Announcing the “Best of EarthLight” Anthology:

EarthLight: Spiritual Wisdom for an Ecological Age

Dear Friends of EarthLight ~ December, 2006

“Concerning all acts of initiative and creation, there is one elementary truth...that the moment one definitely commits oneself, then Providence moves too. All sorts of things occur to help one, that would never otherwise have occurred.”

William Hutchinson Murray from his book Scottish Himalayan Expedition

This quote beautifully captures what happened when we committed to creating the “Best of EarthLight” anthology. The response from authors, poets, artists, donors, and volunteers has been enormously life affirming. “Best of” has come to mean not only the selected content, but also the act of committing our highest selves in service to a compelling project.

EarthLight: Spiritual Wisdom for an Ecological Age is available now. This is your opportunity to revisit, or meet for the first time, writings by the core visionaries for an ecological age. Together they make an impassioned plea for the human species to join the Earth Community. Please see page 2 of this announcement for a detailed description of the anthology.

Thanks to the financial support from so many of you, our past subscribers and friends, the anthology went to press in November and has now arrived. We deeply appreciate the individuals and organizations who responded to our appeal. Your donations provided us with the funds to cover printing costs and support the promotion of the book.

You can now order the anthology for yourself or to give as a beautiful, inspiring gift—just in time for the winter holidays! Gift copies you request to be sent by us will be mailed as soon as we receive your order and will include a gift card in your name. We are also offering a discount for multiple copies sent to the same address. Please see the enclosed order form (on page 3) for details. If you want to purchase copies of the anthology for resale, please contact us at 510.451.4926.

We hope the anthology connects you more deeply to the core of collective consciousness shared by all beings, that continues to survive, dream, and carry on.

In Partnership,

Dawn Raymond 
EarthLight Board of Directors

Cindy Spring 
EarthLight Anthology Editor
A quality paperback of approximately 350 pages, the book is organized by sections based on the EarthLight Principles that appeared in issue #53. In addition to the prose, poetry, and artwork that make up the majority of the book, it includes a history of EarthLight and its editors, a brief index, and a reprint of the Earth Charter: Values and Principles for a Sustainable Future.

**Introduction:** Spiritual Ecology, A Practice of the Heart by K. Lauren de Boer

**Conscious Evolution**
- The Great Turning by Joanna Macy
- Odyssey of a Quaker Earthpeace Activist by Louis Cox
- The Great Work -- Thomas Berry in His Own Words

Science as Wisdom: The New Story As a Way Forward (Brian Swimme interview) by K. Lauren de Boer
- Declaring the Holy (Pattiann Rogers interview) by Maryanne Hannon
- The Possible Suffering of a God During Creation (poem) by Pattiann Rogers

**Sacred Relationship**
- Invocation: Prayer for the Earth by John Seed
- Anima! Allies by Brenda Peterson / Garden of Eden on Your Plate? by Connie Barlow
- Grace at the Table by Molly Anderson

**Collective Wisdom**
- Confessions from the Buddhist Frontier by Kurt Hoelting
- How to Regain Your Soul (poem) by William Stafford
- Thomas Berry’s Intellectual Journey by Mary Evelyn Tucker
- The Meadow Across the Creek by Thomas Berry
- First Nations and the Future of the Earth by Rebecca Adamson
- The Spirituality of Native African Culture by Malidoma Some
- The Goddess and the Garden (Starhawk interview) by Ruah Swennerfelt

**Mutual Learning**
- The Lucky Little Seaweed, A Great Story Parable by Mark McMenamin
- What We Bless, Blesses Us by J. Ruth Gendler / Cultivating Rational Intelligence by Nina Simons
- Watering the Seeds of the Future (Michael Meade interview) by K. Lauren de Boer

**Conscious Choice**
- Conscious Living by Cindy Spring
- Ecozoic Activism by Michael Dowd and Connie Barlow
- Redwood Seder (Rabbi Arthur Waskow interview) by Richard Sheinin
- The Entire Universe in a Piece of Bread by Thich Nhat Hanh
- Wonders of the Watershed by Gary Snyder

**Inclusivity**
- On the Pulse of the Morning (poem) by Maya Angelou
- Will There Be Any Toads in Heaven? by Keith Helmuth
- Growing Connection: The Ecovillage Vision and the Future of Community by Diana Leafe Christian

**Celebration**
- Life as Play: A Simpler Way by Meg Wheatley and Myron Kellner-Rogers
- soulstice (poem) by Drew Dellinger / Play: the Movement of Love by Gwen Gordon
- Evening Thoughts by Thomas Berry
- A Suspended Blue Ocean (Hafiz poem) translated by Daniel Ladinsky
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