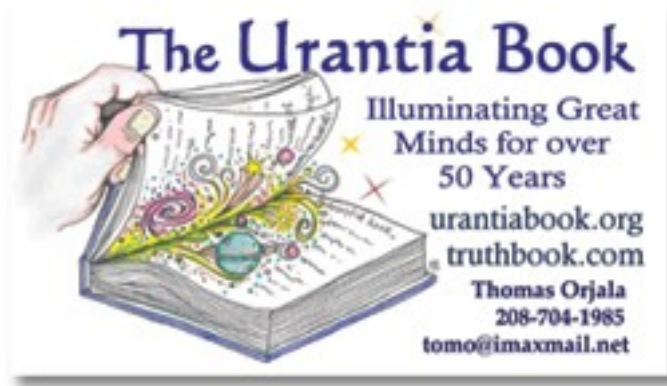


365 Club Thomas Orjala



Starting on Jan 23, 2009 My goal – to introduce one person a day for one year to the Urantia book

I have long noticed how many readers, including myself, were uncomfortable, or unable, to introduce others to the Urantia Book's message. I came up with the idea to introduce 50,000 young adults in 5 years (50kn5) to the UB's teaching to determine for myself just how difficult it was. While presenting the proposal to the General Council I made the commitment to introduce one person a day for a year. The following is a record of my experience.

My introductions consisted of personal interaction about the book and providing a card, book, or other materials that showed the person how to learn more if they desired and how to contact me if they had questions. Anything less than this would not be counted. As my adventure progressed, I logged more details and collected names and e-mail addresses in some cases. I noticed that my interactions got more complex, and I got more comfortable with introductions.

I noticed many forces at play including; a desire to test theories about how difficult introductions are and to learn what techniques worked or didn't work; the experience of joy as someone new found the revelation; the determination to show that it could be done; the personal test of seeing how authentic I can be with people; (and recognizing where there is room for growth); to provide a model for the 50kn5 program; and to inspire other readers to give to others that which has been freely given to us, as illuminated in the parable of the talents.

January 23, 2009Well we are meeting at a hotel in sunny Florida so let's get started.....

- 1- Lisa at Sheraton, Orlando front desk – showed good interest. Gave her a card.
- 2- Eric in food line at Marriott. He was a part of a business training seminar and showed interest. Said he would go to our web site.
- 3- Greeter at Red Lobster near Bartow Florida. Said she was going to school to be a dentist and loved to read. Said she would check the UB out.
- 4- Salesman on flight from Orlando to Mpls. Had concern about his parenting skills and I shared how much UB affected my parenting abilities. Showed strong interest.
- 5- Spoke with Ray and Natasha for an hour and a half about the book. They were given a copy but had read very little as it was difficult and they had questions about it. Said they were very happy to have someone give an overview of the book & will now read some of the sections they are interested in.
- 6- Gave a card to gal at health food store. Didn't have a chance to talk in any detail.
- 7- Gal in black (depressed) on flight from Mpls to Spokane. Had Obama hat on and led to conversation on how her generation can change the world with the right tools (UB). She seemed to perk up a bit and took my UB card.
- 8- Gal at Dutch Brothers Coffee – seemed interested and said she would check it out.
- 9- Rene (waitress) at Michael D's – gave her the card and told her she would find it interesting. She said she would look it up.
- 10- Morgan and his GF. Spoke to them at Calypsos coffee shop. Seemed interested. We talked about what it was. She asked how to get a book. Gave them my new card.
- 11- Terrie From Builders Design Showcase. Spoke to her at a BNI meeting. She said she was very interested in finding new information like this.
- 12- Sandy on call from Service Magic. When she said she was in Boulder, I asked her if she knew any of the UB readers... Said she would check out Turthbook.com.
(posted my new cards at HF store in Hayden & coffee shop on Lakeside ave.)
- 13 – Gal I sat next to in Seminar after I stood up and shared with the 70 participants about the 50kn5 program asked for info. Also gal taking name badges at the door said she had the book 25 years ago and would go get another copy and read it again.
- 14- Checker at Super One Foods – talked about her 3 yr old daughter. Mentioned I read to my kids stories from the UB and it really helped them in their life.
- 15- Brian who I hired to help design the 50K web site. Has lots of interest in such things, as does his mother.
- 16- Spoke with Lindsey, Maggie's son at Landmark homework coffee. He showed moderate interest. Then spoke with Maggie and Beth at length about the Supreme and other things when Beth asked what I thought about the “collective consciousness”.

17- Talked to the two gals that work at The Long Ear in Cd'A as the shorter gal was grumbling about the state of the world and how she liked progressive rock music to get her feelings out. Not sure if she felt I was prostlytizing her or not. I will follow up and my son said he knows her.

18- Had a good talk with Shanna at Thai Palace. She seemed interested in all we had to say. I asked her if she would like to be signed up to Quote of the Day and she said yes and gave me her e-mail.

19- Spoke with two gals at Dutch Brothers Coffee. One took a greater interest. I gave them both cards and will stop by their shop again.

20- At lunch with Jereme G, my chiropractor, we talked about the Garden of Eden and other things, but he showed only minor interest in pursuing the UB. He mentioned Preston, his 21 year old brother, was looking for some direction with his life and after some discussion on the need for that generation to have something new and meaningful, I asked if he would give him my UB intro card and he said he would. *Follow up – got adjusted and Jereme said he had given the card to his brother.*

21- Spoke with Jake, my sons friend when he mentioned he did not know what he was going to do with his life. Gave him a Urantia book.

22- Spoke with gal at Pier One in Cd'A. She asked if it talked about when God created the first humans. Must have been a Christian question, but didn't want to ask her if she was a Christian. Gave her a card and told her what the book was about. Also gave a couple cards in passing with no conversation and posted 2 on bulletin boards in Spokane.

23- Gave book to Lisa, dental assistant at Dr. Eastins (my dentist) . I had talked to her a couple times before but neglected to bring a book by. I see her every 3 months so can follow up with her. *Note- followed up with her – I asked her to help me understand how to present the UB to people in her age group. I said giving her a huge book might not do it. She said she would be more likely to take it in if it was in video format for example. She was not too likely to read a lot of it. I gave much thought to this. An initial introduction needs to be something more appealing than a big book the size of an encyclopedia.*

24- Craig Erickson – is my trim supplier and after he gave me his quote on a new house I will build I asked him about his religious/ philosophical leanings , if he had any...He chuckled and said he was Christian, but after I had introduced him to the Buddhists I was building for, he went out and bought and read a Buddhist book and enjoyed it. We had a good visit about the UB and I loaned him one I had in my truck. *Followed up – Craig said he started reading at the back of the book and was thoroughly enjoying it. Appreciated how it filled in the missing voids. Thanked me 3x. ...Saw him today...He is really enjoying the book. Brought it to show his Christian mens group and they had a lot of questions and are checking it out further. Craig says he will come to study group on Thursday.*

25- Introduced Eben Cole, owner of Cole Music Company after I consigned a mandolin with him at his store in Spokane.

26- Julie called me from Landmark Education. Turns out she has access to a book but has not read any of it. We discussed some sections to read and she said she would pick out a paper to read and call me on Monday to discuss the paper she read. (week later) Julie called and said she had dusted off her copy and opened it to the Adam and Eve paper and would read it soon.

27- After buying materials at Lowes I need to show my receipt to a gal at the drive out exit. As it was slow, I asked her if she had a book to read in her warming booth. She said something I didn't quite catch, but she used "God" in her sentence which led into a ten minute conversation about Mary Magdalene, other books and what was and wasn't true. She showed interest in the UB when I told her it spoke in detail about the things she had said she was interested in and took my card. *Followed up with her and she said she had the card on her bed stand and was meaning to buy one. I suggested a local bookstore and she said she would go get it. Again 6 months later – she saw me come through and brought up that she had not got that book yet. As we spoke I said I didn't know if I had a book but found one as I reached behind the seat. I opened it and showed her the table of contents and when I got to the Jesus section she got quite excited saying that she wanted to know more about Jesus and could she borrow the book. I my card on the Mota page and handed it to her. Perfection takes time.*

28- Spoke with young sales person at Office Max. When he asked if he could answer any question for me, I asked what was the meaning of life? He couldn't begin to answer the question. I left him with a card and suggested he go to the website if he wanted to find the answer to the question.

29- 2/21/09 – Spoke with Trevor, a young man at the health food store. He was very friendly and I told him I had taken on introducing someone to the Urantia Book every day. He made an attempt to repeat the word Urantia. I gave him a card and told him he could read it on line. He seemed very interested and shook my hand.

30- After requesting to speak to a supervisor to settle a phone charge on my bill I reached Brandy who was most helpful and gracious. After crediting me \$100 I asked her if she had heard of the Urantia book. She had not and had me respell the name a couple times to make sure she got it right. I suggested she go to the Truthbook site.

31- Spoke with my new project manager, David, over lunch about the Urantia book. He is open to new ideas although I can tell we will need to have a few more conversations before he is a reader.

32- I asked Emily, a new gal at Calypso's Coffee if she would be willing to go online and check the UB out and then contact me by phone or e-mail. She said she would and I gave her a card.

33- DJ at Ziggies Lumber loaded my railing and I asked him some questions about his life, which sounded pretty dead end. I suggested he read a book that my son has read that helped him understand what life is about. Gave him a card and encouraged him to contact me if he had any questions.

34 & 35 While meeting with two clients, Roxy and Taylor, a discussion came up about Christianity and it's failings in both of their lives. They each seemed curious and hungry for answers so I asked if they had heard of the Urantia book. They had not, asked good questions, took a card and gave me permission to send them more information on how to do searches with the Theosoft.info web site. I also signed them up to Quote of the Day.

36- Gave card to gal at coffee stand on Sherman and 23rd and said it had the answers to life's persistent questions. The gal smiled and said that answers were what she was looking for.

37- Rode to see a property with Lori Frank, a realtor. She chuckled over my interaction with the gal at the coffee stand. I asked her if she had heard of the book (no) and I told her the difference it had made for my kids even though they had only read portions of the book. She said she was online at the office and would check it out.

38- Was driving to Spokane to meet a gal that I met by chance while waiting to meet a no-show... anyway, she called to cancel due to an emergency. So I went to the Liberty Lake Home Depot to get a few things for a job. When I walked in a gal, Stacy, called out to me to see if I needed any help. I notice how sincerely friendly her attitude was. So I was happy to see her moving to a register when she saw me wanting to check out. After some small talk, I asked her if she went to church. She said she had been to New Life and another non-denominational church, but was not currently going to one as she had not found a fit. I asked her why she went – for socialization or ??? She said emphatically she went for meat. I thought she meant “meet” so I said “you go to meet people?” and she said no, I go for the meat and she held out her hand like she was holding a piece of meat. I smiled a big smile and got what she was saying – she was going for the real thing – the gospel/truth. I gave her a card and told her the book indeed had the type of truth she was looking for.

39- Spoke with young blond gal at health food store, at the register. She showed some interest and took my card. I will check with her when I am in there again.

40- Brandon Turner at Cd’A Builders Supply. Asked if he had read the UB (I know he knows my son). He said he had not. Told him it had a lot of answers to life’s big questions and he said he was interested in answers. Gave me permission to put him on Quote of the Day and said he was very interested in learning more.

41- Had an hour and a half conversation with Debra, a client I am doing an addition for. She went and got a book she was reading as she thought it might be like the UB (channeled). It was totally metaphysical in nature and I explained to her that I saw metaphysics as mans attempt to explain things unseen and revelation was Gods attempt to teach man advanced concepts about things unseen. I left her with a book which she showed great interest in reading.

42- Called Bank of America merchant services to cancel our credit card service and got Jonathan to help me. I asked some questions about him while we waited for his computer to catch up. Said he was into video games and techie stuff. I had a distinct feeling that he would not be open to my sharing the UB with him, but stayed resolute to do so anyway. When he asked if there was anything else he could help me with, I asked if he would do me a favor and check out a book I had been reading for many years. He immediately came to life and started asking me questions about the book. When I mentioned the cosmology he asked if I had heard of the NASA mission to find other planets. I told him how he could use the new Truthbook on line search engine to find the number of inhabitable planets in the universe. He was so grateful that I had told him about the book. You just never know.

43- I received a solicitation call from Kayla at the Coeur d’Alene Press. Something got us around to the UB and she said she had not heard of it and would I like to have a cup of coffee with her to talk about it. In reality, she wants to meet me to talk business, but I didn’t hear that part. I will meet with her when I get back from my trip to LA (3-18 - I met with her and sold her a UB!)

44- Spoke with a young electrician (30?) at the Bookworks job. He said he didn’t know what to think – not religious but believes there is a higher power out there causing this to happen. Showed interest in looking at the web site and checking it out.

45- Met 45 yr old Christian gal at airport. Turns out we were to be on the same flight and wound up sitting together. We had much in common and enjoyed talking about family and such. Got into lengthy conversation about the Urantia book. She asked many questions especially about Jesus. I could tell she was less interested in church than having a relationship with Christ. A very good – kindred spirits – exchange.

46- Young couple at store selling Buddha statues etc. Gal had heard of it before. Both looked intently at my sons new color handout and were so appreciative I had shared about it with them.

47- I gave Steve, Jims friend, a new card and he got interested and picked up Jims book and began reading in earnest.

48- Met Kim who had a petition to keep swiss cheese prices low (I signed it). Said she wants to change the world “If we don’t, who will”? Gave her info on the UB.

49- Jason was selling beautiful Abalone he had collected. Said he was unsure of religion, but believed in a higher consciousness. Gave him info after some discussion.

50- Met 2 guys – they asked me where to buy some coffee. I pointed them in a direction and gave them our new card.

51- Met Sandstorm(?) from Senegal who was selling his CD’s. Seemed interested in the UB.

52- Craig the man with the 2 headed turtle. Said he would take a look at the web site.

53- Saw Alex, a Bike rider resting near a wall and engaged him in a conversation. Said he was willing to check the UB out.

54, 55- Spoke with Danielle and the helper at Starbucks about the UB. Both were receptive and took a card. Tev went back and gave them our new colored card after we finished our coffee.

56- As we walked out of Starbucks, Tev and I both were approached by a couple handing out Christian pamphlets. I got the guy, Eric, and as soon as he knew I had found god proceeded to hand pamphlets to passersby while I was still talking to him. I told him it was discourteous to do so and he reminded me that he was in search of lost sheep and I was not one. He was hesitant to take my information or hear me out (unlike his wife who talked to Tev for 15 minutes).

57- Back on the Venice boardwalk met Marcell with a very cool Obama poster. Said he was very involved in global issues such as creating cleaner air by getting devices designed to reduce gas usage in production. Showed interest in our information.

58, 59- Met Tim and Kate. I asked Tim about the big book he was reading. It was Whitman poetry. I mentioned Hafiz and he wrote it down. Said if you like good verse to consider checking out the UB. They both got VERY interested and we spent 15 minutes talking and showing them the book. They said they would buy one asap.

60- Met two young folks, Lady and Nick at the booth where you can sign up to get a medical Marijuana permit. After a very fruitful discussion they gave us their e-mail and asked for more information.

61- Spoke with Adam, the greeter at the sidewalk café when we got there and he showed immediate interest. Spoke to him again when leaving and got his e-mil address.

62- Engaged a long haired fella in a pleasant conversation. He works for the park service. He showed good interest in the book but his friend showed some resistance when Kermit mentioned Jesus to him as he was turned off by the Christian stuff.

63- Spoke with a Christian named Mark. He was reluctant to consider looking at the UB but loosened up a bit as we spoke more about the Jesus message in the UB. He took a card with the feeling he would at the least, check out a section about Jesus on the web.

64 – 66- I handed out over 30 of the new colored cards while in LA on the boardwalk, at café's and on the street. I was not able to make a note of all of these but feel there were several good introductions even though most of these were ones where I only had time to say a quick comment as I handed off a card to them.

67- Spoke with Lewis, the owner of Blaines Health Food store in Redondo Beach after he helped me find a detox product I was looking for. As we talked about the book he pointed out that we all need better answers and that he would order a book and read it and if he liked it would stock it in his book section.

68- While at a restaurant at the LA airport I had a pleasant conversation with a mother who now lives in Toronto but is from South America. I shared about the book and the enhanced understanding it provided me when parenting my kids.

69- On the way to the airport I had an idea for a video spot that would hopefully interest people in the book. It was to find an older gent from India, put a turban on him and have him say into camera with a Indian accent; "Want instant enlightenment?...Just read the Urantia Book". I made a quick sketch of a man and turban in my note book so I wouldn't forget this idea. When I boarded my flight, I found myself sitting next to a bearded man from India wearing a blue Turban! We started talking and became instant friends. After hearing much about his deep love for the truths in all religions and his life of devoted service, I pulled out my Urantia book which I rarely take with me on the plane as I already carry a lap top and it gets heavy.

After surveying the index and reading something out of the first section he closed his eyes and held the book firmly with both hands just in front of him. Apparently he got a thumbs up as several minutes later I noticed him reading and he read for the rest of the flight. He said his name was Surinder Sidhu and he would be in Spokane visiting his brother for three weeks and would like to meet with me in a few days. I loaned him my book as we got off the plane.

70- Bought a snack at airport while waiting for bags from a young Korean man and shared a bit about the book. I don't know why I am surprised when they show what I detect to be genuine interest as I preach that the young minds of our planet are ready for this revelation of truth.

71- Almost forgot Alisa. Was surprised to have a college age shuttle driver. She explained that they hired students for evening shifts. Said her studies were around English and history. I gave her a tip and a card and told her this book had some of the best stated English she would ever read plus she would thoroughly enjoy the history section.

72- I stopped by Fred Meyer to get a bag of popcorn to eat on my drive home. It was late and the young lady, Julie, at the self checkout was bored and playing Sybuko (sp??). She said she was in school for special education. I asked her if she had done Landmark Education as it is great for teachers. She showed an interest and I told her I would send her the date of the next introduction if she would send me an e-mail to remind me about that. I wrote Landmark on the back of my card then flipped the card over and said this was the most important part of the card and shared a bit about how the UB would make a difference in her life.

73- Called Peggy Decker, a musician I play music with on 3rd Fridays to tell her I would be out of town. Got to talking about the UB. She said she knew I read it and was now interested in reading it and would go get the copy at Unity Church.

74,75- On flight to Denver IT meeting I sat next to Roger and Jessica Nichols who were on their way to Paris. Turns out Roger plays in a band with Albert, a long time UB reader and used to work with Jena another reader. I was surprised when he said he had not heard of the UB. His daughter Jessica seemed especially interested and both took a card.

76- Had a good talk with Ann at front desk of the hotel. She looked depressed and shared her life story. I recommended she read the UB and asked her to sign up for the quote of the day. Will check on her tomorrow.

77- Went to a Thai restaurant with IT meeting group. Noticed one Asian gal that seemed very peaceful and spoke to her as our group was leaving. She asked what it is and I quickly shared a few things and had to leave. Left her my card.

78- Spoke with Loren at restaurant Larry W and I went to. She had a strong interest in reading the classics. Told her the UB was a classic and she would thoroughly enjoy reading it. She said she would check it out.

79- Went to Whole Foods and asked Carlos to help me find the raw foods section. Spoke with him about the book – asked me what was in it and seemed curious. Also gave the checker a card but she seemed suspicious of my intent.

80- Went back to Whole foods for some lunch and spoke with BreAnne at the register. After I answered, "what is it?" she said "Ill take a card and check it out". I walked away with a distinct feeling she would not only check it out, but take well to the book.

81- While waiting for my flight at Denver Airport got to talking to James who had been there for 12 hours due to canceled flights and would be there until the next day. Since I knew he had lots of time and as he had his lap top going, I handed him a card. He went right to Truthbook so I scooted over a seat and showed him a few things (he is into si-fi). He signed up for the Quote of the Day as we talked and thanked me.

82- When I walked up to board plane, an attractive lady was standing there and I asked her what seating they were doing and we got to talking a bit. When I went to board I handed her my card feeling I hadn't given her a proper introduction, but I was tired and on a roll. She hesitated, but took it. I sat in 16F and when she got on her seat was 16C, several seats and an aisle apart which I thought co-incidental. The lady on my side of the aisle asked her to trade so she could sit with her husband and she did so we wound up sitting together (no one in the middle seat) I asked her what religion she was and she said Catholic which stopped me a bit and I really didn't know anything intelligent to say and blundered along. I did ask her to check out the quote of the day if nothing else, as we got off the plane.

83- Had a marketing call from a fella for a bank card. I thought he was from India but turned out to be a Phillipino living in Illinois. After the second time he mentioned "the good news" in his speel, I asked him to write down a name of a book and to check it out as it had a lot of the good news. He asked if I was sure I didn't want the card & I asked him if he was going to read the book.....

84- A bill collector, a Miss Robbins, called for my son. After giving me the message for him she commented on how mellow and at peace I sounded, even though people were losing their jobs and all. I said I read a book that has helped me find an inner peace, and asked her if she would like to read it. I gave her the name of it and suggested she go to Truthbook and sign up for the quote of the day. She thanked me.

85- Sharon, the salesperson for a local phone book came into my office to renew my listings. As she was getting up to leave I asked her if I could share something with her. She immediately sat back down and listened intently as I told her about the UB and the difference it makes in ones life to have this kind of information. She thanked me as said she would be sure to go to the internet UB sites.

86- As soon as Sharon left, my drywall contractor, Steve, stopped by to drop off a set of plans. After visiting a while I asked him if I had ever told him about the UB. He said he had never heard of it (imagine that) and enjoyed discussing it with me. *6 weeks later - Steve called to ask me about a job then started asking me what was the deal with the Urantia book. He said he couldn't put it down and that he was pissed off that he had never heard of it and that he had gone through life not knowing about it. (Some tears just fell on my keyboard as I am saddened knowing there are so many Steves out there who seek for the water of life but go thirsty)*

87- Craig from Landmark Education in Seattle called me as he is in charge of the Young Peoples Division and had requested that I lead the introduction to teens on Tuesday evening of our local Landmark Forum. He started the conversation by asking me what my "possibility" was for teens. I hesitated a bit as my mind set was in introducing young adults to the Urantia Book, not teens to Landmark Education. I explained that I had been very committed to young people and was working hard to introduce them to a spiritual book. He interrupted me saying wait a minute. I thought another call had come in or something. He then said that he didn't want to miss anything and had to get a pen and paper so he could take notes. He listened intently to all I said. Of all the introductions I have done, this was the hardest and yet I had a very receptive person. Perhaps I was trying too hard to convince rather than just inform. I had a fear that he would not accept my ideas as he had already found something great in Landmark. It should not be so much work to share the good news.

88- Spent over an hour with Cody, the 14 year old neighbor boy. He is interested in music so I helped him with guitar strings, finding chords and songs on the web and such. I asked him if he went to church and he said he went once with the Catholic neighbors, but it was boring. I asked him if he believed in God and he smirked and commented that his Catholic friend did not believe in God and though that was odd. He had an internet device and I told him about a cool book he would like and had him look up Urantia. We got to talking about the first humans and I showed him how to find the text about that on the Fellowship site. On the way out he said he would read that section and give me a report.

89- Met 19 year old salesman Ryan Cottrill when we were looking for Linoleum for our kitchen remodel. Seemed very effeminate and artistic. We chatted a while after we looked at samples we liked. Got to talking about history and fables which led to mentioning the UB. He had an immediate interest and was glad I had a card with information on it. Said to contact him when we start a young adults study group.

90- Stopped at Top of India for supper on way to a seminar. I had not noticed, on my other visits, that the literature posted in the entry was about the Sikh religion and explained their history and persecutions. I asked our waiter if he was Sikh (yes) and asked him if he knew Surinder, the Sikh I had met on the plane. He said no, that there were many from India in Spokane. I asked if he had any literature on Sikhism I could have and he went and came back with a nice colored flyer that had been taped on a wall and taken down. I was most impressed with the high state of the teachings. When he came by again I asked him if he had heard of Urantia teachings (no) and offered him a card and mentioned that he would find it a fine addition to his studies of world religions. On leaving he reassured me I could take the flyer with me. I have it posted in my room.

FYI – Erin stopped by as she works for the Census Bureau. I had introduced her many years before and asked her if she was still reading. Said she hadn't read it lately. I gave her a card and suggested she get on Quote of the Day and check out web sites. She said she would do so.

92- As Bank of America was still billing ILI for merchant services, I called back and got Joseph to help me. As we chatted, he mentioned his desire that the world be a better place. He later actually said "until the masses are enlightened the world will be in chaos". I started wondering if he read the UB. He mentioned he was a Christian but very desirous to find more people like him who were free, liked spirituality, were unselfish and wanted community. I told him about Landmark Education and the Urantia book. He showed a lot of interest in the UB especially.

93- Went with family to the Unity Easter service. Spoke with Lisa about her kids not attending church except holy days. She said they were Baptized when younger and didn't like churches. I told her both of my boys didn't like church either, but had found God through the Urantia Book. She showed interest in this and I gave her a card which she said she would give to her daughter who was open to new ideas.

94- After the service I saw a new person, Elke, (holding cookies and a flower) standing by herself so I asked her if this was her first time at Unity (yes). We got to talking about what drew her to check us out. Said she had heard it was more open than other religions and that appealed to her and her husband. Mentioned she had read "The new earth" by Tolle and I asked if she had heard of the UB (no). Mentioned how well it helped to integrate the new thought that was percolating around and gave her a card.

95- Had to give my new credit card # for my Cricket service. Michael helped me and I asked him where he was. He said Nicaragua. I told him I read a book that was very popular in South America. He asked me what it was and I told him a bit of what it was about. He seemed very interested and said he would definitely check it out.

96- Spoke with Lori, my favorite checker at the health food store and asked her when she was going to read the Urantia Book. She paused a moment and said her mother had read the UB. When I gave her my card she said she did not have internet. I told her I could loan her one and went out to the truck to get one. She mentioned she did not read a lot and it would take her a long time to read it. I told her I just read one page a day and that seemed to work for her (not having to read it all at once).

97- My son had some friends out with a bonfire in the back yard. Roxanne came in and I invited her to the new study group on Thursday night. She resisted as she was in school for a couple more weeks. I told her I would remind her of our schedule if she gave me her e-mail

address which she did. I also told her that her type of mind was the kind we wanted to get into the UB, implying that she was extra smart (which I think she is).

98- An old friend, Jill, called to tell me about an ecstatic dance group that was starting in town. She mentioned that someone I know to be a UB reader was also interested so I said "Your hanging out with Urantia book readers, when you going to start reading the book? You're a tough nut to crack". She said she might and that her friend Faith had asked her about the UB. I invited her to study group (maybe) and said she would tell Faith about the study group as well.

99- Went to a downtown antique store and saw an old painting of Jesus carrying the cross. When I spoke with Sandy, the owner, about the price it led to a conversation about the real story of Jesus. She asked several questions about the UB, took my card and said she would have her husband look it up for her.

100- I failed to mention the UB to the heating tech guy that came out to install our gas line. Maybe his crushing his cigarette on my front step had me give up on his soul. Felt odd about it all day. I went to Lowes to buy foundation vents for a job and about gave up finding help when I saw Ty hurriedly walking somewhere on a mission. As I had spoken with him and knew he was helpful and friendly I interrupted his mission and asked him where I could find the vents. He walked me over to where the vents were. When I went to pay for them later, he was behind the counter and we got to talking and I asked him where he worked before Lowes and he launched into all the various jobs he had over the years. I was about tuning him out and thought I heard him say "instruments". I asked what he meant by instruments and he said he had a company with 3 employees that built mainly banjo's, and some guitars. We had a good chat about our musical adventures and tastes in music. I asked him if he liked bluegrass gospel and he said yes. At that point I asked him what religious persuasion he was. He rattled off his career – Catholic until time for confirmation, then Methodist and Episcopalian. Now he just believed all of it - what ever made sense and followed no particular religion. He told me how he had sat more than one preacher down and asked them to tell him the rest of the truth, the stuff they were hiding. They never gave him answers and he thinks it's because they didn't know anything additional they could tell him. I asked him if he had heard of the Urantia Book (no). I said it had the answers he was looking for – a bigger perspective than most religions offer. He showed much interest. As we had earlier discussed music stores I should visit and one was in Boulder, I told him I was a board member with a Urantia organization and was flying to Boulder the next day for a meeting. I mentioned that at a previous meeting in January I had decided to introduce one person a day to the UB as it is a book more people should know about and I had decided when I got to my one hundredth introduction I would give that person a book.....and....he was number 100! He was as delighted as a child and said "Wow, it's like winning the lottery! Yes, my friend, today you won the spiritual lottery."

101- I had to call in to activate a new card and got Lisa, and as usual they ask if there is anything else they can do to help. I asked if she liked to read and she said she did some reading. I told her I just read a book (lied about the time thing) and it was the best book I had ever read. Told her a bit about it and she asked me to spell the name and showed interest in reading it. As we got off the call she said, with a delighted giggle in her voice "We helped each other out today".

102- Spoke with a well dressed lady across the aisle on the plane ride to Boulder who was returning from an insurance company meeting in Spokane. She was very receptive to what I shared about the book and took my card.

103- Met vendor at Boulder Farmers market and talked to her a while and I asked her if she was into spiritual things (yes) and told her about the UB and left her with my card.

104- Stopped by a jewelry vendor to get a birthday gift for Aurora. We talked about why I was in Boulder (for EC meeting) which led to her telling me she had been at a neighbors wedding 30 years ago where Mo was officiating. She knew Mo and the Hays read the book but never read it. She asked me more about what the book was and thanked me sincerely as I left. (I did buy a nice necklace from her)

105- Christilyn took me to the stunningly beautiful Boulder Dushanbe Teahouse for tea and gingerbread cake. A delightful young David waited on us and after he took our order Christilyn looked at me and said "I know what your thinking". I pretended to not know but gave in and slid her a UB intro card and said she could have the honors. We had a delightful visit with David and he was thoroughly introduced by two of the best. I left him a big tip, or is it two? *Note: Two months later and I am in Boulder again and we went to the tea house and guess who waited on us, David! It took him a second to recall me and admitted he had not gotten the book yet. He was now confronted by 5 UB readers at his table. While he got our water we conspired to offer him a book for a low price to see if he had genuine interest. When he came back I mentioned that we were here for a Urantia conference and could get him discounted book for \$10 if he was interested and he accepted our offer. We will bring him one tomorrow.*

106- After leaving a card with our breakfast waiter and the receptionist, I went over to Whole Foods and bought a yogurt and had a good visit with Jessica. She was curious about all I had to say and showed good interest.

107- Sat next to an older gentleman on the flight home. He shared that he had been Presbyterian but now felt at home in a small evangelical church in Spokane. We visited about religion and the need to know more and more about God. Gave him my card.

108- The office computer blew up today and after failing to reach my two computer guru's I thought of Adam that does our phone system at the office. He was over in 10 minutes with the right part, a new power supply, to repair it. The conversation got around to he UB and we had a good conversation. He never did fully expose his beliefs and I am o.k. with that. When leaving he asked where he could get a book.

109- I brought in what I thought was an old ukulele to Tony Powell at Lundins Violins as it needed repairs and it turned out to be a mandolinetto, a small guitar shaped mandolin. He was very thrilled to be helping me and I gave him my UB card when he wanted my contact info. I asked him to check it out and he said he was interested in "that kind of stuff" and would do so.

110- Rebecca at Silver Lake Auto came out to take my payment for truck repairs. I mentioned the book to her and said a little about it. I left as she was looking at the card. When I got to my truck I noticed she had not given me the key so went back in. She got me the key off the board, I thanked her and as I was stepping out the door she called out "I'll check this book out".

111- I have been to Rob's Flour Mill health food store a million times and enjoyed Rob a lot. A very gentle man with a lovely Asian wife. I realized when at the counter that I had never spoken with him about the UB. As I had some tea to buy I mentioned Celestial Seasoning teas and that I had met the owner, Mo. He asked me how I knew him and mentioned that we were both long time readers of

the Urantia Book. Rob then said he had pulled my card off the bulletin board to check it out but had not done so yet. I asked him if he would like to borrow a book and he gave me a resounding YES. I brought it in and briefly went over the table of contents and he seemed quite pleased.

112- About 11:00 pm I was getting tired of working on my computer and went out to the bonfire Kailas had started in our fire pit. There were about a dozen 20 something friends hanging out. After a couple minutes a fella named Dustin came right over to me and engaged me in an intellectual conversation about the world and it's problems. I kept telling him the problems or answers were not "out there" but right here, with our own degree of enlightenment. He eventually started getting my view. I mentioned the Urantia book. He knew me from playing marimbas at his school many years ago when I was in a marimba band. He asked if he could play drums with me and I told him there were a couple djembe's in the house. After playing for a while on drums and guitars he got up and thanked me. I suggested we take a look at the Urantia book some time as he had such a strong interest in understanding the world's situation. He asked me how he could find out more about it and I gave him my card. He said he would contact me to talk more.

113- I heard Brad Paisley on Prairie Home Companion and was hooked. I just happened to be two blocks from the record store gassing up so went in and bought a CD. The salesperson seemed unhappy to be working on a nice day. I did my best to introduce him but left feeling like he was too lost in his own problems for what I said to get through. It was good that I tried anyway as I refuse to be the judge of who is ready and who isn't.

114- As our kitchen is torn up we went for Thai food. Jon waited on us and I avoided introducing him for some reason – like it was all I did and I didn't want to bother another waiter. He left the bill and I paid it and threw my card in with the receipt. As we were talking, Jon came over and asked me if I would be at Art on the Green, our big summer art show. I told him no, that I would be in Chicago that weekend. He must have seen me volunteering there. I still did not mention the book. As we sat there talking I decided to talk to him since he had been so generous in talking to me. I caught him walking by and told him I had left a card with the receipt and told him why. He got very interested and we talked for ten minutes (it was after 9:00 and not many customers). He had lots of great questions and was so thankful that I told him about it. Just never know.....

115- Aurora and I stopped at a new coffee stand. I handed her my card as I was in the passenger seat and couldn't see the gal very well as the window was high. Aurora reluctantly gave the gal my card who asked what the book was about. Aurora sounded unprepared to answer her, but did o.k. As we pulled away, she was upset with me for making her do the introduction. I was a bit surprised as I thought it odd not to do one. I agreed that it was not my place to expect it and said I would not ask her again and would do my own speaking.

116- It was another odd day. Was successful in introducing the first gal at Thomas Hammer coffee joint where I went to buy a gift certificate. Then I met Billy to look at his art work and the gal there said she wasn't looking for anything (ouch). So I told her that she will be meeting people who are looking and to give the card to them.

117- Back to the dentist for a cleaning. I had always felt odd as I introduced the hygienist but never the receptionist. I could only imagine how left out she must be feeling. As I was waiting I said to her that I had neglected to tell her much about the book and that she might want to borrow Lisa's copy. She said she was curious about it and wanted to have a look for herself. She then told me she is getting married this weekend.

118- Went to Thai food. The Asian waitress was very friendly and engaged us in conversations. She mentioned John, who we had recently introduced so I brought up that we had spoken with him and about the Urantia book. She didn't get, at first, when I gave her a card that it was for her and not John. It was as if she wasn't important enough to be included in something important. We got her straightened out.

119- Had to call Bank of America once again for charging us a fee for a service that I canceled 2 months ago. Anita's only comment, after mentioning the book, was that she lived close to Hastings (a NW book store chain).

120- Went to Costco and got a very cheery young gal to process my order so spoke to her briefly about another employee and the UB. She was pleased that I took the time to tell her about the book and thanked me.

121- While at the lumber yard I went to the trim building to see if the casing they had would match what I was using and now out of in my house. I was surprised to see Matt, a kindly fellow that used to work at another lumber yard. He quickly shared his story of being hired and then laid off for the winter and how difficult it was on him. He then shared how he found a passion in life – helping at risk youth as he was one himself for far too long. This led to me sharing about the value of the Urantia Book when helping others and how much it had changed my life. I gave him a card and then recalled I had a book in the truck and offered it to him, which he accepted. He showed strong interest.

122- I gave a card to my waitress at Rustlers Roost but failed to talk to her as I was in a down mood and she was not. Was thinking it is hard to help someone who did not appear to be having a bad day or life. Not my call.

123- While on a visit to Ymir, Alt. Canada to visit a Urantia book reader named Nanu, we stopped into a small grocery store next to the Ymir Hotel. To our surprise they had lots of natural and organic foods. There was a guitar hanging on the wall which the owner, a young gal, said I could play. I then noticed another room that had books for sale and asked her if she had heard of the Urantia Book. She immediately grabbed some paper to write the name down so I gave her a card saying I had found it to be the best spiritual book I had ever read.

124- After breakfast in Nelson I stopped by Natures Health Food store on Josephine Street and struck up a conversation with the owner Margaurite. She was sophisticated and intelligent having lived in Europe and other places. Showed a strong interest in book. As usual, she had never heard of it.

125- While kayaking on the river at Nelson, we went ashore to beach comb. I met a gal walking her dog and we talked about the world's ills and other things. When I asked if she had read the UB she paused a while and said she thought she had seen it many years ago during the "searching era". She seemed slightly wary of me and my interest in telling her about the book. I gave her a card and we continued on our way.

126- Went to look at a deck rebuild job with Chris, but he left and I spoke with his wife Linda who was most friendly. We got to talking about many things – she was raised in New York...I asked her if she had heard of the UB (no) and told her a bit about what was in it. She showed moderate interest – perhaps being polite – and said she was already Christian. Then told her about Jesus papers.

127- Met with my clients at Ironstone to discuss their Isokern fireplaces. After they left I asked Casey and Jon if they would help me out and look at the UB. I said I was curious what they would think about it and had found it personally helpful in my search for a better understanding of life. Casey said he would check it out and Jon just looked at me funny.

128- Got awoken at 6:30 by a young lady selling dealerships for steel buildings. I knew the routine but enjoyed listening to how she did her pitch. I finally asked her how old she was (22) and said she was young to be doing sales calls. She said she had 2 children she was raising on her own and had a good head on her shoulders. I asked her if I could share something that really helped me raising my sons (yes). Told her I had read a little known book called the Urantia book. She said “answer book?” I said it is an answer book and spelled it for her. Suggested she go to Truthbook.com and get the quote of the day. She was very grateful and thanked me at least twice.

129- Stopped at Rocket Bakery on way to airport to get a cup of coffee. Gave my card to the fella after he got my coffee. I said a little about it and he looked intently at the card and looked a bit perplexed that I would take the time to share this with him and thanked me.

130- Went into the DMV to register my dump truck. Sue helped me and we chatted a bit. I asked her if she liked to read (no). I asked her what she was interested in ...philosophy, science, history...She perked up saying she liked history. I said “great, this book has an in depth view of history, even who the first humans were. As we finished up and was putting things away, giving my papers, she scooted the card over saying “I am going to keep this”.

131- Stopped by Best Buy to look at remote hard drives. Was helped by Trevor, a young tall fella with a thick head of hair. After he shared some of his knowledge I asked him how he knew so much about computers. Said he built them for 2 years and then working at Best Buy. Somehow we got to talking about school and he said he had studied philosophy but found it dry. I asked if he had heard of the Urantia book (no) and told him about the much better philosophical views and expanded scientific and religious perspectives as well. He asked if he could buy it at the book stores in town and I told him Hastings Books usually has one in stock.

132- Stopped for gas in CdA before leaving for UB retreat at St Gertrudes with UAI Idaho group. Went in to buy a lottery ticket but Brook, the attendant said they no longer sold lottery tickets. After talking about that a bit I asked her if she liked to read when she wasn't working (yes) and handed her a card. She said she was interested and would check it out.

133- Patrick and I stopped at the Moscow Co-op to stock up on snacks and food for the weekend. I struck up a conversation with Carloyn, the checker about St Gertrudes and she told me to be sure to go to the museum. As I had already told her I was going there for a Urantia retreat, I asked her if she had heard of the UB (no). Handed her a card and she looked it over and put it in her pocket. I went to the car to eat something while waiting for Patrick. When he came out he said: “you got to her first!”. Turn out he also got in Carolyn's line and attempted to introduce her to the book. You gotta be quick in this business if you want to be first....

134- After dropping Tev at the airport, went to Fred Meyer for a snack. A young and friendly Katarina came over to help me unfreeze my self-serve screen and credit me for a coupon that printed out. I asked her if she liked to read and she gave me an enthusiastic yes. I handed her my card and told her she would find this book very interesting to read. She gave me a big smile and said she would check it out.

135, 136- I stopped at Ziggye's Lumber to get bags of concrete and asked the gal taking my credit card if she liked working at Ziggies. She said it was o.k. I asked her if Mr. Ziggye was in and we got to talking about the son owning the company and not seeing much of him. She handed me the receipt saying “that's for you” and I handed her my new card saying “and that's for you”. She looked intently at it as I told her it was the best book I had ever read and that it had changed my life. The other gal was now curious and leaning over to see the card and I asked her if she would like one also and she was glad to get one and looked wide eyed at the card and thanked me.

137- Ran into an old friend, Barb, at grocery store. Talked about UB a bit and gave her my card. She did not seem too responsive. I made up it was because she is Jewish and reluctant to try other ideas. Then had good talk with gal at checkout. She said her husband and her liked to read a lot and would look at the book.

138- Went to bank and recalled that when talking to Bart last week about a movie he would enjoy as a banker (Zeitgeist Addendum) and I had also mentioned a book he would enjoy if he liked the movie. He showed a lot of interest but I was out of cards so gave him one today and he thanked me and asked where he could buy a copy.

Went to Staples to buy supplies and got to joking with Angelique about how happy we both were. I told her how much Landmark Education had helped me and my family and mentioned that the UB had also contributed much to my happiness.

139- Angela, my bookkeeper called to ask a question but I could quickly tell she just wanted someone to talk to. She had been violently abused a year and a half ago and has had a slow recovery. She mentioned how she had been listening to tapes and reading books to help her trust people and not be afraid. When I mentioned I thought it would be a good tome for her to read the UB she reminded me that I had mentioned it to her a long time ago but she was not ready then but she would be willing to read it now and was glad I had brought it up. I will bring her a book and a few UB tapes tomorrow.

140- Stopped in Hayden for coffee. Spoke to young gal with Izzie on her shirt. Oddly, she said she had never heard of it.

141- Booked flights to Boulder conference with VISA miles program. Got Nadege (I had her spell it) who is from France originally, to help me with the tickets. Asked her if I could recommend a good book to read. She said yes and I told her about the book and why I liked it. She showed moderate interest and thanked me for the information.

142- Went to drop off drawing with an architect and spoke with his assistant, Terese. She is into seeking answers and shared her views openly. I told her to not think of the UB as a book but as a phenomena that is happening on the planet that goes well beyond word concepts. We both enjoyed the conversation and I invited her to the study group and Cosmic Café.

(I stopped by the Leather Works to see a reader friend, Mark, and ask him if he would be willing to put a card-holder on his counter. He was very open to this and I will get him a box of cards printed. This is good as his shop is a block away from a world class resort and he gets a steady flow of people coming in from all over creation)

143- As Aurora is out of town for a week I decided to go to eat at Syringa, the Sushi place in town. The waitress was familiar and I recalled being there about 6 months ago with Leslie and was impressed when Leslie gave her a \$100 tip after I had engaged Sara in a conversation about being a single mom. I asked her how her child was doing and she waved her hands saying “no, I don’t have a child, you are thinking of my look-alike, Sara”. They really looked identical and we talked about that and I told her the story about Leslie and Sara. Later, as I paid the bill, I spoke with Molly a bit more and told her I was leaving her a card which she pulled out and looked at asking what the book was about. When I told her she said her mother handed her lots of books on philosophy and religion to read dating from the 70’s and that she was very interested in such things. She said she would get a copy.

144- While in Lowe’s, I was talking to Ty, the person I gave a book to a while back when Becky, a manager came over and gave me a hat and shirt as there was a promotion going on. I asked Ty if he had introduced her to the UB. He immediately got all excited and started telling her about how it made science and religion fit together. Another older lady, I think someone from another Lowes, was listening in and took the card I had by now given Becky. This lady was trying to tell us that the Bible verified science (no takers). Later I thought that the Bible verifying science made as much sense as a daughter of mine give birth to me. Anyway as the lady was hanging on to the card I gave Becky another. She made some comment about finding this all very interesting.

145- I went to Big-5 to get one of those balls you do exercise on. Sara at the counter was in a good mood and we talked about her former home near Hood River, Oregon. I asked her if she had heard of the Urantia book as I had many friends in Oregon who read the book. She said she will look at the book.

146- Went to the drive up window to cash a check and did not feel it appropriate to give out a card in a commercial setting with bullet proof glass between us. I finally blurted out “do you like to read?” she said “sometimes” and I threw a card into the now closing drawer and said this is a book she might enjoy.

147- Went to Wells Fargo Bank to deposit funds for Tev to cover printing of Spanish cards for Buck and Patricia. Talked to Lizzy at window. She suggested I open an account so I can do on line transfers and don’t have to come into the bank for each transaction. Had a good interaction with her about the book. She said “I really will look at it”. *Note: about 2 weeks later – stopped in to make a deposit and got Lizzy’s window. After completing the deposit she said she was excited the book was coming tomorrow. She was noticeably excited to be getting it and I mentioned she would be welcome at our study group once she had read a bit of it. (now this is FUN!)*

148- Went back to Wells Fargo Bank as I had time at end of the day. Sat with Kim to open a new account. She seemed dull and disconnected. I did my best to be off the wall and get her to play a little with me. After about my fifth attempt she opened up a little. I joked with her manager when she came in and then opened up about her family being Mormons and Jehovahs Witnesses. I asked her what she believed and she struggled a bit but got out that she believed there was a good force in the universe that she believed in. As we talked more said she was basically unhappy. I suggested she look into Landmark Education as a means to put the past behind her and move ahead with her life. By this time she was quite perked up and was engaging me in the conversation. After she showed me how to do the online banking, I said if she wanted it all she would get a lot out of a reading of the Urantia Book. She asked about it and I told her a few things and left. Lizzy remembered me by name from the morning and waved as I left.

149- Got a call from Sue P while eating at Thai Palace. She was letting me know about a Landmark event in Missoula and I was to forward and invitation to a friend who lives there. We talked a little and I told her about the UB. She showed interest and I suggested she go to Truthbook and sign up for the quote of the day.

150- Spoke to Nicole at BNI meeting about banner stands for UB Banners Tev is making. She asked what I was putting on them and gave her my card, I know the whole printing company is Christian so I mentioned the book had a great section on Jesus life. She acted like she didn’t know what to say – she was well out of her comfort zone.

151- Drove around the block to get back to a garage sale as I saw a guitar. Struck up a conversation with Stephanie who had tattoo’s and was moving back to Alaska for work. After I had bought a few things (\$160) I mentioned the UB. She said she had heard of it as two of her friends were named Andon and Fonta (I think that is what she said – she had one of them a bit off) and mentioned she had never read it or knew much about it. I strongly suggested she read it as it would give her answers that would help her in life (I could see she was struggling).

152- Took a load to the landfill today. When I handed the gal my dump card I asked her if I could introduce her to a good book (yes) and I handed her the pretty 4x6 card that I now keep in my truck for easy handing out.

153- Met at the office with Jennifer Darcy who works with companies to hire and understand their employee’s. After some rich sharing of our interests and stories of our travels I figured out we know each other from her doing the Landmark Forum a couple years ago where I was volunteering. I told her I had found Landmark through a Urantia friend many years ago. I said the two best tools in the world were Landmark and the UB –and that if you had those and your life still didn’t work, it was time to hang it up. She showed a lot of interest.

154- Went to Money Tree to wire some money and Beth helped me from behind the thick glass. The guy at the next window complained about the music and the other gal working there bantered with Beth about being young and liking that music. I asked her how old she was. She said her friend was 21 and she was 25. I slid a card under the glass and said I had started reading this book when I was 20 and she would find it interesting. She said she thought she had heard of it somewhere and asked me more questions about it and thanked me.

155- Went to lumber yard in Hayden to get a can of spray paint. The gal taking my money was business like so I had to work harder to get her attention. She told me she was 18. As I gave her the card I told her I started reading this book when I was 20 and it had made a difference in my life. She handed me the receipt to sign looking disinterested and I asked her directly: “are you going to look at this?” and she replied “Yes, I will check it out”, and smiled.

156- Was tired so I stopped by a stand for a cup of drip with soy. The gal was very talkative and we visited a bit about business. I asked her if she had heard of the UB and said she might enjoy reading it.

157- Went to Super One after Folk Night at Unity. The checker was a tall intelligent looking gal and I wasted no time telling her she struck me as someone who was intelligent and that she probably had questions about life she wanted answers for (because she was

intelligent). She said yes and I gave her my card saying that this book was able to answer many of the big questions she would have. She was quite interested and said: "Oh, this is exciting" as I left.

158- Stopped at Rosters Coffee by the hospital. A tall gal helped me and I thought she would not give me the time of day. I handed the \$2 with the card on top of the money and said this is a great book you would enjoy. She intently looked at it and asked a couple questions and said "how delightful!" and thanked me like I had really given her something of value.

159- Went into the Health Food store and was waited on by an attractive young lady. I had not noticed her before and asked if she was new. Said a month and we talked about work and health issues. I felt resistant to giving her the card but did anyway. She showed good interest as we talked about it.

160- Went into North Idaho Blueprint to pick up blueprints. Got talking about the economy with the owner. He said he was barely making it and looked quite depressed. I eventually asked him if he had heard of a book called the Urantia book. I told him how it helped me harmonize my thinking about religion, science, cosmology and such. He said "Really! I'll have to check that out".

161- Got to Boulder for the conference and stopped for directions. A student very quickly came up to help and I offered him a card and thanked him.

162- Coming up from the parking lot I met Sheri, my marimba teacher of old who is also here as there is a marimba festival going on. That led to another person engaging me in a conversation. He teaches marimba in Portland and heard Sheri say that the Coeur d'Alene youth band had come. (I started the first marimba band in Cd'A 25 years ago which led to marimbas in schools and so forth). I told him why I was here. He was surprised and we talked a bit about the Urantia book as we walked up the hill.

163- Returning to our room late I noticed a young fella with what looked like a sling with his arm in it. I could sense he was open to company so I asked him what he did to his arm. He pulled out a strand of prayer beads and said he was a Krishna follower. I told him I much enjoyed chanting with the Krishna's in San Francisco in the late 60's. He handed me a card and I told him I would trade. When he asked about it I let my younger son, Kailas, take over and they had a good visit as we enjoyed the campus and the warm moist night air.

164- Went to Whole Foods. Friendly checker said he was raised Lutheran but didn't stay with it. Had read the Celestine Prophecy. Got very interested in what I said.

165- Went to Office Depot to buy Tev a remote hard drive for his birthday. An employee named Avery came by register as we were paying and we got to talking somehow. Turns out she is studying transpersonal psychology at Naropa Institute. Very interested in spiritualism. She was quite excited to talk with us. Tev and Megan talked to her further after I walked out.

166- Cassidy was the checker at Office Depot but showed less interest in the UB but took my card. We didn't get to talk to him as there was another customer in line.

166- Met with Marilyn K to visit and she suggested the bowling alley had a place to sit. As the music was loud and abrasive I asked the gal working there if she would put Jack Johnson on the PA system which she did. We decided to get a water out of the machine and needed to get a \$5 broken to \$1's so I asked the gal, Jenny, for change and asked her what she was studying and she said she had graduated, so I asked her what her major was and she said history. I said I had read a book that had a ton of history in it that she would find most interesting. She asked if a group of historians had put the book together and I said that unseen angelic beings had given us this information.

167- After the conference we went to Mo & Jens for lunch and then to the Chautauqua park up the hill. Relaxed and played ukulele. A couple from Chicago came into the park and we engaged them in a conversation. They went to school in Boulder and his field is genetics that led to a conversation about races and genetic marking and such. Shared about the UB's take on genetics, showed him the book and gave him my card.

168- Went with Meredith to the Tea House to talk about the upcoming coming NE Cosmic Road Show tour. Our waiter, Padraic, took a look at the card and said it seems like he had heard of it years ago but couldn't recall where.

169- Leaving the tea house I stopped and handed the young hostess a card. I told her it had helped me to have a great life and that it was worth reading.

170- Got back to dorms and needed to pay for another night. Kristin helped me and I asked her what her field of study was. She said sociology and anthropology. In talking about that she said her real interest was in pre-history which she said is anything prior to written records. I told her about the Urantia book and asked her if she believed in angels and such stuff. As she had no reaction to that question I got into how the book detailed pre-historic knowledge that she would find very interesting.

171- Went to Pearl Street Mall and strolled around. Stopped and talked to a Christian fella playing a ukulele for change. We got into a typical discussion about not reading something that's not the Bible. I did my best to converse with him but had to continue on with the family. He gave me the card back saying he probably wouldn't read it. It is the first time I got a card handed back ;{ After supper I stopped and talked to him again. Reminded me of the warnings in the Bible about changing anything. I got to see this man's devotion to the scriptures. I heard myself asking him what he was afraid of. He defended his position and I realized that would not easily win him over. When I asked him to just read one section from the Jesus papers, he said to me that he would be willing to continue speaking with me if I stopped by the mall and I mentioned that I didn't live in Boulder. We left on a note of me saying I appreciated his steadfast faith. We shook hands and exchanged names.

172- I saw two young folks sitting on the mall and I asked them what they were doing and they said they were just hanging out. I gave them my card and told them it was a great book worth reading.

173- While in the Denver Airport we stopped in a very high class jewelry and gift store. The owner was friendly and helpful. She said she had the "cafeteria plan" approach to religion. After some fruitful discussion she said she would check out the Urantia Book.

174- Kailas invited friends for a pre 4th of July BBQ. I took my ukulele out to the fire and jammed with the drummers. Later Kai introduced me to Hillary and said she had an interest in mandolin. I took her in and showed her a couple I have. We then played some guitar music and got into a conversation about the UB. She was very interested and was looking for a good book to read and was open to new ideas. I sent her off with a book with the DVD in it as she said she listened to music or books at work.

175- Went to see the Fourth of July parade with intentions to hand out cards. I got there just as parade started and went into Bella Rosa to get a cup of iced coffee. I introduced the young gal who got me drink. After I gave her the card I asked her if she was a truth seeker and she said yes she was. I told her that this book had a lot of truth that she wouldn't find anywhere else. She seemed puzzled with me and interested in what I had to say. There just happened to be a seat facing the street so I stayed in the air conditioned café and chatted with a friendly but rather closed minded Christian gal next to me. It was a great parade. I feel good about humanity, having seen so many earnest souls giving their heart out to share their passion for life in the hot sunshine.

176- Went to the Breakfast Nook with Tev and Becca. Jenna waited on us and we shared the UB with her and encouraged her to go to Truthbook and sign up for the quote of the day.

177, 178- I went to Albertsons to get sweet corn for supper. While waiting in the express lane I noticed the young gal bagger at the next aisle staring at me. I was disappointed I was not in that lane as she was sharp and interesting to behold. The guy who processed my sale was friendly and as I was paying the gal came up as if to be ready to bag my groceries, which seemed odd as I only had a few small items. I grabbed a card and handed it to her saying that I recommended this book and endeavored to introduce a person every day. The checker strained his neck to see what the card said so I offered him one as well. He asked what it was about and all I could think to tell him was history. He said that we repeat history and I agreed that we have sure been repeating it a lot lately.

179- After a long day of missed opportunities to introduce the book...I took the gang to Thai Bamboo as Tev is leaving in the morning. I hadn't seen the young gal that greeted us but she said she had worked there for a year. I immediately asked her if she had heard of the UB (no) so I spoke it up. She asked if it was like the Bible and I said it was similar but added to the Bible in good ways. She seemed intrigued and asked if it had Jesus in it and I said yes and she would definitely enjoy the book. She was happy that it had something to do with Jesus and put the card in her pocket.

180- To my surprise, my employee James engaged me in a conversation that was reflective and thoughtful. He mentioned how much he enjoyed listening to his wife's grandmother who the rest of the family discounts. He then mentioned how shallow his Church experience was. I told him it sounded like he was ready for the Urantia Book. He asked me about it and I offered him a copy that he gladly accepted. I showed him the various parts of the book and he said he would read the Jesus section first.

181- Went to the Cricket store to upgrade my phone and spoke with Jason. After the transaction in which he was most helpful I asked him if he had read the UB (no). He took the card with little expression of interest.

182- The phone rang while I was thinning my beautiful carrot patch. It was Emily from Landmark Education asking me if I would like to do the next leadership training program. As we talked she thanked me over and over again for introducing my former employee, James, to Landmark Education as it had saved his marriage and that she had become great friends with James and his wife. After saying awe shucks, twern't nothin' a few times, I asked if I could share something with her that was also very transformative and got an eager "yes". I told her about the UB and the transformation it had caused in my life. This hungry daughter of God was thankful for yet another opportunity to grow deeper in the human experience and thanked me for sharing this good news with her.

183- Stopped by Huckleberrys after dropping Aurora at airport. After asking the checker about her job with the company I asked her if she had read the UB (no) and told her that it was an amazing book that expanded my understanding of the world and myself. She showed interest and said she had just read a book called Eat, Pray and ?

184- I called Verizon to cancel my home phone line. Got Lisa who explained how much they wanted to keep me as a customer and that they would drop my monthly rate by \$20 (to what it should have been all along) so I accepted. As we talked Lisa said she lived in California and I asked her if she had heard of the UB (no). Told her a bit about it and spelled it for her. She said she would look into it.

185- I offered to take a load of yard trimmings to the dump for my client. I assumed the person checking me out at the transfer station would be the usual uninteresting sort that is usually there. When I saw a young gal I grabbed a card and gave it to her saying it was a great book for someone her age to read. She thanked me.

186- Went into Wells Fargo to transfer some funds. Got Allison and said hi to Lizzy (said she got her book but hadn't started reading it yet) when she walked by, then asked Allison if she had read the UB (no). She asked what it was about. I told her it was a resource manual for all religionists and humanitarians to use.

187- Stopped by Super One Foods after Folk Night at Unity. A young checker asked if she could help me so I had her check me out. Janice had a 50's look – heavy rimmed glasses and brown bangs that came over her eyebrows. I handed her a card and told her it was mandatory reading for people in her age group. She asked a bit about it and seemed interested. Told her to go to the web site.

188- My son Kailas came back to my office and mentioned that his friend Sheena was in the kitchen copying quotes out of the Herald that was on the counter. I went out and introduced myself and we talked for some time about the origins of the book. Sheena was raised with God-knowing parents but never given any specific direction. She said she was surprised she had never heard of the book as she liked reading such things. I told her I was disappointed the UB "movement" had not done more to introduce people like her as I as keenly aware how much her generation was open to this level of information. Due to her intense interest, I offered her a book that she gladly took with her.

189- Went to Spokane to get materials for a job and stopped by the health food store on the South Hill. The tall checker had never heard of the book to my surprise ;) Gave her a card and told her it was the best book she will ever read. She thanked me.

190- Driving through town I decided to stop at Mark Rogers store and say hi. I saw Charles, a fella I know from Unity, sitting with a up of coffee in the beautiful summer air. We caught up on things and I shared with him why I read the book. He said he thought it sounded like a good book to read. I gave him a card.

191- Went to bank to make a deposit and met Debora who is new – two weeks. After the transaction I handed her a card and said I like to introduce this book I really enjoyed reading. She said "Thanks you very much".

192- Stopped by HF store to get a few things for the weekend and there was yet another checker I had not met. I asked her if she was new and she said she had worked all summer and today was her last day as she was going back to nursing school. I was not going to introduce anyone else at the store as it seemed I had talked to everyone and I was getting paranoid I would get a reputation. But since it was her last day, what the heck. She asked what it was about and I asked her if she had a spiritual "bend". She said her sister did and I

said why let our sister have all the fun (laugh). She said she just hadn't found what worked for her and I said I had looked a long time to find this book and it had really straight information and no blah blah.... She thanked me.

193- Decided to get to 200 today so I could send the list off to socadmin before the conference. My first stop in town was at Home Depot and walked by fella selling carpet cleaning. On way back through I struck up a conversation with him and gave him my card. He asked if he could get a copy at Hastings and I said yes or at Amazon.

194- Went to check out a Home Depot and got Megan at check out. One item was not labeled so it took some time to have someone research it which gave me time to get into a good conversation with her. She told me she liked sci fi so I gave her a card and told her the book talked about aliens and life on other planets. She also asked where to get a copy. I asked her to check it out and send me an e-mail telling me what she thinks.

195- Went to the Cricket store, my 3rd time in a week to complain about my new phones glitch. As usual the guy gave me the runaround about how he couldn't help me. I reminded him I had been a customer for years and paid for four phones each month. This did not help. A tall gal came out of the back room and I called out to her and asked her if she was the manager (yes). She listened to my story and told the salesman, much to his chagrin, to get me a new phone. I took ten minutes for him to reprogram the phone and just before I left Julie popped back out again and I got her attention to thank her and gave her a card. As she looked at it I told her I was going to introduce everyone on the planet. She smiled and I shook her hand and thanked her again.

196- Then went to Washington Trust bank to deposit funds and visited with Brian who looked really bored. We talked about new construction techniques. I asked if he would do me a favor as I was attempting to reach a goal with introducing the UB. He asked good questions – who wrote it, what's it about, but offered nothing of his own beliefs. I wished I had asked him what they were.

197- I went to Rite Aid to get a new pair of reading glasses and was disappointed to see the only open check stand was a male. After getting over my prejudice I asked him if he liked to read (yes) and if he liked sci fi (yes). Gave him a card and told him it talked about life on other planets and such. He gave me a sincere thank you and looked me right in the eye – soul to soul.

198- Went to Super One Foods for a few items. Erica, a young gal waited on me and asked what it was about and said she would check it out!

199- I was done with all my stops but did not think I had enough intro's to get to 200 today. I was ticked that I might have to spend money to get an introduction and was sitting 30 feet from a Starbucks. So I went in and chatted with Kayla as she took my decaf order for what seemed like a half gallon of liquid. She showed a lot of interest and asked if it talked about evolution, which surprised me.

200- A tall young man was so friendly getting my coffee at Starbucks. He said he was 6'5" tall. As I think he heard me talking about the book with Kayla, I offered him a card saying he might also enjoy the book and he stuck the card in his pocket and got me my coffee. I did not realize he was number 200 so I will drop off a book for him when I go back to town for a pot luck.

201- My client, Iris, asked me where I was going so told her to Chicago for a Urantia readers conference and answered her questions of what that was about. I didn't offer her a book but will when I get back.

202- Was talking to Aurora on the phone while sitting in the lobby where our UB's were set up at the SSS09 conference when I noticed a young Chinese student looking at the secondary works. As he was being ignored by the folks manning the tables, I got off the phone with Aurora and walked over to him and engaged him in a conversation. As all the books on that table were secondary works, I walked around and got him a UB to look at. We got in a good discussion. I think he said his American name was Andrew. He had come from China and was a student aiming to work in a library. Michael Woods overheard us talking and engaged him in a conversation about the Chinese translation being in progress and Andrew offered that his sister and another family relative were translators. I had already asked him if he would like to buy a book and he said he had another book he was reading and that he did not like to buy a book until he had finished the one he was on. I asked Michael if he would give him a book and he grabbed one off the table and presented it to him. Andrew was touched and we each gave him our card and encouraged him to contact us after he had read some of the book. Got a good feeling about this interaction.

203- I Struck up a conversation with the student working at the desk (Jesse) and asked him if he knew what our group was about (no). Told him we all read an interesting book called Urantia. Asked him if he would like to look at a copy (yes) and went and grabbed one off the table. I showed him the layout of the book and left him reading it. I went back later and got the book to return and he looked occupied and didn't ask any questions so I left it at that.

204- Spoke with the two students working the lobby desk on Sunday morning. Gave them each a 4x6 card and spoke about the book with them and told them it was a great resource. I asked the gal if she was into Jesus (yes) and I mentioned the book contained the complete life and teachings of Jesus.

205- On Flight from Chicago to Salt Lake City, I sat next to a mid 20's male. As we visited a bit he clued me in that he was a Mormon. This was good news as I had just given a talk at which I mentioned how the Mormons send out their young to be missionaries for 2 years. Scott was willing, and on the edge of eager, to share with me about his experiences. It was most delightful and I waited a long time to mention the UB. I told him quite a bit more that I would most people I introduce, but he seemed to have a mature and genuine interest in all I was relating to him. He asked me how much they cost (struggling student). I asked him to send me an e-mail so we could be in touch and that I wanted to pick his brain some more. *One month later – got a nice e-mail from Scot saying how much he enjoyed our visit. He used most of his letter to share with me his convictions to the LDS church. He mentioned the UB but not that he had yet read it.*

206- Went to pay my bill at Lowe's and got to chatting with Sunshine and she shared that she missed having her fender guitar as her husband got it in the divorce. I told her I sold guitars and she could come and try some of them so she would have one. I set out my UB card so she would have my number and said, as I pointed to the card, that she would enjoy reading this book as well.

207- I went to a favorite pawn shop to look at their guitars and tools. I saw two young men looking at guitars and mentioned which one I thought was the best one. This led to a conversation about how to get a good guitar and I told them I had several I was going to list on Craigs List and gave them my card when they expressed some interest. I then pointed to the card and said the book was a great book to read – the best book they will ever read.

208- Stopped by a lumber yard to get a hammer as the plumber had broken mine the day before. Jamie, a tall gal with intensely blue eyes took my money. I asked her what she did when not working – Video games? – NO!, TV? – NO!, don't have one. I said good. Asked her if she read – YES. I asked her if she read sci-fi – NO! After a few emphatic no's she said she liked to read about the Amish. I asked her why and she said she found their lifestyle fascinating and she had lived in Pennsylvania. I gave her my card and asked her if she had read the UB. She said yes to my surprise, but she then admitted she had just read a couple things a long time ago as a friend had a copy. I urged her to get a copy and read the whole thing.

209- Went to Alliance Title Co. to ask a few questions and got to speak with Allison who was most helpful and easy to talk to. When done I asked her if she would do me a favor (yes) and I told her I had chosen to introduce a person a day to a favorite book and asked if I could tell her about it (yes). I told her it was about science, history, religion and much more and that it was a most unusual and interesting book. She failed to answer my question about what kind of things she believed but still showed interest and thanked me for the card.

210- Picked up a few things at store and talked to Emily about the book. She seemed interested.

211- Went to the health food store and was sure I had introduced everyone that worked there by now. Got a brunet gal and I asked her how long she had worked there (2 months). I asked her if she had heard of the UB and told her I was disappointed that more people hadn't read the book. She asked what it was about and I told her it had apparently been given to us by higher intelligences to help guide our planet. She seemed quite curious about it and said she would have to look into it.

212- With Aurora out of town and it being late on Saturday, I was bored and did not want to go home without satiating my desire to do something. I circled Staples a couple times and went in. I roamed all the isles with my empty basket and finally decided on a hands-free headset for my cell phone. The gal asked me how I was doing and I told her I was bored. I then asked her, Kelly, if she had heard of the UB. What's it about? Told her I had been disappointed that so few people had read this wonderful book and that it was given to us by higher intelligences. She said she was a big reader and would check it out.

213- Some friends of Kai's were over for BBQ and fireside visiting. I set up Danielle's telescope in the back yard and showed folks Jupiter's moons. Got to talking to Natalie while we took turns peering into the scope. She said she was not raised with religion and didn't need to believe in the earth being created in 7 days and all. I agreed with her and wove the UB into the conversation. I think she got a fair idea of how it is different than organized religions.

214- Was in Spokane buying windows for a client and chose a line with a younger checker who's uncommon name I forget. Told her about the book. She said she liked to read history as she was a history teacher. I told her the book had history going way back and the information was given to us by angel-like beings who wanted us to know our history so we could make better choices about our future. She thanked me and seemed interested in looking into it.

215- Went to Home Depot for supplies and met Frank, a 30 something fella. He said he had never heard of it and asked what it was about. I told him the book would help us create a sustainable world that worked for everybody. He nodded and stuck the card in his pocket.

216- Stopped by the store for cooking supplies and noticed the checker bantering with the guy ahead of me who had just got through spating with his wife about what to buy, or not. I felt like I had nothing to say to her to introduce her to the book so just engaged her in small talk by saying it was too bad she had to work on such a nice day. She replied that she just had two days off and had taken her kids to Silverwood (a theme park). What popped out of my mouth as I handed her a large 4x6 intro card was that my kids were jerks before I read to them from this book. She looked startled as she looked intently at the card with big eyes. I felt bad about defaming my kids, though the comment did contain some element of truth. She thanked me.

217, 218- Went to get plywood at Stock Lumber and Chad and Ryan helped me load it. Chad asked if I had been busy this summer and I said with traveling but not so much with work. He asked more so I told him I had been in Boulder and Chicago for Urantia book meetings. He was impressed that I traveled so much. As we talked in an increasingly religious vein, Ryan mentioned that his wife was an atheist and he didn't know what to believe. He then said it was hard to believe stuff men wrote 2000 years ago. I used this golden moment to share how the UB was up to date and explained religion in a way that made sense. Gave them both a card and showed them the web sites they could visit to find out more.

219- Went to town to pick up Kailas and decided to run in the store for a couple things. Got a 30 something checker and asked him if he liked to read as I gave him my card. He said not too much but he wanted to read more. Told him this was a book about everything and he would find it a good read. He said: "Great, I will check it out".

220- Went to copy a couple keys for a job I'm doing. I didn't have a choice of checkers and resisted saying anything to the gal t the register. Got over it and asked her if she liked to read. Said she liked novels, romance and some history. I told her the third section of the book was the history of our planet – tuff you won't find anywhere else. She said "Great, sounds interesting". I then felt better about introducing those I don't feel like introducing.

221- WOW! When I heard India Arie was going to be in Spokane, I instantly bought tickets. This is odd as I maybe go to one concert and two movies a year. Her music is so sublimely spiritual and real that it has touched me deeply. I also shortly had it in my mind that I could introduce this beautiful soul to the Urantia book. I grabbed the one John Hay had sent out – the newest printing with the disc. When we arrived I saw a fella selling tee shirts and stood near until a gal who looked important came by the table. I asked her if India would be coming out after the concert and that I had a book I wished to give her. She graciously introduced herself as Stephanie, India's personal assistant. She said India would come out after the show but she could also give her the book and I handed it to her somewhat reluctantly. She looked at it and I told her it was a special spiritual book that I thought India would enjoy. Stephanie handed it back saying that this book was too special and I should give it to her personally and to come to the side of the table and she would make the introduction. After the show we sat in the lobby as a line of people bought shirts and CD's and then waited for India to come out to sign them. Stephanie showed up out of nowhere and said to come with her. As we walked back to the dressing rooms she said India was not coming out to do signings. There was a young black couple also waiting outside the room and Stephanie went in and brought India out. She received the thanks of the young woman who shared her difficult journey and how India's music had uplifted her through losing a

daughter and other trials. They left and Aurora and I got a chance to visit with her. Aurora recognized several of the group including India's mother as they had shopped at the Health food store in Atlanta where she once worked. I then handed the book to her saying I had wanted her to have the Urantia Book as it had touched my life spiritually. I asked if she knew of it and India had a gleeful look on her face and said she had been in a bookstore in Pittsburg a few days earlier and had picked up the UB several times feeling that it was a spiritual book, but had not bought it. She asked me to tell her what it was about and I did my best to describe what I found valuable. I said I saw it as many things, such as being an instruction manual for our planet, and it had the whole life story of Jesus including his childhood. I also mentioned that Marianne Williamson was a reader, which pleased her to know and mentioned how Nelson Mandela's acceptance speech was from Marianne Williamson and was inspired by the UB. India pointed to the book and indicated that she was confident this book was indeed the source of such insight. We took some pictures, visited a little more and left.

222- Patrick Yesh stayed with us last night and shared how he had spent a half hour talking to a fella named John at the grocery store about the UB. John saw the UB on the back of Patrick's "God's little helper" t-shirt and asked him about it. That story inspired me to wear my little helper shirt today. It is my birthday so wanted to do as I pleased anyway. I had a chiropractic appointment and stuck a couple 4x6 cards in my back pocket in case I could post them or find a place in the waiting room to leave them. I had them in my pocket when I went it to get adjusted and took everything out of my pockets and put the cards between my shoes so Rich would not notice them and think I was there to proselytize anyone. After the first crunch he asked me what the Urantia Book was. I figured he must have seen the cards somehow. It wasn't until later I realized I had the book on the back of my shirt – duh. I told him it was a revelation of truth and that this occasionally happened on planets and he asked what the others were. He then said he did not have a good religious experience growing up. He was raised Mormon. He mentioned a friend of his and one day his mom said that his friend was 12 and it would be a good time to invite him to come to church. He blurted out NO! as he did not his friend to get the indoctrination he was getting. He then said he went through a searching period in his 20's mostly Christian and some Ba'hai. He concluded it was about the "glue", that which all religions have –the truths in common. I mentioned the UB had the whole life of Jesus and Rich asked me to say it again like he couldn't believe what he had heard. I said it had 700 pages, the complete life and teachings of Jesus given to us by angelic beings that were here when Jesus walked the earth. He asked if I had a book he could see. I will bring him one next week when I go in again.

223- A lot of people came over for my birthday including friends of Kailas. There were two of his friends there who were also born on Aug 28 including Brittany who found herself in the kitchen around midnight and introduced herself to me. She told me how she knew Kailas - through a former boyfriend who did Landmark and some other connections. We got to talking about her love of nature and camping and such. I mentioned that I thought that enjoying the beauty of nature was such an important quality to having a great life, and then mentioned that two counterparts to that experience were the love of truth and the desire to do good to others (truth, beauty & goodness). She resonated with this and we got into a healthy discussion about the Urantia book. She was very interested in this type of information and asked intelligent questions. I told her I could loan her a book and that we met twice a month to study the book. She was very interested and will be in touch with me. I thanked her for being so open.

224- Stopped by a Coffee Kiosk with Kailas on way to a job. Commented on the nose ring the gal had and talked about how times had changed. Gave her a card but couldn't talk much as there was another car behind me.

225- Went to see a client who was having a water usage problem at her house. While we waited for the leak detection company we talked about things and she asked what I was up to and this led to a discussion about the UB. While she showed interest in what I had to say, she did not reveal her beliefs to me.

226- While working on a new T-Mobil store, I went next door to Starbucks to get a sip of coffee and engaged Joy in rowdy conversation on how to get her a man. She is 32 and unwed and attractive. She shared that she had not found a guy that was "committed". We did our best to define what that meant and from what viewpoint. After we finally got around to getting me some coffee I gave her my card and said this book had helped me to understand myself better so I was the better able to be in a long relationship. She said she had read the Bible 7 times ...so I said "Great, the last section is the life and teachings of Jesus!" She looked the card over as I made my leave. I will go see her again before the job is finished to see if she found a guy yet.

227- Went into Black Sheep sporting good store for a Nalgene water bottle and got Brittany to wait on me. In talking I told her I stayed up too late playing guitar and asked her if she played music. Said she wasn't musical and had tried piano and guitar. I gave her my card and told her this book would help her succeed in whatever she did in life. She said Really?

228- Went to Home Depot for grab bars for the T-Mobil store. The blond checker was very open to talking and told me she had owned a seed company that went own because she lost a big client. She liked working as it got her out of the house and she was meeting a lot of great people working there. Talked about going through a tough transition but was now doing great. Mentioned how the UB helps with transitions of all sorts. She seemed taken aback while looking at the card like it brought something up for her. I left with the distinct feeling I would see this person again and have more interactions with her.

229- Went to Staples to get a memory stick. Scott said he was studying with all his free time, General studies but wanted to major in philosophy. Aurora and I know we had a big fish on the line, and I spoke first saying this was the best philosophical book he would ever read. He looked at the card and said it had come through a couple times. This statement confused me and I asked if he had worked at a bookstore and seen the book come through. He said no, he had seen it here at the store so I asked him if other employees had showed it to him and he said yes. I have probably introduced 4 or 5 other employees at that store. Gives me the feeling that when folks hear something multiple times it has more meaning to them.

230- I went to Julies house to look into repairing or replacing her windows. As I knew her from a networking group and found her different in a good way, I asked her if we could visit a bit when we were done with business. We shared our experiences and I asked her if she had cone Landmark Education – yes, after her divorce. After we talked about that a while, I asked her what religious beliefs she had. She was raised Christian Science and still attended sometimes. I asked her if she had heard of the Urantia Book – no. I told her it was and book designed to help our planet get it together and was given by invisible-to-us personalities who were interested in our watch care and advancement. She showed strong interest and I offered to loan her a book and showed her the index and left for my next appointment.

231- Went to Lowe's to pay my bill. Vonne started to help me and I had her sized up as a good possibility and started talking but she got called to help another customer. Donna took quite a while to figure out how to process my payment and didn't think of her as someone who would be interested as she was older and looked a bit unkept. As she gave me the receipt, I asked her if she read and she said yes, she was reading a mystery novel currently. I handed her my card and said I liked to tell people about this book as I found it very interesting. She asked several good questions and I gave several good answers. She showed genuine interest in this book and said "sounds interesting!"

232- Went to the grocery store to get a few things and decided to go through a check out instead of the self serve as I had not introduced anyone today. The middle aged gal mentioned her kids were 5 and one in high school. As I handed her the card I told her this book had made a big difference in my kids lives as the concepts seemed to stick with them in good ways that helped them grow up to be fine young men. She seemed impressed and thanked me for sharing this with her.

233- In negotiating to buy a first edition UB on Amazon.com, I suggested to Tony, the seller (from Red Hill Books in San Francisco), that he read the book before he send it out to the buyer. He responded with: ["I read the Wikipedia articles on Urantia and Wm. Sadler. Absolutely fascinating material. \[Accurate representation?\] A more rational approach to the subject than most, I'd say, and somewhat along the lines of my own thinking. Thank you for directing my attention to The Book. And I will do a quick skim read. I expect I can find a later cheaper edition for myself."](#) I sent back some suggestions of what to read, and the link to the Quote of the day. Tony dropped his price, offered to pay the shipping and I purchased the book.

234- While paying for some mortar mix I got to talking to Aeris (interesting spelling) about sports as he had Sundays and Mondays off and could watch football. I really didn't want to bring up the UB with this big man who had played football and now coached sports. He has two boys, like me so I pulled out my card and mentioned to him how much this book had helped me raising my sons. He listened and said something like "all right" and I left.

235, 236- Aurora and I were invited to supper at Ken and Roz's. After supper the conversation drifted to what we were doing and we got to talking about the UB. To my surprise, Ken took an immediate interest and asked many questions. They are Unitarian and we shared how the UB was not here to be a new religion but to add insight into all religions. We then talked about their kids and on every one (two combined families), they both said that their child would enjoy the UB also as they were all reading spiritual books and searching in various ways. Ken said he would get a book and Roz said she wanted to read it also.

237- Gave Heather at Super One Foods a card but felt odd as I didn't get to talk to her as there was a line forming behind me. I felt cheap after, like I had just had a one night stand or something. I see how much I enjoy really connecting with people.

238- Went to an open house for a client of mine and met Esai, a ambitious young man. We talked and he asked me if I saw "The Secret" which led to mentioning the UB. He pointed to the word Urantia on the card and asked "what's that mean?" I told him it meant our planet and the UB appeared to be an instruction manual for our planet. He found me before he left and shook my hand four times and kept mentioning how excited he was about the book and that he would be getting one to read. I got a feeling I will see more of Esai (a Spanish name). *Note: Several weeks later I called him and invited him to the Cosmic Café. He didn't show but called as I was going home and we decided to meet for tea and wound up at Chilies. We talked for two hours about how to bring about enlightenment on the planet. When the waitress, 24 year old and wonderfully pregnant Emily, came by with the bill I told her that Esai and I had talked about how people fit into 3 groups. 90% are either fundamentalist or ambivalent and 10% have a belief system like Buddhism or something and asked where she fit. She said in the first group, fundamentalist, and that she believed it if the Bible said it. I had given her the card and told her about how the book harmonizes science and religion and she totally agreed that evolution was a part of God and it was too bad some people had a narrow view of life. We had a great visit and she wants to get a book to read! Esai is looking forward to meeting my son as they are both into graphic design and marketing. He said he would be coming to study group next week.*

239- Went to get some fasteners for a job and was helped by a 30 something Mariah. I gave her the card saying I like to introduce people to the UB. To my surprise she perked up and said she loves reading and would have to check it out. She gave me a big, heartwarming smile as I left.

240- Stopped by the county building dept to check on a permit. The receptionist is fairly new and I have been taken by her grace and friendliness. I finally got up the nerve to give her my card and ask her if she had read this book (no). She said she liked to read in the winter and would look into it. I will follow up with her net time I am in.

241- Went way out in the sticks to Paul's organic farm to borrow his apple press for our apple fest. I saw Caleb there who is the 20 something son of a friends. I have long thought he would be a good candidate for the book so I struck up a conversation with him as he picked cherry tomatoes for tomorrows market. He showed a lot of interest and as he spent his summer miles from town, I mentioned I had a loaner book in the truck if he was interested and he was. I showed a little of the content and let him get back to work. He said he would get his own copy and return it if he liked the book.

242- Took my dollar off coupon to Dutch Bro's Coffee and talked to the server. The young man said he had been reading CS Lewis. Asked me who wrote the UB and I told him non-humans. He said "Sweet, I'll check it out!"

243- Went to Ziggies Building Center for trash bags. Told Megan I had told Jamie about it (I could see her at the next till). Told her it was a magic book. Megan looked a bit puzzled.

244- A heavy set fella came into the restaurant we are rebuilding and endeavored to sell me on a \$40 bottle of super cleaner. He was traveling with a group that made a living selling the cleaner. After I got him down to \$20 I asked him if he had heard of the book. He said he had access to the internet so I suggested he check it out online.

245- Stopped for coffee on the way to a job and spoke with a 30 something gal with a nice tattoo on her arm. Asked her if she had heard of the UB and she gave an intent look at the card. Told her it was a fantastic book to read and she immediately offered that she would check it out on the web. Suggested signing up for the quote of the day.

246- Steve, who was my lumber salesman years ago, called my as I drove to Seattle. He saw my sign on a Greek restaurant and wondered when it would open. We got talking about music as he plays guitar and we have a common musician friend. We got to talking about the job he had working for a church and I brought up the UB which I probably mentioned to him years ago. He showed interest

and wants me to drop off a book for him, which I will do on my return. *Note – I went by Steve's house and he went from section to section intently reading a page here and there while I waited. After ten or fifteen minutes he closed the book and I was wondering if he was getting ready to give it back, but instead said "I'll read it". His 18 year old daughter came home from college about this time and mentioned to them both how my children had taken a huge liking to the UB because of it's fresh views.*

247- Stopped by Whole Foods on our way out of Seattle and got to talking to Alex who was manning a table giving out samples of a natural nutrition bar. He said he had an interest in history and other things, so told him the UB had an in depth record of all our history going way back. I am always delighted when people show such genuine interest in what I am sharing with them.

248- After dropping Aurora at the airport early I decided to try Molly's, voted best breakfast joint in Spokane. As I was paying I told the nice waitress that I was giving her a card about the best book I had read. She thanked me, and the meal was indeed quite good.

249, 250- Went out late in day to meet with the Neeri's about work on their lake cabin. After going over things we sat at the kitchen table and talked about a variety of things, much of it related to human potential. They asked about the book I had mentioned earlier I liked and I told them it was a special book, unlike any other I had ever seen with special insights and teachings we could apply to our lives today. They both were quite interested and I think they will get a book.

251- Had another dollar off coupon for coffee and spoke to friendly blond gal who, oddly, had never heard of the Urantia Book. Told her it had many answers to the worlds problems. She looked somewhat interested and looked at the card for a while.

252- Isaak, late 20's, who works for a group that harvests excess food to distribute to food banks came to look at a truck I had for sale. We talked a while and I brought up the book and he showed interest. I gave him a book to take with him and then sold him the truck for a good deal (just wanted to sell it and he seemed like a good person to give a good deal to).

253- Was bored after supper so went to Safeway to see if I needed anything. I had cut my finger earlier so needed band aids and it is Friday so needed beer. Ashley looked a bit bored as it was late and there weren't too many people in the store. As I paid for my beer and band aids I asked her a bit about her life – unmarried, no kids...talked about where to find a good guy which led to church. Said she liked Christianity and Jesus but had not found a church since moving here. I told her there was a book I liked to recommend as it had the complete story of Jesus life written by angels. She showed some excitement as I gave her my card and told her she could order an inexpensive copy on Amazon.

254- Went to Freddie's to get some grub. I walked back and forth looking for the "right" checker and the guy who monitors the traffic asked me if I needed any help. This led to joking about wanting to find the cute checker. Striking out there, I chose a young fella named Nathan, I think who is 19 and moving out of his parents house for the first time. Told him about how the UB really helped me when I went out on my own. He was pleased and took the card.

255- Went to Newport to file a lien and wound up speaking with Linda in the Auditors office. She had was surprised to know I had built a residence for a Buddhist order near Newport and said she would have to check it out. She was quite helpful while she was looking up information for me I asked her what her religion was. Said she was Catholic until she got married and now Lutheran. I told her I was raised Methodist, kind of the same thing. I mentioned I had a hard time getting answers from the Methodists and she agreed it was hard to get answers. I mentioned I had come across a book years ago that gave me the answers I was looking for. She was busy, and when she finished I gave her a card, which pleasantly surprised her. She said Really!? And that she would look it up on the web.

256- I sat next to Teri at my networking meeting and the new president read a positive quote to end the meeting. I mentioned how I had missed the quote being read and she mentioned that she got a daily quote from "A Purpose Driven Life". I said I also got a great quote from the UB and how about trading as I would enjoy seeing her site as well. So we signed each other up. She mentioned she thought her boss had a UB, and showed some interest in learning more.

257- My client Marilyn called me to come by her office to go over the bill. This can be a bad experience if all is not well with my client. I was kidding with Aurora that I needed a portable "scream booth" to take with in case I needed to excuse myself and go scream and go back in for more. She had no idea what I was talking about. It turned out Marilyn had a couple simple questions about the wording on the bill and we got into a good chat about her property and former marriages and such. For some reason she brought up that she was reading the Bagavadgita and was into the Hindu religion as it gave her practical tools to use for life. I told her I was familiar with the history and mentioned a bit about Adam and Eve and how the violet colored Krishna harkened back to the far distant spiritual race dating back to Adam, who was violet in color. She said she had learned more about this from me than she had learned reading the Hindu books and asked if I would be interested in joining a book study she and a friend were starting to study Hinduism. I mentioned we did the Cosmic Café twice a month she could bring her books to for discussion and she got very interested and wrote the information down. We then got into the Urantia Book and she became like a little kid at Christmas. Her delight at hearing good news of a book of this magnitude thrilled this woman as I had never seen before. She asked how she could get her hands on a copy. I said I might have one in my truck and went out and found one. I gave her an overview and she held it tight as I was leaving and thanked me again saying she was going to start reading it when she got home. As I left I reflected how I had twice apologized to her - that she had not heard of the book sooner. I don't really know what to say in those moments. All I can do is deepen my resolve to let more people in on our precious secret.

258- Went to Lowe's to pay my bill and got the floor manager, Brandy, who could not figure how to process a LAR account. I gave her a bad time about that in jest and got to speaking to her about her teenagers. Eventually I heard her say she was "open minded", a nice opening. Since she was Christian based, I told her the UB was to the New Testament what the New Testament was to the Old Testament. She thanked me and said she would check it out.

259- Spoke to Alix at Home Depot. Said she is going to school for theater arts. I asked her if she knew my sons girlfriend, Daniel, who acts in local plays and she did know of her. I mentioned that she read this book I like (I was struggling for a tie in) also, and that she might enjoy it. Told her she could find it on the web and she said she didn't have a computer. I suggested she could get a copy at a bookstore (they still have bookstores don't they?).

260- Went to see "Capitalism, A love story". I handed a card to the young fella selling tickets and told him a little about the book. He said "gotta check it out".

261- When I got to the theater there was some employee's standing around. A woman had tripped on her way out and they were getting her a ride and help to the car. An employee came in as I was speaking with the woman and I struck up a conversation up with him about the movie I was about to see and if he had seen it (no). As violent ads were playing I told him I was a pacifist and asked if I had to watch such violent trailers. He responded that the projector up there played what the corporate office said to play. I saw this man as disempowered and asked him if he had read the Urantia book as I handed him a card. I said it contained a lot of answers to the questions posed in the movie. Then help arrived for the lady and I sat and watched another half hour of trailers and then saw the excellent movie. I was the only one in the theater, another sign that the world has gone to sleep.

262- When entering the theater I noticed the gal taking the tickets but didn't get to talk to her. We had to wait for the theater to be cleaned and I walked out to the lobby bathrooms so I could make another entrance, but was foiled by a slow group she was taking tickets from. On the way out she was still standing at her post (it was midnight) so I chatted with her a bit and gave her a card asking if she liked to read. Yes- what is it about? Told her it was given to us by celestial beings as a guide book for our planed which was called Urantia by them. Suggested she sign up for the quote of the day.

Note: Kailas and Danielle just got back from 3 days at the Barter Fair in Tonasket, Washington. I asked how it went and they both immediately told me that they had told bunches of people about the book and found there was a lot of interest. They had cards and copies of the index to hand out. I am glad they went, as I wanted to go but did not wish to camp out in weather below 20 degrees at night (no body fat). The Quote of the Day fits these two so well: **"We proclaim a message of good news which is infectious in its transforming power"** These two are certainly infected, and that is the good news at work.

263- I am doing an after hours job at a medical building so went to Lowes late to get materials. Janet rang up the sale and I told her I am introducing a person a day to my favorite book and gave her the card. Told her in these times we need special information and this had come from angelic beings. She showed interest and asked me some questions and then asked if she could go to the web site and read it. I suggested a couple things to look for and how to find the text. She said "Oh, that sounds like the perfect book!"

264- Stopped by Albertsons grocery to get a few items and went through Rosanne's line. She looked Hawaiian and felt that way, relaxed and with charm. I told her I was introducing a person a day to my favorite book and asked her if he liked new ideas. She didn't say much but intently kept staring at my card. She glanced to see that there was another person waiting in line and resumed her looking at my card. She then said a big "O.K." and I left.

265- Went to my appointment with my attorney Paul. We are working on collecting monies due my company. At some point in the discussion he mentioned that it was "bad karma". I later asked him about that and he expanded his examples. This led to a more spiritual discussion. He mentioned he was a halfhearted Catholic and a bad republican. At this point I really began liking Paul and could see a genuine side to him. I gave him my card asking if he had heard of the book. He was curious about it and asked f he could read it online. Said it sounds very interesting and he would pass it on to some others as well.

(hit 265 today, which is 100 from my goal of 365. I must admit I feel like the goal is still a long way off although it is only a little over 3 months)

266- Went to the landfill to drop off some paint. Gave the gal weighing me a card saying this book has something for everybody, science, cosmology, history, religion, philosophy and so forth. She looked the card over and said OK, Thank you.

267- Went to a BNI training and talked to Astra (had hippy parents) the receptionist. We had talked before. I asked her if she was reading the UB as I assumed I had spoken to her about it. She asked me what it was so I told her and she showed a lot of interest when I told her about how it merged science and religion.

268- Was at Chilies talking to Esai (see #238) and introduced Emily our waitress to the book. She was a sparkling jewel of a human and I have a good feeling the revelation will take root in her soul.

269- Went to Home Depot for parts and waited in line instead of going through self serve as I wanted to introduce someone today as I had a couple dry days over the weekend. As the line was totally stalled and I as holding heavy items, I went to self serve and noticed a young assistant working there. After my sale was complete I walked over and told her I like to introduce a person a day to this book. I told her it had a great perspective on how we live as humans on the planet and that I had read it when I was 20 and it changed my life. She quickly replied "I am 20"! She asked where she could get a copy.

270- On exiting Lowe's, I asked the gate man about the other gal I had introduced the book to but he wasn't sure to whom I was referring and I told him I had talked to her about this book. I told him it was a fun book to read, but left with the impression this person was not a good candidate.

271- I noticed I had lost some zeal for introductions partly because of a negative feeling I got from trying to introduce a fella at the record store and his cold reply that I had already told him. He was quite unfriendly and it bothered me. So, after a couple day dry spell, I was determined to tell someone today. I called Verizon to cancel my land line and got Terri who lives in Ventura. She was kind and friendly and I finally asked her if I could ask her something – that I was checking to see who had heard of a book called Urantia. She said she had never heard of it. I told her a bit about it and she said it sounds interesting and I spelled it for her and told her to Google it. She said She could use it for herself and started telling me about how there were a lot of angry people our there who were just frustrated with the world. She gets a lot of angry phone customers and said she is not a psychologist. She then said "I am going to read this book, Thank you Thomas".

272- Had extra time on the way to the airport so stopped by the Valley mall. I asked a young gal coming in to work if there was a music store in the mall. After she helped me I gave her my card telling her it was a great book that I liked to recommend. She looked it over, smiled and thanked me.

273- I stopped at Best Buy as they had a sign out saying they now sold Mac's. While playing with the Mac Book Pro, I video'd my UB card knowing others would be checking it out and come across it. I then went to Photo Booth to take a picture of my card. To my surprise it came out backwards. When a young man walked by and asked if I needed any help, I pointed out this situation and he set about figuring out the problem which included taking a picture of my card with a digital camera to see if it did the same thing. It didn't. He then got another person to help and they figured out that it did not reverse the image as the intent was to have what you see on the

screen be exactly like what you would see if you were looking at someone and not reversed. I then gave him the subject card asking if he had heard of this book (no). I told him the book had hard to find information like the origin of humans and so forth. He said 'that's incredible!' He said he was a committed Christian so I mentioned the Jesus papers that were written by angelic beings such as mentioned in the Bible. He was enthusiastic and expressed an interest in the book.

274- It was raining and Aurora and I decided to do the boardwalk before dark. When we left the parking lot I handed my card with the ticket to the 20 something gal at the booth. She asked what it was and I said it was an instruction manual for planet earth. She asked if I wrote it. I said no and that I read it when I was 20 and it was a great book for people her age to read. She seemed interested and said she would go online to look at it.

275- Called Sprint to cancel my air card and got Alisha from Louisiana to help me. While she was not all that much help as she seemed new at her task, I did get to talk to her about religion and her being in the Bible belt. She said she would go to Barnes and Nobel to look for a copy and thanked me for recommending it.

276- Went to landfill to drop of more old paint. Was feeling kind of down on myself for not doing more introductions. Mustered up my courage and asked gal if she liked to read and handed her a card. She didn't seem too interested and said "all right...thank you".

277- I went to Wells Fargo to make a deposit and Lizzy spotted me and motioned me to her window (see #148). I asked how she was doing with the UB and she said she had read quite a bit of it. She motioned her floor manager over and engaged her in a conversation about the Urantia book. When she asked Lizzy about it she floundered a bit and I had to help her out and handed her a card. She said: "it sounds like a good book to read...interesting". Lizzy showed interest in being in a study group so I will be inviting her.

278- I knew I had a long day ahead so stopped by Roosters Coffee and got a cup of joe. I told the gal I was surprised so few people knew of the book as I read it 40 years ago and thought by this time in my life everyone would have heard of it. She asked what's it about and I told her it told us how to make our world a more normal planet without all the problems we have now.

279- While in Spokane picking up materials I stopped by Freddie's for grub for supper. As I stood in line I noticed Josh interacting graciously with a customer who I thought to be a pain in the butt and used a coupon for everything she purchased. He did not flinch and stayed cheerful. I told him he looked like he was 20 and he said yes, he was. I handed him my card saying I read this book when I was his age. He asked what it was about and I told him. He said he would have to go check it out and asked if it is online. Told him yes and noted the web sites on the card.

280- Been feeling kinda off for a few days and still not inspired to introduce people. It has been good as it helps me remember what most of us feel like all the time, like it is a big hassle to bother someone as we tell them about this - hard to describe - book that they may not have any interest in anyway. I stopped by the hardware store and gave the gal my card after attempting some small talk that was not a sufficient segue into the book. After saying a couple things to her she said: "you have a good day" and went on to the next customer. I had to recall the many positive responses I have had as I walked out to my truck.

281- Tev and I went to Q'doba for lunch and when I sat down I noticed there were no veggies on my naked burrito. Andrew passed by and I asked him if they didn't have any or why it was missed. He said they were now charging for veggies and didn't like to ask people as they would protest at being prompted to spend more. He offered to get me some and I declined his offer and he again said he would be happy to get me some. I asked and he said he would not charge me for them and I accepted his offer. He came back with a generous helping that he had cooked himself. As he was leaving I asked him if I could return the favor and offered him my card. As he looked at it I asked him if he liked science and Sci Fi (yes). I said it is the wildest book he would ever read. He asked if he could get it at the bookstore. I said yes and, playing off his interest, said it was a cult classic waiting to be discovered.

282- Tev and I went to Lowe's to get supplies and got talking to Becky and Zane about the new Wall Mart that was being built and how they had threatened the mayor with a lawsuit if he didn't approve the permit. None of us will shop in Wall Mart and are disappointed it is coming to our area. Militant thoughts ran through my head. I told Zane I hadn't talked to him about the UB and we talked about it for a while and went back to discussing the world's problems.

283- Went to the county landfill and on checking out the 30 something fella had Dylan on his name tag so I asked if his parents were hippies. He laughed and said yes. As I handed him my card I said I read this book back when I was a hippie. He looked at it and said his mom might have it, and gave me a friendly "I'll check it out".

284- Went to grocery store on way home and met young Heather with the infectious smile. Since I did not recognize her, I asked her how long she had worked over (1 ½ years). She said she worked part time. I asked if she was going to school (yes) and found out she was thinking of switching over to psychology as she really liked it. I told her, as I handed her the card, that if she liked psychology, she would enjoy this book - my favorite book. She seemed a bit startled or amazed and said "Oh! I'll have to look it up".

285- Went through check out at Lowe's and got Mary who went on and on about how much she loved working there and said that Lowe's was "almost Christian". After asking the silly question of if she was indeed a Christian I handed her my card saying this book has the complete life and teachings of Jesus. She said "I'll look it up".

286- Went to buy some gold from Dave at DJ's Coins and got to talking about my business so I gave him my business card and while I had my billfold open pulled out a UB card and asked him if he had ever read this book. He seemed more interested in my business card and took it to his desk while leaving the UB card on the counter.

287- I called Service Magic, a business leads company, to get some credits and talked to Judy who was most helpful. She asked about Thanksgiving plans and I found out she was in Denver area and mentioned lots of UB readers in Boulder area. She said she had never run across it. We talked a bit about the book and she asked me to spell it and I suggested Truthbook and she said she would definitely check it out.

288- Stopped by Huckleberries on way to airport to get tea and snacks. I got a cup of Decaf and asked Jessica if she had read the UB. After briefly explaining it, she said Wow! I'll check it out.

289- Went through check stand and I asked gal what she did - school - accounting. I gave her the card and said this book wouldn't help with her accounting but it was a great book to read. She asked if I wrote and Teuvo said: "he wishes he did". She asked "What's it about?" and I did my best and moved on.

290- Called Wells Fargo to get an overdraft charge removed and got Josh. He was very helpful and I told him I was doing a survey and asked him if he had ever heard of the Urantia Book (no). Told him it was a book with lots of good information in it. He said he would have to check it out to see what it was about, but didn't ask for the spelling so I think he was just being polite.

291- Made a trip to the county landfill and saw a new gal at the gate. I asked her if she had heard of the Urantia book and she looked at the card for a moment as asked "It's about snacks, right?" (brief pause...) I said Urantia was the name of our planet and it was about our world.

292- I am a member of a networking organization called Business Network International (BNI). I won the door prize a few weeks ago from our area director Barb and it was a free lunch and coaching session. As Barb is ex military, I had pegged her as possibly closed minded. I was wrong. We met for Thai food and got to talking about business, then travel, then her missionary work in the church. After about an hour and a half I asked her if I had ever told her about this book I read. She was immediately curious about it and looked for a pen, so I gave her my card. We talked another hour about the book and her interest just kept growing more intense. As we left she said "I can't wait to read it!" and said she was going directly to Barnes and Nobel to get a book.

293- After the Fireworks and the lighting of the Trees celebration, we went to Freedies to get a few things, Kayla checked us out as I asked her if she had heard of the UB – no – and I told her it has information on many useful things pertaining to humans such as our purpose and destiny. She said she liked that kind of thing and said she would look up the web sites and thanked us.

294, 295- Aurora and I drove 5 hours to Hood River to meet with Char and Gordon Mayer of Mya Moe Ukulele's. I wanted a custom Mango uke and decided to have them build it. After visiting a bit we went out to the shop and picked out the actual wood the uke would be made out of, a beautiful mango with orange and yellow streaks and a beautiful curl not unlike the back of a violin. On the way back to the house a conversation about religion came up so I asked them if they had heard of the UB. I had a copy with me and brought it in to show them. Char mentioned how much her Southern Baptist father had talked about Melchizedek and had often said there must be more to know about him. I had not yet mentioned to them that there was a ton of info about Melchizedek in the UB so I told the story of what happened with his teachings being destroyed. I left the book with them to peruse and will pick up my new Uke in 2 months. Gordon recommended Celilo's as a good place to eat. We did and left a card with the waitress.

296- Got up at the hotel and went down for breakfast. Enjoyed the pleasant atmosphere and chatted about how open and liberal Hood River was. Got to talk to the waitress a little before we left and shared about the UB with her. She seemed interested and said she would look into the book.

297- After breakfast we went into a artist run store and bought some pottery and cards. Got into a great discussion with Robin as we paid for the items. She immediately brought up her youngest son who was always questioning everything, especially religion. He gave his grandmother a hard time about her more narrow beliefs. We encouraged Robin to introduce him to the book also as it answers most of those tough questions that religions struggle to answer. She gestured to her laptop and said she would go online right now to take a look at it.

298- As we headed east on our way home we stopped in Goldendale and had to stop at a coffee stand. The gal had a pierced nose and we asked her if she had heard of the UB – no. I said it is the best book you'll ever read and she thanked me and said "I'll check it out".

299- I interviewed a prospective employee, Mathew, who is moving from the Bay Area. His resume caught my interest as his last company specialized in green building. I told him I was actually more interested in having a partner in forming a company specializing in energy efficient homes. We talked about an hour and a half and it looks like we will be working together to do this venture. As he was leaving, I asked him if he had seen the UB. I offered to lend him a copy and he immediately said no, that he always bought the books he was interested in reading. I couldn't yet detect a genuine interest, but we shall see.

300- Friday night and Aurora asked me if I would like to get some sushi for supper so we went to Takara, the local Japanese restaurant and had a good meal. Our young waitress was pleasant and I handed her a card when she brought our change back and told her I liked to introduce people in her generation to this book and that my boys who were her age were very avid readers. She showed some interest and asked if this was a store as she looked at the card. I said it was a book and that she could go to the web sites mentioned and read or listen to it. She smiled saying "this sounds interesting" and thanked us. I did not realize she was #300, but I will go and leave her a book when I am next in town.

301- Went to Grocery store and decided on a line with a young checker. She was on the phone trying to get a price on a mislabeled item. I stood there about ten minutes talking to the gal in front of me. I was told by employee's that other lanes were open, but I said I would stay where I was. Joanie as friendly when we finally got to her and we talked a bit about her new husband who does something even she didn't fully understand with holography. She said she wants to start a family in a couple years and I then asked her if she had heard of the UB. She asked a little about it and showed some interest and thanked me. I told her she could read it at the web sites on my card.

302- Went to Spokane early to with Danielle and called on a camera to buy and met Cody in front of a grocery store. Having (unknowingly) bought a stolen laptop off Craig's list, I was wondering about this fella, Cody, with a ring in his ear as he showed me the camera. He had a good story about how his former girl friend had bought it for him. We got to talking about other things as I was playing with the camera and mentioned the UB to him. I gave him the card also as he has a case he needs to call me about when he gets it.

303- We were hungry and stopped at Perkins and had Rose wait on us. She faltered when she gave her name as her real name is Faith but likes to be called Rose. We got talking about religion and she said she had not settled on anything yet so we gave her a card and told her this book was great for anyone shopping for a fresh perspective on religion. When we checked out invited her to our study group and she offered that she was going to a church group in Post Falls. I asked her where it was as I would be interested in attending. She couldn't give good directions and was even unclear about the name of the place. Seems she was having a difficult time being o.k. with where ever she is at.

304- Went to the Post Falls post office to mail a package. Again, no line and Jerry helped me. After we were done, he said Merry Christmas and I handed him my card asking if he had seen this book and that it had the best story of Jesus life I had ever read. He looked the card over, looked at me over his glasses and said "good day sir".

305- Got up at 3:30 am to catch a plane to the Netherlands to be with Aurora's family for Christmas. Thanks to some freezing rain during the night, we slid in the ditch only a mile from home at 5:00 am. Normally this would have had us miss our plane, but there was a tow truck just up the road and he drove over and pulled us out. He would not take any money and drove off before I could get a card out of my pocket. As we hurried to the airport, I was thinking the name of his company must be "Psychic Towing" and their tag line would be: "no need to call, we'll be there when you need us." There is no way we could have made it to the airport if that tow truck hadn't been right there to pull us out. On the airplane, Aurora took the middle seat and sat next to a young fella I had noticed earlier. I really wanted to engage him in a conversation but it was too difficult to talk from two seats away. I felt like I missed out on a great opportunity to share some good news with him. Next time I get the middle seat.... We flew to Minneapolis on our first leg and while waiting to get off the plane got to talking to a Latino gal from Othello on her way to Texas. She said she was a student and had her lap top clutched tight. I said she must use it a lot – yes – and suggested she go online and check out the UB.

306 – While regrouping at the airport I struck up a conversation with a gal from Korea. I shared with her that the UB had been translated to Korean and we talked about it for a while.

307- The Korean gals fiancé then showed up. Andrew teaches English in Korea and was taking his bride to be to meet his parents. We got to talking about our various travels, and Andrew is very well traveled, and the ills of the world. I told him I had shared the about the UB with his gal and we talked a while about it's origin. He showed a strong interest in all that was said.

308- Aurora daughter picked us up at the Amsterdam airport and we decided to go into the city and drove and took a train to the heart of the city. We were hungry and it was very cold so we ducked into the first restaurant we saw and had a good meal. The waitress seemed disinterested in us so I said nothing to her but somehow got into a very lively discussion with three of the staff when making to leave. David stayed in the conversation the longest and we talked about global warming since much of Holland is at or below sea level. I told him the UB contained many answers to the earth's mysteries and assorted problems. He asked if the e-mail address was me and said he would also share this information with the others. I really enjoyed his genuine enthusiasm, a rare commodity.

309- Went to the Media-Mart (like Best Buy) to get Christmas gifts. I gave the gal at the check out my card and said it was available in Dutch also. Didn't get to visit more as there was a line.

310- Went into a lower level store that sold stylish clothes and since I was waiting for the ladies to shop, I wandered over to the shoe dept. I spotted an interesting gal and asked her some questions and could tell she spoke good English. We were much enjoying talking to each other. I finally asked her about religion in the Netherlands and she mentioned the Christians, Muslims and Hindu's. I asked her what her religion was and she said she believed in a higher force, but wasn't sure just what there was out there. She showed a lot of interest when I started talking about the Urantia Book. She asked if it was a big book and I told her I started reading when I was 20, like her, and that it was not the kind of book you need to read in one sitting, but was a lifelong study for many readers. She gave me her e-mail address and I will stay in touch with this most alive and delightful person.

311, 312- Went to a mall to shop a bit. Mike had said he wanted diamond ear rings and everyone laughed a bit. I saw a small store with gem stones and some jewelry so I asked the merchant, Raj, and his wife. Raj showed me some Zircon ear rings that looked pretty good. We dickered a bit and settled on \$40 US for a pair. I asked Raj and his wife if they had heard of the UB and we struck up a good conversation about India's religions and how old they were. I pointed out that the violet colored Krishna was a harkening back to the days of Adam and Eve. He then got a book out that he was reading on letting go of fear and anxiety by being centered first so you can then see the spirit in all things. He asked about how to get a book and thanked me.

313- Purchased a few things at the health food store in the mall and told the gal that I had started reading the book when I was 20. She said she was 30 which surprised me, but I have noticed the Europeans are much more fit than Americans. She thanked me and did not show any particular curiosity about the book.

314- We tried to go to Germany, but one of our cars had summer tires and was planning on the bridges so we went back to the shopping district. I found Aurora a gift and got in line. The gal waiting on me, her name was April of something like that, was quite friendly and wrapped the gift which gave me some time to talk. She asked what the book was about and I told her angelic beings gave it to us. She asked if it is about religion and I told her not in the old way but in a new positive sense. I told her it was in Dutch and she said she preferred English. I told her she could look it up on line. She did such a fine job I told her she should be the manager of the store some day and she exclaimed she was, she was the floor manager and it was a busy store.

315- Went to the Apple store to look for a gift and got to talking to Stephan who was working very hard to make a sale. I finally handed him my card. His first question was: "Is it spiritual?" I told him yes, that it was in that it was not based on theology, dogma or creeds. He said that was good as he had an open mind though his girlfriend was more spiritual than him.

316- At another store a gal who's name sounded like Elaine helped me and asked if the book was about America when I told her Urantia was the name of our planet. She was a bit confused and I explained again it was about our planet.

317- As I needed to wait a bit, I bought coffee and Daemon took my 1.75 Euro for a tiny cup of joe. He was friendly and we talked about the UB for a while. I told him Urantia was earth and the book was given to us by invisible beings. He asked, like the person before....Is it spiritual? He didn't seem concerned if it was religious or not. He seemed delighted with our interaction and put the card in his pocket.

318- We went to Germany today, my first time there, to a Christmas market. I thoroughly enjoyed the architecture, sites, sounds, and people. We bought a gift for the person caring for our home while we are gone and had a delightful chat with this merchant about the condition of the world and his views and concerns. He lives simply far from the big city and understands how the banks run the politics of the worlds big governments, including Germanys. He said the politicians are puppets and I didn't disagree with him. I told him the UB was here to help us rise above the problems we are currently facing.

319- I talked to a young gal selling leaded crystals at a stand. She asked if I wrote it. I told her Angels wrote it to help us out. She was just one of many bright young adults I met on this trip that seemed so ready for a new message of hope and truth.

320- I love rocks so spent a while looking at the very fine selection one booth had. I got to talking to the gal working there and she said she had been to the states – spent a month in Chicago as an exchange student. She spoke great English. I asked her what religion she

was. She kind of looked into space and said with a gesture that she didn't believe anything. Her way of saying that left nothing in the space except the clear awareness that she really had nothing to believe in. There were no excuses or justifications or substitute beliefs in her reply. I share the UB with her explaining that the book was offered spiritual information in a manner that had not dogma or anything she would likely wish to reject. I told her I had read it when young and it had helped me in many ways. We talked some more and I asked her to e-mail me after she had looked it up on the web and read some of the book.

321- Went to a Mexican restaurant before heading home and had a young waiter and since the gang couldn't decide what they wanted I engaged him in a conversation about the UB. He said he only read n German and I mentioned he could get it in German now. I told him it was a life changing book and he gave me a big thanks.

322- Went shopping for cooking supplies. The gal at the nut shop was very talkative and helpful. We talked about tipping in Holland (5% is plenty) and her travels to America. I engaged her in a conversation about the UB and told her it was a book about earth and had answers to many of the world's big questions. She like many display a unique mix of puzzlement and piqued interest by this guy who introduces the book to perfect strangers. Perhaps it is because it is uncommon for someone to both introduce strangers to anything and especially an unusual book written by angels.

321- We had been in this store earlier and I had noticed the gal with two silver studs just below her lower lip. We went back to return an item so I found an excuse to talk to her when she wasn't busy with a sale. After my lame question that I knew the answer for, I gave her my card and she did not take to it well and handed it back saying she had not heard of this book and that she was working. Perhaps her boss was not nice if she was caught spending time chatting instead of working. Even though she did not take the card, I guess I did my best to introduce her.

322- It is Christmas eve in the Netherlands and we went to do some shopping as the stores will be closed for two days. We found a wonderful little produce market with organic, vibrant foods. I bought the biggest carrot I have ever seen – about a foot long and a good 2 inches across. It was sweet and delicious. The young gal at the stand spoke fairly good English. She said she was studying child psychology and was going to England to improve her English. She was so genuine and delightful to talk to. I am not used to seeing that quality of vital aliveness and I have seen it a number of times here in the Netherlands. I shared about the UB with her and told her she could get a Dutch copy. She seemed delighted that I shared this with her.

323- Stopped to gas up our rental car in Best. I asked the gal if we could use a credit card and I filled up. She spoke pretty good English. Turns out she was born in Nevada and moved here when she was four. She had not heard of the UB but could read English. I mentioned the web site for the Netherlands and told her there were readers in the area. She said: "I'll look for it".

324 – We decided to head to the coast to see the storm barriers and sunset. It was windy and cold and I enjoyed the scenery on the way – the farms and cities, the many windmills mixed in with the nuclear power plant, refinery, light house and dikes. We then drove into Dunbar, a delightful touristy town and found a restaurant called In Den Walcherschen Dolphyn. The waitress was dark skinned and spoke good English she learned in Curacao. She was friendly and we enjoyed her good service. I needed to go to where the credit card machine was to pay her so I had a chance to visit with here about the UB. When I had described it to the she said she liked reading the Bible and I mentioned she would find the section on Jesus, in the back of the book.

325- We went into Amsterdam to see the Rejks Museum and enjoyed the Rembrandts and other fine paintings and works of art. We then went to the Hard Rock Café for a birthday supper for Aurora's granddaughter. The waiter looked hung over and then mentioned that he was indeed hung over, having had too much fun the night before. He was a delightful waiter and I stopped him as we were leaving and shared with him that the UB was the best book I ever read and that I like to share it with others. Mentioned that it was written by intelligent beings that want us to have a better planet. He listened intently and said it sounds interesting and that he would give it a look.

326- As we needed to exchange some dollars for Euros we went to the exchange place at the Central Station. The fella was most thorough and helpful, making the deal a breeze. I slid my card under the window and asked him if he had, by chance, heard of this book. Before I could say anything else he asked "Is it spiritual?" I said it was ultimately spiritual though it did have history and cosmology in it. He said he had read The Secret, so we talked a bit about spiritual books. I said it is a classic spiritual book. He appeared quite interested and thanked me.

327- Since Starbucks is a big deal here, we had to stop there on our way to the train. I talked to the young lad taking orders about the book and he asked me where he could get a book. I told him he could get a Dutch copy but he said he preferred to read in English. I told him how to reach the group in the Netherlands and he said "Good, I'll show this to my friends" and on leaving I told him it was the most spiritual book I have read.

328- We went to Amsterdam to see Avatar in 3D at the Imax. After the show we wandered through some business districts and stopped at a produce market and I got another huge carrot. The fella working said he learned his English from working in security. Turns out he was in airport security and I asked him what stood out when checking bags and he said guns, lots of guns. I handed him my card and he asked it was like the Bible and I said not exactly, but it was a very spiritual book. I could not tell if he wanted it to be like the Bible or didn't. He showed the card to his workmate as I was leaving.

329- We went to Vollandam, a touristy port city. At a nice shop I bought a plaque with a good saying on it in Dutch. The 40 something gal said she learned her English from watching TV. I gave her my card and said so few people know about this book that I like tell people about it. Told her she could get English or Dutch versions. Even though the store was busy and a line was forming, she gave a long, concentrated look at the card and said: "Well, thank you".

330- Went in a store to get a bag of popcorn. The young gal checking me out seemed disconnected and gave little attention to my card. I made an effort however and told her it was available in Dutch as she had told me she didn't read English.

331- Our last day in the Netherlands and we went to the shopping center to exchange the ear rings I had bought for Mike. He wanted studs instead of hoops – I should know better than to try to buy jewelry for a guy. I got to talk further with the Indian merchant about the book and gave him several web sites to visit including Saskia's Square Circles in hopes that he would be able to connect with some local readers. After that visit we went shoe shopping and I talked to a gal that was attentively on duty but not too busy. She showed a little

interest when I said it was the best book I had ever read and said that there were a lot of good books out there. I said the UB was neither good or bad, just somewhat unique in the type of information it contained.

332- We went and got some food and I gave the cashier my card and she showed little interest in what I said.

333- We stopped in Best to pick up things and I peered into the window of a jeweler as I had been noticing the huge watches the stores had on display. Some are the size of a pocket watch and weigh about ten pounds. I pointed to one in the window and Aurora opened the door and we went inside. After looking at a couple in the store, Aurora took the lady outside and pointed out the one in the window I liked. Instead of 50 to 100 euro like the ones we saw inside, this one was 240 euro! The sales lady was very helpful and after giving us 40% off Aurora bought me a late Christmas gift on a medium sized Pulsar watch. As we finished the money thing, I handed the lady my card and asked her if she was familiar with the Urantia Book. She wasn't and I did an excellent job of sharing with her the purpose and value of this text. She gestured to some young children that had come in with their mother and said that we must not leave them a damaged world. We mentioned there were readers in Utrecht and the lady said she knew that the community had some spiritually minded people. She was thankful for the information and showed genuine interest.

334- While at the Amsterdam airport we were in line with an Indian gal and got in a good conversation. She said she was a Hindu that didn't agree with everything it taught, but was a spiritual person. She was returning from visiting her family in India and going to Edmonton, Canada where she has a Fellows grant to do neurological science research. We talked about genetics and how to improve the human gene pool. We talked to her again after surviving screening. I was doing fine until I mentioned life on other planets. She reminded me that she was a scientist and could not believe in other life, as science had not proven its existence. I got the feeling that she was able to accept the things she understood but not willing to go too far from established beliefs. Her skepticism is a great strength and I think she will scrutinize the UB at some point and discover its wisdom. She said she would visit the web sites.

335- While waiting to go through security, we had a good talk with the gal clearing our paper work prior to the final security check. She expressed concern for the future of our world and the next generations. She showed great interest as I told her about the UB and was most appreciative that I had brought it up. She wanted to talk more, but the line moved ahead and we moved on.

336- While awaiting to deplane in Seattle, I got to talking to the young gal behind me – first about the drunk in our section that kept us entertained – then about her travels. She had been in Germany visiting a friend and is a student at a Lutheran academy in the Seattle area. Her studies are around anthropology with a focus on Chinese culture. I told her about the Jesus papers and that it was detailed accounting of his life and teachings and suggested she sign up for the Quote of the day.

337- Booked flights to the GC meeting in SF and talked to a gal at Boise call center. She asked when done, if I needed anything else and I asked her to do me a favor and go to a web site to check out a favorite book of mine. I told her about the difference it had made in my life and that it was a book that would help our planet be a better place. She asked me to spell the name of the book and thanked me for telling her about it.

338- Called the SF Marriot to book our room and got Lori in Reservations. When she asked the name of the group and I told her The Urantia Book Fellowship and after a pause I told her it sounded like she hadn't read the Urantia book. She said no. After booking the room and chatting a bit I asked her if she would check out the UB by going to Truthbook.com. She said she would definitely check it out.

339- Got a call from Kim in Georgia about hepa filtration devices. We talked a bit and I asked her if she liked India Arie (since India is from Atlanta) and she said she was a fan. I said I gave her a Urantia book and asked if she had heard of it. Kim got quite interested and we talked for another five minutes about it. She asked how it came to be printed and why it wasn't widely known. She said she would look for one and send me an e-mail if she had questions.

340- Went to Best Buy to look into getting a digital converter so I can watch TV on my computer. David noticed me staring into space and offered to help me though he was new and didn't know a lot. We found the only one in the store and he looked on the internet to answer my question about how to hook it up to a computer. I asked him what he did when not working – video games, hanging out? He said no, that he liked to read and do computer art. I asked him if he had heard of the UB and after we talked a bit he said he was currently studying the teachings of Confucius and had an interest in anything related to religious teachings. He asked how to get a book and said he would read it. I cautioned him that it was a big book – 2000+ and he said no problem and he had read all of the Bible. I invited him to study group. He said he would definitely read the book. He also mentioned there must be life on other planets.

341- As I paid for the digital converter I asked Justin what he did when not at work. He said he takes care of his family and has 3 children. I asked him if he had done the Parenting with Love and Logic course. He hadn't and I suggested it as important. I told him I also read this book to my boys and it had made a huge difference in their lives. He seemed receptive but a bit perplexed by the whole interaction and thanked me.

342- I sat next to the new sign guy at my BNI meeting. I showed him my new logo and asked about getting a sign made. While I had my business card out to show him I noticed my UB card and pulled one out and asked him if he had read this book and told him about it. He said he had just read the Four Agreements, which surprised me as I would not have pegged this man as someone into new thought. We had a good visit and he asked how to get a copy of the book.

343- Went to Kootenai Coffee to meet with Aurora and Jennifer to discuss starting a green building enterprise. The coffee gal had not heard of the Urantia book and said she would look into it.

344- Stopped by the bank to cash some checks and Karen mentioned something about the way things always seem to go a certain way, every day. When I showed her the card, she gave it a long puzzled look and said it seemed like she had heard of it somewhere but had a brain lesion that affected her memory, but not her visual part of memory. She asked if it was spiritual and followed the Bible. I said I heard it said that the UB was to the New Testament what the New Testament was to the Old Testament. She kept me engaged in a conversation for a couple more minutes and I asked her to e-mail me when she recalled where she had heard of it before.

345- Went to get groceries and got to talking to Kayla about her name being like my son's, Kailas. As her name seemed familiar I asked her if I had told her about the UB and she said no and that she had never heard of it. I asked her if she was religious and she faltered a bit and said was "not sure", but she did go to church sometimes with her parents. I told her the book has answers to life's important

questions like where do we come from and what's it all about. She showed interested in our unusual interaction and said she would check out the book.

346- Went to eat at our favorite Thai restaurant and an Asian gal waited on us. I am of the opinion that they are not too open to the book as they may not read English or they may have their own ideas about religion and are not open to us gringos telling them what to believe. I mentioned the card and book as we were paying and she barely gave it a notice. Not sure if she didn't understand what I was saying or had little interest. I suspect the first was more true than the second.

347, 348- Aurora met Laurie through the Holistic Chamber and recalled she had come to our Cosmic Café meetings a time or two. Laurie and Steve came out to supper and after supper we got to talking about religion. What was odd is that I wasn't the one who brought it up. Each had much to share about the growing up experiences in churches and their struggles to find truth as adults. The UB came up a few times so when they were looking at heading home we offered a book and they both were pleased with the prospects of having a chance to peruse this interesting tome.

349- As I had spent Saturday helping Unity design a new vision and mission statement, I wanted to be at church for the unveiling to the congregation. Before the service a gal came up and asked me where she knew me from. We figured out it was Landmark Education. We talked about that for a while and then what we were each doing. This led to mentioning the study group and she asked what that was so I told her about the Urantia Book. She showed interest in the fact that it had new spiritual information and I gave her my card. I think she will connect with us once she has looked at the book.

350, 351- On the way home from church I told Aurora I was disappointed I had only introduced one person and I was behind on my goal of having 365 introductions by a week before the GC meeting. I joked about going to a dozen Starbucks. It would cost me a hundred bucks and I would be up all night, but would get to introduce a dozen people. She said she would like a coffee so we went by our favorite, Dutch Brothers. Savanna was cheery and bright and I asked her about all the robberies of Dutch Bro's stands and she said it was true but she was armed (kidding I think) and ready. She said she had maybe seen the UB somewhere in the past and asked who wrote it and what it was about. She said her and Emily were on line and it was slow as we were the first customers in almost an hour, so she would go online and look at it. Emily had listened in the whole time so I got another card out for her and she asked more about what it was. I said the book especially appealed to their age group.

352- Went to Staples to buy a hard drive so I could send Teuvo some video footage he wants to use on his UB web site. A salesman came over and I talked to him quite a while but could not bring myself to introduce him to the book. Something was missing. I gave up and stood there looking at the hard drives and Jon came over to ask if I needed help. After talking about what I wanted I asked him what he did when not working. He said, with a big smile, I like to read! I asked him what he read – Sci-fi. I asked him if he believed in life on other planets and he asked me if I knew about the 40k trilogy, or something like that. I wrote it down to look up later. I gave my card and asked him if he had read this book. I told him how it talked about life on other planets and had great information for helping this planet. He was quite enthused by the information so I mentioned that we had a study group that met on Wednesdays and he asked if he just had to call the number on the card for directions.

353- Went to the counter to pay for the hard drive and Stacy waited on me. I mentioned to her what a great guy Jon was and how I had enjoyed talking to him. She agreed that he was a great guy. I mentioned I had told him about this book that has a lot of information about where we came from and where we go after this life. She exclaimed: "I know where I am going do you know where you are going?" I said I am going on an endless adventure of finding God. She said Yes to that and asked more about its contents and gave a heart-felt thank you to me as I left.

354, 355- I found out I could get my heating ducts tested and sealed for free as the electric utility pays for the service. Two nice fellas showed up and I didn't get their names. One knew me as he used to work at a lumberyard, and we chatted quite a lot in the two hours they were here. I had found out that they were both new parents so when they were ready to leave I asked if I could share something with them and gave them each a card and told them how my kids really turned around when they began reading the book. I mentioned I had read some to them as they grew up but never pushed it on them. They both showed an interest.

356- I had breakfast with Lynn McGee, the realtor on my BNI chapter. He mentioned he was 7th Day Adventist and knew that man wrote the bible and that it had errors therefore. He said he was open to new ideas and he was especially interested in how the UB was able to harmonize science and religion.

357- As I had ten minutes to kill before a meeting I went into Office Depot and slid down an aisle as my shoes were wet and squeaking. A gal, Brandy snuck up behind me and asked if I needed help. I kidded her about tailing me and had her help me find a couple things including a cutting wheel for my paper cutter. I told her I cut a lot of cards. I asked her what she did when she wasn't working (a question that always elicits interest) and she said she liked to spend time in nature. She said she also liked to read books about natural things. When I asked her about her religious views she said she didn't really have any particular religion, but believed in truth as she found it. I handed her my card saying this is the card I cut so much and that it talked about all religions and how they all have some truth. I said the book helped me to understand what was true and what had spin on it. It was a good visit and she asked how to get a book. I also mentioned our study group.

358- Went to Spokane to start a small job and picked up supplies at the hardware store. Logan waited on me and I asked him if he liked to read. He hesitated slightly and said Yes...some. Said this was a book I read when I was 20 and I still read it at 60. Said he liked sci-fi and told him about what the book says about life on other planets...He said "that sounds *interesting* I'll check it out".

359- Didn't know if I needed anything, but wanted to do another introduction so went to Fred Meyer and found a few choice consumables. In front, I passed the fella letting people know that the self-check lane was wide open. I pretended to look like I wasn't quite ready to check out as I thought I wouldn't get to talk to him since it was a self-check. I went past all the registers and all the checkers looked old and tired except Kayla, whom I had already introduced. So I wandered back and Jason was still trying to find a shopper to use his self-check machines. As he probably thought I didn't know how to use the machine since I passed him up before, he gave me instructions and helped me check my items. This gave me a chance to speak with him and I asked what else he did. Said he had another job servicing computers. Asked if he liked to read – yes, computer books. Gave him my card and asked if he liked things out of

the ordinary and he exclaimed he did, that he loved to read books that were not ordinary reading. I thanked him for being so helpful and he said “Thank you for telling me about the book? While I know some people say things to be nice, I can’t believe that everyone is like that, so I hope he does look into the book and finds what I found on it’s pages.

360- Went to Lowe’s to pay my bill. I have noticed myself in a mood of not thinking “most people are ready for the book” and that I am throwing my pearls before swine. Not how I usually feel. Just disappointed that people are not more quickly receptive to this amazing book. I didn’t introduce the gal who took my payment. She didn’t seem like she would be interested. I didn’t introduce the gal in the tile department, as she seemed to have little detectable soul light. I found an African Violet that needed a god home so paid for it and talked to Sue while buying this and a roll of metal. She said she liked to surf on the computer when not working and take pictures. I guessed correctly that she had a nice Canon camera. We talked about her grand kids, photography and shopping on E-bay. I gave her my card and asked her to check it out when she was on her computer. I said it is the best book I ever read and I liked to tell people because I think everyone should read it and suggested she sign up for the uplifting quote of the day. She seemed pleased with our interaction and thanked me.

361- Aurora had been to a meditation session and called to say she was heading to The Pantry for tea with Linda. I caught up to them and enjoyed some mint tea with honey. As I am down to the last five introductions, I handed Aurora my camera and engaged our waitress, Shanae, about the best book that I recommend to people. I had sized her up to be someone who would not be interested or “cultured” enough to want to know about it. As I spoke to her, I immediately knew she was a beautiful soul with much warmth and grace. She jumped into a pleasant interaction and after some good discussion said: “I’ll read it, thank you”. As we were leaving she thanked me again for the “tip”.

362- We decided to go back to The Pantry for breakfast and found ourselves waiting for a table next to a young man named Jacob. He is a senior and wants to move to Oregon to go to med school when he graduates. We got a table up front and invited him to sit with us until his friends came. He had a book that said “Boarders for Christ” which turned out to be a bible. He said they go to boarding events and occasionally someone will talk about Christ. We discussed the challenges of getting people interested and he expressed his frustration saying he sees smart people who won’t even give it a chance. He gave me his e-mail address so I will put him on the quote of the day.

363- Went to get my oil changed at Silver Lake Automotive and the book keeper struck up a conversation as she knew that I did my insurance with the company that she also book keeps for. After quite a bit of chat, I asked her if I could share something with her and told her I was introducing people to my favorite book. I told her a bit about it and left it at that as I could not detect a strong interest. I asked a gal I had been talking to if she would take a picture of us, which she did. Rebeka asked what the picture would be used for and I told her it would be distributed on our Urantia readers list. She said OK, but a few minutes later asked me to wait until she had had a chance to look at the book online. She then asked me what it had done to change my life. I told her I was raised Methodist and the minister and Sunday school teachers could not answer the questions I had as a youth. She asked “The Methodist church couldn’t answer your questions?” I reiterated no - that I went looking for more answers and this book had given me the answers I had been seeking. I said it had answers about where we come from and what our destiny is. I was suspecting she was Christian at this point, and I said the best part of the book was the life and teachings of Jesus, a day by day account, suggesting she go to the Turthbook site to get a daily quote from the book. I meet with her in a few days to discuss her helping my company with my books, so we will see what happens.

364- I needed to pick up coffee for a meeting with other businesses to start a green networking group. There were two gals at the counter with only one customer in the building so it seemed like a good time to do an introduction. The first gal was curious about the book thanked me and went to fill my order. I didn’t get to talk to her more as she got busy at the drive up window.

365- (1/19/2010) As I waited for my coffee order, I asked the other gal, who had overheard me speaking to her associate, if she was interested as well in hearing about the Urantia Book. She said sure, and after telling her a couple things about it I told her about my venture of introducing a person a day for a year and that she was the 365th person. I told her I would give her a book and asked if I could get a picture and she consented and came to the front and the other customer took the picture. I went out and got a nice leather cover UB to give her. She looked at the box and started asking me questions. The first was “What do they mean when they say Father?” I said God the Father. She asked if this Jesus was the same as the biblical Jesus. I said yes and the UB had a more detailed account of his life. She asked my why we needed more detail, wasn’t the Bible’s story of Jesus sufficient? I said it was indeed sufficient, but that some people enjoy having more information about Jesus and that is why there are thousands of books that have been written about Jesus. She then pulled out the death card.... quoting in the Bible, Galatians I think, where it says nothing can be added to the Bible. Out of the corner of my eye I could see the rats fleeing the ship as I slowly sank beneath the waves. I told her that it may have been wise for the olden writers to put such warnings in as there were many beliefs in the past that may have been unwise to add to the Biblical teachings but things had changed and new information was important for modern minds. At this point she handed the book back saying she did not think it was something she would want to read. It caught me off guard as she was only the third or fourth person to not accept my card or book, and it would have to be on #365....Ⓢ.... I had been anticipating this moment for some time and this was a humbling reminder that not all the world is as hungry for revelatory truth as I. And it is a joy to know this daughter of God has found Jesus and is moving along on her eternal spiritual journey.



366- I didn't mention that the man who had taken our picture had also interjected some good questions while I was talking to the coffee gal. Not willing to be discouraged, I asked him on the way out if he would also like a card. He said no and then quickly recanted with a yes. Of the three, I think he may be the one to take a good look at it.

Comment - I had lunch with Lisa today. She and I organized a winter festival in Coeur d'Alene many years ago and still enjoy visiting from time to time. I asked her how many times I had introduced her to the UB over the years. She laughed and said she still had the book on her reading shelf, but had not read much. I endeavored to whet her appetite for a couple interesting sections. She said in 15 years she had never heard of the Urantia Book elsewhere, only from me. This saddens my heart, that the book is such a 'well kept' secret. Her comment has me think that she might have been more likely to read it if she heard of it from other sources. People are influenced by what they hear from their peers. It's time for our movement to speak a little louder.

367- I called Service Magic to go over my leads and got Justin who lives in Colorado near the headquarters in Golden. I told him he was in Urantia central and he asked me what Urantia was. I asked him if he liked sci-fi and he gave a big Yes, I like sci-fi a lot. I said the UB talked about life on other planets, had a spiritual message and had information no other book has. He said it was good advice and that he would go find it.

Closing thoughts:

The commitment I made in Orlando carried me through a year of being "on" and available to introduce my fellows to the wonderful world of The Urantia Book. My love for humanity, (and I have a lot more now than when I started), kept me going as well. I know each person has an adjuster and they are being rehearsed in the highest levels of mind to respond to truth when it appears to them. I never saw it as my job to follow up with them to see how they were doing, just to introduce them and let the many other factors at play do their part. I have no way of determining how many of those I introduced will ever read the UB.

When I was young I asked God to help me find the truth, to give some light to my desperate dark world. My prayers were answered by Arthur, who let me look at his big blue book. He could have kept the book to himself and I would have never known the many truths of the UB, it's exquisite message of hope, it's bright light that shined so warmly on my hungry soul. I know most people, at some time, have said a prayer to have more truth and light in their life. Are they bound to wait until a kind soul takes a brief moment from their busy life to answer their prayer? Our job is not to convince or cajole, just to point the way to where they may find the light of life. Those who are ready will heed the call and find entrance therein.

Someday I will be standing at the gate, answering for my earth life. Flashed before my eyes will be the thousands of opportunities I had to reach out and answer someone's prayer, and how I failed to act on those opportunities. I don't want to have to explain myself in that moment. I'd much rather be waved on to the next mansion world.

Even the stars in their course shine down on those who seek truth and light. May they find it (with our help) in many and sundry ways. On to the next 365!

How would you like to be an angel and answer someone's prayer? Make your commitment this moment to be active in leading your fellows to the revelation and it's manifold spiritual gifts.

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