

An Upraised Chalice

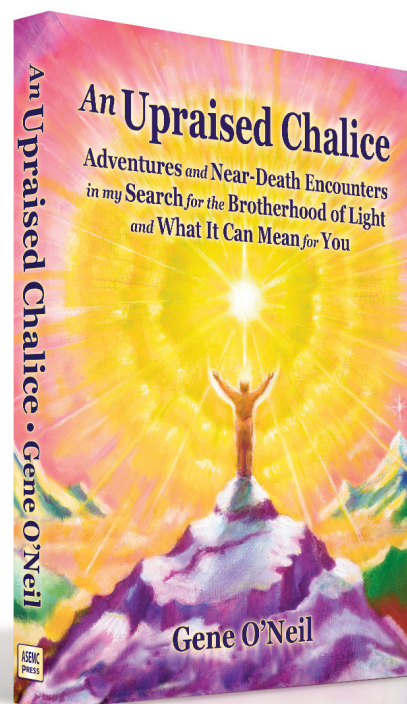
*Adventures and Near-Death Encounters
in my Search for the Brotherhood of Light
and What It Can Mean for You*

Gene O'Neil

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From the Back Cover

Do you consider yourself more spiritual than religious?

Many have turned away from traditional, organized religions to explore their own relationship with the Divine. The author is one of these seekers and this book chronicles his remarkable journey to many of the world's sacred places. It is the inspiring story of a lifetime's quest for the ancient wisdom while experiencing miraculous intercessions of the Great Ones along the way.

This accounting differs from other stories detailing near-death experiences. The author (a professional pilot, a builder, a teacher and family man) had multiple near death encounters over the years. In one instance Archangel Michael appeared in a sphere of Light, commanding him to prepare with a specific prayer/mantra just moments before the fatal car accident. Immediately after this accident, going up the tunnel of light to the other side, two Masters assisted with a specific action that allowed for the continuation of this lifetime.

The story details the lifelong chain of events that brought about these intercessions and the prior and subsequent interaction with the Great Ones that so shaped Gene's life. And there is a much deeper story here. A story that is vast in its implications and that contains a challenge to all who seek to know the truth—a story that helps answer our greatest question: why are we here?

- ◆ How the Laws of Karma play out in a near-death experience
- ◆ How the author created the conditions that enabled him to hear and see the warning from Archangel Michael and how these life-saving intercessions happened again and again over the years
- ◆ How to choose a lifestyle that produces a healthy body—physical, mental and emotional—and a life of joy and purpose
- ◆ How to awaken to the overwhelming majesty and love of the individualized I AM Presence within

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About the Author:

Gene O'Neil is a flight instructor, a builder, teacher, and world traveler. He owns an Internet marketing agency in Vermont. After a lifetime of studying and experiencing first-hand the teachings of the Great Masters, he decided to write it down, which includes:

- ♦ An epic solo quest to the world's sacred places
- ♦ Great adventures and miraculous divine intercessions
- ♦ Multiple near-death encounters highlighted by Archangel Michael's intercession, detailed herein.
- ♦ Hosting group meditation retreats and conducting presentations on the Masters and the Path for 3 decades
- ♦ 15 years operating an Internet marketing agency
- ♦ A 20-year career in professional aviation as a flight instructor and corporate pilot
- ♦ A 7-year immersion in aquaculture concluding with an epic, victorious legal battle against a large corporation (for federal fraud)
- ♦ 36 years as a builder and cabinetmaker
- ♦ Raising a family on a self-sufficient homestead he built in the mountains of southern Vermont
- ♦ Living long enough to write it all down

Marketing

- Comprehensive Internet marketing campaign focused upon www.UpraisedChalice.com with strategically focused and integrated social media—Google Plus, Facebook, LinkedIn, Pinterest, YouTube, etc.
- POD with Amazon Create Space and also Ingram Spark
- Ingram distribution network including Baker and Taylor
- All E-book formats for Kindle, Nook, and PDF
- All IBPA marketing partners including NetGalley
- Reviews in *Foreword*, *Publishers Weekly*, *Booklist*, *Library Journal*, *Midwest Book Review*, *ABA Advance Access* and more
- U.S. Public Library Distribution System
- Live author events

Reviews:

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— Kristine Morris, *ForeWord Review*, March 19, 2014

There's no better place to begin, for true spiritual revelation, than with one's own personal experience, and so, *An Upraised Chalice* sets the tone for anyone ready for their own "journey of discovery." Those who would drink from O'Neil's chalice of understanding will find its contents full and complex. Add a travelogue to the world's spiritual places and you have a fascinating blend of self-inspection, pilgrimage, and revelation that will resonate with many readers.

— D. Donovan, *Midwest Book Review*

While Gene is weaving his cosmic travelogue, it is unavoidable that you will see your own reflection within it. Cuts across all religious boundaries to generate a clean and vibrant spirituality, accessible in plain language. It is authentic and heartfelt.

— Dr. Dennis Perman, co-founder of *The Masters Circle*

The remarkable story of Gene's lifetime quest... and how he incorporated into his life [what he earned] that paved the way for his survival in multiple near-death experiences. Fascinating and thought-provoking.

— David Tame, author of *"The Secret Power of Music"*

It's one thing to be cast into the timeless regions of the East and another to come home and make sense of it all. *An Upraised Chalice* is a call for everyone to ponder that perhaps the great journey we must take is within. New and provocative.

— James Vollbracht, author of *"Stopping at Every Lemonade Stand"*

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