

JOINTLY MAINTAINED CHRISTIAN SCIENCE READING ROOM LOS ANGELES

July, 2009 Edition

Opening Doors

In May I was asked by a Staff Editor of the *Christian Science Sentinel* to write about how I became a Christian Science Reading Room Librarian, and what a typical day was like at the JMCSRRLA. It was so much fun to think back as to how God was leading me, and to share my gratitude for my job! It came out in the July 13th issue that focused on how Reading Rooms are opening their doors around the world. Check it out!

And if you are downtown for a visit, or jury duty, or just looking for a good place to go on your lunch break, our doors are open for you! Come in during the week, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., to read or listen to the Bible Lessons, weekly and monthly magazines, and podcasts from www.spirituality.com. There are so many spiritual resources here!

We will be open an hour or so before the Grand Performances on select Fridays and Saturdays. If you and your fellow church members would like to help keep the doors open during these extended hours, please email me at jmcsrlla@gmail.com.

Also, consider how you can keep the doors open to the JMCSRRLA in the years to come. Become a member of the Committee of 500, or donate now to the Perpetuity Fund! Please see the donation form at the end of this newsletter, or contact me to find out more.

Enjoy your summer, and I look forward to seeing or hearing from you!

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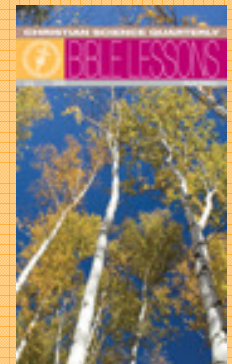
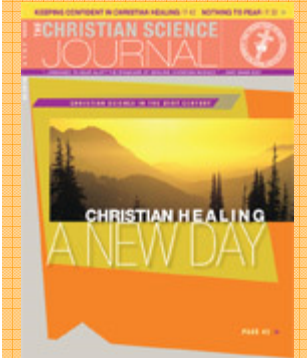
Visit us!

- **In person:**

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

- **Online:**

www.christian-scienceinfo.com/jointr



www.grandperformances.org

Fruitage

Men and women from all types of backgrounds and understanding of Christian Science have come in to browse, ask questions, purchase literature, study the Bible in a group, and prayerfully study on their own. In June we had 141 visitors, and so far in July we have had 44 people visit. Here are some observations about the good that is going on at the JMCSRRLA:

- A Dutch couple came in after looking at the displays, and asked specifically to take a look at *Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures*. The woman immediately bought the book, and I was happy to show her and her husband how to access www.spirituality.com and *The Herald* in their language. It was also fun to show them in *The Christian Science Journal* Directory where a Christian Science Reading Room was near where they lived!
- A man came in to read the French Herald. He came in the next day to look up one of the testimonies from *le Herut* in English, using the Found and Bound Volumes. He stayed to read the Bible Lesson.
- Three men came up to the windows on their lunch break, one calling to the others that he wanted to “check it out.” They all came in, and asked questions about Christian Science. One expressed interest in coming to a Bible Study on his lunch break in the future.

If you would like to contribute your gratitude for future newsletters, please feel free to email your ideas to jmcsrlla@gmail.com.

Here is some fruitage from a member of Third Church of Christ, Scientist, in Downtown Los Angeles:

Under the theme of *Downtown Surprises*, the Reading Room of Third Church was recently featured in a half-hour PBS program, California Gold, hosted by Huell Howser. The lovely garden of the Walt Disney Concert Hall was paired with the Reading Room to identify two local special spots where one could *get away from it all* in bustling downtown Los Angeles. Since the program showed, Third’s Reading Room has had several new visitors each day. Some have mentioned that their parents attended church services in the large original building. Each new visitor is introduced to the many resources of the Reading Room and invited to use them frequently.

<http://www.calgold.com/downtown/Default.asp?Series=100&Show=1049>



Upcoming Events - Special Church Services

Sunday evenings, 8:00 p.m. at Thirty-sixth Church of Christ, Scientist, Los Angeles.

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

4032 Whitsett Avenue, Studio City

Sunday evenings, 5:00 p.m. at First Church of Christ, Scientist, Newport Beach.

More info: 949.673.1340, <http://www.cs-nb.com/>

3303 Via Lido, Newport Beach, CA 92663-3906

Options for hearing the Bible Lesson

1) First Church of Christ, Scientist in Newport Beach:

- Call in within the ten minutes before our 10am Sunday morning services or our 7:30pm Wednesday evening meetings
- Dial **218.936.7979** and use the participant access code **542230#**
- More info: <http://www.cs-nb.com/>

2) Christian Science Society in San Juan Capistrano:

- To participate by phone, please dial: **605.475.6350** Access code: **12111#** (Be sure to press the # sign.) To participate via Skype on the internet, please dial: **+9900827047193996 (room number 7193996)**
- Our service times are Pacific Standard or Daylight Time: Sunday Service: 10:00 a.m. Wednesday Evening Meeting: 7:30 p.m.
- More info: <http://www.csinsanjuancapistrano.com>

3) Weekly Bible Lesson, listen 24 hours on telephone 323.644.2112:

The Christian Science Joint Media Committee of Southern California hosts a 24-hour Bible Lesson telephone line 323.644.2112 offering an introduction to the weekly Lesson, and the ability to select each of the individual sections in the Lesson.

Upcoming Events - Sentinel Radio and Podcasts:

Christian Science Sentinel Radio Edition

July 11 – 17, 2009

Christian Science Reading Rooms—
Open doors around the world [#928]

July 18 – 24, 2009

"Beauty is a thing of life" [#929]

July 25 – July 31, 2009

Where can I find the truth? [#930]



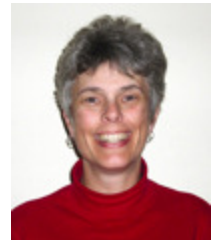
Listen **Sunday mornings:**

7:00 a.m. on KIRN 670 AM and 9:00 a.m. on KVTA 1520 AM.

More information: www.spirituality.com/sentinel-radio

Live Audio Chat/Podcast on www.spirituality.com:

Freedom: what spiritual healing can do for you



Melissa Hayden, C.S. Tuesday, July 14, 2009 11:00am PST - 12:00pm PST

The quest for freedom can take many forms—the search for freedom from oppression or war, from addiction to drugs or alcohol; the longing for freedom from loneliness, fear, or pain, from lack or hunger, from insecurity or unemployment. If you're looking for freedom, join this live chat with a Christian Science practitioner. You'll find out more about Christian Science healing through prayer and learn how it can bring physical and mental peace to your life.

About Melissa Hayden: Melissa Hayden lives in Salem, Oregon, and has been in the public practice of Christian Science since 1994. A graduate of Principia College, Melissa has worked as a management consultant and has also managed a Christian Science residential home. She enjoys gardening, singing, and home improvement. She and her husband have three children and two grandchildren.

More information and for past chats available as podcasts: www.spirituality.com/chats

Upcoming Events

Bible Study in Downtown Los Angeles

July 16th 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. All are welcome to share their understanding of, and supporting study materials for, the Bible. Please be prepared to discuss chapters 33 – 36 of Genesis, and bring a study Bible with you. Public transportation is highly recommended.

More info: 213.928.0920, jmcrrla@gmail.com, 350 South Grand Avenue, Los Angeles

Bible Study in Palos Verdes Peninsula

July 19th from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., and all third Saturdays of the month. Meet in the Sunday School room of First Church of Christ, Scientist, Palos Verdes Peninsula. Bring your translations! More info: 310.377.5444, 310.375.7914, 4010 Palos Verdes Dr. N., Palos Verdes Estates

General Fruitage Meeting for LA County Institutional Work

July 24th at 8:00 p.m. the LA County Institutional Committee will have an inspiring evening of fruitage from services conducted in the county jails and camps, in the Sunday School of First Church of Christ, Scientist, Pasadena. This is an opportunity to learn more about this rewarding work. Child care and parking are provided. The metaphysical topic is: *“Man’s spiritual birthright of freedom.”*

More info: 323.664.4910 or cs_la_ci@yahoo.com
80 South Oakland Ave., Pasadena (at Green Street)

The Art of Visiting

July 25th from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Come to a free workshop at Tenth Church of Christ, Scientist, Los Angeles to learn how to take specific, Scripture-based steps when helping those in need, uphold the ethics of healing without “walking by on the other side,” and discover the incomparable reward of fulfilling the law of love. Caring For One Another experienced volunteers will share inspiration gleaned from making effective visits. A Christian Science graduate nurse will give tips on how to help others.

More info and to RSVP: 310.826.2229, 866.550.2362, 1133 S. Bundy Dr., Los Angeles

Monthly Meeting of The Christian Science Committee on Institutional Work in Greater Los Angeles

July 25th at 9:30 a.m. The Christian Science Committee on Institutional Work in Greater Los Angeles, which works in State and Federal institutions around Los Angeles, invites you to join the next monthly telephone conference call. Guests are welcome to join and hear fruitage reports from chaplains and workers from Terminal Island, Metropolitan Detention Center, Lancaster State Prison, and VA (Veterans of Administration) Hospitals. You can phone in toll-free beginning at 9:15 a.m. at **1.800.371.8200** using the access code **73180**. The topic for prayerful discussion is *“Freedom, and the Christian Science Declaration of Independence.”* (*Science and Health*, p. 106)

Caring for a loved one

August 1st at 9:30 a.m. come to the Christian Science Nursing Facility workshop at Broadview. Metaphysical foundation of care and practical guidance for family members and care committees. The services available, what to do and who to call. More info and to RSVP: 323.221.9174, 4570 Griffin Ave., Los Angeles

Bible Study in Huntington Beach

August 7th at 7:30 p.m., at the Christian Science Reading Room, on the first Friday of the month. More info: 714.842.8212, hbcrr@earthlink.net, 810 Olive Ave., Huntington Beach

Bible Study in Brentwood

August 10th from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., and all second Mondays of the month. Study and share insights of chapters 6 and 7 of John’s Gospel. Meet in the Sunday School room of Tenth Church of Christ, Scientist, Los Angeles. All are welcome! Join at 6 p.m. for an Agape (potluck) dinner. More info: 310.820.2014, tenthrr@gmail.com, 1133 S. Bundy Dr., Los Angeles

Bible Study in Long Beach

August 14th at 7:00 p.m. Focus will be on that week’s Bible Lesson on Soul. More info: 562.434.0669, FifthChurchLB@aol.com, 5871 Naples Plaza, Long Beach

Upcoming Events - Youth and Young Adult Focus

Young Adult Discussion Meetings

August 9th at 7:00 p.m. 20/30-somethings are invited to meet at the San Juan Capistrano Society every second Sunday to join others their age discuss issues they are dealing with – through a spiritual, Christian Science, lens. All Christian Science young adults, and their friends, are welcome! If you would like to share ideas ahead of time, or are interested in carpooling or meeting for dinner beforehand, join the yahoo group, and post a message regarding your ideas and needs.

More information: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ssinsanjuan/>
31897 Del Obispo, Suite 120, San Juan Capistrano

Operation Testimony Meeting (OTM)

On the first – and sometimes the second - Wednesday of the month, join a group of young adult “church hoppers” who visit different testimony meetings around Los Angeles. All Christian Science young adults and their friends are welcome! Make a suggestion as to where to go on the yahoo group, and those who can, meet up and then socialize afterwards by going out to dessert. It is fun to get a sense of the different churches in the area, and an expanded sense of our Christian Science community.

More info: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/discoverybound>

Suggestions:

August 5th visit First Church of Christ, Scientist La Canada Flintridge

August 12th visit First Church of Christ, Scientist Pasadena

Focus on Entertainment / Sept. 4-7, 2009 Labor Day Weekend



8th – 12th graders are invited to join DiscoveryBound teens from across the country in Hollywood, CA for a look inside the entertainment industry. Meet and talk with professionals in all facets of the biz! Learn how they use Christian Science in their work and apply spiritual truths to the creative process.

Event Highlights:

- Studio tour, Discussion sessions with professionals
- Hands-on workshops, Talent sharing / skit night
- Inspirational speakers, Hollywood sites, Santa Monica beach & pier

For more information and to register or volunteer as a chaperone, visit: www.discoverybound.org

Venidas actos en Español

Sesiones Testimoniales en Español

Los viernes a las 7:30 de la tarde las juntas en el Salón de Lectura son reuniones informales para estudiar La Biblia relative a *Ciencia y Salud con Clave a la Sagrada Escritura*. Compartan sus experiencias de gratitud y curación, participien en conversación, y comprendan mejor nuestra relación con Dios.

Más información: 866.374.3747 (GRATIS)
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 de la tarde en Third Church of Christ, Scientist.

Más información: En el internet hay servicios dominicales de la Christian Science en ESPAÑOL vaya a www.csdirectoryespanol.com (se puede oírlos por teléfono) favor de llamar 213.623.2185

730 South Hope Street, Los Angeles

¡Escuche! EDICIÓN RADIAL

Entrevistas pensativas de personas que han descubierto como el amor de Dios responde a todas nuestras necesidades y sana todos los problemas y las enfermedades en **KHJ – La Ranchera**, en el **930** de su dial A.M., **todos los domingos** a las 7 de la mañana

julio 19 Libertad de limitaciones (Finding freedom from limitations)

julio 26 Una fuente expansiva de provision (An ever expansive source of supply)

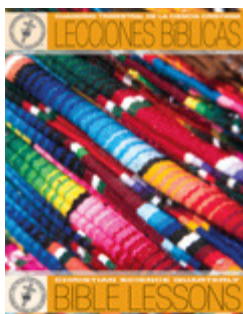
Spanish Outreach Committee / Christian Science Joint Media Committee

Más información: favor de llamar gratis a 866.374.3747, www.elheradlocs.com,
www.espiritualidad.com

¡Y Más!

Desde La Iglesia Madre se transmite por el Internet cada día de la semana el servicio **todos los domingos** grabado en español. Para escucharlo copiarse lo siguiente en la ventanilla buscadora del Internet: http://www.tfccs.com/bostonactivities/spanish_sundaysevice.jhtml.

También, entrando al Internet por <http://www.csdirectoryespanol.com> conseguirá el título "Iglesia Interactiva." Debajo ese título, haga clic donde dice y abra las instrucciones en español que explican como escuchar el servicio en español cuando se actualice los domingos a las 11:30 A.M. hora de California.



DONATION FORM

If you enjoy this spiritual resource, and would like to help us continue to serve the Greater Los Angeles community, your monetary donation would be much appreciated! Please consider becoming a member of the Committee of 500 or donating to the Perpetuity Fund!

Several years ago, members of the JMCSRRLA Committee figured that if 500 people in the Los Angeles area contributed an annual amount of \$120, or a monthly amount of \$10, that the JMCSRRLA would be able to completely meet its financial responsibilities every month. The idea took off, and the name "Committee of 500" stuck.

Unfortunately, the Committee of 500 has never reached the full potential of its name. But, with your help, we can change that. Would you be able to give at least \$120 a year, or at least \$10 a month? Could you help spread the word by sharing this "Friends of the JMCSRRLA Newsletter" with at least one more person? Thank you for taking this opportunity to actively support the JMCSRRLA!

You are also encouraged to remember the JMCSRRLA in your will. What a wonderful legacy to leave to the world in such great need of the Truth. Stocks and bonds are also gratefully received. For amounts of \$1,000 or greater, it is recommended that such donations be funneled through a branch church of Christ, Scientist and designated for the JMCSRRLA.

You are invited to make checks out to JMCSRRLA, or consider using your Visa, MasterCard, or American Express credit card for your tax-deductible gift.

Please complete the information below and fax it to: 213.928.0920, or mail it to: JMCSRRLA, 350 S. Grand Ave., Ste. R-1B, Los Angeles, CA 90071-3461.

"The systematized centres of Christian Science are life-giving fountains of truth."

Mary Baker Eddy, page 113:28 of Miscellaneous Writings

I wish to **JOIN** the Committee of 500

I wish to **RENEW** my annual/monthly membership in the Committee of 500

Please write clearly:

Name: _____

E-mail address: _____

Address: _____

Best phone number to reach you: _____

Payment options:

1) Included is a *check* for: _____ [OR]

2) I authorize the JMCSRRLA to debit my *credit card (or debit card)* as follows:

Amount: _____ **Circle when:** Monthly on the 15th, this month only

Circle kind of card: Visa MC AmEx **Expiration date:** _____

Account number: _____

Signature: _____

Today's Date: _____