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## Information for the Introducer

*July 1st, 2023 - June 30th, 2024*

Thank you for your willingness to assist with your church's public lecture in service to your community. The introduction should be *no more than two minutes at the most*; but if you are comfortable with something shorter, that is fine. Some people find a notecard helpful. Please run through your intro several times before the day of the lecture using a timer to ensure that it does not exceed two minutes.

Here are some data points that you may wish to use:

- I have been in the full-time public practice of Christian Science for about 18 years.
- Prior to entering the practice, I was a free-lance opera singer. I toured with "That Can't Be Opera", a one-woman opera review that taught what opera is and what it isn't.
- I live outside of Chicago with my husband & two kids. We love gardening and grow a lot of our own food.

You can also find some information about me on the [Board of Lectureship website](#):

You need not include all of this information. God's guidance will direct you to just what is needed for your audience, and how to make them feel welcome.

I will be at the lecture venue 60-75 minutes before start time; at which point I can do a sound check. The introducer should arrive at the lecture venue an hour ahead as well. Regarding amplification, please review the amplification system *prior to my arrival*. Please be educated on how to operate the system at least one week before the lecture event. There should be a lavalier microphone for me, and either a hand-held or lavalier microphone for the introducer.

\*\*Please have at least two (2) people test **both** microphones (both speaking with them and listening to them) to the point of operational proficiency no later than one week prior to the letter.

The following are some notes pertaining to what is said both before and after the lecture.

### Beginning of Lecture

- a. Welcome everyone and thank them for coming
- b. Remind people to turn off or silence their cell phones (please do this first.)
- c. Let people know that *neither audio nor video* recording is allowed.
- d. Introduce the lecturer

## **End of Lecture**

- a. Come back in front of the audience at the close of the lecture to:
- b. Thank the audience for coming
- c. Let them know about the literature you have available for them before they leave.
- d. Let them know about the other resources your church provides to the public: Reading Room, Sunday School, Church Services.