



## Be Part of a Christian Science Community...Wherever You Are

"Lift up thine eyes round about, and behold: all these gather themselves together and come to thee." (Isaiah)

We are always embraced in Love's community. When we open thought, we'll find ourselves able to find (or even create) a Christian Science community, whether in person or online. Below are some ways to get started.



Online search for churches, societies, and informal groups — The website for The Mother Church has a page where you can search for Christian Science churches, societies, and informal groups. Some search tips for this site:

- The search bar has two fields: FIND and NEAR. We've found it's most accurate to use only the NEAR field and enter either a city's name or a zip code there.
- The FIND field only brings up churches with the entered word literally in the name of the church or in its address. (For example, if you use the search word "Nashville," in the FIND field, you will get a list of any church or society or informal group with "Nashville" in its name or any part of its address.)
- If you enter "Nashville" in the NEAR field, you'll get all churches and societies within 100+ miles of Nashville

Here's the link for all branch churches, societies, and informal groups: ChristianScience.com-Find a Church



**Find Christian Scientists in your area** — The Clerk's office at The Mother Church is available to help Christian Scientists connect with each other! If you send an email to the clerk, the office may be able to locate Mother Church members in your area who would like to connect with other nearby Christian Scientists. You'll find the <u>Clerk's email on the Contacts page</u> under "Need Membership Information."



What are Christian Science "Informal Groups" — In areas where there isn't a branch church or society, Christian Science informal groups provide a way for students of Christian Science to come together to read the lesson, do community outreach, or simply to support each other. This page on The Mother Church website provides information about finding or starting an informal group.

ChristianScience.com-InformalGroups

Email: <a href="mailto:csgroups@csps.com">csgroups@csps.com</a> or call <a href="mailto:617-450-2417">617-450-2417</a>.



List of remote Christian Science services — There are many churches and societies around the world that provide online services that you can access either by a standard phone, smart phone, tablet, or computer. The Mother Church maintains an informal listing of these remote services. Take a look at the list below and feel free to "attend" . . . you can be sure any service will welcome your participation <a href="MotherChurch-Remote Services listing">MotherChurch-Remote Services listing</a>

Email tmcbranch@csps.com or call 617-450-2417.



**Relevant JSH-online articles** — Below are *Journal* and *Sentinel* articles on the topic of how to create a church community. These may be helpful both for their inspiration as well as practical ideas for how to find or start a Christian Science community. If you are a JSH-online <u>subscriber</u>, you will have free access to them.

<u>Christian Science informal groups: Where two or three are gathered in Christ's name Sharing Christian Science in the Philippines</u>

From the archives: How Christian Science was started in Malta in 1950

Here are a few articles on finding the freedom to reach out to others:

Getting to Know You
One-to-One Sharing
Windows of Opportunity
Freed from Being Shy