

Scribe Report to the Convention of 2026

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It has been an honor to serve as Temple Scribe this past year. I have gratitude for and obedience to the Temple.

We are a Temple and a society of shared consciousness — "*a willing obedience to the behests of Truth*," from the Golden Stairs, which are read at the beginning of most Friday lessons. The classes are designed to grow our understanding and find the truth together.

Over the past year, the Tuesday class has discussed messages published in *The Temple Artisan* between 1900 and 1905. These readings, given to the group by the Master and early Temple members, provide a better and deeper understanding of the principles expressed in the Temple's teachings.

More recently, we read *Temple Messages*, which includes the Yellow and Red Folios. These contain additional messages from the early years of the Temple and have increased our understanding of principles, as well as the admonitions regarding going astray from the teachings and obedience to Truth.

The Yellow Folio, received in 1927, conveyed a great force to Temple members and the world at large, and predicted many things that have come to pass in our present world of 2026. The Red Folio presents messages received from the Master between 1927 and 1929.

The Friday study classes focus on the lessons in Volume 1 of *Teachings of the Temple*. Anyone who has studied these lessons in previous years has discovered that reading them again provides a much deeper understanding of the principles they contain. Each study class is organized by a volunteer member who prepares questions for the group to discuss, with each participant contributing their own ideas, understanding, and examples drawn from their cumulative life and learning experience.

These individual contributions add to our shared awareness of the principles of the Temple. Discussion of this material has not only brought us closer together as a class, but has also helped each Temple member deepen their comprehension of esoteric principles, ancient wisdom, other religious traditions, and, of course, the application of the Temple's objectives.

To close, an excerpt from the Golden Stairs to guide us in our studies:

"Behold the truth before you: a clean life, an open mind, a pure heart, an eager intellect, an unveiled spiritual perception, a brotherliness for all, a readiness to give and receive advice and instruction, and a loyal sense of duty to the Teacher..."