

Pray for:

- ✿ Italy: That there would be 12 native Italians in the church by the first Lord's table in Rome on June 17; shepherding of many recent contacts; continued gaining of new native Italian contacts; healing for some saints with serious illnesses; new campus meetings at La Sapienza and Roma Tre universities.
- ✿ France: An open door for the gospel in Arabic through the recent opening up of an Arabic-speaking Christian group (there are seven million Arabic speakers in France); shepherding of contacts from recent Rhema contact conference; strengthening of the new church in Dieppe; that the Lord would open the way for three French saints who want to attend the FTTL, in spite of opposition from their families; establishing of the economic situation of saints who have migrated to France for the sake of the church life.
- ✿ Halifax: Strengthening and building up of the church; growth in life and growth in numbers; that saints might migrate to strengthen the church; that the church might be perfected to be a shining golden lampstand.
- ✿ Quebec: Continued shepherding of contacts in Quebec City, Granby and Trois-Rivières; raising up of churches in these cities in the Lord's time and in the Lord's way.
- ✿ Children: That our children may grow up to be genuinely regenerated as grateful sinners who love their Saviour; that the children's serving ones might have the time for adequate fellowship and coordination; that parents might receive the burden to have children's neighbourhood meetings for the gospel out from their homes; that more saints might be burdened to join the children's service.
- ✿ 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: Mark 4:26 – 7:37
- ✿ HWMR: The Four Great Pillars in the Lord's Recovery, Week 9

Announcements

- ✿ Thursday May 24, there will be the service meeting for college and university saints at 7:30 pm in the meeting hall.
- ✿ The registration deadline for the summer training is passed but you can still register with the late charge. The regular registration donation is \$150 and the late charge of \$50, plus \$5 for the outline. Notice that for the video

training, the donation is \$75 per person and \$25 late charge for Video training.

- ✿ The Grade 6 Conference will be held on the weekend of June 15th-17th 2012 at the Church in Markham meeting hall. The cost will be \$30.00 per child. All parents need to register by May 27th 2012. Please see the YP serving saints for more information.
- ✿ The Children's camp will be held this year from Tuesday, August 7 to Saturday, August 11, 2012. The cost will be \$100 per child if you register by May 22. After May 22, the cost will be \$120 per child. Please see the children serving saints for more information.
- ✿ Martin and Monica would like to invite all the saints in Montreal to the Full-Time Training in Anaheim - Middle Age (FTTA-MA) graduation ceremony on June 23, 2012 to see them graduate. The graduation is Sat., 1 week before the Live Training starts. Let them know if you are able to make it or if you need any help with arrangements. If you are unable to come, please keep them in your prayers, especially during this time. Martin and Monica look forward to seeing saints from Montreal!
- ✿ The marriage consecration meeting of Stefan Misaras and Rebecca Liu will be held at the meeting hall in Montreal on Saturday July 21 from 2 to 4 pm. All saints are warmly welcomed. Finger food will be provided. Saints willing to help with preparation should please contact Rebecca. For details and to RSVP, go to www.mywedding.com/stefanandrebecca.

Lord's Day Lunch Serving and Clean-up Schedule

May 20	✿ Serving: French/Spanish ✿ Cleaning: French, Spanish, College
May 27	✿ Serving: Chinese East ✿ Cleaning: Chinese District Two ✿ Whole meeting hall cleaning
June 3	✿ Serving: Chinese West ✿ Cleaning: English,
June 10	✿ Serving: Chinese North ✿ Cleaning: Chinese District One

Upcoming Events

- ✿ May 25 to 28, Bellevue, Washington: **International Memorial Day Conference**
- ✿ June 15 to 17, Markham: **Grade 6 Conference**
- ✿ June 23, 2012, Anaheim, CA: Martin and Monica's Middle Age (FTTA-MA) graduation ceremony

✿ July 2, 2012 to July 7, Anaheim, CA: **The 2012 Summer Training**

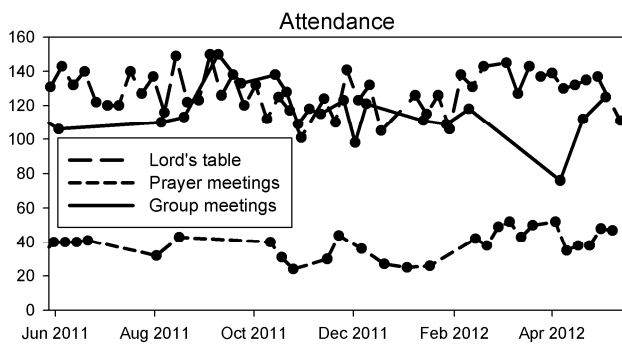
✿ August 7 – 11, Montreal: **Children's Camp**

More events are listed at the church website

This Week's Activities

MAY 20	✿ 10am – 12:30pm, Meeting hall: Lord's table and prophesying meetings
LORD'S DAY 21	✿ 12:30–1:30pm, Meeting hall: Love feast
Monday 22	✿ 7:30pm: District prayer meetings at various homes
Wednesday 23	✿ 10am-12pm: Chinese ministry book pursuing meeting
Thursday 24	✿ 7:30 pm, Meeting hall: College and university service meeting
Friday 25	✿ Various home meetings (English / French / Chinese)
Saturday 26	✿ 3pm – 5pm, Meeting Hall: Chinese speaking PRSP ✿ 3pm – 6pm,: Young People Meeting

Attendance Statistics



Forgiveness and restoration

Scripture Reading: Matt. 18:21-35, 15-20; Luke 17:3-5

II. RESTORING THE BROTHER

Today many of God's children do not obey the teaching of this portion of the Word. Some people always speak of others' wrongdoings, continually publicizing them. Some do not tell others, yet they never forgive and always harbor grudges in their hearts. Some forgive but do not try to restore. But this is not what the Lord wants us to do. It is wrong to speak of others' faults; it is wrong to keep silent yet be unforgiving in the heart; and it is equally wrong to forgive but not to exhort.

The Lord did not say that it is good enough for us to forgive the brother who has offended us. The Lord also showed us that the offended one has the responsibility to restore the offending one. Since it is not a small thing to offend someone, we have the responsibility to tell the one who has offended us for his sake. We must think of some way to restore our brother and gain him back. When we speak to him, we must be proper in our attitude and pure in our intention. Our purpose is to restore our brother. If our intention is to gain him, we will know how to point out his fault. If our intention is not to restore him, it will only worsen the relationship. The purpose of exhortation is not to ask for recompense or to justify our own feelings; it is for the purpose of restoring our brother.

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