

Pray for:

- ✿ Germany and Austria: Gaining of new contacts; that some new contacts would be able to attend the summer training in Anaheim; an apartment and a job for a family moving from Athens to Frankfurt; for the establishing of a lampstand in Frankfurt; for a young brother to be accepted at the University of Frankfurt; raising up of the next generation in Germany, Switzerland, and Austria.
- ✿ Guadeloupe: The saints' pursuit of the truth; that they see a vision of the Lord Himself and be nourished by Him; for their oneness, that they would drop the outward things that divide and allow Christ to be their unique center to be built up together as the one Body of Christ.
- ✿ Kitchener radio broadcast (weekly broadcast Thursdays at 8:30 pm): That the hungry ones will discover the ministry of the age, enjoy the food and be open to the Lord's recovery.
- ✿ Preparation for summer activities: Summer training and video training; college training; Bibles for Canada distribution; children's camp; summer school of truth.
- ✿ Halifax: Strengthening and building up of the church; preparation for summer BfC distribution; 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.
- ✿ 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 11:1 – 14:26
- ✿ HWMR: The Focus of the Lord's recovery, Week 4

Announcements

- ✿ 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.

- ✿ The Chinese-speaking perfecting training in New Jersey will be from July 27 to August 2, 2012. We encourage more saints to attend, even only for the weekend of July 27-28. Please register with sister Yuhong.
- ✿ 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 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.
- ✿ The Summer School of Truth will be from August 12 to 19 in Ancaster, Ontario. Registration is \$300 per young person and serving one. However, please fellowship with the young people serving ones if financial assistance is needed.
- ✿ There will be a conference in Israel from November 15-17. There is also a tour of Israel from November 8-15, with the option of a tour to Jordan from November 18-20. Registration deadline for housing at the conference is October 15. See www.jitravelinisrael.com for tour information.

Lord's Day Lunch Serving and Clean-up Schedule

June 17	✿ Serving: Chinese South
24	✿ Cleaning: French, Spanish, College
July 1	✿ Serving: English (B)
8	✿ Cleaning: Chinese District Two
	✿ Whole meeting hall cleaning
July 1	✿ Serving: Central Chinese 1
8	✿ Cleaning: English,
	✿ Serving: Central Chinese 2
	✿ Cleaning: Chinese District One

Upcoming Events

- ✿ 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**
- ✿ July 3 to 21, Montreal: English and French video training
- ✿ July 24 to August 4, Montreal and Halifax: BfC distribution
- ✿ July 27 to Aug. 2, New Jersey: Chinese-speaking perfecting training

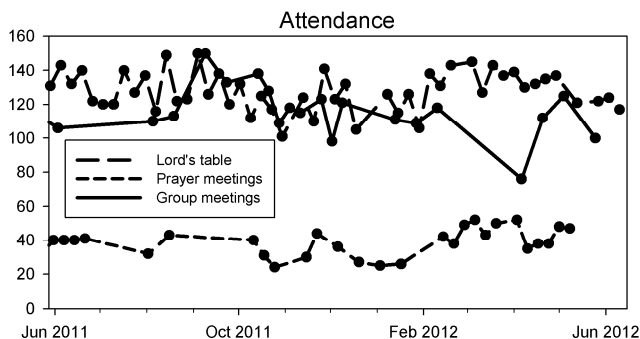
- ✿ Aug. 7 – 11, Montreal: **Children's Camp**
- ✿ Aug. 12-19, Ancaster: **Eastern Canada's Summer School of Truth**
- ✿ Aug. 18 to Sept. 1, Montreal: Chinese video training
- ✿ Nov. 15-17, Karei Deshe, Israel: Fall conference

More events are listed on the church website

This Week's Activities

JUNE 17	✿ 10am – 12:30pm, Meeting hall: Lord's table and prophesying meetings
LORD'S DAY 18	✿ 12:30–1:30pm, Meeting hall: Love feast
Monday 19	✿ 7:30pm: District prayer meetings at various homes
Tuesday 20	✿ 10am-12pm: Chinese ministry book pursuing meeting
Wednesday 21	✿
Thursday 22	✿ Various home meetings (English / French / Chinese)
Friday 22	✿ 3pm – 5pm, Meeting Hall: Chinese speaking PRSP
Saturday	

Attendance Statistics



Forgiveness and restoration

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

II. RESTORING THE BROTHER

E. Finally Telling the Church (cont.)

Verse 17 says, "If he refuses to hear them, tell it to the Verses 19 and 20 are also based on the preceding portion. "Again, truly I say to you that if two of you are in harmony on earth concerning any matter for which they ask, it will be done for them from My Father who is in the heavens. For where

there are two or three gathered into My name, there am I in their midst." Why does the previous verse say "that by the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established"? Here we see that the principle of two or three is the principle of the church. If two or three act upon a matter in one accord, and if these two or three deliberate something before God in one accord, God will acknowledge the decision. Matthew 18:18-20 is spoken in the context of our dealing with the brothers. When a matter is brought up to two or three people and then to the whole church, the Father in heaven will acknowledge such a decision.

Here we want to mention something in passing. How does the church make important decisions? Acts 15 shows us that when brothers come together, everyone can speak and debate. Even those who are for the law can stand up and speak their mind, even though their opinion is altogether wrong. In other words, all the brothers have equal opportunity to speak. But not all the brothers can arbitrate matters. All the brothers can express how they feel before the Lord. After the elders have listened to all of them, they should speak their feelings before God and make a final judgment on the matter. The responsible brothers may have the same feeling before the Lord. This feeling is the feeling of the church; it is also the conscience of the church. After they have spoken, everyone should submit and go along with them in one accord. This is the way of the church. The church does not muzzle people's mouths or forbid anyone to speak. But no one should speak carelessly. When the time comes for a decision, the elders should speak under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and all the brothers and sisters should listen to the elders. If the Holy Spirit's authority is present in the church, such matters can be resolved easily. If the Holy Spirit has no authority in the church and there are many opinions of the flesh, the church will not be able to arbitrate anything at all. We must learn to submit to the authority of the Holy Spirit and to listen to the church.

May God be gracious to us. May we be like our Master who is so full of grace. If a brother offends us, we should forgive him from the heart. Moreover, we should bear the responsibility of restoring him according to the Lord's Word. May the Lord lead us to live such a life in the church.

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