

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE COMMITTEE ON INSTITUTIONAL WORK IN TEXAS
2022 MID YEAR REPORT

Good news and activity for January – June 2022

- We have a bulk subscription for 600 copies of the Quarterly Bible Lesson digital edition currently being mailed to 70 different facilities
- 32 new names were added to the mailing list for the Bible Lesson mailing; 29 names were removed
- We have 227 subscriptions to the *Christian Science Sentinel*
- We have 384 subscriptions to *The Christian Science Monitor*
- This office distributed 140 *Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures*; 107 Bibles; 736 items from the Reading Room: 79 Concordances to the writings of Mary Baker Eddy; 127 Bible Concordances;
- 78 Prose Works; 276 biographies; 60 Hymnals; 88 Church Manuals
- Spanish material distributed: 25 *Science and Health*; 10 Bibles; 285 *Heralds*; 284 Spanish Full Text; 24 Spanish translated biographies or other writings by Mary Baker Eddy
- 107 donated periodicals were mailed to individuals
- 487 letters written from the State Committee office
- Three new applications for membership in The Mother Church
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- Austin Zone volunteers serve the Gardner Betts Juvenile facility by sharing periodicals and have a group of “mentors through mail.”
- DFW Zone volunteers provided support as “mentors through mail” and began services at the Coffield Unit. Patty Woodard, CS gave a lecture at Coffield on June 13th with over 70 men in attendance. They also hold mentoring meetings with men re-entering society.
- Houston Zone volunteers are very active writing letters. They also support a group of men that have re-entered society with study sessions each week. Services are held at the Ramsey and Estelle Units. We have requests to begin services at the Stiles Unit in Beaumont.
- San Antonio Zone volunteers provide support as “mentors through mail.”
- Individuals in Abilene, Amarillo, El Paso, Georgetown, Lubbock, Midland, and Tyler are writing letters. The Abilene volunteers are holding a monthly class at the Robertson Unit.

GRATTITUDE FROM INSIDE

K.L. at the Clements Unit, wrote, “Thank you for the copy of *Science and Health* and the Sentinels. After reading the book about Mrs. Eddy I knew what she shared with the world was an entirely new understanding of spirituality. I have poured myself over *Science and Health* and honestly have had to reread much of it over and over to grasp the

depth. This is not a religion but rather a way of life! To understand and apply her words is to set aside material beliefs and accept spiritual facts as she speaks of in Ch. 6 – basically learn to rethink what I knew as reality. (“The only realities are the divine Mind and idea.”) pg. 109. Yes, I would like to have the Bible, textbook, Sentinel, Monitor, Lessons, etc.... Whatever help I can get as I begin this journey.”

P.P. at the Powledge Unit wrote, “Your love, support and generosity speaks volumes to me towards your commitment as TRUE Christians and Brothers/Sisters in Christ Jesus. I devour all your literature – learning, growing and spreading the knowledge. No Christian Science meetings on Powledge YET; let me know what I can do to help expand the Truth, ok? Continue to send all you can, I’ll be a part of a Body of Believers when I get out. Much love to you all!”

E.D. at the Ramsey Unit wrote, “Thank you all, who make it possible for us to receive the Bible lessons/studies, books and publications! Very much appreciated! I do share all I receive with others here around me. *The Christian Science Monitor*(s) are popular and well liked by everyone, even those who keep up the “I don’t want religion” façade. I have received the books that have been sent, *A World More Bright*, recently too. I place them with the prison ‘peer based’ ministry and ‘peer based’ Hope Squad, after I’m finished reading/rereading/rereading. There is a book cart they’ll push from cell to cell weekly. I can see that the books are being circulated among others here. So, they’re truly a blessing to many! Great, huh?”

J. W. at the Boyd Unit wrote, “Thank you all for your prayers and your help. I really enjoy reading the Monitor and look forward to getting my new copy. I want to tell ya’ll that the pain in my upper stomach area has gone away. I believe in Christian Science and want to be involved and to help ya’ll after I get out of here. God bless ya’ll and thanks so much.”

J. R. at the Smith Unit wrote, “I am writing you today to thank you for all of the very knowledgeable books you have sent me. I greatly enjoy reading them daily. They have opened my eyes tremendously to a new insight of the Word of our Lord Jesus Christ. These readings have helped me do my time behind these walls in a state of peace knowing that our Lord is by my side all of the time. Miss Eddy truly was a genius filled with the much needed knowledge to help others come closer to our Lord. She has helped change many lives, and will continue to do so in the future generations to come. I will forever be a proud follower of Christian Science in the hopes of one day being a full-fledged member.”

A.R. at the Hobby Unit, wrote, “I want to thank you very much for all the subscriptions, and Bible Lessons. I’ve been learning so much! I really get a lot out of hearing all of the testimonies of healing too. Hopefully soon I can add my own testimony as well. I look forward to the Christian Science reading materials that I am sent. It really helps me to see more differently than I have looked at things in the past, and some is confirmation that I concur with too. I’m thankful that Christian Science has a dept. for prisoner’s spiritual growth, enlightenment, encouragement and healing.”

2022 State Committee
Annual Meeting in Houston
Saturday, October 15th
1 p.m. to 4 p.m.
8th Church of Christ, Scientist
11976 Memorial Drive
Houston, TX 77024
Special inspiration from
The Effulgence Foundation video of the Julian Alco story

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How you can support this Christian Science healing ministry

- Write letters
 - Attend training to be a volunteer chaplain
 - Make a donation
 - Help Embraced Fully
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The Principle Foundation is helping support the individuals returning to society through a program called Embraced Fully. Housing, employment, transportation, learning new technology, getting an ID and clothing are all part of the process. Check out their website: <https://EmbracedFully.org>