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<u>Vision Statement</u>

To unify and empower ministers in holding the consciousness and realization of Oneness, Eternal Life, Unconditional Love, and Divine Substance for the Divine Science Movement.

Mission Statement
To be a resource for the
ministers, that spiritually
supports and nurtures
communion with each other in
love, in order to empower,

Dear Friends,

This is a challenging time in our lives, our country and the world. As Divine Science ministers, we are called to 'stretch our spiritual muscles' and step further into a deeper consciousness as reflected in our beautiful teachings.

Fannie B. James wrote "Our responsibility is two-fold; first to obey by putting into practice the truth we see: second, ever be alert for fuller revelation of truth, ready to catch a hint of something beyond what we have not seen."

Certainly, there have many opportunities do that. Even, and especially, as there appears to be so much challenges and when our emotions seem to be tested.

Recently, two of our colleagues, Rev. Dr. Vicki Fothen and Rev. Miriam Johnson Comer made their transition.

When someone leaves this dimension, our response may be sadness and grief. Emmet Fox wrote that when someone leaves this dimension, they "completed their mission" on earth. May this bring you solace. To our colleagues and everyone that has completed their mission, we declare

He [She] has put on invisibility. Dear Lord, I cannot see-But this I know, although the road ascends And passes from my sight, That there will be no night; That You will take him (her] gently by the hand And lead him [her] on Along the road of life that never ends, And he [she] will find it is not death but dawn. I do not doubt that You are there as here. And You will hold him [her] dear. Our life did not begin with birth, It is not of the earth: And this that we call death, it is no more Than the opening and closing of a door— And in Your house how many rooms must be Beyond this one where we rest momently. Dear Lord, I thank You for the faith that frees, The love that knows it cannot lose its own: The love that, looking through the shadows, sees That You and he (she) and I are ever one! James Dillet Freeman

Self Care:

"I give myself love and care. The care and attention I give myself helps me claim my worth and give myself love. Just as I care for myself because I, too, am worthy of loving attention and support. Yet, I may find it more difficult to care for myself than for others. I might resist the idea of self-care or think I do not have enough time or money for it.

I make time for pleasures as simple as laughing or stretching. I care for my spirit with prayer and by reading and speaking affirmations and scripture.

I encourage myself for the small changes I make because every act of self-care demonstrates my belief in my worth as a spiritual being.

Are not five sparrows sold for two pennies? Yet not one of them is forgotten in God's sight. But even the hairs of your head are all counted. Do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows." Luke 12:6-7 (1/30/21 Daily Word)

INTA Virtual Conference:

"The Executive Board of the International New Thought Alliance joyously announces a new conference created specifically for ministers, practitioners and church leaders. There is no charge to attend. Love offerings are appreciated.

This virtual conference will take place on February 26 and 27, 2021. Our hard-working team has put together a star-studded program featuring some of our familiar favorites, a host of new dynamic speakers and some of New Thought's amazing workshop facilitators.

The program is designed to focus on the needs and interests of ministers, teachers and church leaders, using themes of "Caring for Self" in order to "Make a Difference". In addition, you will have an opportunity to enjoy music by some long-time favorites as well as some new soloists and singing groups during breaks.

For more information and to register, please visit www.NewThoughtEvents.org "

DSMA Bi-Annual Virtual Retreat:

This is scheduled for Friday, October 15 & October 16, 2021. This will be a wonderful opportunity to gather together, deepen connections, support one another and share our consciousness. More details to come.

DSMA Membership Renewal:

If you have renewed your DSMA membership, thank you. A letter of acknowledgement and your membership card was mailed in late January. If you have not renewed your DSMA and/or chaplain license, please do so A.S.A.P. The renewal letter and information is included with this newsletter as a separate attachment. Also, please be sure to let us know if your address, phone number and/or email address has changed. Thank you.

DSMA Chaplain and Prayer Support:

Because Rev. Dr. Vicki Fothen recently made her transition, Rev. Velma Bullington has graciously agreed to accept the role of DSMA chaplain. She is available for prayer and support. Rev. Velma sends birthday cards to you on behalf of DSMA. Your DSMA board members will also be reaching out to you to offer prayer as our commitment to support you. We appreciate you.

Prosperity Demonstration:

DSMA received a generous and anonymous gift of \$10,000. We are very thankful. "We gratefully accept this manifestation of prosperity. We give thanks to Divine Substance moving through the giver and know that they shall be abundantly blessed. As stewards of this abundance, we honor the sacred responsibility placed upon us. Thank you."

2020 December Treasurer's Report:

Income:	\$	10,591.46
Expenses:	\$	121.17
Difference:	\$	10,470.29
Wells Fargo Checking		
Ministers Loan Fund	\$.	2,050.00
Scholarship Fund	\$	565.00
Wells Fargo Checking-other	\$	16,332.75
Total Checking:	\$.	8,528.84
Wells Fargo Savings:	\$	538.73
Total Assets:	\$.	19,486.48

We are grateful to Divine Source for the abundant and constant supply. Thank you for the many channels that infinite Good flows through and to DSMA. And, so it is.