

## Pray for:

- ✿ Bibles for Canada distribution in Vancouver during Winter Olympics February 12-28: that BfC would be free to distribute Bibles in SkyTrain stations and other locations; that the Recovery Version might reach seekers throughout the world; that the saints in the Vancouver area might be able to follow up on local recipients; for good weather for distribution.
- ✿ Conference centres in Kiev, Ukraine and Jonova, Lithuania: one accord, finances, and manpower for the purchasing, building and preparation of these properties.
- ✿ Hungary: 1320 seekers who have ordered all 3 sets of the Rhema books; health of key brother who has been translating for many years; the raising up of a shining golden lampstand in Budapest; publication of the remaining 3 volumes of Life-Study of Exodus.
- ✿ Israel: Contact of neighbours, friends, and colleagues for the gospel; a neighbour causing trouble for the sisters' house would have no more energy for her negative activities and that the Lord's work would continue in that house, unhindered.
- ✿ Follow-up for the BfC Bible distribution in Montreal: coordination in following-up on the Bible recipients, especially the seminar attendees.
- ✿ That the college/university age, the teen-agers, and the children meeting with the church in Montreal would grow to love the Lord and pursue Him.
- ✿ Various saints from the US, Canada, and Latin America who are considering migrating here to work, study or serve full-time.
- ✿ Raising up of vital groups in the church in Montreal in all the languages; that all the saints would rise up to live vitally with vital companions for prayer, gospel preaching, shepherding, and pursuing the truth.
- ✿ Various saints and contacts in Montreal with special needs.

## Weekly Readings

- ✿ New Testament Recovery Version with footnotes: Week 15, *Mark 11:1 – 14:26*
- ✿ HWMR: The Gospel of God, Vol. 2, Week 2

## Announcements

- ✿ The churches in New England invites you to a Spring Conference from Friday night, March 5th through March 7th. The co-workers are also burdened to join for this

conference, so it will be in the up-to-date speaking of the Lord to His recovery. Please register with brother John Chao.

- ✿ Midwest Spring Conference in Chicago will be at the weekend of April 3 and 4. This conference will be at the Chicago hall and is open to all the saints. The brothers ministering will endeavour to bring us into the speaking of the Spirit to the churches from the March 2010 ITERO conference. Please register with brother John Chao.
- ✿ Young people blending in Ottawa in the weekend of February 27-28, 2010, please register with sister Stacey, registration deadline is February 14.
- ✿ A conference will be held in Madison, Wisconsin April 23 - 25, please register with brother John Chao.
- ✿ Young Working Saints and College Saints conference in Belleville, Mar 19-21, 2010. Cost is \$100 per adult with the church subsidising the remaining \$100. Registration deadline Feb. 22, please register with sister Monica asap so we can arrange rooms and transportation.

## Lord's Day Lunch Clean-up Schedule

February 21	✿ English
28	✿ Chinese (East, Central)
March 7	✿ French/Spanish/College
14	✿ Chinese (North, South, West)

## Upcoming Events

- ✿ *February 27 – 28, Ottawa: Young people blending, Please register with sister Stacey, registration deadline is February 14.*
- ✿ *March 5 – 7, Cambridge, MA: 2010 Spring Conference of New England Churches*
- ✿ *March 19 – 21, Belleville, ON: YWS/College Conference*
- ✿ *April 3 – 4, Chicago, IL: Midwest Spring Conference in Chicago*

## This Week's Activities

<b>FEBRUARY 21</b>	✿ 10:00am to 12:15pm, Meeting hall: Lord's table and prophesying meetings
<i>Lord's Day</i>	✿ 12:30pm to 1:30pm, Meeting hall: Love feast

<b>22</b> Monday	✿
<b>23</b> Tuesday	✿ 7:30pm, Prayer meeting by district in various homes
<b>24</b> Wednesday	✿
<b>25</b> Thursday	✿ 10:00am, Meeting hall: Chinese speaking pursuing meeting
<b>26</b> Friday	✿ Evening: Various home meetings (English / French / Chinese)
<b>27</b> Saturday	✿ 6:00pm to 9:00pm, Meeting hall: Young people meeting

## Separation from the world

Scripture Reading: Exo. 10:8-11, 21-26; 12:6-11, 37-42; 2 Cor. 6:17

### D. Leaving the Moral World

Today we Christians must come out of the system and the organization of the world. Leaving the world refers to our deliverance from the moral world, not the physical world. We need to leave the moral world behind, not the physical world. In other words, we are still living in the world, but this world has become a wilderness to us.

What is the world to us? Mr. D. M. Panton put it well when he said, "While I am living, it is a journey to me; when I die, it is a tomb to me." While a believer is living on this earth, the world is a journey to him; when he dies, the world is only a tomb in which he is buried. We must be separated from the people of the world. Every believer must be separated from the world. In the eyes of the world, we are in the wilderness; we are pilgrims. They are the ones who are in the world.

### E. Sojourners and Pilgrims in this World

We must realize that we are sojourners and pilgrims in this world. As far as the moral world is concerned, we have come out of it. It wants to keep us, but if we stay, we will not be able to serve God. The world wants to be closer to us, but if we allow it to come too close to us, it will be impossible for us to serve God. The world wants to keep our people and our treasure, but if these things are kept in the world, we will not be able to serve our God.

We have been separated from Egypt, and our faces are toward the promised land. The basis of that separation is the blood, the blood that has bought us back. The Egyptians have not

been bought by the blood; the worldly ones have not been redeemed. As redeemed ones, we have been transferred to another world. Therefore, we must leave this world.

Suppose you go to a watch shop to buy a watch. What do you do after you have bought it? Once the purchase has been made, you take the watch away. I should not buy the watch and leave it behind. I should not tell the proprietor, "Here, you use it!" This is not reasonable. Buying means taking away. Whenever there is a purchase, there is a taking away. If I buy a sack of rice, the rice is taken away from the shop. After one buys something, the purchased item is taken away. Please remember that since the blood has bought us, we must be taken away from the world. Once a person is bought by the Lord's blood, he should leave for the promised land. As soon as one is bought, he should leave. Those who are not bought can stay behind. But as soon as a person is bought, he should leave. Once a person is bought, he has no choice but to go with the Lord. If I have been bought by the Lord, I must leave the world and go with Him.

## II. AREAS THAT REQUIRE SEPARATION FROM THE WORLD

You may ask what we should separate ourselves from. What things are considered the world? What areas should we be separated from? Before we touch any specific item, we should realize that our heart and spirit are the first things that need separation from the world. If a person's heart is set towards the world, it becomes futile to speak to him about anything else. It is useless to try to be delivered from a hundred things if the person himself still remains in the world. First, there must be a deliverance of the person, a deliverance of the spirit, and a deliverance of the heart. Deliverance from matters comes later.

A man must be separated completely from Egypt; he must be separated from the world. He should not be afraid that others will criticize him as being peculiar. Then there is the need to take care of some principles. In some areas we should be separated from the world, while in other areas we should maintain peace with it. We have no intention to be contentious. In the family, in the office, and everywhere, we do not want to arouse controversy. Let us consider five specific things that need to be dealt with:

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