

## The Afterlife in World Thought and Religion

### Lectures

1. *The Afterlife in Primal Societies*  
Myths and concepts from preliterate African, Australian Aboriginal, Native American, and Pacific peoples.
2. *The Afterlife in the Ancient Near Eastern and European Worlds.*  
View from ancient Egypt and Babylon, and from the Hebrew scriptures, Plato and the Mystery Religions, and Celtic and Germanic societies.
3. *The Afterlife in Eastern Religions*  
Hinduism, Buddhism, and traditional Chinese and Japanese religions.
4. *The Afterlife in the Western Abrahamic Faiths*  
Judaism, Christianity, and Islam.
5. *The Enigma of Near-Death Experiences*  
Guest lecture by Gracia Fay Ellwood.
6. *Modern Views of the Afterlife: Swedenborg, Spiritualism, and Theosophy*  
Three recent spiritual movements, and a summing-up.

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### Time table

- 08.30 Breakfast  
09.30 Registration  
10.00 Lecture (first day at 11.00 a.m.)  
11.00 Break (coffee/tea)  
11.30 Questions and answers  
13.00 Lunch  
15.00 Group discussion (small groups)  
16.00 Break  
16.30 Discussion of all participants with the speaker  
18.00 Dinner  
19.30 Evening programme

### The speakers

*Robert Ellwood* is Professor Emeritus of Religion at the University of Southern California, in Los Angeles. He holds a Ph.D. in History of Religion from the University of Chicago Divinity School. He is the author of a number of books on Theosophy, world religions, Japanese religion, and American religion. Robert Ellwood is a former Vice President of the Theosophical Society in America, and has taught in the School of the Wisdom at Adyar.  
He will be accompanied by his spouse, *Gracia Fay Ellwood*, who holds a Ph. D. in Philosophy of Religion from Claremont Graduate University, in California, where she wrote a dissertation on near-death experiences. They live at the Krotona Institute of Theosophy, Ojai, California.

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1<sup>st</sup> July 11.00 a.m. - 6<sup>th</sup> July 12.30 p.m.

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Breakfast €5.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	..
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dinner € 18.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	..
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