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*The author at the Monte Carmelo Sanctuary.*

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## Prologue

What a beautiful title for this simple and authentic book: "THE HOUSE OF MARY".

At first glance it seems a description of the House where the Holy Family lived in Nazareth. Or perhaps of the House where Mary spent the last days of Her life in Ephesus, with the Apostle Saint John. Or of the Temple in Jerusalem where She spent Her childhood and adolescence in the section destined for girls of the Royal Tribe of Judah and the Priestly Tribe of Levi. Mary belonged to both of these tribes. To the Royal Tribe on the side of Saint Joaquin, and to the Priestly Tribe of Levi on the side of Saint Anne.

But the House of the Virgin that the author indicates is his own family home: The home of the Aravena-Elliott family where Miguel Angel Poblete, the seer, resided for a few years. This charitable family, who already had four sons, thought of adopting Miguel Angel as a son.

The second son is the author of this precious book that tells of the supernatural manifestations that occurred in this house. Thus Our Lord pays when He says: "Anyone who welcomes the smallest of my children welcomes Me".

Thus the Lord manifested Himself in that beloved house for having taken in with so much love and sincerity this sullen and even ill mannered boy, chosen by God for a Holy mission of surprising significance.

The Virgin appeared there many times and left us, among so many manifestations, Her own portrait, a Marian relic par excellence.

I met the author of this book in Peñablanca. I was climbing the blessed Hill when I met Miguel Angel who was accompanied by Fernando Aravena: "I am Miguel Angel's brother," he said. This surprised me greatly. The family with love and sacrifice had already made the Christian gesture of welcoming Miguel Angel as a member of the family.

This book is a complement of great importance to all the other books that have been written on this subject. It was urgent that it be written to make known all the wonders that have happened in this house, rightly called "The House of Mary", because it was the Blessed Virgin who visited leaving behind indelible traces of Her maternal love.

I think that all the readers of these pages will elevate thanks to God, Who has left us His Holy Mother as our Mother. Thank you Lord.

MIGUEL MARIANO CONTARDO EGAÑA  
Priest.

## Introduction

Within the entire spectrum surrounding the apparitions of the Blessed Virgin in Chile between the 12th of June 1983 and the 12th of June 1988, in the currently named Sanctuary of Monte Carmelo, located in the commune of Peñablanca, City of Villa Alemana, we wish refer to other manifestations significantly tied to those of Peñablanca that occurred to Miguel Angel Poblete from December 1983 to March 1985 inclusive, during his stay at the Aravena-Elliott family home in Santiago,

My parents welcomed the seer into our home because of the ban placed by the then Archbishop of Valparaiso, Monsignor Francisco de Borja Valenzuela Ríos, on Father Luis Fernández Carnero, a Spanish priest in charge of the Parish of Santa Maria Madre de la Iglesia of the city of Quilpué, to have Miguel Angel under his care. The priest, at the advice of some people of great discretion and faithful to the apparition, asked my parents if they could take him in. After a meeting with all of us brothers to discuss the matter, Miguel Angel was accepted into our home as a member of our family, not foreseeing the great events that would occur because of the presence of the seer amongst us.

My father Jorge Aravena Toledo, a retired Banking Officer; my mother Luzmira Elliott Vergara, a Dental Technician; my brothers Jorge an Architect; Fernando a Dental Technician; Patricio a Medical Visitor and Carlos, the youngest, a Professor of Religion make up my family of strong Catholic tradition.

When Miguel Angel arrived in our home in 1984 all four of us brothers were living at home. When Jorge, the eldest, married and left my maternal grandmother Luzmira Vergara came to live with us. She shared a room with Miguel Angel.

During his stay with us, and as far as I can remember, the seer never manifested any abnormal or strange behavior; his gender was always male. We knew him as a young man who in spite of the hardships of the life he had experience remained within the canons of morally and ethically correct conduct and while he lived with us this never changed. I manifest and make this clear due the unfortunate events known by all that occurred later on, when he was no longer with us, which does not change in any way whatsoever the condition of this boy as the instrument of Heaven during the five years in which the apparitions and messages of the Blessed Virgin Mary occurred in our country.

During his stay with us things began to happen. We were mere spectators of how the Blessed Virgin manifested Herself in our lives in such an intimate and particular way. The causes are sometimes circumstantial and relate to the tumultuous times of a world grown distant from God.

Other times these manifestations and messages, always through the seer Miguel Angel Poblete, were occasional, due to something that the newest member of the family has experienced during his daily routine or by those present during an apparition, not only by members of the family, friends or acquaintances, but also by strangers who came to the house attracted by the supernatural and received a message for them, or a grace for their lives, that moved them to believe in the presence of the Mother of God.

Many supernatural graces occurred in this house in Santiago, many admirable miracles that we became familiar with and that with the passing of time we grew accustomed to. Many testimonies and events are recorded. There are others that need to be written about lest they be forgotten.

This book aims to compile these events into a single publication. It is noteworthy to mention that during the time that Miguel Angel was with us the Mother of God manifested Herself under various advocations. Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Our Lady of Fatima, Our Lady of Guadalupe, and The Immaculate Heart of the Incarnation of the Son of God, The White Lady of Peace, who left us a visible testimony of Her presence.

This miracle manifested itself in a sequence of photographs taken by Miguel Angel Poblete himself. A specialist analyzed the photographs in Venezuela and observed very surprising details. We are certain new wonders will come to light through more profound and scientific studies, such as those performed on the Tilma of Juan Diego to whom the Blessed Virgin appeared in Mexico in 1531.

We also experienced manifestations from the Holy Angels of the Lord, from St. Michael the Archangel, and the Angel of Peace. The truth is that it is hard to believe that so many apparitions and celestial manifestations of the most various kind and circumstances occurred in this house; but they did and we can only believe that all these manifestations have an intrinsic purpose and this brings to mind a biblical text of the book of Tobit chap. XII, verses 6 and 7, which says (referring to the Archangel Saint Raphael when he spoke to Tobias and his son): 6. "Then he took them both aside and said unto them 'Bless God, utter his praise before all the living for the favor he has shown you. Bless and extol his name. Proclaim before all people the deeds of God as they deserve, and never tire of giving Him thanks. 7. It is right to keep the secret of a King, yet right to reveal and publish the works of God as they deserve'".



Please note that in narrating the events that occurred in our home I have resorted, as a source, to the different books already published about the events which I have completed and enhanced, by the testimony of various direct witnesses, particularly my parents Jorge

and Lucy. Much care has been taken to publish only that of which we have absolute certainty. We have also had the valuable collaboration of Mr. Alvaro Barros Valenzuela and of Rev. Father Miguel Contardo Egaña.

Finally it is not our intention to judge facts, we only relate the things that we have witnessed. Only the Holy Catholic Church has the authority to express its approval. We abide by the freedom of writings on these topics referred by the Sacred Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, under Pope Paul VI, Decree of November 15, 1966, published in AAS, Vol. 58, p. 1186 and ratified under the Papacy of John Paul II, since March 19, 1975, AAS, Vol. 67, p. 281.

## First apparition of the Most Holy Virgin in our house

This apparition took place on the second week of December 1983, a few days after Miguel Angel had come to live with us. Before narrating this event I should mention that when Miguel Angel first arrived at our house he asked my mother if he could call her "Aunty"; my mother replied that she saw no problem in him doing so. He then added that there might be a problem. He said: *"Our Lady appears to me wherever I am, and if I'm going to live with you She might appear to me here, what am I going to say to Her?"* My mother replied: *"Tell the Blessed Virgin that this is Her house from now on and that She may appear whenever She wants and at whatever time She deems"*. Three days after the arrival of the seer the first apparition of the Blessed Virgin Mary occurred in our house.

The apparition took place in the evening, more or less as at 08:00 p.m. That day Miguel Angel was not feeling well and had stayed in bed. My maternal grandmother, Luzmira Vergara, with whom Miguel shared a room was keeping him company. The seer fell into ecstasy and the Blessed Virgin appeared to him. Miguel turning to my grandmother said: *"Grandma, Our Lady is here and She is blessing the house"*.

My parents were in the living room praying the Rosary and did not know what was happening but they saw water flowing into the corridor that separated the bedroom and the living room where they were; they entered the bedroom and saw Miguel Angel in ecstasy. The seer turned to them and said: *"Bring me the light bulb"* (he was referring to a light bulb that had burned a few days earlier leaving a clear letter "M" in a pale blue color inside it). My father went to fetch it and handed it to the seer who was still in ecstasy. He took it and raised it towards the Blessed Virgin. The apparition ended and Miguel Angel came out of the state of ecstasy and the apparition ended.

The Blessed Virgin had blessed the House. Water ran down the four walls of the bedroom in the form of a cross, and had also reached the corridor next to the bedroom. My mother touched the wet wall with her hands and also drank from that water. Later I entered the room and witnessed this miracle. I was impressed to see the walls soaked with water. My brother Carlos also witnessed this. The Blessed Virgin had wanted to bless our home as a preamble to future events and had done so in a very clear and special manner.

## Second apparition of the Blessed Virgin

This apparition took place at the beginning of 1984. Miguel Angel was playing with a camera, one of the old models that had rolls of film. He was running from room to room shooting photos and my mother said: *"Hey, Miguel Angel, better put the camera away if there should be an apparition we could take photographs"*. Miguel Angel paid attention to her then approached my brother Patricio and said: *"Better still, lets go photograph the sun, because when one photographs the sun they come out blank."* They went into the garden and Miguel Angel took four photographs of the sun.

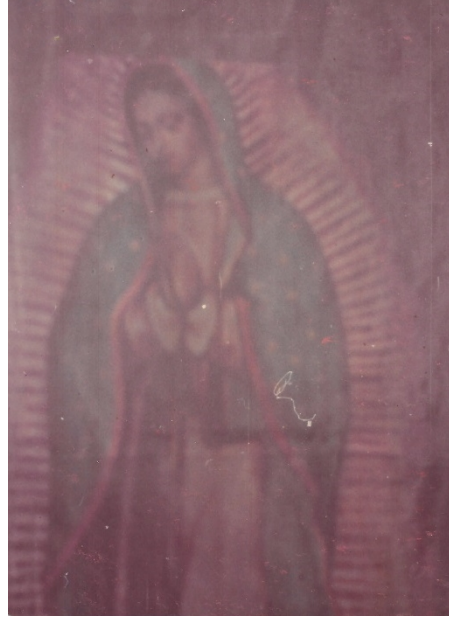
That day my father had stayed in bed as he did not feel well and Father Miguel Contardo had come to visit him. Miguel Angel full of happiness ran into the room and addressed Father Contardo: *"Father, look what has just happened to me, I was going to photograph the sun and our Lady of Guadalupe appeared to me in front of the Sun and the Virgin said: 'MY CHILD, TAKE THE PHOTOGRAPH NOW' and I took four photographs so Our Lady of Guadalupe must be here!"*

Father Contardo told Miguel Angel to hand him the camera and that he would have the film developed. My father carefully withdrew the roll of film and gave it to the priest who had it developed in Los Vilos.

We heard nothing until three days later when Father Contardo telephoned my father from Los Vilos and told him: *"Jorge, Our Lady of Guadalupe appears in four wonderful photograph"*. The truth is that it was a great miracle. It was the only apparition of the many that occurred in our home that took place in the front garden.



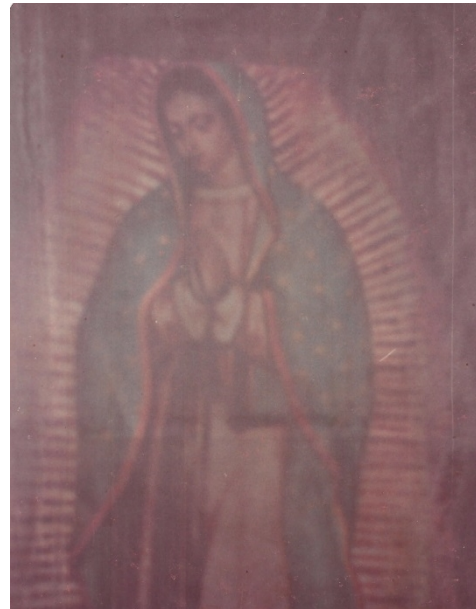
First photograph of the Sun



Second photograph in the Sun



Third photograph of the Sun



Fourth photograph of the Sun

*The four miraculous photographs of the sun taken by Miguel Angel by indication of the Blessed Virgin.*

### Third apparition of the Blessed Virgin

This apparition of the Blessed Virgin in our home happened during the early months of 1984. We are still not able to pin point the exact day that the apparition took place. My father had indicated that the apparitions occurred without warning and that he was therefore unable record the event. This time he was prepared and had a recorder and cassette tape at hand.

The seer fell unexpectedly into a state of ecstasy in the courtyard of our house at around 09:00 p.m. We only had time to warn our neighbors Dr. Mario Tabja, his wife Fresia Reyes and three family members who were at home. It was the Blessed Virgin who appeared in the courtyard to Miguel Angel. The seer began to sing the Ave Maria in different languages, some unknown to us and some that we were able to recognize.

My father and Mrs. Fresia held tape recorders and began to record what Miguel Angel sang. We were all very impressed by the different languages. After he came out of the state of ecstasy Miguel Angel told my father and Mrs. Fresia that the Virgin Mary had indicated that *"All material recorded must be erased and that later She would give them a surprise"*.

My father obeyed the indications given by the Blessed Virgin and erased everything. Mrs. Fresia did not. A few days later she visited my mother at the Dental Laboratory. She had brought the tape with her and asked my mother to listen to it. According to my mother the only thing she could hear was a sound like an "echoes" in deep space, like music in a vast space.

My mother told her that Our Lady had requested the tape be erased and so she erased it. Naturally what Miguel Angel had sung could not be heard as Our Blessed Lady did not allow it, as She had clearly indicated during the apparition. So there is no record, only what was heard by those present that were greatly impressed as Miguel Angel only knew Spanish, and at a very basic level at that. This is precisely what gives credit to these supernatural events.

We know nothing of the surprise that the Blessed Virgin mentioned, probably because we did not follow Her indications.

## **First apparition of St. Michael the Archangel**

The first Eucharistic Miracle in our home took place the afternoon of May 25, 1984.

My grandmother Luzmira was sewing, Miguel Angel was putting his stuff away (he shared the room with Granny) when suddenly he rose and approached her in a state of ecstasy.

At first my grandmother did not understand what was happening; Miguel Angel, who had already received the sacred Host from St. Michael the Archangel said: "*Grandma the Archangel Michael brings you Holy Communion*". She just looked at him and replied: "How can it be possible that the Archangel Michael brings me Communion?" and continued to sit on the bed without paying further attention to him.

Miguel Angel remained standing next to her and said: "*With the things of the Church I do not play*". She was impressed, knelt and said: "Lord, forgive me, I will receive Holy Communion immediately", and she received the Holy Host in visible form from St. Michael the Archangel.

In ecstasy Miguel Angel said: "*The Archangel will return later and will bring a surprise, have an empty plate ready*". Then the seer came out of his ecstasy.

We arrived home from the Dental Laboratory about 8:00 p.m. My parents were informed of what had happened and learning from Miguel Angel that the Archangel would return, invited some people from outside the family that God allowed witness this miracle.

We were all gathered at home: my parents George and Lucy, my brothers Carlos and Patricio, my grandma Luzmira, our Nanny Ana Luisa Pichilen and her daughter Marcela. Also present were Alejandro Cifuentes Bezanilla and his wife Cecilia Hurtado Goycolea, a school friend of mine from "Liceo Aleman" named Luis Alberto Vade del Canto. It was raining heavily and the sky was dark. Everyone waited. Near midnight, when Alejandro and his wife were about to leave, Miguel Angel who was sitting in the living room suddenly stood up and quickly headed towards the patio. We all followed. A very particular phenomenon occurred; I remember quite clearly that as I entered the patio I saw a clear luminosity in the center of the patio, and above a small white luminous cloud, hovering in the middle of the patio at a height of approximate some 15 meters. It was very low.



All those present were able to observe this phenomenon. The sky was still dark as it was raining, but with much less intensity. Then Miguel Angel fell to his knees in ecstasy and we all surrounded him. He raised his hand and said: "*Bring an empty plate*".

One was handed him. He took the plate, lifted it over his shoulders then lowered it immediately. We were all kneeling. My father got up and stunned said: "There are three Hosts!" The seer said that the Archangel Michael orders: "*They must be covered*". We all placed our hands to cover the Hosts from the falling rain. Miguel Angel passed the plate with the Hosts to my brother Patricio and said: "*These hosts are consecrated and they come from the Sanctuary of Massabielle in Lourdes*". My brother Patricio passed the plate to Alejandro Cifuentes who was an Eucharistic Minister, and the seer addresses him: "*They must be distributed*", then the seer came out of his state of ecstasy.

Everyone present reverently received Holy Communion with the exception of Miguel Angel and my grandmother Luzmira who had received it earlier.

We were all very moved. But another extraordinary Eucharistic miracle happened. A few minutes later Miguel Angel who was not in ecstasy made his way towards his room. My brother Patricio and my mother followed him. Suddenly there was a great light and on a Pall that lay on top of a chest of drawers in the bedroom there appeared two more Host\*. Miguel Angel was very impressed by what was happening. My mother asked him what was happening, and he said: "*Look, Holy Communion*." Everyone witnessed the new miracle. The two new Hosts were covered with a blessed cloth and placed in a glass plate.

Then the seer told us that he had seen this many times in ecstasy but now that he saw the miracle without being in that state, it was very different and he was greatly impressed. Then these Hosts were placed in a Challis, as Miguel Angel had not received instruction regarding their distribution.

Early next day we informed Father Miguel Contardo about what had taken place. He arrived at our house at noon and determined that it was best that the hosts be distributed amongst those present at the time and after a brief ceremony they were.

This was the first time a Eucharistic Miracle had occurred in our home. Two hosts appeared first on the 25th of May and five hosts on the 26th of May, as they appeared after midnight.

*\* This Pall had been presented years ago to my grandmother by two holy nuns: Sister Concepción Lopez and Sister Sofia Rozas of the Congregación Obreras Catequistas de Jesús Sacramentado, who visited Peñablanca repeatedly and firmly believe in the apparitions of the Blessed Virgin.*

Thus began a series of remarkable events. The Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Christ, present in the form of a Host, was made visible in the presence of many witnesses who were near the seer at the time and testified and verified that this was happening.

**Note:** It is necessary and very important to clarify that when these Eucharistic miracles occurred in our house, i.e. the appearance of Hosts that these always came, already consecrated, from Marian Sanctuaries such as Cova de Iria in Fatima or from Massabielle in Lourdes, brought by the Archangel St. Michael or by the Angel of Peace, as the seer would point out while in ecstasy. The Hosts were never handled by any of those present. When there was a Eucharistic Minister present the seer would designate him to distribute them. Naturally when there was a priest present he would distribute Communion and on other occasions the Angel himself would distribute Holy Communion by guiding the Host directly to the mouth of the person receiving the sacrament.



*Dish where the three Hosts miraculously appeared that night. These Hosts were later distributed by Eucharistic Ministe, Mr. Alejandro Cifuentes Bezanilla.*



*Photograph showing the two Hosts that miraculously appeared on the pall.*

## History of the Chair where the Blessed Virgin was crowned in Peñablanca

According my mother's account on June 12, 1984, on the first anniversary of the apparition of the Blessed Virgin in Villa Alemana, my parents and other parishioners had rented a bus to take them to Peñablanca. The seer, Miguel Angel Poblete accompanied them. After leaving for Peñablanca he approached my parents and told them that the Blessed Virgin had asked if they could bring a chair with them because She was going to be crowned by the Angels. My mother scolded him: "And now you tell us, where are we going to buy a chair? You should have told us earlier". Miguel Angel replied: *"Well, the truth is I forgot"*.

They asked the bus driver to please stop at a place on the road where they sold wicker furniture. At the furniture shop my father was able to purchase a plain, well made, wicker chair with a rounded back.

At the sanctuary Michel Angel entered the garden with the chair, fell into a state of ecstasy and the apparitions began. The Mother of God came. Many people had brought cushions with them. One was placed on the chair, others on the ground surrounding the chair. The seer said: *"The Angels have descended and have crowned the Blessed Virgin"* they have also blessed all the cushions.

Then the seer, still in ecstasy, left the enclosure and approached a man. Aloud he addressed him by his name and surname although he did not know him: *"Our Lady gives you this cushion"* and handed him a cushion. The man had come to the hill incognito. It was later known that he was an Argentine Bishop who did not want anyone to know this.

Miguel Angel returned to the enclosure and the apparition ended. This is what my mother recollects of the apparition of that day. Then she adds: *"Well, the Blessed Virgin gave a special blessing to the cushions that were there. The chair had a cushion that someone had placed on it; it was not a cushion we had taken with us for we had only taken the chair. Later Miguel Angel gave us one of the cushions that had been inside the garden. The chair has another cushion now"*.

My mother then added: *"I felt very ashamed when a priest from Colombia visited us. At the time the chapel had not yet been built and we had placed the blessed Chair in our dining*

*room, just as it had come from the store. At one point the priest asked: 'and this chair, what is it doing here? Is there something special about it'?"*

My mother replied: *"Yes Father, the Blessed Virgin sat on it and was crowned by the Angels"*.

*"But how can you possibly have it like this" - exclaimed the priest, and added: "When all this ends you shall be accountable for this Chair, you have not even placed some sort of protection over it"*. My Mother felt very ashamed and told him that it had never occurred to her to cover it, but that no one was allowed to sit on it. When my brother Jorge, an architect, designed the present Chapel, my mother asked him to design a special place in the chapel for the Chair of the Blessed Virgin. My mother had an embroidered white cover made for the Chair. It is placed in the chapel of my parents for all the faithful who wish to see and admire this beautiful gift from the Blessed Virgin.



*The chair on which the Angels in Peñablanca crowned Our Blessed Mother on June 12, 1984.*

## **Fourth apparition of the Blessed Virgin**

### **Introduction**

What is told next is one of the greatest miracles. The Mother of God has left us an image of Herself, as real and as portentous as the miraculous image of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

This incident has not been given due consideration in our country. Only after the visit to Chile of the Venezuelan Priest, Father Juan María González Oviedo, we learned of an analysis that had been made in his country by an art scholar whereby new details of this miracle came to light. Serious studies indicate that it is a photograph of the Blessed Virgin Herself, revealing that She has allowed this to corroborate Peñablanca's supernatural fact by means of this sign, which is manifest evidence of the presence of God amongst us.

### **Testimony**

It was around 9:00 p.m. on Wednesday 1 August 1984. Miguel Angel had been living with us since December 1983. My father had assumed his legal guardianship. Present at home were my father, my brother Carlos, Miguel Angel Poblete and our Nanny and her daughter.

My father was getting ready to pray the Rosary with my brother when suddenly Miguel Angel stood up to check if the front door was properly shut and cried out in surprise – Miguel was very vehement and did everything with great impetuosity - he was looking at an image of the Virgin of Lourdes that he had given my mother that same day. It was weeping. Tears rolled down Her cheeks, and evident sign of something supernatural. My shocked father immediately called my mother who was attending a prayer group at the Karmar School a few blocks away. Several people came with her including the School Director, Professor Margarita Sepúlveda. My grandparents, Arturo Aravena Hodar and Luisa Toledo Soto, my uncle Luis Aravena Toledo, his wife Hilda Avaria with their two children Claudio and Marisol and a neighbor. About 25 persons witnessed this event.

We prayed the rosary. When we ended as the statue was still shedding tears, Miguel Angel felt that we had to photograph the event. We did not have a loaded camera at home at the



time so Miguel Angel went to borrow one from our neighbor Mrs. Alicia Valdes. Alicia lent him a camera with a roll of 110.

While Miguel Angel was gone we move the statue of the Blessed Virgin from the living room to Miguel's bedroom and placed it on top of a chest of drawers. Miguel Angel arrived with the camera, which had no flash, and wanting to take a photo of the image that wept, he asked our Nanny to hold up the lamp that was on the nightstand near the statue to act as a flash, and began snapping photos.

Later, around 10:00 p.m., when most of the people had already retired and only close family remained, my mother, who was very distressed by the weeping of the statue of Our Lady of Lourdes, asked Miguel Angel to ring a bell he had received as a gift which the Blessed Virgin had told him to ring 12 times in case of extreme necessity and that She would make Herself present.

My mother thought that the statue was weeping because when Miguel Angel had given it to her she had found it a bit ugly. She became very restless and nervous and wanted Miguel Angel to ask the Virgin Mary why She was weeping. Miguel Angel refused to ring the bell. My mother insisted, so Miguel Angel told my brother Patricio to ring it. My brother did but nothing happened. My mother told Miguel that only he should ring it.

Because of her insistence Miguel Angel rang the bell 12 times; at the last ring he fell sharply to the floor on his knees in the living room in a state of ecstasy and the Blessed Virgin appeared to him.

The seer asked the Blessed Virgin Mary: "*Why do you weep?*" Our Lady replied: "*FOR THE SINS OF MEN, THE FASHIONS THAT OFFEND MY SON AND THE DISBELIEF OF THE PEOPLE*". Miguel Angel still in ecstasy stood up and went to the patio. He stopped just in front of the pomegranate tree planted inside a small garden enclosed by a wooden fence. He raises his voice and said: "*The Lady requests that you enlarge your garden and dig a well on this spot, it will give water for one year and will serve to heal the sick, and will perform great miracles*".

Miguel Angel fell silent for a while and then said: "*You are in for a great surprise when the film is developed*". Then, still in ecstasy Miguel Angel asks those present: "*Do you want to receive Communion?*" Everyone answered "yes", then he said: "*You should prepare for next Friday at 11:00 p.m. when the Angel will bring you Communion*".

The seer then proceeded to say goodbye to Our Lady and came out of his ecstasy. Emotions run high after all we had experienced that night, but the big surprise would come next morning when my father had the roll of film developed.



*First normal photograph*



*Second normal photograph*



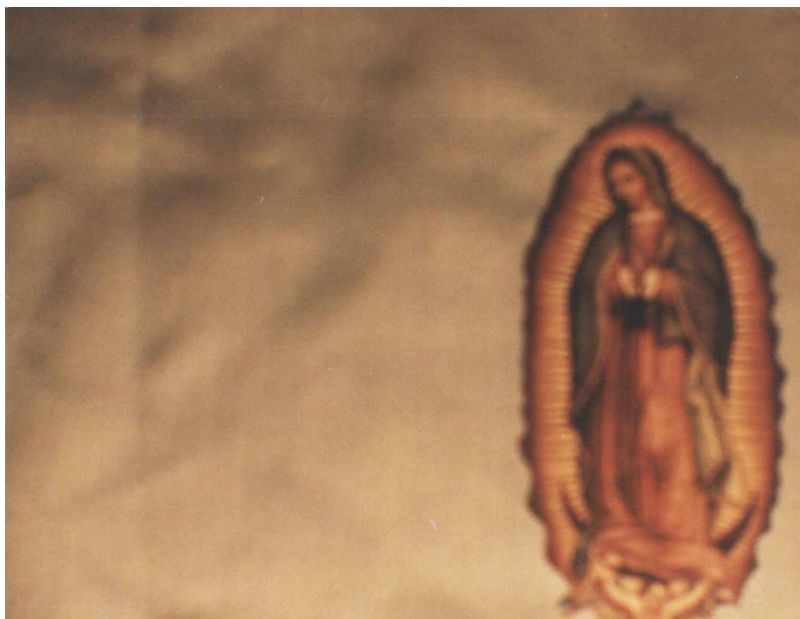
*Third normal photograph*



*Fourth normal photograph*



*Fifth photograph, first miraculous photograph*



*Sixth photograph, second miraculous photograph*





*Seventh photograph, third miraculous photograph*



*Eighth photograph, fourth miraculous photograph*



*Ninth photograph, fifth miraculous photograph*

*Sequence of miraculous photographs taken by Miguel Angel Poblete in which the White Lady of Peace manifests Herself from the seventh to the ninth photograph.*



My father had risen early and gone to a photo shop in downtown Santiago located in Paseo Ahumada. He was handed the photographs at noon and was baffled when he glanced through the photographs that the seer had taken the previous night because some did not correspond to what they had all witnessed, i.e. photos taken of the weeping image of Our Lady of Lourdes. What he was looking at were different photographs that should not be there. It was a clear and extraordinary miracle.

Overwhelmed he sat down to take a closer look and was able to observe that among the photographs taken that night of Our Lady of Lourdes from different angles there were two of Our Lady of Guadalupe, one photograph showing the face of a Lady with a veil and clearly visible the contour and the filament of the light bulb that the Nanny had held close to the image of our Lady of Lourdes. The following photograph depicted the upper body of a Lady like a Virgin. The final photograph showed the same Lady of the previous photograph but full-bodied standing on a red ribbon.

My father found them so beautiful that he sensed that they were not normal photographs of an image, but photographs of a live person. When he arrived home he showed them to Miguel Angel who upon seeing them exclaimed: *"This is the White Lady of Peace, although in the natural, as I see Her, She is even more beautiful!"*

## **Analysis of the miraculous photos of the White Lady of Peace \***

*Q. Father, where do you come from?*

A. I was born near Caracas the Federal District of Caracas, in Los Teques that was a village when I was born, Capital of the State of Miranda.

*Q. Father, what is the reason for your visit to Chile?*

A. The reason for my two visits to Chile is the same, the apparition of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Peñablanca.

*Q. Father, this is a photograph of the White Lady of Peace. It is the photograph that Miguel Angel took of an image of Our Lady of Lourdes, the same image that wept blood. Could you tell us something about this photograph because you are familiar with it from your previous visit to Chile, and I understand that you have had some analysis made?*

A. The analysis are not mine, for although I see great perfection and I greatly admire the fact of taking a picture of an image and having one completely different come out in the film, which as we will see is something out of the ordinary that I have to classify as miraculous. I have a special curiosity because knowing what we know about this image, here in Chile, people, my colleagues, priests, nuns, and the faithful had no idea of what I have explained regarding what we have here, before us. This photograph that we cannot explain, that amazes us and makes us think of something miraculous. It is not I who explains this; I simply transmit what the person to whom the photograph was given to in Venezuela for him to multiply said.

He who at first appears to be an unbeliever, a person without faith, takes the photograph, the one that you have seen, and analyses it because in it he notices something that he finds no explanation for. He begins to study it in greater detail. He is an experienced photographer; he is well versed in the arts as well as a scholar, a graduate in the Fine Arts from both French and Spanish Universities.

*\*Interview to Venezuelan priest, Father Juan María González Oviedo, conducted by Chilean lawyer, Mario Romero Godoy, at the time of the apparitions, regarding the sequence of miraculous photos of the Blessed Virgin.*

He begins to perceive things that according to his way of thinking are hard for him to admit and utters phrases such as: This which I have before me is not a human being, the perfections from head to toe are practically indescribable, take the face, he indicates that every artist whether painter or sculptor tends to put makeup on their images or paintings and here there is no makeup, therefore what I have here, before me, is someone, he repeats, not found on this earth.

He indicates that the hair we see is real hair that it is not hair that has been painted or carved on an image that it is live hair. The face compared to the whole body has what scholars and artists call in the world of art, in the world of aesthetics, perfection, the size of the head is eight times the size of the body, a figure of true perfection.

The posture of the image with the arms in that position is perfection. He realizes that the Blessed Virgin is resting the right foot and not the left one, and as the left foot is not supported but slightly as if in a kind of soft curve, the left shoulder is a little lower than the right one, which is the foot She is resting on.

He indicates that he has never found a painting or a sculpture where not even the slightest detail has escaped the sculptor or painter, well this photography has it.

And finally he affirms that what amazes him completely is the breath, a kind of ambient, a kind of space which is not of this Earth, not found here in creation, but that exists upon gazing at the photograph.

Look, note that there is a kind of shadow under the hands, both on the right hand and part of the left hand, because that's what he finds: it is practically outside the paper, but is not an outside as on earthly spaces, it does not belong to this world, that wonderful space that is there.

Also look at the right foot; it is resting on something like a fabric or a flag that cannot practically support that body. If we prop ourselves on a flag of cloth it would not support us, however here it looks as if it perfectly supports everything that is on the top of the flag, so much so that She is firmly resting Her right foot with the left one slightly raised. This, for me personally, is a miracle very similar to the miracle of the image of Our Lady of Guadalupe, and I would say that a photograph has been taken of the Blessed Virgin, moreover the seer, Miguel Angel Poblete, says that this is the image that he sees when he is in a state of ecstasy.

Brothers, in view of the fact that we have before us something extraordinarily wonderful, I believe that we should accept with love and faith the reality of the concern of the Blessed Virgin in coming to us, in communicating with us, in treating us as real children, for She tells us that if we follow Her advice we shall obtain our own eternal salvation.

## **New weeping of plaster image of Our Lady of Lourdes the next day, Thursday, August 2, 1984**

A new miracle took place the next day. The plaster image of Our Lady of Lourdes wept again. Present were members of my family, Father Miguel Contardo, Mrs. Verónica Hanff de Rojas, one of her daughters, Social Assistant Ruby Gálvez who was in charge of the case of Miguel Angel in the Courts.\* Everyone clearly perceived a strong aroma of roses.

Later, while the image of Lourdes wept, six other images were placed next to it; they all wept simultaneously. The principal image of Our Lady of Lourdes wept on more than one occasion on that August 2nd.

*\* Mrs. Ruby Gálvez, Social Assistant, was paying a routine visit to our home because my father had requested the legal guardianship of Miguel Angel Poblete and she had come to verify the family environment in which Miguel Angel was living. She never imagined that she would witness this miracle. It led her to reflect deeply and to believe in these apparitions. As testimony she left a video filmed in our house by lawyer Mario Romero Godoy which details these remarkable events that changed her perception of these events and led to her return to the Sacrament of Confession from which she had been absent for many years.*

## **Fifth Apparition of the Blessed Virgin and the Second apparition of Saint Michael the Archangel.**

On Friday, August 3, 1984, we invited a few people who believed in Peñablanca, some neighbors and relatives to our house. People started to arrive early since the Blessed Virgin had announced that there would be a Eucharistic Miracle, the second to occur in our home. It is impossible to remember everyone but among those present were my parents, Jorge and Lucy; my brothers Patricio and Carlos; my paternal grandparents, Arturo Aravena and Luisa Toledo; my aunt Eugenia León accompanied by a Police Lieutenant who was a direct witness of the miracle of the Host in the mouth of the seer.

Also present were Mrs. Cecilia Hurtado and one of her daughters, María Luisa Cifuentes, who was standing almost next to the seer when the Host appeared in the mouth of Miguel Angel. Dr. Alan Rojas and his wife Verónica Hanff; Patricio Rodríguez Barros and his wife, Dr. Adela Frias; Dentist Mario Tabja and his wife Fresia Reyes; Architect Álvaro Barros Valenzuela and his wife Fanny McIntosh; Jorge Rengifo and his wife Marcela Contardo.

There were two priests hearing Confession as the Blessed Virgin had indicated, "*be prepared*". It was assumed that She meant to be spiritually prepared, in a state of grace. The priests were Fr. Miguel Contardo and Fr. Fray Carlos Vasquez of the Dominican Order. Fr. Salvador Laterra joined them later.

Around 6:30 p.m. about 100 persons had gathered for the expected announcement. Before the apparition took place something extraordinary happened in my grandma Luzmira's bedroom. Some people were praying before an image of the Virgin of Lourdes, among them a neighbor, a teacher, Magdalena Ortiz, and two nuns who were preparing to pray a rosary. Suddenly they realized that miraculously a Host had appeared in the hands of the image. Naturally no one had had direct access to the image, it was the teacher who first noticed that on top of the folded hands of the plaster image of the Blessed Virgin there suddenly appeared a Host.

We informed the rest of those gathered so they could witness this new miracle. This happened around 09:30 p.m. Father Miguel Contardo then brought his Eucharist Host carrier where he placed the Host and transport it to the dining room together with the image. Dr. Alan Rojas remained on his knees in worship along with others before the Sacred Host. I knelt for a few moments and then joined the rest who started to make their way towards the patio as Miguel Angel had fallen into ecstasy; it was around 10:00 p.m.

During the apparition the Blessed Virgin instructed the seer to tell those present to go out into the street. The group followed the seer out into the street and into an alley half a block from our house; once there the seer instructed them to gaze at the moon, before returning to the patio of the house. As he passed me, without looking at me in a firm voice he said: *"You did not go out"*. I had clearly heard the order but had felt ashamed. I later asked for forgiveness. I was sorry. He also scolded others who had not gone out.

Miguel Angel returned to the courtyard in a state of ecstasy surrounded by people and then fell heavily to his knees on the ground. After a few moments, and in sight of all those who were close, the seer stuck out his tongue and a Host appeared on it and he received Holy Communion.

After this Miguel Angel requested that a lighted candle be brought to him. He took it in his hands and requested that the priests approach him. Father Miguel Contardo and Father Carlos Vásquez placed themselves next to the seer who stated: *"Let the favorite sons approach and bring with them a dish because it will serve as a Paten for the Hosts"*. The two priests, facing each other, held the plate between them and suddenly in view of everyone there appeared on the dish three very white Hosts with a Cross in the middle; the seer said: *"These Hosts brought by the Angel come from the Sanctuary of Cova de Iria, in Fatima, and they are consecrated"*.

As I mentioned earlier Mr. Patricio Rodríguez Barros was present. He was very close to the seer while the two priests held the plate requested by Our Lady and clearly saw the three very white Hosts appear suspended in mid air and gently deposit themselves on the plate. A young man who had previously made fun of that was to happen witnessed these events through the lens of his camera. He was so impressed with the miracle that he fell to his knees weeping inconsolably.

Later, Miguel Angel, still in ecstasy and holding the lighted candle stood up, his eyes fixed toward heaven, and moved towards the interior of the House. During the journey he stopped in front of Dr. Ronnie Navarrete, handed him the candle and said: "Take it". He initially didn't want to take it but then acceded. The seer entered the house, beside him the doctor holding the lit candle, the two priests with the three Hosts on the plate followed by the rest of the attendees.

They headed towards the dining room, towards the image of Our Lady of Lourdes with the host that had appeared previously. The Seer said: *"Let this Host join those that appeared on the plate"*. Then Miguel Angel came out of the ecstasy.

Later the three priests and those gathered adored the Blessed Sacrament with prayers and chants. The priests then proceeded to receive Holy Communion and to divided the rest of the Hosts into small pieces to distribute them among those present. Thirty persons received Holy Communion.

In total five Hosts appeared that Friday, August 3, 1984. The first one in the hands of the image of our Lady of Lourdes at 09:30 p.m., the second was the visible Communion of Miguel Angel and then the three Hosts that appeared on the plate held by the two priests in view of all the attendees at around 10:45 p.m.



*Miraculous visible Communion received by the seer in the courtyard of our House on Friday, August 3, 1984 in the presence of a hundred persons. I was within a meter of the Seer and I was able to see this prodigy.*

## **Sixth Apparition of the Blessed Virgin**

On August 1984, at approximately 06:00 p.m., Miguel Angel fell into ecstasy in his bedroom and the Blessed Virgin appeared to him under the advocacy of Our Lady of Guadalupe. She spoke with a Mexican accent. She asked for my cousin Marisol Aravena Avaria, then 5 years old, who was at my grandmother Luisa Toledo's house across the street from us.

The Blessed Virgin tells the seer that the girl is to be dressed as the White Lady of Peace. We did what Our Lady indicated. My cousin was placed on top of a dresser that was in Miguel Angel's room and as she was being raised my cousin said she saw a light emanating from the veil on her head towards her hands. My grandmother Luzmira, my parents Jorge and Lucy were present when this occurred.



My cousin Marisol Aravena Avaria dressed as the White Lady of Peace as requested by the Blessed Virgin.



## **History of the Shroud that appeared in Peñablanca on August 25, 1984**

The story of the apparition of this Shroud on Saturday August 25th, 1984 in Peñablanca is very significant. First of all it should be mentioned that Miguel Angel had anticipated this. Father Miguel Contardo and several people had gathered in the so-called "House of the Pilgrim" in Peñablanca when Miguel Angel approached the priest and told him, half in secret, that a very great miracle would take place: that, (as in the Holy Shroud of Turin) the Face of Our Lord would be reproduced, in order for it to be shown to the Archbishop, Bishop of Valparaiso, Monsignor Francisco de Borja Valenzuela Ríos.

A day earlier, on Friday, August 24th, warned by Miguel Angel that he needed to take a piece of linen cloth to Peñablanca my parents bought a piece of white cloth for the trip the next day, but before leaving for the announced apparition at Villa Alemana something unexpected happened: The seer went to the room he shared with my grandmother who was sewing some bed sheets and picked up a piece of one of the sheets. It was a piece of common cotton cloth, unevenly cut, a very rustic piece of cloth about 30 x 30 cm. which he put in his pocket. My mother asked him why he had taken that cloth as they had already bought the piece of linen he had requested, but Miguel Angel who was in a hurry to depart said nothing.

He took the cloth and left with the family who would drive him to Peñablanca. My parents followed behind with a couple that had never gone to the hill and did not know the way. On route, on the old road through the Cuesta La Dormida they punctured a tire and had to stop to change it and lost contact with the car that was carrying Miguel Angel. When my parents managed to reach Peñablanca the apparition had already begun and could not hand Miguel Angel the cloth they had brought.

During the apparition that Saturday, the seer already in a state of ecstasy, placed the piece of cotton cloth that he had in his pocket in the Blessed Garden and after a potent light bathed the cloth the seer withdrew it. He then asked everyone present to kneel and displayed the cloth on which was stamped the face of Our Lord Jesus Christ, similar, in part, to the Holy Shroud that is in the Italian City of Turin. There was fresh blood on the forehead and cheek. He then walked around the hill so that everyone could see it. When he returned to the garden he asked for a bucket of water from the well and proceeded to dip the blessed cloth in the water in the bucket. He wrung the cloth three times and the cloth kept the indelible print, the seer said: *"THIS MIRACLE MUST BE ANALYZED AND IF THEY STILL DO NOT*

*BELIEVE, WOE TO THEM! "* This was the proof for the Bishop of Valparaíso. Many tried to obtain an audience to see him, but he showed no interest.

The Shroud was taken to the parish of "Nuestra Señora del Sol" in Quilpué for its veneration. For this purpose Father Luis Fernandez Carnero, the Parrish Priest, prepared a beautiful lectern covered with glass for its protection. Later it was taken around to various houses of pious families until something unexpected occurred. The shroud was in the home of the Cancino family in Quilpué when it disappeared. This miracle (the Shroud) was proof for the Bishop of Valparaíso. It was to be analyzed but it was rejected. Thus an irrefutable proof of the reality of the supernatural phenomena that occurred in Monte Carmelo de Peñablanca was lost. According to Miguel Angel the Shroud was taken by Saint Michael the Archangel and will reappear on the day of the Great miracle.

**Note:** This is an annex to the apparition of August 25th, 1984 in Peñablanca.





Photographs taken by Father Miguel Contardo of the miraculously imprinted Shroud

## **Apparitions in Peñablanca related to this Shroud.**

### **Apparition on Sunday September 2, 1984 in Peñablanca (excerpt)**

Miguel Angel's ecstasy has already begun. You can clearly see the Host with blood in his mouth, while he positions his arms towards his back. He then shows the Shroud where the face of our Lord Jesus Christ appeared.

He lays it on the floor, kneels, and at the request of Our Lady he directs the faithful to enter (the garden) to kiss it. After this Miguel Angel says that the Blessed Virgin requests that it be photograph in black and white.

The seer asks for a light to be placed near the shroud. A lamp is brought and Miguel Angel photographs it. Then the seer says: *"It will not yet be taken to be investigated, She will give the day."*

### **Apparition of Saturday, September 15, 1984 in Peñablanca (excerpt)**

Miguel Angel has entered the garden, makes de sign of the Cross, falls into ecstasy and makes his way to the grotto.

He asks that we take out our white handkerchiefs and presents them to the Blessed Virgin for Her blessing. He immediately asks everyone to kneel and shows the Shroud, which had been placed on a lectern and then begins to sing. The apparition continues. There are more than 100 people present.

### **Apparition of Tuesday, September 18, 1984 in Peñablanca (excerpt)**

Miguel Angel has entered the sanctuary. It is raining heavily in Peñablanca. In ecstasy he falls to his knees on the wet ground, his head thrown back and his eyes gazing up at the sky. As usual he makes the sign of the Cross, begins to speak then turns, leaves the garden carrying the lectern with the face of Our Lord, the wonderful Shroud that was spontaneously imprinted in that piece of cloth after Miguel angel saw an intense light. He displays the Shroud to the faithful and continues to move towards the Cross.

### **Apparition of Sunday December 16, 1984 in Peñablanca (excerpt)**

It's exactly the 07:00 p.m. and Miguel Angel has fallen into ecstasy. He's on his knees inside the chapel. He makes the sign of the Cross his gaze fixed the sky.

Next to the Seer is Javiera and very close, Father Miguel Contardo. Miguel Angel says: "*Bring out the Shroud with the face of Our Lord Jesus Christ.*"

Father Contardo places it on the wooden lectern and presents it to the Blessed Virgin. The Seer asks the priest to explain to the people how the Shroud happened, as there are some who do not know. The priest says: "*Here is the face of Our Lord. One day (August 25, 1984), a great light came that illuminated this, and the face of Our Lord was imprinted on the sheet and living blood, warm blood, flowed from it. Then She asked that it be dipped into a bucket of water. It was wrung and it remained the same. This was repeated several times. It disappeared and reappeared and this is what remains now, as a manifest miracle of the face of Our Lord.*"

## **Trip announced by the Blessed Virgin to San Damiano, Italy**

Something special occurred during the apparition of September 24, 1984. The Blessed Virgin appeared to Miguel Angel as Our Lady of the Roses and gave him a message for my parents Jorge and Lucy.

When Miguel Angel came out of the ecstasy he approached my parents and asked them point-blank if they wanted to go to San Damiano (Marian Shrine, located in the North of Italy). They were a bit taken aback but they replied that of course they wanted to go. Then on behalf of the Blessed Virgin the seer told them that She would arrange everything so that they could go that they would receive three tickets and that everything would be made easy. This is recounted on page N° 116 of the second book written by Álvaro Barros V. "I Am the Theotokos".

Briefly I would like to state that before the apparitions of the White Lady of Peace in Chile my parents had always expressed a desire to visit San Damiano, where the Lady of the Roses was venerated, but had never been able to do so.

Seven years later my parents met Mrs. Madeleine Falah, a French woman who was very devoted to the Virgin, who became interested in the apparitions in Peñablanca.

Ms. Falah was preparing a religious pilgrimage to holy places in Greece, Turkey and Italy. Because of her friendship with my parents she decided to invite them both to come on this pilgrimage. I was also invited.

On September 5 1991, my parents and I began our journey to join other pilgrims in Italy. There were approximately 800 of us from different parts of the world.

We arrived in Rome on Friday, September 6th. We were met at the airport by Aníbal Monares and his wife Patricia Ramirez, friends of my parents with whom we stayed. They took us to visit some holy places before joining the pilgrims from the Ejercito de Maria (Army of Mary) for our visit to San Damiano.

Wednesday, September 11th, was a memorable day. We left for Vatican City with members of the Army of Mary to attend the Papal Audience. Delegations from various parts of the world were present.

My father and I each carried an image of the White Lady of Peace. My mother carried the miraculous sequence of photographs of the Blessed Virgin as Miguel Angel Poblete saw Her in Her apparitions at Peñablanca that she was to give to the Holy Father. The photographs were taken in our house on August 1, 1984.

Madeleine had arranged for the three of us, for Mrs. Carmen Francia and for Mrs. Georgina Silva, Chileans traveling with us, to stand in the front row among the sick. The Holy Father, John Paul II, waved from his stand to the different delegations that had come on pilgrimage from different parts of the world. To our great surprise there was a delegation from Chile, from the Votive Temple of Maipu, that was accompanied by Father Miguel Contardo. They had come from the Holy Land. We had no idea that they were present.

When the audience ended the Pope blessed all religious objects and gave his apostolic blessing. Then he came down to greet the sick that were in the front row where we were privileged to find ourselves. We were able to personally greet His Holiness. Each one of us was able to exchange a few short words. It was a very emotional moment. My mother handed him the photographs that the Holy Father blessed and then accepted very graciously. After the ceremony we met with Fr. Miguel who had also had the privilege of greeting the Holy Father personally. He was accompanied by some of the pilgrims who had travelled with him to the Holy Land. I particularly remember Mrs. Sara Bolelli who kindly approached us. They were very surprised to see the images of the White Lady of Peace. It was a very full and unforgettable day for all of us.



*The Aravena-Elliott family with H.H. Pope John Paul II. My mother later hands him the miraculous photo sequence of the White Lady of Peace.*



On the evening of Thursday 19th we boarded the train to San Damiano. On arrival we went to the site of the apparitions. There were pilgrims from all over the world and prayers were being said, first the litany of the Saints, then the Way of the Cross followed by the Holy Rosary in Latin. It was then that something significant for my parents happened, confirmation that the Blessed Virgin had invited them to San Damiano. The organizers of the prayers without knowing my parents chose two persons at random to preside over the prayer of the Holy Rosary. My parents were sitting apart from each other however they were both chosen to come forward and lead the Rosary that was to be recited during the procession. From Peñablanca they knew how to recite the Rosary in Latin. There followed the recitation of the Litanies of the Blessed Virgin to ask Saint Michael the Archangel for the water of San Damiano. That night we returned to pray at the shrine for the last time and departed the next day.



*My parents with Father Miguel Contard and the image of the White Lady of Peace after the Audience with the Pope.*



In the morning of Sunday 22nd we returned to Rome. It is worth mentioning that on Monday, September 23 Mrs. Patricia Ramírez, my parents and I attended Mass in the Vatican at the Church of Saint Anne of the Order of the Augustinian Fathers.

After Mass we talked with the priest in his office to warn him about a false Chilean seer who went under name of Daniel Lafert who had been deceiving an important group of people in the City of Rome.



*My parents and I at the Marian Shrine of San Damiano in Italy, on September 1991. What the Blessed Virgin had said in an apparition in Peñablanca was fulfilled.*

I am going to relate the case of Daniel Lafert: Arriving at the home of the Monares-Ramirez family we learnt that they were attending some "supposed apparitions" of the Blessed Virgin Mary. We saw photographs of these and realized that the so-called seer was Daniel Lafert, a Chilean who had attended the true apparitions of the Blessed Virgin at Peñablanca and had taken photographs. He had been deceiving with false apparitions in Brazil, Paraguay and now in Rome. He was accompanied by a woman and requested money from his followers. Instigated by the devil he simulated ecstasies, false communions and messages to deceive and confuse true believers.

Knowing who he was we spoke very clearly with the laity and the priest of the Church of Santa Ana to warn them of their mistake. We were unable to convince the priest. The laity accepted our warning and would no longer be deceived by this false seer.

On Thursday, September 26th we returned to Chile. Our trip was a gift from the Blessed Virgin, specially our visit to San Damiano, which my parents had wanted to visit long before the apparitions of the White Lady of Peace at Peñablanca, and that through Miguel Angel Poblete, Our Blessed Mother had predicted on Mount Carmel.

## Seventh Apparition of the Blessed Virgin

This apparition of the Blessed Virgin occurred in our home in October 1984, we are unable give an exact date, as we did not record it. We can only recall what happened.

It was evening, around the 08:00 p.m. When Miguel Angel fell in ecstasy in the living room. At home were my parents Jorge and Lucy, my brothers Patricio and Carlos, my grandmother Luzmira and myself. The seer fell on his knees in a state of ecstasy in a corner of the living room. I was in the hallway when the apparition started and I knelt down immediately and did not move until it ended; I was unable to hear clearly what the seer said, I only heard the murmur of his words, without understanding anything.

Miguel Angel repeated the Third Secret of Fatima as the Blessed Virgin was saying it to him. My parents were able to hear everything clearly as they were very close to him and to this day they remember it but cannot divulge anything of what they heard by indication of the Blessed Virgin Herself. We can only say that the Mother of God said, *"KEEP THIS TO YOURSELVES, THOSE WHO HAVE HEARD IT, IF ANY OF YOU HAVE HEARD THIS SECRET AND CANNOT KEEP IT, HE WILL IMMEDIATELY FORGET IT."*

My mother remembers that after the apparition ended my grandmother Luzmira approached her and said: "I heard what Miguel Angel said about the Secret of Fatima but I can't remember now, can you tell me what it was about?" My mother could tell her nothing.

This happened in another apparition in our house when by indication of the Blessed Virgin things that happened could not be disclosed, such as the miraculous apparition of Hosts, that later on, during another apparition, we were given authorization to disclose. Or the apparition recorded on tape during which the seer sang in several languages and the Blessed Virgin requested that everything that had been recorded be erased. These are mysteries that we do not understand but we must respect Our Mother's wishes. Perhaps these are trials to test our obedience to Her indications.

## **Eighth Apparition of the Blessed Virgin**

This is my mother's account of the events that occurred on November 29th, 1984: "My mother-in-law Luisa Toledo phoned me. She was very sad because her son, Carlos Aravena Toledo, had recently died and she was grieving. She asked me: *"Lucy when is Miguel Angel coming, do you know?"*

The seer was no longer living with us and my mother did not know how to locate him. He would visit without warning and would sometimes stay in our house. My mother told my grandmother: *"Listen, it's very difficult because he hasn't come in a while. Why do you want to know?"* She answered innocently: *"I want the Blessed Virgin to come."*

My mother answered *"But Luisa, that is far more difficult, one thing is for Miguel Angel to come and another thing is for the Blessed Virgin to appear to him. She appears to him suddenly, he, himself, does not know when She will come."*

But my grandmother insisted, *"But I want him to come."* Then my mother to console her said, *"Well, I hope he comes."*

That afternoon, around 05:00 p.m., Miguel Angel unexpectedly arrived at our house. My mother was very impressed, as he had given us no warning of his visit.

We immediately called my grandmother Luisa who lived across the street and told her that Miguel Angel had come. She replied, *"Ah, I'll be right there."* My grandmother crossed the street and made herself comfortable in our living room. Miguel Angel greeted her as always addressing her as "granny" and at that very moment fell to his knees to the ground in a state of ecstasy. The Blessed Virgin appeared to him and said: *"AS YOU HAVE CONSTANTLY WORN THE SCAPULAR OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL AND YOU ARE DRESSED IN BROWN, I WILL TAKE YOUR SON OUT OF PURGATORY THE NEXT FIRST SATURDAY."*

Filled with joy my granny wept.

My parents were present at this apparition as well as our neighbor, Fresia Reyes, who had come to visit and whose brother had died three days earlier. The seer turned around and approached her and said: *"AND YOUR BROTHER WILL REMAIN IN PURGATORY UNTIL THE*

*END OF TIME, PRAY MUCH FOR HIM, AND HAVE HOLY MASSES SAID FOR HIM."* after that, the apparition ended.

My mother was much surprised that a petition had been heard in such a way. She invited Miguel Angel to stay to tea, but he said he had to go to Villa Alemana and left. No more than half an hour had elapsed since his arrival.

## Ninth Apparition of the Blessed Virgin

This apparition occurred in the courtyard of our house in front of the pomegranate tree, inside the garden dedicated to the Virgin, on November 1984.

My parents Jorge and Lucy were present. The seer fell into ecstasy in the courtyard of the house when the Blessed Virgin appeared to him. He turned and addressed my father: *"Bring me the crucifix that is in the bedroom"* (he referred to a large crucifix made by the Chilean sculptor Octavio Jofré that hung in my parents bedroom).

My father immediately fetched the crucifix \* and handed it to Miguel Angel who raises it and said: *"It has received a special blessing from Heaven."*

My mother went to find a white sheet, perhaps thinking that the Virgin could bless it. And so when she returned to the courtyard with the sheet Miguel Angel, still in a state of ecstasy, took this sheet in his hands, lifted it and said: "It has been blessed."

\* This crucifix had previously received a special blessing called "In Articulo Mortis" (at the Point of Death) given by a Carmelite priest who was replacing Father Jesús Bonachía B., former Pastor of the Church Nuestra Señora de la Estampa in the northern sector of Santiago. He is currently Pastor of the Santa Filomena Parish. He was very grateful for a restoration that my parents had done of an image of Jesus of Nazareth in his parish.

The Blessed Virgin then indicated that the sheet should be cut into pieces of 5cm long by 6cm. Wide and that this had to be done with care because if it was not done so the sheet would fray and unravel and would shed threads and these threads were blessed and the blessings would be lost.

The Blessed Virgin blessed these squares to be used for the sick, as had happened on other occasions on the Hill in Peñablanca. After this Miguel Angel came out of his state of ecstasy and the apparition ended.



*The Crucifix that received a special blessing during an apparition in our house.*

## **History of the Rosary made by my father, blessed by the Blessed Virgin for the sick.**

After an apparition in Peñablanca Miguel Angel Poblete described how the Blessed Virgin was dressed and one of the things he mentioned was that on that occasion the Holy Rosary Our Lady carried was golden with light blue beads. My father was taken by the story of what the Rosary looked like and he decided to make a rosary according to the description given by the seer.

He made it of thick rope, light blue plastic beads, the Medal of the Virgin of Peñablanca painted gold, as well as a wooden cross of the same color. Then he placed it inside a very beautiful box given to him for this purpose by Mrs. Cecilia Hurtado.

My father showed the Rosary to Miguel Angel who said that he was going to show it to the Blessed Virgin during the following apparition. On December 25th, 1984 the seer climbed the hill for a new encounter with our Blessed Mother. At 9:00 p.m. the seer fell into ecstasy. Miguel Angel made his way towards the atrium of the chapel, knelt in front of the image, then headed towards the Holy Garden and knelt again in front of the image of the White Lady of Peace. Next to him were Coralí, Oscar, Javiera and Father Contardo. The children held the Rosary made by my father and presented it to the Blessed Virgin and made the sign of the Cross.

In ecstasy Miguel Angel said: *"FOR AS LONG AS THERE IS NO WATER IN THE WELL THIS ROSARY WILL WORK THE MIRACLES, THE SAME AS THE MEDAL, BUT THE ROSARY IS MORE EFFECTIVE."* *"JUST BY TOUCHING IT THE PERSON ..... BECAUSE HEREIN ARE THE DESIGNS OF THE FATHER, BY FAITH, THE SAME AS THE MEDAL."* The apparition continued. As the extended rosary was displayed, it seemed to float for a few moments. This can clearly be seen in the photograph that was taken at that time. The rosary is currently kept in a wooden box in my parent's house.



*Blessed Rosary for the sick left by the Blessed Virgin until the water flows out of the well in Peñablanca, as She indicated.*



### **Third Apparition of the Archangel Saint Michael**

A third Eucharistic miracle occurred on Tuesday, January 8, 1985. My parents George and Lucy, Mr. Álvaro Barros, his wife Fanny McIntosh and Miguel Angel were discussing Alvaro's new book that was soon to be published. Although Fernando Hurtado Lambert had done the impossible to collaborate many difficulties had arisen.

Then Alvaro said: "Why don't we pray a rosary to solve the problems?"

Miguel Angel intervened and said, "Yes, better pray the Rosary." When the Rosary ended Miguel Angel went out into patio and my mother, who had followed him, saw that he had fallen into ecstasy and immediately alerted us and we all went out into the patio. It was 07:00 p.m. we were joined by my brother Carlos, my grandmother Luzmira, our maid Ana Pichilen and her daughter Marcela.

We knelt next to the seer who was gazing up at the sky. Miguel Angel received Holy Communion in visible form from the Archangel Saint Michael. We all witnessed this new Eucharistic miracle. He approached Álvaro Barros showing him the Host he had in his mouth. Next, still on his knees, he approached my mother and Fanny. He turned looking upward and said, "*The Angel has brought Communion for all of you, and it is in a light blue Chalice.*" Just then Ana and my mother saw a very dim, pale-blue light over the little wooden house covered with glass that housed the first, painted, plaster image of the White Lady of Peace that had been taken to the Hill in Peñablanca.

My mother tried to stand up but the seer said: "*Not yet.*" An instant later he pointed towards the wooden shed. My mother stood up and climbed over the little wooden rail to see better and on the wooden roof saw five Hosts miraculously floating, separate from each other, as in a row. Miguel Angel, still in ecstasy said: "*They must be distributed by someone who has already distributed Communion.*"

Alvaro Barros stood up and climbed over the wooden grating to observe this prodigy, while my mother entered the house to fetch a dish in which to deposit the Hosts. I was behind them on my knees and remained there.

Álvaro Barros, a Eucharistic Minister, took the 5 Hosts that were suspended over the small wooden shed and deposited them on the plate.

After this overwhelming event, prayers and chants were made in gratitude for this enormous gift we had received. After praying, Álvaro Barros proceeded to distribute Holy Communion among us; Miguel Angel who was still in ecstasy, said: "*This which you have experienced cannot be told*", he then took leave of the Angel and the apparition ended.

Later when my brother Patricio arrived with my uncle John Elliott they found us all in a state of great emotion because of what we had experienced, but we could not tell them anything. Perhaps what the Archangel had ordered was a test of obedient. During an apparition the following day, January 9th, we were given permission to disclose what had occurred.



*Wooden shed where the Hosts miraculously appeared on January 8, 1985.*

In total 6 Hosts miraculously appeared, one visible Host received by the seer around 07:00 p.m., and the five Hosts that appeared on the wooden shed of the Virgin near the 07:30 p.m.

## **The tenth Apparition of the Blessed Virgin and the fourth Apparition of the Archangel Saint Michael.**

This happened on January 9th, 1985, and it was the fourth Eucharistic Miracle. Before midnight Miguel Angel fell into ecstasy in the backyard of our house. Present were my parents and members of the household.

When we arrived at the courtyard we saw that the seer had already received Communion in visible form. The Archangel Saint Michael tells him that we are permitted to disclose what had happened on the previous day (regarding the Eucharistic miracle), then the Blessed Virgin appeared as Our Lady of Fatima, the first thing She said was: "*PRAISE BE OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST.*" Miguel Angel's face was radiant. The seer said that the Virgin had come dressed all in white and that she was standing on the wooden rail of the old garden fence. In a later apparition the Blessed Virgin requested that Her garden be enlarged in order to make room for a well from which water would flow for a year that would work great miracles.

Miguel Angel touches the bare feet of the Blessed Virgin, dialogues with her aloud and tells Her that he wants to go to Argentina. The Virgin agrees but warns: "*LET IT BE TO DO MISSION WORK BUT NOT AS A VACATION TRIP.*" She instructs him on a missionary trip to the city of Mendoza. Then She adds: "*BEWARE OF FALSE SEERS. THEY WILL BE RECOGNIZED BY PHRASES THEY WILL NOT SAY, SUCH AS: 'THE SON OF GOD BECAME MAN.'*" She also said, "*BEHOLD, BEHOLD, THE ENORMOUS TAIL; HOW THE EARTH MOVES, HOW IT SHAKES.*" She added that she would not appear to Javiera yet. She requested that the Holy Rosary be prayed for those who do not believe. She also asked my paternal grandmother Luisa Toledo for her Rosary.

The apparition ended around one in the morning. The piece of wooden rail where the Blessed Virgin stood is kept as a relic in my parent's house.

During this apparition a Host became miraculously visible. Saint Michael the Archangel brought the Host. The seer received Holy Communion around 11:30 p.m.

## Eleventh Apparition of the Blessed Virgin

There is another apparition at our home on Saturday January 12, 1985. That day the seer was with my parents and Mrs. Alicia Valdés. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon when Ms. Carmen Aldunate arrived bringing with her an image of Our Lady of Mount Carmel that she placed on the coffee table in our living room.

Miguel Angel was on the phone when through the auricular a very unpleasant voice interrupted saying: *"Do not go to the Hill!"* The boy cried out to my mother: *"Auntie, I heard a very ugly voice and I didn't like it."*

After this Miguel Angel fell to his knees in ecstasy in the living room, the Blessed Virgin appeared and said: *"LET EVERYONE GIVE EACH OTHER THE GREETING OF PEACE."* Everyone present did so and then the Mother of God said: *"GO TO THE HILL AND REMOVE THE BAD BY THE ROOT."*

Miguel Angel tells the Virgin that he is going to receive a beating because of this. The Virgin replies: *"LORENZO CÉSPEDES MUST BE IN CHARGE OF THE CHAPEL, IF THE EVIL IS NOT REMOVED THE PROPHECIES OF TREACHERY WILL BE FULFILLED."* With a profound change of voice Jesus speaks through the boy in ecstasy and says: *"ALTHOUGH HE IS IMPERFECT, HE LOVES ME."*

The seer comes out of his state of ecstasy and everyone comments on what has just taken place. Suddenly the image brought by Carmen Aldunate begins to weep. It is about 7:00 p.m. everyone is moved by this miracle; perhaps it is related to what is happening at the Sanctuary.

The seer indicates that he is afraid to go to the Hill because he has a feeling he is going to receive a beating. My mother tells him he has to go but he refuses, then my mother says: *"The Virgin is weeping and you don't want to do as you are told."* My father intervenes and firmly addresses the seer: *"Miguel Angel you have to go."* The seer, who greatly respects my father who is his legal guardian, replies: *"All right, I'll go."*

According to my mother the problem is that some members of a group that attended the apparitions at Peñablanca that called themselves "Las 7 Estrellas" (The 7 Stars), had installed a kiosk on the hill to sell religious objects, books and photocopies.

The Blessed Virgin did not want sales of any sort on the sanctuary and She had sent Miguel Angel to tell them, hence his reticence. In spite of everything he went to do what Our Lady had requested. A strong wind blew the kiosk away with all the things in it. Miguel Angel took a beating but the Virgin helped him as the wind blew all the items for sale away.

Later, in following apparitions, the Blessed Virgin would order that the old sanctuary be disassembled and relocated.

## **Miguel Angel Poblete's Missionary Trip to the City of Mendoza in Argentina in February 1985.**

Miguel Angel Poblete's journey to the city of Mendoza in Argentina arose from an apparition of the Blessed Virgin in our house on January 9th, 1985.

During this encounter the seer, in ecstasy, told the Blessed Virgin that he wanted to go to Argentina. The Virgin agreed but warned him that it would have to be on a mission and not on vacation. Arrangements were made from Mendoza. Mario Iglesias, a believer in the apparitions in Peñablanca wanted the seer to visit Argentina to make the White Lady of Peace known in that country. On February 27, Miguel Angel, my parents Jorge and Lucy, my brother Carlos, Patricio Silva-Riesco Jr. and Miss. Sandra Vera left for Mendoza.

Previously the seer in one of the apparitions had received the following message from the Blessed Virgin: *"I WANT YOU TO GO ON A MISSION AND I ASK YOU TO DESTROY THAT WHICH IS ROTTEN BECAUSE THAT WHICH IS ROTTEN WILL NEVER RISE AND TO RESCUE THAT WHICH IS ROTTING BECAUSE I WILL BE THE IVORY TOWER."*

When we arrived in the city of Mendoza on March 1, some 40 pilgrims had gathered at a grotto dedicated to Our Lady of Fatima that was decorated with beautiful flowers. It was believed that the Virgin would appear to a so-called seer named Innocenti, who was deceiving people. Once in the Grotto Miguel Angel fell into ecstasy and the Blessed Virgin appeared to him and said: *"I HAVE NEVER BEEN HERE IN MENDOZA, MY SON."*

People were confused because this false seer had convinced them. The Blessed Virgin indicated that She would appear on Monday, March 4th at 3:00 pm. She tells him that it will be so that the people believe and that She will perform a miracle.

News spreads quickly and on the appointed day a crowd of some 300 gathered at the Grotto of Fatima, among them two priests and a neurosurgeon.

At the indicated time Miguel Angel fell to his knees near the Grotto and the apparition began. The seer looks up, sees Our Lady and begins to smile and then request that his head be examined. People had brought cameras and recorders. Miguel Angel begins to suffer the stigmas. Those near him see it and exclaim that blood has begun to sprout from his head.

The doctor approaches and examines him and exclaims: "Small puncture wounds are appearing before my eyes, it is fresh blood." One of the priests presents some medals to Miguel Angel. The seer says: "*You bless them first*" and then he presents them to the Blessed Virgin.

He stands up and looking at the sky makes his way towards a tree where the false seer Amelio Innocenti is hiding from the crowd. He is confused at having been unmasked so unexpectedly.

Miguel Angel turns and heads in another direction, then begins to lift some religious objects, at one point he says: "*Look at the sun*" and before the astonished gaze of the attendants the sun begins to spin and emit rays of various colors. Then the sign of the ICHTHUS appears in the sky; it is the fish, the sign of the first Christians. Everyone is amazed. Miguel Angel begins to sing the Hail Mary and Shalom Myriam. After a while he speaks to the attendees about the earthquake that occurred in Chile the previous day. He tells them not to worry about their relatives because everyone was fine. He came out of his state of ecstasy and the apparition ended.

The mission that the Blessed Virgin had entrusted to Miguel Angel had been fulfilled and the pilgrims returned to Chile happy with what they had achieved in Mendoza.

## **Twelfth Apparition of the Blessed Virgin and Fifth Apparition of Saint Michael the Archangel.**

A new apparition of Our Lady and a fifth Eucharistic miracle took place on Thursday, March 7, 1985. Miguel Angel fell in ecstasy around 11:00 p.m., with my parents Jorge and Lucy present. Once more this happened in our backyard.

The seer shouted for my father: "*Uncle*" then the apparition began. Miguel Angel received Holy Communion in visible form, in his mouth, from St. Michael the Archangel.

Then the Blessed Virgin appeared and said: "*BE NOT AFRAID, MY IMMACULATE HEART WILL BE YOUR REFUGE.*" After this the seer came out of his ecstatic state.

Social Worker Ms. Ruby Gálvez arrived in our house just in time to witness a new apparition. By now it was Friday 8 March (as it was past midnight). The seer again fell into ecstasy and again receives Holy Communion in visible form, in view of all those present. The Blessed Virgin: "*I HAVE MADE THE HOST APPEAR AGAIN SO THAT YOU MAY BELIEVE AND OFFEND MY SON, OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, NO MORE.*"

Continuing with the apparition of that day in our house Miguel Angel says: "*Our Lady promises Holy Communion for Saturday if you all behave.*" (The Blessed Virgin was referring to the apparition that would occur in Villa Alemana the following day). The Virgin told the seer to go to the Hill of the apparitions in Peñablanca for She needed him there. This would occur during other apparitions in my home. That is, that the seer, Miguel Angel Poblete would receive instructions about things concerning Monte Carmelo of Peñablanca.

A total of two visible hosts miraculously appeared in this apparition, one on Thursday March 7th around 11:00 p.m. and another host on Friday 8th March past midnight.



## Thirteenth Apparition of the Blessed Virgin

This apparition occurred at 09:00 p.m. There is no record of the exact day but it was probably on April 1985. My parents Jorge and Lucy, my brothers Patricio and Carlos and I were present. The seer fell to the floor in ecstasy next to the Grotto of Lourdes, it was dark, and we all knelt with Miguel Angel who began his dialogue with the Blessed Virgin. He was speaking aloud and repeating what the Blessed Mother was saying to him. We heard him say that we were to prepare for an event that would happen later where there would be a great darkness. After the seer finished narrating all these instructions he came out of his ecstatic state.

What I remember is that She said: *"You must all gather in a single room, you must not look outside, only the blessed candles will light (blessed on the feast day of the Candlemass, January 2), you are not open the door to anyone, whosoever it may be, that we would know the date of this event 8 days in advance"*. I remember this perfectly the rest is told my mother Lucy Elliott: "About the three days of darkness She said that hopefully we would all gather together. Miguel Angel even said that we could stay in the dining room because it was a large room without windows. (The chapel had not yet been built). That we were not to open the door to anyone".

*"If you hear the voice of any of your children pay no attention because the devil will try to imitate the voices of your children, he will do it so that you open the doors. You must open to no one, you have to shut the doors because all the devils will be outside and will pollute everything. So it is you who have to be locked up during those three days of darkness. You have to have a blessed candle and blessed matches that will be the only thing that will give light because it will be a horrific darkness, you will not even see your hands if you do not have those blessed candles. This is very important that on the Feast of the Candlemass (Solemnity of Mary January 2) you bless the candles and keep them at hand for the day of darkness."* This is what my mother remembers about this apparition that was very impressive because of this terrible message.

## **Apparition of the Blessed Virgin in Peñablanca on Monday, June 11, 1984, the three days of darkness are recounted**

**Excerpt from the book: "If you do as I say there will be peace, otherwise..." Written by Ms. María Luisa Paredes Zamora. Printed in Chile by Arancibia Hnos.y Cía. Ltda. Second Edition, Corrected in 2005.**

Today we have no speakers a very usual setback. We're praying the rosary.

Miguel Angel begins to give an apocalyptic message about the three days of darkness, but we are unable to hear the entire message.

*"A gas will cover the earth. You will have to save water, firewood, non-perishable food, flour, oil, etc.*

*The animals outside the house. Cover windows well, hopefully with blankets and most importantly do not look out or open the door to anyone.*

*Everyone inside the house, even if you are told it's a relative, it could be a deception.*

*Agree with your relatives not to open.*

*Nor gas, light, or paraffin will work. Only the blessed candles will be of use and pray the Rosary at your altars (oratories); continuously, without stopping. If one gets tired the other continues.*

*If possible, be not frightened by what is happening. Pray and ask for mercy.*

*Do not look outside, no one; don't be curious".*

## **Fourteenth Apparition of the Blessed Virgin and Sixth Apparition of the Archangel Saint Michael.**

It happened on Monday, May 27, 1985. It was the sixth Eucharistic miracle that occurred in our house. I remember my brother Carlos and I were in the backyard; the chapel had not been built yet. We were a bit annoyed with Miguel Angel. He was difficult to get along with despite the fact that we were convinced of the veracity of these apparitions and that, naturally, we treated him with respect.

It was Miguel Angel's, birthday. He turned 19. That day he arrived around 04:00 p.m. He looked into our room he greeted us and said very enthusiastically: "Hello". We did not answer his greeting and he withdrew without saying anything. My mother later told me this caused him great sorrow.

Father Miguel came to see Miguel Angel, heard his confession and then left. That night Miguel Angel went to bed in tears. He told my mother that he was very sad because Carlos and I had not greeted him. She comforted him and told him that we all loved him but he continued to weep and after a while he fell asleep. My parents stayed up for a while and it wasn't long before Miguel Angel shouted "*Auntie!*" They went to see him and found him kneeling on the bed in ecstasy and with the visible Communion in his mouth. The Archangel Saint Michael had appeared.

After communion he said to my father, "*Examine my head.*" and began to suffer the stigmas. Little streams of blood spontaneously sprout on his head but it did not run down his face. Then the seer stood up and went towards the dresser in my granny Luzmira's room where she kept a Pall. There, Miguel Angel turned around and said, "*Bring the Ciborium.*"\*

My father went to fetch it and then an extraordinary miracle happened. Before the eyes of my parents miraculously there appeared on the Pall 10 beautiful Hosts.

Miguel Angel, in ecstasy, took the Pall without touching the hosts and deposited them inside the Ciborium, then still in ecstasy and barefooted headed towards the courtyard of the house and said: "*Bring two candles and a white cloth.*"

*\* As I have told on other occasions my grandmother Luzmira kept a Pall alongside other religious ornaments that my parents guarded jealously. She had received them two years before the apparitions began in Villa Alemana, from Sisters Sofía Rosas and Concepción López of the Congregación Obreras Catequistas de Jesús Sacramentado (Congregation of*

*the Catechist Workers of Jesus in the Holy Sacrament), who have since passed way. When both of them left Chile they left these holy objects in our home with a complete library of religious books of great value.*

My brother Carlos and I were in bed during these unexpected occurrences. Miguel Angel placed the white canvas over the patio tiles, the Ciborium in the middle and the two-lit candles on either side. The Archangel Saint Michael told Miguel Angel that the Hosts were to be distributed. After this the seer came out of his state of ecstasy.

Miguel Angel told my father what the Archangel had ordered but that he did not know how he was to do this nor who could distribute the Host as there was no Eucharistic Minister present. My father thought the best thing was to leave the hosts covered with a glass and with a light and to wait until the next day to let Father Miguel know of this remarkable event. Then something unforeseen happened, Miguel Angel returned to the courtyard with my father behind him and fell into ecstasy again and the Blessed Virgin appeared. She tells the seer: *"YOU MUST RECEIVED COMMUNION TODAY!"* Miguel Angel said aloud: *"Our Lady, we cannot received Holy Communion as there is no one who can distribute it."* The Virgin said: *"BRING A SPOON, LET IT BE BLESSED WITH HOLY WATER, THAT THE ARCHANGEL WILL HELP."* The Virgin also said: *"YOU MUST LEAVE TWO HOSTS!"*



*Ciborium with the ten Hosts that miraculously appeared on Monday the 27th of May 1985.*

Meantime my mother had summoned some neighbors, Dr. Mario Tabja and his wife Ms. Fresia Reyes, Miss Veronica Cancino and Ms. Erika from Quilpué who were staying at their house. They all came immediately.

Miguel Angel took the ciborium with the 10 Hosts inside. It was probably the Archangel Saint Michael who was guiding him. My father then sprinkled a small spoon with holy water and those present received Holy Communion in the manner the Blessed Virgin had indicated, that is, that the Archangel would help: The hosts were directed from the spoon to the mouth without anyone touching them. A total of 7 Hosts were distributed among those who were present.

Miguel Angel realized that Carlos and I had not received Holy Communion as had already gone to bed and he said to my mother: *"Carlos and Fernando have not received Communion and they must receive it today.* Our Lady had said: *"TWO HOSTS MUST BE LEFT "*

Miguel Angel did not know what to do but then something admirable happened. Before the sight and presence of my mother and the seer another Host materialized inside ciborium with the three Hosts. Both exclaimed: "Now there are four!"

Miguel Angel then said, *"These two are for Carlos and Fernando."* The seer made his way towards my brother Carlos's bedroom and with the help of the Archangel he received Holy Communion, then in turn I also received Holy Communion in my bedroom. I remember very vividly the moment the seer entered my room and I saw the Host on the spoon. It was a small Host and very thick with a Cross engraved on it, not like the ones one sees normally. The other two Hosts were kept as the Blessed Virgin had requested.

After this wonderful event Miguel Angel's sadness disappeared altogether. According to my mother this happened to unite the family. Carlos and I got up and with the rest of the family and those present went to the dining room to celebrate.

My mother prepared hot chocolate. A very happy Miguel Angel distributed religious stamps.

Father Miguel was informed next day and came immediately to distribute the two Hosts that had remained in the Ciborium as indicated by the Blessed Virgin.

As soon as he arrived he heard the Confessions of those present, including my paternal grandmother Luisa Toledo, some friends of my mother and believers in Peñablanca. Father Miguel then divided the Hosts distributed them among them.

So ended this exemplary lesson of unity. These Eucharistic miracles that have taken place in our house. Jesus Himself coming to us with his Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity to fill us with undeserved graces. Jesus had come because He wanted to come.

This last Eucharistic miracle was to highlight the enormous value of unity within the coexistence of a family. This was a great lesson for me.

The Lord made himself present to give us the strength, the piety and the love of a God who cares for us all and who wants us to remain united in spite of our differences. To God be the glory and honor for these marvelous Eucharistic events that brought peace and joy into our hearts. A very great demonstration of His mercy.

In total 12 Hosts miraculously appeared between the 27th and 28th May. The first one to Miguel Angel himself at 10:00 p.m. 10 Hosts inside the Ciborium around 11:30 p.m. and one Host that miraculously appeared inside the Ciborium past midnight on Tuesday May 28.

## First apparition of the Angel of Peace

On May 30th, 1985 to Miguel Angel Poblete in the backyard of our home around 10:00 p.m. My parents were present.

According to my mother as he fell into ecstasy he saluted and smiled. He began a silent dialogue and came out of his state of ecstasy. It was a very brief apparition. When my mother asked if the Blessed Virgin had appeared he replied: "*The Angel of Peace came.*"\* It is not known what the Angel said to him.

A few days later Miguel Angel decided to move to another home. He moved to Villa Alemana, to the home of Mrs. María Luisa Paredes. He would continue to come stay at our home from time to time.

**\*Note:** *This is the Angel who appeared to the shepherds in Fatima, Portugal before the apparitions of the Blessed Virgin.*

## **The Virgin weeps tears of blood in our home and the second apparition of the Angel of Peace**

This miraculous episode occurred in our home on November 24th, 1985. On November 23rd. My parents Jorge and Lucy, my brothers Patricio and Carlos and I we were finishing dinner when unexpectedly at around 10:00 p.m. the bell rang. It was Miguel Angel with a friend, Ms. Carmen Aldunate.

They joined us at table but argued that they had already eaten. Miguel Angel proposed that we sing to the Blessed Virgin and went to fetch our neighbors the Tabja-Reyes family. They arrived with Miss Sandra Vera and Ms. Veronica Cancino and we sang songs to the Blessed Virgin and to Jesus accompanied by a guitar. Around 1:00 a.m. our visitors decided to leave. Miguel Angel and Carmen Aldunate were to stay overnight.

As was her custom my mother stayed behind in the living room to say goodbye to the image of the Our Lady of Lourdes that Miguel Angel had given her. Miguel Angel asked Carmen Aldunate to bring him the altar that the Blessed Virgin had asked be made in Peñablanca. She wrongly understood that he was asking for the image of the Virgin so she went to fetch it. She picked up the image, it was late and the lights were dim. At first she did not realize what was happening but as she went into the hallway she uttered a loud cry for the image was weeping tears of blood.

Two tears of blood appeared on Her face, one of them on the right cheek and the other, a larger one that had already trickled down the left side of Her chin. Both leaving traces of blood showing the displacement of tears from each of Her eyes, in addition to another trickle of blood near left side of Her mouth. This image had previously wept normal tears on five different occasions, in front of numerous witnesses, which is documented.

Miguel Angel realizing that the tears were coagulating asked my parents to bring him some squares of cloths that had been blessed by the Virgin earlier in Peñablanca, and with two of them wiped the tears on each cheek, leaving a crust of blood impregnated on the face. Then we called some friends that despite the hour, about 01:00 a.m., immediately came. About 30 persons congregated, most of them believers in these manifestations of Holy Mary, including our neighbors Dr. Mario Tabja and his wife, Freesia Reyes, who was accompanied by her eldest son Mario, Miss Veronica Cancino and Ms. Sandra Vera. Also present were Ms. Magdalena Ortiz, Mrs. Cecilia Hurtado and one of her daughters, writer Álvaro Barros



and his wife Fanny McIntosh, Dr. Alan Rojas Canala and his wife Veronica Hanff, Mrs. Marta Díaz Bordeu with her husband and one of her daughters.

Among those who attended I want to highlight the scientific testimony given by Dentist Mario Tabja and by Doctor Alan Rojas. The dentist who arrived within a few minutes of the incident stated that according to his scientific knowledge the image presented a facial deformation and that the eyelids and cheeks were swollen as if a living person had been crying bitterly. Dr. Alan Rojas, a dermatologist, also gave his testimony. He stated that according to his ocular examination the phenomenon presented all the characteristics of being real blood. In addition he later indicated that under close observation a clear separation was seen between the clot and the serum. He indicated that when one deposits blood in a test tube it coagulates and leaves above the clot that has been withdrawn a yellowish liquid called serum. In this case the blood poured by this image presented this characteristic, fact that became more visible in the cloth with which later the tear had been wiped. Therefore, in his opinion and according to all the evidence, there was no doubt that the image had bled.

Also present were people who had come out of curiosity and witnessed what happened. In the end they always leave with an experience of the supernatural that certainly makes them reflect on the action of the miracle as a sign of the presence of God among men.

After witnessing this event all those gathered were overwhelmed, praying or simply contemplating the bleeding image in silence. Psalms and the Holy Rosary were prayed. Mrs Cecilia Hurtado had barely finished the Rosary near 03:00 a.m. When she saw that Miguel Angel had fallen down on his knees and was in a state of ecstasy.



*The Image of Our Lady of Lourdes that wept blood on November 24th, 1985. It is kept in the family oratory. According to Miguel Angel this same image will weep again when the Holy Father comes.*

The Angel of Peace appeared to Miguel Angel. He spoke to him about the image that shed blood. He tells him that it should be kept as well as the cloths that where used to wipe this blood until the Holy Father comes. He also indicates that the remaining blood scab should not be wiped away. However a few days later Miguel Angel came back to our house and by indication of the Blessed Virgin proceeded to wipe away the crust of blood.

The Angel of Peace also reveals to the seer that the Blessed Virgin has wept for the sins of men. He also manifests that a procession from Estación El Sol to Peñablanca must be prepared for the Virgin on the 8th of December and that the million Vatican flags must be finished (these flags were being made for the coming visit of the Holy Father to Chile). After this the apparition ended.



*Image of Our Lady of Lourdes under a glass cover as it is kept today in our family's oratory. This amazing image wept blood and in more than one occasion wept normal tears. The image received a miraculous host in its hands on August 3, 1984.*

Numerous witnesses were present in our house that day. The two pieces of cloth with the blood of the Blessed Virgin were later stored in a wooden coffer and placed next to the image in the chapel of our home.

Throughout this period of apparitions in our house there occurred 9 Eucharistic Miracles (first 6, 3 others past 12:00 midnight: on the 25th May 1984, on the 7th March 1985 and on the 27th May 1985).

The Blessed Virgin appeared fifteen (15) times. (March 7, 1985 was a special day as the Virgin appeared before midnight and again past midnight on March 8th).

The images of the Blessed Virgin wept tears on numerous occasions. On August 2, 1984, seven (7) images of Our Blessed Mother wept simultaneously.

Regarding the tears of blood shed by an image of Our Lady of Lourdes this occurred only once, on the 24th of November of 1985.

The Angel of Peace appeared twice. Saint Michael the Archangel appeared six (6) times.

## **Visit of Miguel Angel to Europe requested by the Blessed Virgin**

In July of 1986 Miguel Angel Poblete travelled to Europe on a mission commissioned by the Blessed Virgin Mary. He was accompanied by my brother Patricio, whom the Blessed Virgin had chosen as his companion, by Dr. Carla Hieber and by Mrs. Maria Valdebenito (nee Mujica). During apparitions at Peñablanca on June 22nd, 29<sup>th</sup> and July 5, 1986 Miguel Angel had received instructions about this trip from the Archangels Saint Miguel, Saint Raphael and Saint Gabriel

The Blessed Virgin Herself entrusted him this important mission. Here in Chile the apparitions were interrupted for a short period of time. Heaven had its purpose for this journey that would culminate with the seer meeting H.H. Pope John Paul II.

Under the protection of Our Mother the four travelers set off for Europe on the 8th of July. Upon arrival in Spain they immediately headed to Zaragoza where they were to meet with Francisco Sánchez Ventura, lawyer and editor of the magazine "Maria Mensajera"\*. Of course they visited the shrine of Our Lady of the Pillar.

\* Miguel Angel had been commissioned by the Blessed Virgin to meet with this lawyer, editor and promoter of the apparitions of the Blessed Virgin throughout the world.

Mrs. Maria Valdebenito recounts that they were invited to a prayer cenacle at the residence of Dr. Alonso Aranda Llorente and his wife. Present among others were Mrs. Celia Arrufat.

It is here in Zaragoza where the seer had his first apparition on this trip. My brother Patricio recounts that Miguel Angel stood up to leave the room when he fell to his knees in ecstasy. Miguel Angel later tells us that the Archangel presented himself and said: "*That he should be careful of people and that he should always obey the dictations of his heart*". This occurred during the prayer of the Holy Rosary. Miguel Angel then became very cautious and rejected various invitations.

From Zaragoza they travelled to Santander. From there Mr. Miguel González Gay Doménech drove them to the Sanctuary of Garabandal. They remain there a couple of days and Miguel Angel visited the home of Mari Loli, one of the seers of Garabandal, who was there on a short visit. Only the mother of Mari Loli knew that the Blessed Virgin appeared to Miguel Angel. He said that everyone accepted him. He was also able to speak with Mari Cruz another of the seers of Garabandal and to give her a message from the Blessed Virgin.

She is one of the Spanish seers. She is the one who has denied the Virgin causing Our Mother unspeakable suffering. He also spoke with the mother of Mari Cruz. He met with Conchita's mother, the last of Garabandal's Seers, who currently resides in the United States. Patricio Aravena has fond memories of this place and tells us that there were pilgrims from the United States and England.

After the sojourn with the Pilgrims in Garabandal the travelers continued their trip to the Sanctuary of Lourdes in France where they stayed for two days. The trip also contemplated a stay in Paris. On July 23 the Archangel Saint Michael appeared to Miguel Angel in his hotel room. The Archangel said: *"Do not go to Paris because there is total corruption there."*

The pilgrims then travelled to Germany, to the city of Augsburg, to a place called Neusses, where Dr. Carla Hieber had relatives. Miguel Angel had no apparitions here.

The seers apparently expected a confirmation from the Archangel about what should be done but as this does not occur he and Mrs. Maria Valdebenito decide to travel to the South of France, to the Sanctuary of La Salette, near the city of Grenoble.

The seer himself recounts his experience in La Salette. He said that he had been in that Marian shrine for a week with Mrs. Maria Valdebenito, that he did not know if the Blessed Virgin would appear to him. He was worried because he and Maria were alone; Patricio and Dr. Hieber had come to La Salette for a short time but had both returned to Germany.

Miguel Angel and Mrs. Maria Valdebenito remained in La Salette. The seer recounts how on the 13th of August he was in his room at the guest house thinking that the Blessed Virgin had forgotten them when suddenly at approximately 18:00 (6:00 p.m.) he sees a white light and leaves his room to explore and falls into ecstasy inside the guest house. The Blessed Virgin appears to him as Our Lady of La Salette. Our mother says to him: **"MY SON, I HAVE NEVER ABANDONED YOU. YOUR MOTHER WILL NEVER ABANDON YOU NOT EVEN ON THE DAY OF DEATH, WHEN SHE WILL INTERCEDE FOR ALL OF YOU."**

After this beautiful message the Blessed Virgin hands him a piece of the stone on which She sat when she appeared to Melania and Maximino (this piece of stone is currently in the Chapel at Peñablanca). She tells him a secret, and he says, *"That's the problem with the secret, that's happening to me now."* After this the Blessed Virgin raises her eyes to Heaven and shows Herself as the White Lady of Peace. She tells the seer the following: **"AT FIRST THERE WILL BE DIFFICULTIES IN THIS JOURNEY, BUT WITH FAITH ALL WILL COME OUT WELL."**

Then Miguel Angel again looks up towards the sky and the Virgin once more shows Herself as Our Lady of La Salette and says: **"KEEP GOING FOR OUR LORD WILL BE WITH YOU."** Dr. Hieber and Patricio had already left for Germany on their way back to Chile.

Miguel Angel and Mrs. Maria Valdebenito depart for Rome as the seer has received instructions that they must go to see Pope John Paul II (now canonized). After some difficulties with the help of the Chilean Embassy to the Vatican they managed to obtain passes to attend the General Audience on August 20th.

That day they arrived very early and Miguel Angel handed an image of the White Lady of Peace to Mrs. Maria Valdebenito for the Pope to bless. His Holiness entered greeting everyone, sat down and presented the Cardinals who accompanied him. They spoke in their own language. After a moment Miguel Angel, who was close to the Pope, noticed that he looked attentively at the image they held. The Holy Father addressed those gathered and when he finished everyone approached him. They also approached to get as close as possible. Miguel Angel made his way through the pilgrims and began to address him from afar. The Pope at one point moved towards the seer and said: *"Come closer."*

Excitedly Miguel Angel approached. The pope shook his hand and spoke to him. Miguel Angel asked him to bless the image he was holding, but the pope said: *"I want her for myself."* Miguel Angel handed the image to the Pope who kissed it and handed it to one of the papal guards.

Miguel Angel and Mrs. Maria Valdebenito were very happy. The audience lasted about two hours. Then the travelers went to visit the Church of Santa Cecilia where something extraordinary took place. They entered to visit the Blessed Sacrament. Miguel Angel said that the Blessed Sacrament became illuminated and a voice emerged and addressed him: *"EVERYTHING IS DONE, THE MISSION IS ACCOMPLISHED"*. He continued speaking to me and in a moment, to refer to Our Lady, He said: *"MY MOTHER."* I did not have a vision, I only heard a voice."





*Miguel Angel raising the image of the White Lady of Peace at the Vatican. The Pope (now St. John Paul II) looks at it and then asks for it.*

Before returning to Chile the travelers visited the Sanctuary of Fatima. The mission entrusted to Miguel Angel Poblete by the Blessed Virgin had come to an end.



## **History of the leather sandal worn by the Divine Child Jesus, promised to my mother.**

The history of this sandal is as surprising as the disbelief, obstinacy and division among those attending the Apparitions of Our Mother at the time that brought about the disappearance of real evidence that could have been scientifically analyzed.

### **Apparition at Peñablanca on June 13, 1984 (Extract).**

At 12:00 noon, about 400 people had gathered on Mount Carmel for this new apparition.

The Virgin had asked Miguel Angel to bring something to store the sandal of the Child Jesus that Lucy Elliot had asked for. A box with a transparent lid to store cassettes had been chosen.

Miguel Angel in ecstasy converses with Our Lady. At one point he gestures as if receiving something in his hands. He then asks for the box in which he places the sandal of Baby Jesus, invisible to those present. He also places four red roses.

When the apparition ended Miguel Angel told us that it was one of Baby Jesus' little sandals. He began to relate what he had lived: *"I took the sandal off the foot of Baby Jesus. It is made of leather and has straps on its sides to fasten it"*. He added that he handed it to Father Miguel Contardo and that the Blessed Virgin has indicated that at a later date it would be made visible to everyone.

That same day the box was taken to a Notary Public in the City of Quilpué to be sealed. The following day, the same thing was done in Santiago. The official document bears the signatures of Father Miguel Contardo, Alejandro Cifuentes Bezanilla and Mónica Díaz Bordeu.

### **Apparition on Sunday 1º of July of 1984, Peñablanca (Extract)**

Miguel Angel enters the Holy Garden approaches the olive tree, crosses himself and kisses the cross of his rosary. Father Miguel Contardo is next to him. Later the seer suffers the stigmata that represent the martyrdom of the Crown of Thorns suffered by Our Lord Jesus

Christ; blood runs down his forehead. Drs. Alan Rojas Canala and Adela Frías Larraín examine him and testify to what they see.

At the end of this impressive apparition with the stigmata visible to all those who have attended, the seer says: *"The Angel has removed the little sandals ... for not respecting the Holy Place, which God has chosen, today the prodigy will not be seen, because one has already been given and twelve are already given"*. (The Blessed Virgin was sad due to the lack of reverence in observing the stigmas and the Holy Communion received by the seer).

#### **Apparition in Peñablanca on Tuesday, December 25, 1984 (Extract)**

It's exactly 9:00 p.m. when Miguel Angel falls into ecstasy. At the request of the Blessed Virgin all are dressed in white. At one point in the apparition the seer mentions the Rosary that my father Jorge Aravena has made. Miguel Angel makes his way to the front of the chapel. In his hands he holds the long Rosary. He enters the chapel and asks Father Miguel Contardo to open the tabernacle. Miguel Angel leaves the chapel carrying a small box and says: *"Everyone give each other the greeting of peace"*. He walks around with the box and then returns to the chapel.

After a while he says: *"Our Lady has allowed many who are here to see this little sandal. By December 29 all will be able to see it because this sandal is destined for a person who may have it. Then he adds: "It will be brought again on the 29th, it will be shown to everyone and even taken out of this box, allowed to be touched, looked at to see if it really is. It is not a shoe, but a sandal; it belongs to Our Lord Jesus Christ. He is going to leave it with us to remind us that His Mother, the Full of Grace, was here"*.

Then the seer says: *"OBEY, MY CHILDREN, THE MANDATE THAT YOUR MOTHER COMMANDS, SO THAT EVERYTHING THAT SHE SAYS TO YOU IS FULFILLED. FUTHERMORE, THERE IS A BLESSED ROSARY AND A SCAPULAR; THEY ARE GOING TO REPLACE THE WATER. WHOSOEVER TOUCHES THEM, IF YOU ARE ILL OF THE SOUL OR PHYSICALLY, YOU WILL HAVE NUMEROUS GRACES, AND EVEN A MIRACLE. ALSO HAVE MUCH FAITH IN THE MEDAL THAT I ORDERED COINED BECAUSE IT WILL ALSO BEGIN TO WORK MANY MIRACLES. IT IS A SECOND MIRACULOUS MEDAL. IT ALSO SERVES AS A SCAPULAR, FOR SOME OF THOSE WHO DO NOT HAVE IT."*

#### **Apparition in Peñablanca on Saturday, December 29, 1984 (Extract)**

This apparition has been preceded by a procession from the El Sol Train Station to the summit of the Blessed Hill. Inside the chapel, at the appointed time, Miguel Angel falls violently to his knees in ecstasy in front of the altar; by his side is Father Contardo on his knees.

At some point during the apparition the seer smiles and crosses himself and says: *"Our Lady asks for the little sandal of the Child Jesus"*. Miguel Angel has his hands extended forward

as if trying to take something and says: "*Place it here for me*" (The seer points towards the Tabernacle where the sandal was being kept). He exclaims: "Is it here?" Then says: "*Here comes the little box*". Miguel Angel has joined his hands in prayer. He is kneeling in front of the Tabernacle. He smiles happily. He has been handed the box containing the sandal of the Child Jesus covered with a white cloth. He hands it to Javiera and then recite the Apostles' Creed.

He bids Our Lady goodbye.

#### **Apparition in Peñablanca on Thursday, February 21, 1985 (Extract)**

Today the Blessed Virgin appears under the invocation of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, the seer already in ecstasy, sings Her hymn.

During this apparition the Tabernacle has been reopened and the box containing Baby Jesus' sandal has been removed (as on other occasions only Father Miguel Contardo opens the Tabernacle when Our Blessed Mother requests it).

#### **Apparition in the City of Mendoza, Argentina on Monday, March 4, 1985. (Extract regarding the sandal of the Child Jesus.)**

The seer, as reported earlier, traveled to Mendoza at the direction of the Blessed Virgin. There She appeared in a Grotto dedicated to Our Lady of Fatima. About 300 witnessed this apparition.

There is a false seer in Mendoza named Innocenti who has been deceiving many people. While this is happening in Mendoza, here in Chile, someone desecrates the Tabernacle of the Chapel at Peñablanca. (There is a new Tabernacle now). The perpetrator, who was seen by a few who were present at the time, wanted to know if there were Hosts in the Tabernacle and if Miguel Angel was telling the truth or lying.

The desecrator verifies that the Ciborium is full of Hosts. Not content with this he removes the box containing the sandal of the Child Jesus, breaks the seals and opens it (it had been previously sealed before a Notary Public), he sees nothing inside it except the petals of the roses. Later he falsely denies having opened the tabernacle. Because of this sacrilege Saint Michael the Archangel removed all of the Hosts. In a later apparition Our Lady informed the seer that the tabernacle had been desecrated. The Child Jesus' sandal did not appear again.



*Box that contained the Sandal of the Child Jesus bearing the Seals of the Notary Public that were broken by the person who wanted to see what was inside.*

**Note:** Some time later and perhaps as a loving gesture of consolation on the part of Our Blessed Mother, my mother found inside a chest of drawers in her room, a very well made small rubber sandal that fitted the foot of a small Baby Jesus image made in Cuzco, that she had in our Oratory at home. This is not the little sandal that the Blessed Virgin had promised, the sandal worn by the Divine Child Himself, that the Virgin had authorized could undergo scientific analysis without being torn; however, the behavior of the people in Peñablanca has prevented the apparition of this relic.

## **APPENDIX No. 1**

### **The mystery of Miguel Angel Poblete, chosen by the Blessed Virgin**

Miguel Angel Poblete was born on May 27, 1966 in Curicó, a city located 196 km south of Santiago (the Capital). His mother, María Rebeca Poblete Guerra, was 15 years old when she had him. She registered him as a natural child on June 6th of the same year under number 1.096 of the Civil Registry. Little is known about his father, as there is no certainty of his identity. Maria Rebeca abandoned Miguel Angel on the doorsteps of the Hospital in Curicó. When Miguel Angel was one month and fifteen days old he was placed at a day-care center for abandoned children run by Mrs. Emelina Jara Constanzo, an admirable woman who received him and gave him a stable home alongside her three daughters: Adelaida, Erika and María Angélica, the latter adopted. Her husband, Mr. Juan Acevedo, an Accountant was her great support. He was for Miguel Angel, in a certain manner, the figure of the father he never knew. Unfortunately he died on March 15, 1975, when Miguel Angel was nine years old.

Until this age Miguel Angel knew happiness. He had a home that welcomed him, he received love and protection from Mrs. Emelina and he knew joys and learnt that there is a God. I think that in spite of all of this affectivity deep inside he must have felt great sorrow knowing his parents had abandoned him. After the death of Mr. Juan Acevedo everything changed. Economic straits and a Social Assistant, named Julia, who visits the day-care, entered the picture. A strict woman of little common sense closed de nursery. In December of 1976, Mrs. Emelina was forced to move to Santiago to the house of one of her daughters, taking Miguel Angel and Maria Angelica, her adopted daughter with her.

The improvement was short lived. During the first months tensions build up resulting from the arrival of the children. Her daughter Erika's husband considered them strangers who had come to alter their lives. The pressure became so great that Mrs. Emelina was forced to place Miguel Angel in the house of a neighbor who received him until the boy could pass the 4th Grade.

The situation reached a point of absolute breakdown and on April 28, 1978, Mrs. Emelina placed the boy in the Javiera Carrera Children's Home. The real ordeal begins for this child. He comes face to face with the reality and rudeness of this new life where everything is different. He no longer has anyone to protect him and is continually, bullied, harassed and even physically assaulted by the other classmates. The reader cannot imagine what it was for the boy to live in a place infected by all sorts of vices. This was how Miguel Angel had

to grow up. The word joy no longer had meaning for him. It was brutal. One of the officials of the Home named Walter tried to molest him. Miguel Angel defended himself and managed to get away. The official threatened him so he decided to run away. He was twelve years old.

He manages to reach Ms. Emelina's house but is placed in the Bethel Home. In 1979 he attends Public School No. 176 in Macul where he passes the 5th Grade. The Director of this establishment, who was good-hearted and selfless tried to place him in the "Aldea S.O.S.", but was unable to do so. She then took him to the Galvarino Home, at the time located at 441 Calle Ejercito. She was cited to appear in the 6th Juvenile Court where she files a formal complaint of "abandonment", which is recorded in file No. 3.263.

Juvenile Court Judge, Mrs. Blanca Torres, entrusted the boy to the Director of the establishment on the understanding that the establishment would care for the child. Here he led a normal life and schooling but her relatives interfered making trouble and she was unable to keep him under her care. Mrs. Emelina had to take charge of Miguel Angel once more. Thinking that the boy had to leave because of misconduct on his part she decided it was best to place him under the tuition of the Juvenile Court and requests his internment for "protection". The child then entered the Galvarino Home that operated as a prison.

Miguel Angel always kept a diary of life where he wrote everything that happened to him therefore we have a record of all the experiences that went through in these different places. At this Home he had a very bad time. The system was rigid and the treatment was very harsh; he endured much suffering until after several months he was transferred to an Educational Establishment called "Realidad" in Carmen Street.

Within days of being there, something regrettable happened to him. The boy had a severe headache and went to bed, something that was not allowed. One of the officials of the Home severely told him off and hit him at the base of the neck. He had to be taken to the Paula Jaraquemada Hospital and was diagnosed with a fracture. As an act of reparation for this brutal action the Juvenile Court sent him back to the Javiera Carrera Home, the same Home where an official had assaulted the child when he was twelve years old. He agreed to return as he learned that the official no longer worked there. He met with some old companions that remembered him and managed to have a quieter stay. This Home was then transferred to the Private Sector, to a Religious Foundation, whose first Director was Brother Jean Marc Gagnon. He renamed the home "Aldea de Hermanos" (Village of Brothers). There they were sent to the Private School No. 629, St. John of Kronstradt. On the second day of attending classes Miguel Angel was surprisingly enrolled in 8th grade, although he should have attended 6th grade.

On April 30th 1980, a regrettable accident occurred on the way to school. The minibus with a capacity for 21 passengers was carrying 80 students. The mountain road was sinuous and with many ravines. The vehicle burst a tire and plundered down 35 meters into a ravine. The result was dramatic, eight seriously injured, including Miguel Angel, and seventy-two

with less severe and minor injuries. He was transferred to the Emergency Room of one of Santiago's, hospitals and diagnosed with a fractured arm, a lumbar fracture and an evolving Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI).

Only at the end of June did he return to the "Village of Brothers", angry and immobilized under medical orders to rest for two months. He was 14 years old. There have been many contradictions and falsehoods regarding what happened to Miguel Angel in these places and what his directors and officials said about him. Someday the many irregularities and suffering that this boy underwent will come to light.

Not long after the accident and convalescence the harassment started again, until, tired of so much pressure, he had his cast removed early. This subsequently caused him to suffer severe back pains.

He eventually failed to pass the 8th Grade after losing months of schooling, not to mention the fact that he inexplicably had only passed the 5th Grade. The Director of the St. John of Kronstradt Establishment acknowledged this negligence on the grounds that at the time of registration there was no proper documentation available.

On January 8, 1981, Miguel Angel was granted two weeks vacation so he returned to the home of Mrs. Emelina Jara, where tired of so much ill treatment he decides to tell Emelina that the holiday period was for a full month. Mrs. Emelina then sends him to a relative of hers named Rachel where he could rest and help her with light chores. After the month, Ms. Emelina informs him that he had to return to the "Village of Brothers". Meanwhile the establishment had notified the 6th Juvenile Court that Miguel Angel has disappeared and a detective was now looking for him even though he has committed no crime. The distraught and weary lad had simply decided to stay away for two extra weeks.

This led Director, Brother Jean Marc Gagnon, to request the expulsion of Miguel Angel from the "Village of Brothers" by the Juvenile Court on the 5th of February 1981. Miguel Angel had to return to the Galvarino Home, where he was again placed at the 8th Grade at the School of San Lázaro, run by Brothers of the Salle, despite not having passed the Sixth and Seventh Grades. Here he was able to continue his studies. Here schoolmates again bullied him.

One day one of his schoolmates invited him to his house. He had already made friends because of his friendly and sociable personality. He asked for permission and was granted it on the condition that he returns no later than twelve o'clock at night. He returned an hour earlier than agreed, but the Inspectors on duty had not been informed of this departure and when he wanted to enter he denied him entry thinking that Miguel Angel had escaped. The boy was sent to the Bethel Home. Fed up Miguel Angel decided to show up at a Police Station. They took him to the Juvenile Court and from there to the Judge of the 6th Juvenile Court.

On June 15, 1981, Judge Mrs. Blanca Torres after confirming that the child had not been caught in any crime but that he had voluntarily gone to the authorities orders the child to enter a Children's Home in Santiago, a place even less suitable than the Galvarino Home. He is consulted about his mother but he only knows that he was born in Curicó. So he is sent to Curicó to be placed under the care his mother, but incredibly he is taken to a Criminal Youth Precinct, a fifteen-year-old boy who had never committed a crime.

His mother could not be found. In the meantime, he stays at this compound for four months. Mrs. Emelina Jara is contacted. She however has no knowledge of what has been happening to Miguel Angel and thinks he has been misbehaving.

All formalities exhausted authorities decide to bring him back to Santiago where he entered the Home for Minors for the second time. He remains there for almost eight months. The boy had already lost the school year, but in 1982 he again attends the 8th Grade at a public school in Santa Rosa Street.

On June 17, 1982 by Order of the 6th Juvenile Court, where he is consigned as "abandoned", he is sent to the Carlos Buren Home, in the city of Villa Alemana.

At the end of 1983 his record was set straight. All the errors made by the Homes and the officials that had caused Miguel Angel such grief are happily clarified at the end of 1983 following the Statements of Judge Blanca Torres of the 6th Juvenile Court, and of Social Assistant Mrs. Monica Díaz Bordeu, who presented a detailed investigation of the background of Miguel Angel Poblete.

Resuming the story, he continued his 8th Grade studies at a local School in Peñablanca. In 1983 by decision of the superiors of the Carlos Van Buren Home who wanted Miguel Angel to acquire a profession he is enrolled at the CEA Institute in the city of Quilpué, where he takes a course in Hairdressing. By now Miguel Angel had turned seventeen.

**On June 12, 1983, something would occur that would radically change the life of this boy. The Mother of God manifests Herself to this little instrument.**

That day Miguel Angel is invited by two friends to climb El Membrillar, a hill that lies to the North of Peñablanca. According to his companions the idea was to go ride some horses that grazed near a reservoir on the hill. Miguel Angel truly believes this, not suspecting their true intentions. The truth is that there are no horses; his two companions have tricked him.

Arriving at the top of El Membrillar, now called Cerro Monte Carmelo, his companions take out of their pockets some tins of "Neoprén" a powerful, toxic adhesive which they intended to inhaled or sniff. Miguel Angel very surprised urges them to throw it away immediately. They threaten to beat him. Disgusted he wandered off.



Half an hour later Miguel Angel sees a small cloud by the side of a tree that began to grow. It was white, round and bright. Miguel Angel ran away towards the road but heard a voice that called him: "**MIGUEL, MIGUEL ANGEL**". He looked back and saw a very young Lady. He panicked and made the sign of the cross with his fingers and instinctively cried out "*Hail Mary Most Pure*". The smiling lady replied: "**CONCEIVED WITHOUT SIN**". Then She said, "**FEAR NOT MIGUEL ANGEL, YOU WILL HELP ME.**" Still afraid he runs and wants to weep. The Lady spoke to him again: "**MIGUEL, MIGUEL, COME, BE NOT AFRAID, I WILL PROTECT YOU**". She adds: "**FIRST TELL YOUR FRIENDS TO THROW THAT DRUG AWAY AND TO COME**".

Only one of them throws the tin away. The Lady then says: "**BEHOLD TEMPTATION, PENANCE, PENANCE**". She then says, "**TELL YOUR BEST FRIENDS TO COME ON THE SECOND DAY OF THE WEEK**". The Lady prays gazing up at Heaven, Her hands in front of Her. She says, "**COME TOMORROW**" and departs.

Miguel Angel later describes Her this way: "*She was in a white dress that reached down to Her feet, barefoot, standing on a dark pink ribbon, a light-blue colored cloak fell down from her shoulders. On Her head She wore a white veil that reached down to both elbows; from Her waist hung a rosary of blue beads; the chain, the big beads, the medal and the cross as of gold. Her face was oval-shaped; Her eyes light brown with a very sweet look. Brown hair and light brown skin. She was all luminous, as if a golden light engulfed Her, a light that also illuminated me, and from Her hands came rays of colors. When she raised her hands, a light reached Her that She difussed downwards like rays.*"

The Lady told him to return on the following day at the same time that is at three o'clock in the afternoon. Thus began these remarkable events for this boy. The Blessed Virgin would present Herself on this hill to give the world messages warning of the difficult situations to come, and to give hope and encouragement to the inhabitants of this world who face the most complex problems, especially those concerning morality, and to give guidance concerning the prayer of the Holy Rosary, penance, sacrifices and return to God for the salvation of souls.

The messages given by the Blessed Virgin have already been made known through the different books that have been written, especially by the book written by Mrs. María Luisa Paredes Zamora "**If you do what I tell you there will be peace, otherwise...**" "Second Edition Corrected in 2005. By those of architect Alvaro Barros Valenzuela, Volume I "**I am the Immaculate Heart of the Incarnation of the Son of God**"; Volume II "**I Am the Theotokos**" in 1987; Volume III "**I am the Mother of Relief, The Mother of the Afflicted**" and Volume IV "**Messages of Peñablanca**"; by the writings of Dr. Alan Rojas Canala and Father Miguel Contardo Egaña "**El Monte Carmelo de Peñablanca**". By Father Miguel Contardo Egaña: "**Apparitions of the Blessed Virgin in Peñablanca - My Testimony**" ". Also the book written by Ms. Cecilia Hurtado Goycoolea "**Apparitions of the Blessed Virgin in Peñablanca, Chile 1983-1988**".

But it must be made clear that only God knows the truth regarding the changes undergone by Miguel Angel Poblete that have made many think that it is impossible that the Blessed Virgin could have manifested Herself to this boy, as he assumed attitudes of which naturally he must have had to account for at the time of his death. The Blessed Virgin Herself promised him that She would always be with him. When he traveled to the Sanctuary of the Salette in France, when he visited the Shrine with Ms. Maria Mujica on August 13 in 1986, the Blessed Virgin appeared to Miguel Angel as Our Lady of La Salette between 5:00 and 6:00 pm and said: "**MY SON, I HAVE NEVER ABANDONED YOU. YOUR MOTHER WILL NEVER ABANDON YOU, NOT EVEN ON THE DAY OF DEATH, WHEN SHE WILL INTERCEDE FOR ALL OF YOU**". Beautiful message that makes us think that the Divine Mercy will have taken this promise into consideration.

In 1990 when the Apparitions at Peñablanca had ended Miguel Angel Poblete traveled to the Marian Shrine of Medjugorje, a village in the southwestern part of Bosnia and Herzegovina, near the border with Croatia where the Blessed Virgin Mary has been appearing to six seers since the 24th of June 1981. During an apparition dated January 14th 1990 the Blessed Virgin Mary gave the following message to Mirjana and Jacov: "**OUR LADY IS VERY SAD AND SAYS THAT HE (MIGUEL ANGEL) HAS ALLOWED HIMSELF TO BE LED UNTO THE WRONG PATH. TRY TO HAVE MANY HOLY MASSES CELEBRATED FOR HIM. PRAY ESPECIALLY FOR HIM TO GOD THE FATHER AND TO THE GUARDIAN ANGELS**".

Father Slavko Barbaric, the Spiritual Director of the seers, ratified this message. He later wrote a letter to Mr. Alvaro Barros Valenzuela confirming the veracity of the message of the Blessed Virgin regarding Miguel Angel.

The boy one day confided to my mother that he wanted to know who he was because according to him he was neither woman nor man. It later came to light that his genitalia were underdeveloped. He was not examined and treated when he was young and in the homes he bathed with his underwear on to avoid being teased by the other boys. This was one of the reasons he would run away from the Homes he was placed in.

His entire life was marked by suffering, loneliness and incomprehension and of course the Devil tempted him. The seer himself, Miguel Angel Poblete, was the great difficulty and test. After the Apparitions he distanced himself from his Spiritual Director, Father Miguel Contardo and instigated by bad company and by the Devil, he wrongly declared that he was not a man but a woman and began to take female hormones.

Subsequently encouraged by a so-called doctor from Perú and countless injections of female hormones he began to believe himself a female.



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*Birth Certificate of Miguel Angel Poblete indicating his male gender.*

Needless to say, the Birth Certificate of the Civil Registration and Identification Service of Chile, Registration No. 096, dated May 27, 1966, Circumscription Ciudad de Curicó, clearly states "Male" Sex. This is very important to clarify and also to state again that the Blessed Virgin said in Her apparitions that she would never abandon him, not even at the hour of his death.

It is also important to mention that when Miguel Angel was near death a priest who administered the Last Rites and Sacraments assisted him. The priest had received his vocation when he attended the apparitions of the Blessed Virgin in Peñablanca.

He died on 27 September 2008 in the City of Villa Alemana due to multi-organ failure. The Death Certificate emitted by the Chilean Civil Registry, Circumscription Villa Alemana on September 27, 2008, conclusively states that he was male.

The Blessed Virgin warned all believers that they would pass through a very great test and that many would stop believing. When was this warning given? It was given on several occasions.

On December 8, 1985, the seer was heard to say, "**YOU WILL HAVE A VERY BIG TEST. I GIVE THEE PEACE. THERE WILL BE A GREAT TEST OF FAITH. STAND FIRM IN THE FAITH**".

Four days later, on the 12th, he says: "**A TEST OF FAITH FOR ALL OF YOU. IF YOU ACCEPT THE TEST YOU WILL BE IN GOOD STANDING WITH THE LORD**".

On March 22, 1987, in an Apparition of St. Michael the Archangel said: "**STAND FIRM FOR MANY THINGS ARE ABOUT TO HAPPEN**".





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Nombre inscrito : MIGUEL ANGEL POBLETE POBLETE  
  
R.U.N. : 10.159.951-5  
Fecha nacimiento : 27 Mayo 1966  
Sexo : Masculino  
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*Death Certificate indicating Miguel Angel is Male.*

That same year, on October 1st the Blessed Virgin warned: ***“YOU WILL UNDERGO A TEST OF FAITH, MANY WILL BE HORRIFIED. STAND FIRM IN THE FAITH. PRAY MUCH LEST YOU FALL”.***

On the 22nd She announced it again. On this occasion we heard Miguel Angel ask: *"What is it all about?"* He had no inkling that he would be the cause. Just before the apparitions ended, on the 8th December 1987 She gave a final warning: ***"MANY TESTS ARE UNDER WAY, STAND FIRM IN THE FAITH. MANY THINGS WILL BE TOLD YOU, BUT YOU ONLY HAVE TO REMAIN SILENT AND BE PATIENT AND LOVE THE ENEMY"***.

Many ask themselves: Why did She choose this seer? We are unable to provide an answer, only to understand the Free Will given to mankind by God. One of His disciples betrayed Him. We could also ask ourselves why did God choose him?

The Archbishop of Valparaiso declared: ***"If this is from man, it will come to and end by itself, if it is from God nothing will put a stop to it"***.

The important thing is to make known the messages of salvation given by Our Blessed Virgin to Miguel Angel Poblete.

On the 12th of June 2014 it will be 31 years of the Apparitions of the Immaculate Heart of the Incarnation of the Son of God, and now, with the approval of the Bishopric of Valparaiso, Holly Mass is celebrated on the Summit of Mount Carmel of Chile once a month.

## APPENDIX No. 2

### Interview to Father Miguel Contardo Egaña\*

Question: Father, how did your Spiritual Direction of Miguel Angel Poblete come about, and when did he begin to distance himself from you?

Answer: I vividly recall the day the Blessed Virgin spoke to Miguel Angel about this. It was on the 29th December 1983, during the last apparition of that year. Miguel Angel approached me and said: ***“You are going to be my Spiritual Director because the Blessed Virgin told me so”***. I turned stone cold above all because of there being so many other priests, but I replied: *“If the Blessed Virgin so requests I will be most pleased; they will aid me be the instrument to guide Miguel Angel here on Earth”*.

We agreed to meet once a week to talk, for me to instruct and guide him, and for him to question me on any doubts he could have. We began to meet once and sometimes twice a week. I started to instruct him on the life of Jesus Christ. However, Miguel Angel was very restless, he would move constantly and it was very difficult to hold a long conversation with him. I came to realize, as everyone else knew, that he was very ignorant, however he always showed much goodwill and was always respectful towards me. I told him to be confident and assured him that I was going to help him with his spiritual direction. This made him very happy. I soon realized that he knew nothing about the Bible.

He could barely read let alone understand many things. I taught him how to Confess. He told me he had made his First Communion but was completely ignorant regarding the catechism he had however some knowledge of the essentials. I asked Reverend Mother Maria Josefina García Huidobro of the First Monastery of the Visitation to prepare him for Confirmation. He was Confirmed by Monsignor Polidoro van Wlierberghue, Prelate Bishop of Illapel. His godfather was Father Manuel Salinas, Parrish Priest of Los Vilos, who loved him very much.

*\*Interview Father Miguel Contardo Egaña and Fernando Aravena Elliott by the author at the Home for Priests “Santo Cur de Ars” managed by Fundacion Las Rosas*



*Father Miguel Contardo Egaña and Fernando Aravena E.*

My role was more that of a Confessor than that of a Spiritual Director because when I wanted to talk with him he would wander off and I could not have a quiet talk with him. But if, before the apparitions I was near by, he would confess and he would make a good confession and then the apparitions would begin. So the purpose was that for every apparition he would always attend with his soul as clean as possible, in a state of grace, as holy as possible to speak with the Blessed Virgin and also to ward off the Devil who always tries to interfere when the Blessed Virgin is present, to disturb one way or another, but the presence of a priest, armed with a Crucifix and Holy water and the Devil departs.

I attended many apparitions, Most of the times he would confessed before the apparition, however, when there were four apparitions on the same day only one confession was sufficient. That was my role, above all I would pray for him. He also prayed. Sometimes he didn't like some of the things I would say to him and he would sort of tell on me to the Blessed Virgin.

I remember that on one occasion during the apparition he sort of complained about me to Our Lady, telling Her that I often ascended the hill by car, when he had to climb up on foot, he said: "And he who talks so much about mortification rides up the hill in a car". A childish outburst.



Another time, when he had not spoken to me for about a week and I was standing behind him during the apparition, apparently the Blessed Virgin seems to have said something to him, Our Lady told him to mind me, and to shake my hand immediately; then, still in ecstasy, he turned around and shook my hand as if saying we are at peace. It was wonderful.

**Question: Father, did Miguel Angel go to confession until the last apparitions, or did he distance himself from you?**

*Answer:* He was drawing away as of the penultimate apparition when the Blessed Virgin said that in the next apparition he was not going to deny Her but simply that there was going to be a terrible test of faith, in the penultimate or before the penultimate apparition, then when the apparition ended I asked him if this test of faith had to do with him, like if he was going to deny Our Lady or something like that, and he replied, "*I don't know, I have no idea what's going to happen.*" Then he had the opportunity to go to Peru, and this visit to Peru was, according to my thoughts, not to the liking of the Blessed Virgin; but he went.

Miguel Angel accompanied by María Luisa Paredes and by Carmen Aldunate. But he befriended a very good family; of course there was a lot of social life. Then during the period from December 1987 until more or less July, until the last apparition on June 12, 1988, he visited Peru two or three more times. I don't know if they invited him to some discotheque or something and also took him to a psychologist, I did not know this. Later I travelled to Peru to investigate this.

There he behaved very well and I had the opportunity to speak with that psychologist and also with two Peruvian female psychologists who had seen him previously. The psychologist said he was like a hermaphrodite or something like that. It was shocked when I heard this, but said nothing at the time. Of course, it wasn't a secret of confession or anything like that. I didn't say anything until Miguel Angel underwent physical changes.

I had no idea but he seems to have been getting some sort of injections. I'm sure that this is when the Devil butted in. When he received the injections of female hormones he developed breasts. It was sort of like a monster, something like that. I had no idea what was going on because as there were no more apparitions and he had been retreating more and more from me, until the last apparition when I heard his confession and from there on I did not see him again until a few months later when I was living in the city of Los Vilos. I remember Mauricio Tocornal brought him in his car to talk to me. He was already disguised as a woman. I found it so weird. It was almost impossible to talk to him. He kept moving from one place to another. I asked him if he wanted to go to the square to talk more quietly. Unfortunately he didn't want to talk and left. It was the last time I spoke with him.

*Question:* Father, about the last moments of Miguel Angel's life: Do you know if he received assistance? Do you know anything about this?

*Answer:* Yes, the last moments of his life greatly worried me. I had been informed that he was in the hospital. I thought I'd go see him but other priests had already gone but his group of followers, a group of fanatical women dressed in uniforms, wouldn't let the priests in, one of them (the woman) even said, "But why would he need to confess, he is an Angel, he does not need to confess, what foolishness." However, one of the priests, one who knew Miguel Angel from childhood, who had been a companion, a friend, went in anyway. He said, "No one is going to stop me from entering", and managed to get in at the last moment. Miguel Angel recognized him, he gave him absolution and administered Extreme Unction and the Last Rites and Miguel Angel died truly remorseful and well. It was a great joy for me to hear this from the priest who assisted him, whom I know very well.

*Question:* Father, now a question about Miguel Angel's trip to Medjugorje, after the apparitions ended, and about the medical examinations that were practiced in England.

*Answer:* Miguel Angel had befriended a lady (Eliana Salas) who unconditionally believed in him, believed everything. With one of her daughters they travelled to Europe, paid by, I'm not sure, but I think by a Bolivian lady. In Medjugorje Miguel Angel met an English gentleman, a very devoted person who recognized him. He had heard of Peñablanca and realized who Miguel Angel was and he then invited him to England. That gentleman wanted to have Miguel Angel examined by a doctor to see if he was a man or a woman.

He was examined by several doctors, paid for by this gentleman, who was financially very well off, and the doctors came to the conclusion that he was male, a man, of course, with a body in very poor condition due to the female hormones he had been taking under the direction of I do not know whom, surely it was the Devil who had influenced this, but that he was a man. I remember I was at a meeting in Santiago, with all the members of the Monte Carmelo Foundation, if I remember well at the home of Dr. Alan Rojas, when we received a telephone call from England. It was this gentleman calling to inform us that several prestigious and competent doctors had examined Miguel Angel, and that they had concluded that Miguel Angel was a man. This was interesting because at the time Alvaro Barros, one of the members of the Foundation had been having doubts but with this he became convinced that he was a man.

*Question:* Father, a question that anyone interested in the apparitions and is confused by the attitude of the seer might ask oneself.

*Answer:* First of all it is not one who chooses the seer, it is God, and the seer can be anyone, he can be bad, he can be good, etc., bad so that he can become good, etc. "The mystery of God", that is to say that the seer, for being a seer, it does not mean that he is holy, it is a spiritual gift which God gives to some people, whether they are good or bad. Some use it (the gift of being a seer) for good and others for evil. So even in that, when things are good, it is to make us understand that (we who are spectators of these events) are to be humble and that many times we have to hear the word of the Lord from people whom we do not

judge as such (as worthy). So therein lies the humility of the person, in recognizing precisely the Divine message, when it is good, for someone who has had that Divine experience.

Of course we have to carefully study the matter because it is our obligation, but one says: "By their fruits you will know them". Many times you come to the realization, above all priests, that God in some special way (gives the grace) when really, sometimes one can be deceived, and when it can be true.



*Cardinal Jorge Medina Estevez when he was Archbishop of Valparaiso at the Monte Carmelo Sanctuary.*

Question: Father, I wanted to ask you about the permission granted I believe by the Holy See, by Monsignor Ratzinger, the then Prefect of the Sacred Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, apparently through the then Archbishop Bishop of Valparaiso, to celebrate Holy Mass on Mount Carmelo Hill. How was that permit obtained? And also could this be considered a sort of, maybe not approval, but that nothing bad has occurred in this place?

Answer: Yes, you are right. Monsignor Medina being a very intelligent man realized that many people in very good faith went to pray fervently at the sight of the apparitions and that many miracles had taken place; then a year after his appointment he granted

permission to celebrate Mass at the sight of the apparitions. He met with the clergy; he told them about the apparitions and asked if any one present would be willing to celebrate Mass on the Hill. Several raised their hands, among them a priest of the Sagrados Corazones Congregation that we call Padres Franceses. It was Father Gonzalo Duarte García de Cortázar. Later when he announced his appointment as Obispo Castrense (Bishop to the Armed Forces) while officiating Holy Mass on the Hill in Peñablanca people applauded- He asked them not to applaud, but the flags began to flap in the Sanctuary louder than usual. Surprised he said, "The flags are flapping."

### **APPENDIX No. 3**

#### **Stigmata in the apparitions of Peñablanca, Chile \***

On my way here I thought about how to summarize for you this matter of the Apparitions of the Blessed Virgin to the child Miguel Angel Poblete in the short time available to me.

My meditation was important for during the year so much has occurred. From the beginning of these apparitions to this day the material accumulated is enormous. Conversions, personal testimonies, signs in the sky, the messages of Our Lady, the mockery and misrepresentations of the oral and written press are sufficient material to fill a book of several hundred pages. Already my dear friend, Architect Alvaro Barros has written two volumes entitled "I am the Immaculate Heart of the Incarnation of the Son of God".

To try to make this as harmonious and coherent as possible I have therefore decided to best focus on what has happened between the 19th June 1884 and the 31st July 1984 and the interconnection of these events with past events.

On that 19th June (Father's day) I had gone to the hill to one of the so-called apparitions of the Blessed Virgin and it was my luck to witness an event destined to have profound repercussions in a certain medical circle and theological implications. A few minutes before the apparition I saw that Miguel Angel showed signs of feeling great pain—according to him, in the head— and I could see when I examined him by the light of a candle (there was no electric power on the hill) that the source of the pain was the skin of the scalp and that there were two bleeding points in the frontal part, the origin of which I could not interpret at the time. During the apparition the bleeding increased and I observed that the number of bleeding points had increased, numbering at the end of the ecstasy about thirty. During ecstasy the child said that this corresponded to the infamous Crown of Thorns that we all know was placed on Our Lord Jesus Christ's head during the Passion.

From the distribution of the observed lesions it follows that what was placed was a real helmet of thorns, which is in accordance with the studies that have been done on the Sheet of Turin.

*\* Radio interview given by Dermatologist Dr. Alan Rojas Canala in 1984.*



*Dr. Alan Rojas Canala examining Miguel Angel with a magnifying glass at the very moment that these supernatural phenomena occurred on the hill of Peñablanca.*

My curiosity was so great that the next day (June 20), I once again went to the hill, as there was to be another apparition at three o'clock in the morning. I wanted to see if the phenomenon that I found medically unusual would repeat itself. For this I had to travel from Santiago to Peñablanca by car, at night, without having slept and after having seen patients in Santiago the entire day, but what I was studying was so exciting that I did not even notice having gone two nights in a row without sleep.

What did I observe? What did I see?

Before my eyes and the eyes of those around me, on the skin of Miguel Angel's scalp small prick wounds appeared from which emanated fresh blood.

The lesion begins on healthy skin where a ruby red dot, the size of the tip of a pin, appears abruptly. It then begins to grow and forms a drop of blood; the drop is followed by another drop and when one wipes the surface with a cloth one can observe that there is now a micro erosion as if produced by a sharp instrument. Over the course of a few minutes the number of lesions continue to increase and the child begins to show signs of great pain, his face contorting like someone admitted to an Emergency Room with a broken arm or severed leg.

Meanwhile Miguel Angel utters familiar phrases from the Gospels, from the Passion of Our Lord, such as: ***"Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do". "Eli Eli Lama Sabactani" or, "My Father, why hast Thou forsaken me."*** Other times the phrases do not come from the Gospel but from spiritual writings such as: ***"The sins of men make My Cross heavier and heavier."***

When the ecstasy is over the lesions on the scalp quickly begin to disappear and after an hour they have all healed, except for one. The child says: ***"This one is the thorn that pricks Our Lord because of the pride of a certain priest who systematically rejects the apparitions of Our Lady."***

There was no doubt that this bleeding did not correspond to any disease of the skin, or to a self-inflicted cause such as the use of a caustic product or a self-administered treatment. For twenty years I have dedicated myself to the study of the skin. I am a Professor in this field at the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Chile; therefore I know what I am talking about.

What was it then? There was only one possibility that with every passing moment became clearer. We were really in the presence of stigmata, those injuries that have appeared in the course of the history of the Church on the skin of Saints and Mystics, which are located in the same anatomical places of the wounds of Our Lord suffered during His Passion and that in this particular case would correspond to the stigmata of the Crown of Thorns.

On Sunday, July 1st, the bleeding reoccurred but this time Dr. Adela Frías Larraín, a Pediatrician who specializes in Adolescence, had joined the group and together we were able to check the same sequence of events that I mentioned earlier. Another very important support came when the group was joined by Dr. Carla Hieber a Dermatologist born in Germany, with a Doctor's degree from Germany and France and a Surgeon's degree from Chile. Of particular interest to us was that Dr. Hieber had had the opportunity of observing the famous stigmatic Therese Neumann of Konnersreuth in Bavaria, Germany.

Us three doctors continued our observations. There was no doubt that these were true stigmata. Our analysis and research led us out of the realm of medicine because the phenomenon was not due to natural causes and we entered into the criteria that theologians have on this matter. A particularly illuminating analysis came to our aid, that of a Professor of Theology from Salamanca. A Dominican Priest, Fray Antonio Royo Marín who has studied these phenomena thoroughly and published a summary "Theology of Christian Perfection" edited by the Library of Christian Authors in Spain.

According to this priest there are three types of stigmata, those with a permanent wound (such as those of Father Pio de Pietralcina, in San Giovanni Rotondo), those of simple scarring and those with an ephemeral wound that opens and closes for short periods of time. True stigmata are accompanied by great pain, as is the case with Miguel Angel, while those of demonic origin – that do exist – lack pain. A very important sign to prove that they are not

of demonic origin is the abruptness of their appearance and the speed with which they heal once the ecstasy ceases.

Those who want further information on this can consult the above-mentioned book, chapter "Extraordinary Mystical Phenomena".

But let's return to the medical examination. Other professionals, Ophthalmologist, Dr. Ivan Zeperissa, and a Medical Surgeon from the Valparaíso Emergency Service, whose name I do not remember, observed the same thing that I described the night of July 19, 1984.

I told you a moment ago with what deep interest we have followed these episodes. One of them in particular left a deep impression, which still lasts and which I will relate briefly to save time.

It turns out that one night, in a state of ecstasy, the seer with difficulty walked down the hill among the crowd that surrounded him as if carrying a great weight. Suddenly he fell to the ground, in a position similar to that which one observes in the paintings of the Way of Cross by the Italian Masters, when Our Lord falls for the first time or for the second time.

We approached the seer who lay on the ground. We were several inches from him and in a voice full of pain heard him cry out: "**HELP ME CARRY MY CROSS WHICH IS VERY HEAVY FOR THE SINS OF MEN!**"

I don't know why but I understood that the seer wanted to be picked up and so I tried to help him up. To my great surprise I could not move Miguel Angel an inch, I asked for help with the same result. I moved away making way for others. In an instant six men tried to move him. It was useless. It was like trying to move a rock. The phenomenon lasted two to three minutes and when it ceased they lifted him like a feather. I do not think this child could weigh over sixty kilos.

News of the stigmata spread rapidly and the press got hold of it. This gave way to all sorts of controversies and misrepresentations.

A very exciting apparition took place on Thursday, July 12. The child in ecstasy bled in the presence of the three doctors who had studied the case, his face, deformed by pain, bringing to mind that of the Divine Crucified. Around us three priests watched everything unfold. A little further there was a group of eight to ten nuns who prayed incessantly.

When the sharp wounds that appeared before our eyes and those of the three priests became roughly twenty or twenty-five, Our Lady, through the seer, asked for others to come see and that those who entered the garden be skeptical, non-Catholic or scientists. Forty people filed past while the speaker held the seer's head in his hands. All recorded their testimonies, very impressive testimonies that are recorded.



I cannot forget the case of the young lady who watched the wounds bleed and said: *"I am a Mormon, in my religion one does not believe in the Virgin. This is terrible!"* She turned around and left. I was later told that she had converted.

Those who have listened to the recording of that day will remember the case of Mr. Ramirez who, in tears, said that he believed but that with his son it was impossible, that he was impervious to faith. His son was brought into the garden. He was a huge man, extremely fat wearing a parka that made him look like an astronaut. Before our eyes he had an emotional outpour of intense faith. He groaned and wept and whimpered like a child asking forgiveness from Our Lord and the Blessed Virgin. Someone led him out, and in good time too, because if not all of us would have ended weeping.

These conversions, which are abrupt as when someone gets hit with a karate punch, have been seen several times.

Something very interesting happened during another ecstasy. The Blessed Virgin told Miguel Angel to uncover the well. Remember the story of this well dug a few months back at the top of the hill when the experts smile in skepticism when the child claimed that water would sprout. Well, the well had one and a half meters of water when it was uncovered which the next day reached two meters.

The impression of the stigmata was so great that no one paid much attention to the well except my friend Alejandro Cifuentes who collected samples of the water from the well to submit them to chemical and bacteriological analysis.

On Saturday, July 21, during an ecstasy with several doctors, journalists and members of the bishopric commission within the site of the apparitions when I perceived an exquisite smell of roses, the fragrance was intense and came in waves. At first I thought that it came from one of the journalist who was close to me. I thought, my goodness this young lady has good taste. This must be really expensive! Indeed it surpassed everything I knew.

I was still immersed in my thoughts when Father Miguel Contardo whispered in my ear: "Dr. do you smell that aroma? It's roses! I'm sure that it's the Blessed Virgin." And so it was. When the apparition ended Miguel Angel told us that the Blessed Virgin had kissed his right hand and when we smelled it, it exuded an exquisite fragrance that lasted for a long time.

Tonight I have related a series of events that I have witnessed and have been particularly careful to focus on those events that have been witnessed by many. I wanted nothing more than to cite objective situations.

A few days ago a detractor indicated several methods by which, according to him, the child would produce the wounds that we have explained as stigmata. My detractor would not accept any explanation from medical witnesses or others. For him the seer produced the wounds in a manner not yet discovered, that would come to light in future.

I then asked him something he could not answer: Well, if he produces the wounds with any of the means you mention, how does he manage to heal the wounds in an hour and leave the skin healthy?

This last point as far as stigmata are concerned is extraordinary. How to heal something in an hour? Can any doctor explain this to me? I myself cannot.

Before I finish allow me to tell a joke: It turns out that in Spain there was a gypsy who had never seen an elephant, in a newspaper or a magazines or anywhere. His friends, knowing this and knowing that a circus with an elephant had arrived in Granada where they lived decided to take him to the circus. When they arrived the first thing they saw at the entrance of the tent was this enormous elephant from India. The gypsy's mouth dropped to the floor. The Gypsy stared, and stared and in surprise exclaimed: That trunk, those ears, that huge body! No! It cannot be! He walked around the animal several times and finally shouted: "Well ... this creature does not exist! It just does not exist!"

This is the case for many lay people and consecrated men. For our national mentality this cannot be! It can only occur in Europe but not in Chile!. These apparitions of Peñablanca: they do not exist! They do not exist in their minds!

In fact we know that they do exist even if many do not like it.

Dr. ALAN RED CANALA  
Santiago, 1985

## **APPENDIX No 4**

### **The Stigmata of Miguel Angel Poblete\***

I think it is worth considering the stigmata suffered by Miguel Angel. Having examined Miguel Angel Poblete on numerous occasions, always surrounded by witnesses, when the stigmata of the scalp appeared during ecstasy. (He says that the wounds correspond to the Crown of Thorns worn by the Lord during His Passion.)

Personally, these observations have been extremely interesting to me. Suffice it to point out a single facet and it is one that refers to an unusual fact.

It is not my intention to bore you, but calculate that a dermatologist does about thirty skin examinations a day. He works two hundred days a year, therefore has performed six thousand examinations. In ten years it's sixty thousand. In twenty years ...

The point is that after one hundred thousand skin examinations, what Miguel Angel Poblete presents has to powerfully attract the attention of any specialist.

It is needless to insist that neither my colleagues nor I had ever seen these bleedings. The exception being Dr. Carla Hieber who in Germany observed them on Therese Neumann, the stigmatic of Konnersreuth in Bavaria, Germany

All the authors consulted agree that this is a rather rare situation, so it is not strange that when it is presented there is mixed interpretations as to its significance. But let's turn back to the objective and real facts, to that concerning the dermatological.

There is an undisputed authenticity of the episode. On Miguel Angel, at determined times — when he is in ecstasy — there spontaneously appears on the skin of his scalp puncture wounds numbering fifteen to twenty, which bleed and it all happens in the presence of those observing.

After a variable period, which does not last more than one to two hours, the blood forms scabs. These scabs, when caught between the fingers dissolve into a fine powder and at the site where the wounds have been produced the skin heals in one or two hours and there is absolutely no injury, only cutaneous indemnity, only healthy skin.

*\*New Radio Interview to Chilean Dermatologist, Dr. Alan Rojas Canala in 1985.*

These lesions have been photographed countless times, they have been filmed, blood has been analyzed; the public attending the site has taken turns observing the phenomenon that has occurred on numerous occasions.

The time to discuss whether the traumas are self-inflicted by the seer by trickery for the purpose of cheating has passed. This hypothesis, in my view, could have been valid when the wounds first occurred given they could not be explained. We can now say that a certain consensus has been established and that we are in the presence of a strong reality, which continues to occur and that the number of those who testify to these observations continues to grow in number.

If a simulation is discarded then one can ask oneself what is this? Is it a manifestation of an illness or is it a disease? The answer is no. It's neither one nor the other. There are no skin diseases with these characteristics. This is the conclusion that we have reached with Drs. Carla Hieber and Adela Frias Larraín regarding this matter.

What other explanations could there be?

I read somewhere that a person, not a doctor, had declared that stigmata were a manifestation of hysteria. This interpretation, it must be acknowledged, has been given for these phenomena by the so-called naturalist school of thought, that has always had many supporters although in the wrong as we will see succinctly.

For those imbued with rationalism, St. Francis of Assisi was just a religious hysteric, a mystic psychopath. Pope Benedict XIV recounts in the eighteenth century that the Italian scholar and writer Francisco Petrarca who lived in the fourteenth Century attributed the stigmata of St. Francis of Assisi to the imagination exalted by the mysteries of the Cross and that he thought so much about the Passion of Christ that the stigmata appeared by suggestion.

Modern rationalists have not made much progress in their interpretation as they continue to dress their explanations in scientific language such as hysteria, hysteric, psychopathic personality and when all explanation fails, they resort to that Pandora's box called parapsychology.

In our day, Father Pio of Pietralcina de San Giovanni Rotondo, who died a few years ago (in my opinion, a Saint, I would say a great saint) was branded as a hysteric (he had stigmata) with a psychopathic personality (for his accentuated mysticism) with notable Para psychological properties (he would read the minds of the penitents who came to him for advise).

Others, no less imaginative, argue that stigmata occur under a hypnotic induction and while it is true there are authors who say that this can happen, it turns out that they have not seen it but are quoting others. This hypothesis has been copied since the last century and was initially affirmed by Jean Martín Charcot, professor of Neurology at the Salpetiere in

France, who founded his theories on neurosis and especially hysteria on hypnotic induction. Freud, who began his mind research based on Charcot, had to rule out this hypnosis as a working hypothesis.

Myth in Psychiatry is a serious thing. Although it has been shown that under hypnosis you cannot commit murder, robbery or accept some action against modesty, let alone make your skin bleed there is no shortage of those who insist on these fantasies when it suits them.

An interesting aspect of stigmata, of these wounds located in the same anatomical sites where the Lord suffered them during the Passion, is that they occur only in the Catholic world. Stigmata do not exist among Protestants, Mormons, Buddhists, etc. There are, however, accounts of injuries that some Mahometan mystics would present as they relive the battles of the Prophet Muhammad in a prayer reenactment, but apparently by self flagellation to which the believer submits to better relive the battle; they would not be, therefore, spontaneous as the stigmata that interest us.

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Today, while I was thinking about this topic, I found in the newspaper an article about these apparitions that says: *"Endorsed by a document, the result of extensive research carried out by professors of the Catholic University of Valparaiso, we say that everything is a set up"*.

Then adds regarding what we are interested in:

*"That the bleedings of the boy Miguel Angel are the product of a state of hysteria, the same diagnosis that has been given regarding the stigmatic of other nations such as Teresa Neumann in Germany and Father Pio of Italy, and that this phenomenon is not of divine origin."*

When we carefully follow the arguments given by the naturalists I believe that a phrase from St. Pius X can be applied at this point, referring to its variant, the modernist heretics: *"one is amazed by such boldness and ease for blasphemy..."*

If these wounds that appear on the scalp of Miguel Angel were of natural origin, it stands to reason that the healing of the lesions would follow a natural course as well.

Anyone who has suffered a skin wound knows that the skin takes a while to heal. If yesterday you had blood drawn for a routine lab test today you will still see the prick that needle left in the crease of the elbow and you will not be surprised because this is normal.

Well, all those who have examined the stigmas have seen how in an hour or two these heal and there is absolutely nothing left.

Obviously, this is not natural. If the stigmas were caused by a hypothetical hysteria, they should heal like the skin of hysterics heal, that is like everyone else's skin heals and not in an hour or two.

The doctors who have followed this case have concluded that these lesions on the scalp of Miguel Angle have no explanation from the point of view of current medical knowledge.

Dr. ALAN ROJAS CANALA  
Santiago, 1985



*Stigmas suffered by the seer Miguel Angel Poblete on July 1, 1984 in Peñablanca.*

## APPENDIX No. 5

### The Stigmata of Miguel Angel Poblete\*

The purpose of writing this is to record my experience with the phenomenon of the stigmata of Miguel Angel Poblete, seer of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Peñablanca, Chile.

Stigmata are signs or marks on a person's body similar to the wounds suffered by Jesus, Our Lord, during His Passion.

Numerous cases of stigmatic are described in the history of the Church.

Stigmata could be classified according to several criteria: Origin, location, duration, depth and also by the type of the wound.

They could be a permanent wound such as the sores on Father Pio's hands, simple scars or ephemeral scars, such as when a wound opens and then closes spontaneously, as would be the case with Miguel Angel Poblete. In truth I know very little about this phenomena, so I'll describe what I saw:

It was in 1984. It was winter, a rainy day at the top of the El Membrillar hill, today called Monte Carmelo, Miguel Angel Poblete, seer of the Blessed Virgin, was in ecstasy in the presence of about 100 persons. My husband and I attended this apparition. It was then that Father Miguel Contardo in a loud voice requested that a doctor approach because something was happening to the child.

\*Testimony of Dr. Adela Frias L. regarding the stigmata of the seer of Peñablanca.

I approached and was asked to check his head. When I parted the hair I realized that there were several points from which flowed blood in regular amounts, but the most amazing thing was to see how they happened on the healthy scalp, in front of my eyes, pointy lesions that bled as if produced by a sharp object.

All this occurred while the seer expressed intense pain, labored breathing while he said short sentences that we know Our Lord pronounced during His Passion, such as: "**ELOI ELOI LAMA SABACHTHANI**" or "**FATHER, FORGIVE THEM FOR THEY KNOW NOT WHAT THEY DO**" or "**MY GOD, MY GOD, WHY HAST THOU FORSAKEN ME.**"

Slowly the child returned to normal, and the lesions healed in minutes, this is extraordinary.

On occasions the bleeding was profuse.

I always observed stigmata on the scalp resembling the Crowning of Thorns and I understood, by the arrangement of the wounds, which the crown was like a helmet.

I know from other testimonies that Miguel Angel also suffered the wound at the side. At the request of Heaven, Father Miguel Contardo, with all his strength, parted the wound with his hands and blood and water poured out. Later I only saw a linear scar on his side.

While he suffered the visible stigmata on the scalp he always suffered the invisible stigmata on the wrists and the feet, He walked with difficulty. Hence I knew that the nails were on the wrists and not on the hands. In any case, I repeat the seer's suffering was general distressing, full of anguish, deadly. Sometimes I found myself crying out to heaven: *"my God, my God, I understand now, I understand now"*, which is obviously absurd of me.

To summarize, as a doctor I attest that the bleeding of the head was spontaneous accompanied by great suffering; that its healing was swift and complete leaving the scalp healthy and that it produced in all the those who witnessed it a state of shock and a desire to never inflict one of those wounds on Our Lord.

DR. ADELA TERESA FRIAS LARRAIN  
SANTIAGO, CHILE



*Dr. Adela Frias witness "in situ" of these supernatural stigmata, examining Miguel Angel Poblete on the Monte Carmelo hill in the company of Father Manuel Salinas.*



## **APPENDIX No. 6**

### **Medical testimony of the ecstasies of Miguel Angel Poblete from 1983 to 1988**

This is an essay entirely based on my personal experience of the events that occurred during the apparitions of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Peñablanca. I have never seen or heard anything like this before or after.

The person in ecstasy is taken out of the natural order and placed on a totally different plane, disconnected from the physical environment; they are phenomena beyond the laws of nature. All of the senses of the person are compromised and I will describe them one by one regarding this case:

#### **1. Sense of Hearing**

When Miguel Angel begins to perceive Our Lady he hears the sound of bells.

His face changes, it takes on a softer, sweeter expression and he often smiles.

At first Miguel Angel could hear the noises of the faithful at the same time as the voice of Our Lady, but after a while he only heard the voice of the heavenly interlocutor: Our Lady the Blessed Virgin or the Angels, according to each apparition.

Our Lady moves Her lips but emits no sound; She speaks directly to the mind and heart of Miguel Angel.

The child manages to speak various languages including dialects and also retains melodies he can interpret.



*Miguel Angel in ecstasy, kneeling and curved completely backwards.*

The messages are recorded in fire in his mind and he can correct something said by Mary Most Holy several years previously, he can even narrate an extensive three-page message, which at the time was a secret for the faithful.

## **2. Sense of Touch**

All these states of the seer that we call ecstasies begin with a sudden fall to his knees. Medically no kneecap can withstand these blows over and over again without fracturing.

Most of the time Miguel Angel's body oscillates on itself or adopts a backward curved posture although he suffers from a spinal injury the result of a childhood accident.

He moves up and down the hill looking upwards, walking or running, by day or sometimes at night and in total darkness, never stumbling, as if guided from above to prevent him from falling.

On several occasions pins are driven into his skin and he manifests no pain. On one occasion the same thing was done when he was not in ecstasy and he shouted indignantly.



*The seer with a candle lit under his chin without suffering any damage.*

On one occasion the seer suffered the stigmata's of the Passion of Our Lord. He had the wound on the side, and at the request of Our Lady, Father Miguel Contardo placed both hands in the wound and pulled hard from the edges, a drop of blood and water flowed out and the child showed no signs of pain.



*Miguel Angel in ecstasy with his eyes fixed on the sky, without blinking despite the external stimuli.*

On other occasions Miguel Angel's weight increased significantly. Six grown men could not lift him.

On another occasion he levitated more than ninety centimeters off the ground in front of several witnesses.

#### **4. Sense of Smell**

Miguel Angel was allergic to roses and on numerous occasions in the presence of the Blessed Virgin Mary the smell of roses would permeate throughout the holy precinct, even out of season. Miguel Angel would smell the roses and his nose would react.

On other occasions he would complain of bad smells, he would perceive the smell of something rotten, apparently the smell of sulfur of Satan. The revulsion on his face was clearly visible and he would cover his nose.

#### **5. Sense of Taste**

With regard to the Mystic Communion, the Holy Form could remain in the mouth of the child for fifteen or more minutes, without dissolving, and for all the faithful present to see.



*To the astonishment of those present Miguel Angel receives communion from Heaven.*

It should be noted that the ecstasies occurred day and night lasting from a few minutes to five hours at a time.

There is a separate chapter on the stigmata, which I recounted in an earlier appendix.

I do not intend for this brief account to contain all the information regarding this subject, I just wanted to sort it in my mind so that I could help future research with my little grain of sand.

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## APENDIX Nº 7

### States of Ecstasies of Miguel Angel Poblete

During the month of July 1987, there were four apparitions of Our Mother on Monte Carmelo (Mount Carmel) Hill, Villa Alemana.

Monsignor Zuloaga was present in three of the Apparitions and witnessed the seer's ecstasies, stigmata and other extraordinary events.

On July 16, 1987, attending one of the apparitions of Miguel Angel Poblete and wanting to make sure of the truthfulness of the supernatural nature of these manifestations, he himself drove a thick pin in the hand of the seer who in ecstasy was conversing with the Blessed Virgin. When the apparition ended Monsignor Zuloaga gave his testimony of what he had seen and heard. Verbatim he said:

*"I want to explain the following. In studies of therapeutic hypnotism, a very ancient science now applied in many nations, and after having personally studied therapeutic hypnotism in its three special states; first the lethargic state; second the cataleptic state; and third the state of sleep-walking; and having spoken with persons with very close ties to these extraordinary manifestations, I wanted to corroborate for myself this afternoon. I was also here last Thursday and I realized several things. Talking with them this afternoon during the trip from Santiago to Monte Carmelo, I told them how in a state called cataleptic the person loses all feeling and that one can easily, as I have done several times, thrust safety pins or pricked or pierced the hand, ear, or some part of the body without the person in that cataleptic state feeling anything, feeling no pain, or shedding blood. I did so and with a pin I pierced the skin of Miguel Angel's right hand, it remained there until now, when withdrawing the pin from his right hand there flowed a little blood, but only now, and leaving only a slight mark".*

\*Explanation of the state of ecstasy of the seer, given by Monsignor Gilberto Zoouloaga Betancourt, Vicar General of the Diocese of Pereira, Colombia, an expert on these matters.

*The curious thing is that he was not aware of any of this, nor did he feel anything, that's a special state called cataleptic, but the special thing about it is this: One can put, I could put another person or other persons, I could put them into that state which is called hypnotic; first lethargic in a lethargic state and passing on to the cataleptic state and then descending to the third state that is called sleep-walking, but this is done through a special technique;*



*unless the body is in that state, you cannot in any way thrust a pin or for example stroke the body with a lit candle or something that burns because it is a terrible sensation, but it is not so when you are in the cataleptic state; now, there is a state of which mystics and ascetics speak in the Church; it is ecstatic or state of ecstasy.*



*Safety Pin thrust into the hand of Miguel Angel by Monsignor Zuloaga during the Apparition of July 16, 1987 in Peñablanca, Chile.*

*In the state of ecstasy our physical body in a certain sense loses its weight, it acquires more weight, and this is what has occurred here with the body of Miguel Angel who, I was told, could not be lifted by six persons. He was precisely in that state and at the same time he was suffering the pains of the Passion of Christ. This is no longer natural, this is not natural and I wanted to see for myself the difference of Miguel Angel in his ecstatic state and in his direct conversations with an apparition whom we believe in faith to be the Blessed Virgin Mary. Not only does this tell us that this is something that comes out of the realm of the ordinary, but that his body in the manner that he has curved backwards and in the way it balances is not normal either. In a normal state he is not able to do this, therefore it is a state that is called ecstatic, particular of religious mystical states.*

May this serve as a somewhat scientific explanation, but I wanted to show that things that are not ordinary are happening here, they are extraordinary; that are not natural, we could say that they come out of the natural."

Monsignor Zuloaga concluded by asking Our Lady to give "palpable evidence of Her visit to this Holy Place" as She is doing in Medjugorje (Bosnia and Herzegovina) and as She did in Lourdes and Fatima.

Evidence already given in Peñablanca in large numbers and grandiosity that exceeds many apparitions



## **APPENDIX No. 8**

### **The medal that the Blessed Virgin ordered coined in Peñablanca.**

#### **Introduction**

It is of the utmost importance to highlight the request made by the Blessed Virgin in Peñablanca to coin a Medal according to Her indications, as She did in 1830 to Sister Catherine Laboure in France.

In many of Her messages She spoke to Miguel Angel about the prerogatives and privileges for the person wearing this Medal.

I wanted to leave this section of the book to talk about two great gifts that Our Mother has left us in Her Apparitions in Monte Carmelo that I cannot fail to mention: the Medal of Peñablanca and the Ichthus to place on the doors of our houses as a very important protections for these convulsed times that we are living in.

#### **The Medal**

Just as She did in France with the Miraculous Medal, in the Apparitions of the Blessed Virgin in Chile, in the City of Villa Alemana, Commune of Peñablanca, the Blessed Virgin requested that a Medal be coined (2-II-1984).

The Blessed Virgin Herself give the design of the medal: In the middle of the obverse side (front side) of the Medal, the Face of Our Lord Jesus Christ, crowned with thorns with the initials "JHS" on one side and a letter "M" on the other side.



*Outline of the design given by the Blessed Virgin Herself*

She requested that the year that the Apparitions began be placed under the Face of Jesus: "1983".

Bordering the side of the Medal the inscription: "My God! Oh! My Jesus forgive us our sins, deliver us from the fire of Hell."

On the reverse side of the Medal, in the center, the image of Mary standing on an Olive tree with Her arms open in welcome, similar to the image of the Miraculous Medal.

On the left side of the image the word "Shalom" and on the right side the word "Myriam", (Both words in Hebrew - Jewish language).

Bordering this side of the Medal one can read: "From La Salette to Massabielle - from Fatima to Garabandal - from San Damiano to Peñablanca".

The medal is crowned by a six-pointed star, which on the one side reads "Israel" and on the other "Chile".

Our Lady explained the blessings for those who wear the medal:

*"THIS MEDAL HAS MANY GRACES FOR WHOEVER HAS IT IN ITS POWER, JUST LIKE THE SCAPULAR."*

*"IT WILL ALSO BE MIRACULOUS. IT WILL ALSO REPLACE THE "DÉTENTE". IT IS THE SECOND MEDAL I COMMANDED IS COINED IN THE WORLD; THE FIRST WAS TO CATALINA LABOURÉ IN 1830, AND TODAY, IN 1983".*

### **MESSAGES REGARDING THE MEDAL GIVEN BY THE BLESSED VIRGIN IN PEÑABLANCA**

Apparition on Thursday, February 2, 1984

Our Lady showed Miguel Angel the medal to coin and explained its meaning and the favors (graces) to whosoever wore it with faith and trust by saying:

*"YOU HAVE SEEN MY MEDAL, YOU WILL HAVE IT COINED JUST AS YOU SEE IT, LIKE CATHERINE LABOURÉ DID ON RUE DU VAC, IN MY APPARITION IN FRANCE IN 1830.*

*WHOSOEVER WEARS THIS MEDAL, WILL HAVE THE FOLLOWING GRACES:*

- *MIRACLE OF CONVERSION AND HEALING OF THE SICK OF BOTH BODY AND SOUL.*
- *HE WILL NOT SUFFER THE FIRE OF HELL, AS LONG AS HE WEARS IT WITH DEVOTION AND WITHOUT SUPERSTITION.*
- *IT WILL ALSO ACT AS A SCAPULAR, IF AND WHEN PREVIOUS VALID ENROLLMENT OF THE SCAPULAR HAS TAKEN PLACE IN A SPECIAL CEREMONY.*
- *THEY WILL HAVE PEACE IN THEIR HEARTS AND IF YOU PLACE THE CARE OF A NATION UNDER IT, IT WILL BE PROTECTED BY ME."*

As for the meaning and inscriptions of the medal, She said:

*"THE HEART (the shape of the medal) MEANS MY IMMACULATE HEART".*

*"THE INSCRIPTION OF THE DIFFERENT APPARITIONS IS SO THAT YOU KNOW THAT I AM THE SAME VIRGIN MARY".*

*"THE STAR OF DAVID MEANS THAT I, MYRIAM, AM THE QUEEN OF ISRAEL AND OF THE WORLD; AND IT IS SO THAT YOU REMEMBER WHAT WAS PROPHESED ABOUT MY SON: "FROM THE THRONE OF DAVID WILL COME FORTH THE LEADER."*

*"THE INSCRIPTION OF CHILE AND ISRAEL IS FOR YOU TO PRAY FOR THE CONVERSION OF ISRAEL ON MOUNT CARMEL OF CHILE; AND SHALOM MYRIAM, IS MARY OF PEACE" (WHITE LADY OF PEACE).*

*"ON THE REVERSE, THE FACE OF MY SON, SO THAT YOU MAY REMEMBER THE SUFFERINGS THAT MY SON WENT THROUGH FOR YOU AND SO THAT YOU HELP CARRY THE CROSS."*

*"THE INSCRIPTION '¡MY GOD, OH MY JESUS, FORGIVE US OUR SINS, DELIVER US FROM THE FIRE OF HELL!' IT IS THE FAITH IN YOUR LORD AND TO BEWARE OF FALLING."*

*"J.H.S. IS THE SYMBOL OF MY SON IN THE EUCHARIST" (JESUS SAVIOR SON).*

*"THE "M" IS MARY CO-REDEMTRIX OF THE WORLD".*

*"1983, SO YOU DO NOT FORGET THE YEAR OF MY FIRST VISIT TO THE LAND OF CHILE.*

#### **Apparition on Thursday, October 18, 1984**

At one point in the Apparition Miguel Angel says:

The Lady asks that on the 27th, everyone also bring badges. *"I HOPE THAT MY MESSAGES THAT I HAVE GIVEN ARE HEARD, BECAUSE MANY DO NOT PAY ATTENTION TO THE MESSAGES AND STILL MANY HAVE NOT PAID ATTENTION TO THE MESSAGE GIVEN TO LUCIA, FRANCISCO AND JACINTA IN 1917, AND IN 1846 TO MELANIE AND MAXIMIN. ALL TURN DEAF EARS AND DO NOT WANT TO UNDERSTAND".*



*Photograph of the medal that was coined*

*"THAT IS WHY IN THE MEDAL THE FOLLOWS IS WRITTEN: FROM THE SALETTE TO MASSABIELLE, FROM MASSABIELLE TO FATIMA, FROM FATIMA TO GARABANDAL, FROM GARABANDAL TO SAN DAMIANO, FROM SAN DAMIANO TO PEÑABLANCA. SHALOM MYRIAM".*

*ON THE OTHER SIDE: OH, MY GOD! OH, MY JESUS! FORGIVE US OUR SINS AND DELIVER US FROM THE FIRE OF HELL, 1983, JHS, "M" AND THE FACE OF OUR LORD".*

**The medal has all of the following meanings:**

- The Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Sacred Heart of Mary.
- A Scapular
- The Miraculous Medal
- The Blessed Sacrament.
- The meaning goes all in one union, because this is how Israel and Chile are, for the conversion of Israel.
- Praise be to the Holy Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

### **Apparition on Sunday, December 16, 1984**

During the Apparition the seer says:

*"THIS MEDAL HAS MANY GRACES FOR THE ONE WHOSOEVER HAS IT IN HIS POSSESSION, JUST LIKE THE SCAPULAR. IT IS ALSO GOING TO BE MIRACULOUS."*

*"IT WILL ALSO REPLACE THE DETENTE, FOR IT IS WRITTEN: OH MY GOD! OH MY JESUS, FORGIVE US OUR SINS, DELIVER US FROM THE FIRE OF HELL."*

*"AND ON THE OTHER SIDE THERE IS: FROM SALETTE TO MASSABIELLE, FROM MASSABIELLE TO FATIMA, FROM FATIMA TO GARABANDAL, FROM GARABANDAL TO SAN DAMIANO, FROM SAN DAMIANO TO PEÑABLANCA".*

*Our Lady says:*

*"IT IS THE SECOND MEDAL I HAVE COMMANDED BE COINED IN THE WORLD; THE FIRST WAS TO CATALINA LABOURÉ IN 1830 AND TODAY IN 1983".*

### **Apparition on Tuesday, December 25, 1984**

At one point in the Apparition the seer says:

*"WHILE THERE IS NO WATER IN THE WELL, THIS ROSARY WILL DO THE MIRACLES, AS WILL THE MEDAL, BUT THE ROSARY IS MORE EFFECTIVE. JUST BY TOUCHING IT THE PERSON... BECAUSE HEREIN ARE THE DESIGNS OF THE FATHER, BY FAITH, AS IN THE MEDAL."* (It refers to the Rosary made by my father, Jorge Aravena Toledo, mentioned previously).

Later on the same subject:

*"ALSO HAVE MUCH FAITH IN THE MEDAL THAT I COMMAND BE COINED, BECAUSE IT WILL ALSO BEGIN TO PERFORM MANY MIRACLES. IT IS A SECOND MIRACULOUS MEDAL. IT ALSO SERVES AS A SCAPULAR FOR SOME OF THOSE WHO DO NOT HAVE IT."*

At one point in the Apparition the seer says:

*"THROUGH THIS MEDAL, IF YOU DO AS I SAY, PEACE WILL COME UNTO YOU IN YOUR HOMES, AND NOTHING WILL BE LACKING. IF YOU PRAY THE ROSARY MY PROTECTIVE MANTLE WILL BE YOUR REFUGE. OFFEND MY SON NO MORE, FOR HE HAS BEEN OFFENDED TOO MUCH."*

### **Apparition on Saturday, March 16, 1985**

The Apparition begins by reiterating what was said on Thursday, March 14.

Miguel Angel has fallen into ecstasy. He is on his knees and begins giving the message.

*"IF YOU DO AS I SAY, THROUGH THIS MEDAL THERE WILL BE PEACE IN YOUR HOMES AND NOTHING WILL LACK."*

**The meaning of this medal is given once again.**

*"THIS MEDAL HAS MANY GRACES FOR WHOSOEVER HAS IT IN HIS POSSESSION, AS DOES THE SCAPULAR. IT WILL ALSO BE MIRACULOUS. IT WILL ALSO REPLACE THE DETENTE, FOR IT IS WRITTEN: "OH! MY GOD, OH! MY JESUS, FORGIVE US OUR SINS, DELIVER US FROM THE FIRE OF HELL". AND ON THE OTHER SIDE: "FROM LA SALETTE TO MASSABIELLE, FROM MASSABIELLE TO FATIMA, FROM FATIMA TO GARABANDAL, FROM GARABANDAL TO SAN DAMIANO, FROM SAN DAMIANO TO PEÑABLANCA".*

*"IT IS THE SECOND MEDAL I HAVE REQUESTED BE COINED IN THE WORLD. THE FIRST WAS TO CATALINA LABOURÉ IN 1830 AND TODAY IN 1983."*

## APPENDIX No. 9

### History of the "ICHTHUS" that the Blessed Virgin requested in Peñablanca

#### Introduction

Among the many favors and blessings that Our Mother gave us is precisely one of special importance for the difficult days that lie ahead. It is the "ICHTHUS" which goes back to the beginnings of Holy Mother Church as a hallmark of the Christian tradition that the Blessed Virgin has wanted to bring to light in her apparition in our Country.

#### ICHTHUS

This word widely used among early Christians, symbolized by the image of a fish, from the Greek word ichthys interpreted as an acrostic in which the Greek letters are the initials of the Word Iesous-Christos-Theou-Hyios-Soter: Jesus Christ-Man-Savior.

In the early days Christians, especially when persecuted, recognized each other by drawing a fish with the word ICHTHUS. The Church incorporated it into her liturgy and it is very common to see it in ornaments, tablecloths, tabernacles, etc. In Peñablanca the Blessed Virgin asked us to place this sign on the door of our houses to indicate that we are Christians.

The first message about this subject was heard on July 10, 1983, when the Apparitions began. On that occasion the seer was heard saying, *"FURTHERMORE I TELL YOU THAT IN EACH DOOR YOU MUST PLACE A FISH THAT IS THE SIGN OF CRISTIANITY, THE ICHTHUS"*

He also explained in what colors the Ichthus should be made: White symbolizing purity; Red as the blood of the Lamb; Blue as the mantle of Our Lord and Yellow representing Divine Light.

The haste was due to an approaching earthquake. It had been observed that homes with the Ichthus on their doors were protected.

It is not difficult to make this sign. You only draw a fish, paint it or trim it of any of the four colors and put the word ICHTHUS on its center. Then you place it on the door of the house, one on the outside and one on the inside.



**Messages of the Blessed Virgin in Peñablanca, Chile (1983-1988) regarding the ICHTHU that She commanded are to be place on the doors of homes.**

**Apparition on Tuesday, July 12, 1983**

At one point in the Apparition, Our Lady says: *"PRAY THE ROSARY; IT'S A PLEDGE. MOREOVER I WILL TELL YOU THIS: THERE ARE MANY PEOPLE WHO HAVE A MARK, IT IS THE FISH THAT MEANS STRENGTH AND CHRISTIANITY AND ON EACH DOOR YOU WILL HAVE TO PLACE A FISH THAT IS THE SIGN OF CHRISTIANITY, THE ICHTHUS".*



*How to make the "ICHTHUS" requested by the Blessed Virgin. They are to be placed on the front door, inside and outside both facing towards the leaf of the door.*

### **Apparition on Saturday, July 16, 1983**

At one point in the Apparition The Virgin says: *"MIGUEL ANGEL, TELL MY CHILDREN TO PAINT A FISH ON THE OUTER AND INTERIOR PART OF THE FRONT DOOR OF THEIR HOME. THE COLORS ARE: WHITE AS SNOW, BLUE AS THE SKY, GOLD YELLOW, AND BLOOD RED. MOREOVER I TELL YOU, PILGRIMS MUST MAKE KNOWN THESE MESSAGES TO SAVE MANY PEOPLE."*

### **Apparition on Thursday, September 1, 1983**

During the apparition The Virgin says: *"I AGAIN SAY THAT ON EACH DOOR OF HOMES THERE SHOULD BE A FISH AND THE COLORS ARE: YELLOW, RED, BLUE AND WHITE, DO NOT FORGET THIS. IN ADDITION, YOU WILL HAVE TO BE VERY CAREFUL OF COMMUNISM, THAT IS THE MAXIMUM ENEMIES OF CHRISTIANITY. JESUS SUFFERS GREATLY BECAUSE OF YOUR CONDUCT; REPENT! CRUCIFY HIM NO MORE!"*

### **Apparition on Tuesday, June 12, 1984**

At one point during the Apparition, *Our Lady* says: *"PLACE THE ICHTHUS; ITS WHITE COLOR IS PURITY, RED IS THE BLOOD OF THE LAMB, BLUE THE MANTLE OF OUR LORD, YELLOW DIVINE LIGHT. PLACE ANY OF THESE FOUR ON THE DOOR OF YOUR HOMES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE."*

### **Apparition on Thursday, July 12, 1984**

At one point during the Apparition, *Our Lady* says: *"THE FISH MUST BE ON EVERY CHRISTIAN DOOR, NO MATTER WHAT RELIGION IT IS, BECAUSE ALL ARE BROTHERS WITH CHRIST OUR LORD AND WE MUST ALL LOVE EACH OTHER MUTUALLY. BECAUSE HERE IS THE COOREDEMTRIX AND OUT OF LOVE FOR ALL THOSE WHO ARE HERE, MOREOVER, OF OTHER RELIGIONS THAT ARE NOT CATHOLIC, WE WILL KNEEL AND RAISE OUR HANDS TO HEAVEN, PRAISING THE LORD, SAYING, HALLELUJAH! PRAISED BE THE LORD JESUS!"*

### **Apparition on Saturday, September 8, 1984**

At one point during the Apparition, *Our Lady* says: *"DO NOT REMOVE THE FISH FROM THE DOORS. BECAUSE IT IS WRITTEN: THEY WILL TALK ILL AND SAY THINGS. FOR MY SAKE THEY WILL BE PERSECUTED, IN THE NAME OF JESUS."*

*"BE FIRM, VERY FIRM, FOR THE HOUR OF TRUTH HAS COME, AND THOSE WHO ENDURE STEADFASTLY WILL IN THE END OBTAIN THE PRIZE FROM THE ALMIGHTY. FIRM, VERY FIRM!"*

#### **Apparition on Thursday, September 13, 1984**

At one point during the Apparition, Our Lady says: *"PLACE THE ICHTHUS ON DOORS, BECAUSE CRITICAL DAYS WILL COME, FOR MY SON'S NEXT COMING TO EARTH AND ALSO PREPARE YOUR HEARTS AND CLEAN THIS SANCTUARY, BECAUSE THE HOLY FATHER WILL COME TO CHILE".*

#### **Apparition on Saturday, March 9, 1985**

At one point during the Apparition, Our Lady says: *"WHOSOEVER PLACES THE FISH WITH FAITH, WILL SAVE HIS HOME AND HIS LIFE. WHOSOEVER DOES NOT PLACE THE FISH WILL SAVE HIS LIFE, BUT NOT HIS HOME. BECAUSE MANY WILL PLACE IT HYPOCRITICALLY, WITHOUT BELIEVING, BECAUSE THEY BELIEVE IT TO BE A LUCKY CHARM."*

#### **Apparition on Tuesday, March 13, 1985**

At one point during the Apparition, Our Lady says: *"MANY NO LONGER REMEMBER THAT WHICH HAS OCCURRED, BUT IF YOU ARE WITH GOD, YOU ARE NOT TO FEAR, BECAUSE THESE THINGS ARE SAID BY MY SON IN THE GOSPELS".*

*"WHEN YOU HEARABOUT EARTHQUAKES, BE NOT AFRAID. THAY IS WHY I TOLD YOU TO PLACE IT ON THE DOOR OF EVERY HOME, THE SYMBOL OF THE FISH OF ANCIENT CHRISTIANITY."*

After a while She repeats: *"I PROMISE, TO WHOMESOEVER HAS THE FISH WITH FAITH NOT AS AN AMULET OF LUCK, I WILL PROTECT YOUR HOUSE FROM EVERYTHING WITH MY PROTECTIVE MANTLE. BE NOT AFRAID TO MAKE FOOLS OF YOURSELVES; EVERYTHING THAT IS DONE IN THE NAME OF THE LORD IS WELL DONE, BUT IF YOU ARE AFRAID AND ASHAMED, YOU ARE ASHAMED OF CHRIST."*

***"PRAISE BE TO OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST!"***

#### **Apparition on Wednesday, April 3, 1985**

At one point during the Apparition, Our Lady says: *BE NOT AFRAID. I GAVE YOU THE SIGN OF CHRIST, THE FISH."*

*"I TOLD YOU TO PLACE IT ON THE DOORS OF YOUR HOUSES AND I ALSO TOLD YOU THAT YOU WILL HAVE WARNINGS. WELL, THE WARNINGS HAVE ALREADY BEGAN. LIKE THE FIRST, IT WILL START SMALL, UNTIL IT REACHES THE BIGGEST. BUT IT IS NOT A PUNISHMENT FROM GOD, BUT MAN WHO IS SEEKING ALL THINGS."*

#### **Apparition on Tuesday, April 9, 1985**

At one point during the Apparition Our Lady asked that everyone kneel. *"AN EARTHQUAKE HAS BEEN ANNOUNCED TO YOU. SO THAT YOU MAY KNOW THAT GOD'S GRACE IS WITH YOU AND THAT YOU ALSO KNOW THAT GOD WANTS YOUR SALVATION."*

Miguel Angel says: "There are many who say that God cannot command this, and this and that. I tell some of them to be thankful."

Our Lady says: *"DO NOT FRIGHTEN ANYONE, FOR THE DATE WILL BE TOLD THREE DAYS BEFOREHAND. IT IS NOT YET, BUT THERE IS VERY LITTLE TIME LEFT. BE NOT AFRAID; PERSEVERE."*

*"I COMMANDED YOU TO PLACE THE FISH, SIGN OF CHRIST, HAVE FAITH IN HIM. HERE WILL BE SEEN THE HEARTS WHO SEEK THE LORD. WHOSOEVER HAS EARS LISTEN."*

*"THE FISH WILL SAVE YOU FROM MANY CALAMITIES, BUT WILL ALSO HAVE PRESCRIPTIONS; HAVE THE FISH. IF YOU DO NOT TRUST IT, IT MEANS THAT YOU YOURSELVES DO NOT TRUST IN YOURSELVES, NOR IN THY LORD."*

*"PAY ATTENTION: THE LEAVES OF THE TREES HAVE ALREADY BEGUN TO FALL, THERE WILL NO LONGER BE STARS, NOR WILL THE MOON SHINE; MUCH LAMENT WILL BE HEARD."*

#### **Apparition on Friday, April 12, 1985**

At one point during the Apparition, Our Lady says: *"DO NOT HAVE THE FISH IN YOUR HOUSES AS AN AMULET OF LUCK. IF YOU HAVE IT IN FAITH, IT WILL SAVE YOU. IT IS A SYMBOL OF THE LORD, WHICH MEANS: I AM WITH OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST AND WILL ALWAYS BE, FOR EVER AND EVER."*

*"YOU CONTINUE TO OFFEND OUR LORD. THE OFFENSES CRY OUT TO HEAVEN. OFFEND MY SON NO MORE."*

*"PRAY THE ROSARY AND MAKE SACRIFICES. FULFILL THE MESSAGES I HAVE GIVEN YOU FOR YOUR SALVATION. BECAUSE EVERYTHING HAS ALREADY BEEN SAID BY MY SON IN THE GOSPELS"*

### **Apparition on Saturday, April 13, 1985**

At one point during the Apparition Our Lady says: *"EVERYONE PAY ATTENTION"*.

*"I TOLD YOU THAT THE EARTHQUAKE WAS GOING TO BE ANNOUNCED THREE DAYS IN ADVANCE, BUT BECAUSE MANY PERSONS ARE OUT THERE SAYING, THAT IT IS TOMORROW, IN A MONTH'S TIME, THAT THE EARTHQUAKE IS GOING TO BE TONIGHT."*

*"FOR IN TRUTH I SAY TO YOU, THERE WILL BE NO THREE DAY'S ANNOUNCEMENT."*

A deep and long silence follows at this moment.

Only the prophecy is said: *"THE EARTHQUAKE WILL COME WHEN THE LEAVES OF THE TREES BEGIN TO FALL, WHEN THERE IS NO LONGER WOOD, WHEN THE SKY NO LONGER GIVES LIGHT; NEITHER STARS NOR THE MOON. THE EARTH MUST AWAKEN. YOU'LL HEAR MUCH LAMENT, MUCH SCREAMING."*

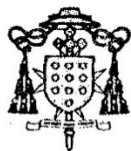
*"I TOLD YOU THAT I WOULD ANNOUNCE IT THREE DAYS IN ADVANCE, BUT OUR LORD HAS DEPRIVED YOU OF THIS GRACE OF KNOWING THREE DAYS IN ADVANCE. BUT YOU YOURSELVES KNOW THAT YOUR LORD IS RICH IN MERCY."*

### **Apparition on Thursday, April 18, 1985**

At one point during the Apparition Miguel Angel draws the ICHTHUS on the ground and says: "Our Lady has said: *"THE FISH DOES NOT SUBSTITUTE THE CROSS OF MY DIVINE SON. IT SYMBOLIZES THE FAITH THAT YOU PUT IN HIS HOLY NAME. PLACE THEM ON THE DOORS AND I'LL PROTECT YOU WITH MY MANTLE. IT WILL NEVER REPLACE THE CROSS, BUT THE MEANING IS THE SAME."*

APPENDIX No. 10

Letters regarding permits authorizing the celebration of Holy Mass  
at the Mount Carmelo Shrine in Chile.



Valparaíso, 9 de Junio de 1994

Señor Don  
Alejandro Cifuentes Bezanilla  
Ahumada 254, of. 408  
S a n t i a g o

N° 506/94

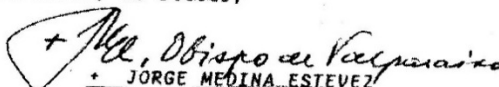
Estimado Alejandro:

Recibí su carta de mayo, en la que solicita permiso para que pueda celebrarse la Santa Misa en el lugar llamado "Monte Carmelo" de Peñablanca, dentro de la diócesis de Valparaíso.

Habida consideración del hecho que acuden allí fieles con el propósito de orar y expresar su devoción a la Santísima Virgen María y oído el parecer favorable del Consejo episcopal del Obispado de Valparaíso, le comunico lo que sigue:

- 1° Se autoriza la celebración de la Santa Misa una vez al mes, los primeros sábados, en el lugar llamado "Monte Carmelo", sitio dentro de la jurisdicción de la Párroquia de La Asunción de Peñablanca. Esta autorización es ad nutum episcopi.
- 2° Dicha S. Misa será celebrada por el sacerdote que nombre para ello el Obispo de Valparaíso.
- 3° Se mantiene en todas sus partes el juicio expresado por mi predecesor el Excmo. y Revmo. Mons. Francisco de Borja Valenzuela Ríos, acerca de las supuestas apariciones de la Santísima Virgen María en dicho lugar, es decir que no hay fundamentos para estimar que hayan ocurrido ahí hechos sobrenaturales.
- 4° En consecuencia, el sacerdote que celebra la S. Misa en "Monte Carmelo" evitará cualquier referencia a los supuestos hechos, anunciando, sí, la doctrina católica acerca de la Santísima Virgen María.
- 5° Los sacerdotes que tengan facultades para oír confesiones, podrán hacerlo en el lugar llamado "Monte Carmelo", en conformidad a las normas del derecho.

Lo saluda afectuosamente S.S.S. en Cristo,

  
+ JORGE MEDINA ESTEVEZ  
OBISPO DE VALPARAISO

*Ref. Letter sent on June 9, 1994 by Monsignor Jorge Medina Estevez, Bishop of Valparaíso, to Mr. Alejandro Cifuentes Bezanilla of the Monte Carmelo Foundation, where he ratifies the official permission for Holy Mass to be celebrated on the Monte Carmelo Hill, Peñablanca.*

TRANSLATION OF LETTER TO MR. CIFUENTES BY H.E. BISHOP MEDINA

Valparaíso, 9<sup>th</sup> June, 1994

Mr. Alejandro Cifuentes Bezanilla  
Ahumada 254, Office 408  
Santiago.

Nº 506/94

Dear Alejandro:

I acknowledge receipt of your letter of May whereby you request permission for Holy Mass to be celebrated in the place called "Monte Carmelo" in Peñablanca, within the diocese of Valparaíso.

Considering the fact that the faithful go there for the purpose of praying and expressing their devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, and in view of the favorable opinion of the Episcopal Council of the Bishopric of Valparaíso, I inform you the follows:

1. The celebration of Holy Mass is authorized once a month, on the first Saturdays, in the place called "Monte Carmelo", a site within the jurisdiction of the Parroquia de la Asunción de Peñablanca. This authorization is ad nutum episcopi.
2. Said Holy Mass will be celebrated by the priest appointed by the Bishop of Valparaíso.
3. The judgment expressed by my predecessor, His Excellency, Reverend Bishop Francisco de Borja Valenzuela Rios about the alleged apparitions of the Blessed Virgin Mary in said place is maintained in all its parts, that is to say that there are no grounds to estimate that supernatural events have occurred there.
4. Consequently, the priest who celebrates the Holy Mass on "Mount Carmel" will avoid any reference to the alleged facts, however, proclaiming Catholic doctrine about the Blessed Virgin Mary.
5. Priests who have the faculties to hear confessions may do so in the place called "Monte Carmelo", in accordance with the norms of law.

His Excellency greets you warmly, in Christ and Bishop,

Jorge Medina Estévez  
Bishop of Valparaíso



Valparaíso, 9 de junio de 1974  
Nº 507/74

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Revmo. Monseñor  
Jorge Donagha Aguayo, y  
Reverendo Padre  
Gonzalo Duarte García de Cortázar,  
Viña del Mar.

Estimados en Cristo,

En relación con lo conversado acerca de la celebración de la S. Misa en el lugar denominado "Monte Carmelo" de la localidad de Peñablanca, sito en la jurisdicción de la parroquia de la Asunción de la Sma. Virgen María de la referida localidad, les ruego que se hagan cargo de la celebración mensual de la S. Misa en el mencionado lugar, y en conformidad a los términos de la carta nº 506/74 de esta misma fecha, cuya copia les acompaño.

Me remito al criterio de Uds. en cuanto a las modalidades de la celebración, y les encargo que me informen en detalle acerca de cómo se ha realizado la celebración y los actos de piedad mariana que eventualmente la antecedan o se realicen a continuación de la S. Misa.

He conversado con el P. Manuel Gómez Gutiérrez, Párroco de la Asunción de Peñablanca, acerca de la autorización concedida, y le envío copia de la comunicación nº 506/74 y de ésta.

Ha de querer el Señor que este paso sea para su gloria y para el conocimiento y verdadera devoción a la Santísima Virgen María.

Los saluda con afecto y agradecido por esta colaboración,  
S. S. S. affmo. en Cristo y Obispo,

+ *M. Obispo*  
Jorge Medina Est. Saez  
Obispo de Valparaíso





*Ref. Letter sent on June 9, 1994 by the then Bishop of Valparaíso, Monsignor Jorge Medina Estévez to Monsignor Jorge Bosagna Aguayo, Director General and Ecclesiastical Adviser of the Refugio de Cristo Foundation and to Reverend Father Gonzalo Duarte García de Cortázar (before his appointment as Military Bishop of the Armed Forces) with a copy to Father Manuel Gómez Gutiérrez, Pastor of the Assumption of Peñablanca, to assume charge of the monthly celebration of Holy Mass on the hill called Monte Carmelo in Peñablanca. At the end of the letter: "May the Lord want this step be taken for His glory and for the knowledge and true devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary".*

*TRANSLATION OF LETTER FROM MONSG. MEDINA TO MONSG. BOSAGNA.*

Valparaíso June 9, 1994

COPY

Reverend . Monsignor  
Jorge Bosagna Aguayo, and  
Reverend Father Gonzalo Duarte García Cortázar  
Viña del Mar

Dear in Christ

I refer to what was discussed regarding the celebration of Holy Mass in the place called "Monte Carmelo", in the town of Peñablanca, located in the jurisdiction of the Parish of the Asunción de la Santísima Virgen Maria in the aforementioned locality, I beg you to take charge of the monthly celebration of the Holy Mass in the aforementioned place, in accordance with the terms of letter No. 506/94 of this same date, copy that I accompany herein.

I refer to your criteria regarding the modalities of the celebration and I ask you to inform me in detail about how the celebration has been carried out, and of the acts of Marian piety that may precede it and are carried out after the Holy Mass.

I have spoken with Father Manuel Gómez Gutiérrez, Parish priest of the Asunción de Peñablanca, about the authorization granted, and I have sent him a copy of communication No. 506/94 and of this letter.

May the Lord want this step to be for His glory and for the knowledge and true devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Greetings with affection and grateful for this collaboration,

Yours trully in Christ and Bishop  
Jorge Medina Estévez  
Bishop of Valparaíso.

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## Correspondencia



**Secretaría de Estado:**

**De la Congregación para la doctrina  
de la Fe**

Julio de 1996

Excoelencia Reverendísima:

Con carta del 16 de junio pasado, vuestra Excoelencia envió a este Dicasterio una documentación referente a las presuntas 'apariciones' de la Virgen María en Peñablanca, localidad perteneciente al territorio de esa diócesis. En su carta Ud. afirma entre otras cosas que considera prudente y espiritualmente fecunda la decisión de permitir que en el

lugar de las presuntas apariciones se celebre la Santa Misa.

Al agradecerle el oportuno envío de la documentación referida - de cuyo contenido esta Congregación ha tomado atenta nota - me es grato aprovechar la ocasión para expresarle mis distinguidos saludos, confirmándome suyo devotísimo.

José Cardenal Ratzinger,  
Prefecto

## Stella Maris

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*Ref. Letter sent by the then Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger (now Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI) to Monsignor Gonzalo Duarte, Bishop of Valparaiso published in August 1996 in the correspondence section of the Diocesan Bulletin of Valparaiso.*

TRANSLATION OF LETTER FROM H.E. PREFECT JOSEPH RATZINGER

Secretary of state:  
Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith

July 1996

Most Reverend Excellency:

With a letter dated June 16, your Excellency sent to this Dicastery documentation regarding the alleged “apparitions” of the Virgin Mary in Peñablanca, a town belonging to the territory of that diocese.

In your letter you affirm, among other things, that you consider the decision to allow Holy Mass to be celebrated at the site of the presumed apparitions to be prudent and spiritually compelling.

In thanking you for the timely sending of the aforementioned documentation - the content of which this Congregation has taken due note - I take the opportunity to express my distinguished greetings.

Yours truly,  
Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger  
Prefect.

## **CONCLUSIONS**

After conducting this study of the events in my home, I can only reaffirm my complete conviction of the truthfulness of these apparitions of Our Mother, the Blessed Virgin, the Angels and of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

It has been a gift from God to be able to have the joy of participating in these supernatural apparitions. I am not the sole witness of these apparitions, but hundreds of people who can testify to the authenticity of these stories, including my parents and siblings in the first place, as well as close family and friends. Priests of exemplary life, serious and competent doctors and professionals from various walks of life who have witnessed what I have recounted in this book.

The evidence is too great to object to these facts lightly and without knowledge of cause.

The Blessed Virgin wanted to use this house for her prodigious manifestations.

Finally, I would like to reaffirm the absolute competence of the Holy Mother Church to express her verdict on these facts and to humbly submit to her conclusions.

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