

Please pray:

- ✿ Young People Retreat, Oct. 21-23 in Toronto: that many young people and serving ones would attend; that the messages would strengthen the young people to go on with the Lord in their homes, schools and in the church life; that the homes in Toronto providing hospitality will be richly blessed.
- ✿ Naples, Italy: for a group of almost 20 Italian believers who have left the denominations and have been trying to take the “way of the recovery”; that they would continue to meet with churches and saints in the recovery in Naples, Rome and in other countries; that the Lord would shepherd them into fully into His New Testament economy as a genuine local church.
- ✿ Middle Eastern translators in Germany: that the Lord would give a vision of translation for His move on the 21 Farsi (Iranian) and 7 Arabic translators who were trained in Germany in September; that translation would not be just a job to them but a vocation for the Lord and for His Body; for the further perfecting of these and more translators and for their becoming functioning members in the Body and co-workers in the Lord’s work.
- ✿ Ethiopia: for an end to the present social unrest and violence so that there would be a suitable environment to further the Lord's move to all the parts of the country; for the protection of the saints amidst the violence; for the supply from the Body to the churches and saints in Ethiopia.
- ✿ Laval: to gain and strengthen the families for the Lord's move; for increase in life and numbers for the weekly Bible study; that the Lord's name be sanctified in Laval and that He gain remaining fruit.
- ✿ 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: Luke 14:25 – 16:31 (see website for daily schedule)
- ✿ HWMR:Crystallization study of Exodus, Vol 5, week 25
- ✿ Life-Study of Ephesians: Messages 77

Announcements

- ✿ The Fall Eastern Canada Young People’s Retreat will be held from October 21-23, 2016 at the Toronto meeting hall. The cost will be \$50 and the registration deadline is October 17. Please register as soon as possible with the young people serving ones.

- ✿ Registration is now open for the Live Winter Training to be held December 26 – 31. The cost is \$150. The registration deadline is October 30.
- ✿ If you want to receive the Chinese Gospel Calendar with verses in English and Chinese, please pre-order with the bookroom no later than October 23.

Lord’s Day Lunch Serving and Clean-up Schedule

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| October 16 | ✿ Serving: French / Spanish ✿ Cleaning: Chinese Central 2 and Chinese Central 3 (Qiang, Wenxiang responsible) |
| 23 | ✿ Serving: Chinese East ✿ Cleaning: English Central and College (Dennis, Joe responsible) |
| 30 | ✿ Serving: Chinese North ✿ Cleaning: French: (Chitu, Achille, Allan responsible) |
| November 6 | ✿ Serving: English A ✿ Cleaning: Chinese South (Xuecheng, Shishan responsible) |

Upcoming Events

- ✿ Oct 21-23, Toronto, ON: **The Fall Eastern Canada Young People’s Retreat**
 - ✿ Oct. 28-30, All Saints, Antigua: **Conference in Antigua**
 - ✿ Nov 24 - 27, San Jose, CA, USA: **International Thanksgiving conference**
 - ✿ Dec 26 – 31, Anaheim, CA : **Winter training**
- The church website lists more events*

This Week’s Activities

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| 16 OCTOBER LORD’S DAY | ✿ 10am – 12:15pm: Lord’s table and prophesying meeting ✿ 12:15pm – 1:30pm: Love feast |
| 17 Monday | |
| 18 Tuesday | ✿ 7:30-9:00pm: Chinese / West English prayer meetings by districts |
| 19 Wednesday | ✿ 7:30pm-9:00pm: Central English/French prayer meeting |
| 20 Thursday | ✿ |
| 21 Friday | ✿ Various home meetings (English / French / Chinese) |

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| 22 | ✿ | |
| Saturday | | |
| 23 | ✿ | 10am – 12:15pm: Lord's table and prophesying meeting |
| OCTOBER | | |
| LORD'S DAY | ✿ | 12:15pm – 1:30pm: Love feast |

READING THE BIBLE

Scripture Reading: 2 Tim. 3:15-17; Psa. 119:9-11, 15, 105, 140, 148

II. BASIC PRINCIPLES IN READING THE BIBLE(continued)

Let us give another illustration. Consider the word about the coming of the Holy Spirit in John 14 and 15. In reading these passages, we must pay attention to the promise of the Lord Jesus and discover whether there are any special facts related to it.

John 14:16-20 says, "And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Comforter, that He may be with you forever, even the Spirit of reality, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not behold Him or know Him; but you know Him, because He abides with you and shall be in you. I will not leave you as orphans; I am coming to you. Yet a little while and the world beholds Me no longer, but you behold Me; because I live, you also shall live. In that day you will know that I am in My Father, and you in Me, and I in you." What facts can we discover here? These sentences first use He or Him but later change to I. There is a change in pronoun. Here is a fact: The words He and Him have been changed to I.

According to the four principles of reading the Bible, how should we deal with this passage? First, we should discover the facts. In this case, the pronoun change from He to I is a fact. Second, we must remember this fact. Third, we must analyze this fact. Here are two Comforters. The Lord says, "I will ask the Father, and He [the Father] will give you another Comforter." The word another in the expression another Comforter means this is the second one. "And He [the Father] will give you another Comforter." This means that the Father will give a second Comforter. If there is a second Comforter, there must be a first Comforter.

The first thing we can ascertain is that the Lord is speaking of two Comforters. The Lord said that the disciples already had one Comforter, but that He was going to give them another. What kind of Comforter is the second? "That He may be with you forever." Who is the He? The Lord Jesus said, "The world...does not...know Him; but you know Him." Why? "Because He abides with you." He was with them all the time.

The world cannot receive Him and has not even seen Him. What about them? The disciples had seen Him; they knew Him. They knew Him because He was abiding with them all the time.

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