



Inspiration

Twenty-Eighth Church of Christ, Scientist, Los Angeles, California, USA

I like working with Rule of Conduct from the Church Manual. "No objectionable pictures shall be exhibited in the rooms where the Christian Science textbook is published or sold. No idle gossip, no slander, no mischief-making, no evil speaking shall be allowed."

Some thoughts for today are:

One objectionable picture might be "no sales today in the Reading Room."

Gossip might be: the public is not interested in Christian Science. That does not seem to be a nice thing to say about the public.

Slander is making a false spoken statement damaging to a person's reputation: "the public cannot understand *Science and Health*, that there is something else that is easier to understand." "The author has not compromised conscience to suit the general drift of thought, but has bluntly and honestly given the text of Truth. She has made no effort to embellish, elaborate, or treat in full detail so infinite a theme. By thousands of well-authenticated case of healing, she and her students have proved the worth of her teachings."

Mischief-making or causing trouble between two people: what is being said about other church members, other people in other countries, government, etc. "In Science, divine Love along governs man..."

No evil speaking: "no one comes into the Reading Room" has God forgotten God's creation? has the Christ lost the ability to be the "true idea voicing good, the divine message from God to men speaking to the human consciousness." Has the Christ stopped "dispelling the illusions of the senses;" no longer "the Way, the Truth, and the Life, healing the sick and casting out evils, destroying sin, disease, and death"?

Another form of evil speaking is: "the public is confused between Christian Science and Scientology." Making this statement might be a form of malpractice. The public is not confused because the public are all idea of Mind. Is Mind confused between Christian Science and Scientology? Then Mind's idea is not confused either.

The home for the products in our Reading Rooms is not on our shelves. Their home is in the hands of customers in our cities, being used. And just when we have a guest over to our home, we bring out the best that we have. The same thing is true for the products in the Reading Room. We do not give away anything for free in our Reading Room. We will give discounts when needed, but if a book is too faded to sell or if books are brought in to be donated, we give all of them to places like Goodwill or Salvation Army with a sticker inside the book with the Christian Science Reading Room address. From this we have had customers come in saying, "I found this book at _____ and they mentioned this woman, Mary Baker Eddy and I would like to learn more about her. (and then we sell them a biography on Mary Baker Eddy) or "I read this biography on Mary Baker Eddy and she wrote this book on Christian healing and do you still have this book? I would like to read it." (and then we sell

them a copy of *Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures*.) We have found that people tend not to trust books or organizations that give away free books. (“there is always a price. Nothing is free.”) So we charge something, then the individual values what they have been given and it does not become a book that has sat in the box or on the shelf for years.

If you would like to read articles from the periodicals about Reading Rooms, visit “[Reading Room resources](#)” page and scroll down the page to the “Inspiring articles from the Christian Science magazines” section.

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@csp.com.

EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

You’re invited: Fall 2022 Reading Room webinars

Join us for our next webinar this fall! If you aren’t able to join us in person, the replay will be posted to the [Reading Room resources](#) page of christianscience.com.

It’s our annual holiday presentation. This will be Thursday, **October 27, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.** Eastern time and will last approximately 90 minutes as we hear from across the Christian Science Publishing Society and Mother Church departments about product highlights and offerings for this holiday season.

Register here: https://christianscience.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_o2KbqV22TjKB6a-aZAoIVw

In case you missed it: Reading Room webinar replays

[Introducing *People Making a Difference* podcast from *The Christian Science Monitor*](#)

[Proactive Community Connections](#)

[Window display – from prayer to finished display](#)

[Inspiration and activity in small Reading Rooms](#)

[A discussion about “exhibit” \(*Manual Art. XXI Sect. 3*\)](#)

[Introducing the new Reading Room Resources page](#)

[All about Bible Lesson translations](#)

[Innovation in Reading Room Activities during lockdown](#)

[Christ Healing in Reading Rooms](#)

Zoom chats with Reading Room Ambassador Jan Sappenfield (date of first announcement 7/20/2022)

We have had four Zoom chats with Reading Room Librarians in the past month. They have been full of idea sharing, inspirations, and good fun. These chats will be ongoing, so if any of you would like to be included, please let Jan know. Her email is sappenfieldj@csp.com.

From the Mary Baker Eddy Library: *Seekers and Scholars*

A podcast series from The Mary Baker Eddy Library, *Seekers and Scholars* bridges the worlds of spiritual quest and scholarly inquiry. Each month we talk with experts in various fields to learn about the many ways that Mary Baker Eddy's life, ideas, and legacy have impacted the world. [Visit \[mbelibrary.org/podcasts\]\(http://mbelibrary.org/podcasts\)](http://mbelibrary.org/podcasts).

Recent episodes include:

- The history of Communion in Christian Science church service
- Marcella Craft, opera star, the origins of Christian Science church soloing

- American religion in World War II
- The Christian Science encounter with interfaith at the 1893 World's Parliament of Religions

NEW PRODUCTS

Updated online Christian Science Directory (date of first announcement 10/20/2022)

We're thrilled to announce the launch of the updated online Christian Science Directory from *The Christian Science Journal*. These updates make it easier for people to search for and engage with Christian Science resources, including your Reading Rooms. The enhancements include an interactive global map, improved search capabilities, more interactive filtering features, individual web pages for each resource, and photos of Christian Science branches, Reading Rooms, and nursing facilities to help others find and recognize your locations in-person and get connected to the healing resources you're offering in your community.

Christmas Flyer (date of first announcement 10/20/2022)

Included with this month's billing statement is our holiday flyer. It features a small selection of new products, seasonal products, and gifts of timeless inspiration. Retail pricing and order numbers are included for your convenience. This flyer is also available as a free downloadable and printable PDF in the Reading Room resources [Dropbox](#). Watch future Reading Room communications for more information about the featured products and to register for our annual holiday webinar where you'll get to hear about these products.

Christian Science Monitor Honors In On Values In New Campaign (10/20/2022)

Talk to anyone in journalism. "News avoidance" is a thing. People simply can't cope with a daily dose of anger, failure, fear, and frustration. The Monitor was created to antidote this narrow view of news. Now, we're going to make that even plainer.

Some of you will remember our Respect Project or Finding Resilience. By focusing on the values behind the news, we gave you a deeper view of the news and showed how it can highlight solutions that unite rather than divide. We're going to do much more of this going forward. We're going to clearly identify the values driving the news – whether it's respect, compassion, responsibility, freedom, or so on.

Visit our new [Values Hub](#) at to see what we mean. Watch your email inbox to learn more from *Monitor* staff. If you weren't able to join us for the live presentation, please visit the Reading Room Resources page to watch the replay of our webinar with *Monitor* Managing Editor, Amelia Newcomb, and product owner, Kim Proctor as they discuss this values campaign in more detail.

COMING SOON: *The Years of Discovery, Second Edition* (10/20/2022)

Volume one of *Mary Baker Eddy*, Robert Peel's important and influential biography, in a beautiful new edition. Please watch for more details to follow in upcoming communications.

Thanksgiving 2022

The Thanksgiving Bible Lesson is live at biblelesson.com/thanksgiving and will be available free of charge through December 31, 2022. Digital, print, and downloadable formats are available in English, French, German, and Spanish. Audio is available for English and Spanish.

You can find Thanksgiving promotional materials, including Save the Date cards, in the Reading Room Dropbox in the [Thanksgiving folder](#).

NEW: Now Available: Translated ‘Table of Contents’ for the *Herald of Christian Science* (date of first announcement 8/25/2022)

Thanks to those who expressed an interest in this change! Now when Reading Room visitors ask what articles are in a certain month’s Herald, you’ll be able to easily reference the translated list. You can access PDFs of translated ‘Table of Contents’ for the July and August *Heralds* in the Reading Room Resources [Dropbox folder](#) on ChristianScience.com. We will continue to add translations for the coming months. The team is interested in any feedback about this offering, so if you have some, please send it to: opendoors@csp.com.

CURRENT PRODUCTS

An opportunity for students—Get JSH-Online for only \$5/month

Did you know that JSH-Online offers a student discount for those attending high school, college, or university?

Save over 80% each month with our **\$5/month student subscription**.

Students can:

- Read reports of healing written by and for kids and teens
- Listen to podcasts, articles, and testimonies
- Get access to the complete JSH collection of archive issues
- Explore and listen to biographies about Mary Baker Eddy

Look for promotional materials in the [Reading Room Dropbox](#) folder. You can also share [this post](#) on your Facebook pages, if you're interested.

From Concord (date of first announcement 10/21/2022)

Looking for a holiday gift? Give one year of unlimited Concord access this holiday season. Priced at a discount to the standard annual subscription, this gift is perfect for both current Concord users and those who might be new to it. [Learn more here](#).

Product Update: Blue Plastic Chalk Holder (date of first announcement 8/25/2022)

This product is being discontinued because of rising costs and production challenges. We are exploring alternatives and recommend the Red Metal Chalk Holder (G600G50021EN) in the meantime.

Product Delays (date of first announcement 7/20/2022)

Due to challenges currently facing the printing industry, the following products are currently out of stock or severely delayed. We do not have an estimated delivery date at this time.

- *The Christian Science Hymnal: Hymns 430–603*, musician’s edition (G875B50806EN)
- Holy Bible: King James Version, paperback (G800B50522EN)

DISPLAY AND PROMOTIONAL RESOURCES

Newly updated: Reading Room Dropbox (date of first announcement 8/25/2022)

Based on feedback, a team at The Mother Church has spent the summer reviewing and reorganizing the [Dropbox for Reading Room](#) display materials. Now organized first by language and then by type of material offered, we’re hopeful that this new presentation of materials will help you find what you need more easily.

We’re happy to let you know that there is new artwork promoting products that is now available, 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 CSPA-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](#)

[Christian Science Reading Room Displays \(Marguerite Becker\)](#) (Marguerite produces digital window displays only.)

[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

QUICK LINKS

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

Customer Service

**Customer service will be closed November 11, 2022 in observance of Veterans Day
November 23-25 in observance of Thanksgiving**

- 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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