

Please pray:

- ✿ UK radio work: Premier Radio (that broadcasts the Life-study program) is presently under threat of losing its nationwide broadcasting privilege and being replaced by a non-stop music station; pray for the continuation of the Life-study radio program; binding of the enemy in his attack; continued financial support for the radio program.
- ✿ Follow-up from recent gospel trips: In January and February, gospel trips visited 124 churches and 71 new cities in North America, Europe, South America and Asia. 1,600 people prayed to receive the Lord, 800 were visited, and 250 were baptized; pray for the follow-up care for these contacts and for the establishing of new churches.
- ✿ Canada: Strengthening of seven churches: Halifax (for general increase and for increase from the campuses), Ottawa (for English-speaking saints to migrate there), Markham (for English-speaking saints to migrate there), Hamilton (for increase from the campuses and from the community), St. Catharines (for increase from the community and Brock University), Saskatoon and Edmonton (that saints from other churches visit and blend with them); that all these churches grow, increase and spread.
- ✿ Districts in Montreal: that the Lord might lead us as He multiplies us into various district meetings; genuine blending between the saints in the districts regardless of language; the Lord's burden and blessing for the propagation of the gospel of the kingdom in each of our neighbourhoods; a way to provide proper spiritual care for our children in the districts.
- ✿ 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: Jer 37:1 – 48:16
- ✿ HWMR: *Crystallization Study of Gen. vol. 5, week 27*

Announcements

- ✿ Daylight saving time begins Lord's day March 8. Please remember to advance your clocks by one hour, probably the night before.

- ✿ The Annual General Meeting of the Corporation will be held at 12 noon on Lord's day March 22, 2015 at the meeting hall located at 3201, rue Hochelaga, Montreal.
- ✿ The Spring Young People Retreat will be held On April 3-5 at the Upper Canada Camp in Ontario. The registration fee is \$86. The registration deadline is March 20, 2015.
- ✿ Please pick up your government receipts outside the service office after lunch today. If there are any errors, please indicate the correction on the paper and return the envelope back to the service office.
- ✿ There is a need of serving ones to help in the library. Library service will be starting again this year. If interested in helping serve, please advise Aaron or Monica.
- ✿ New subscription for HWMR has started already. Please make sure you have paid your \$60 fee to your district coordinator.
- ✿ LSM collects old HWMR and books to send to Africa and India to give out for free. Anyone who has old books (English only at this time), please bring them to the bookroom for saints to take when they go to Anaheim. There is a \$25 fee to take them by air. Anyone who is burdened to help cover that cost, please do so.
- ✿ The saints in the church are being grouped into five districts according to geography (not language) for prayer, building up, church services, and receiving the Lord's burden for gaining remaining fruit and shepherding contacts in all languages. Based on where you live, the districts are:
 - West: Montreal Island west of Highway 13 or 32nd Avenue in Lachine
 - East: Montreal Island east of Papineau Avenue
 - North: Montreal Island north of Highway 40 in between Highway 13 and Papineau Avenue; and all of Laval
 - South: South Shore
 - Central: Montreal Island in between Highway 13/32nd Avenue and Papineau Avenue, south of Highway 40 and north of the Saint Lawrence River
- ✿ 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.

Lord's Day Lunch Serving and Clean-up Schedule

1	✿ English (A)
March	✿ Cleaning: East + South
8	✿ Serving: French / Spanish ✿ Cleaning: North + West
15	✿ Serving: East Chinese ✿ Cleaning: Central
22	✿ Serving: West Chinese

✿ Cleaning: Whole Hall Cleaning

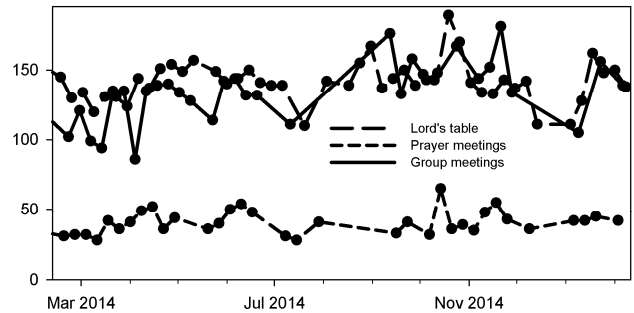
Upcoming Events

- ✿ Mar 7: **96 Lessons**—English/Chinese 2-5 pm in Meeting Hall; French 10 am to 1 pm in Ste-Adèle
 - ✿ March 20-22, Sacramento, CA: **Russian-speaking conference**
 - ✿ Mar 27-29, Anaheim: **Spring ITERO**
 - ✿ Apr 3-5, Upper Canada Camp, ON: **East Canada Young People's Retreat**
 - ✿ Apr 17-19, Toronto, Ontario: **East Canada Parents & Serving Ones Conf.**
 - ✿ Apr 25-26, Paris, France: **Annual Conference of the church in Paris**
 - ✿ May 16-17, Toronto, Ontario: **Canada Victoria Day Conference**
 - ✿ May 22-25, St. Louis, MO: **Intl. Memorial Day Conference**
- More events are listed on the church website*

This Week's Activities

1	✿	10am – 12:15pm: Lord's table and prophesying meeting
MARCH LORD'S DAY	✿	12:15pm – 1:30pm: Love feast
2	✿	
Monday		
3	✿	7:30-9:00pm: Chinese / West English prayer meetings by districts
Tuesday		
4	✿	7:30pm-9:00pm: Central English/French prayer meeting
Wednesday		
5		
Thursday		
6	✿	Various home meetings (English / French / Chinese)
Friday		
7	✿	10am – 1pm, Ste- Adèle: 96 lessons in French
Saturday	✿	2 – 5pm, meeting hall: 96 Lessons in English/Chinese
8	✿	10am – 12:15pm: Lord's table and prophesying meeting
MARCH LORD'S DAY	✿	12:15pm – 1:30pm: Love feast

Attendance Statistics



Terminating the Past

II. NEW TESTAMENT EXAMPLES OF DEALING WITH THE PAST (continued)

D. The Termination of Unsettled Matters

When a person is saved, he surely has many unsettled secular matters at hand. These may easily hinder him from following the Lord. What should he do? "Follow Me, and let the dead bury their own dead" (Matt. 8:22). This is another biblical case of terminating the past. Here, a man came to Jesus and said to Him, "Lord, permit me first to go and bury my father" (v. 21). The Lord said, "Follow Me, and let the dead bury their own dead." The word their refers to the first use of the word dead, whereas the second dead refers to the man's father. The first dead refers to those who are spiritually dead. In God's eyes those in the world are spiritually dead. The Lord was saying that the man should let the dead bury his father, while he should follow the Lord.

I am not exhorting new believers to not make funeral arrangements for their fathers. I am saying that the dead should bury their own dead. We must lay hold of this principle. We should let go of unfinished business. If we wait until we have finished settling them before we become Christians, we will never have the time. There are hundreds and thousands of items of unfinished business in our families, with our fathers, and in our lives. Who then could become a Christian? There is only one word to describe the principle behind all of these things—these are dead people. Let the dead bury their dead. Let the spiritually dead handle the matters of the dead! This is the principle. This is not to exhort new believers to neglect their family. It means that they should not wait until they have settled all their earthly matters before coming to the Lord. If they do, they will not be able to follow the Lord.

Note: The content is extracted from New Believers Series: #2, Terminating the Past by Watchman Nee, published by Living Stream Ministry, available at <http://www.ministrybooks.org/alphabetical.cfm>.