

Pray for:

- ✿ Conference in St. Johns, Antigua in the Caribbean on 26-28 October: That the Lord would further unveil His economy to the English- and French-speaking saints, and that there would be more thorough blending among saints in the recovery in the Caribbean.
- ✿ Switzerland: A sweet blending between the older and the younger saints in the Regensdorf–Zürich area; adequate shepherding of the younger saints; that the Lord would add some new people to the church in Geneva.
- ✿ French-speaking saints: Building up of the care of the children in the families and in meetings outside the meeting hall; increase in life and increase in number of saints in French-speaking meetings; increased blending with saints of other languages; shepherding of saints and contacts in other cities of Quebec.
- ✿ Ottawa: Establishing the saints in the apostles' teaching; raising up of a vital group church life; increased blending and regular visits by saints from Montreal; gaining of contacts in Gatineau.
- ✿ Campus club at McGill: That the Lord would establish a club; that Satan be bound and all his opposition be nullified; that the Lord might gain remaining fruit for the church from McGill university.
- ✿ 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: Luke 14:25-16:31
- ✿ HWMR: The Heart of the Divine Revelation, week 4.

Announcements

- ✿ Registration for the Winter Semi-Annual Training is now open. Please sign up with Esther. Today is the deadline.
- ✿ The English-speaking service meeting will be held on Thursday October 25 at 7:30 pm in the meeting hall.
- ✿ 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

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| 21 | ✿ Serving: West Chinese |
| | ✿ Cleaning: English |

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| 28 | ✿ Serving: North Chinese |
| | ✿ Cleaning: Chinese District One |

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| Nov 4 | ✿ Serving: South Chinese |
| | ✿ Cleaning: French, Spanish |

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| 11 | ✿ Serving: English (B) |
| | ✿ Cleaning: Chinese District Two |

Upcoming Events

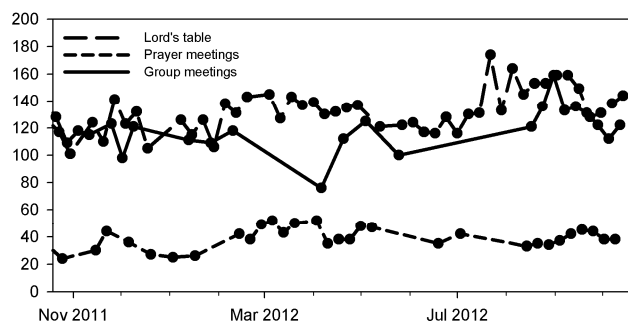
- ✿ Oct 26-28, St. John, Antigua: **English-speaking conference** with French translation
- ✿ Nov. 9-11, Toronto, Canada: **All Canada brothers' fellowship**
- ✿ Nov. 15-17, Karei Deshe, Israel: **Fall conference**
- ✿ Nov. 22-25, Oklahoma City: **International Thanksgiving conference**
- ✿ **Dec. 24-29,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

More events are listed on the church website

This Week's Activities

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| 21 | ✿ 10 – 12am, Meeting hall: Lord's table |
| LORD'S DAY | ✿ 12:30–1:30pm, Meeting hall: Love feast |
| 22 | Monday |
| 23 | ✿ 7:30pm: District prayer meetings at various homes |
| Tuesday | |
| 24 | ✿ 10am-12pm: Chinese ministry book pursuing meeting |
| Wednesday | |
| 25 | ✿ 7:30pm, Meeting hall: English-speaking service meeting |
| Thursday | |
| 26 | ✿ Various home meetings (English / French / Chinese) |
| Friday | |
| 27 | Saturday |
| 28 | ✿ 10 – 12am, Meeting hall: Lord's table |
| LORD'S DAY | ✿ 12:30–1:30pm, Meeting hall: Love feast |

Attendance Statistics



Seeking God's Will

Scripture Reading: John 7:17; Matt. 10:29-31; 18:15-20; Rom. 8:14; Psa. 119:105; 1 John 2:27

II. HOW TO KNOW GOD'S WILL

Our question now is how do we know God's will. We often think that mortals like us could never understand God's will. However, we should have the assurance that not only do we want to obey God's will, but God Himself also wants us to obey His will. Not only do we seek to know His will, but God Himself also wants us to know His will. If God wants us to obey His will, He must first enable us to know His will. Therefore, it is God's business to reveal His will to us. None of God's children need to worry and say, "Since I cannot know God's will, how can I obey it?" This concern is unnecessary because God always has a way to show us His will (Heb. 13:21). We have to believe that God will always show us His will through the proper means. It is God's responsibility to tell us His will. If we are submissive in our attitude and intention, we will surely know His will. All of us must learn to believe that God is eager to reveal His will to man.

What are the ways to know God's will? A Christian must pay attention to three things in order to know God's will. If these three things are in agreement with one another, we can be quite sure that it is God's will. These three things are: (1) arrangements in the environment, (2) the leading of the Holy Spirit, and (3) the teachings of the Scripture. These three things are not mentioned according to the order of their importance. They do not necessarily have to be in sequential order. We are simply stating that these three things help us know God's will. When the testimonies of these three things are in agreement with one another, we can be assured that we know God's will. If one of these three things is not in agreement with the other two, we still need to wait. We must wait until all three agree with one another before we go ahead.

A. Arrangements in the Environment

Luke 12:6 says, "Are not five sparrows sold for two assaria?" Matthew 10:29 says, "Are not two sparrows sold for an assarion?" If one assarion could buy two sparrows, then by right two assaria should only buy four sparrows. But the Lord said two assaria could buy five sparrows. One assarion buys two, and two assaria buy four plus an additional one. This shows us the cheapness of a sparrow. However, even a cheap thing such as a sparrow is not allowed to fall to the earth if God forbids it. Although the fifth sparrow is an extra one that is given for free, no sparrow is forgotten by God. If our God does not allow it, no sparrow can fall to the earth. This clearly shows us that everything happens under God's permission. If our heavenly Father forbids it, even a sparrow will not fall to the earth.

It is difficult to number a person's hairs. However, the Lord said, "Even the hairs of your head are all numbered" (Matt. 10:30). No one knows how many hairs he has, and no one can count his own hairs, but God has counted and numbered our hairs. Our God is so fine and so exact!

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