



## **A Little CSLSG History from Practitioner Sue Fullmer**

The Core Council, including Rev. Joe, planned and hosted the CSLSG Annual Meeting held on April 14. I encourage you all to get to know your Core Council, which is currently comprised of Rev. Joe Kovach, senior minister; Marina Anderson, president; Sue Fullmer, secretary; Charles Smith, treasurer; and newly welcomed Bill Smith.

The Council meets at least monthly to discuss general business of the Center. There is always plenty to talk about with reports from our minister, the treasurer, the practitioners; Sunday meeting plans, and organizing future activities. The Council was an integral part of our survival through COVID. They were key to keeping us going after the loss of our minister, Rev. Laura, and the necessary pandemic shutdown. A big “thank you” is due to those serving long-term at that difficult time: Marina Anderson, Christopher McArdle, Gwen Hadley, Sue Fullmer, and Stephanie Starrett. Calista Ames and Che' Barlow also served during that period of time. Gwen was even doing double duty as president and treasurer after we released our outside bookkeeper as part of our efforts to remain financially secure.



Christopher got us up and running with online services and helped to arrange many incredible guest speakers. We developed new family relationships with Jeffon Seely, Eugene Holden and Stef Swink, all popular authors in the Science of Mind Magazine. We treasured the contributions of Elijah Christopher, Savannah Noelle, Steph St Armand, Darrell Jones, (then practitioner) Joe Kovach, and others. Christopher and Gwen were honored recently for their long and capable dedication to the Council and Center. Both began serving when Rev. Josie de Los Santos was our minister. A term on the Council is three years and both extended to two terms, plus!

Gwen states, “When Kelly and I found CSLSG, we quickly became very active within the congregation. We completed the Foundation Class with Rev. Josie and soon became official members. Once we made St. George our full-time residence, I joined the Core Council. This has been such a joyful and enriching experience. I have served in various positions in my six-plus years and each one provided me with an opportunity for enhanced spiritual growth. I recently was required to step down because our By-laws require a full year off after serving two terms. Having said that, I would certainly consider a new term if I were asked!” There’s no question that after a much-deserved vacation, Gwen would be welcomed to apply again!

I agree with Gwen that serving the Center in this way offers many opportunities for personal and spiritual growth. The people you are able to serve with are of the highest caliber. We still have openings for two more people to serve on the Council. In order to be a member of the Core Council, a person must: be a Center member in good standing, have taken at least one Foundations class (or an equivalent as approved by the Senior Minister), be an identified contributor to the Center, and be mentally and physically capable of carrying out all of the duties and obligations. To encourage diversity of experience and viewpoints on the Council, two members of the same household may not serve as Core Council members at the same time.

Exciting things will be happening this year for our Center! Rev. Joe announced at the annual meeting that his family will be moving to St. George this summer and we will be increasing our in-person meetings. A committee is being organized to search for the perfect location for a permanent home. Join us in taking these steps forward. YOU are the Center for Spiritual Living St. George! Namaste

**By listening to the deep wisdom within you, your intuition and inner guidance, you will catch the energy of your true self's intention to give, live, and shine. - Roger Teel**

