

REPORT ON THE GATHERING OF THE ANCESTORS

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At the Gathering of the Ancestors in April, a gathering of 60+ global spiritual/cultural leaders and youth council leaders from around the world, change was in the wind. These wisdom keepers shared a harvest of harmonic wisdom and understandings that they believe will fulfill the prophecies of their ancestors.

While political leaders, financial institutions and the power elite throughout the world hurry busily through their days implementing massive changes and their new agendas, these profoundly simple people who live close to the earth, gathered to share a different agenda; the wisdom of their ancestors handed down for eons of time calling for a different world than the one we are running headlong into. I became interested in this gathering because I know that these people are so connected to Mother Earth and feel her heartbeat. They walk barefoot upon the land, they sleep under the stars, they follow the cycles of the heavens, not tainted by our modern society. Their ability to feel and listen and stay centered gives them greater "tools" to flourish in the next phase of life we are entering into.



Starting in the Sedona area and making a pilgrimage to the Grand Canyon for sunrise services and further north to Navajo land, the Land of the Forgotten People, hundreds of people gathered in ceremony and silence.

Their clear and concise message is condensed:

- We are living in the most important era of the Mayan Calendar AND all the prophecies. All the prophecies of the world, from all walks of life, are converging NOW.
- This is a critical moment in world history. Our planet can be renewed or ravaged. Now is the time to take action. The spiritual ideal of this era is action!

- Action means peace must begin; living in harmony with nature must begin. We must rely on our direct relationship with the Earth for our food and shelter. It is important that we all re-connect with nature.
- Everyone is needed. EVERYONE. We cannot rely solely on outside sources any more. Everyone who is here now has an important purpose.
- Begin now to prepare mentally, physically and spiritually so the transformation won't be so traumatic. Bring everything back to simplicity. Use technology and materials to help you return to the natural world.
- Things will change. The Earth will transform. It is up to the people how difficult or easy it is for the changes to come about. Many, who don't change with the changing Earth will die.
- The world will not end. It will be transformed. Will you transform with it?

Here are the words of Uqualla, a Havasupai Indian from Arizona. "We exist only because of the blessings of this Mother Earth. Without Mother Earth we would have no surface to walk, talk, sing or dance on. That is the ultimate spiritual statement. The collective consciousness can avert our demise. Divine unfolding will come if we awaken. Prepare your abode and then pray, meditate and then go into complete surrender."

In closing, the words of Drunvelo Melchizadek Spirit of Ma'at still echo in my ears as I remember his gentle touch to my chest. "Find your heart, listen to your intuition, and you will find your way."



Uqualla