



# The Wellington Branch of the Theosophical Society Presents

## GEOFFREY HODSON

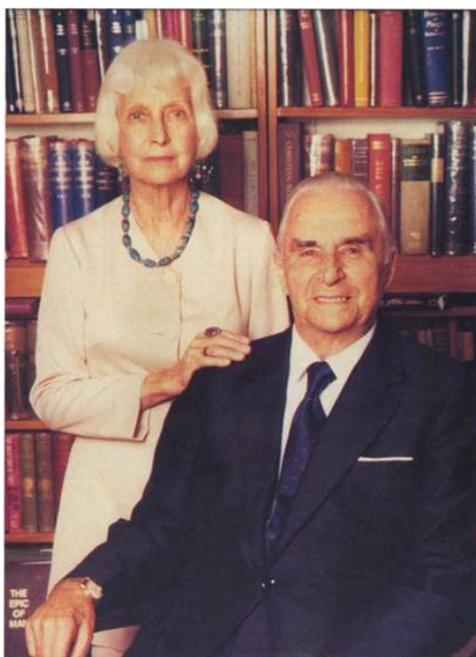
### How he Trained his Pupils and Conducted his Superphysical Investigations

Director of Studies: Bill Keidan

Special Guest Speaker: Murray Stentiford

**SAT-SUN, 15-16 MAY 2021**

**SAT, 1.00PM - SUN, 1.00PM**



*Geoffrey Hodson wrote over 50 books and  
booklets on Theosophy for the World.*



**PURPOSE: TO PASS ON THE TEACHINGS RECEIVED FIRST HAND  
FROM GEOFFREY HODSON**

**A White Lotus Day Retreat for Members and Friends**

A Central Regional Event hosted by the  
WELLINGTON BRANCH OF THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY

**VENUE: 19 Marion St, Te Aro, Wellington 6011**

**Registration - \$25.00 (Members) \$40.00 (non-members)**

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## BILL KEIDAN

**Bill Keidan** joined the Theosophical Society in England at 15 years of age. He had read the book, *The Kingdom of the Gods* by **Geoffrey Hodson**, which was in the Public Library. He never dreamed that he would ever meet the author, let alone be drawn close to him and his wife Sandra, yet that was the amazing destiny that life had in store for him.

In his presentations Bill tells the story of how his migration to Perth, Australia in 1972 was to bring him into close contact with the greatest Theosophical seer and sage of the post-Leadbeater/Besant period.

Bill was taken under Mr Geoffrey Hodson's wing and pointed in directions of Theosophical progress, which he could never have expected otherwise. He was also adopted into the spiritual family of the Hodsons and maintained contact with them until Mr Hodson's death in 1983.

Bill would like to tell how this guru system worked for him, in order that others can be prepared for the opportunity when it enters their life, as it surely one day will.

# DAY-1

**SATURDAY, MAY 15, 2021,  
1.00-8.30PM**

**12.00pm - Lunch for out of town members/friends**

**12.30pm - Registration: Esme Ridgeway, Secretary**

## **1.00-1.30PM - OPENING**

### **Prayers of the Religions**

#### **WELCOME, GREETINGS, AND PURPOSE**

Sushma Webber, President, Wellington Branch

## **1.30-3.00pm**

### **My Meeting with Geoffrey Hodson and the Validity of his Theosophical Message**

-- Bill Keidan

## **3.00-3.45pm**

### **Afternoon Tea**

## **4.00-5.30pm**

### **How the Hodsons Trained Neophytes in the Spiritual Life -- Bill Keidan**

## **5.30-7.00pm**

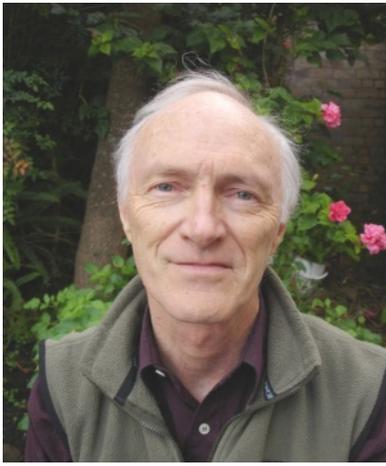
### **POTLUCK DINNER - (Vegetarian and Vegan - partly catered)**

## **7.00-8.30pm**

### **Documentation and Hints to Aspirants** -- Bill Keidan

*Tidy up for the next day*





## MURRAY STENTIFORD

National Speaker

As many of us know, Geoffrey Hodson was a devoted investigator of not only the deva kingdom, but science and medicine, archaeology and music. He was keen to show the potential of superphysical abilities to penetrate the depths of Nature, and to inspire others to do the work required to develop accurate, reliable faculties.

He would sometimes ask people with academic or more outer-world knowledge in various fields, to put top questions in their field to him for a deeper look.

So it was that, one day back in the late 1970s, he asked if I would like to help him in a fresh round of music forms research, seeing that I was a musician with university degrees in science and physics. Being a member of the TS would help to ensure an open-minded rapport for the work.

This presentation will relate how I became a research assistant to Geoffrey Hodson in these fields, and some of the results. -- Murray

# DAY-2

**SUNDAY, MAY 16, 2021**  
**10.00AM-1.00PM**

**Doors Open: 9.30am**

**10.00-11.00am**

**Collaboration on Music with Geoffrey Hodson -- Murray Stentiford**

**11.00-11.30am**

**Morning Tea**

**11.30am-12.30pm**

**Collaboration in Science with Geoffrey Hodson - Murray Stentiford**

**12.30-1.00pm**

**FEEDBACK AND CLOSING**



**Murray Stentiford**, is a National Speaker, who combines a knowledge of science, music and spirituality with a passion for exploring and sharing things.

He has held several positions of responsibility in the Theosophical Society in New Zealand over the years, including those of National Vice-President and National Education Coordinator, currently serving as Tours Coordinator.

Murray has a Masters degree in Physics and is also an accomplished musician.



# RETREAT DETAILS

## Emphasis on Self-Reflection and Reverence in the Heart

This is a process-based retreat and the purpose is to go within as we listen to the two speakers share their experiences learning and working with Geoffrey Hodson

### Retreat Requirements:

- Participants are required to attend all the sessions. Please let us know if you are unable to do so due to unavoidable circumstances.
- Maintaining a quiet environment during the breaks and discussing only on spiritual matters relevant to the individual or humanity as a whole.
- **There will be a roster for tasks during breaks.**

### Retreat Outcomes:

- Strengthening the nucleus of Universal Brotherhood and the bonds of friendship among members from different Branches/Lodges.
- Strengthening the spiritual qualities necessary to tread the Path to Perfection.
- Gain an understanding of the various aspects of the spiritual life from a Theosophical perspective.



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