

Please pray:

- ✿ Cardiff, Wales: the first Lord's table on September 8; a strong beginning of the church life and the spread of the Lord's testimony in Wales.
- ✿ Marriage consecration meeting on September 7: that the Lord bless these two new families for Christ and the church.
- ✿ Children: that the parents and serving ones be coordinated and built up to provide proper care for the children; that parents be consecrated to raise up their children for the Lord's desire and purpose; that the children enjoy the church life and be attracted to the Lord.
- ✿ Montreal universities and colleges: that the students be burdened to grow in life and truth during the new school year; that new contacts be gained particularly through the two weeks from August 25 to September 7, who will become remaining fruit for the church; that many saints be burdened for the shepherding and gaining of students.
- ✿ Canada and United States: new academic year for universities and colleges; Bible distributions on many campuses, including throughout Southern Ontario; that the Lord would bless this time of sowing and would spread His Word broadly on the campuses; that many students, especially new students, would meet the saints early in the school year and be nourished and attracted by the riches in the Word and the ministry.
- ✿ 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:
1 Chron 15:1 – 26:32
- ✿ HWMR: Recovery of Christ as everything in the church, week 3
- ✿ Life-Study of Genesis, Message 16 - 18

Announcements

- ✿ From Sept. 1, the old service groups based on Language are abolished. Instead there will be 4 groups based on geographical location. For cleaning the meeting hall today, West and South are responsible for downstairs, North and East are responsible for upstairs and stairs. After September 1, rotation sequence is East with YP, North, West, and South.
- ✿ The marriage consecration meeting for Guorong and Xiaoyan, and Wenchao and Candy will be held this coming Saturday September 7 from 2-4 pm. Meeting will be in Chinese and there will be English and French

translation through radio. Those who are not Chinese-speaking, **please bring a radio.**

- ✿ This afternoon, after cleaning, we will need some volunteers to help arrange the chairs for the marriage consecration meeting.
- ✿ As the new school year is beginning, all those serving the children (including parents and others interested in serving) should please come and attend a service meeting on September 8 during lunch to fellowship about this year's children service.
- ✿ We encourage the saints to engage in life study reading beginning from Genesis Life Study, preparing for three semi-annual trainings counting from the past one. Each week, the saints are encouraged to read 3 messages.

Lord's Day Lunch Serving and Clean-up Schedule

1	✿ Serving: Central Chinese 2
SEP	✿ Cleaning: Whole meeting hall cleaning
8	✿ Serving: NDG ✿ Cleaning: East and YP
15	✿ Serving: South Chinese B ✿ Cleaning: North
22	✿ Serving: English A ✿ Cleaning: West

Upcoming Events

- ✿ Sept 7, 2-4 pm, Montreal, Meeting hall: **Marriage consecration meeting (Guorong & Xiaoyan; Wenchao & Candy)**
- ✿ Sept 14-15, Lausanne, Switzerland: **French-speaking conference**
- ✿ Sept 20-22, Paris, France: **Chinese-speaking conference**

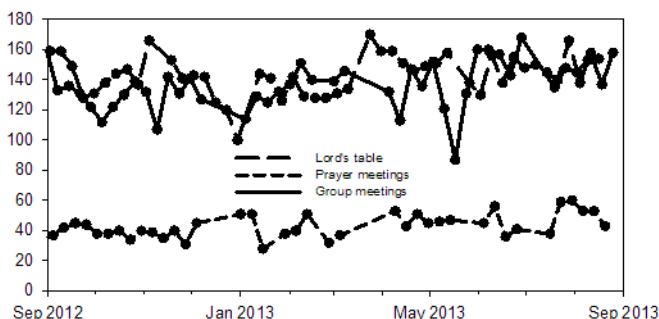
More events are listed on the church website

This Week's Activities

1	✿ 10am – 12:30pm: Lord's table and prophesying meeting
SEPTEMBER	✿ 12:30pm – 1:30pm: Love feast
LORD'S DAY	✿ 1:30pm: Whole meeting hall cleaning
	✿ 3pm-7pm, Ste-Adele: BBQ for college retreat. (Please bring some meat for BBQ.)
2	✿
Monday	
3	✿ 9am-4pm, Sisters house: Prayer before setting up BfC table at Concordia. Contact Dennis at 514-992-2971 for more details.
Tuesday	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✿ 7pm-8:30pm: Gospel meeting with prayer meeting in Chinese (Please bring a plate.) ✿ 7:30-9:00pm, English, French prayer meetings by districts
4 Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✿ 9am-4pm, Sisters house: Prayer before setting up BfC table at Concordia. Contact Dennis at 514-992-2971 for more details. ✿ 6:30pm, Loewen's: Student Welcome dinner # 2. (Please bring a plate and let us know at 514-992-2971.)
5 Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✿
6 Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✿ Various home meetings (English / French / Chinese)
7 Saturday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✿ 2pm, Meeting hall: Wedding Consecration meeting for Guorong & Xiaoyan, Wenchao & Candy ✿ 3:30-6pm, Location TBD: Young People's Meeting ✿ 6:30pm-8:30pm, Loewen's College meeting with CEGEP and University students. Contact Dennis or Heidi if you can bring a dish of food for the love feast.
8 LORD'S DAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✿ 10am - 12:30pm: Lord's table and prophesying meeting ✿ 12:30pm - 1:30pm: Love feast ✿ 12:30pm - 1:30pm: Children's service meeting

Attendance Statistics



Withstanding the Devil

Scripture Reading: James 4:7; 1 Pet. 5:8-9; 2 Cor. 2:11

I. SATAN'S WORK

B. Satan's Work on Man's Body

The Bible shows us clearly that many physical diseases are the result of Satan's attack.

The fever of Peter's mother-in-law was an attack from Satan, and the Lord Jesus rebuked the fever (Luke 4:39). Something must have a personality before the Lord can rebuke it. We cannot rebuke a cup or a chair; we can only rebuke something that has a personality. Fever is a symptom; the Lord could not rebuke the symptom. But Satan was behind the symptom with a personality of his own. Therefore, as soon as the Lord rebuked the fever, it was gone.

In Mark 9 we see a dumb and deaf child. In man's eyes dumbness and deafness are sicknesses. But the Lord Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, saying, "Dumb and deaf spirit, I order you, come out of him and enter into him no more" (v. 25). The dumbness and deafness of the child were outward symptoms of his demon possession; they were not ordinary illnesses. We must realize that many sicknesses are medically defined diseases. But there are many sicknesses that are actually attacks from the devil. The Bible does not say that the Lord healed the sickness but that He rebuked it. The boils on Job's body could not be healed by medicine; they were not medical illnesses; they were attacks from the devil. Unless one first deals with the devil, he has no way to deal with such sicknesses.

We admit that illnesses often occur through man's negligence of natural laws. However, it can quite often be the result of Satan's attack. In such a case one only has to ask the Lord to rebuke the sickness, and it will go away. This type of sickness often comes and goes away suddenly. It is an attack from Satan rather than an ordinary illness.

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