

A Message from the Board of Lectureship

As humanity gets increasingly drawn to the Web as the go-to source for information and connections, how important is it to listen to a speaker in person?

The feedback we receive regarding live lectures clearly shows that the preparation for these events, the contacts that are made, and the resulting opportunity to experience the shared effect of collective prayer retains a unique and valued purpose. When people gather together in one room with a single focus—to listen to a message grounded in Love—something special is felt. Connections are made neighbor to neighbor—smiles, handshakes, hugs. All are welcomed. Lives are changed, and healing happens.

As the lecture is delivered, and the message of the Comforter received, that elevation of thought has a beneficial effect on the whole community. When the hem of Christ's garment is touched, this has an immediate and far-reaching effect. Is there anything more important than that?

It is natural to want to share these lectures more widely. That's why many churches are videotaping them for the Web. This extension of the live lecture makes it available to people who may be temporarily housebound, or who live in a town or country far away from where the lecture is being given. Someone recently said: "Thank you for making lectures available to us via the Internet. I live in a semi-remote area and am not close to those cities hosting lectures. These always contain helpful messages and ideas I need and can share with others. Thank you again."

If you are interested in viewing or sharing online lectures, we now have over 40 of them at christianscience.com/online-lectures. At this link you can subscribe for free e-mails notifying you when new online lectures are posted. Most of these lectures are now available as audio downloads, so you can listen to them on the go.

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Please share your ideas, questions, and fruitage on "Let's talk about lectures," at community.christianscience.com/community/lets-talk-about-lectures. You can also get there by using the Community tab on christianscience.com.

The Board of Lectureship is particularly interested in new opportunities to speak to the following audiences:

- 1) Youth and/or parents, or others who work with youth.
- 2) Classrooms in high schools, colleges, and universities.
- 3) National and international conferences.

If you have any leads or references, please e-mail lecture@christianscience.com, or call 617-450-3669.

To learn who the current lecturers are, where lectures are happening, and how to sponsor one in your community, visit online at christianscience.com/lectures.

The Board of Lectureship looks forward to another year of partnering with branch churches, societies, and college organizations, to bring the message of Christian Science to audiences throughout the world.



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