

Please pray:

- ✿ Belleville, ON: Working and College Saints Conference, March 15-17.
- ✿ Germany and Austria: That some new groups in the German-speaking world, especially Austria, currently coming into the Lord's recovery might fully cross the river; for a spiritual awakening and hunger among the peoples of Germany, Austria and Switzerland to seek after the Lord and to find His ministry.
- ✿ Greece: gaining of native Greeks; gaining and raising up of young Greek brothers skilled in English; gaining of an open home in Thessaloniki where the ministry readers and seekers can meet regularly; residence visas for the co-workers.
- ✿ Quebec: Shepherding of contacts in Quebec City and other cities in Quebec; the Lord's raising up of His seekers throughout this province; gaining of typical Quebeckers for Christ and the church.
- ✿ Campus club at McGill: that the Lord would establish a club at McGill University as a tool for building up His testimony on that campus.
- ✿ 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: John 13:12-15:27
- ✿ HWMR: The Unique Work in the Lord's Recovery, week 5

Announcements

- ✿ The 2013 East Canada College-Age and Working Saints Conference will be held at the Travelodge Hotel Belleville, in Belleville, ON from March 15 - 17, 2013. Registration starts at 4pm on March 15. The last meeting finishes at noon on March 17.
 - The cost for each saint is \$200, which includes two nights for hotel rooms and 6 meals. For saints who wish to attend, the cost is \$100 and the church can subsidize \$100. Saints can choose to pay the full amount of \$200 if they are able to do so. For families with children, the cost is free for children under 6, \$40 for children under 10 and \$80 for children 10 and above.
 - Please remember to make your payments as soon as possible.
- ✿ There will be the Annual General Meeting to be held at 12:00 PM on March 31 at the meeting hall after the prophesying meeting.

- ✿ The **International Memorial Day Conference** this year will be held in Atlanta, Georgia from Friday, May 24, 2013 through Monday, May 27, 2013. All saints are invited to participate in this gathering.
- ✿ "A Pattern of the Healthy Words" (96 Lessons) will be held on March 30, April 20, May 11, and June 15. Meetings will take place from 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM with three languages concurrently in the meeting hall. Please register and order the material with the brothers in your group meetings.

Lord's Day Lunch Serving and Clean-up Schedule

10	✿ Serving: West Chinese
	✿ Cleaning: Whole Hall Cleaning
17	✿ Serving: North Chinese
	✿ Cleaning: French and Young People
24	✿ Serving: South Chinese
	✿ Cleaning: Chinese Two
31	✿ Serving: English (B)
	✿ Cleaning: English and College

Upcoming Events

- ✿ March 15-17, Belleville, ON: **Working & College Saints Conference**
- ✿ March 22-24, Toronto meeting hall: **Parents & Serving Ones Conference**
- ✿ March 30, 2-5pm, Montreal meeting hall: **"A Pattern of the Healthy Words" (96 Lessons)**
- ✿ April 12-14, Anaheim, CA: **International Training for Elders and Responsible Ones**
- ✿ May 18-19, Toronto, ON: **Victoria Day Conference**
- ✿ May 24-27, Atlanta, Georgia: **International Memorial Day Conference**

More events are listed on the church website

This Week's Activities

10	✿ 10am -12:30pm, Meeting hall: Lord's table and prophesying meeting
LORD'S DAY	✿ 12:30-1:30pm, Meeting hall: Love feast
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Monday	
12	✿ 7:00-9:00pm, English, French, Chinese prayer meetings by districts
Tuesday	

13 Wednesday	✿	
14 Thursday		
15 Friday	✿	Various home meetings (English / French / Chinese)
	✿	Belleville, ON: Working & College Saints Conference
16 Saturday	✿	Belleville, ON: Working & College Saints Conference
17 LORD'S DAY	✿	10am–12:30pm, Meeting hall: Lord's table and prophesying meetings
	✿	12:30–1:30pm, Meeting hall: Love feast
	✿	Belleville, ON: Working & College Saints Conference

Attendance Statistics

Governmental Forgiveness

IV. GOVERNMENTAL FORGIVENESS

V. FEARING GOD AND BEING GENEROUS TO OTHERS

Two other portions of the Word speak about God's governmental hand: Matthew 6:15 and 18:23-35. One very important thing can be found in these verses—do not condemn others easily. This is a very serious matter! If you criticize others lightly, the same criticism will fall back upon you. In whatever matter you do not forgive or excuse others, the same matter will come back to haunt you! This surely has to do with God's governmental hand. The Lord said that if you do not forgive others of their sins, God will also not forgive you of your sins. This refers to governmental forgiveness. This forgiveness is different from other kinds of forgiveness. Matthew 18:35 uses the phrase My heavenly Father. The fact that a person can call God Father proves that the matter of eternal forgiveness with him has long been settled. If a brother offends such a one, and that one does not forgive his brother, God will not forgive him either. His governmental hand will come. Learn to be a generous and forgiving person! Learn to be generous to others and learn always to forgive. If you keep complaining about the conduct of others and continue to count the ill treatment you receive from them, please bear in mind that this will bring you into God's governmental hand and it will not be easy to come out! God will put you deeper into the hole. If you are severe toward others, God will also be severe toward you.

When the slave went out and found one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii, he seized him and took him by the throat. When his lord found out about this, he was unhappy with the slave. He delivered the slave to the torturers until the slave paid all that he owed (18:23-35). He would not be released until he paid all that he owed. God disciplined the unforgiving slave. God's governmental hand was upon him, and he could not easily get away.

We should not only be generous in forgiving others but also avoid criticizing or speaking about others in a light way. Please bear in mind that our criticism and careless comments about others often becomes a judgment upon ourselves. Then what will we do? When a brother deals harshly with others, we often find the Lord's discipline swiftly catching up with him. Perhaps he easily becomes sick. Sometimes a person may make a remark about someone's troublesome children, saying, "See how God's hand is always on this person." But after some time, the same thing happens to the one who criticized. What do we do when this happens? Brothers, I hope that we will learn to fear God's governmental hand. We have to learn to fear God. We have to be careful with our words, for many things can happen to us as a result of our careless words.

I can tell you today that the Christian life is a life of learning God's government. As Christians, we may live many years on earth. During these years God puts us under His training and teaches us the lesson of His discipline. We must not call ourselves children of God yet refuse to yield ourselves to His discipline. Please bear in mind that no one should criticize or speak about anything in a light way. I hope we will pick up the habit of shunning idle things and idle talk. Learn to be godly persons. It is not wise to incur God's governmental judgment. It is very serious and sobering. We should be careful not to take other people's affairs upon ourselves. Whatever we lightly condemn about others will soon become a condemnation upon us. We reap what we sow. This is something very real among God's children. I hope that we will learn to be generous persons in the eyes of God. The wise ones are the generous ones. The more generous we are to others, the more generous God will be to us. I know what I am talking about. If we are mean and severe to our brothers, God will also be mean and severe to us. You must learn to be kind, loving, and generous to your brothers. Give others liberty in many things. Stop all idle talk and criticism. When others are in trouble, it is the time for us to help them, not the time for us to criticize them.

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