

Pray for:

- ✿ Japan: the on-going three month work of raising lampstands and establishing contacts throughout Japan by 30 trainees and 18 fulltimers from Taiwan; that the Lord would scatter the darkness in Japan and separate many for Himself; that the Lord would strengthen the trainees and fulltimers to fully fulfill His interests in Japan.
- ✿ South America: smooth and timely shipment of Bibles to many cities in the coming 3 ½ weeks; final arrangements and detailed preparations being done for the FTTA gospel trips in April and May; that the Body will go and the New Man be manifested in South America.
- ✿ Antigonish, Nova Scotia: 18 students at St. Francis Xavier University that recently received the Recovery Version New Testament from two visiting sisters from Toronto; 1,500 tracts being distributed to the students at the university; other contacts in the community; eventual raising up of a church there.
- ✿ Full-time training in Anaheim, including Allan Yeow
- ✿ The re-establishment of the weekly college meeting.
- ✿ The reestablishment of the English prayer meeting in the central region.
- ✿ Various saints from the US, Canada, and Latin America who are considering migrating here to work, study or serve full-time.

Weekly Readings

- ✿ New Testament Recovery Version with footnotes: Week 24, *Luke 12:49 – 14:24*
- ✿ HWMR: The Prayer of the Age, Vol. 1, Week 4
- ✿ Truth Equipping Series – Ministry Literature Sets Reading Schedule: Basic Elements, Vol 2, Deep calls onto Deep.

Announcements

- ✿ Lunch fellowship on Lord's day: YP parents and YP serving ones will fellowship on the summer activities and other shepherding items.
- ✿ Grade Six Conference will be held from June 18th to 20th 2010 at the Church in Markham Meeting Hall. Please register with br. Chew by May 30, 2010
- ✿ A Historical National Conference for Canada will take place from May 22 to 23 in Toronto. Please register in districts.

- ✿ Eastern Canada's Summer School of Truth will take place in Ancaster, ON, from August 8 to 13, 2010. There is also the opportunity of joining New York's Summer School of Truth, August 16 to 22, 2010, in New York City. Dear Parents and YP, please remember these dates as you plan your summer vacation. Please speak to YP serving ones regarding registration. More details will be provided in the coming weeks.
- ✿ We have received 20 copies the CRI journal on "We Were Wrong" in both English and Chinese. If anyone wants to buy, it will cost \$5 per copy. We also have a few free copies of materials related to this in the book room.
- ✿ The Summer Training will be from June 28 to July 3. Cost is \$150. Deadline for registration is May 1, please register with sister Monica.

Lord's Day Lunch Clean-up Schedule

April 18	✿ English
25	✿ Whole meeting hall Cleaning
May 2	✿ French/Spanish/College
10	✿ Chinese (North, South, West)

Upcoming Events

- ✿ April 23 – 25, Madison, WI: Conference in Madison
- ✿ May 1, Markham, ON: Teacher's training
- ✿ May 14 – 16, Stockholm, Sweden: Nordic Conference
- ✿ May 22 – 23, Toronto, ON: Canadian National Conference
- ✿ June 28 – 3, Anaheim, CA: Summer Training
- ✿ July 25 – 31, Male Ciche, Poland: YP Camp in Poland
- ✿ July 27 – 31, Montreal, QC: Eastern Canada Children Camp
- ✿ Aug 8 – 13, Ancaster, ON: Eastern Canada's Summer School of Truth
- ✿ Aug 16 – 22, NYC, NY: New York Summer School of Truth.

This Week's Activities

APRIL 18	✿ 10:00am to 12:15pm, Meeting hall: Lord's table and prophesying meetings
Lord's Day	✿ 12:30pm to 1:30pm, Meeting hall: Love feast

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

CONSECRATION

Scripture Reading: Exo. 28:1-2, 40-41; 29:1-25; Lev. 8:14-28; Rom. 6:13, 16, 19; 12:1; 1 Cor. 6:19-20; 2 Cor. 5:14-15

IV. THE WAY OF CONSECRATION

Leviticus 8:14-28 speaks of a bull, two rams, and a basket of unleavened bread. The bull was for the sin offering; the first ram was for the burnt offering; and the second ram and the basket of unleavened bread were for the consecration offering.

A. The Sin Offering

In order to receive the holy service before God, that is, in order to consecrate oneself to God, the first thing that has to be taken care of is the propitiation for sin. Only a saved person, one who belongs to the Lord, can consecrate himself. The sin offering is the basis of consecration.

B. The Burnt Offering

Following this, we see two rams. We need to study Leviticus 8:18-28 carefully. One ram was for the burnt offering; it was to be burned. The other was for the offering of consecration; it enabled Aaron to serve God.

What is a burnt offering? A burnt offering is an offering which is burned completely. The priest could not eat the flesh of the burnt offering. All the flesh of the burnt offering was burned completely. The problem of our sin is settled by the sin offering, but the burnt offering makes us acceptable to God. The Lord Jesus bore our sins on the cross. This refers to His work as the sin offering. At the same time, while the Lord Jesus was on the

cross, the veil was rent from top to bottom, bringing us into the Holy of Holies. This is His work as the burnt offering. The sin offering and the burnt offering start at the same place, but they arrive at different destinations. They start where the sinner is. The sin offering stops at the propitiation of sin, but the burnt offering brings the sinner further by making him acceptable to God. The burnt offering is the offering which makes a sinner acceptable in the Beloved. It goes further than the sin offering. The burnt offering is the sweet savor of the Lord Jesus before God that secures God's acceptance of Him. Today when we offer Him to God, we are accepted by God as well. We are not only forgiven through the sin offering but also accepted through the Lord Jesus.

C. The Offering of Consecration

1. The Sprinkling of the Blood

After the first ram was slain, the second ram followed. What was done with the second ram after it was slain? The first thing that was done was the putting of blood upon the tip of the right ear of Aaron and his sons, upon the thumb of their right hand, and upon the big toe of their right foot. This means that since God has accepted us in Christ, we should acknowledge the blood's separation of our ears, hands, and feet fully unto God. We should declare that our ears, hands, and feet are fully God's. Because of redemption, our ears, which were made for hearing, should now hear for God; our hands, which were made for working, should now work for God. Our legs, which were made for walking, should now walk for God. We apply the blood upon the tip of our right ear, the thumb of our right hand, and the big toe of our right foot. This means that our ears, hands, and feet have all been purchased by the Lord. We should say to the Lord, "Because of Your redemption, Lord, from this day forward, I will no longer consider my two ears to be my own, or my two hands and my two feet to be my own. Because You have redeemed me, Lord, my entire being will henceforth belong to You; it is no longer mine."

Blood is the mark of possession. It is also the symbol of love. Both the "price" spoken of in 1 Corinthians 6 and the "love" spoken of in 2 Corinthians 5 refer to this blood. Because there is blood, love, and possession, our entire being is not our own. The Lord has shed His blood, and we must acknowledge the rightful claim of this blood upon us. Because the Lord loves us, we will confess that our entire being belongs to Him alone.

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