

Pray for:

- ✿ International Training for Elders and Responsible Ones, October 4-6, Yokohama, Japan.
- ✿ Preaching of the gospel to the nations: the gaining of the typical Canadians in Canada, typical Americans in the US
- ✿ New Testament Recovery Version distribution in French-speaking countries: Paris, France: the follow-up of seminar attendees and 900 Bible recipients who requested for more contact; continuation of distribution in Paris from September 29 to October 7; Switzerland: the following up of contacts in Lausanne and Geneva; strengthening of the local saints in French speaking Switzerland.
- ✿ Saints in Ottawa, Quebec City, Halifax, NS and Charlottetown, PEI: that they would be strengthened and encouraged by the recent visit by the brothers to continue to enjoy the Lord.
- ✿ Children: That parents be burdened and perfected to shepherd their children day by day at home; that the saints receive the children and include them in the weekly group meetings; that saints be burdened to start neighbourhood children's meetings; that the pre-school toddlers be properly cared for on the Lord's day.
- ✿ 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: Num 28:1-34:29
- ✿ HWMR: The Heart of the Divine Revelation, week 1.

Announcements

- ✿ This Thursday, October 4 there will be a service meeting for college serving ones at 7:30 pm in the meeting hall.
- ✿ Registration for the Winter Semi-Annual Training is now open. Please sign up with Esther before the deadline of October 21, 2012.
- ✿ Pre-order the 2013 Chinese Gospel Calendar today. Please sign-up on the sheet in the book room. The deadline for pre-ordering is October 28, 2012.

Lord's Day Lunch Serving and Clean-up Schedule

30 ✿ Serving: N.D.G
✿ Cleaning: Chinese District One

Oct ✿ Serving: French/Spanish
7 ✿ Cleaning: French, Spanish
✿ Whole Hall Cleaning

14 ✿ Serving: East Chinese
✿ Cleaning: Chinese District Two

21 ✿ Serving: West Chinese
✿ Cleaning: English

Upcoming Events

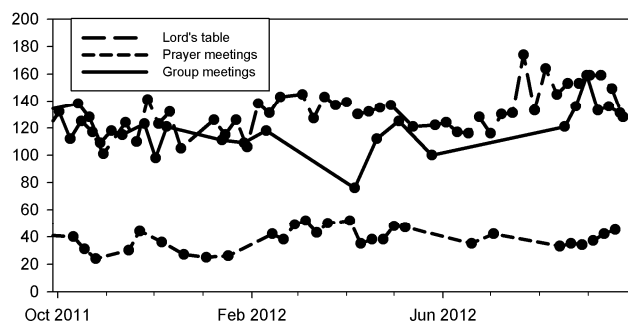
- ✿ Oct 4-6, Yokohama, Japan: **International Training for Elders & Responsible Ones**
- ✿ Oct 26-28, St. John, Antigua: **English-speaking conference** with French translation
- ✿ Nov. 9-11, Toronto, Canada: **All Canada brothers' fellowship**
- ✿ Nov. 15-17, Karei Deshe, Israel: **Fall conference**
- ✿ Nov .22-25, Oklahoma City: **International Thanksgiving conference**
- ✿ **Dec. 24-29, Anaheim, CA: Winter Semi-Annual Training**

More events are listed on the church website

This Week's Activities

SEPTEMBER 30	✿ 10am-12:30pm, Meeting hall: Lord's table
LORD'S DAY	✿ 12:30-1:30pm, Meeting hall: Love feast
2 Tuesday	✿ 7:30pm: District prayer meetings at various homes
3 Wednesday	✿ 10am-12pm: Chinese ministry book pursuing meeting
4 Thursday	✿ 7:30pm, Meeting hall: College service meeting
6 Saturday	✿
7 LORD'S DAY	✿ 10am - 12:30pm, Meeting hall: Lord's table ✿ 12:30-1:30pm, Meeting hall: Love feast

Attendance Statistics



Our Life

Scripture Reading: Col. 3:4; Phil. 1:21; Gal. 2:20

III. I HAVE BEEN CRUCIFIED WITH CHRIST (continued)

Here we see two aspects: First, Christ died, and we were crucified. This is something God has done. Second, we have to acknowledge this fact; we need to say, "Amen." These two sides must work together before God's work can take effect on us. If we constantly frustrate Him by trying to do good and be patient and humble, the work of Christ will have no effect on us. Our resolution to be humble or to be patient only makes things worse. Instead, we should bow down our head and say, "Lord, You have said that I am crucified, and I will say the same thing; You have said that I am useless, and I will say the same thing; You have said that I cannot be patient, and I will no longer try to be patient; You have said that I cannot be humble, and I will no longer try to be humble. This is what I am. It is useless for me to try to make any further resolutions. I am only fit to remain on the cross." If we did this, Christ would live Himself out of us!

We should not think that this is a difficult thing to do. Every brother and sister should learn this lesson after he or she is saved. From the beginning we must learn not to live. Instead, we should let the Lord live. The basic problem is that many Christians have not given up on themselves. They still try to solve their problems themselves. The Lord Jesus has already given up on them, but they are still struggling and trying to come up with ways to live. They stumble again and again, only to rise up to try again and again. They sin again and again, only to make more and more resolutions. They have not given up on themselves. The day will come when God grants mercy to them and opens their eyes. On that day they will see that as God considered them hopeless, they should consider themselves hopeless as well. Since God has pronounced death to be the only way, they also should pronounce death as the only way. Only then will they come to God and confess, "You have crucified me, and I do not want to

live anymore. I have been crucified with Christ. From now on, it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me."

For years we have been so wrong. We have committed so many sins and have been bound by so much weakness, pride, and temper. It is about time that we give up on ourselves. We should come to the Lord and say, "I have done enough; nothing has worked. I give up. You take over! I have been crucified on the cross. From now on live in my place!" This is the meaning of "it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me."

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