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Dear Ms. Palay:

Thank you for your letter regarding The URANTIA Book. We are very happy to learn you have been reading this wonderful revelation and have derived much of spiritual value from its teachings.

Those who have been associated with the Fifth Epochal Revelation of Truth to our planet for some time have become well aware that the world as a whole is not yet ready for the URANTIA teachings. These teachings have been given early to the few who are ready for them in order to prepare a solid foundation of leaders and teachers upon which future generations can build. We believe this latest revelation is intended to contribute to the spiritual advancement of our planet for the next thousand years or so. Therefore, we proceed slowly and naturally in the dissemination of The URANTIA Book. Our policy is to encourage a person-to-person spread of the teachings, not resorting to any advertising or evangelizing techniques. Even this quiet method appears to be bearing fruit as we are regularly selling over 10,000 URANTIA Books per year. We favor seeking out those people who are themselves engaged in seeking new truths. This contributes to steady and stable growth. We believe the statement you make to people that the book speaks for itself is really the best thing to say. Such a posture will often give you disappointment in the present day, but over the long term, it is the best approach. Jesus offered the key to the best form of truth-teaching in this statement which he made to his apostles:

"And it will not be so much by the words you speak as by the lives you live that men will know you have been with me and have learned of the realities of the kingdom." (Page 1569)

To become effective in spreading truth, we must become "spiritually fragrant."

Concerning the origin of The URANTIA Book, the identity of the human subject through whom the URANTIA Papers came was never disclosed. It is our understanding that this information was not revealed "because mortal man is so prone to venerate, even to deify, his extraordinary compatriots and super-human superiors." (Page 1252) All available information concerning the origin of The URANTIA Book is provided in the book itself, not as a continuous narrative, but in passages scattered throughout. It therefore requires one or more readings to construct the whole picture, but this provides a very intriguing pursuit.

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Telling others about The URANTIA Book always means a struggle for the right words, and we believe this is healthy as it encourages freshness, spontaneity, and a personal and unique approach in every instance.

We are enclosing several items of information which may be of interest to you personally or which you might want to show to potential readers:

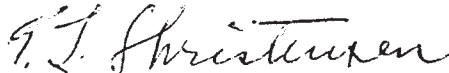
A page descriptive of the URANTIA Foundation  
A page descriptive of the URANTIA Brotherhood  
Two pamphlets--one containing excerpts and one containing a resume'  
of The URANTIA Book  
"Our Task" by Meredith Sprunger  
"Basic Concepts of The URANTIA Book"

There is a URANTIA society in Los Angeles as well as numerous URANTIA Book study groups. In order to visit a group most convenient to you, please contact a Brotherhood representative for the area, Mrs. Julia Fenderson, telephone 836-2432. Mrs. Fenderson may be able to answer additional questions you may have and we know you will find her friendly and helpful.

It is our policy to refrain from issuing opinions on various beliefs and writings. You can determine what opinion is best suited to yourself and your own comprehension of truth for the books you mentioned.

If we can assist you further, please let us know. We wish you well in your truth-seeking and spiritual exploring.

Sincerely,



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