



Christian Science Nursing – An Inspirational Column

In continuation of the good works initiated by the worldwide meetings “Conversations on Christian Science Nursing with our Church Family,” which have been generously facilitated by Linda Kohler, current President of The Mother Church and a Christian Science nurse, and Caroleen Scholet, CS, Manager of Christian Science Nursing Activities and a former CS nurse, we share the following in hope to help foster greater acknowledgement and support of the Christly activity of Christian Science nursing, which promotes spiritual healing in the Christian Science movement. It is our continual hope that all students of Christian Science recognize the import of this worldwide healing work!

“Cherish healing in Christian Science...”

By Kathryn Hoyt, CS (Former Christian Science Nurse)

Every day at Wide Horizon a team of dedicated spiritual thinkers and healers are available 24/7 to cherish healing in Christian Science. Our Christian Science nurses greet you with a reassuring smile. These nurses are there to support healing as they meet the daily needs of the guests. Every nurse is dedicated to lifting thought to healing. Each guest is also cherished by a Christian Science practitioner to further the unfoldment and evidence of healing. Staff members administer to

the details of overseeing the nursing schedules, activities, meals, housekeeping, upkeep of the buildings and 21 acres! Wide Horizon’s Board of Directors focus on the Vision of healing and progress of Christian Science at Wide Horizon for future generations. We all strive to see that health is a spiritual fact and the focus therefore is not just on health care. Daily these individuals are living the Christ Mission of healing. What a team!



Wide Horizon is a continual message of spiritual healing for the world. Also there is always a “House Practitioner” who volunteers to prayerfully support the Facility, always ready to give specific Christian Science treatment should a need arise. A circle of healing Love embraces all at Wide Horizon.

Do you know of anyone in need of Christian Science nursing care and healing who could benefit from this inspired spiritual atmosphere? Come and be blessed!

“**The Theology of Care**” by Geraldine Schiering, is about the parable of the Good Samaritan. She begins, “The traditional Christian standard of care rests on Christ Jesus’ parable of the good Samaritan. The parable’s message provides a theological basis for supplying physical care to one in need. The lawyer whose questions elicited Jesus’ illustration had summarized the way to obtain eternal life by quoting the Mosaic Law: ‘Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbour as thyself.’ Jesus approved this statement... Then, in answer to the lawyer’s question, ‘Who is my neighbour?’ the Master presented the parable of the Good Samaritan. But from his approval of the lawyer’s summary, it should be clear that obedience to the second command— loving

our neighbor—logically requires obedience to the first—loving God. The Christian ministry of care rests on divine help. Through our worship of God we receive spiritual sustenance and gain the strength to aid another.”

Excerpts from the July 1982 issue of *The Christian Science Journal*. This article is also available on audio through JSHOnline as it was included in the *Anthology of Classic Articles, Volume 3*.

<http://journal.christianscience.com/issues/1982/7/100-7/the-theology-of-care>

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“Happiness is spiritual...”

By Carol Hanauer, ADCSN

Have you ever been in a mental space where you thought you used up all your “happy?” During the winter holiday season, I was beginning to think I had. My home was burglarized, and I had given in to the suggestion of the flu. In addition, my dog died after 15 plus devoted years and my Dad was admitted into a hospital.

I was so glad when that suggestion came to me, “Maybe I used up all my happy,” to laugh at the suggestion and counteract the counterfeit with what Mrs. Eddy says about happiness: “Happiness is spiritual, born of Truth and Love. It is unselfish; therefore it cannot exist alone...” (*Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures*, p. 57)

I knew I needed to love the man of God’s creating; not accepting the act of someone going Christmas shopping at my house uninvited. I needed to see in Love with a capital “L” the purely innocent man God created. Mrs. Eddy says, “Hold thought steadfastly to the enduring, the good, and the true, and you will bring these into your experience proportionably to their occupancy of your thoughts.” I also deeply pondered her statement to, “Look away from the body into Truth and Love, the Principle of all happiness, harmony and immortality” (*S&H*, p. 261).

After gaining a clearer sense, these spiritual truths gave way to tangible fruitage. I had replaced all of my windows five years ago when I purchased my home with the exception

of the big bay window which was broken in the burglary. This was the most expensive to replace as it was actually three windows in one. As it turned out, the insurance covered the complete replacement. Moreover, I was led to adopt another rescue dog who needed me as much as I wanted to give her the love she needed. Furthermore, I quickly recovered from the flu symptoms, and my dear Dad soon returned home.

I’m grateful to have awakened from these mortal dreams to a greater recognition of the reality of my continuous, immortal “happy” relationship with divine Love, God, for I feel this new awakening, a truly holy moment, has blessed my work as a Christian Science nurse.

Gratitude from Families / Rest & Study Guests

- ◆ It is with heartfelt appreciation, during such a difficult time that your kindness meant so much, and your thoughtfulness was really touching. Thank you for all your caring and the great love which everyone at Wide Horizon gave and shared with my mom. I am so grateful for your loving care. (D.F., SD)
- ◆ Our stay was wonderful, helpful and inspirational. The staff is great – happy, kind and positive. The care was loving and scientific. The facility is clean and the best of its kind. It’s a healing atmosphere. In fact, we experienced a number of healings, including regaining strength and endurance, joy being reinstated, lessening of fear, greater stability, and improvement of other challenges. We highly recommend Wide Horizon! (J.W. & D.W., CO)
- ◆ I really enjoyed my stay there at Horizon House. It was very comfortable and met my needs perfectly. Thanks for the loving hospitality. It was wonderful to have a couple of evenings with my mother. (S.S., CO)
- ◆ I had a wonderful visit as always. The room was comfortable with good lighting! I appreciate so much all the workers there even though I didn’t interact with everyone I am so grateful for the work being done. Whenever I visit I feel enveloped in Love, safe and cared for. Thanks to Brian for his kindness and to you each and every one. Love... (K.L., CO)
- ◆ My sincere thanks for the loving, prayerful care you provided for my mother... Your professional [Christian Science] nursing skills combined with your deep understanding of ‘meeting the human need’ were evident from the first day of [my mother’s] arrival at your facility until her departure. I so appreciated the homelike atmosphere that Wide Horizon achieves. My mother spoke frequently of the love shown by each and every one of the nursing staff as you went about your duties, the support she received from the audio services, including daily reading of the Bible Lesson, the kindness of other guests, the beauty of the gardens, the thoughtful opportunity to visit the grounds and outdoor walking paths. She especially enjoyed one afternoon’s walk that ended in raspberry picking and the times sharing the extraordinary view of the Rocky Mountain range with staff members. She also appreciated the pleasure of visits by Casey [the comfort cat]. I feel tremendous gratitude for Wide Horizon’s love and kindness. Yours is an exemplary care facility. As a family, we appreciated the hospitality house [Horizon House], which enabled each of our visits to be peaceful, calm and special. We were so grateful to have Mom in such a comforting environment. Thank you so much for making Mom’s stay [at Wide Horizon] warm and cherished. (K.G.O., SD)



- ◆ **All students of Christian Science** who wholeheartedly rely on Christ-healing and utilize the services of Christian Science nursing when necessary.
- ◆ **All gifts** that have helped Wide Horizon continually provide Christian Science care since 1951, as income from such services does not cover our operating expenses. Your gifts directly help toward the continuation of the healing works here.
- ◆ **Building Project** – We are sincerely grateful to all the generous donors who have contributed to this essential project! Please go to our website and Facebook page for video updates of the status of this project.
- ◆ **Unexpected Boiler Replacement** – Thank you to the special donors who have contributed toward this necessary expense!
- ◆ **Gifts from Churches** – Monetary gifts from branch churches are greatly appreciated!
- ◆ **Gift-In-Kind Donations** – A longtime donor has generously purchased a number of new HDTVs for both the new housing units and some rooms at Horizon House.
- ◆ **Wide Horizon’s wonderful staff** who are dedicated to our healing purpose and work toward the continued success of Wide Horizon!
- ◆ **Gifts from Foundations** (Clearway Foundation, FAN Foundation, Isabel Foundation, REO Foundation, Solvang CS Society Legacy Fund) – We truly appreciate these wonderfully generous foundations which sincerely care about Christian Science nursing!
- ◆ **MATCHING GRANT** – Clearway Foundation also has offered a \$10,000 matching grant to be used for benevolence. This match needs to be met by the end of August 2015. Please earmark your donation “Clearway Foundation Matching Fund” to help Wide Horizon meet the match!

Testimonies of Healing

One resident gave a lovely testimony about a challenge with indigestion for about three weeks. She was able to work through it, and has had a healing with the issues involved.

Another resident gave a very clear, very thoughtful testimony as well. She said that being at Wide Horizon means that her children are free to live their lives without having to be concerned about her. She said that if they were not confident of the care she is receiving at Wide Horizon that they wouldn’t feel free to go on vacations, etc. There was considerable insight involved.

SPECIAL EVENTS

- The “**Financial Planning Seminar**” held on April 26 at Wide Horizon was well attended despite it being a cold, rainy weekend day. We are very grateful to David Bear, Linda Leitz and Murray Hoyt for their roles as presenters.
- **BIBLE ROADS - “Exploring the Psalms”** by Madelon Maupin has been rescheduled for Sunday, August 16, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. This event will be held at First Church of Christ, Scientist, Denver, located at 1401 Logan Street. Ms. Maupin earned a Masters of Theological Studies degree, served as a member of The Mother Church’s Ecumenical Team and has written extensively for the Christian Science periodicals.
- **ANNUAL MEETING** – **Save the date:** Sunday, September 27 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. The theme is “Christian Science Nursing and Healing World Thought” as we continue to nurture and promote “Christ-healing” for all mankind. We are pleased to announce that the keynote speaker will be John Rinnert, CS of Bozeman, Montana.

Wide Horizon extends heartfelt gratitude to Leide Lessa, CSB, and First Church, Englewood, for the inspiring lecture on April 17, “A Life with Freedom, Purpose, and Happiness.” This precious gift of love served to uplift our residents and staff. When Ms. Lessa asked the lecture committee at Englewood if there was an institution in the area to whom they would like to have her give a lecture for no additional charge, the angel message came to one of the committee members, “Oh, yes, we have a nursing facility in the area—Wide Horizon.” Ms. Lessa not only gave a wonderful lecture, but also visited several patients in their rooms who were not able to attend the lecture but listened while in their rooms. Such unselfed, bountiful love exemplified the best qualities of Christian Science nursing expressed!

This beautiful barn owl was one of several birds of prey the group “Hawkquest” displayed in its presentation on April 14. Our guests and visitors loved the event and many had their picture taken with the birds!

On May 12th **Sebastian the Juggling Jester** (www.thejugglingjester.com) entertained the guests at Wide Horizon with jokes, juggling, and playing tunes on his penny whistle! It was an hour of laughter, clapping and amusement. See short videos posted on our Wide Horizon Facebook page.



A Wide Appeal – Fundraising Goal



“*Reading Science and Health* from cover to cover, it continues to be alive with new light and inspiration. As we grow, we get new glimpses of spiritual truths that we didn’t see during the last reading. We see with new eyes each time.” – Linda Gutesha, Admin. Asst.

Wide Horizon, Inc. Receives 2015 Best of Wheat Ridge Award

WHEAT RIDGE April 6, 2015 – SOURCE: Wheat Ridge Award Program

Wide Horizon, Inc. has been selected for the 2015 Best of Wheat Ridge Award in the Nursing Home category by the Wheat Ridge Award Program.

Each year, the Wheat Ridge Award Program identifies companies that we believe have achieved exceptional marketing success in their local community and business category. These are local companies that enhance the positive image of small business through service to

their customers and our community. These exceptional companies help make the Wheat Ridge area a great place to live, work and play.

Various sources of information were gathered and analyzed to choose the winners in each category. The 2015 Wheat Ridge Award Program focuses on quality, not quantity. Winners are determined based on the information gathered both internally by the Wheat Ridge Award Program and data provided by third parties.

The Wheat Ridge Award Program is an annual awards program honoring the achievements and accomplishments of local businesses throughout the Wheat Ridge area. Recognition is given to those companies that have shown the ability to use their best practices and implemented programs to generate competitive advantages and long-term value.

★Wide Horizon has been recognized with the “Business Hall of Fame” honor for having received this “best of” award for achievement as a nursing home for three consecutive years!★



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Thank you!

