## A Student's Reflections on Advanced Practice 1 and 2

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As a Healing Touch Level 3 student, I find myself continually hungry. Hungry to learn, to understand, to observe and to grow. Since I was not going to be attending Level 4 for several months, I became ecstatic when I learned that AP 1 and 2 classes were being offered. I registered without hesitation and without knowing the curriculum.

The class quickly arrived and began with welcoming introductions and smiles all around. We prepared for a full day of techniques including *Full Body Connection, Pyramid Technique* and *Double Hand Spinal Balance*. As both receiver and giver of each technique, I experienced everything from a sense of deeper knowingness to feeling physically solid and unbendable like steel. At times, I lost a sense of time and even space - but knew something good was happening! I really gained an awareness of the moment.

The AP 2 Class, the following day, focused on a profound technique for releasing trauma. The gentle method of helping clients to release trauma that has buried itself at the cellular level was intriguing to me.

I watched in awe as a classmate volunteered to publicly release her private trauma. Cynthia gently guided her to re-experience the trauma without fear or pain. After the hour long session, the volunteer was visibly changed – relieved and aware of the healing that occurred. The healing was indeed tangible and instantaneous.

Purely by chance later that day, I had the opportunity to be the recipient of this technique. I chose a specific trauma that had occurred some 25 years ago but felt inside that it was still with me on both a physical level and an emotional level. As my session unfolded I found myself a willing and eager participant in my own release and healing. This was by no means a spectator sport!

The session created a space for healing which culminated in total empowerment for me as a woman. I was a co-creator of my own healing and by joining with my wonderful new friends at the final release stage, I felt such deep and intense joy that both tears and laughter filled the room! Today several weeks later, the healing continues in other areas of my life as well. I am on my way -- and am truly blessed to have been able to participate!

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