

INTRODUCING OUR ADVENTURES IN SPIRIT CO-CHAIRS

Dale and Fran Morgan



We are so excited to co-chair this year's Adventures in Spirit campaign, particularly at this time of expansion. This year, CSLDallas moves onto new paths that take us to even greater growth and service. Our theme, "Expanding to Infinite Heights," encapsulates our CSLDallas paths of priorities that, with our love and light, will move us to the spiritual mountaintop.

As members of CSLDallas for the past nine years, we have continued to experience personal growth and spiritual expansion. Through the Science of Mind teachings, we have gained greater understanding of other people and ourselves, including how to more fully live in this world with less stress and more joy. The teachings have enriched our personal relationships and led us to run our own business in an ethical, meaningful way—to the point where we sold the business with results in a manner that we had affirmed to the Universe. Moreover, we love the inclusiveness and rich diversity of CSLDallas and have made lasting friendships with many loving people.

The concept, "The more you give, the more you receive," has proven true for us again and again throughout the years, both personally and financially. This concept doesn't mean we give just to receive but inspires giving with joy. We invite you to explore how this concept can work in your life if you have not yet done so, within your own financial stewardship. You will be amazed at the results.

We look forward to seeing the expansion of CSLDallas and know that all our efforts today will continue to assist each of us and the new people to come in years ahead. Let us together light the paths before us with our financial contributions, as we are "Expanding into Infinite Heights."

With love and gratitude, Dale and Fran Morgan

Our Financials at a Glance

CSLDallas Income 7/1/15 - 6/30/16 TOTAL INCOME = \$824,654.41		CSLDallas Expenses 7/1/15 - 6/30/16 TOTAL EXPENSES = \$800,272.16		CSLDallas Tithe Report 7/1/15 - 6/30/16 TOTAL OUTGOING TITHE = \$72,399.67	
Offerings	85%	Facilities	27%	CSL Home Office	\$49,615.80
Education	6%	Ministerial	22%	CSLDallas Congregation	\$7,538.00
Bookstore	4%	Administrative	20%	eQuest	\$5,000.00
Rental of Center	2%	Music	9%	Black Tie Dinner	\$3,745.87
Events & Seminars	2%	Tithe to Other Organizations (10% of Total Offerings)	8%	Every Voice 2016	\$2,500.00
Celebrations, Fine Arts & Other	1%	Youth and Family	4%	CSL Convention	\$2,000.00
		Other Programs	3%	CSL Ministers' Ongoing Education Conference	\$1,000.00
		Bookstore	3%	Momentum Institute	\$500.00
		Education	2%	Texas Freedom Network	\$500.00
		Reserve Account*	2%		

*We have \$75,000 in our reserve account.

"Real giving is the art of transmitting ourselves to others and to the conditions and situations that surround us. This kind of giving is not something for special occasions only; for it should become a habit growing out of our desire to live life to the fullest extent." Dr Ernest Holmes

ADVENTURES IN SPIRIT 2017 GOALS

\$775,000 AND 200 PLEDGES

We've just added 9,000 square feet - now let's grow into it! One of our over-arching priorities is to Live Into Our Expansion through expanding our children's program, services and education. Using every square foot in service to our purpose – Radically Inclusive, Spiritually Progressive, Transforming Lives – we intend to further our community, our prosperity, and our contribution to the world through the following priorities:

► Nurturing the CSLDallas Experience

CSLDallas provides extraordinary community every step of the way – from Foundations to Spiritual Leadership, from child to teen to young adult, from first impression to being part of the fabric of our community. We are committed to finding new ways to engage with and nurture you at every stage of your journey with us.

► Expanding the Mind

CSLDallas is committed to teaching and practicing the Science of Mind and Spiritual Living. We are focused on broadening our educational reach by becoming a certified Science of Mind Online course provider through Centers for Spiritual Living. We are committed to deepening our contribution by laying the groundwork for our Ministerial Training. We will also be adding more teachers and new coursework from Centers for Spiritual Living, taking our educational offerings to new heights.

► Enticing Engagements

CSLDallas is all about collaboration, connection, and exploring new DFW-wide partnerships along with sharing space with new renters and entrepreneurs. We will be offering new meetups for the spiritually interested and courses that bridge to the progressive Christian community, as well as exploring and creating additional gatherings and experientials that go beyond the Sunday morning experience.

► Taking It Up and Out

With our new sign, CSLDallas is finally easier to find! Now we're prepared to capitalize on the creativity and skills of our community to reach more people in more ways than ever before. We will explore and develop innovative ways to get our message and purpose in front of those who are looking for a home like CSLDallas, and engage our younger generation in their emerging leadership while leaning on the wisdom of our elders.

BUILDING SPIRITUAL COMMUNITY IN TODAY'S WORLD!

What an interesting and challenging year it's been in the world and in our community! Waiting on our permits to begin construction tested our patience and our faith. Engaging in a Diversity Initiative tested our ability to honor differences while affirming our deep belief in Oneness. Walking with our Centers for Spiritual Living International community toward "A World that Works for Everyone" in the midst of the social and political turmoil tested our commitment to and love for each other and this community. In every case, some of us thought we had gone too far while others thought we haven't gone far enough. Some of us have felt the need to engage while others have felt the need to pull back.

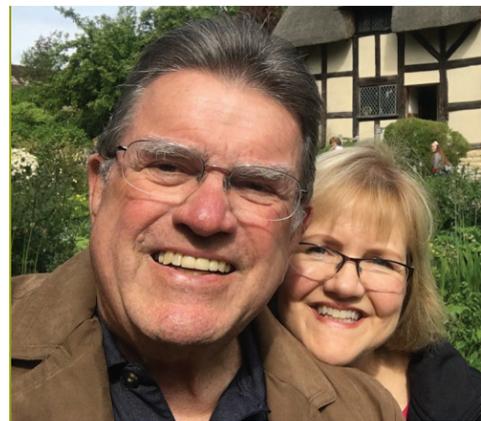
Walking the line between bringing our spiritual principles and practices to bear on the conditions we are confronted with, while engaging in everyone's human feelings and needs, tested our ministry. And through it all, we are seeing record numbers of visitors and our attendance is steadily growing.

CSLDallas has emerged stronger, more grounded, and more expansive than ever! Our community, leadership, practitioners, staff, and ministry have time and time again risen to the occasion, we've sought to apply spiritual principles and practices in times of difficulty, and reached out to one another for courageous conversations, understanding, and mutual support. This is what it means to be a spiritual community. This is what it means to live from our spiritual principles. This is how being part of CSLDallas strengthens our faith and deepens our knowing. We walk through the tests with open hearts and engaged minds willing to speak and to listen. We walk through the tests as human beings with all our flaws, foibles and feelings, all the while knowing that we are spiritual beings grounded, guided, and sustained by the Presence and Power of the ONE Infinite, Divine, Perfect Reality.

Many in our community have willingly engaged in the hard work of staying, moving through, and ultimately growing together. And isn't this what it's all about? We think it's about learning the Science of Mind. We think it's about feeling like we finally belong to community. And we think it's about volunteering or donating or leading or doing in the world. But what it's "really" about is discovering Spirit at the heart of life. While in the midst of the difficulty, we reach for a new, higher thought, entertain a new possibility, and apply a new, deeper spiritual idea. We think it's about being spiritually fed but "really" it's about being spiritually grown. That's what it means to be in this spiritual community in today's world together.

This year our Adventures in Spirit program is inviting us all to "Expand to Infinite Heights." Expanding our hearts, our minds, our lives, and our commitment, so that we, as CSLDallas, may reach toward the mountaintop of spiritual awareness and be the Light of Love in the world. We are enriched because YOU are a part of our spiritual community. We are grateful to be walking this path with you. May we "Expand to Infinite Heights" together!

Dr Petra and Rev Karen



KING AND GEORGEANN MOSS II

We are proud members of CSLDallas and have made a commitment to support this Center with our love, financial gifts and service.

The path to this decision was neither short, nor straight, but the growth we experienced along the way has benefited us both individually and as a couple.

Georgeann had been studying New Thought since her teens. King grew up in the Methodist Church. So his first few visits to CSLDallas were different than what he was used to – he was out of his comfort zone. But King believes that a family should worship together, so he stretched his spiritual muscles and started attending services with an open mind.

After several years of listening to the excellent messages given by Dr Petra, Rev Karen and other speakers, enjoying the wonderful music, and meeting many wonderful people, we decided that we needed to get involved and become members. We took Foundations, became members, started volunteering as greeters, and started using our spiritual tools.

At CSLDallas, we've grown spiritually in ways that we could never imagine – and we're still growing. What a joy it is to be part of a loving spiritual community with fellow travelers who are Expanding to Infinite Heights!

We encourage anyone who is looking for a spiritual home to take that big step and get more involved. The rewards are many and will manifest very quickly.



KAREN AND JEFF FRITTS

Our lives are so deeply entwined with CSLDallas that it is as close to our hearts as our dearest friends! We find so much love and encouragement there.

Even when our busy schedules cause us to miss a routine gathering, we feel the love from a distance. Our sanghas, daily meditations, and spiritual mind treatments come directly from our Science of Mind practices. Each day our love deepens from these practices. We tithe, vision, and volunteer to be completely immersed in the practices that lead to our higher spiritual consciousness. The beauty of all of this is the journey. It is more joyful as our practices deepen. We are certain that our gifts of giving and receiving are in Divine Right Order. And so it is.



MICHAEL BRUNDY

I believe you should give your financial resources where you are spiritually fed. For me that place is CSLDallas.

I have been receiving spiritual nourishment from CSLDallas for many years. I agree with and like their approach to spirituality. I like the diversity of the membership and the many opportunities to learn. Because I know it takes money to finance activities at CSLDallas I am willing to give. To me CSLDallas is home and a home requires attention, maintenance and support. That's why I give to CSLDallas, to maintain my spiritual home.



TIFFANIE R. SPEARMAN

I am so blessed to be a part of the CSLDallas community. An environment that is fun, inspiring, and full of life.

The classes, seminars and opportunities expand my thinking phenomenally! I am always intrigued with New Thought and constantly learn new ways of being, thinking, and applying my thoughts to my daily life. I eagerly give without reservation to support the financial needs of CSLDallas. This community has been such a blessing to me and I cannot imagine a life without the experiences, exposure, and friendships I have made here. This has truly been the most benevolent outcome!



FRAN KENT AND CHERYL AUSTIN

CSLDallas has been our spiritual home for over two years. Our lives have been blessed so much during this time that, no matter what we give, we cannot out-give that which we've received.

What price can be placed on spiritual growth, personal motivation, loving friends, ministry in times of need, celebration in times of joy, and acceptance for who we are always? It is an honor to support the work of this wonderfully diverse, supportive and gracious community with our time, talents and finances. Spirit is alive and abundant here – how fortunate we are to be a part of such magnificence!



JIM BERRONG

I can't imagine not financially supporting CSLDallas. It's been, is, and I have faith that it will continue to be a significant fertilizer for living my life at its fullest as well as a portal for me to be able to help others do the same during my lifetime and when I'm no longer here in physical form. It will be part of my legacy.

I learned the meaning and purpose of tithing for my life when I was a member of Unity on the Plaza in Kansas City in 1997. The message so touched me that I took action and committed to tithing. Shortly after starting this spiritual practice, I increasingly experienced positive results of more financial abundance, as well as positive energy, focus, ease of accomplishment and increased joy of living. This included being offered my dream job that enabled me to move back to Dallas in 1999. After that experience, finding a place to tithe became the issue, not tithing.

I fully understand the importance of pledging – it enables us to establish our annual budget. As a responsible member of our community, I can't imagine not having an adult relationship with this organization, community, and you. As I've increased my commitment to CSLDallas, shared more of my good and abundance, and increasingly opened myself up to receiving more inflow in my life, all aspects of prosperous living have increased. My return has consistently exceeded my investment and I continue to have unwavering faith that it always will.

As a member of this human race I do my part, and invite you to do the same, to make sure CSLDallas is here for you, me and others during our lifetimes as well as beyond. I invite you to continue or start taking a stand for a world that works for everyone and a life that works for you and me. It's mine and yours... it's ours to do!

WHAT IS ADVENTURES IN SPIRIT?

CSLDallas' Annual Giving Campaign

Adventures in Spirit gives us the immediate opportunity to dive into the Spiritual Laws of Circulation, Prosperity, Attraction, Tithing, and the Spiritual Practice of Sacred Giving. Together we can grow our prosperity and abundance consciousness while stretching our ability to trust Spirit as our Source. Our annual pledge program provides us the perfect opportunity to practice sacred giving and tithing while intentionally activating the Law of Circulation.

This October, we are exploring our purpose and mission as

a spiritual community; seeking a deeper understanding of ourselves, each other, and our contribution to humanity. Together, we'll choose local groups and programs to tithe to in the coming year. We'll deepen our faith and practice together while committing to the growth and expansion of CSLDallas.

Your individual pledge creates a sacred covenant with CSLDallas in 2017. Your collective pledges create the basis for the annual budget. In return, CSLDallas leadership commits only to ask for your financial support once a year.

CSLDallas commits to spend no more than our Center body collectively promises to give.

Our programs and services are supported exclusively by our contributions: if we want to experience more together, we all need to give more with our pledge. If you have not pledged before, start this year! If you are already a regular contributor, thank you! Together, let's collectively increase our giving because every pledge and every dollar makes a huge difference!

"Life is the impartation of the Spirit in us, the Source of everything we are, or hope to be, or have; and It gives in joy and without reservation, in complete abandonment." Dr Ernest Holmes