

# JOINTLY MAINTAINED CHRISTIAN SCIENCE READING ROOM LOS ANGELES

December, 2008 Edition

## What's New?

Mary Baker Eddy says, "Time past and time present, both, may pain us, but time *improved* is eloquent in God's praise," on page one of her book *Pulpit and Press*. With recent events here, new products, and visitation from intriguing and interesting people, the Jointly Maintained Christian Science Reading Room has definitely felt eloquent. With the holiday season and the new year upon us, as stated in the December 22<sup>nd</sup> *Christian Science Sentinel*, the heart of the Reading Room is "lifted to gladness."

One experience that brought visitors to the Reading Room was a discussion about *The Herald of Christian Science*, with its Managing Editor, Leide Lessa. She articulated the history of *The Herald*, and Mary Baker Eddy's thoughts of the importance of sharing Christian Science with the global community. She shared information on the journey *The Herald* has undertaken from its inception in Germany to its current manifestation in thirteen different languages around the world. While she was here, she implored those present to pray and support *The Herald* on its continued mission of reaching even more communities around the world that are thirsting for spiritual growth.

In addition to that enlightening discussion, the new products that recently arrived at the Reading Room will help supply those in the Los Angeles area with great gifts for the holiday season. Products such as the *Themed Collection on The Christ*, and *The Christian Science Monitor 2009 Calendar* emit light onto the true meaning of Christmas and new beginnings.

We hope that you can come by and visit our study room, as well as our sales room! There are always two sets of marked books with the current week's Bible Lesson, as well as the recent periodicals available for your use. Wireless internet is provided, along with a public computer that can be used to look up references in our textbooks, as well as our Bound Volumes of *Christian Science Sentinels* and *Journals*.

If you enjoy using this spiritual resource for the community, and would like to find out how you can help support the Jointly Maintained Christian Science Reading Room with a monetary donation, ask about becoming a member of the Committee of 500!

If you are in the Downtown Los Angeles area, be sure to come to the Water Court of the Two Tower California Plaza and visit! The Reading Room is directly above Olive St. off of 4<sup>th</sup> St, just south of the Museum of Contemporary Art (MOCA). We'd love to see you!

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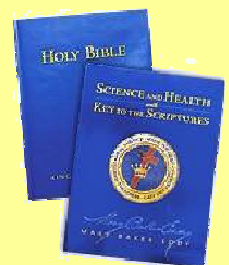
## Visit us!

- In person:

9 a.m. – 4 p.m.  
Mon. – Fri.  
(Closed on major holidays)

- Online:

[www.christian-scienceinfo.com/jointrr](http://www.christian-scienceinfo.com/jointrr)



# Upcoming Events:

## Evening Church Service in Studio City

**Sundays**, 8:00 p.m.: Sunday Church Services, Thirty-sixth Church of Los Angeles.

*NOTE: A hymn sing is held before this service, at 7:30 p.m., on the first Sunday of each month.*

More info: 818.761.4322 <http://36thchurch.tripod.com/>

4032 Whitsett Avenue, Studio City

## Christmas Caroling!

The members of Thirty-sixth Church of Christ, Scientist in Studio City invite you, your friends and family to join them as they Christmas Carol through their neighborhood in Studio City. They will be caroling on **Thursday** evening, **December 18<sup>th</sup>** starting in their Sunday School at 6:00 p.m. and finishing there at 8:00 p.m. with pizza, cider and other seasonal goodies. Join them for this festive and spirited event! The church is located at 4032 Whitsett Avenue; their phone number is 818-761-4322. And their website is: <http://36thchurch.tripod.com/>

## Second Monday Monthly Bible Study in Brentwood

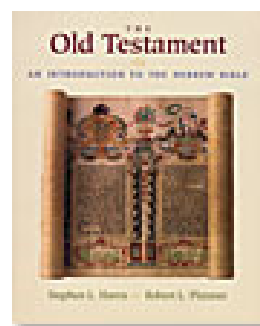
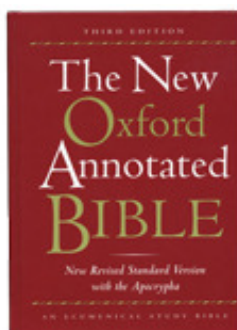
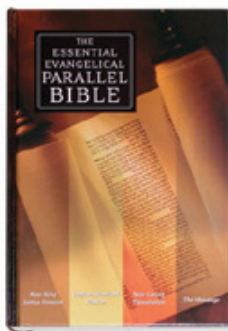
**January 12<sup>th</sup>** from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. at the Sunday School of Tenth Church of Christ, Scientist Los Angeles. All are welcome to come. Prepare ahead for the discussion by reading Matthew, chapters 23 and 24. There will be an "Agape"-style dinner (pot luck) at 6:00 p.m., with pizza or some other "main dish" provided. Just so you know, the group will be continuing until Matthew is finished - which will be in March, when they will finish the last two chapters. Then they will start the Book of John.

More info: [tenthchurch@gmail.com](mailto:tenthchurch@gmail.com) or 310.826.2229

1133 S. Bundy Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90049

## Bible Study Every Other Thursday in Downtown Los Angeles:

**January 15<sup>th</sup>** from 12:15 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. at the Jointly Maintained Christian Science Reading Room of Greater Los Angeles. Join us in our self-directed, small group discussions on Thursdays every other week starting January 15th, 2009. It should be made clear that no one will be pushing any religion, but that all are welcome to share their understanding of, and supporting study materials for, the Bible. Please be prepared to discuss Genesis 1-5, and bring a study Bible with you. (We sell the *New Oxford Annotated Bible*, which is the *New Revised Standard Version with the Apocrypha*, for \$32.99 if you would like to pre-order a copy!) Public transportation is highly recommended, as parking is quite expensive. Call or email to RSVP, or if you have any questions: 213.928.0920, [jmcrrla@gmail.com](mailto:jmcrrla@gmail.com).



# Upcoming Events Continued:

## Higher Ground Bible Conferences 2009

### Higher Ground Los Angeles

**January 17<sup>th</sup>** – 28th Church, Los Angeles \$125

**January 18<sup>th</sup>** – 10th Church, Los Angeles \$95

### Higher Ground Southern California

**January 24<sup>th</sup>** – 1st Church, Fullerton FREE

**January 25<sup>th</sup>** – 6th Church, San Diego \$50

To see a detailed schedule of the different speakers, topics, and times please visit:

[www.highergroundforlife.com/conferences.asp](http://www.highergroundforlife.com/conferences.asp)

Young people, ages 12-29, are invited to attend all Higher Ground Bible Conferences free of charge. If the cost is prohibitive for anyone wishing to attend, please contact Dick Davenport, the Director of Higher Ground, at: 636.207.7392 or by email at: [DickDavenport@earthlink.net](mailto:DickDavenport@earthlink.net) for reductions or waivers of the fee. Cost cannot stand in the way of anyone coming to Higher Ground.

## More Bible Talks:

Kristy Christian, M.A.R., a class-taught Christian Scientist and noted Bible Speaker, is coming to the Los Angeles metropolitan area twice in 2009: January and March! Her Bible talks are sponsored by the Biblos Foundation, a not-for-profit organization that she founded in 2008. The talks will be held in fine hotels, which will include a breakfast buffet and parking, all for a nominal fee. Please call 1.888.524.2567 or sign up online at: [www.biblosfoundation.org](http://www.biblosfoundation.org) to reserve your seat!

### JESUS THE MASTER HEALER AND SCIENTIFIC CHRISTIAN

**Saturday, January 24<sup>th</sup>**

The Westin Pasadena Hotel  
191 North Los Robles Avenue  
Pasadena, CA 91101

Breakfast Buffet: 8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

Talk Schedule: 9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

### THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT

**Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup>**

Hyatt Regency Resort and Spa  
21500 Pacific Coast Highway  
Huntington Beach, CA 92648

Breakfast Buffet: 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Talk Schedule: 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

## Annual Meeting of the Los Angeles County Institutions Committee

**February 1<sup>st</sup>** at 2:30 p.m. at the 10<sup>th</sup> Church of Christ, Scientist Los Angeles.

Speaker: Paul White

Theme: Psalms: 133:3 "the Lord commanded the blessing, even life for evermore."

More info: 310.820.2014

1133 South Bundy Drive, LA, CA 90049

## Adventure Unlimited Camp Shows:

The following is a schedule of when Adventure Unlimited expects to be in our geographic region. Some of their shows will be held jointly with DiscoveryBound events, several with other Christian Science camps. Make plans now to attend! When you attend and enroll at a camp show (or within one week of the event) you will receive a \$50 discount off camp tuition.

Feb. 13 Orange County, Feb. 14 Los Angeles, Feb. 15 Los Angeles

SPECIAL NOTE: There is still availability in their Christmas Camp program scheduled for Dec. 21 - 27. Come by yourself or bring your family; they have something planned for everyone! Celebrate the true spirit of the holiday this year at the A/U Ranches.

For information on A/U Ranch programs, to register for camp and other events and to find out more about campership assistance visit our website at:

<http://www.adventureunlimited.org/ranches/ranches.cfm> or contact Linda Kellogg-Clarke by phone at 888.543.4849

# Upcoming Events Continued:

## Spanish Events:

### Spanish Testimony Meetings

The Reading Room meetings are informal get-togethers on Friday nights at 7:30 p.m. to study the Bible relative to Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures. Share experiences of gratitude and healing, participate in discussion, and understand better our relationship with God.

More info: 866.374.3747

6218-B, West Manchester Ave., Westchester

### Servicios de la Christian Science en ESPAÑOL Y INGLÉS

Allí se puede oír personas que hablan de sus experiencias de curación por medio de la oración en Christian Science: Los miércoles a las 7 PM at Third Church of Christ, Scientist.

Por más información: En el internet hay servicios dominicales de la Christian Science en ESPAÑOL vaya a [www.csdirectoryespanol.com](http://www.csdirectoryespanol.com) (se puede oírlos por teléfono)

favor de llamar 213.623.2185

730 South Hope Street, Los Angeles, CA

### Escuche el Heraldo de la Ciencia Cristiana EDICIÓN RADIAL

en KHJ – La Ranchera, en el 930 de su dial AM, todos los domingos a las 7 de la mañana  
Diciembre 21: Navidad 2008, Christmas 2008

Diciembre 28: Solo tenemos el Ahora, All We Have Is Now

Spanish Outreach Committee / Christian Science Joint Media Committee

Por más información, favor de llamar gratis a 866-374-3747

### Problemas Humanos – Soluciones Espirituales

*Deje que Dios le guie hacia*

*soluciones practicas por sus problemas de salud, empleo, ingreso, relaciones*

Domingo, 1 de Febrero a las 2:30 p.m. de la tarde

Conferenciante: Eberhard Lasch, CSB de la Ciudad de Mexico

Favor de invitar a su familia y sus amigos a esta conferencia en vivo y gratis – Refrescos

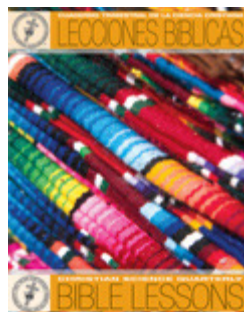
Este evento se presenta por la cortesia de las Iglesias filiales de la Christian Science en Van Nuys y Westwood.

Bernardi Multipurpose Center

6514 Sylmar Ave., Van Nuys, CA 91401 (a la esquina de Sylmar Ave. y Hamlin St.)

Estacionamiento gratis.

Si quiere más información o si necesite que alguien le recoja favor de llamar 866.374.3747



# A word from the Librarian

Greetings all!

Christian Science Reading Rooms provide so many opportunities to grow spiritually, as well as to join together in our community. They provide spiritual resources that we can use to enrich our understanding of our relationship with Love, Life, Truth, Soul, Spirit, Principle, and Mind. They are our parsonage where you can meet our Pastor: *The Bible*, and the *Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures* by Mary Baker Eddy.

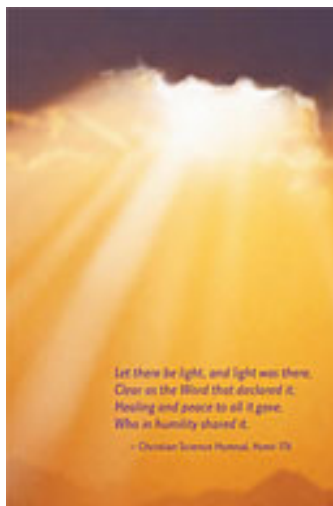
Whether you come here to this Christian Science Reading Room from the office, jury duty, or home, I hope you use this place as a haven - a peaceful place in a busy world. Please remember that we will begin our self-directed Bible study group on January 15<sup>th</sup> on the first five chapters of *Genesis*. If you are interested in purchasing new Bible study references, textbooks, or other products that the Christian Science Publishing Society has to offer, we are here to provide that service as well.

I look forward to seeing you again soon at the Jointly Maintained Christian Science Reading Room. You, and your friends, are always welcomed here! If you have any questions or comments, email me at [jmcsrrla@gmail.com](mailto:jmcsrrla@gmail.com) or call 213.928.0920.

Please note that we will be closed on December 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> in observance of Christmas, as well as January 1<sup>st</sup> for New Year's Day.

Sincerely,  
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