

## Please pray:

- ✿ Europe: raising up of the Lord's testimony in major cities including Lisbon, Portugal; Krakow, Poland; Budapest, Hungary; Vienna, Austria; Sofia, Bulgaria; Thessaloniki, Greece; Zagreb, Croatia; Belgrade, Serbia; Geneva and Zurich, Switzerland; Barcelona and Bilbao, Spain; Hamburg, Frankfurt, and Munich, Germany; and Tirana, Albania.
- ✿ Ontario: for the raising up of and restoring of churches in Windsor, London, Guelph, and Mississauga; for continued growth in life and numbers in Hamilton; that golden lampstands would be planted and flourish in all these cities.
- ✿ Translation of French hymns: that many more hymns might be translated into French for the sake of a richer Lord's table meeting for all the languages in the church, and for an increased enjoyment of the riches in Christ through the hymns by the French-speaking saints.
- ✿ Preparations for Fall ITERO, Toronto, Oct. 9-11: that many saints in Eastern Canada might serve as the corporate priesthood and open their homes to receive the leading brothers from other parts of the world; that they may joyfully present their bodies a living sacrifice to serve in a coordinated way; that there might be much prayer for the release of His Word during the ITERO training meetings for the advancement of the Lord's recovery.
- ✿ 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: Isa. 17:1-25:12
- ✿ HWMR: Intrinsic Significance of the Church, week 2

## Announcements

- ✿ There will be a Fall Young People's weekend retreat the weekend of Oct.31-Nov.2, 2014, at Upper Canada Camp (UCC), Ontario. Accommodations for two nights, 5 meals and 2 snacks come to \$111.00. The final deadline to register is **Oct.18, 2014**. If your child registers early, that is by **Oct.11**, there will be a \$25.00 discount, resulting in a fee of \$86.00.
- ✿ Please sign up for the 2015 Chinese Gospel Calendars at the bookroom. The deadline is **Oct. 26, 2014**. The price will be \$10 each. 2014 Winter Training will be held in Anaheim, CA from Monday, December 22, 2014, 4:00pm till Saturday, December 27, 2014, 9:30pm. Please register on or before the deadline of November 1. There is

- a registration donation of \$150.00 USD per trainee. There is an extra \$50.00 USD if you register after the deadline.
- ✿ The college meeting needs more saints to join the rotation to prepare food for the weekly meetings. Even if you feel you cannot do much to support the college meetings, this is a great opportunity to serve in this move of the church. If the Lord leads you to help with the food, please contact Jean.
- ✿ During ITERO, there will be saints visiting Montreal at the following dates:
  - Monday Oct 6, 7:00pm: Blending meeting in meeting hall. Love feast and food ordered. 100 saints visiting
  - Tuesday Oct 14, 7:00 pm: Blending prayer meeting. Love feast and food ordered. 33 saints visiting
  - Thu to Sat Oct 9-11: 15 Chinese-speaking sisters visiting. There will be a sisters' blending meeting.
- ✿ This year's International Thanksgiving Conference will be held in San Antonio, Texas from Thursday, November 27 through Lord's Day, November 30, 2014. All the meetings will be open to the public. There will be translation into Chinese, Korean, Spanish, and Portuguese.
- ✿ The 2015 International Chinese-speaking Conference will be held in Taipei, Taiwan from Saturday, February 21, 2015 through Lord's Day, February 22, 2015. Officially provided tickets would be required for admission to the meetings. There will be translation into English and other languages as needed. All saints who plan to attend the conference should complete their registration by November 30, 2014. This is a firm deadline, and late registration will not be accepted.

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

28	✿ Serving: English (A) ✿ Cleaning: West
OCT 05	✿ Serving: French/Spanish ✿ Cleaning: South
12	✿ East Chinese ✿ Cleaning: East
19	✿ Serving: West Chinese ✿ Cleaning: Whole Hall Cleaning

## Upcoming Events

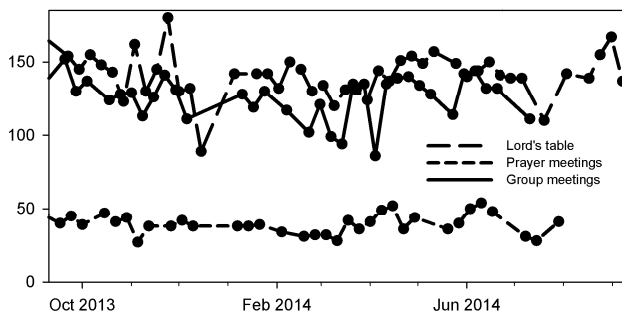
- ✿ Oct 9-11, Toronto: **ITERO**
- ✿ Oct 31- Nov 2, Ontario: **Fall YP weekend retreat**
- ✿ Oct 31- Nov 2, Antigua: **English-speaking conference with translation**
- ✿ Nov 15: **96 Lessons**
- ✿ Nov 27-30, San Antoni, TX: **International Thanksgiving conference**

☼ Dec 22-27, Anaheim, CA: **Winter semi-annual training**  
*More events are listed on the church website*

## This Week's Activities

<b>SEPTEMBER 28</b>	☼ 10am – 12:30pm: Lord's table and prophesying meeting
<b>LORD'S DAY</b>	☼ 12:30 – 1:30pm: Love feast
<b>29</b>	☼
<b>Monday</b>	
<b>30</b>	☼ 7:30-9pm: English / French/ Chinese prayer meetings by districts
<b>Tuesday</b>	
<b>OCT 1</b>	☼
<b>Wednesday</b>	
<b>2</b>	☼
<b>Thursday</b>	
<b>3</b>	Various home meetings (English / French / Chinese)
<b>Friday</b>	
<b>4</b>	☼
<b>Saturday</b>	
<b>5</b>	☼ 10am – 12:30pm: Lord's table and prophesying meeting
<b>LORD'S DAY</b>	☼ 12:30pm – 1:30pm: Love feast

## Attendance Statistics



## Baptism

**Scripture Reading:** Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; 22:16; 1 Pet. 3:20-21; Rom. 6:3-4; Col. 2:12

### ***B. Baptism Being for the Forgiveness of Sins***

On the day of Pentecost, the apostles told the Jews, "Repent and each one of you be baptized upon the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins" (Acts 2:38). The Protestants have difficulty accepting this verse. But this verse is the plain word of the apostles. "Be baptized upon the name

of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins." It is strange that the emphasis of the apostle's word is not upon faith but upon baptism.

Was the focus of Peter's message in Acts 2 on persuading men to believe? No. Does this mean that Peter's preaching was inferior to ours? The Bible tells us that the most crucial thing concerning salvation is faith. How could Peter have left this out? Perhaps he could ignore other doctrines in his message, but how could he not speak about faith? Nevertheless, he did not speak about it. Instead, he spoke about baptism, and the Holy Spirit pricked the heart of those who listened. What about us? We say that faith alone is enough. We think this is orthodox Christianity. Yet Peter said, "Be baptized upon the name of Jesus Christ."

Peter spoke only of baptism because those who listened to him were the ones who had killed the Lord Jesus. Fifty days prior to that, they were crying, "Take this man away." These were the same people who were shouting and crying in Jerusalem. Now they needed to be separated from the rest of the Jews. This is why it was not necessary to speak to them about believing. They only needed to be baptized. That would be sufficient for them to get out. As soon as they were baptized, their relationship with that corporate body would be terminated. As soon as they were baptized, they would leave that corporate body and their sins would be washed away. They would no longer be part of that corporate body; they would be out of it. This is why Peter said, "Be baptized upon the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins." The act of baptism brought them out. As soon as they came out, all problems were solved.

You need to realize that you were originally in the world and that you were an enemy of God. Since you have come out, you are saved. You need to confess before God and before men that you have come out and have nothing to do with that corporate body. You are through with it. "Be baptized upon the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." This was the main teaching on the day of Pentecost. At this point your mind needs to be directed by God's Word, not by Protestant theology.

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