



# First Church of Christ, Scientist

San Juan Capistrano

## Founding Purpose

*Our purpose is to promote  
unconditional Love, spiritual growth and healing  
based on the Bible and the writings of Mary Baker Eddy.*

EBlast of August 2, 2018

## August Tithing Recipient

*10% of the donations received during the month of August will go towards*

## The Boys & Girls Clubs of Capistrano Valley

"A positive place for kids and teens," the Boys and Girls Club of Capistrano Valley offer after-school and summer programs in academic success and healthy lifestyles while building good character and leadership skills for the youth of our community. In a caring and nurturing environment, their programs are designed to instill a sense of competence, usefulness and belonging. Club programs are available in the areas of education, health, the environment, the arts, careers, drug/alcohol/pregnancy prevention, gang prevention, athletics and leadership development. For the increasing number of children who have no adult supervision in their homes during the workday, the Club provides a safe place to learn, to play and to grow into happy, healthy, contributing community members. Website: [www.bgccapo.com](http://www.bgccapo.com)

## Presentation Sunday, August 26th at 11:30 a.m.



The Boys and Girls Club will be holding their annual  
RUMMAGE SALE fund raiser on:

**Saturday, August 11<sup>th</sup>**

If you have items you would like to donate, please  
contact Bonnie MacDonald who will be making a  
delivery before the sale.

## Tithing Prayer Request

The Boys and Girls Clubs of Capistrano Valley serve as a home away from home for hundreds of children and teens in after-school, before-school, and summer enrichment programs. In your prayers, please support their dedicated staff in their goal to assure each and every child of their value, self-worth, and unlimited potential in a safe and loving environment.





# Children

*The spiritual thoughts and representatives of Life, Truth, and Love.*

*Children are more tractable than adults, and learn more readily to love the simple verities that will make them happy & good.*

*Jesus loved little children because of their freedom from wrong and their receptiveness of right.*

Science and Health, with Key to the Scriptures, by Mary Baker Eddy

- page 582:28-29
- page 236:25-27
- page 236:28-29

## From the Reading Room

With the impetus of recent powerful Wednesday night readings on

### *Healing Mental Illness*

which affects many in the local homeless population as well as being “one of the leading causes of disability in the US and Canada for ages 15 – 44” \*, the Reading Room has chosen this as the topic for the month. You’ll find a variety of items related to the topic from the Bible, *Science & Health*, with Key to the Scriptures, the *Christian Science Monitor*, as well as the *Sentinel* and *Journal* on the cart under the periodical rack in the Reading Room. Sit in the adjoining chair to read, or if you want to dig deeper, research and print JSH articles from the community room computer. The Teleconference RR Team will also have articles available. We welcome your ideas on healing this challenge! Here are just two articles on the topic:

#### *\*Mental Disorders – The Burden Must Lift*

The Christian Science Sentinel Editorial, July 14, 2008

<https://sentinel.christianscience.com/issues/2008/7/110-28/mental-disorders-the-burden-must-lift>

#### *Out of the Depths of Depression, by Dean Coughtry*

The Christian Science Monitor, July 23, 2018

<https://www.csmonitor.com/Commentary/A-Christian-Science-Perspective/2018/0716/Out-of-the-depths-of-depression>

## Inspirational Meeting

During the month of July, we focused thought and prayer on the question:

*What does a “thriving church” look like?*

This month, we will meet to talk about how we might put the ideas and thoughts that were shared into action. You are invited to join us for that meeting on Monday evening, August 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m., on our teleconference line.





# "The Healing School"

Situated on the boundary between two tribes, the Luo & Kuria, Petals has been called "the healing school" because it has been instrumental in bringing these two formerly warring tribes together. The area was once considered "dead" because of the discord and violence, but when the school opened, things began to change. Children from both tribes now attend Petals and representatives from both tribes serve on the school board and attend the Christian Science Society. Petals is widely credited with bringing harmony to the area, and it stands as a beacon of progress in the community.

## Update from Petals of Africa School



These are some of the pictures that Brian McCauley and Barbara Brown took when recently spending three days at Petals.



Teacher Workshop



Nap Time!



Class of 2018



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## Academic Success

Students at Petals do very well on national testing, consistently outranking most other schools in the district. This success is particularly noteworthy since the school lacks most standard educational materials and facilities are substandard. One important note: Petals students are known in the community for not cheating on exams. Petals owns farmland that provides a portion of the school's food and the school has recently opened a small store to serve the community.





## The Childlike Thought

The childlike thought receives Christ best.  
Unquestioning, unfettered, free,  
In simple trust, in patient rest,  
It doubts not, does not need to see  
The future steps, the answer clear,  
Nor pleads to know tomorrow's plan;  
Rejoices in the good now here,  
Reveals the peace of perfect man.

Mary Baker Thompson

*Christian Science Sentinel*, November 9, 1946

### Readers' & Writers' Workshops

These workshops take place on our teleconference line on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of every month. This month it is scheduled for August 20<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. and again from 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

For the Reader Workshops, ALL are welcome, including:

- those who are already reading
- new readers
- those interested in reading
- in-room hosts
- those eager to join in prayer for our services

We will come together to share:

- ideas on preparing Wednesday readings
- thoughts and inspiration for facilitating services
- questions and answers

Questions? Please contact Heather Bauer: [bauercs@bellsouth.net](mailto:bauercs@bellsouth.net)

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