

Newsletter Spring 2021

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Executive Letter



e would like to welcome our newest board members Sandy Haase C.S. and John Bryant to the Broadview Board of Directors. They join our current Board members Debbie Simmons, Dan Wood, Beate Hathaway, Mike Mooslin C.S., Tim Terry and Nancy Allan.

Sandy Haase has been a Journal listed Christian Science practitioner since 2005. At her local branch church, she has served as 1st and 2nd Reader, Sunday School teacher, Reading Room librarian, and board member. She has been involved in the Committee on Institutional Work in Orange County since 1986, conducting and supporting services in various jails. One rewarding jail project included working with the artist Alex Cook, who painted a *You Are Loved* mural in the Men's Jail chapel. Sandy served nine years on the board of the Christian Science Nursing Care Endowment. She also worked as a home helper in Orange County in the early 90s. Sandy enjoys singing with her husband, Nate, in the Double Nickel Band. She also loves working in the garden and time with family (Nate, and two adult children, Sara, and Colin).

John grew up attending Christian Science Sunday School. He joined the Mother Church at 19 but really made it his own from his College Org experience at San Diego State. He is a member of 5th Church of Christ, Scientist Long Beach. He currently teaches Sunday school but has served as First and Second Reader. He also serves on the Willows Foundation Board as Secretary and is a director on the CSNCE Board. John runs a family general construction business and loves spending time with his family. He and his wife Marilee have three adult children and two granddaughters who they adore.

Since March 2020 the Board has met via Zoom and we continue to make progress in our vision for the future of Broadview. A significant step was taken last fall when wages were increased for all our Christian Science nurses. Our recruiting efforts for Christian Science nurses and for our Christian Science Nursing Education program continue. The Board and Executive Director meet regularly with an architect to determine how best to update the buildings on our almost 75-year-old campus. We hope to have details to share soon.

Thank you for your continued support of Broadview.

Save the date for the Broadview Annual Meeting: Saturday, September 18, 2021.

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Debbie Simmons President, Board of Directors

A Sneak Peak at How Our Christian Science Nurses are Meeting World Belief

ur Christian Science nurses prepare metaphysically to meet each day with their own Christian Science study. They have daily meetings where ideas are shared. One recent meeting was focused on their individual prayerful work regarding the current world belief. Here are excerpts of their shared inspiration:

Christian Science Nurse #1 - worked with the idea of being in the present moment or in the now, and was reminded of a Bible verse which says, "Behold now is the accepted time and behold now is the day of salvation." (II Cor 6:2) And another which says, "Be still and know that I am God." (Ps. 46:10) So "being still" and "in the now" to her meant: 1) Listening to the Angel messages wherever she was and whatever the need be, whether it was about contradicting mortal opinions about the virus, fear, etc. And 2) Understanding the ever-presence of God.

Christian Science Nurse #2 - prayed about

"atmosphere" including these verses from Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures: "If you decide that climate or atmosphere is unhealthy, it will be so to you. Your decisions will master you, whichever direction they take. Reverse the case. Stand porter at the door of thought. Admitting only such conclusions as you wish realized in bodily results, you will control yourself harmoniously." (S&H 392:21-27) And "Never breathe an immoral atmosphere, unless in the attempt to purify it." (S&H 452:14-15) She also noted from hymn 144 of the Christian Science Hymnal: "In atmosphere of Love divine, / We live, and move, and breathe; / Though mortal eyes may see it not, / 'Tis sense that would deceive."

She concluded with this "Pure Mind gives out an atmosphere that heals and saves. Words are not always the auxiliaries of Truth. The spirit, and not the letter, performs the vital functions of Truth and Love. Mind, imbued with this Science of healing, is a law unto itself," (Miscellaneous Writings 1883–1896, p. 260:25–29 (to 2nd,)) **Christian Science Nurse #3** - refuting the belief of the virus with ideas of one power and one law, she found these citations most helpful: *"In Science you have no power opposed to God and the physical senses must give up their false testimony. Your influence for good depends upon the weight you throw into the right scale. The good you do and embody gives you the only power obtainable."* (S&H 192:10-24) "Right thoughts and deeds are the sovereign remedies for all earth's woes." (Miscellany 283:14-15) "Human law is right only when it patterns the Divine." (Miscellany 283:26)

Christian Science Nurse #4 - quoting "Man is not matter; he is not made up of brain, blood, bones, and other material elements." (S&H 475:6-7) - then identified the virus as "elements" not included in the real man. Citing Joshua 24:15,16 where he asks the people of Israel to choose the gods they will serve, she saw this situation as an opportunity to choose God and serve Him, by knowing He alone governs the universe.

Christian Science Nurse #5 -read passages focused on the ideas of handling the "illusion" of the situation with God-given dominion and acknowledging God's ever-presence. From Science and Health: "When the illusion of sickness or sin tempts you, cling steadfastly to God and His idea." (495:14-15) And "Think less of the enactments of mortal mind, and you will sooner grasp man's God-given dominion. You must understand your way out of human theories relating to health, or you will never believe that you are quite free from some ailment. The harmony and immortality of man will never be reached without the understanding that Mind is not in matter. Let us banish sickness as an outlaw, and abide by the rule of perpetual harmony, — God's law. It is man's moral right to annul an unjust sentence, a sentence never inflicted by divine authority." (381:20-30) From Deuteronomy 31:8, "And the Lord, he it is that doth go before thee; he will be with thee, he will not fail thee, neither forsake thee: fear not, neither be dismayed."

Christian Science Nurse #6 - in working to see that God was in control of every aspect of our lives and there is one Mind directing the activities and thoughts of everyone, she affirmed that when we wholly rely on God for inspiration and direction, we are naturally free of fear. She found two Christian Science Journal articles especially helpful. Here are a couple excerpts from them:

From "Faith" by Blanche Hersey Hogue (Feb. 1939 Christian Science Journal)

"The Christian Scientist who would rid his thought of the enemies of faith, faces with discernment and courage both the basic and the personal fears which beset all mortals. Material mentality, so called, is itself fear. It has no savior within itself. Its own nature, with hopes and possessions which are at best transient, lays its mortal open to suggestive alarms. Such fears are not particularly his; they are the mental habit of the human race. If squarely met with the activity of spiritual understanding, they only serve as an opportunity to quicken faith. Divine Mind is not afraid. Awakened faith is not afraid. As one lets that Mind be in him "which was also in Christ Jesus," the understanding which trusts the will of the Father possesses his consciousness, and mortal fears fade. They cannot endure in a faith-lighted life. Fear is not Mind...The Christian Scientist can discipline his thought by refusing to think in the ways of fear. Daily and hourly, at the least suggestion of uneasiness or concern, he can declare that he is not afraid: he can know why he is not afraid; and he can keep busy knowing it."

From "Possession" by Adam H. Dickey (Jun. 1917 Christian Science Journal)

"It is scientifically impossible to put a wrong thought into consciousness, and there can be no imperfection in Mind since whatever God knows is perfect and inviolable and can never be changed or altered in any way. Nothing exists but God and what God creates, consequently there is only one right idea of anything. "The divine Mind maintains all identities, from a blade of grass to a star, as distinct and eternal" (Science and Health, p. 70)"

Christian Science Nurse #7 - shared Mary Baker Eddy writes in Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures (p. 414), "Remember that man's perfection is real and unimpeachable, whereas imperfection is blameworthy, unreal, and is not brought about by divine Love." Stand firm in the conviction that everyone is blameless, pure, and innocent. There is nothing that anyone can do, or has done, that can affect them negatively and cause them or others harm. God cannot conceive of anything unlike perfection, and there is nothing to condemn in God's kingdom.

Refuse to be duped by the claim of disease. We must claim the native nothingness of disease and one way to do that is to recognize just how ridiculous it is to see anything as more powerful than God. God is All-in-all and anything that would claim to be disease, must be recognized as ridiculous. In Science and Health, Mary Baker Eddy writes on page 218 *"Treat a belief in sickness as you would sin, with sudden dismissal. Resist the temptation to believe in matter as intelligent, as having sensation or power."* Let us completely and immediately dismiss any claim of sickness, because it is not of God.

Spiritual Activities Calendar

n April 2020 when activities at Broadview became restricted and group gatherings not permitted, our Activities Director and Volunteer Coordinator, Tracy Colerider-Krugh, developed a calendar of spiritually related activities. She invited Broadview guests and staff to participate in activities that promoted simple acts of kindness and deeper exploration of our weekly Bible Lessons through this monthly Spiritual Activities Calendar. Last month, instead of just keeping this fun tool to ourselves we emailed the calendar directly to our community.

We have loved hearing your responses and are delighted to see you enjoying these activities as much as we do! Last week I called a dear friend, and we happened to discuss the calendar and she said, "Wait a minute, I think I need to give you a compliment, I haven't done my activity for today!" We were both so tickled to take that moment to participate in the daily spiritual activity together.

We have received such positive feedback that we will continue sending the Spiritual Activities Calendar every month. The first week of the month, we will email the calendars out. If you have not received the calendar you can go to our website, csbroadview.org. and click Community, then click News and Inspiration to access the calendar. If you would like to receive the calendar directly and we do not have your email address, please email us at development@csbroadview.org so that we can make sure you are included.

Whether you choose to do each day's activity on its date or do several activities in one day, isn't it fun to realize that we are united together in prayer and activity?



We are seeking Christian Science nurses (Facility & Visiting) at all levels for full-time and part-time employment.

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