

EPILOGUE

Finally coming to the end of this long endeavor, I feel a mixture of joy and liberation. Joy, in thinking that I have done a good work. Liberation, in not having the pressure to finish this work quickly.

After great effort and innumerable hours of work, revising papers and putting in order the mountains of information, it seems that I have succeeded in reconstructing the events and the climate of Garabandal during the *apparitions*, so that I can offer its first history to persons of good will.

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The *history* of Garabandal, as it concerns the seers and those around them, has not been, nor is it now, completely *angelic* like Lourdes and Fatima.

Because of this, I find Garabandal to be more in measure with the History of Salvation, more in line with the Church itself, where the most beautiful and exalted interventions of God have been continually intermixed with lamentable and repeated human miseries, with the results that we know.

The full picture of Garabandal is disconcerting: on the one hand it offers abundant proofs so that many might find *its truth*, and on the other hand, it leaves motives for others to remain in their doubt and disbelief.

I believe in the supernatural authenticity of Garabandal, taken as a whole. But not everything offers the same guarantee of truth.

A descending scale of credibility can be noticed:

1) *The facts*—the phenomena that were definite facts and could be proven and were proven from observation by irrefragable witnesses.

2) *The joint statements*—the statements or declarations in which the visionaries agreed.

3) *The individual statements*—the statements or predictions due to one visionary alone.

In the last case, it is necessary to proceed with great caution and discretion; since, unfortunately, not all—or even a single one—of the seers have

shown themselves to be completely trustworthy.

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It was seen that on Saturday, November 13th, 1965, the course of the phenomena closed at Garabandal. From that date, nothing has occurred.

But here a question comes up: *Since November 13th, has Garabandal completely ended?*

Or does it remain only temporarily interrupted?

My personal impression is that a simple intermission is taking place, since the evidence shows that Garabandal had not concluded. An interlude has come, as in a dramatic play, that for some purpose leaves things abruptly interrupted, suspended . . .

Garabandal is an event of enormous proportion, which is unfolding in three stages:

● The first stage, with a personal and local imprint: the time of marvels and astounding communications; the time already experienced, which ended on November 13th.

● A second stage, of intermission, with matters suspended: a period of pruning and purification. This is what we are experiencing now, with its disillusion, expectations, falling away.

● A third stage, which we await, that will bring to light many things and fulfill the great prophecies of universal reach: the Warning, the Miracle, the Chastisement.

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It seems beyond doubt that what really happened at Garabandal, what we should see across the vast maze of detail, is a very careful intervention by God to aid us in these difficult hours for the Church and the world.

With such a purpose, God has placed in front of us:

● A new *Marian Epiphany*.

● A call for greater *devotion to the Eucharist*.

- A prediction of approaching *eschatological times*.

Why the first? because it could well be that Mary is our last recourse for salvation . . . In Garabandal, she has manifested herself to us—she has given herself—above all, as *Our Mother*.

Why the second? Because the reality of the actual presence of the Lord among us is the last thing that we can allow to be neglected in the Church. And this is precisely what has started to happen, and what is continuing to happen.

Why the third? Because the last times can be already at the door. We should not be oblivious or forgetful of what we repeat in the Credo: *And He will come again in glory*, since without the inflaming emotions of hope, religion will not keep burning in the hearts of men.

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Yes, we cannot put the final conclusion out of our minds.

“The biblical writings revolve around a theological drama that unfolds throughout history and reflects the plan of salvation from a God Who constantly seeks out mankind to transform it. From

1. One last detail in this history that appears to be unending . . . Recently residing in the United States, Loli had been living the meaning of the locution of 1965 *«In the future, if I do not appear to you again, it is that your hour has come to suffer.»* In October of 1977 she had a few happy vacation days during a brief stay in Spain in her home country of Santander. María Herrero de Gallardo spent some time with her and wrote me on the 30th of that October:

«The other day, while taking food to Loli that she liked very much and hadn't tasted for years, she told me very interesting things: about the pope . . . about Adam (that we didn't descend from a monkey, or by evolution, or from any other animal, but from a perfect man, Adam). She told us about a *dream* that she had recently: the devil, horrible, trying to conquer the world . . . As Loli cried out, calling to St. Michael, he appeared dressed as a warrior, not as the girl had seen him in Garabandal. He waved a great sword and began battle against Satan . . . In connection with this, she told us how the devil, during the apparitions, had twice burned part of the scapulars that they were wearing . . .»

What believer in God could doubt the reality of the devil and his world of darkness? And he is now laboring as never before; not just for parital victory, but to dominate completely this world in which God has so loved us, his human creatures.

It is the great hour for the leader of the celestial army. (Apoc. 12:7-8) *Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle . . .*

the first chapter of Genesis to the last chapter of the Apocalypse can be seen the silent struggle by forces fighting for the hearts of men. Man, wrongly exercising his free will and trying to assert his autonomy, chooses to live separated from God. Besides this, the power of evil seems to dominate humanity, seeking to draw it from its natural orbit: the God of Creation, Who directs the world and the march of history.”

(M. García Cordero, *Biblical Dilemmas*)

Eschatology is the word used to refer to the final act in the great drama of our salvation.

And it might be asked if Garabandal does not have an eschatological purpose.

There are many things in it that put before us the *last times* and alert us to them:

- The presence and prominent activity of the Archangel St. Michael, who appears in the Apocalypse as the Angel of the last combat.⁽¹⁾

- The firm declaration in the message of June 18th, 1965: *You are in the last warnings*.

- The trilogy of the Warning—the Miracle—the Chastisement, whose characteristics do not permit them to be inserted as ordinary pages in the works of God.

- The repeated, extremely compromising affirmation that *there remain only three Popes*, and then *the end of the times*.

Possibly, Garabandal has come to repeat to us, Christians of these last times, what the Christians of the early times said for greeting and encouragement: *Maran Atha! The Lord returns!*

We await.

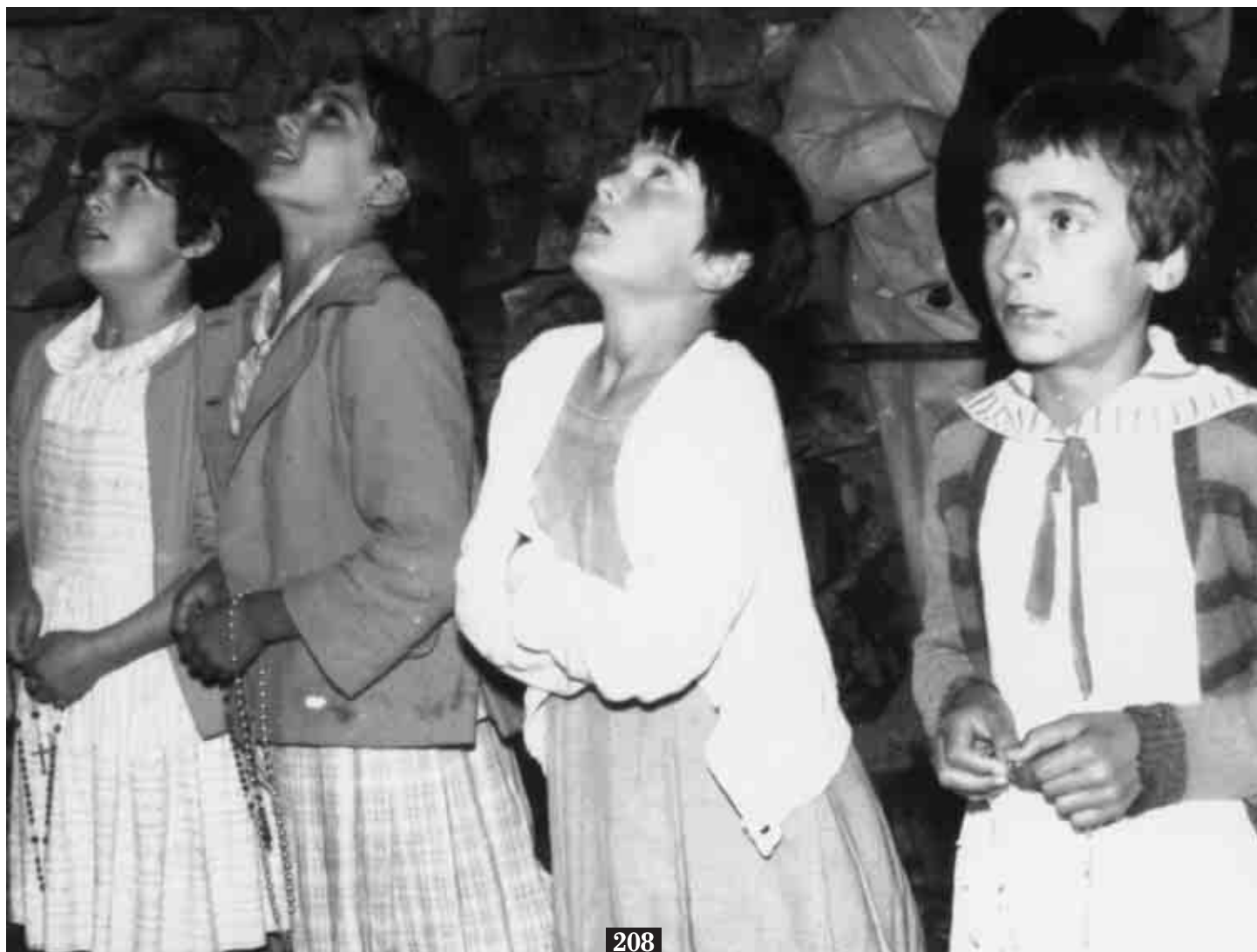
And as the hour draws near for the realization of Garabandal, let us repeat without ceasing what is said on the feast of Mary, Mediatrix of All Grace:

On our knees, let us adore
Christ the Savior
Who wants all good things
to come to us **through Mary.**

Hay que hacer muchos sacrificios mucha penitencia y hay que visitar mucho al Santisimo pero antes tenemos que ser muy buenos y si no lo hacemos nos vendra un castigo. Ya te esta llenando la copa y sino cambiamos nos vendra un castigo muy grande.

Conchita Gonzalez

María Dolores Mayan
Jacinta Gonzalez Gonzalez
María Cruz Gonzalez



First Message

October 18, 1961



It is necessary to
make many sacrifices,
do much penance;

It is necessary to visit
the Blessed Sacrament
very much.

But first we must be very good.

And if we do not do this,
a punishment will come
upon us.



Already the cup is filling up;
and if we do not change,
a very great punishment
will come upon us.

The Virgin told us:
That we do not expect the Chastisement;
That without expecting it, it will come;
Since the world has not changed.
And she has already told us twice;
And we do not pay attention to her,
Since the world is getting worse.
And it should change very much.
And it has not changed at all.
Prepare yourself. Confess,
Because the Chastisement will come soon.
And the world continues the same . . .
I tell you this:
That the world continues the same.
How unfortunate that it does not change!
Soon will come a very great Chastisement,
If it does not change.

María Dolores Mazón
Jacinta González

The Virgin has told us:

That the world continues the same, that it has not changed at all;

That few will see God; so few they are, that it is causing the Virgin great sorrow.

How unfortunate that the world does not change!

The Virgin has told us that the Chastisement is coming.

As the world is not changing, the cup is filling up.

How sorrowful is the Virgin, although she does not allow us to see it.

Since the Virgin loves us so much, she suffers alone, since she is so good.

Everyone be good, so that the Virgin will be happy!

She has told us that those who are good should pray for those who are evil.

Yes, we should pray to God for the world, for those who do not know Him.

Be good, be very good.

María Dolores Mazón, 13 years

Jacinta González, 13 years

El mensaje que la Santísima Virgen ha dado al mundo por la intercesión del ángel San Miguel!

El Ángel ha dicho: Como uno se ha cumplido y uno se ha hecho conocer al mundo mi mensaje del 18 de Octubre, es día que este es el último.

Antes la Copa estaba llenando ahora está revesando.

Los sacerdotes van muchos por el camino de la perdición y con ellos llevan a muchas más almas.

La Eucaristía cada vez se da menos importante.

Debemos evitar la ira de Dios sobre nosotros, con nuestros esfuerzos.

Si le pedis perdón con vuestras almas sinceras, él os perdona. Oyo, nuestra Madre, por intercesión del Ángel San Miguel, os quiero decir que os enmendéis, ya estáis en los últimos días. Os quiero mucho y no quiero vuestra condenación.

Pedidlo sinceramente, y nosotros, os lo daremos.

Deveis sacrificaros más. Pensad en la Pasión de Jesús.

Archita González 18-VI-1965



Second Message

June 18, 1965

The message that the Most Holy Virgin has given to the world through the intercession of the Angel St. Michael.

The Angel said:

- As my message of October 18 has not been fulfilled, and has not been made known to the world, I tell you that this is the last.
- Before, the cup was filling up; now it is overflowing.
- The PRIESTS: Many are on the road to perdition, and with them they are taking many more souls.
- The EUCHARIST: It is being given less and less importance.
- With your own efforts, you should avoid the wrath of the Good God.
- If you ask pardon with a sincere heart, He will forgive you.
- I, your Mother, through the intercession of the Archangel St. Michael, want to tell you to amend your lives.
- You are in the last warnings!
- I love you very much and do not want your condemnation.
- Ask us sincerely, and we will give what you ask.
- You should sacrifice yourself more.
- Think of the passion of Jesus.

Conchita González June 18, 1965



Star of Gold

Three volumes back, this book began with pictures of the 70,000 people who saw the miracle of the sun at the last apparition in Fatima. It was the apparition in which Saint Joseph appeared in red, the sign of love, holding the Child Jesus and blessing the world, as depicted on the book's cover.

The 5,000 spectators present for the last message at Garabandal saw something in the sky too, but not related to the Virgin. She was not there, as she later told Conchita. And in the heavens, the Virgin's symbol—the moon—could not be seen.

What the people did see was a star that rose up from Conchita's house and disappeared over the Pines. And following this, they saw another star, *gold in color, more brilliant than the first* shoot up, trace a wide circle and return to its starting point, remaining as the other star disappeared.

What was the significance of the two stars? The one that rose up from Conchita's house obviously pertained to St. Michael who was appearing to Conchita. And the other golden star that remained?

If the greater brilliance of the second star indicated the presence of someone greater than St. Michael, then it marked the presence of the only one whom God made greater: St. Joseph. Was St. Joseph present again at the last message as Loli said he was at the first?

As almost all the disciples and apostles fall away from Garabandal according to the Virgin's prophecy . . . as its enemies seek to bury it . . . let the few who will stay at the foot of the Pines keep their eyes fixed in hope on the Star of Gold that remained, and know that there will be a resurrection, and a magnificent ending for Garabandal. For God has made the magnificent ending the trademark of Saint Joseph.

This book remains unfinished, entrusted into St. Joseph's hands. One day he will compose its great final chapter, entitled *The Miracle*. He will replace these last pages with pictures of the Miracle like the ones with which the book began. He will fashion for Garabandal a magnificent ending.

The Miracle is for the future; now God sends us the Star of Gold.

Walter Timothy Co 1977

