

**Name of sponsoring Christian Science Organization:** Indiana University  
Christian Science Organization.

**Type of event:** Lecture

**Name of lecturer (if applicable):** Scott Preller. We didn't so much choose Scott as the local church was hosting a lecture on which we decided to "piggy-back" and he was the person they'd chosen. He spoke on campus one evening and then spoke at the church the next day.

**Title of lecture (if applicable):** "Living Right Side Up in an Upside Down World"

**Date/time of event:** October 10, 2007 at 5:30 p.m.

**Location:** the Bryan Room in the Indiana Memorial Union

**What led you to organize this event?**

At the Youth Summit Cedars hosted earlier this semester, I was reminded of the fact that, despite our less-than-thriving CSO (since my freshman year we've had trouble establishing anything lasting) of which I've often felt like the only interested member, I am a pioneer in a movement! Anything that I contributed with right motives was divinely inspired and would reach the people that God intended. Period. Thus, when I learned that the local church was hosting Scott, I thought I'd take this easy opportunity to "piggy-back" on what they were doing and invite him to speak on campus as well.

**What were your expectations from this event? How did you prepare for it?**

Honestly, I knew that the event would serve its proper purpose. Mortal mind tried to convince me otherwise many times (i.e. There isn't enough time to advertise, you don't have the means or the people by which to spread the word, etc.), but I pledged early in the process to firmly refute any of these illegitimate thoughts because I knew that God truly was the sole source of my motivation for providing this service to my campus. Thus, I drew up a few flyers, created an event on Facebook, asked the help of a new, enthusiastic CSO member and friend in spreading the word, and prayed every chance I got.

**What was your overall response to this event? Did it meet your expectations? Were you surprised? Was it successful? How did your intended audience respond?**

There were only four of us in attendance (myself, my fellow CSO member, two of her friends, and a professor from the university), but we couldn't have asked for a better evening. It's true that the entire thing was very last minute and that it's great to be able to plan something a bit better, but this particular lecture, organized in this particular way met a need that evening. In fact, afterward, the professor said something about how this is exactly where he was on his spiritual journey, that he'd been thinking that if people really took Jesus seriously, they'd never be sick! Right on! Anywho, would it have been nice to have had a bit more

time to plan? Yes, but impromptu events can be and are divinely inspired, too, and I'm so glad I was receptive to that idea.

**Is there anything you would do differently?**

Again, I'd try and start earlier so as have more time to plan and advertise as well as get a more accessible room. We were in kind of an obscure location.