

Pray for:

- ✿ Bible distribution in 30 cities in North America in January and February; in Canada, the focus is on Hamilton and Guelph, Ontario; Halifax, Nova Scotia; and Coquitlam, BC.
- ✿ Pray for the Lord to release the approval needed for each distribution site, especially in the target cities in Canada (Hamilton-Guelph, Coquitlam, and Halifax). Pray also that the saints would find favour with the venue management, public officials, security personnel, etc.
- ✿ Pray for the best environmental conditions for the release of the Word. Pray that the weather would be mild, especially in the colder climates, and for the health, transportation, and safety of all the saints throughout the two weeks.
- ✿ Pray for the establishing of contact and further fellowship with the radio ad respondents in each target city.
- ✿ Middle East: the Lord to reign and rule over the current revolutions going on in numerous Arab countries, particularly Tunisia, Egypt, Jordan, Algeria and Yemen; that the outcome might be more political freedom for the gospel to be proclaimed in these lands; turn the situation for the salvation of many in the Muslim world.
- ✿ Pray for various local needs, including saints in Montreal, contacts, and those in need of care and shepherding.

Weekly Readings

- ✿ New Testament Recovery Version with footnotes: Week 66, *Eph 1:11 – 2:18*
- ✿ HWMR: Crystallization-Study of Isaiah, Vol 1, Week 3
- ✿ Truth Equipping Series – Ministry Literature Sets Reading Schedule: *The Economy of God*, Chapter 17

Announcements

- ✿ There is a memorial meeting for brother Hsio's grandson today, which will be held at 2:30 PM at the Rideau Funeral Home whose address is: 4275 Boulevard des Sources, Dollard-des-Ormeaux, QC H9B 2A6. We encourage you to attend this meeting because it is quite important to support the family and preach the gospel to their friends.
- ✿ There is a conference for college and young working saints in Belleville, March 18-20. Deadline for registration is in 2 weeks, Feb 20. Please register as soon as possible with Monica

Lord's Day Lunch Serving & Clean-up Schedule

Feb 6	✿ Serving: English (A) ✿ Cleaning: French/Spanish
13	✿ Serving: Chinese South (A) ✿ Cleaning: Chinese (North, South, West)
20	✿ Serving: N.D.G ✿ Cleaning: Chinese (East, Central) ✿ Whole meeting hall cleaning
27	✿ Serving: Chinese YW ✿ Cleaning: English

Upcoming Events

- ✿ Jan. 29 – Feb. 14, Halifax, NS: **Gospel Sowing Trip**
- ✿ Feb. 18-20, 2011, Anaheim, CA: **Chinese-speaking New Year's International Conference**
- ✿ **Mar. 18-20, Belleville, ON:** Belleville Conference for College and Young working saints
- ✿ April 1-3, 2011, Anaheim, CA: **International Training for Elders & Responsible Ones.**
- ✿ May 12-14, 2011, Karei Deshe on the Sea of Galilee, Israel: **Spring Conference in Israel**

This Week's Activities

FEB 6	✿ 10am to 12:30 pm, Meeting hall: Lord's table and prophesying meetings
LORD'S DAY	✿ 12:30pm to 1:30pm, Meeting hall: Love feast
7 Monday	
8 Tuesday	✿ 7:30pm: District prayer meetings at various homes
9 Wednesday	✿ 7pm – 8:30pm, Andrea's place: College meeting
10 Thursday	✿
11 Friday	✿ Various home meetings (Chinese/English / French)
12 Saturday	✿ 7pm – 9:30pm, Meeting hall: Young People Meeting

Prayer

Scripture Reading: John 16:24; James 4:2-3; Luke 11:9-10; Psa. 66:18; Mark 11:24; Luke 18:1-8

I. PRAYER BEING A BASIC CHRISTIAN RIGHT

Christians have a basic right while living on earth today, the right to receive answers to prayers. The moment a person is regenerated, God gives him the basic right to ask of Him and to be heard by Him. John 16 says that God answers when we ask in the name of the Lord so that our joy may be made full. If we pray without ceasing, we will live a Christian life that is full of joy on earth today.

If we unceasingly pray, yet God does not unceasingly answer our prayer, or if we have been a Christian for years and God hardly or never listens to our prayers, there must be something seriously wrong. If we have been a Christian for three to five years without receiving one answer to prayer, we are ineffectual Christians. We are not just a little ineffectual, but very ineffectual. We are children of God, yet our prayers are never answered! This should never be. Every Christian should experience God answering his prayers. Every Christian should have frequent experiences of prayers being answered. This is a basic experience. If God has not answered our prayers for a long time, it means that there is surely something wrong with us. There is no way to deceive ourselves in the matter of answers to prayer. If it is answered, it is answered. If it is not answered, it is not answered. If it is effectual, it is effectual. If it is ineffectual, it is ineffectual.

We would like to ask every Christian: Have you learned to pray? Has God answered your prayer? It is wrong for prayers to be left unanswered, because prayers are not just a speaking into the air. Prayers are meant to be answered. Unanswered prayers are vain prayers. Christians must learn to have answered prayers. Since you have believed in God, your prayers should be answered by God. Your prayers are useless if God does not answer them. You must pray until your prayers are answered. Prayer is not only for spiritual cultivation but even more for receiving answers from God.

Prayer is not that easy a lesson to learn. A person may be a Christian for thirty or even fifty years and yet not learn to pray

well. On the one hand, prayer is not a simple thing. On the other hand, prayer is so easy that a person can pray as soon as he believes in the Lord. Prayer can be considered the most profound as well as the simplest subject. It is so profound that some still cannot pray well despite learning about it all their lives. Many children of God feel that they do not know how to pray even up to the time they die. However, prayer is so simple that the moment a person believes in the Lord, he can start praying and have his prayers answered. If you begin your Christian life in a good way, you will always receive answers to your prayers. If you do not have a good start, you may not have an answer to prayer for three or even five years. If you do not have a proper foundation, you will need much effort to correct it later. Therefore, once a person believes in the Lord, he must learn to receive answers from God for his prayers. We hope that every believer will pay attention to this matter.

II. CONDITIONS FOR PRAYERS BEING ANSWERED

In the Bible we can see many conditions for having prayers answered, but only a few of them are basic. We believe that if we meet these few conditions, our prayers will be answered. These few conditions are equally applicable to those who have prayed for many years. These are very basic conditions, and we should pay attention to them.

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