

*Make channels for the streams of Love, Where they may broadly run;  
And Love has overflowing streams, To fill them every one.  
(The Christian Science Hymnal)*

Dear Fellow Christian Scientists

As many of you know, The Aid Fund provides funding to individuals in need of Christian Science nursing care, leaving them free to choose Christian Science as an effective means of healing. Whether at home, or at one of our Christian Science nursing facilities in the U K (Charton Manor, Lime Tree House and soon to be opened Springfield House), The Aid Fund supports the vital role of Christian Science nursing for Christian Scientists in need, through the financial assistance we provide.

### **Meetings with the Christian Science nursing field**

When we last wrote to you a couple of years ago we were anticipating a conference to be held in June 2013 in Birmingham. The conference was duly held, and its conclusions were:

- A similar event should be repeated on a regular basis.
- Steps should be taken to show more appreciation for Christian Science nurses and to support them as a significant professional group.
- The various Christian Science nurse training initiatives currently available in the UK should be coordinated.
- A pack of information should be made available to all Christian Science churches in the UK to inform them of the services of Christian Science nurses and where and how they can be obtained.

Since then we have co-ordinated a conference call meeting with Christian Science nurse trainers in the UK in February 2014.

Further meetings are not currently planned but The Aid Fund stands ready to take this idea forward when the time is right.

### **Finance**

We have continued to receive, and meet, requests for assistance from individuals who are receiving the practical support and encouragement of a Christian Science nurse. In the last 2 years, The Aid Fund has granted over £550,000 to patients.

In this connection, we would like to assure the field that communications and applications for funding are treated in strictest confidence.

Such funding has been made possible as a result of the prayers and generosity of Christian Scientists across the UK - by substantial one-off donations from estates and disbanding churches, as well as smaller but no less valued regular and one-off donations from individuals. We are deeply grateful for all this support.

## Website Development

The Trustees have also been working on a new website! Although it is currently still in development, once it is complete it will be a place where anyone can find out about financial assistance available for those in need of Christian Science nursing in the UK. It will contain contact details, current news, answers to frequently asked questions, details of the application process, and how to make a donation. The web address is [www.csaidfund.org.uk](http://www.csaidfund.org.uk). Please do go online and visit us there.

## Changes in Contact Details

Please note that The Aid Fund's contact details have changed. The new details are as follows:

**The Aid Fund for Christian Scientists in Need of Nursing Care**  
**PO Box 1497**  
**Guildford**  
**GU1 9UL**

**Tel: 01306 730143**

**Email: [theaidfund@gmail.com](mailto:theaidfund@gmail.com)**

Any correspondence to the previous post office box number cannot be forwarded, so please make sure you update your records.

## Farewell to a valued and much appreciated Secretary and Treasurer

Finally, we would like to take this opportunity to let you know of a big change taking place at The Aid Fund. Our Secretary and Treasurer for the past 25 plus years, Mr Timothy Rider, has decided it is time to move on. We are so very grateful for the dedication, enthusiasm, and expertise that Timothy brought to the work of The Aid Fund during this time, and his love for the role Christian Science nursing plays in our movement. He leaves The Aid Fund established on very solid ground. Mrs Kylie Sisson has been appointed his successor as Secretary to The Aid Fund and we are happy to welcome her to this work.

We are so very grateful for the tireless work of the Christian Science nurses working in the UK, and indeed across the world, in this 'practical, spiritual ministry that actively supports the patient's decision to rely on Christian Science for healing'<sup>1</sup>.

With much gratitude for your ongoing support



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<sup>1</sup> [www.christianscience.com](http://www.christianscience.com)