



Spirit Led Ministry Leadership (With Breakout Groups) - *Facilitated by Rev. Joe Sloan & Rev. Dalia Adams*



Rev. Joe Sloan was ordained as a Unity Minister in 1995. He served as Assistant Minister and then Senior Minister at Christ Church Unity in Kansas City North. In 2000 Joe and wife Lyn returned to California to pioneer Unity in the Gold Country in Grass Valley. He served that ministry for 12 years turning it over to a former Catholic Priest from Ireland, now a Unity minister, Jerry Farrell. Joe has been the Regional Representative and now Regional Consultant for the West Central Region for over 20 years. He is a member of the Unity Worldwide Ministries' Standard Committee, Ethics Review Team, and the Ministers' Evaluation Team. Joe's passion is helping ministers and boards succeed in providing a loving, guiding environment for their congregations. He values his considerable work as an advocate for ministers and boards undergoing the ethics review process. Joe is an avid golfer (he walks) and a former long-distance runner who successfully completed the Western States 100-mile, One Day Trail run over the Sierras. He adds that it was a few years and lbs. ago. In 2019, Joe received the Charles Fillmore Award.



Rev. Dr. Dalia Adams is a retired clinical psychologist, an ordained Unity Minister, and a certified Mindfulness Meditation Teacher. Dalia's personal mission statement is to know God, to love, and to do the next step. The "next step" has led her to molecular genetics research in Germany, teaching and foster parenting in the U.S. Virgin Islands, clinical psychology training, and practice, and finally to ministry. As a minister she has served at Silent Unity, Unity Worldwide Spiritual Institute, and in church ministry as a Senior Minister, workshop presenter, and guest speaker. Dalia currently serves as the Regional Representative on the WCR Board of Trustees.

The Alchemy of Gender Healing in Beloved Community—an Introductory Program provided by Gender Equity and Reconciliation International (GERI) - Facilitated by GERI founders Dr. William Keepin and Rev. Cynthia Brix, along with Dr. Annette Williams, Garrett Evans, Max DeArmon, and Silvia Araya



William Keepin, PhD, is co-founder of GERI. A mathematical physicist widely published in the fields of sustainable energy, global warming, archetypal cosmology, comparative mysticism, and the intersection of science and spirituality, Will has presented testimony to European and Australian parliaments, and the US House of Representatives. He became a whistleblower in nuclear science policy, recounted in *The Cultural Creatives* (Paul Ray and Sherry Anderson, Harmony Books, 2000). Will

co-founded the Satyana Institute, and together with Rev. Cynthia Brix organized five international conferences to facilitate dialogue, interspiritual practice, and collaboration across the major religions and science. Will trained extensively in spiritual traditions East and West, and holds a Ph.D. in applied mathematics, M.S. in mathematical physics, M.A. in East-West psychology, and honorary doctorate from the California Institute of Integral Studies. He is a Fellow of the Findhorn Foundation and has facilitated Grof® breathwork since 1989. Will is author of *Divine Duality: The Power of Reconciliation Between Women and Men and Belonging to God: Spirituality, Science, and a Universal Path of Divine Love*. He is co-author of *Women Healing Women; Song of the Earth: The Emerging Synthesis of Spiritual and Scientific Worldviews; and Gender Equity & Reconciliation: Thirty Years of Healing the Most Ancient Wound in the Human Family*.



Rev. Cynthia Brix, PhD (hon), is co-founder of GERI. She is an ordained interfaith minister and Co-Director of the Satyana Institute. She was formerly a campus minister at the University of Colorado for United Ministries of Higher Education. Cynthia co-chaired the Race Relations Committee for the City of Muncie, Indiana, and served in numerous leadership positions for Planned Parenthood in Dallas and Indiana. A long-time student of contemplative meditation, Cynthia leads retreats on interfaith spirituality. She co-organized five international conferences on interspirituality, one of which brought women spiritual masters together from Buddhist, Christian, and Hindu traditions, and she produced a DVD video from this conference entitled *Cultivating Women's Spiritual Mastery*. Cynthia holds an M.Div. from Iliff School of Theology, a double M.A. in wellness management and applied gerontology, and an honorary doctorate from the California Institute of Integral Studies. She is contributing author of *Divine Duality: The Power of Reconciliation between Women and Men*, and co-author of *Women Healing Women: A Model of Hope for Oppressed Women Everywhere* and *Gender Equity & Reconciliation: Thirty Years of Healing the Most Ancient Wound in the Human Family*.



Annette Williams, Ph.D. is Associate Professor Emeritus and former Chair of the Women's Spirituality department at the California Institute of Integral Studies (CIIS). She holds a doctorate in Philosophy and Religion with a specialization in Women's Spirituality. A primary research interest is women's spiritual power and agency within the Yorùbá Ifá tradition. Among others, she has authored "The Divine Feminine in Yoruba Cosmology" found in Goddesses in Myth, History, and Culture, and "Wisdom of the Primordial Feminine, Wisdom of Women: Odù Ifá and Yoruba Religious Tradition" in Philo-Sophia: Wisdom Goddess Traditions, edited by Debashish Banerji and Robert McDermott.



Garrett Evans, B.S. is International Program Officer and Trainer for GERI, where he has worked full time since 2017. He has contributed greatly to developing GERI infrastructure, programs, research, marketing, and was instrumental in developing GERI online programs and training. He received his degree in conflict resolution from Portland State University. Garrett began intensive practice in the Zen Buddhist tradition in 2011. Through GERI, he feels called to combine his love for the world's contemplative spiritual traditions with healing and reconciliation work. He is a contributing author to Gender Equity and Reconciliation: Thirty Years of Healing the Most Ancient Wound in the Human Family.



Maximilian DeArmon is a PhD candidate currently finishing his doctoral dissertation on the evolution of consciousness and the making of a new self-identity. He has published articles on transformative education, environmental activism, archetypal studies, and cosmology. With over twenty-five years of experience in the music and film industries, some of his credits include producing documentaries such as *The Future of Energy: Lateral Power to the People*, and the ten-part series *Changing of the Gods*. In 2024, he completed a year-long facilitator training program with GERI.



Silvia Araya, Psy.D. is a GERI Trainer and the GERI Latin America Lead. She received her degree in clinical psychology from Universidad Fidélitas in Costa Rica, and practices as a Clinical Trauma Professional, specializing in anxiety and panic attacks. She is a certified practitioner of Family Constellations and a Trauma Informed Yoga Teacher. Silvia is the author of three books including Trust and Live without Panic, and her new book entitled, Is This What I REALLY Want? How to Go Beyond Trauma into the Relationship You Deserve. She is also a contributing author to Gender Equity and Reconciliation: Thirty Years of Healing the Most Ancient Wound in the Human Family.

Prosperity Preparedness Bridging the Gap Between Prosperity & Financial Sustainability - *Facilitated by Linda Anderson Henry, Founder of Prosperity Circles*



Linda Anderson Henry, MBA, founder of Prosperity Circles, is a holistic financial mentor and business strategist who supports spiritually oriented entrepreneurs and leaders in balancing making a meaningful impact with personal and financial sustainability. As creator of the Prosperity Preparedness System, she offers private mentoring, transformational courses, and a spiritual and financial formation leadership cohort that integrates spiritual principles with practical financial wisdom. Drawing on decades of financial and business experience, Linda has served as Director of Finance for Unity In Marin for over 17 years and is completing her Unity ministry training, scheduled to graduate in June 2026. Her work helps leaders integrate intuition with financial clarity, so vision and strategy work together, allowing personal and financial sustainability to emerge as a natural expression of spiritual alignment and self-trust.

Music - With Misa Malone, Music Director at Unity of San Francisco and Paula Mandella, Director of Music & Arts, Spiritual Life Center (West Coast New Thought Music Collective)



Paula Mandella is a world class musician who has been playing piano and synthesizer professionally since her early 20's. Her career has spanned everything from festival tours, musical theater, nightclubs, and music education in the Waldorf schools. Paula has toured throughout Europe,

Scandinavia, Africa, and the Caribbean, playing with musicians from each of those countries. Blending her classical and jazz roots with world music influences, Paula brings inspirational versatility to her vision of music as ministry. She is the recipient of the 2020 EmPower Posi Music Award for best song and music video. Paula has served as Director of Music & Arts Ministry at the Spiritual Life Center in Sacramento, California since 2006.



Misa Malone (she/her) is a longtime member and current Music Minister at Unity San Francisco, where she has joyfully served for over a decade. A dynamic vocalist, performer, and teacher, Misa brings a spirit of love, faith, and awakening to every song she sings and every service she leads. Her journey with music began at just seven years old, when she led The Sunshine Band and discovered that singing was her sacred way of expressing the love of God and the joy of living.

A proud Unity Ministerial student, Misa is devoted to the principles of New Thought and the awakening of the Divine within all. She believes every person carries a divine note in life's great harmony—and that every voice, whether trained or tentative, contributes to lifting the vibration of the world.

Beyond the spiritual stage, Misa's artistry has graced iconic platforms including Beach Blanket Babylon (Club Fugazi) and performances of the National Anthem for the San Francisco Giants, 49ers, and Golden State Warriors. She has appeared in productions such as Shrek the Musical (Woodminster Theater) and When We Rise (ABC/Disney) and is a proud voting member of the Recording Academy (Grammys). With two acclaimed studio albums released and a New Thought music project in progress, Misa continues to inspire through her message of unity, joy, and the transforming power of Spirit expressed through song.