

Membership Has Its Privileges
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Membership at Spiritual Empowerment Center (SEC) is an important step in one's commitment to the Spiritual Empowerment Center and to oneself. Membership fosters a sense of ownership and allows individuals to become invested in their spiritual community. All new members must attend the New Members' Orientation which is held every few months. This meeting is a dialogue allowing prospective members to ask any questions they have about the Center and the Science of Mind philosophy. The orientation meeting educates prospective members on the history of New Thought and the powerful individuals who contributed to its growth. The meeting also highlights how Science of Mind is different and similar to Unity, Christian Science and Divine Science. All new members receive an orientation booklet and coupons for discounts for classes and merchandise from the bookstore.

Membership requires commitment, honesty, involvement, humility and confidentiality which helps build an interconnected group of spiritually-centered people. Other demonstrations of commitment that are expected of members include:

- Learning and applying the Science of Mind Principles in daily living.
- Participation in classes, workshops, Sunday services and social activities.
- Supporting the mission and vision through personal actions, attitude, prayers and treatments.
- Financially supporting the Center through tithes and contributions and;
- Being in Sacred Service.

Please congratulate the most recent inductees who are now eligible to vote on matters pertaining to SEC and our parent organization Centers for Spiritual Living. Only members can vote. Membership does have its privileges.