



MINISTERS IN RESIDENCE PROGRAM

WHERE AND WHAT IS UNITY NAMASTE of AJIJIC and NAMASTE VILLAGE?

Unity Namaste of Ajijic is located within Namaste Village, a walled community of 40+ living units located in the center of Ajijic, Mexico. James Twyman founded and operates Namaste Village as a “spiritual community” (for more information, go to <https://www.namastelakechapala.com/>). Unity Namaste uses the meeting space of Namaste Village where the community conducts its meetings and events (James Twyman hosts Monday through Friday morning prayer sessions also carried via Zoom for his followers around the globe from this space). This covered outdoor space (in Ajijic, all events are outdoors year around due to the ideal climate) easily seats 30-40 people and can readily be expanded to double that number. Although James Twyman focuses primarily on the teachings of *A Course in Miracles*, Namaste Village functions as an interfaith community, with clergy and practitioners of different traditions as residents and visitors.

Unity Namaste of Ajijic was conceived by Rev. Johannys Jiménez-Hartog and Jack Hartog with the assistance and support of James Twyman and Rev. David McArthur.

PURPOSE OF UNITY NAMASTE

Unity Namaste of Ajijic exists predominantly to support the spiritual life and well-being of the residents of Namaste Village. Its primary goal is to anchor Unity teachings and principles in the hearts and minds of the residents of Namaste Village through regular Sunday services and workshops, classes, special events and more. As the pandemic comes under control, Unity Namaste will outreach to the sizeable surrounding English-speaking population, and together with Unity Para Todos (Rev. Johannys’ Spanish language online ministry), to the Mexican community.

MINISTERS IN RESIDENCE--STAFFING:

Rev. Johannys Jiménez-Hartog serves as Senior Minister of Unity Namaste of Ajijic and oversees the Minister in Residence program. Unity Namaste is staffed by “Ministers in Residence” who serve for one month each living in Namaste Village, in addition of course to the Senior minister who will be present most of the time. Ministers in Residence receive as sole compensation while serving: free room, breakfast and dinner M-F, and transportation to and from Ajijic to Guadalajara International Airport. Ministers in Residence are responsible, in coordination with the Senior Minister, for the conduct and content of all Sunday services. They are

encouraged to participate in James Twyman's morning sessions, offer workshops, classes or events of their choosing during their stay, and sell to residents their own books or similar materials while in residence.

SELECTION OF MINISTERS IN RESIDENCE

Ministers in Residence are selected by and accountable to the Senior Minister, in consultation with the Board of Trustees. The selection process will seek experienced ministers who:

1. Demonstrate commitment to modeling Unity principles with integrity, especially while residing in an interfaith community of spiritual people;
2. Possess skills and talents in presiding over and presenting worship services;
3. Can share special skills and talents with the ministry and/or community (for example, musical, social media, or audio-visual technical abilities);
4. Are willing to offer additional workshops, classes or events of value to the goals of Unity Namaste and Namaste Village;
5. Are familiar or comfortable with the teachings of *A Course in Miracles*; and
6. Offer evidence of other services/talents/experiences of value to Unity Namaste (for example, successful workshops or subject matters).

APPLICATION

To apply for a position, please send an email to unitynamasteajjic@gmail.com addressing:

1. How your experience and credentials fulfill the six above selection criteria,
2. Explaining why you think you are "called" to serve as a Minister in Residence,
3. The month(s) from May 2022 to December 2022 (or 2023) when you will be available to serve, and
4. Please attach a current resume with your contact information and
5. Link(s) to videos of your messages in worship services.

We appreciate your interest in serving your leadership our community.

Of course, feel free to contact us with questions at unitynamasteajjic@gmail.com or at 407.942.3000 (WhatsApp works too!).