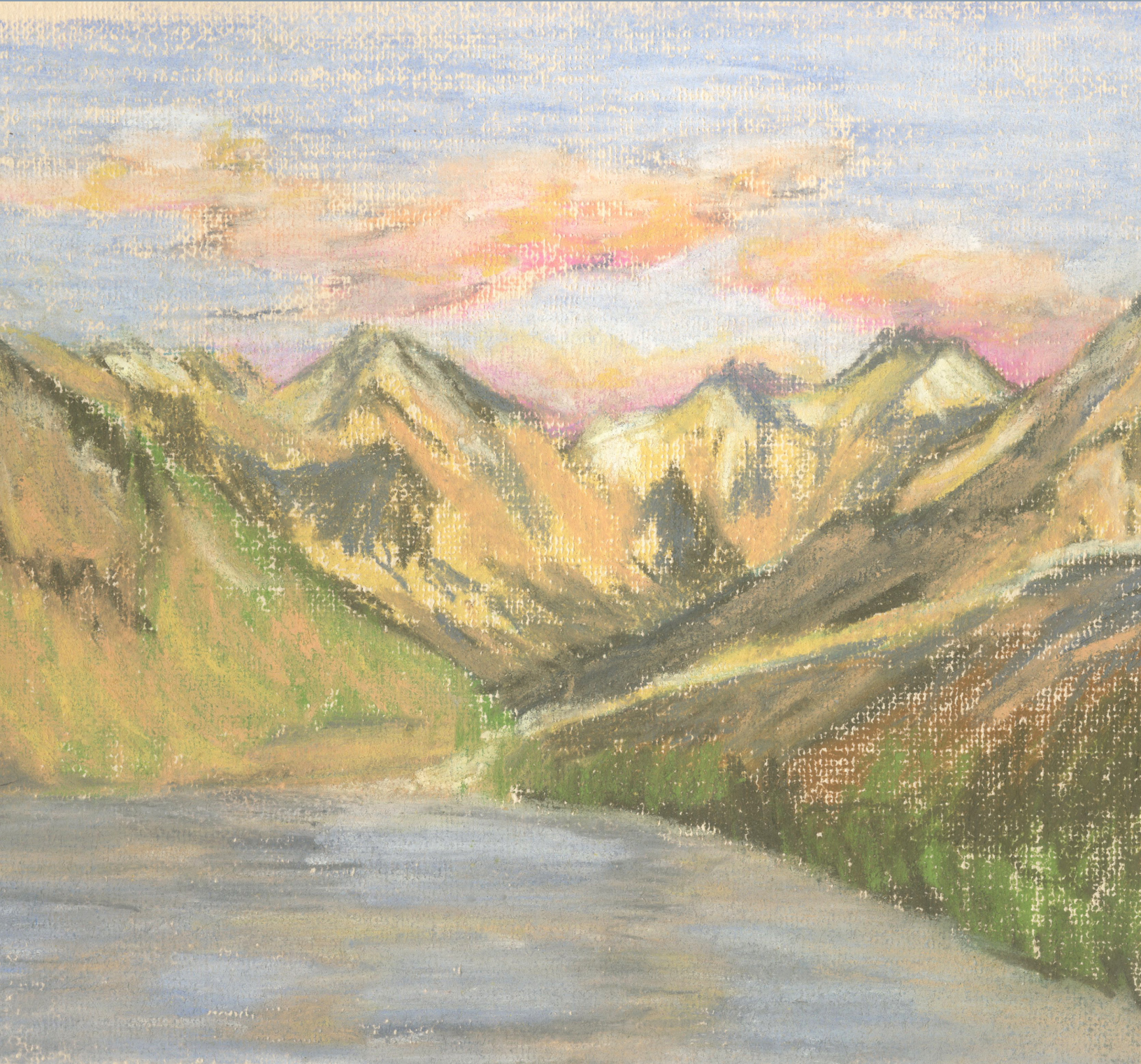


Peace Haven

INSPIRED TO SERVE

2024 Winter Newsletter



Christian Science Nursing . God's Inexhaustible Goodness

Lessons From An Amaryllis Flower

VALERIE HICKAM
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Earlier this winter, I enjoyed watching an amaryllis bloom on a windowsill in my office. The instructions noted that no water would be required because an amaryllis naturally stores all the needed energy in its base. Over several days, what began as an exposed bulb on a wooden plank grew into two tall, green shoots that bloomed into several beautiful flowers. The bulb included everything needed for these blooms to flourish; the amaryllis simply needed to be placed in the light.

What a beautiful analogy for how we each might think about Peace Haven in this new year! God, being the source of all good, bestows on this haven of peace every element needed for sustaining, nurturing, and providing for this healing atmosphere. Peace Haven's role in supporting each patient and family includes providing an inspired, nurturing atmosphere available day or night. Here, every individual can grow in their practice of Christian Science and bear the fruit of healing.

Our dedicated Board members, Christian Science nurses, and staff bring their inspired thought to this work, daily fostering

progress and freedom. Recently, a staff member expressed gratitude for working in a place where they can have their Christian Science books open on their desk. Another expressed appreciation for being in a workplace that sets aside two specific times each day when everyone is invited to pause for a few moments of prayer for the organization. Peace Haven is an avenue through which God has given each of us the opportunity to live and demonstrate Christian Science, whether we are Christian Science nurses, patients, family members, donors, or volunteers. We are all blessed in this holy work.

This newsletter is packed with inspiring examples of how our Christian Science nurses, as well as our patients, staff, and community, are fed by divine Love's tender touch and inexhaustible ever-presence. We are so glad to share examples of this good with you today! Enjoy the inspiration shared by Christian Science nurses and staff who have gained meaningful insights from Bible characters that express Christian Science nursing qualities (pages 12-13). Learn

about our patients' active practices of Christian Science in praying for the world in our Community of Healers (page 7). Read about the whimsical garden at our facility that a Christian Science nurse's children built (page 11). And, take a look at two pieces by a renowned artist—a student of Christian Science—who created original artwork featuring the Peace Haven property in the early 1950s, shortly after we opened our doors (page 15).

Love animates every activity at Peace Haven. Like the amaryllis in my office, we witness God's perpetual goodness, recognizing the source and divine Principle that sustains all. We are grateful for daily evidence of God's presence, power, and activity caring for each one of us with eternal, uninterrupted goodness. In the months ahead, we have an opportunity to continue demonstrating the perpetual goodness of God, recognizing that Peace Haven's supply is unlimited and fully realized at every moment.

We cherish Love's abundance as we embrace our 2024 metaphysical theme: "...God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work:" (II Cor 9:8). In support of this theme, we invite you to join us in studying the Sermon on the Mount, Mary Baker Eddy's *Message for 1902*, and "Addresses to Branch Churches," a collection of articles by early worker Julia Johnston, C.S.B. Please visit www.peacehavenassociation.org/2024-metaphysical-theme for copies of these addresses.

Thank you for your dedication to this healing ministry.

PEACE HAVEN ANNUAL MEETING

WE ARE GRATEFUL for the expressions of gratitude that have poured in for Peace Haven's 2023 Annual Meeting and inspirational talk, "of Christlike touch," by Joyce Heard Hawes, C.S.

Please visit www.peacehavenassociation.org/annual-meeting-2023 to see a replay of the November 11, 2023, meeting and the inspirational talk, including a transcript.



2024 Metaphysical Theme

Join with us in studying this year's Metaphysical Theme

"...God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work:"

II Corinthians 9:8

The Healing Power of Christian Science Nursing

MARK TOUSEY



A longtime Peace Haven supporter recently shared this childhood healing that served as a springboard for his love for Christian Science nursing, which continues to grow today.

I was 11 years old when I first experienced the healing impact of Christian Science nursing. I had sustained a serious injury to one of my feet in an accident involving a power lawnmower one Saturday morning. My mother called a local Christian Science nurse, and she arrived at our home within minutes. I still remember the Christian Science nurse's calm, spiritually-guided presence as she attended to my foot. She and my mother, who was a Christian Science practitioner, gave me unflinching metaphysical support that morning in the face of what appeared outwardly to be an alarming physical picture. I was completely enveloped in divine Love as the Christian Science nurse began to dress the wounds. While I had

not yet calmed my fear, I realized that neither of them was shocked by the physical picture; they saw me as an untouched, spiritual idea whose being was never separated from God. That spiritual vision gave me such comfort that soon I was calm and began repeating the "Scientific Statement of Being" with them (see *Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures*, Mary Baker Eddy, p. 468).

I had always relied on Christian Science for healing, but this was a turning point for me. This experience forced me to turn my thought to God and His perfect creation in a way that I had never done before.

My mother and the Christian Science nurse carried me to my bed and made a tent with a bedsheet so that I could keep my thought away from matter and attuned to the spiritual reality of what was going on. The Christian Science nurse came twice daily to change the dressings that week while I stayed home from school. Music was a

big part of our household, so after my parents came into my room every morning to read the Bible Lesson together, I would spend the rest of the day learning hymns from the *Christian Science Hymnal*. This was to be a week of great spiritual growth for me. By the end of the week, I had learned the words to more than 50 hymns by heart, as well as the music itself, since I would simulate playing the music on my lap.

My mother would spend a few hours a day reading from the Christian Science textbook to me, and she spoke at length about my spiritual selfhood and how I needed to constantly look through the lens of Spirit whenever my body came into my thought. I held to this truth particularly when that dear Christian Science nurse came to change the dressings. Whenever I was tempted to fear pain, I

knew that I could only feel and experience spiritual reality, and the fear vanished. I can remember so clearly the smile on the Christian Science nurse's face every time she visited. Her undisturbed peace strengthened my resolve that I would have a complete healing. Each time she entered the room, she expected healing.

I began to walk the weekend following the incident and announced that I wanted to go back to school that Monday. I wore a slipper on one foot and told my friends that I hurt my foot without giving any details. A rumor started that I had dropped an iron on my foot, so I went with that one! The practical support of the Christian Science nurse continued for another week until I could wear a normal shoe. Three months later, I hiked in northern California completely free.

Why I Value Peace Haven

JOHN C. THOMPSON

My family and I have appreciated the skillful and caring embrace of Peace Haven's Christian Science nurses for over five decades. There have been occasions when an injured child has been helped or when health issues for family members have been handled with immediacy and practical competence by Peace Haven's Christian Science nurses and staff. Once, a senior family member was lovingly cared for there when the level of need was greater than could be provided for at home.

Peace Haven is a vital place for Christian Science healing in the St. Louis community. For this reason, our family is inspired to give in support of Christian Science nursing as we cherish Peace Haven and its healing mission for present and future generations.

A dictionary definition of "haven" is: "a place of safety" (see *The Student's Reference Dictionary*, page 472).

Mary Baker Eddy makes reference to "haven" in *Miscellaneous Writings* when she states that "God's nestlings" are hidden by God in "...His haven of Soul [where]... there enters no element of earth to cast out angels, to silence the right intuition which guides you safely home" (see *Mis.* 152:25, 26-29). I am very grateful that Peace Haven consistently fulfills that sense of spiritual home for us in our family's healing work.

The True Purpose of Volunteering

PEACE HAVEN STAFF



Over several decades, numerous volunteers have blessed Peace Haven in a variety of ways. The Peace Haven family remains so grateful for the contributions of these individuals and their joy-filled service. Volunteers' practical value to a Christian Science nursing facility is recognized most fully when noting that their unselfish expressions of good reflect foundational, spiritual maturity and poise. This includes the natural expectation of freedom and healing that elevates their volunteer service far above simply helping their neighbor with a practical need.

Indeed, the desire to aid our fellow man is at the heart of volunteering. It is a pure and sweet motive to bless our brother. We effortlessly reflect this unselfish thought when we know God as the source of all good for His creation. Throughout her writings, Mary Baker Eddy parallels the unselfed thought with spiritualized consciousness. She writes, "Whatever holds human thought in line with unselfed love, receives directly the divine power (*Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures*, Mary Baker Eddy, p. 192:30). Consequently, the essential need is for volunteers to bring their uplifted thought to Peace Haven.

Your active participation in Peace Haven's mission is vital to our ability to provide an atmosphere supportive of spiritual healing through Christian Science. Your gifts of time and talent can contribute to progress and healing. One of the sweetest volunteer activities is reading the Bible, Mary Baker Eddy's writings, and Christian Science Publishing Society literature with patients. Other current volunteer opportunities include:

- Serving as a reader, musician, or soloist at our informal Sunday afternoon and Wednesday afternoon church services;
- Singing or playing an instrument at our hymn sings;
- Sharing a talent or experience;
- Performing music or giving an art demonstration; and
- Giving presentations - let us know what you are inspired to share! You could present a hobby or travel slide show, or teach us about technology, cultural experiences, or current events.

When volunteers bring uplifted thought and a Christ-like, spiritual view of man to their activities, they contribute to the healing atmosphere at Peace Haven that blesses patients, staff, visitors, and volunteers alike.

A Spiritually Alert Community of Healers

PEACE HAVEN STAFF

The demonstration of Peace Haven and its healing mission is evident in the prayerful work of patients, staff, and our entire Christian Science community. This community of healers comes together with earnest attention to supporting the Cause of Christian Science and Peace Haven's Christian Science nursing ministry.

Within this light-filled facility, the uplifting, metaphysical atmosphere for healing fosters patients' spiritual growth and that of Peace Haven's staff and our world. Christian Science nurses love to witness individual spiritual renewal and how it contributes to the progress at Peace Haven. Of course, it's no surprise that patients witness the evident atmosphere of peace while they temporarily live here and interact with others who are also realizing healing and keeping Truth at the forefront of thought.

We offer several prayer-based activities that help nurture each patient's practice of Christian Science and encourage them as inspired thinkers. Each day, patients can read the Christian Science Bible Lesson in our Bible Resource Library with our Activity Manager or individually with a Christian Science nurse. In addition, throughout the

day, patients receive loving support from Christian Science nurses.

Further inspiration is shared as a mutual blessing at our weekly Community of Healers meetings. During these gatherings, patients meet as a group or individually with our Community of Healers Coordinator to discuss

current news items from *The Christian Science Monitor* about which they are specifically praying. The conversations highlight timely topics these healers address in prayer, revealing each participant's spiritual alertness and contribution to world healing. Recent themes have included safety and unity.

We are inspired by our patients' dedication and commitment to steadfastly practicing and demonstrating

Christian Science. Together, patients prayerfully work to uplift their fellow man, to scientifically address false claims being presented to thought, and to bless humanity. It's profoundly enriching to witness our patients so fully embracing the prayerful needs of our world. It is also humbling to see how our patients prayerfully work only to see the Christly expression in others, thus strengthening and nourishing each of us at Peace Haven and the healing mission we live out each day.



"Christian Science nurses love to witness individual spiritual renewal and how it contributes to the progress at Peace Haven."

Raising Awareness of the Christian Science Nursing Ministry

BRIAN WEBSTER

This past year, some Peace Haven staff members attended a 16-week course for individuals in the Christian Science nursing ministry that Dr. Brad Stock offered about the history of Christian Science nursing. Inspired by the course, and after reflecting on Peace Haven's progress through the years and our role in the Christian Science nursing ministry, Peace Haven developed the presentation, *"From the Seed to the Sowing: The Story of Christian Science Nursing."*

To raise awareness of the Christian Science nursing ministry within the Christian Science movement, Peace Haven began offering this talk to small groups of friends who support Christian Science nursing. We received positive responses and were invited to share the presentation with some Christian Science churches, societies, and informal groups. The talk focuses on how Christian Science nursing started and why it was so important to Mary Baker Eddy and the church she founded. It includes a slide presentation sharing an overview of the story of Christian Science nursing, as well as contributions offered by the first Christian Science nursing facilities and Peace Haven.

The presentation is intended to:

- **Help inform the field about Christian Science nursing and how it became part of our church.** Christian Science nursing is included in Mrs. Eddy's revelation of church, as established in Article VIII, Sect. 31 of the *Manual of The Mother Church*. This presentation explains what Christian Science nursing is and the services included in this healing ministry. It also illustrates the role Christian Science nursing plays in our church today and seeks to include Christian Science nursing as a regular part of our conversations about church.
- **Help explain the role of the Christian Science nurse.** The presentation shares an overview of the types of support Christian Science nursing can provide.
- **Raise awareness of the need for more Christian Science nurses.** Peace Haven and other Christian Science nursing facilities offer excellent training programs for individuals who are led to become Christian Science nurses.
- **Explain the many ways church members can support Christian Science nursing.** Like our branch churches, Christian Science nursing organizations would not exist without the loving commitment of students of Christian Science throughout the field. Their support can take many forms—prayerful, financial, serving as a Christian Science nurse, working at a Christian Science care facility in supporting roles such as hospitality or administration, volunteering, or serving on a Christian Science branch church's Care Committee.

Following are comments we received from individuals who recently attended *From the Seed to the Sowing*:

"I am so grateful you are sharing this information with the field. Students of Christian Science need to know this. It has completely changed my understanding of Mrs. Eddy and her revelation of church."

"I never thought of Christian Science nursing as an essential part of our church. It seems so important for students of Christian Science to know this."

"As I listened to the talk, I loved being reminded of the vital role we each have in supporting healing. I appreciated what the presentation highlighted about the distinct roles of the Christian Science nurse, the Christian Science practitioner, and the family of the loved one receiving Christian Science nursing care. As a member of a branch church Care Committee, the talk underscored the importance of taking seriously our privilege and responsibility to embrace our church family in prayer."

"The thing that struck me the most at this meeting was the statement that Christian Science nursing is an idea, not a place. I never thought about it that way. That makes it possible for me to support it in my prayers."

"I so appreciated the thoughtfulness and depth of this talk. It was inspiring to learn how Christian Science nursing budded so naturally in the early days of the movement and flourished throughout the country and world over the last century. I also cherished the description of Christian Science nursing as a healing ministry rooted in the Bible's guidance that we care for one another and how it's an essential part of Church. Thank you again!"

Peace Haven looks forward to offering more of these presentations. If your Christian Science branch church or society would like to be included in a showing of this program or to learn if one is being given near you, please contact Director of Development Brian Webster at brian.webster@peacehavenassociation.org.



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A New Way to Support Peace Haven

CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITIES

Peace Haven is happy to announce that we now offer Charitable Gift Annuities (CGAs) as a way for you to benefit directly from your support of Peace Haven. CGAs are a popular estate planning tool that has been used for decades by large institutions and is now available to Peace Haven's donors.

A CGA guarantees you, and optionally one other person ("annuitants"), a tax-advantaged, fixed-income stream for life and names Peace Haven as a beneficiary of the remainder. This benefits both you and Peace Haven. The IRS recently gave CGAs special tax status that created additional advantages for annuitants. The minimum investment for a CGA is \$20,000.

If you have questions or would like to discuss how CGAs might benefit you, Peace Haven's Director of Development would be happy to talk with you. For more information, please contact Brian Webster at brian.webster@peacehavenassociation.org or 314.965.3833, ext. 151.

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ANYONE CAN MAKE A LASTING IMPACT ON THE LIVES OF OTHERS

Peace Haven Children's Garden



This past August, Christian Science nurse Andrew Spires and his two children, Theo and Lucy, built a children's garden in the courtyard just off the main dining room. It was a delight to see this little village take shape. Thank you to our Activities and Volunteer Manager Peggy Baker for having the vision for this sweet little addition to Peace Haven.

Love Notes



"I recently moved back to the town where I grew up. I am earnestly studying *Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures* by Mary Baker Eddy and the Bible. Even though I only earned about \$300 last month, the thought came to me, 'Give and ye shall receive.' The mortal picture is one of limitation, but I know that God is Love and God is infinite. A few days later, I realized I could include Peace Haven as a beneficiary in my retirement account (IRA). That's how I can give now! I first heard about your organization when I listened to a talk by *The Christian Science Monitor* Editor Mark Sappenfield about Christian Science nursing and the book of Revelation. Ever since then, I've donated humble gifts to Peace Haven." -A Grateful Supporter

"We so appreciate all the good work you are doing at Peace Haven. We were also very grateful to join your Annual Meeting webinar. The talk by Joyce Heard Hawes, C.S., was outstanding. I wondered after the meeting, how many people walked out having had a healing due to the inspiration she poured out. I know I had a healing after hearing her talk. I'd been feeling unsteady and woozy enough to consider not attending church the next day, but that all vanished as I took in the ideas she shared." -A Grateful Supporter

"Christian Science nursing facilities are invaluable. I appreciated care given to me as a patient at a wonderful facility, as well as being a staff member there before moving to St. Louis. You have been so generous with your open houses, annual meetings, and just recently, a wonderful healing talk. God bless you all!" -A Grateful Supporter

Bible Characters That Inspire



A few staff members recently shared their appreciation for Bible characters who exemplify Christian Science nursing qualities. The insights offered here give each of us tangible examples to emulate in the collective demonstration of Peace Haven's healing ministry.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE NURSE STACY GREEN

MOSES - Moses' care and love for the children of Israel were so evident. He supported their spiritual progress every step of the way as he walked with them through difficult circumstances to triumphant victories, showing a great sense of humility, patience, and selflessness.

Much like a Christian Science nurse, Moses tended to the practical and spiritual needs of the children of Israel, completely dependent on God for guidance. He turned to God for every need as he bore witness to and trusted in divine care and protection for these dear ones.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT LOUISE THORTON

NEHEMIAH - I love thinking about Nehemiah in relation

to Christian Science nursing, particularly when he repaired the walls of Jerusalem and fearlessly faced down animal magnetism, as expressed by Tobiah, Sanballat, Geshem, and others. In spiritual terms, one might see the walls Nehemiah repaired as representative of thought. And, the breaches to those walls might represent mistaken thinking or thought that has been neglected and is wandering into ungodlike channels.

It is imperative that the Christian Science nurse remain alert to any attempted breaches in thought that would try to prevent them from giving full audience to the Christ as they "...bind up the broken-hearted" (Isa. 61).

As Nehemiah and his crew made progress on the walls, animal magnetism (represented by Tobiah, Sanballat, and Geshem) tried varying tactics to stop the all-important work of spiritualizing thought. The persistent nagging tried to get Nehemiah to come down from the wall—from an elevated state of consciousness—and abandon his God-appointed post.

Once Sanballat and Tobiah realized that Nehemiah was not going to stop his God-ordained work or descend to their depraved level, they plotted to bring an army against him. Fully alert to their intentions, Nehemiah established a watch, day and night. What a beautiful example of unceasing prayer and of Mrs. Eddy's instruction: "Stand porter at the door of thought" (*Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures*, Mary Baker Eddy, p. 392).

Christian Science nurses' training buoys Christian Science nurses, strengthening their practice for this good work just as Nehemiah and his crew strengthened their hands. The naturally resulting fortification of thought deepens each Christian Science nurse's spiritual understanding of the unity of God and man. It's only natural that in every aspect of a Christian Science nurse's healing ministry, they recognize that they and their patients are "entirely separate from the belief and dream of material living..." (*Science and Health*, p. 14).

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE NURSE JULIE-ANNE EASTMAN

JOSEPH - Joseph, the husband of Mary, a Christian Science nurse?

I love that Joseph's God-derived willingness to listen to and obey God's direction enabled him to rely on divine Principle to guide his actions and motives. This led Joseph to use practical wisdom in how he cared for and protected his family. Being an honorable man also ensured he raised Jesus in a loving manner.

Joseph was a witness to man's divine nature. While he was not Jesus' biological father, he expressed the qualities of God as Father. In the Christian Science textbook, Mary Baker Eddy defines Father as "Eternal Life; the one Mind; the divine Principle, commonly called God" (*Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures*, p. 586:9). Joseph was directed by an angel message and wisely took his family to Egypt, shielding them from King Herod. The move provided for protected spiritual unfoldment. As a Christian Science nurse, I am privileged to witness daily that our caring, eternal Father is already taking complete care of His children.

Long before the idea of a Christian Science nurse was established, Joseph was an example of the Christian Science Nurse By-Law that we find today in the *Manual of the Mother Church*. His desire to be honorable and his willingness to listen to and obey God led him to follow through on the ideas that protected and cared for his family. Joseph witnessed the growth of the spiritual idea of Christ Jesus by relinquishing a personal sense of fatherhood and relying on divine Principle to meet every need.

Innocence, purity of thought, humility, grace, and trust in God always win in bringing peace and assurance to any situation. Of course, God directs each spiritual idea to fulfill its promise, and this firm foundation underlies the daily activity of a Christian Science nurse. Listening for and obeying the divine messages that God gives, a Christian Science nurse follows practical, wise ideas that protect and nurture the babe of Christian healing.

As the work progressed, Nehemiah recognized that some of his crew were fearful. He did what any Christian Science nurse would do if a patient were afraid, tenderly reassuring them of their present safety and reminding them to trust God. Traps continued to be laid, but Nehemiah refused to fall for them. Instead, he and his crew continued their work with spears by their sides to defend the inseparable relationship between God and man.

When the wall was finished, Nehemiah's enemies admitted they had failed to stop the work and that it was, indeed, God's work. The Christian Science nurse is just as alert and persistent as Nehemiah in not falling for the claims of animal magnetism. A Christian Science nurse's work is to always behold man as "...upright, whole, and free" (*Christian Science Hymnal*, No. 12).

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE NURSE SAMANTHA MCCLINTICK

PAUL - Being cheerful is one of the spiritual qualities Mary Baker Eddy includes in *Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures* next to the marginal heading, "Aids in sickness" (see page 395). Christian Science nurses can look to the Bible for role models to emulate and to the Christian Science textbook for guidance as we express these spiritual nursing qualities.

Paul's example is one that I find especially meaningful. In Acts 21, we read of Paul being accused and seized in the temple, arrested, bound in chains, and imprisoned. He makes his defense a few times to different audiences. In Acts 24, Paul makes his defense before the Roman governor Felix, opening with, "I cheerfully make my defense." What?! How could this be?! Years of hardship and persecution, and now this!? Yet, Paul remains cheerful and ever grateful for this opportunity to present the case for Christ.

Like Paul, Christian Science nurses take their stand in their holy work. They fully embrace our Leader's teachings and every opportunity to be "...cheerful, orderly, punctual, patient, full of faith, – receptive to Truth and Love."

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SATURDAY, MARCH 2

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7:30 p.m.

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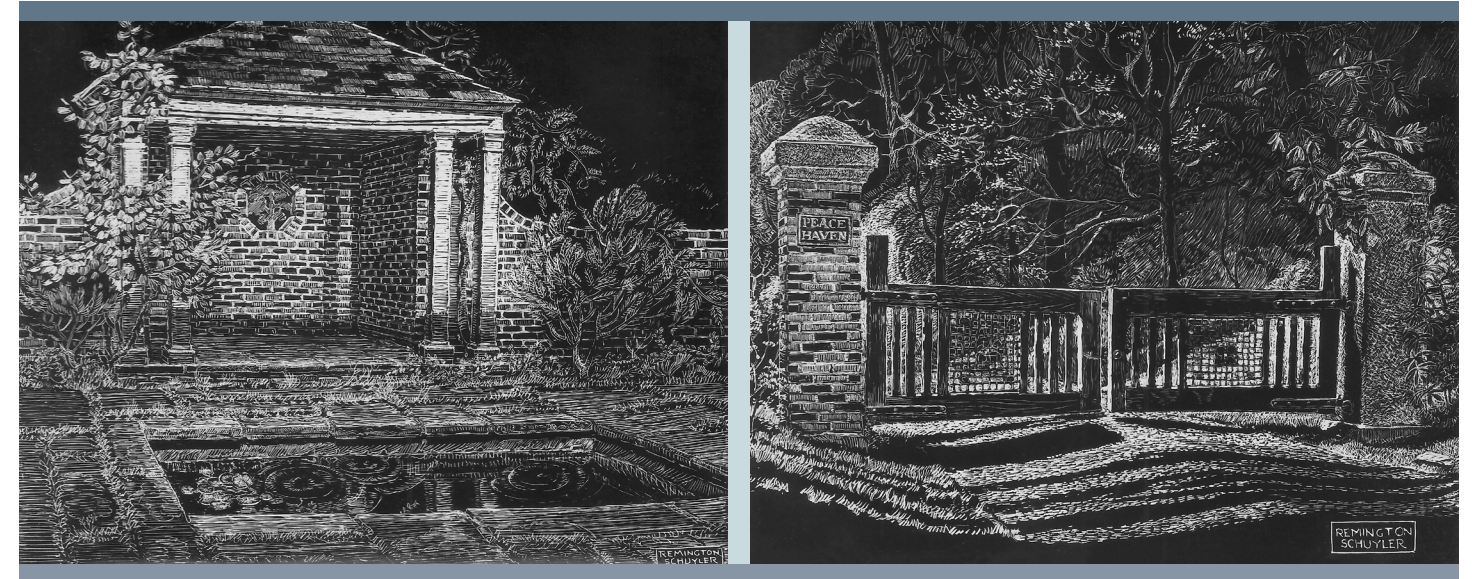
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From The Archives

REMINGTON SCHUYLER ARTWORK OF PEACE HAVEN - CIRCA 1955



Remington Schuyler was a well-known painter, illustrator, and writer during the early-to-mid-twentieth century. His work was featured on the cover of *The Saturday Evening Post*, as well as in *Life Magazine*, *Boy's Life*, and the *Boy Scout Handbook*, among other notable publications.

He wrote a testimony for the December 8, 1917, issue

of the *Christian Science Sentinel*. He shared several healings, including how he came into Christian Science. He also expressed gratitude for Mary Baker Eddy.

The above artwork of Peace Haven's original fish pond and a gated entrance were done around 1955.

Peace Haven first opened its doors on May 8, 1952.

LETTING THE NEED BE KNOWN

We have a special need to come together as a community to advance the collective demonstration that is Peace Haven. As you may know, the National Fund for Christian Science Nursing—a benevolence fund providing financial assistance for individuals seeking Christian Science nursing care—is significantly reducing grants, which will impact patients and Christian Science care facilities nationwide.

As you prayerfully consider your financial support in this new year, we invite you to continue joining with Peace Haven in practically demonstrating the abundance of good that emanates from God, our limitless source of supply.



Deep Appreciation for Peace Haven

A PATIENT'S GRATITUDE AND HEALING



Recently, I had an accident in my kitchen that needed both metaphysical treatment and skilled care for the wound. I called a Christian Science practitioner right away, and I was able to place a bandage over the affected area. Immediately, I felt comforted by the work from the practitioner, and I expected a quick healing, but it was clear that I needed some help bandaging the wound properly. I called Peace Haven for outpatient treatment, and they said I could come in right away. When I arrived, I was welcomed and told that they were expecting me, and I was quickly ushered to see two of the Christian Science nurses on duty. These Christian Science nurses were warm and friendly and helped to put any thoughts of fear or pain right out of thought. They cleaned and bandaged the area, all while engaging in uplifting conversation. They told me what to do if any further care for the wound was needed at home. The next day I went about my normal activities with very little hindrance. The injury was completely healed very quickly, and there has been no further trouble from it, thanks to metaphysical treatment and the work of the Christian Science nurses. I am very grateful that the skilled Christian Science nurses and loving staff at Peace Haven are always at their posts, ready to help.