



*Making Christian Science nursing available to every child, man and woman seeking healing*

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Dear Friends,

“Making Christian Science nursing available to every child, man and woman seeking healing” is a very important goal of ours. The availability of Christian Science nurses in Florida has become lean. In response to this, we have expanded our focus this year to include these two new areas:

1. **Introducing a program** subsidizing the travel costs of nurses throughout Florida. Capitalized through our Benevolence Fund, the program encourages patients to call on and utilize Christian Sciences nurses, regardless of how far away the patient is located.
2. **Training to empower** church members to include in their own practice the understanding of basic Christian Science nursing skills to care for family and fellow church members.

Our Benevolence Fund financially ensures that patients who cannot afford Christian Science nursing can still obtain the care they need, while making certain the Christian Science nurses get paid. In regards to home care, we have increased the proportion of benevolence offered. To qualify for benevolence, care given in each case needs to be supervised by a *Journal*-listed Christian Science nurse.

Travel assistance is not based on the need of the patient. It is to allow Christian Science nurses to take cases farther away without being concerned about the costs of travel and wear and tear on their vehicles. Payment is made directly to the Christian Science nurses.

In response to The Mother Church’s 2014 Annual Meeting which focused on Christian Science nursing, a branch church gave Wellsprings a donation to implement a training program throughout Florida. The program teaches church members and care-committees basic care-giving skills to assist fellow members, family, and friends. These local resources can help reduce care costs to patients. The training program kicked off at our Annual Meeting in May, and we have already held workshops in Daytona Beach and Orlando. Those who attended loved what they learned. Additional workshops have been requested in Tampa, Jacksonville, Stuart, Eustis, and Ocala. We would be happy to provide one in your area, as well! Please contact us to schedule a workshop where you live.

Your financial support of Wellsprings goes directly to these activities. Ninety-five percent goes to the Benevolence Fund and five percent to operations. So, your support is very important in helping to make Christian Science nursing available to all who need it. Go to our website <http://wellspringsflorida.org> to find various ways to donate. If you prefer, you can send your check to the address below.

With much love and gratitude for our work together,

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