

Please pray:

- ✿ Chinese homecoming meeting on Saturday December 13: that many saints who have not come to the meetings for a long time might attend this time; that many contacts may come; that those who come might be cherished and nourished into the church life.
- ✿ Ontario: that the Lord would establish and strengthen His testimony in Guelph, London, Mississauga, Windsor and Sault Ste. Marie; that the existing saints in the recovery in these cities might be strengthened to continue steadfastly in the apostles' teaching and in the New Testament ministry; that the Lord might stir many saints to migrate to these cities for His testimony.
- ✿ 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.
- ✿ 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. 56:1—62:12
- ✿ HWMR: Aspects of the Christian Life and Church Life seen in the New Jerusalem, week 7

Announcements

- ✿ The Chinese-speaking homecoming meeting will be held on Saturday December 13. There will be a meal at 6 pm and then the main meeting starts at 7 pm. As a result, the 96 Lessons training will be cancelled for December. Saints of all languages are encouraged to attend. We need five English-speaking and five-French speaking saints to please serve in the kitchen and children's care.
- ✿ Since November 16, prophesying meetings end at 12:15 pm for the sake of the fellowship and services after the meetings.
- ✿ 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

Lord's Day Lunch Serving and Clean-up Schedule

DEC 07	✿ Serving: South Chinese (B)
	✿ Cleaning: Whole Hall Cleaning
14	✿ Serving: English
	✿ Cleaning: West (English/Chinese West, Chinese Central 2)
21	✿ Serving: French / Spanish
	✿ Cleaning: East (Chinese East, French East)
28	✿ Serving: East Chinese
	✿ Cleaning: South (Chinese South, English Central)

Upcoming Events

- ✿ 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**

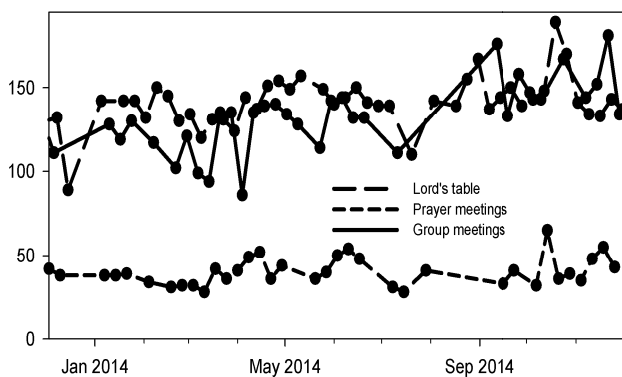
More events are listed on the church website

This Week's Activities

7 LORD'S DAY	✿ 10am – 12:15pm: Lord's table and prophesying meeting
	✿ 12:15 – 1:30pm: Love feast
8 Monday	✿
9 Tuesday	✿ 7:30-9pm: Chinese / West English prayer meetings by districts

10 Wednesday	☼ 7:30-9pm: Central English / French prayer meeting ☼
11 Thursday	
12 Friday	Various home meetings (English / French / Chinese)
13 Saturday	☼ 6pm: Chinese-speaking homecoming dinner ☼ 7pm-: Chinese-speaking homecoming meeting
14 LORD'S DAY	☼ 10am – 12:15pm: Lord's table and prophesying meeting ☼ 12:15pm – 1:30pm: Love feast

Attendance Statistics



Terminating the Past

I. THE TEACHING OF THE BIBLE BEING CONCERNED WITH WHAT ONE DOES AFTER SALVATION (cont.)

Let us also consider Paul's Epistles. He always emphasized what we should do in the future, not what we should do regarding the past, because everything of the past has been covered under the precious blood. If we err a little in this matter, we will corrupt the gospel; we will corrupt the way of the Lord, the way of repentance, and the way of restitution. We must deal with this subject carefully.

"Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be led astray; neither fornicators nor idolaters nor adulterers nor effeminate nor homosexuals nor thieves nor the covetous, not drunkards, not revilers, not the rapacious will inherit the kingdom of God. And these things were some of you" (1 Cor. 6:9-11a). Here Paul speaks of the believers' past conduct, but he does not say how they should

deal with it. "But you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and in the Spirit of our God" (1 Cor. 6:11b). The emphasis here is not on dealing with the past, because we have a Savior who has already dealt with all our past. Today the emphasis is on what we should do hereafter. A saved person is already washed, sanctified, and justified.

"And you, though dead in your offenses and sins, in which you once walked according to the age of this world, according to the ruler of the authority of the air, of the spirit which is now operating in the sons of disobedience; among whom we also all conducted ourselves once in the lusts of our flesh, doing the desires of the flesh and of the thoughts, and were by nature children of wrath, even as the rest; but God, being rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in offenses, made us alive together with Christ" (Eph. 2:1-5). These verses do not tell us how we should terminate the things of the flesh. There is only one termination—our Lord's termination of everything for us based upon the great love with which God loved us and the rich mercy of God.

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