Inspirational Ideas from First Church of Christ, Scientist, Godalming, Surrey, England

A Reading Room worker came back from the UK Summit with a suggestion to create a Christmas style advent calendar. This took some months to prepare - another Reading Room worker created the artwork whilst another worker chose the theme of Angels — each of 12 windows having a quote. We open a window every three days. The hymn is number 9 alongside the kids article “My Christmas Angel” in the December 11, 2023 Sentinel.

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To find more inspiration, please visit the inspirational articles section on the Reading Room Resources page of 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.

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NEW PRODUCTS

NEW: Indonesian pamphlets and cards

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

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**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.

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**NEW PRODUCT: Variety Pack 11mm Chalk and Chalk Holder**

We are delighted to announce a new variety pack of five 11mm pieces of chalk, which comes in four unique colors:

- Purple (x2) – Highly visible, very good erasing
- Blue (x1) – Highly visible, good erasing
- Luminous Purple (x1) – Visible, excellent erasing
- Luminous Blue (x1) – Visible, excellent erasing

This new wider chalk is more economical than our 5mm chalk. Also available is a black plastic 11mm chalk holder, which is optional, as each piece of chalk has a light, protective coating.

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We hope you received your free sample of the new chalk that arrived at your Reading Room in late October/early November.

**NEW TRANSLATION: What Christmas Means to Me and Other Christmas Messages in Italian**

We are pleased to announce the first-time translation into Italian of *What Christmas Means to Me and Other Christmas Messages* by Mary Baker Eddy. This new publication brings together in one paperback book passages from the Bible as well as Italian translations of excerpts from Mrs. Eddy’s books *Miscellaneous Writings 1883-1896, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, and Miscellany, and Poems*.

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**NEW TRANSLATION: Four Messages to The Mother Church in Portuguese**

We are pleased to announce the first-time Portuguese translation of *Four Messages to The Mother Church* by Mary Baker Eddy. This publication brings together four messages Mary Baker Eddy wrote to be delivered during services at The Mother Church:

- *Christian Science versus Pantheism*
- *Message to The Mother Church for 1900*
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**CURRENT PRODUCTS**

**From Bible Lesson Products**

We’ve heard from many of you over the past few months about the redesigned *Quarterly* and how it has been helpful for introducing newcomers to the Bible Lessons. Thank you for sharing this important fruitage.

As a continued support, updated web pages about the Bible Lessons are now available in all languages in which we publish. The *Dutch, French, German, Indonesian, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese, Russian,* and *Spanish* pages have a fresher and more helpful presentation especially accessible to newcomers and useful for introducing newcomers to the Bible Lessons. There you'll find:

- A sample lesson (blue button in the second panel next to photo of Bible and S&H)
- Links to CS.com for more information on certain topics (second panel)
- Information on the formats available in that language (see panel with icons)
- Testimonies of healing from around the world (last panel)
We hope you and your visitors find these pages helpful, and we look forward to hearing more fruitage in the future.

**From the Herald**
The volunteer *Heralds* have translated some wonderful articles this past month. We are happy to let you know we received translations from the Netherlands, Italy, and Indonesia. Here are some of the new articles available:

- Guarire l'« incurabile »
- Il nostro raccolto di gratitudine
- La preghiera ribalta la situazione in tempi di conflitti

- De toepassing van Christian Science in een gemedicaliseerde cultuur
- Van hulpeloosheid naar hoop

**Gifts that keep on giving—even beyond the Christmas season**

As you share various holiday products with Reading Room visitors this Christmas, we also invite you to share gift subscription opportunities. Choose from the following:

- *The Christian Science Monitor*
- *Concord: A Christian Science Study Resource*

**END OF YEAR SALE**
Take advantage of up to 40% discounts on inspiring books, pamphlets, and CDs. Discounts available until December 31, 2023, or while supplies last.

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**Product discontinuation**
Markers – Bible, Newtype II Edition (G600B91026EN) have been discontinued.

**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](http://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@csps.com](mailto:opendoors@csps.com). Thank you for your support of the Monitor.

### EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

**Zoom chats with Jan**

We will be starting up small group zoom chats (approx 10 people) with librarians in January. We have names of some that would like to be included. If you would like to be included, too, please email Jan at [sappenfieldj@csps.com](mailto:sappenfieldj@csps.com).

We also would like to do another "How to Sustain a RR in a Church and Still Engage with the Community" chat. The first one we had was very popular and we recognize this topic is important and meaningful. Due to its popularity, we are thinking of doing it a bit differently. To that end, could we ask how many of you would be interested in getting together to discuss this topic on Zoom again? Please email Jan at [sappenfieldj@csps.com](mailto:sappenfieldj@csps.com) if you are.

Are there other topics you would like to see addressed in a Zoom call? Please let us know by emailing Jan at [sappenfieldj@csps.com](mailto:sappenfieldj@csps.com) or the main Reading Room email account [opendoors@csps.com](mailto:opendoors@csps.com).
**Reading Room webinars**

We’re done with webinars for 2023. Our next webinar will be January 18, 2024 at 2:00 PM Boston time and will focus on sharing the *Monitor* in your community.

**In case you missed it: Reading Room webinar replays**

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**Save the date for Annual Meeting 2024**

We hope you will join us in person in Boston (or online) on Monday, June 3 for Annual Meeting 2024. In addition to Monday’s meeting, we’ll be hosting a variety of events throughout the weekend, including special events again this year for youth and young adults on Friday evening, May 31 and Saturday, June 1. We’ll also be offering free lodging for youth and young adults. We’ll be sharing more details about the weekend events and housing, as well as registration information, in the coming weeks at [christianscience.com/annualmeeting](http://christianscience.com/annualmeeting). We hope to see you at Annual Meeting 2024!

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**DISPLAY AND PROMOTIONAL RESOURCES**

**Sharing Christmas with your community and church**

You can now find new Christmas-themed resources in the Reading Room Resources Dropbox to help your Reading Room embrace your community this holiday.

The Christmas 2023 folder in Dropbox includes:

- **Customizable** flyers, posters, digital slides, and postcards
  - Use them as invitations to your holiday events, to share about your Christmas Eve church service, or to spotlight gifts for the holidays
- Social media graphics for posting on Instagram, Facebook, and X.
- Community outreach ideas

**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](http://example.com). We’ll also be mailing hard copies of the guides to your local branch Sunday Schools. Be on the lookout for these guides soon.

**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@csps.com

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Customer Service
Customer service will be closed December 22-January 1 in observance of Christmas and New Years.

- 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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