

SEPTEMBER 2024



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CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH IN SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO

WE ARE A CHURCH WITHOUT WALLS!

SAN JUAN'S MISSION

Our purpose is to promote spiritual growth, unconditional love and healing based on the teachings of the Bible and Mary Baker Eddy's writings.

METAPHYSICAL TOPIC FOR SEPTEMBER

7pm PT on Zoom ~ [CLICK HERE](#) to join meeting

Seeing our government "as in heaven, so on earth"

Let's come together to discuss at our Meta meeting at the end of the month!

REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETINGS

7pm PT on Zoom ~ [CLICK HERE](#) to join meeting

September 9th: Growing Church Workshop (GCW) every 2nd Monday

September 23rd: Meta meeting - every 4th Monday. Everyone is welcome!



SAVE THE DATE!



September 15th ~ Presentation from Mayal about Schools of the Heart (after church)

September 26th ~ 6pm PT Thinking Forward Event at the Willows Topic: The 2024

Election & The Monitor's Steady, Clear-Eyed View" with David Cook &

Francine Kiefer - [CLICK HERE](#) to register online

September 29th ~ Fellowship Sunday

October 6th ~ Presentation about Petals of Africa by our own Dick Smith (after church)

November 29th ~ Part of our 30th Year Celebration: A Thanksgiving concert!

TITHING RECIPIENT FOR SEPTEMBER SCHOOLS OF THE HEART

... "OUR CHILDREN SHALL BE TAUGHT
OF THE LORD AND GREAT SHALL
BE THE PEACE OF OUR CHILDREN"

Isaiah 54:13

Schools of the Heart, our tithing recipient for September, is located in the Democratic Republic of the Congo in a neighborhood facing many challenges. Founded by Mayal Tshiabula, a Christian Science practitioner and recent new member of the Board of Lectureship. Schools of the Heart had its humble beginning in a modified chicken coop converted to serve neighborhood "street children" who were not attending school. It has continued to provide educational programs for kindergarten through elementary grades as well as remedial programs for the many youth who have not had an earlier school experience.

The teachers at Schools of the Heart continue to face daunting challenges: a surrounding neighborhood that does not welcome the school and continues to vandalize it, gang violence stemming from uneducated youth, parents who do not fully understand the importance and value of education and lend little support for their children, resistance from local officials, and the continuation of government corruption. In spite of the continuing overall claims of poverty and resistance to change, Schools of the Heart is providing life changing experience and support for children in an atmosphere of Love.

Join us Sunday, September 15th
after church for a presentation from Mayal!

CHILDREN.

THE SPIRITUAL THOUGHTS AND
REPRESENTATIVES OF LIFE,
TRUTH, AND LOVE.

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PART OF OUR GIVING
IS PRAYING...
TOGETHER!



Schools of the Heart would love
our prayerful support this month:

- ~ That needed basic school supplies are available for all children
- ~ That parents realize the importance of education and lend support to their children
- ~ That gang violence ceases and employment opportunities for young people increases
- ~ That resistance to change is replaced with progress for the entire community

FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY ~ SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH

Calling all Readers! Near or far!

Did you know we focus a lot of attention on being a Church of Readers? When there's a fifth Sunday in a month, we often organize and present a Fellowship Sunday where we all read the lesson together, online and in person. Kind of like sitting around the living room. Those interested in participating, read a passage or two from the Bible and Science & Health. We'd love for you to be a part of our Fellowship Sunday. To participate online or in the room, please contact Paul Garman: paul@musical.org



WELCOME BACK HOME, BEVERLY LYLE

Good news! Beverly Lyle, who was a member of our church when she resided in Phoenix, has now rejoined! She is presently living in San Diego. Beverly hails from Southern California - Arcadia and Rosemead - and also Seattle. Christian Science has always been a part of her life. She graduated from the University of Washington and is a proud Huskie. Her husband was in the Air Force and that brought them to Selma, Alabama at the time of the Civil Right's Movement. They lived right near the Highway that was made famous by the "Selma to Montgomery Voting Rights March" starting on March 7th, 1965. She was able to view the momentous historical event. Her son, Jamie was born there. Beverly always had a very inclusive sense of her community.

Later she moved to Phoenix and worked with the Navajo, Hopi and Apache tribes on their reservations. Beverly made a couple of "field trips" to San Juan Capistrano with some of the Navajo children she knew best. It was a joy to have them at our church. She was a mentor to many of the girls.

During her 46 years in Phoenix, 32 of them living downtown in a high rise on the 8th floor, she regularly rode the light rail. She shared many, many Christian Science Monitor's one copy at a time. She is a stellar friend-maker and gave us all pointers on how to pass along our Monitor to the hungry public. Beverly devoted years to writing a play about Tsianina, a remarkable Native American woman who was a singer and also a Christian Science practitioner. (Anyone interested in reading Beverly's remarkable book, Lenore has a copy.)

Now she lives in a retirement home not far from her son, Brandon. All through the years she has given inspiring testimonies at our Wednesday Meetings. We welcome her with open arms and hearts, now that she has added her name to our membership list! Sending love to you, Beverly!



REMEMBERING LISA HANSEN



If you understand the concepts of compassion, humor and putting others first, you know Lisa. She grew up in the Valley in a family that had high values and worked hard. She received her Masters in Social Work. Before meeting longtime friend of San Juan's, Bob Hansen, in 1986, she worked at the VA hospital in Long Beach. She then moved to Laguna Beach. After her move to Laguna Niguel, Lisa and Bob married in February 1988. Lisa became an instant mom to Bob's two young boys, Matt and Robbie. They had Danny (a San Juan Sunday School student) in 1991. Motherhood was natural to Lisa and she knew how to encourage each boy grow their own natural talents. She demonstrated determination by going back to school to get her Licensed Clinical Social Worker degree (LCSW), and counseled students in Orange County schools. Lisa was very supportive of Bob's career. His professional passion, photography, demanded a lot of travel. Lisa nurtured his success by employing her parenting and professional skills on the "home front". Their great loves were traveling, taking walks with their dogs, and getting together with their friends. Lisa will always be remembered for her big heart and smile, and helping others. Much love to Bob and his family.

PROJECT GRATITUDE: WRITE ON!

Latest "good news" published by "our" Project Gratitude writers...

~ Ever-present good by Sandy Graham

September CS Journal

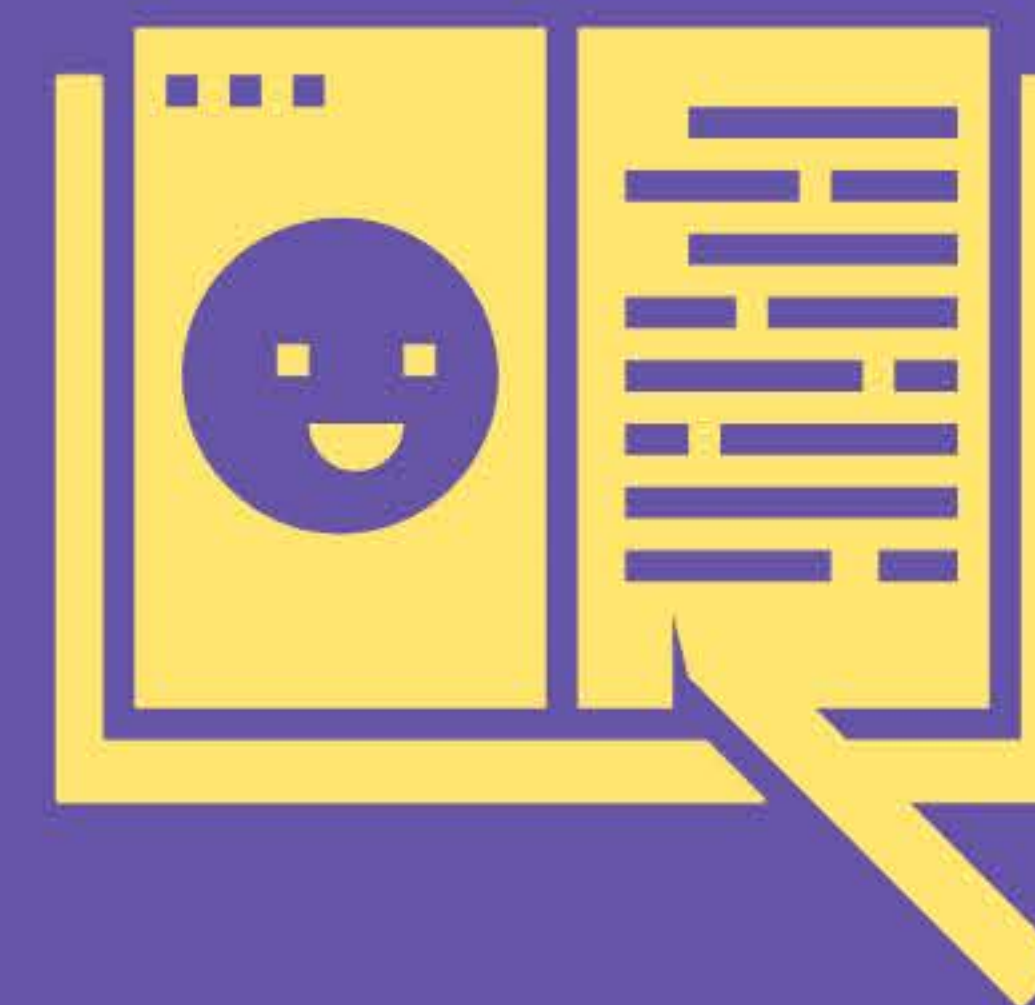
~ A Structure Designed for Healing by Deborah Huebsch

August 26th, CS Sentinel Guest Editorial

~ Reconnecting with Christian Science by Craig McManigal

August 26th, CS Sentinel

~ And a letter to the Editor (gratitude!) from Heather Bauer and Sandy Graham.



Have you ever written a note of gratitude for something in the periodicals that has inspired you? Write On!...or at least think about it... If you would like to receive notifications of our meetings contact: bonniemacdonald1@cox.net



AND MORE GRATITUDE!

A huge salute to Sherry Moncrief Feldtz who went above and beyond in getting our church ready for the 30th Anniversary Kick-Off Celebration. She is a churchkeeper par excellence! (like the most amazing housekeeper ever!) Thank you to Bob and Sherry for the new paint for the interior of our church. And for actually painting the doors and walls a couple of days before the celebration to get everything in tip-top shape!

The new crepe myrtle tree by the newly refurbished bench at the entrance to church was also Sherry's (& Barbara and Art's) addition, as well. Just not enough words to thank you, Sherry! You are a gift to us all!

LITERATURE TO PRISONS



When you are finished with your Monitors, Sentinels, Heralds and Journals drop them off in the Reading Room study room to be distributed to LA & OC prisons. Questions? Contact Judy - judithstump@yahoo.com

Many thanks!



KICK OFF TO CELEBRATING 30 YEARS IN SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO

What a wonderful "30 Years of Togetherness" celebration we had last month. We are so grateful for each and every one of you, our members and our regular attendess. The celebration was such a beautiful reminder of the prayer, love, and foundation on which the San Juan Capistrano church was established. The desire to bless the community and world, and the blessings that flow from a God centered life!

A special thank you to all of you that shared that afternoon, beginning with the Christian Science Activity Center, and moving on to beoming a Christian Science Society, advertising in the Christian Science Journal, and then in 2016 becoming a Christian Science church. Such love and dedication!

So grateful for the steadfastness and dedication, of those San Juan Capistrano early folks, that had a dream, a desire, those "seekers of Truth" and of hope, and of "church without creeds." (Man p17)

Those, both online and in the room, have expressed their joy, love, and gratitude as they have shared their thoughts on the day...lunch was fabulous, cookies were delicious, music was amazing!!!! And the time spent with our church family and friends was precious and inspiring. Breaking bread as a church, both online and in the room.

Such a beautiful day had by all! Everyone felt embraced and included.

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More to come! Stay tuned!

LET'S END WITH SOME PHOTOS FROM OUR 30TH KICK OFF CELEBRATION!



Members & friends join online!



Members & friends join in the room!



Amazing music from our incredible musicians!



**So many people contribute to bringing the Eblast to life every month!
Heartfelt appreciation to each one of you!**



**Until next time...
blessings on your headz!**