

Jointly Maintained Christian Science Reading Room of Los Angeles

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The Executive Board asked me to return to a monthly edition of the JMCSRRLA Newsletter, so we are back on schedule for every 15th of the month – with a slightly different format!

We are expanding some sections, and tightening up others, and would love for your contributions in the upcoming months! If you have any fruitage from your local Reading Room or Church, or events you would like to share, please be sure to send me the information by the 10th of the month.

To start, I would like to thank all of the branch church Reading Room Librarians and Volunteers who were able to come to the meeting we hosted on the 20th of March to discuss ideas about what we can do to be more effective in our community. Let me know if you would like the notes from this event!

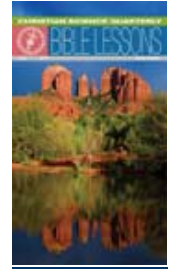
Also, please keep in mind that the Grand Performances are coming up in June, July, and August – and that volunteers are needed to keep the JMCSRRLA open during the Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings. Angel's Flight is up and running too – and is only \$0.25 per ride – a great way to get up to the Water Court Plaza.

This Reading Room had over 100 visitors this past month, from local and international locations! We provide a refuge for prayerful study, as well as being a source of information about Christian Science and Mary Baker Eddy. We know we are a well used and appreciated community resource, can you continue to support us financially?

We have a Wish List of things we would like help paying for, like the cost to fix our neon sign (\$644.01) and paying the monthly rent (\$4,104.00) among others. Feel free to donate directly on our website via Google Checkout or by sending in a check. We would love any contributions you can make to help maintain this valuable resource!

Thank you,
Ame Schneider

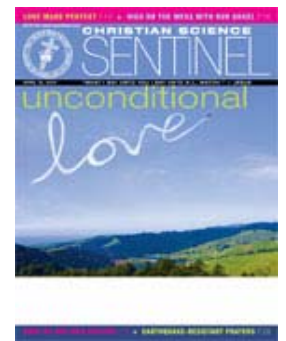
Study Edition
Bible Lesson = \$12.50



The Christian
Science Journal = \$8.75



Christian Science
Sentinel = \$4.12



The Christian Science
Monitor = \$3.85



Note from Finance Chairman

You could land a 747 on the sidewalk of our little church in Duxbury, MA.

Not that you'd have room for the rollout or anyplace to taxi or turn around. But the sidewalk would definitely support the weight and wear and tear.

I know this is so because I interviewed the church members charged with the installation of that sidewalk. And they all said the same thing: "Sebring Trumbull is THE world-renowned expert on asphalt and its installation."

So that explains it.

To add just a bit more flesh to those bones, I'd have to go back eight or ten years. At that time the church membership voted to task their HAG committee (that's House And Grounds) with the job of replacing the crumbling brick and gravel patchwork that was their front sidewalk and the main entrance to the church.

At the time and date of the meeting, Mr. Sebring Trumbull – a church member and engineer who never had come forward before - strode into the committee room and slapped his hand on the conference table where all the members were seated. When he raised his hand from the table's surface, there was a scrap of paper with three lines written on it:

Asphalt - Formula ARW096
185 - 50 pound sacks – specify installed
Acme Asphalt Company – 800-XXX-9999.

"What's the life expectancy of this stuff?" they asked. "How much does it cost?" "Shouldn't we get competitive bids?"

Mr. Trumbull glowered at the clamoring group. Without a word he raised his right hand and pointed to the paper. "Call 'em" he growled. Then he left.

The following Monday – two committee members had agreed to meet and place the call to the company specified by Mr. Trumbull's missive.

When the call was answered, they told the voice on the other end that they wished to order some sacks of asphalt.

"We don't sell sacks of asphalt – we install Truckloads of asphalt" was the reply. "Do you know what formulation you want?"

"Yes" they replied, "we want ARW096 – installed."

"Now I Know that you've got the wrong place" – the Acme rep said, "we only make that stuff in Railcar-sized batches. That's the formulation that we use for airport runways when they have severe winters and need superior impermeability. It costs a fortune!!"

"I don't understand" the HAG committee member said, "These are the specs that our church member, Sebring Trumbull, gave us and yours is the company he said to call and he knows that we have a Very small budget..."

"Who did you say?" asked Mr. Acme, "Sebring Trumbull" the committeeman replied.

Long pause – "Would next Thursday be soon enough for us to install that asphalt? We don't want to keep Mr. Trumbull's church waiting."

"Will we need to have a check for you or can you bill us?"

"There won't be any charge. Didn't you know? Sebring Trumbull is THE world-renowned expert on asphalt and its installation."

And that's why you could land a 747 on the sidewalk of our little church in Duxbury, MA.

Heroes come in all shapes and sizes. Here at the Jointly Maintained Christian Science Reading Room in LA, our finance committee is looking for a little help. You don't need to be Sebring Trumbull – you just need to be able to slap down \$15 or \$20 a month to help us continue to provide the Greater Los Angeles community with the services of our beautiful facility.

To start helping today – contact the Librarian – Ame Schneider at: 213.928.0920, jmcsrrla@gmail.com, by filling out and sending in the donation form, or by donating directly on our website:

<http://www.christianscienceinfo.com/jointr/donation>

Local Reading Room Update and Events

Long Beach Christian Science Reading Room Open House

April 22 - 24 from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. each day at the Reading Room of Sixth Church of Christ, Scientist, Long Beach.

More info: 562.429.6657, 4129 Norse Way, Long Beach.

From the Reading Room of Third Church of Christ, Scientist Los Angeles

Here is a contribution from Carlos, one of the Reading Room workers:

Here is a little fruitage from our reading room: Since we are located across from the Sheraton we sometimes have tourists visit us. There was a gentleman from Spain who came in and wanted to know what Christian Science was and who was Mary Baker Eddy. I showed him Science and Health and he read a few sentences and quickly decided that he wanted to purchase it and wanted more materials to buy and read. He was very excited and enthusiastic because he felt Spirit had led him to come in. He ended up buying over \$80.00 of materials in English and Spanish. He talked a little about how accepting Christian Science seemed to be. He left very happy with a new found way of thinking.

Community Reading of Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures

May 2 from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. and the first Sunday of each month, meet at Third Church, of Christ, Scientist, Los Angeles (downtown) after their 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. service to read and discuss the textbook. A reading agenda has been prepared through June of 2010. Please call the Reading Room for the schedule of pages to be read, and join Third Church as they continue to observe their Centennial commemoration.

More info: 213.622.3639, 730 S. Hope St., Los Angeles.

Woodland Hills Christian Science Reading Room Open House

May 1 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. there will be an Open House to celebrate the grand opening of the new Reading Room. Free parking is in the rear. Refreshments, of course!

More info: 818.223.8992, 22753 Ventura Blvd. (north side, just east of Fallbrook), Woodland Hills.

Discussion Group of Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures by Mary Baker Eddy

May 9 at 12:00 p.m. discuss and discover new insights from “Physiology” (pages 165-200) at the Woodland Hills Christian Science Reading Room. 818.223.8992, 22753 Ventura Blvd., Woodland Hills.

Pizza Wednesdays:

1) **Each Wednesday** meet at 6:00 p.m. in the Woodland Hills Sunday School for discussion of that week’s Christian Science Bible Lesson. 818.712.0862, 6117 Shoup Ave., Woodland Hills.

2) **May 5** at 6:30 p.m. and the following Wednesdays after that, visit the Brentwood Reading Room to use the resources and study room there, and share a meal before attending the 7:30 p.m. testimony meetings!

310.820.2014, 1133 S. Bundy Dr., Los Angeles.

Unlocking Bible Secrets

May 18 at 7:30 p.m. visit the 13th Church of Christ, Scientist Reading Room to hear Christian Science practitioner Jon Benson share insights into the Old and New Testaments through a Christian Science lens.

More info: 323.664.3520, 4747 Hollywood Blvd, Los Angeles.

Upcoming Events in April

Southern California Reader's Workshop

April 17 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. at First Church of Christ, Scientist, Newport Beach there will be an interactive morning presentation from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. with guest presenter, Evelyn Brookins who is the co-owner of Jessica Driver's Reading Aloud Institute™ and publisher of Jessica Driver's book, *Speak For Yourself*™. Additionally, there will be six one hour workshops conducted by past readers in the afternoon from 1:00 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.

COST: \$25 for All Day & includes copy of *Speak for Yourself* by Jessica Driver (Attendance limited to 50), \$10 for Morning Session only – book not included (Morning session may register online or pay at the door and there is no limit on number of attendees)

More info: 949.916.5086, evelyn@brookinsandsymons.com, Register online with credit card at www.readingaloudinstitute.com, 3303 Via Lido, Newport Beach.

The Science of Christian Science

April 18 from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Contessa Room of the Montage Hotel in Beverly Hills. Dr. Lawrence Doyle, a principal investigator studying extrasolar planets for the SETI Institute who has also lectured publicly on Christian Science will be giving this talk. Free parking at 242 N. Beverly Dr.

More info: 310.276.1711, 225 N. Canon Dr., Beverly Hills.

UCLA Festival of Books

April 24-25 Come visit the Christian Science Reading Room booth! The hours are 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, and 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday. The booth number is 645. Volunteers from several different Christian Science Reading Rooms are going to be serving, and 28th Church of Christ, Scientist, Los Angeles is spearheading the booth this year.

More info: Email Doug McCormick with any questions you may have: fob-cs@dslextreme.com

Finding home ... "on earth as it is in heaven"

April 24 from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Ginny Luedeman, a Christian Science practitioner will be giving the talk at the Voyagers Bible Church. Come at 12:45 p.m. for a musical presentation, and stay afterwards for refreshments!

More info: 949.262.9540, 6000 Irvine Center Dr., Irvine (next to Irvine Valley College).

What does it mean to be spiritual?

April 27 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Barbara Pettis, a Christian Science practitioner and teacher will answer questions live via the web!

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

Living in Abundance

April 29 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Evan Mehlenbacher, a Christian Science practitioner and teacher will be giving the talk.

More info: 951.658.2635 875, E Acacia Av, Hemet.

Presentation of Longyear Museum Projects

April 29 at 7:30 p.m. in the edifice of 1st Church of Christ, Scientist, Pasadena.

More info: 1.800.277.8943 extension 275, ldistel@longyear.org, 80 S. Oakland Ave., Pasadena.

Upcoming Events in May and June

Texting God: Effective Short Prayers

May 4 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Elise Moore, a Christian Science practitioner and teacher, will be giving the talk at the Administrative Center of the Goleta Union School District.

More info: 805.964.1518, 401 N. Fairview Ave., Goleta.

Realizing Your Closeness to God

May 8 from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Suzanne Riedel, a practitioner and teacher of Christian Science, will be speaking at the Beal Memorial Library Auditorium.

More info: 701 Truxton Ave., Bakersfield.

Proving Your Worth – Explore Your True Image and Unlimited Potential

May 11 from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Marta Greenwood, a Christian Science practitioner and teacher will be speaking.

More info: 626.797.8403, 942 E Altadena Dr, Altadena.

Finding Certainty in Uncertain Times

May 15 from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Given by David Stevens, a Christian Science practitioner and teacher.

More info: 805.495.8202, Thousand Oaks Public Library, 1400 E Janss Rd, Thousand Oaks.

A Spiritual View Makes All the Difference: Teen and Young Adult Talk

May 16 David Stevens, will also be giving a teen talk at 2:00 p.m., and a young adult talk at 6:00 p.m. at the Westlake Village Christian Science Reading Room. Snacks and pizza provided.

More info: 805.495.8202, www.prayerthatheals.org/youth, 2900 Townsgate Rd. #114, Westlake Village.

Living Love: Christian Science in Action Celebration

May 23 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Living Love: Christian Science in Action invites you to worship together and celebrate the blessings of Christian Science in an energized, loving and informal setting at Berkeley Hall School.

More info: LivingLoveCS@gmail.com and www.LivingLoveCS.org, 16000 Mulholland Dr, Los Angeles.

The Science of Christian Healing

June 3 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Marta Greenwood, a Christian Science practitioner and teacher will be speaking at the Courthouse Sunken Garden.

More info: 805.722.7357, Anapamu & Santa Barbara Streets, Santa Barbara.

La Canada Flintridge Live Audio Streaming and Video Casting of Annual Meeting Activities

June 6 at 11:00 a.m. “join” folks in the Extension of The Mother Church to sing the “Living and Healing *Hymnal*.”

June 7 at 10:00 a.m. “participate” in “The Pearl of Great Price” Annual Meeting live!

More info: 818.790.3493, www.cslcf.org, 600 Foothill Blvd., La Canada Flintridge.

Childbirth & Infant Care

June 12 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Christian Science Nursing Facility of Broadview. In the morning the workshop will be on childbirth preparation for parents and the alternatives to hospital births. The afternoon section will be about caring for an infant.

More info and to RSVP: 323.221.9174, 4570 Griffin Ave., Los Angeles.

Reuniones y Programas en Español

Grupos para estudiar la Lección Sermon en Español

Venid a compartir y a entender mejor nuestra relación con Dios.

- 1) Sala de Lectura en Inglewood/Westchester cada viernes a las 7:30 p.m.
6218-B W. Manchester Ave. en Westchester, 90045
- 2) Broadview, cada primer y tercer viernes a las 7:30 p.m.
4570 Griffin Ave., Los Angeles, 90031

Mas información: 866.374.3747 (gratis)



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.

Mas información: 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! Heraldo 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, www.laranchera.com.

Marzo 21 Eliminando preocupaciones *Overcoming stress*

Marzo 28 Pascua: divina fuerza renovadora *Easter: Divine renewing strength*

Spanish Outreach Committee / Christian Science Joint Media Committee

Mas información: favor de llamar gratis a 866.374.3747

Artículos Metafísicos en Espanol

www.elheraldocc.com, www.espiritualidad.com, <http://www.spirituality.com/herald/index.jhtml>

Desde La Iglesia Madre

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_sundayservice.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.

¡Y Más!

1) Would you like to join Spanish speakers on a teleconference call on **Sundays from 5 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.**? They read and discuss the Christian Science Bible Lesson. You can use your free cell phone minutes on the weekend! Call 213.862.1300, and the access code is: 838537.

2) Now there's a bilingual Spanish/English Christian Science group in Yahoo
<http://espanol.groups.yahoo.com/group/cienciacristiana/>