

When one makes mistakes, it's better to recognize it and fix it if it is possible.

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Some of us Grail members made mistakes, some by ignorance, others on purpose. If one does not recognize that they made some mistakes, they are in denial. If you have not made a mistake, thank God for you.

I will speak for myself as some will say "speak for yourself". I have been too comfortable and negligent at the same time for not being involved enough by reading and following up with Grail communications. Therefore, missing up on the conversation about the sale of Grail property. Now it's kind of late, but not too late. We have missed plenty of opportunities. Now is not the time to blame but a time to heal. I have seen many, many Grail women very disappointed, sad, upset, mad ... this is not supposed to be happening in an organization of leaders whose mission is to transform the world.

We need reconciliation, outreach to the members who are no longer with us, ask them why did they leave and how could we have handled the situation differently. We need their feedback. (I am willing to call them, I am not friendly with internet.)

The Cornwall team needs an apology note too, for the fact that we didn't respond earlier. They could have had the power to put a brake on selling the land. We left them alone. The work they did required more people than what they had, they must have been exhausted.

Many of you joined the Grail in community, now many are living as individuals. We are supposed to create communities (having prayer, reading, anything that bonds us together, a weekly commitment). Young people and people in general should be working for the Grail. Women don't ask for tasks at the Grail because of that individual mentality which leads to not knowing how to approach properly. We sold part of Grailville, also the Brooklyn house (Grail members could have lived there, paid utilities, etc. ...with agreements to be involved in some kind of women work).

Many Grail members can work for Grail, more force, more production, no deficit, because we will have many retreats booked, therefore renovations, maybe more buildings...who knows. We need to organize, very important, don't be afraid. But we need to be together at peace again.

Many Grail women have valuable, rich, experiences, talent, skills...that have not been shared with younger generations, we cannot afford to lose them (talents, skills...). We need to make profit (money) with these talents. There are many examples: cooking, planting, sewing..., art in all its form (singing, dancing, drawing, molding, sculptures poetry, meditation, praying...).

We are powerful women, but we cannot do anything if we are hurt. We have a lot to offer to the next generation, to the world. Among many things, I am going to say something about the butterfly, I learned a lot even at my age, to see it transformed. I got a caterpillar from Trina. I fell in love, no I felt connected to the butterfly and I didn't want to let it go, but I knew that keeping her for my pleasure was torture for her, then I decided to let her go, let her fly out of my house. I was sad and happy for her at the same time.

We have to try to let go if possible. We can have a 'butterfly transformation world' at Cornwall for families to come and see...but we need to make things right among ourselves, we have to stop hurting. I'm hurt about all this. We have lot of work to do. Many women are suffering, by lack of knowledge, of food..., freedom in general. We need to rise up and get going after falling.

Many women in our community do not speak English, read, do not know how to do simple calculations. I think that is not right. They cannot help their own children with simple homework, they need the Grail, the Grail is hope. Our children finish school with degrees and no job, why not work for Grail and expand the Grail? Why remain limited minds? We (Grail) are more than what we think. People look at us (Grail) for hope, so let us provide that hope. We each have a story, some have sad stories, they need our support by accepting them as they are because we love them. We cannot be afraid of living in community. Even if we live individually, we can be still in community, by the rules and activities that we do and agree to together.

This is like a family business. In a family business, you want your children to continue the family business, unless they choose another path. So, we need our children to continue our family business. We are supposed to help others to be stress free, but how can we do that if we are stressed ourselves? Sometimes people say no to volunteering for Grail work because they are not familiar with the work; with a little encouragement they will do the job needed.