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Inspiration

From the Jointly-Maintained Reading Room in Melbourne, Victoria, Australia



It remains very popular to take a photo of the bowl with the sign 'Your thought for the day – Help yourself!'

Some know what to expect and have returned for more uplift, and others are new and curious what 'Your Thought for the Day' will be about. Each day individuals of all backgrounds, ages and cultures take a YTFTD quotes. Hundreds of people each week love to take them.

Here's an example:

Five sporty friends in their 20s each took a YTFTD and they had conversations about them.

A father on vacation read two YTFTD's to his daughters and translated them into Spanish or Portuguese so the girls could understand. Two women in their 40s were taken with the bowl, loudly reading aloud 'Your thought for the Day' sign, then one took a thought for each of them, and she called through our wide open door 'Thank you!' and I replied 'Enjoy!' A man in his 20s with downcast eyes looked as

though his thought had been stirred as he walked passed. He took off his headphones, took a photo of the YTFTD bowl, and took one with him to read. A mother read out her small boy's YTFTD with enthusiasm 'Don't let evil conquer you, but conquer evil by **doing good**.' (Romans 12:21 (NLT) A multi-generational Indian family took thoughts and read them out. A young woman wheeling her bike through the lane took one with a smile. Two trendy teenage girls were interested in getting a YTFTD then one read some of our signage and warned the other not to. Her friend replied, "Sometimes I can be religious" and took one anyway.

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We'd love to hear from you, too! Send us your photos of the activities/events that your Reading Room sponsors/participates in. We'll be glad to feature you here. Send in your fruitage to: opendoors@csps.com

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To find more inspiration, please visit the inspirational articles section on the [Reading Room Resources](https://www.christianscience.com/resources) page of [christianscience.com](https://www.christianscience.com). The inspirational articles, which are a mix of current and older articles, are found about halfway down the page. They get refreshed monthly.

We want to hear from you! How have members of your church and Reading Room staff been praying in support of the healing activity of your Reading Room? Please send your submissions to: opendoors@csps.com.

NEW PRODUCTS

NEW PRODUCT: French authorized Bible now in large-print

We are pleased to announce readers can now purchase the authorized French Bible (*Louis Segond, 1910*) in a large-print edition. Two sizes of this Bible are available now!

Name	Product number	Reading Room price	Suggested Retail price
La Sainte Bible: Louis Segond 1910	P050B34604FR	\$30.00(USD)	\$30.00(USD)

NEW PRODUCT: Spanish authorized Bible now in large-print, paperback

We are pleased to announce readers can now purchase the authorized Spanish Bible (*Reina-Valera 1960*) as a large-print, paperback, in addition to the hardcover edition. Both are available now!

Name	Product number	Reading Room price	Suggested Retail price
Santa Biblia, Reina-Valera 1960	P050B34605SP	\$27.00(USD)	\$27.00(USD)

NEW: Japanese pamphlets and cards

We are pleased to announce a new pamphlet and several cards in Japanese

Name	Product number	Format	Reading Room price	Suggested retail price (per item)
聖書の意義 (The Significance of the Bible)	G450B51223JA	Pamphlet (5-pack)	\$15.00(USD)	\$4.99(USD)
キリスト教科学の教義 (The Tenets)	P150G34612JA	Card (10-pack)	\$17.50(USD)	\$2.50(USD)
メリー・ベーカー・エディによる霊的解釈付き主の祈り (The Lord's Prayer with its Spiritual Interpretation by Mary Baker Eddy)	P150G34613JA	Card (10-pack)	\$17.50(USD)	\$2.50(USD)
詩篇23篇 (Psalm 23)	G475B51170JA	Card (10-pack)	\$17.50(USD)	\$2.50(USD)
詩篇91篇 (Psalm 91)	G475B51171JA	Card (10-pack)	\$17.50(USD)	\$2.50(USD)

NEW: Indonesian pamphlets and cards

We are pleased to announce several new pamphlets and cards in Indonesian.

Name	Product number	Format	Reading Room price	Suggested retail price (per item)
Hukum Pengaturan Allah (God's Law of Adjustment)	G450B51216IN	Pamphlet (5-pack)	\$17.50(USD)	\$7.99(USD)
Ilmupengetahuan dan Kekayaan yang Sejati (Science and True Riches)	G450B51217IN	Pamphlet (5-pack)	\$15.00(USD)	\$4.99(USD)
Pertahanan Setiap Hari (Daily Defense)	G450B51218IN	Pamphlet (5-pack)	\$15.00(USD)	\$4.99(USD)
Makna Natal Bagi Saya (What Christmas Means to Me)	P125B34606IN	Pamphlet (5-pack)	\$15.00(USD)	\$4.99(USD)
Rukun Iman (The Tenets)	P150G34608IN	Card (10-pack)	\$17.50(USD)	\$2.50(USD)
Doa Tuhan dengan makna rohaniah karangan Mary Baker Eddy (The Lord's Prayer with its Spiritual Interpretation by Mary Baker Eddy)	P150G34609IN	Card (10-pack)	\$17.50(USD)	\$2.50(USD)
Sebuah syair untuk anak-anak kecil (Prayer for Little Children)	P150G34610IN	Card (10-pack)	\$17.50(USD)	\$2.50(USD)
Sebuah syair untuk anak-anak besar (Prayer for Big Children)	P150G34611IN	Card (10-pack)	\$17.50(USD)	\$2.50(USD)
Mazmur 23 (Psalm 23)	G475B51168IN	Card (10-pack)	\$17.50(USD)	\$2.50(USD)
Mazmur 91 (Psalm 91)	G475B51169IN	Card (10-pack)	\$17.50(USD)	\$2.50(USD)

PRODUCT UPDATE: Christian Science Hymnal (1–429) – Musician's Edition

We have updated the Musician's Edition for Hymns 1–429. The cover has been updated, minor corrections have been made, and several individual hymn copyright notices have been added or updated. To coincide with this release, the previous edition (G875B55214EN) has been discontinued.

Name	Product number	Reading Room price	Suggested Retail price
Christian Science Hymnal (Hymns 1–429) – Musician's Edition	G875B51875EN	\$50.00(USD)	\$75.00(USD)

From Concord

Concord now requires an email and password to use Concord Guest Access. This change to Guest Access provides users with greater security and privacy each time they use Concord.

To continue accessing Concord in your Reading Room, follow these steps:

- **Visit** concord.christianscience.com
- **Click** the Log In/Create Free Account button
- **Log in or create a free account**

You have the option to subscribe at a limited-time discounted annual rate or continue with a free Read-only account. (A Read-only account includes the same features available through Guest Access. No payment method is required, unless you'd like to subscribe.)

If using a free account, Reading Rooms should continue to maintain customers' privacy by ensuring that visitors log out and log back in after each use to clear the search data.

If you need additional assistance using Concord or have questions, please send us an email at concord@csps.com.

Coming soon to Concord: search *Science and Health* in four languages

Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures by Mary Baker Eddy will soon be available in French, German, Portuguese, and Spanish within Concord.

You are welcome to add one or more of these languages to an existing Concord account, free of charge at least through 2024 while the language feature is in a beta stage. You can make these updates in the account settings.

This project represents the first time that individuals who are native speakers of one of these languages will be able to digitally search the Christian Science textbook in their own language. A tester of the program who serves as a First Reader in South America commented, "It is a fantastic source for our readings!!"

To learn how to use and access these languages, you're invited to join us at any of our upcoming language-specific webinars in March and April.

- March 5: [French webinar](#)
- March 19: [German webinar](#)
- April 2: [Portuguese webinar](#)
- April 11: [Spanish webinar](#)

Each webinar will take place at 1 p.m. ET. The webinars will be held in English, and simultaneously live-interpreted in their respective languages.

Please use the links above to watch the webinar of your choice. On the day of the webinar, you'll be able to join 5 minutes before the event kicks off. There is no need to register, and a recording will be available in the following weeks.

A special project from *The Christian Science Monitor*

Rebuilding trust: How we find the confidence that drives renewal

How can your Christian Science Reading Room help your community build trust in a polarized world? Whether praying about upcoming elections, global wars, or even local unity, consider sharing *The Christian Science Monitor's* new series, "Rebuilding trust," with your community.

Beginning in February, *The Christian Science Monitor* will expand on its unique, values-based approach to the news with a closer look at the value of trust and how it brings a new sense of connection and hope to help us find common ground in a divided world.

"Rebuilding trust" begins February 1 with 2-3 articles per week highlighting trust. Articles will be featured in the Weekly, Daily, and at CSMonitor.com.

A Reading Room press kit, which includes supporting promotional materials (fact sheet, flyer, poster, and more), will be available in the coming weeks. This press kit will be added to the Reading Room Dropbox for you to share with your community in creative ways.

Thank you for your support in sharing *The Christian Science Monitor* with your community.

Product Discontinuation notice

Jesus and the Samaritan Woman cards (G475B51165EN). This product has been discontinued and won't be restocked.

From the *Herald* from Italy and Japan



[LA VERITÀ SULLA NOSTRA SITUAZIONE](#)

[Lascia Che Il Cristo Determini La Tua Giornata](#)



[日々の祈りとその救命力](#)

Resources to help share *The Christian Science Monitor*



The Christian Science Monitor has taken a step unique in the news industry by focusing on the *values* behind the news—values that connect us all, including hope, cooperation, and compassion. These provide readers a deeper view of the news and highlight the solutions that unite rather than divide.

This approach is reflected by founder Mary Baker Eddy's description of the *Monitor's* purpose: "To injure no man, but to bless all mankind."

You can explore the *Monitor's* values journalism at [CSMonitor.com/Values](https://www.csmonitor.com/Values).

To help Reading Rooms share the *Monitor* with those searching for a news source with an uplifting, purposeful mission they can trust, promotional materials (posters, flyers, fact sheet, digital slides, and an announcement you may include in your own church's communications) are provided in the Reading Room Press Kit. A [Reading](#)

[Room press kit](#) with supporting promotional materials (fact sheet, posters, and more) is available in the Reading Room Dropbox.

Interested in sharing a photo of your display? Let us know how your Reading Room is sharing the Monitor with your community by emailing us at opendoors@csp.com. Thank you for your support of the Monitor.

EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

Zoom chats with Jan

Join us for our next Zoom chat, Thursday February 29, 2024 at 2:00 pm Boston time.

[Click here to join.](#)

Our topic "How to Sustain a Reading Room in a Church and Still Engage with the Community" has proven very popular, and we're looking forward to welcoming you all. We're so grateful to all of you who submitted questions. We have reviewed them all, and keeping in thought that we have only an hour, have chosen the following four topics for our discussion next week:

- 1.) How do we display literature when we don't have a window?
- 2.) How can we connect with our community?
- 3.) How can we sustain our Reading Room and encourage support from our members?
- 4.) Is a study room needed in our space?

Another question was so popular, we'll discuss it in our next large Zoom chat, which will be in April with the date and time still TBD – it is "How can we meaningfully engage with newcomers?"

Reading Room webinars

We currently don't have any webinars scheduled.

[In case you missed it: Reading Room webinar replays](#)

Looking ahead to Annual Meeting 2024: Joy in the living Church

We are looking forward to gathering together on Monday, June 3 for [Annual Meeting 2024](#). We'll be hosting a variety of events throughout the weekend, Friday, May 31 – Monday, June 3, including activities for those ages 12–35 (with free lodging). Please see the [complete schedule](#) [at christianscience.com/am24schedule].

Please remember to [register](#) if you will be attending. We are offering a variety of free and discounted lodging options this year, too, which you can indicate in your registration form.

If you'd like to **share about Annual Meeting with your church community**, consider using the promotional materials in our [Dropbox](#).

Sign up for weekly *Herald* notifications via WhatsApp and email

Take the *Herald* with you wherever you go! Our new *Herald* notifications send inspiration to your phone via WhatsApp or your email inbox each week.

Notifications include featured articles, audio recordings, and issue announcements so you can stay up to date on the latest *Herald* content. Notifications are available in French, German, Portuguese, and Spanish.

If you'd like to receive these messages each week, you can sign up for your preferred language at one of the links below. We'd love for you to help us spread the word by sharing this message and the sign up link with your church communities. Thank you.

[French](#)

[German](#)

[Portuguese](#)

[Spanish](#)

DISPLAY AND PROMOTIONAL RESOURCES

Spark conversations about church

Explore two new resource guides—one for teens and twenty-somethings and the other for church members, parents, and Sunday School teachers—about why we are all needed in church and how we can strengthen church and our church communities.

We hope these guides bring fresh inspiration and spark questions, ideas, and conversations. We invite you to share these guides with your church community.

You can access the guides online [here](#). Your branch Sunday Schools should have received hard copies of the guides in the mail, too.

Display Resources

Approved Providers Program

Easy, affordable, and convenient! Approved Providers offer a wide range of services to help you with your window display needs.

- Have an idea for a Reading Room or Sunday School poster? An Approved Provider will work with you to create something special.
- Need a display and a vinyl banner for a Reading Room booth at an upcoming event? An Approved Provider is happy to help you!
- Want to easily print CSPS-produced promotional materials? An Approved Provider can ship them to you in just a few days!
- Interested in even more posters? Approved Providers sell a wide range of original posters on their websites.
- Want professional looking windows? An Approved Provider will work with you to create a unified window display.
- Need recommendations for poster and banner holders? An Approved Provider can help you with this too!

To contact an Approved Provider please see their information below.

[Convenient Posters](#)

[Lyn Drake of Inspired Designs](#)

[Melissa Johnson of MAJ Products](#) (Melissa is located in Melbourne, Australia)

To inquire about applying to become an Approved Provider, or if you have questions about this program, please email approvedprovider@csp.com

QUICK LINKS

Product List	Reading Room Dropbox of Promotional Materials
Discontinued List	All Things Reading Room Forum
Instagram (christianscience.com)	Monitor Special Events Order Form
Facebook (christianscience.com)	

Customer Service

- Visit the Reading Room Resource Center at <http://christianscience.com/readingrooms>.
- To inquire about ordering issues of *The Christian Science Monitor* for your event, please email sales@csps.com.

Product orders and questions; account and billing questions:

- **Email:** csrrcustserv@cdsfulfillment.com
- **Phone:** 1-800-877-8400 (US/CAN) or +1-515-362-7463 (outside US/CAN) Monday-Friday, 9:00 AM-5:30 PM Eastern Time

Shop account & online order questions:

- **Email:** Shop@christianscience.com
- **Phone:** +1-617-450-2790, Monday-Friday, 9:00 AM-4:15 PM Eastern Time (closed on Fridays in June–early September).

General questions:

- **Email:** OpenDoors@csps.com
- **Phone:** +1-617-450-3138, Monday-Friday, 9:00 AM-4:15 PM Eastern Time (closed on Fridays in June–early September).

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