

*A Gathering
in the Garden Room
at Great Meeting, Leicester*

on Sunday 17th December 2006 at 11am

*A different way of being together for an hour
to celebrate the value of each other and the world*

Today's theme is Gratitude

*Organised and led by the Engagement group
(a group which meets monthly to explore ways
of deepening the spiritual aspect of our lives)*



Music: The Gyatri Mantra

Welcome and introduction

Lighting the chalice candle

Song: 'Compassion'

*Compassion needs to permeate
our common life in every way,
Each to the other must relate
to build a world of love today.*

*Our forms and customs will not meet
our spirits' needs we deeply feel,
Unless our hearts with quickened beat
match our intentions to our zeal.*

*When thoughts are sweet and words are kind,
compassionate our every deed,
With selfishness put from the mind,
by gratitude our life is freed.*

*If we in love and thanks unite,
debate will cause no harmful strife,
For with compassion in our sight,
then sharing will enrich our life.*

Short talk on gratitude

Silent reflection

A reading: 'The Guest-House' (Rumi C13)

A time to share any thoughts or reflections on gratitude

'I'm glad you're here!'

Lighting candles for our joys and concerns

Guided meditation - the prayer that is always answered

Music

Song: 'Song of the Soul'

*Love of my life I am crying,
I am not dying, I am dancing,
Dancing along in the madness,
There is no sadness, Only a song of the soul,*

*And we'll sing this song, Why don't you sing along?
And we can sing for a long, long time,
Why don't you sing this song, Why don't you sing along?
And we can sing for a long, long time.*

*What do you do for a living?
Are you forgiving, giving shelter?
Follow your heart; love will find you,
Truth will unbind you; Sing out a song of the soul,*

*And we'll sing this song, Why don't you sing along?
And we can sing for a long, long time,
Why don't you sing this song, Why don't you sing along?
And we can sing for a long, long time.*

*Come to your life like a warrior,
Nothin' will bore you; you can be happy.
Let in the light, it will heal you,
And you can feel you and sing out a song of the soul,*

*And we'll sing this song, Why don't you sing along?
And we can sing for a long, long time,
Why don't you sing this song, Why don't you sing along?
And we can sing for a long, long time.*

Notices

Benediction

