



CHRISTIAN SCIENCE *joint* INSTITUTIONAL COMMITTEE *of missouri*

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From No and Yes of our Leader's writings, "True prayer is not asking God for love; it is learning to love, and to include all mankind in one affection. Prayer is the utilization of the love wherewith He loves us. Prayer begets an awakened desire to be and do good. It makes new and scientific discoveries of God, of His goodness and power. It shows us more clearly than we saw before, what we already have and are; and most of all, it shows us what God is."

39:17-24

Our Christian Science Joint Institutional Committee of Missouri works from this standpoint to embrace in healing our fellow man within the local jail population. Repeatedly, we hear statements of gratitude from the inmates for providing an approach and teaching that is refreshingly different from other religious services. They express to us that they feel and witness a unique healing atmosphere through their contact with our volunteers and that they are inspired by all they are learning and able to put into practice. The recent national attention on the Ferguson situation has also prompted our committee to continue to broaden our concept of divine justice and correction. This is our real work - to recognize the leavening power of the ever-present Christ consciousness. It is here to bless our homes, communities and world in tangible ways.

We would love to have you join in this work alongside the many receptive hearts yearning for this Truth. There are plenty of opportunities to contribute to our committee, from volunteering monthly in Sunday School type conferences with inmates to serving as readers for our church services. If you would like to be involved but not volunteer directly at the institution, there are various supportive/administrative projects and roles. At the moment, we are looking to enlist a new committee secretary. We would welcome an inquiry if you feel this to determine if this might be a good fit for you or someone you know.

We currently present three church services and hold two conference sessions each week to men within two corrections facilities. At Clayton Justice Center, our committee is one of the longest serving church organizations, with over 30 years of service. In addition to our regular activities, we hold about four lectures a year sponsored by supporting branch churches. A lecture given in the fall to the women helped open doors to begin working on a regular basis with the women inmates. This is a huge step of progress since we need to have an invitation for working with the women! Additionally, we also are also continuing work in establishing relationships that are opening doors to work with youth detention centers. There are many additional avenues to pursue including health care institutions and veterans centers. As you can see, we will need some additional volunteers. This could be you!

Our **Annual Meeting is Saturday, Feb 21st, 2015 (10-11:30 am) at Clarkson Valley Church.** Come get a firsthand view of the inspiring encounters, growth and healing work. Also please check out our website: ChristianScienceMissouri.com.

with gratitude, Pamela Greiner-Moulton, Chair