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A note to parents

Yule is one of the eight Pagan sacred days or Sabbats. It is usually celebrated on the Winter Solstice which is around December 21st in the Northern Hemisphere and June 21 in the Southern Hemisphere. The Winter Solstice is the time when the sun's light begins to return during the cold days of the Winter. Modern culture also recognizes this time as the end of the calendar year. The 12 days of Yule celebrates a symbolic journey of the sun through the 12 months of the coming year to help bring good tidings to all. Each of the 12 days of Yule represents one of the 12 upcoming months. For each day, a candle is lit and we honor something for which we are grateful in our lives. Each of the 12

days also honors the houses of the zodiac into which the sun will enter in the next year. The quality of each of these houses is used as the subject of recognition for each of the 12 days. The following is a list of the houses of the zodiac and their correspondences.

1st House = self

2nd House = possessions

3rd House = communication or place

4th House = home

5th House = pleasure and creativity

6th House = health

7th House = partnerships or loved ones

8th House = change or cycles

9th House = philosophy or learning

10th House = career or life path

11th House = friendships

12th House = the subconscious or mysterious

This is the season of Yule:

The time when we honor the return of the sun's light

and set our hopes for a bright and joyous new year.

The 12 days of Yule celebrate the rebirth of the sun and its symbolic journey of blessings.

From this one flame of Spirit we light the other candles.

One

On the first night of Yule we light one candle to bless who we are.

Two

On the second night of Yule we light two candles to bless what we have and who we are.

Three

On the third night of Yule we light three candles to bless where we live, what we have, and who we are.

Four

On the fourth night of Yule we light four candles to bless our home, where we live, what we have, and who we are.

Five

On the fifth night of Yule we light five candles to bless our creations, our home, where we live, what we have, and who we are.

Six

On the sixth night of Yule we light six candles

to bless our health, our creations, our home, where we live, what we have, and who we are.

Seven

On the seventh night of Yule we light seven candles

to bless our loved ones, our health, our creations, our home, where we live, what we have, and who we are.

Eight

On the eighth night of Yule we light eight candles

to bless the sacred cycles, our loved ones, our health, our creations, our home, where we live, what we have, and who we are.

Nine

On the ninth night of Yule we light nine candles

to bless our chance to grow and learn, the sacred cycles, our loved ones, our health, our creations, our

home, where we live, what we have, and who we are.

Ten

On the tenth night of Yule we light ten candles

to bless our paths in life, our chance to grow and learn, the sacred cycles, our loved ones, our health, our creations, our home, where we live, what we have, and who we are.

Eleven

On the eleventh night of Yule we light 11 candles

to bless all our friends, our paths in life, our chance to grow and learn, the sacred cycles, our loved ones, our health, our creations, our home, where we live, what we have, and who we are.

Twelve

On the twelfth night of Yule we light 12 candles

to bless the sacred mysteries, all our friends, our paths in life, our chance to grow and learn, the sacred cycles, our loved ones, our health, our creations, our home, where we live, what we have, and who we are. And with these lights we welcome the reborn sun into the new year.

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