



An Invitation

Dear Friends, One of the aspects of the Holy Spirit is called the Quickener, the One who appears in the element of surprise. That has been the case in the formulation of the next International Spiritual Guidance Gathering in Oaxaca Mexico from March 1 to 4 in 2018. Hardly had we finished exhaling with enormous gratitude and ecstasy from our time together in Assisi, when the Spirit Of Guidance called us onward. We were lead to a place of sacred pilgrimage deeply routed in the soul of Mexico. After our previous gatherings in Cortez Island, Canada, Boulder Colorado, Amsterdam, California and Assisi, it is very appropriate that we are meeting in a developing country.

Together we will be exploring several inter-related themes under the banner: ***"Living Soulfully in a Conflicted World"*** These will include: sustaining the center in a time of global transition, the urgent need for bridge people in a time of wrenching polarity, the call to create communities united in the oneness of the human family while accommodating the blessed diversity of true individuation.

As the soul of the world uproots its old paradigms while trying to birth a new planetary consciousness, it is significant for us to come together. There is strength in feeling the blessedness of our community with its profound affirmation of life and the luminous joy of soul friendships. I do hope you can join us, bringing the beauty and the uniqueness of your being as we celebrate the heart and soul of the Spiritual Guidance Community Atum

Message From Trevor

Dear Friends,

To quote the words of William Shakespeare "Once more unto the breach, dear friends, once more;" I have again offered to organize our International Gathering. This time in Oaxaca, Mexico from [March 1st to the 4th 2018](#).

For this event you will register for the conference fees and for the hotel separately. The cost of the conference will be US\$890 per person excluding room. The package includes conference fees, four breakfasts, three lunches and two dinners.

The conference hotel is the beautiful five star Quinta Real in central Oaxaca <http://www.quintareal.com/the-collection/oaxaca-en> The reason for such a luxurious accommodation is that this is the only property that has appropriate facilities for meeting and dining. Since the conference will be a full day on Sunday the conference package includes four nights at the hotel for US\$975 a room. (Single or double)

Therefore the total cost of a single person attending the conference and staying at the Quinta Real will be US\$1,855. The cost each for a couple sharing a room will be US\$1,377.50.

I have only reserved 50 rooms (first come, first served!) as I suspect that some of our community would prefer

less expensive accommodation. (Oaxaca has many accommodation options, I have noted below some other options that are located nearby.)

The rooms are single or double but unlike Europe there is no discount for double occupancy. (The room cost is the same for single or double.) Unlike Assisi if you would like to share a room it will be up to you to find a partner and negotiate payment with them. I will attempt to match singles seeking room partners but will not be involved in financial transfers.

Our Friday afternoon session will finish at 3:00 pm as the hotel requires the conference area. There is an optional event on Friday evening which you are invited to attend: the colorful Guelaguetza Dinner Show where native folk singers and dancers bring local culture to life. The show and traditional Mexican dinner are available for a cost of \$40 US.

Please register for the conference at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SCDNC68> . Early Bird rates are available until December 31st 2016. A non-refundable deposit of \$100 is required to secure your attendance. When you register you may choose whether to pay in full or by instalments.

Sorry if this sounds complex, if you have questions please contact me at trevor@soulclarity.com
Much love and many blessings Trevor

PS There will be a pilgrimage for twenty-five people conducted by Atum and organized by Madhura Cuadra, please contact her to get on the mailing list and for details regarding timing. madhuracuadra@gmail.com

Alternative Accommodation

There are two small hotels down the road from Quinta Real: Casa Antigua and Hotel Principal. Just a little farther, a little more pricey but still about half of Quinta Real is:

Casa de Siete Balcones, on Morelos

Some popular B&Bs that are also very close: Casa de las Bugambilias on Reforma and La Casa de Mis Recuerdos on Pino Suarez

Oaxaca Town



Oaxaca is a beautiful colonial city founded on a rich indigenous base, Oaxaca is Mexico's most captivating

destination. During its robust history, native religions have blended with Catholicism to give Oaxaca an intense and magical spirituality. Among its colorful streets and harmonious baroque architecture, Oaxaca's scores of churches are considered the most stunning in Latin America.

Set in a plateau enclosed by mountains, Oaxaca is surrounded by traditional indigenous villages and by many archaeological treasures including Monte Alban, the oldest city of Mesoamerica and Zapotec holy site. Village artisans produce extraordinary carved and painted animals, various styles of intricate pottery, and prized rugs among many woven items. Bustling weekly markets and exuberant fiestas unfolding in the streets infuse Oaxaca with color and charm, adding to its allure as a UNESCO World Heritage site. Also known as the culinary capital of Mexico, Oaxaca is home to truly hospitable people who will share their talents and welcome you with their warm hearts.

Notes on Oaxaca provided by Kathleen Burch a member of our community who lives in Oaxaca



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