

Please pray:

- ✿ Video training for the Winter Training (Chinese January 4 to 14).
- ✿ Vital groups: raising up of vital groups in the church in Montreal in all the languages; that all the saints would rise up to live vitally with vital companions for gospel preaching, shepherding, pursuing the truth, and prophesying to build the church.
- ✿ Quebec City and Ste-Adèle: shepherding of the present contacts in these two localities; increase in visitation of these contacts; the Lord's advance in His testimony in Quebec and in Ste-Adèle.
- ✿ Halifax: strengthening and building up of the church; growth in life and growth in numbers; that saints might migrate to strengthen the church; that the church might be perfected to be a shining golden lampstand.
- ✿ Renovations: kitchen renovation in January and February; renovating the downstairs stage area; fellowship and building up of saints through the labour of renovation; financial provision for the renovations.
- ✿ 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: Job20:1-33:33
- ✿ HWMR: Crystallization-study of Genesis, Week 1
- ✿ Life-Study of Genesis, Message 70-72

Announcements

- ✿ Here is the schedule for the Chinese video training :
 - **Jan 4 and 11 (Sat)**
3pm-4:30pm: message 1 and 7
5pm-6:30pm: message 2 and 8
6:30pm-7:20pm: love feast, please bring a dish
7:30pm-9pm: message 3 and 9
 - **Jan 5 and 12 (Lord's day)**
11am-12:30pm: message 4 and 10
2pm-3:30pm: message 5 and 11
 - **Jan 7 and 14 (Tue)**
7:30pm-8pm: Prayer meeting
8pm-9:30pm: message 6 and 12
- ✿ The bookroom needs to do a year-end inventory. We need volunteers in all languages to help after lunch on Jan. 5 for the afternoon. All who can help are welcome even if you can only come for 1 hour.

- ✿ For those attending the video training please put a donation in the offering box.
- ✿ Lord's Move for Europe (LME) is coordinating donations to help saints and churches affected by the disastrous typhoon in the Philippines. In addition to praying, if the Lord leads you to give to care for these members of the Body, you can either: 1) give directly to LME online, by mail or bank transfer, following instructions on their website at <http://www.lordsmove.org/offerings.html> (donations should be designated for "Philippines Relief"); 2) give to the church, and the church will forward the gifts to LME.
- ✿ All the saints who took out bibles to distribute for Bibles for Canada, please indicate on the form near the bookroom if you have given them all out and bring in any forms you have received that are filled out. We had at least 300 bibles signed out and would like to confirm what has been given out. Please feel free to continue to sign out the Bibles so we can reach our goal.

Lord's Day Lunch Serving and Clean-up Schedule

JAN	✿ Serving: North Chinese
5	✿ Cleaning: West
12	✿ Serving: South Chinese(A) ✿ Cleaning: South
19	✿ Serving: English (C) ✿ Cleaning: Whole meeting hall cleaning
26	✿ Serving: English (B) ✿ Cleaning: East and YP

Upcoming Events

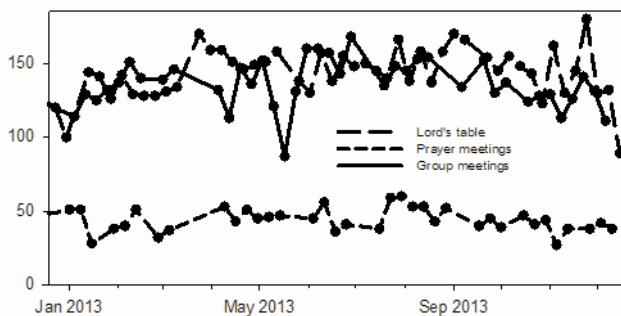
- ✿ Jan 4-Jan 14, Meeting hall: **Winter video training(Chinese)**
- ✿ Feb 14-16, Anaheim: **International Chinese-speaking Conference**
- ✿ Apr 18-20, London, UK: **International Blending Conference**
- ✿ Apr 26-27, Paris: **Conference in France**
More events are listed on the church website

This Week's Activities

5	✿ 10am – 11am: Lord's table
DECEMBER	✿ 11am-12:30pm: Chinese video training (msg4)
LORD'S DAY	✿ 12:30pm – 1:30pm: Love feast ✿ 2pm-3:30pm: Chinese video training (msg5)
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Monday	

7 Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☼ 7:30-9pm, English/French prayer meetings by districts ☼ 7:30-9pm, meeting hall: Chinese prayer meeting and video training(msg6)
8 Wednesday	☼
9 Thursday	☼
10 Friday	☼ Various home meetings (English / French / Chinese)
11 Saturday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☼ 3:30-6pm: Young People's Meeting ☼ 3pm-4:30pm: Chinese video training (msg7) ☼ 5-6:30pm: Chinese video training (msg8) ☼ 6:30pm-7:20:love feast ☼ 7:30pm-9pm: Chinese video training (msg9)
12 DECEMBER LORD'S DAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☼ 10am – 11am: Lord's table ☼ 11am-12:30pm: Chinese video training (msg10) ☼ 12:30pm – 1:30pm: Love feast ☼ 2pm-3:30pm: Chinese video training (msg11)

Attendance Statistics



LOVING THE BROTHERS

Scripture Reading: John 5:24; 1 John 3:14

III. IF ONE DOES NOT LOVE THE BROTHERS

Verse 14 says, "He who does not love abides in death." This love does not refer to ordinary love but to the love with which one loves his brothers. If a person does not have such a love for the brothers within him, the Bible says that he "abides in death." We can understand why a person has no feeling or

attraction for other believers before he believes. But it would be very strange if, after believing, he still has no feeling or attraction toward other believers. His faith may not be that genuine. "He who does not love abides in death." Formerly, such a person was dead. I am afraid that he is still dead because faith is based on love. Whether or not a person's faith is genuine depends on whether there is love. Those who believe in God have a love for the brothers. If love is absent, it proves that the person still abides in death.

Verse 15 says, "Everyone who hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him." We cannot imagine that any person would still murder after becoming a believer. The Bible tells us that to hate one's brother is to murder. A person who has eternal life should never hate his brother. Hating the brothers proves that there is no love in him. It means that eternal life is not in him.

God's children can be in many different conditions, but they can never hate. If there is a brother who is offensive in certain ways, we may not like him in our heart. If there is a brother who has committed a sin worthy of excommunication, we may deal with the matter with indignation. If there is a brother who has done something extremely evil, we may ask him to come to us and rebuke him severely before the Lord. But we can never hate our brothers. If a brother hates another brother, eternal life is not in him.

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