

**Office of the President**

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Dear Fellow Members of The Mother Church,

Warm greetings from the sunny south of India! It is my special privilege as President to be writing to you, to remind you of the love and support of our dear Mother Church for you as you let your light shine in your corner of the world.

As we continue to fulfill our individual and collective mission to heal and save the world, we can all keep working to bring our personal lives and our church experience into alignment with God's law of harmony. And if at times we are tempted to feel overwhelmed by this demand, let's remember: "... this infinite Principle hath infinite claims on man, and these claims are divine, not human; and man's ability to meet them is from God; ..." (Mary Baker Eddy, *Miscellaneous Writings 1883–1896*, p. 16).

Today it would seem that the evils of violence and hatred confront us at every turn. Yet the darker it looks, the more our church services, Reading Rooms, periodicals, and lectures are needed to present hope and prayer-based solutions. *The Christian Science Monitor* brings daily perspective that can lead to the world being safer, freer, and more just.

Undergirding all of this is our Pastor—the Bible and *Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures*—and the *Church Manual*, strengthening our understanding of Christian Science and supporting our demonstration of it through healing. Thank you for all you are doing for the Cause of Christian Science—for your prayers, your love, your healing work, and all the ways you give to The Mother Church, including through your per capita tax payment/contribution.

With love and gratitude for each one of you,



Annu Matthai, President

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