# Please pray:

- Eastern Canada Victoria Day Conference, May 18-19 in Toronto.
- London, UK: four "one week training" sessions being held in May 2013, one very week; that the new ones, saints, Bible distribution contacts, Radio broadcast contacts, etc. might come together to be trained and perfected in the truth
- Guadalupe Conference, May 18-19: the conference, the new ones attending, the French translation, the translators, the brothers speaking, the traveling of the saints, and that the Lord may raise up more churches in that area.
- Full-time training: for students who are graduating in the summer, that the Lord would have the pre-eminence in their being and many would consecrate themselves to the full-time training in Anaheim, Bangkok, Caacupe, Hamilton, Hong Kong, Indonesia, London, Moscow, Malabon, Pretoria, Mexico, Malaysia, New Delhi, Seoul, Taipei, and Tokyo.
- Children's activities this summer: that the Lord would help more groups begin to practice the neighbourhood children meetings; outings to the park so the children might interact with each other outside of meetings; family blending times in Ste-Adèle so that families with children might be built up together.
- 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:2 Sam 19:1 1 Kings 1:53
- HWMR: Prayer and the Lord's Move, week 5

# **Announcements**

- There will be a children blending activity time in the parks during this summer. The dates are on Saturday June 8, July 13 and August 10. It will be from 11am 3pm. The place will be announced later. This is an opportunity for the children and families to be blended together outside of the meeting hall.
- The Victoria Day Conference in the Toronto meeting hall will be held Saturday May 18 (Meeting 1 at 4 pm; Meeting 2 at 7 pm) and LD May 19 (Meeting 3 at 9 am; Meeting 4 at 2 pm after lunch)..
- The Grade 6 Conference will be held from June 21 to 23 in Markham. Please register with the serving ones.
- The new multilingual website of the church has been launched. The new addresses are:
  - English: http://churchinmontreal.ca

- French: http://ealiseamontreal.ca
- Chinese: http://ch.churchinmontreal.ca

In the following weeks, those serving on the website will present the website and its details to saints on the Lord's day. Please prayerfully examine the website to consider how the Lord could use it for His testimony. If you have any feedback or suggestions, or would like to join the service team, please e-mail webservant@churchinmontreal.ca.

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.

# Lord's Day Lunch Serving and Clean-up Schedule

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12	₩	Serving: East Chinese
MAY	₩	Cleaning: Chinese 1
19	₩	Serving: West Chinese
	₩	Cleaning: Chinese 2
26	₩	Serving: North Chinese
	₩	Cleaning: French and Young People
2	₩	Serving: South Chinese
JUNE	₩	Cleaning: English
	₩	Whole Hall Cleaning

# **Upcoming Events**

- May 18-19, Toronto, ON: Victoria Day Conference
- May 24-27, Atlanta, Georgia: International Memorial Day Conference
- ₱ June 8, July 13, August 10: Children Blending Activity
- ⊕ June 15, Montreal meeting hall: 96 Lessons
- ₱ June 21-23, Markham, ON: Grade 6 Conference
- July 1-6, Anaheim, CA: Summer Training

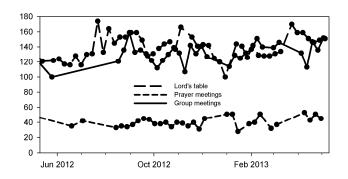
More events are listed on the church website

#### This Week's Activities

12 MAY	₩	10am –12:30pm, Meeting hall: Lord's table and prophesying meeting
	₩	12:30–1:30pm, Meeting hall: Love feast
13 Monday		
14 Tuesday	₩	7:00-9:00pm, English, French, Chinese prayer meetings by districts
15 Wednesday	₩	
16 Thursday		

17	₩	Various home meetings (English /
Friday		French / Chinese)
18	₩	3:30-6pm, Location TBD: Young
Saturday		People's Meeting
19	₩	10am-12:30pm, Meeting hall: Lord's
LORD'S DAY		table and prophesying meetings
	₩	12:30–1:30pm, Meeting hall: Love
		feast

#### **Attendance Statistics**



# The Discipline of God

Scripture Reading: Heb. 12:4-13

III. ENDURING FOR GOD'S DISCIPLINE (continued)

# E. Discipline Being the Proof That We Are Sons

Verse 8 says, "But if you are without discipline, of which all sons have become partakers, then you are illegitimate and not sons." Remember that discipline is the proof that one is a son. God's sons are those who are disciplined by Him, and those who are without discipline are not His sons. A person has no proof that he is a son of God if he is not disciplined by God. The proof that one is a son is the discipline he receives.

All sons have become partakers of discipline. Every child of God needs to be disciplined, and you are no exception. Unless you are illegitimate, one who is adopted or bought, you must accept the same discipline! The apostle's word here is strong. All sons have become partakers of discipline. Do not expect to be treated differently if you are a son of God. All sons have become partakers of discipline. Everyone is treated the same way. Everyone who lived in Paul's time or Peter's time experienced this. Today this is true for everyone in every nation throughout the world. No one is exempted. You cannot take a way which no other child of God has ever walked. No child of God has ever taken a way that is free from discipline. If any child of God is foolish enough to think that there can be smooth sailing in his living and work and that he can be spared God's discipline, he is saying that he is illegitimate, that is, one

who is adopted. We must see that discipline is the sign and proof that we are God's children. Those who are without discipline are illegitimate; they belong to other families and are not members of the household of God. If God does not discipline us, it means that we do not belong to His family.

Let me mention something that I once saw. It may not be that profound, yet it serves as a good illustration. Five or six children were playing rambunctiously together; their bodies were covered in mud. When the mother of three of the children came, she spanked her children on their hands and forbade them to dirty themselves again. After she spanked them, one asked, "Why did you not spank the others?" The mother answered, "They are not my children." No mother wants to discipline other people's children. It would be terrible if God did not discipline us! Those who are without discipline are illegitimate, not sons! We have truly believed in the Lord. Since the first day of our Christian life, chastisement has been coming our way. We cannot remain a child of God yet be spared discipline. We cannot receive the sonship of God without receiving chastisement. These two things go together. We cannot receive the sonship without accepting the discipline! All sons must be disciplined, and we are no exception.

# IV. BEING SUBJECT TO THE DISCIPLINE OF THE FATHER OF SPIRITS

Verse 9 says, "Furthermore we have had the fathers of our flesh as discipliners and we respected them; shall we not much more be in subjection to the Father of spirits and live?" The apostle pointed out that the fathers of our flesh discipline us and we respect them. We acknowledge that their discipline is right, and we accept it. Shall we not much more be in subjection to the Father of spirits and live?

This shows us that the matter of sonship leads to the matter of discipline, and discipline issues in submission. Because we are sons, there is discipline; since there is discipline, there must also be submission on our part. God orders everything in our environment for the purpose of teaching us. It walls us in so that we have no choice but to take His way.

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