicine / IMKA, also provided some key inputs with regard to the necessary structural changes. This has also set a new and constructive tone for the collaboration with the doctors at an international level which will be continued at the conference of the councils of anthroposophic medical associations at the Goetheanum in September.

Patrick Sirdey was given a warm farewell after working for Weleda for 31 years. He will, however, continue to be involved in the administrative board of Weleda France even after entering retirement and remains president of the manufacturers' association AEFMUTA and thus continues his work in the International Coordination of Anthroposophic Medicine / IKAM.

From the Medical Section we can report that we will be able to fill the post of assistant to the head of the section in the autumn again. Anyone who knows someone who loves anthroposophic medicine and can work competently with me in dealing with correspondence and travel arrangements should let us know. The advertisement will appear during the coming week on our website.

With warm greetings  
Michaela Glöckler

## News

For the last 11 months, the Carstens Foundation has provided a free search portal which already provides more than 15 000 clinical studies, meta-analyses and case studies from complementary medicine. [www.cam-quest.org](http://www.cam-quest.org)

CAM event on 9 October 2012 in Brussels:

For the first time there will be an all-day conference and exhibition on the subject of CAM Innovation and Value Creation for European Healthcare. Contact: Daniele Kerno, Event Manager, European Public Health Alliance (EPHA), Tel: +32 2 230 3889, Fax: +32 2 233 3880, Email: [daniele@epha.org](mailto:daniele@epha.org)

The inaugural lecture by Dr. Ursula Wolf on the subject Complementary medicine as reflected in research was delivered on 18 April 2012 in Bern. [www.dakomed.ch](http://www.dakomed.ch)

The third scientific and public congress of anthroposophic medicine in Berlin from 8-10 March 2012 was a satisfying event at a high scientific level with almost 200 attendees. The next one will take place from 1-3 March 2013 at Witten-Herdecke University and has as its subject *Spirituality in academic research*.

Some 230 nurses from 11 countries came together at the Goetheanum from 27-29 April 2012 for the international nursing congress *Wounds and healing*. They worked on the subject of wounds and healing as part of the *Spirituality in nursing* conference series. [www.medsektion-goetheanum.org](http://www.medsektion-goetheanum.org)

In its latest newsletter, the ELIANT Alliance presents its new projects and the Brussels team. [www.eliand.eu/files/pdf/ELIANT%20Newsletter%20EN.pdf](http://www.eliand.eu/files/pdf/ELIANT%20Newsletter%20EN.pdf)

## Anniversary events

100 years of eurythmy. International festival at the Goetheanum. [www.eurythmyireland.org/2012Worldwide.html](http://www.eurythmyireland.org/2012Worldwide.html) and [www.100-jahre-eurythmie.de](http://www.100-jahre-eurythmie.de)

Michaelmas – International meeting of the members of the School of Spiritual Science at the Goetheanum to prepare the one hundredth anniversary of the School in 2013. [www.medsektion-goetheanum.org](http://www.medsektion-goetheanum.org)

A congress is taking place in Cologne for the one hundredth anniversary of the foundation of the world anthroposophical society. [www.zeitzeichenzwoelf.de](http://www.zeitzeichenzwoelf.de)

The Margarete Hauschka School for Rhythmical Massage and Art Therapy is celebrating its fiftieth anniversary in Bad Boll in May. [www.margarethe-hauschka-schule.com](http://www.margarethe-hauschka-schule.com)

Stefan Krauch is exhibiting his works on the theme of "unvermittelt" (unexpected) in the new Berlin office of "gesundheit aktiv" until 30 June 2012. [www.gesundheit-aktiv.de](http://www.gesundheit-aktiv.de)

## New books

Bartholomeus Maris: *Frauenheilkunde und Geburtshilfe. Grundlagen und therapeutische Konzepte der Anthroposophischen Medizin*. 252 pages (2012) Salumed Verlag [www.salumed-verlag.de](http://www.salumed-verlag.de)

Lüder Jachens: *Dermatologie. Grundlagen und therapeutische Konzepte der Anthroposophischen Medizin*. 505 pages (2012) Salumed Verlag [www.salumed-verlag.de](http://www.salumed-verlag.de)

Matthias Girke  
*Innere Medizin*. 2., aktualisierte und erweiterte Auflage,

1168 pages (2012) [www.salumed-verlag.de](http://www.salumed-verlag.de)

Bernd Ruf  
Trümmer und Traumata.  
*Anthroposophische Grundlagen notfallpädagogischer Einsätze*. 272 pages (2012) [www.wegman-verlag.de](http://www.wegman-verlag.de)

Peter Selg  
*Neuerscheinungen*. (2012) Verlag des Ita Wegman Instituts. [www.wegman-verlag.de/dateien/neuerscheinungen.html](http://www.wegman-verlag.de/dateien/neuerscheinungen.html)

Karl König  
*Brüder und Schwestern. Geschwisterfolge als Schicksal*. pages (2012) Urachhaus-Verlag. [www.urachhaus.de/dokumente/vorschauen/vorschau-fruehjhr-2012-allgemein](http://www.urachhaus.de/dokumente/vorschauen/vorschau-fruehjhr-2012-allgemein)

Michaela Glöckler, Claudia Grah-Wittich (Hrsg.)  
*Die Würde des kleinen Kindes*. pages (2012) Persephone [www.waldorfkindergarten.de](http://www.waldorfkindergarten.de)

## Dates

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| 8-10 June 2012      | School of Spiritual Science pastoral medical conference   |
| 1-4 July 2012       | Tone eurythmy therapy course  |
| 2-6 July 2012       | IFEMA course conference   |
| 5-7 July 2012       | Eurythmy therapy further training course  |
| 7-14 July 2012      | IPMT Taueyan / Taiwan   |
| 12-19 July 2012     | IPMT Odessa / Ukraine   |
| 14- 21 July 2012    | IPMT Beijing / China  |
| 13-15 July 2012     | Young Physicians' Forum   |
| 28 July- 4 Aug 2012 | Summer academy for integrative medicine. <a href="http://www.medizinmitherzundhand.de">www.medizinmitherzundhand.de</a>   |
| 30 July-3 Aug 2012  | Tone eurythmy therapy course  |
| 11-18 Aug 2012      | IPMT Český Krumlov / Czech Republic   |
| 1-8 Sept 2012       | Study course for medical students and younger physicians  |
| 1 Sept 2012         | Dialogue Forum Pluralism in Medicine: 6th Integrative Medicine Case Conference / Rostock <a href="http://www.dialogforum-pluralismus.org">www.dialogforum-pluralismus.org</a> |
| 11-13 Sept 2012     | Conference for members of the School of Spiritual Science in the anthroposophic medical movement  |
| 13-16 Sept 2012     | Annual conference of the anthroposophic medical movement  |
| 28 Sept-5 Oct 2012  | IPMT Havana / Cuba  |
| 7-8 Oct 2012        | School of Spiritual Science conference of the Council for Curative Education and Social Therapy, <i>by invitation only</i>  |
| 8-12 Oct 2012       | International curative education conference of the Council for Curative Education and Social Therapy  |
| 14-21 Oct 2012      | IPMT Lima / Peru  |
| 15-20 Oct 2012      | Medical study week at the Goetheanum  |
| 25-28 Oct 2012      | Study days on therapeutic creative speech   |
| 27-31 Oct 2012      | International advanced training for kindergarten and school physicians  |

All events listed without a separate link can be found on our website: <http://medsektion-goetheanum.org/en/events-and-conferences/>

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