Steps to install the "php_gn_natal_public" script

Please remember the following before getting started - and I thank you for your efforts in trying to help people:

My basic philosophy is this:

Do not charge people for something they can get for free elsewhere - that would not be fair to them.

Try to use whatever I have so that the most people can benefit from it.

Don't sell any of my free interpretations or reports because people can get them for free at my website.

Make people aware of my website so they may take advantage of all the tools I have there.

Common sense, practicality, and kindness should prevail.

We should never try to take advantage of others, only try to help them.

If people want to make donations to you or anyone else, then they should be free to do so ("Give as the heart dictates and the means permit").

1. Unzip the .zip file you downloaded from my website into a convenient directory on your computer.

2. Open the file named " mysqli_connect_atlasDB.php" in the root folder of the unzipped .zip package you downloaded. This file contains the necessary database connection information. After setting up your database, change the "DB_USER", "DB_PASSWORD", and "DB_NAME" definitions for your particular setup.

3. In association with the above, open the file named " astrowin_atlasdb_public.sql" found in the "/sql" folder and change the name " astrowin_atlasdb_public ", found in three places, to match the name of the database you are going to use. This name would be the same name you assigned to "DB_NAME" above.

4. Upload the "php_gn_natal_public" folder (which you can rename) to your "/public_html" folder so that this folder is a child folder of "/public_html". Once uploaded, you may delete the folder named "sql". Or don't even upload it. It would be best to upload these files in BINARY mode as that way you do not have to do anything further in the uploading process.

6. Once uploading is completed, navigate to the "\public_html\ php_gn_natal_public\sweph" folder and CHMOD the file named "swetest" to 755. If you see planet positions calculated as all zeroes, then you know that "swetest" was not CHMOD'ed properly.

If you uncover any incorrect instructions above or you believe that something has been left out, please contact me at arf33@astrowin.org and I will be sure to correct any oversight. Thank you.

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Addendum:

1) In order to properly calculate a natal chart an astrologer needs to accurately know the time zone in effect at the moment of birth. This information is provided by an astrological atlas. This PHP script set uses the open source Olson time zone database. But it is NOT always accurate for birth dates before 1970. So be aware of that - it could be 1 hour off for those years. Check time zone for Houston, TX for 22 Sep 1949. It will tell you CDT (-5), but it really should be CST (-6).

2) Be aware that if you install the scripts to a Wordpress site, you may experience "Page Not Found" errors when you try to call any script in the "/ php_gn_natal_public" folder. If this is the case, look for the "php.ini" file in that folder and rename it, and see if that solves any problems.

Good luck in your efforts.

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