

Please pray:

- ✿ Summer School of Truth teachers' video training, May 14-15: that the Lord might give those who serve young people a vision of how to shepherd them according to God.
- ✿ Ecuador: grace and peace to the churches as they recover from the recent earthquakes; the Lord's comfort to the saints whose family members were killed; the supply of the Lord directly and through the Body for the practical needs of the saints (especially food and medicine); that the saints burn with the Spirit to preach the gospel as the real comfort to the suffering people in Ecuador.
- ✿ GTCA Laval: that key homes would be gained in Laval for the Lord's testimony; that saints in Montreal would be burdened to continue shepherding the contacts; for remaining fruit for the practical building up of the Body of Christ.
- ✿ Victoria Day Conference in Montreal, May 21-22: for the service, coordination, and building up of saints as we prepare to host the conference; that the Lord might release many saints from surrounding cities to attend.
- ✿ Middle Eastern migrants in Europe: gospel trips in Germany from January to July; grace to the churches in Germany, including saints who are migrating there for this burden; the free mass distribution of care packages and literature; the shepherding of the seeking ones; the 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, both native Germans and Middle Eastern migrants, and their continued shepherding so that they may be remaining fruit for the churches; the Lord's protection of His present move from the attack of the evil one; the financial provision for this move.
- ✿ 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: Exo 31:18 – 38:31 (see website for daily schedule)
- ✿ HWMR: CRYSTALLIZATION-STUDY OF EXODUS volume 3, week 17
- ✿ Life-Study of Ephesians: Messages 55

Announcements

- ✿ There will be a video training in the meeting hall for the teachers of the Summer School of Truth; all saints are welcome to attend. The dates and times are:
 - Saturday May 14: 9 am to 12 noon (2 messages)
 - LD May 15: 1:30 to 4 pm (2 messages)

- ✿ There will be a service meeting for ALL services after lunch for the upcoming conference. Please attend so we can co-ordinate with all the saints.
- ✿ The Grade 6 Conference will be held June 24-26, 2016 at the Markham meeting hall. Please hand in the registration forms to the serving ones by May 24, 2016.
- ✿ We need some to serve with the Library, especially to conduct an inventory and rearrangement. Please talk to Monica or the Book Room serving ones if you are able to help, especially over the next few months.
- ✿ There is a French Standing Order that can be purchased. If you are on the list (or are not sure if you are on the list), please go by the Book Room to pick up your books. If you would like to be on the French Standing Order to automatically get all the new books released in French, please sign up in the Book Room.
- ✿ All saints should have now registered for the HWMR subscription with their district co-coordinator. Please make sure you have paid the \$60 yearly fee. If you have any new ones in your district, please encourage them to sign up.

Lord's Day Lunch Serving and Clean-up Schedule

May 8	✿ Serving: North Chinese ✿ Cleaning: Chinese Central 2 and Chinese Central 3 (Qiang, Wenxiang responsible)
15	✿ Serving: South Chinese A ✿ Cleaning: English Central and College (Dennis, Joe responsible)
22	✿ Serving: English A ✿ Cleaning: French: (Chitu, Achille, Allan responsible)
29	✿ Serving: English B ✿ Cleaning: All groups

Upcoming Events

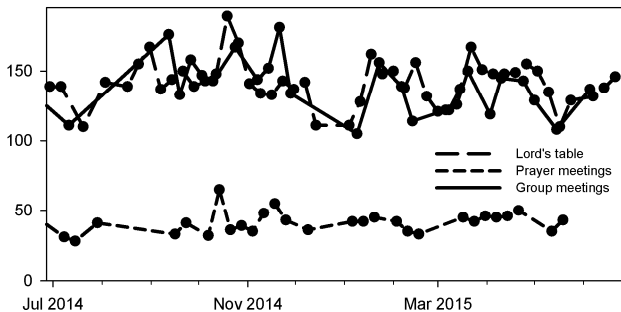
- ✿ May 14-15, Montreal: **SSOT teachers video training**
- ✿ May 21-22, Montreal: **Victoria Day Conference**
- ✿ May 20-22, Martinique: **French-speaking Conference**
- ✿ Jul 4-9, Anaheim, USA: **Summer Training**
The church website lists more events

This Week's Activities

8	✿ 10am – 12:15pm: Lord's table and prophesying meeting
MAY LORD'S DAY	✿ 12:15pm – 1:30pm: Love feast
9	✿
Monday	

10 Tuesday	☼ 7:30-9:00pm: Chinese / West English prayer meetings by districts
11 Wednesday	☼ 7:30pm-9:00pm: Central English/French prayer meeting
12 Thursday	☼
13 Friday	☼ Various home meetings (English / French / Chinese)
14 Saturday	☼
15 MAY LORD'S DAY	☼ 10am – 12:15pm: Lord's table and prophesying meeting ☼ 12:15pm – 1:30pm: Love feast

Attendance Statistics



CONSECRATION

Scripture Reading: Exo. 28:1-2, 40-41; 29:1-25; Lev. 8:14-28; Rom. 6:13, 16, 19; 12:1; 1 Cor. 6:19-20; 2 Cor. 5:14-15

III. A CONSECRATED PERSON

Let us look at Exodus 28:1-2 and 29:1, 4, 9-10.

After reading these verses, we can see that consecration is a very special matter. The nation of Israel was a nation chosen by God (Exo. 19:5-6), but it did not become a consecrated nation. There were twelve tribes among the Israelites, but not all the twelve tribes received the holy service. The tribe of Levi was one of the twelve tribes. They were a tribe chosen by God (Num. 3:11-13), but they were not a consecrated tribe. Among the many Levites, only the household of Aaron received the holy service. Not all of the Israelites received the holy service, not even all of the Levites. Only the household of Aaron received the holy service. In order to be consecrated, one had to belong to this household. If one were not a member of this household, he could not consecrate himself. Only the members of this household—the household

of Aaron—were qualified to be priests, and only they could consecrate themselves.

Thank God, today we are the members of this household. Those who believe in the Lord are the members of this household. All who have been saved by grace are priests (Rev. 1:5-6). God has chosen us to be the priests. Initially, only the members of Aaron's household could consecrate themselves; if anyone else came near, he would have been put to death (Num. 18:7). We must remember that only those chosen by God to be priests can consecrate themselves. Thus, only the members of this household could consecrate themselves. Today God has chosen us to be the priests; therefore, we are the members of this household. Hence, we are qualified to consecrate ourselves.

Here we see that man does not consecrate himself because he has chosen God. Rather, God is the One who chooses and calls, and then man consecrates himself to Him. Those who consider that they are doing God a favor by forsaking all are but outsiders; they are not consecrated at all. We must realize that our service to God is not a favor or courtesy to God. It is not a matter of offering ourselves to God's work, but a matter of God being gracious to us and giving us a portion of His work. It is God who has given us the glory and the beauty. The Bible tells us that the holy garment of the priest is for glory and beauty (Exo. 28:2). Consecration is God giving us glory and beauty; it is God calling us into His service. If we boast in anything at all, we must boast in our marvelous Lord. There is nothing marvelous for the Lord to have servants like us. The marvelous thing is for us to have such a Lord! We must see that consecration is the result of being chosen. Serving God is an honor to us. We are not uplifting God, as if we were sacrificing anything for Him or as if we had any glory in ourselves. Consecration is God giving us the glory. We should prostrate ourselves before Him and say, "Thank You that I can have a part in Your service. There are so many people in this world, yet I am chosen to have a part in it!" Consecration is our honor, not our sacrifice. It is true that we need to have the greatest sacrifice, but there is no sense of sacrifice in consecration. There is only the full sense of God's glory.

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