

# Christian Science Nurses Fund

## CHAIRMAN'S REPORT AUGUST 2018

### INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the 2018 update on the activities of the Christian Science Nurses Fund (officially registered as the Pension Trust for Christian Science Nurses).

### BENEVOLENT FUND

The Benevolent Fund gave over £30,000, including a one-off gift, to working, training, and retired Christian Science nurses between July 2017 and June 2018. The Fund assisted with a variety of needs, including the cost of attending the Christian Science nursing conference in St Louis in September 2017, Christian Science nursing care, rest and study, travel costs, contribution to difficult household expenses, and Christian Science nurses' listing in the Christian Science Journal.

This year we intend to pay the cost of listing in the Christian Science Journal to every listed Christian Science nurse.

Benevolent Fund income comes from donations given by much-appreciated supporters, some of whom have been kindly contributing over many years, and we also use income from investments.

### SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The Scholarship Fund gave just under £30,000 this year towards course and mentoring fees for Christian Science nursing training at Introduction, 1, 2 and 3 levels, and to travel costs. Training took place in the UK also at Le Verger in Switzerland.

We now offer financial help where a trainee Christian Science nurse is mentored as a Christian Science nurse in the field rather than in a Christian Science facility. Both the experienced mentor and the trainee can apply for reimbursement of costs.

Seed funding for the Scholarship Fund was initially given by the Westminster Fund and we are grateful for their continued support.

### WEBSITE

We aim to continue keeping our website [www.christiansciencenursefund.org.uk](http://www.christiansciencenursefund.org.uk) up-to-date, and we have had background work done to make it more flexible for maintenance. Please take a look, encourage others, see how to apply for support or to donate, or browse for general interest. Testimonials and donations are always welcome.

### TRUSTEES

The Board of Trustees currently comprises Stephen Eggins (Chair), Mary Jane Pearson (Vice chair), Julie Brearley and Margritta Reid, with a warm welcome to Angie Wallace (CS) who joined in October 2017.

### GDPR

The new data protection regulations came into force in May and caused all organizations to review and clarify their use of personal data and to give their beneficiaries and contacts more control over their own records. We have always taken seriously the confidentiality of information given us by Christian Science nurses, and never sell details about any of our contacts or use it for marketing. Our Privacy Policy is published on the website.

You are receiving this newsletter because it is assumed you have an interest in the charity's activities in support of Christian Science nurses. If this is not the case, please contact the administrator to amend or delete your contact details.

### ADMINISTRATOR

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