

Please pray:

- ✿ Winter Training in Anaheim, USA, December 21-26; video training in Montreal, December 22 to January 12.
- ✿ GTCA 2016 in Canada, Jan 26 to Feb 6: for the 2016 GTCA move, in Laval, QC, Mississauga, ON and Abbotsford, BC; that many FTTA trainees and surrounding churches would rise up to meet the need during the two-week Winter distribution; that many may respond to the Bibles and literature given out, that many unbelievers will get saved and much remaining fruit will result from this move.
- ✿ Middle Eastern migrants in Europe and North America: the Lord's continued leading concerning how the churches should respond; the free mass distribution of care packages and literature; the shepherding of the seeking ones; the release and participation of brothers and sisters with an adequate knowledge of the truth and a proficiency in the Arabic and Farsi languages; the salvation and gaining of the Lord's chosen ones, especially the useful ones and the young ones; the Lord's protection of His present move from the attack of the evil one, Satan.
- ✿ 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: Gen 18:1 – 24:67
- ✿ HWMR: The Main Contents of the Lord's Recovery, week 4
- ✿ Life-Study of Ephesians: Messages 35

Announcements

- ✿ TODAY we begin a new cleaning schedule with designated responsible ones in each group. Please see the clean-up section of the newsletter for the new grouping and new schedule.
- ✿ The bookroom and library need the inventory done for the end of the year. Any saints available to help can come, Jan. 2, 2016 at 1 pm, to the bookroom.
- ✿ We will begin the new HWMR subscription starting in January once we are done with the current HWMR. The price is \$60. The responsible ones for the HWMR in each group will record all those who want to renew or be added to the subscription.
- ✿ Schedule for English and French Winter Video Training:
 - Tue Dec 22, 29 - 7:30 pm - Messages 1, 7 (prayer meeting at 7 pm)
 - Thu Dec 24, 31 - 7 pm - Messages 2, 8

- Fri Dec 25, Jan 1 – 4 pm and 7 pm - Messages 3,4 and 9, 10
 - Sat Dec 26, Jan 2 - 7 pm - Messages 5, 11
 - Lord's day Dec 27, Jan 3 - 11 am - Messages 6,12
- There will be a study time in the mornings of
- Fri Dec 25, Jan 1 – 9 am
 - Sat Dec 26, Jan 2 – 9 am
- ✿ Schedule for Chinese Winter Video Training:
 - Saturdays: Jan 2 and 9,
2:30pm-4:00pm message 1,7
4:30pm-6:00pm message 2, 8
7:00pm-9:00pm message 3, 9
 - Sundays: Jan 3 and 10
11:00am-12:30pm message 4,10
1:45pm-3:15pm message 5,11
 - Tuesdays: Jan 5 and 12
7:30pm-8:00pm prayer meeting
8:00pm-9:30pm message 6,12

Lord's Day Lunch Serving and Clean-up Schedule

December 20	✿ Serving: French/Spanish ✿ Cleaning: English West, Chinese West and Young People (John Y, Boy, Aaron Cha. responsible)
27	✿ Serving: East Chinese ✿ Cleaning: Chinese North and Chinese Central 1 (Jun responsible)
January 3	✿ Serving: Chinese North ✿ Cleaning: Chinese East (Xie, Guorong responsible)
10	✿ Serving: Chinese South A ✿ Cleaning: Chinese South (Xuecheng, Shishan responsible)

Upcoming Events

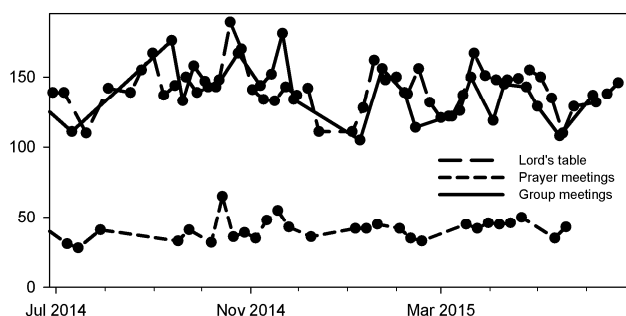
- ✿ Dec. 21-26, Anaheim, USA: **Winter Training**
- ✿ Dec. 22–Jan. 3, Meeting hall: **English/French Video Training**
- ✿ Jan 2-12, Meeting hall: **Chinese Video Training**
- ✿ Feb 12-14, Anaheim, USA: **International Chinese-speaking Conference**
The church website lists more events

This Week's Activities

20 DECEMBER LORD'S DAY	✿ 10am – 12:15pm: Lord's table and prophesying meeting
21 Monday	✿ 12:15pm – 1:30pm: Love feast

22 Tuesday	☼ 7:30-9:00pm: Chinese / West English prayer meetings by districts
23 Wednesday	☼ 7:30pm-9:00pm: Central English/French prayer meeting
24 Thursday	☼
25 Friday	☼ Various home meetings (English / French / Chinese)
26 Saturday	☼
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Attendance Statistics



Leading men to Christ

Scripture Reading: Rom. 1:16; 10:14; 1 Tim. 2:1, 4; Mark 16:15

II. GOING TO MAN ON GOD'S BEHALF (continued)

B. Keeping to the Facts

The key to leading men to the Lord is to emphasize the facts, not the doctrines. Just recall what it was like when you were saved. You did not believe because you understood the doctrines. Many people understand the doctrines, but they do not believe. It is impossible for any brother to try to lead others to Christ through arguments and doctrines. The key to leading men to Christ is to keep to the facts. This is why simple ones often are more effective in leading others to the Lord; those who are good at doctrines may not lead others to the Lord. Some people can give wonderful messages. But what use is there in winning the minds of others, if one cannot help them be saved?

Once there was an old man who considered going to church a good habit. He was not saved, yet he would go to church every Sunday and also make his whole family go. But when he returned home, he would lose his temper, and all kinds of bad words would come out of his mouth. The whole family was afraid of him. One day his daughter, who was a believer, came to visit him. She brought her little daughter with her. The old man brought the little granddaughter to the church. When they came out of the church, the little granddaughter looked at her grandfather and felt that he did not look like a believer. She asked him, "Do you believe in Jesus?" The grandfather said, "Children should keep their mouths shut." After walking a few steps, she said to her grandfather again, "You do not look as if you have believed in Jesus." Again the old man said, "Children should keep their mouths shut." After a while she asked her grandfather, "Why do you not believe in Jesus?" This little child saw a fact—the way her grandfather attended church was different from the way other believers attended church. The old man, who was otherwise wild and hard to deal with, became soft after his little granddaughter's probing questions. On that day he accepted the Lord.

The preaching of the gospel requires skill. One must know the way God works before he can preach the gospel. A person may preach the right doctrines, and crowds of people may come for his messages, but the same crowds may walk away unsaved. You will not get any fish with a straight hook. The fishing hook must be curved before one can catch fish. Those who lead others to the Lord need to know how to use a hook. Use only the words that can catch people. If your words cannot catch people, try to change the way you speak. Facts are words that catch; they are words that can touch others.

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