

## Please pray:

- ✿ International Thanksgiving Conference, San Antonio, USA, November 27-30.
- ✿ Asia: for Bangladesh Gospel Room to be established in Dhaka and for the translation work; for the propagation in My Tho and Phan Thiet, Vietnam; for government approval to hold the second National Blending Conference in Vietnam at the end of this year.
- ✿ Ottawa: Establishing the saints in the apostles' teaching; raising up of a vital group church life; increased blending and regular visits by saints from Montreal; gaining of contacts in Gatineau.
- ✿ 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.
- ✿ 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. 49:1-55:13
- ✿ HWMR: Aspects of the Christian Life and Church Life seen in the New Jerusalem, week 5

## Announcements

- ✿ We want to end the Lord's day meetings earlier for the sake of the fellowship and services after the meetings. Starting from November 16, we will end the prophesying meetings at 12:15 pm.
- ✿ There is a burden to pray and coordinate concerning how to care for the babies and toddlers each Lord's day. This includes practical matters such as cleaning the children's rooms, but also how to help the children and their parents enjoy the Lord's day meetings. Anyone who shares this burden should please contact Edith.
- ✿ We are burdened to translate more French hymns so that we have more hymns to sing in all three languages on the Lord's day. We should all pray for this. In addition, if you can serve practically, please contact Ethan. We need saints from all languages who can serve in coordination with the following practical skills:
  - Native French speakers with strong language skills, even if you do not know English or Chinese.
  - Bilingual saints: English-French or French-Chinese
  - Saints with a good musical sensibility regardless of your language

- ✿ 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 2015 International Chinese-speaking Conference will be held in Taipei, Taiwan from Saturday, February 21, 2015 through Lord's Day, February 22, 2015. The deadline for registration is November 30.
  - Hospitality arrangement will be made during the conference for February 20 through February 23 (four days and three nights). Church visitation trips will be arranged in two periods: Period One—February 17 through February 20 (four days and three nights); Period Two—February 23 through February 26 (four days and three nights). Those who arrive early or depart late should make their own arrangement for transportation from and to the airport and for lodging beyond the periods mentioned above.
  - Each overseas registrant of the conference should submit a donation of \$100 USD (which would cover hospitality during the conference). This donation is not refundable.
  - Each registrant for the church visitation trip should submit a donation of \$150 USD, which is not refundable. Please register with Wenchao.

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

<b>23</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✿ Serving: Central Chinese 1</li> <li>✿ Cleaning: South (Chinese South, English Central)</li> </ul>
<b>30</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✿ Serving: Central Chinese 2</li> <li>✿ Cleaning: Whole Hall Cleaning</li> </ul>
<b>DEC 07</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✿ Serving: South Chinese (A)</li> <li>✿ Cleaning: North (Chinese North, Chinese Central 1, French Central)</li> </ul>
<b>14</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✿ Serving: South Chinese (B)</li> <li>✿ Cleaning: West (English/Chinese West, Chinese Central 2)</li> </ul>

## Upcoming Events

- ✿ Nov 27-30, San Antonio TX: **International Thanksgiving conference**

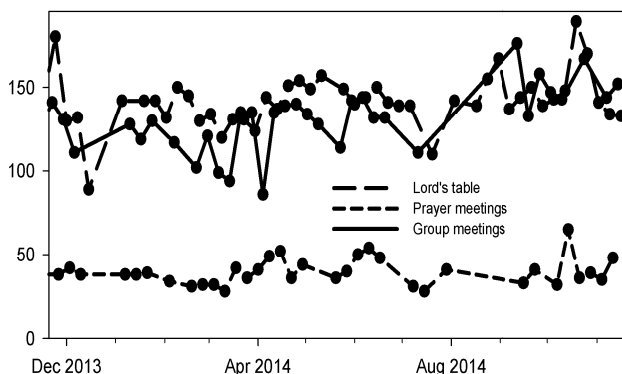
- ✿ Dec 13, Montreal, QC: **Chinese homecoming meeting**
- ✿ Dec 22-27, Anaheim, CA: **Winter semi-annual training**
- ✿ Dec 23-28: **English/French Video Training**
- ✿ Dec 27 (3 msgs), Dec 28 (2 msgs), Dec 30 (1 msg):  
**Chinese Video Training**
- ✿ Jan 3 (3 msgs), Jan 4 (2 msgs), Jan 6 (1 msg): **Chinese Video Training**

*More events are listed on the church website*

## This Week's Activities

<b>NOVEMBER 23</b>	✿ 10am – 12:15pm: Lord's table and prophesying meeting
<b>LORD'S DAY</b>	✿ 12:15 – 1:30pm: Love feast
<b>24</b>	✿
<b>Monday</b>	
<b>25</b>	
<b>Tuesday</b>	✿ 7:30-9pm: Chinese / West English prayer meetings by districts
<b>26</b>	✿ 7:30-9pm: Central English / French prayer meeting
<b>Wednesday</b>	✿
<b>27</b>	
<b>Thursday</b>	
<b>28</b>	Various home meetings (English / French / Chinese)
<b>Friday</b>	
<b>29</b>	✿
<b>Saturday</b>	
<b>30</b>	✿ 10am – 12:15pm: Lord's table and prophesying meeting
<b>LORD'S DAY</b>	✿ 12:15pm – 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

### II.C. I Am in Christ

Once I saw a headline in the newspaper which read, "One Person, Three Lives." The article was about a pregnant woman who had been murdered. After the woman died, it became known that she was pregnant with twins. Hence, the headline read, "One Person, Three Lives." Please note that concerning the Lord, it is, "One Person, Millions of Lives." This is why the Bible repeatedly emphasizes the words in Christ. In the murder spoken of above, the murderer apparently killed only the mother; he did not kill the two children. However, because the two children were in their mother's womb, they died when their mother died. Likewise, since we are in Christ, when Christ died, we died in Him.

God has put us into Christ Jesus. This is the revelation in 1 Corinthians 1:30: "Of Him you are in Christ Jesus." Since Christ has died, we are all dead. The basis for our co-death with Christ is our being in Christ. If we do not know what being in Christ means, we will not understand what dying with Him means either. How could the children die with their mother? They died because they were in their mother's womb. The analogy in the spiritual realm is even more real. God has joined us to Christ. When Christ died, we died also.

As soon as this gospel is preached to us, we should learn to look from God's viewpoint and acknowledge that we have died in the Lord. We have died because we believed this to be a fact. We have been buried in the water and have come out of it. We declare that we are on this side of the tomb. This is resurrection. Reckoning in Romans 6 involves both reckoning oneself dead in Christ Jesus and reckoning oneself alive in Him as well.

Brothers and sisters, I hope that you will take this way once you are saved. These are two separate thoughts. One thought comes before baptism, and the other comes after baptism. Before baptism we must see that we have already died and that we need to be buried. After baptism we must realize that we are in resurrection and that we can therefore serve God today.

**Note:** The content is extracted from *New Believers Series: #1, Baptism* by Watchman Nee, published by Living Stream Ministry, available at <http://www.ministrybooks.org/alphabetical.cfm>.