

Pray for:

- ✿ Bibles for Canada distribution in Montreal, January 9 to 23: Blending and building up between with the visiting and local saints; opening of the hearts of Montrealers to receive the Recovery Version; remaining fruit through the distribution and the seminars; blending and building up with saints in Ottawa and Quebec.
- ✿ Lyon, France: The salvation of contacts who are reading the Bible with the saints, including some French/European young people; salvation of family members of French saints and their entry into the church life; the Lord's economic provision for the saints so that they can live a normal human life for the church life; opening up of a sisters' house by September 2012; physical and spiritual strengthening of the French translation team and that the Lord might add new members to bear the work load.
- ✿ South America: Restoration of churches and saints to the rich enjoyment of Christ and to the sweet fellowship of His Body in the local churches; blending of trainees from Paraguay as they visit churches in Brazil this month; registration for South America-wide Perfecting Training and Serving Brothers Training in February.
- ✿ Philippines: The recent typhoon (hurricane) that hit the southern part of the Philippines has caused loss of lives and damage to properties among the saints in Cagayan de Oro and Iligan City; that the Lord would provide the fg touch us to offer for their re-building needs.
- ✿ Construction of meeting hall in Kiev, Ukraine (projected completion in 2013): Financial needs for the construction; use of hall for the Lord's move in Ukraine and the Russian-speaking world.
- ✿ Pray for various local needs, including saints in Montreal, contacts, and those in need of care and shepherding.

Weekly Readings

- ✿ Holy Bible Recovery Version with footnotes: Matt 11:1 – 13:12
- ✿ HWMR: Crystallization-Study of Psalms, Week 3

Announcements

- ✿ There is a conference for college and young working saints in Belleville, Ontario from March 16-28. Deadline for registration is Feb 26. The cost for each saint attending the conference is \$200 with each saint paying \$100 and the church subsidizing \$100. Saints are encourage to contribute if they have the means to do so. Please see brother Sidney or brother Dennis to let them know if you are interested in attending.

- ✿ We will have a Bible distribution in January during the weeks of January 9 and 16. The distributions will be at Concordia and McGill University as well as in the metro stations.

Lord's Day Lunch Serving and Clean-up Schedule

Jan 15	✿ Serving: Chinese West ✿ Cleaning: English
Jan 22	✿ Serving: Chinese North ✿ Cleaning: French, Spanish and College
Jan 29	✿ Serving: French/Spanish ✿ Cleaning: Chinese District One ✿ Whole meeting hall cleaning
Feb 5	✿ Serving: Chinese East ✿ Cleaning: Chinese District Two

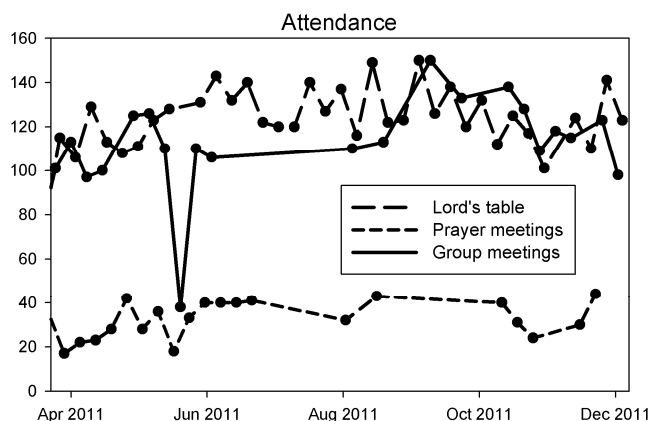
Upcoming Events

- ✿ Jan. 9-23, Montreal: **Bibles for Canada distribution**
 - ✿ Jan. 25-26 2012, Taipei, Taiwan : **International Chinese speaking conference**
 - ✿ Jan 28 – Feb 11, Meeting Hall: **Video Winter Training**
- More events are listed at the church website*

This Week's Activities

JAN 15	✿ 10am – 12:30 pm, Meeting hall: Lord's table and prophesying meetings
LORD'S DAY	✿ 12:30pm – 1:30pm, Meeting hall: Love feast
16 Monday	✿
17 Tuesday	✿ BfC distribution ✿ 7:30pm: District prayer meetings at various homes
18 Wednesday	✿ 10am-12pm: Chinese ministry book pursuing meeting
19 Thursday	✿ 7:00pm, Sisters House: College meeting
20 Friday	✿ Various home meetings (English / French / Chinese)
21 Saturday	✿ BfC distribution and Bible seminar ✿ 3pm – 5pm, Meeting Hall: Chinese speaking PRSP ✿ 3pm – 6pm,: Young People Meeting

Attendance Statistics



Confession and recompense

Scripture Reading: Lev. 6:1-7; Matt. 5:23-26

II. THE TRESPASS OFFERING IN LEVITICUS 6 (continued)

B. How to Return(continued)

We have to give back to others. But this is not all. We should not think that everything is settled after we have made our apology and recompense. The matter is not settled. "Then he shall bring to the priest his trespass offering to Jehovah, a ram without blemish from the flock, according to the valuation, for a trespass offering" (v. 6). After we have confessed to and recompensed others, we still have to go to God for forgiveness. The trespass offering in chapter five deals with just God because no material loss is involved. But chapter six speaks of transgression against man. Therefore, one must deal with man first, before going to God to ask for forgiveness. Before a matter has been settled with man, one cannot go to God to ask for forgiveness. What happens once one has settled the matter with man and has asked for forgiveness before God? "The priest shall make propitiation for him before Jehovah, and he shall be forgiven for whatever he may have done by which he has become guilty" (v. 7). This is what the Lord wants. Whoever has transgressed materially against man should try his best to make recompense. Then he can come before God and ask for forgiveness through the Lord's blood.

We should not consider this as a trivial matter. Once we are careless, we take advantage of others and transgress against them. God's children should remember this point and pay attention to it all their lives. In whatever matter they have transgressed against others, they should return these things to them and ask God for forgiveness.

III. THE TEACHING OF MATTHEW 5

Now let us turn to another portion—Matthew 5. This chapter is different from Leviticus 6, which speaks of transgressions against man just in terms of material things. Matthew 5 deals with more than just transgressions in material things.

Matthew 5:23-26 says, "Therefore if you are offering your gift at the altar and there you remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar, and first go and be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift. Be well disposed quickly toward your opponent at law, while you are with him on the way, lest the opponent deliver you to the judge, and the judge to the officer, and you be thrown into prison. Truly I say to you, You shall by no means come out from there until you pay the last quadrans." The quadrans spoken of here do not refer to just physical quadrans. They refer to the principle of coming up short in something.

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