Our Bible Lessons:

Understanding Them, and Reading Them
Expressively and
Effectively

Mary Baker Eddy says the Christian Science Bible Lesson, is "...a lesson on which the prosperity of Christian Science largely depends." Church Manual Art III, Sect. 1 (31:4).

While the bylaw is directed toward Readers in our churches, it's also important for every student of Christian Science to thoroughly understand and effectively read—audibly and silently—our Bible Lessons.

This unique seminar will benefit any student of Christian Science

Readers (former, current, and future), the general membership, regular church attendees, and senior Sunday School students.



Don Feldheim, presenter and author of *Principles of Expressive Reading*

Details

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2018 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

THE LEAVES

1230 WEST SPRING VALLEY ROAD RICHARDSON, TX 75080

Please register by February 14. See the next page for registration steps.

The \$25 cost of this workshop includes lunch and a PDF copy of the 220-page book, *Principles of Expressive Reading*, by Don Feldheim.

You will receive tools that will help you:

- deepen your scholarly understanding
- elevate scholarly understanding to heartfelt understanding
- gain the freedom to express the spirit of the word with heartfelt fervor

You will also learn about the reading standards set by Mary Baker Eddy and the Holy Bible. As well, you will get ideas about how our *Bible Lessons* can help us become better healers and ensure the prosperity of our church.

WE'LL EXPLORE:

- Some of the more serious barriers that animal magnetism attempts to impose on our *understanding* of God's Word, *and* on our *reading* from our platforms.
- The standards of effective reading—straight from the Holy Bible and our Leader, Mary Baker Eddy.
- How to set God's word free from the pages on which it was written.

BOTH SILENT AND ORAL READERS WILL RECEIVE EXPRESSIVE READING "TOOLS FOR UNDERSTANDING" THAT WILL HELP US:

- Improve a scholarly understanding of the text, and elevate that scholarly understanding to a more spiritual dimension of heartfelt understanding of God's word.
- Identify clues writers have left—clues that reveal important insights into God's inspiration.
- Pay special attention to the nuances created by the writer's choice of words and the structure of their writing.
- Gain a clearer and deeper understanding of the heart and soul of the writer's work.

We'll also receive expressive reading "Tools for Delivery" that will help us:

- Use all our God-given communication tools to the best of our abilities.
- Deliver inspired messages with the same depth of feeling and richness of expression with which the writer might have actually spoken the words.
- Eliminate self-consciousness and learn how to "get yourself out of the way."

"I now read with more naturalness and joy. And it's much more fun!" "The shift from presenting the 'Word' to communicating it has been revolutionary."

ABOUT OUR PRESENTER

Don Feldheim has been reading our BibleLessons since college; was one of the long-time Readers on the radio and TV *Weekly Bible Lesson* programs produced by The Mother Church; has served four terms as an elected branch church Reader; has conducted services in prisons; and has delivered many memorial services. Though a strong proponent of the "analytical reading" approach, Don has developed a unique approach to studying and reading God's Word aloud. For more than 25 years, he has shared these tools and techniques with students of Christian Science and coached hundreds of Readers around the world in the approach he calls "Expressive Reading." Don offers suggestions about how our reading can rise to meet the standards set by Mary Baker Eddy, and he shares his rationale behind those suggestions.

Registration

Though walk-ins are welcome, it will be helpful if you register, and pay, in advance. Here's how:

- 1. **By February 14**, send an email to fifthclerk@sbcglobal.net or call 214-361-1625. Provide the names of the attendees for February 17.
- 2. Visit https://christiansciencedallas.com/donate/. Donate the \$25 fee for each attendee (includes lunch and a PDF copy of *Principles of Expressive Reading*) with a credit card via PayPal. *Note*: this will not show as a registration, just a donation. We will match the name(s) on the registration with the name on the credit card and you'll be all set!

We look forward to seeing you at The Leaves on Saturday, February 17!