

## Please pray:

- ✿ Turkey: for the gospel preaching in Istanbul, especially for the students in Istanbul university and Bosphorus University that the Lord would move among the student and create a hunger in them for Himself; for the strengthening of the church life in Istanbul and that the Lord uplift the enjoyment and experience of the saints; that Turkey might remain open and stable for the free preaching of the gospel; for protection from every wile and attack of the enemy.
- ✿ Accra, Ghana: that the Lord would gain many of the hundreds of university student contacts to leave religion and demand of religious duties; that many of them would be remaining fruits and even solid ones in the church during their university years.
- ✿ Full-time training: that many saints throughout the world (especially in Montreal), young and old, would consecrate to be trained full-time for Christ and the church; that current trainees (especially those sent by or related to Montreal) would receive the training inwardly to let the Lord capture and transform them deep within; that past trainees would live a life of continually being trained by the Lord to grow together with all the saints as healthy, functioning members of the Body.
- ✿ Maritimes: for strengthening and building up of the church in Halifax; that saints might visit and migrate to strengthen the church in Halifax; that the Lord would raise up and shepherd contacts throughout the Atlantic provinces, and that new churches would eventually be raised up.
- ✿ 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: Deut 6:1 – 14:21 (see website for daily schedule)
- ✿ HWMR:Crystallization study of Exodus, Vol 5, week 26
- ✿ Life-Study of Ephesians: Messages 78

## Announcements

- ✿ 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

<b>October 23</b>	✿ Serving: Chinese East ✿ Cleaning: English Central and College (Dennis, Joe responsible)
<b>30</b>	✿ Serving: Chinese North ✿ Cleaning: French: (Chitu, Achille, Allan responsible)
<b>November 6</b>	✿ Serving: English A ✿ Cleaning: All groups
<b>13</b>	✿ Serving: English B ✿ Cleaning: English West, Chinese West and Young People (John Y., Boy, Aaron Cha. responsible)

## Upcoming Events

- ✿ 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

<b>23</b>	✿ 10am – 12:15pm: Lord's table and prophesying meeting
<b>OCTOBER LORD'S DAY</b>	✿ 12:15pm – 1:30pm: Love feast
<b>24</b>	
<b>Monday</b>	
<b>25</b>	✿ 7:30-9:00pm: Chinese / West English prayer meetings by districts
<b>Tuesday</b>	
<b>26</b>	✿ 7:30pm-9:00pm: Central English/French prayer meeting
<b>Wednesday</b>	
<b>27</b>	✿
<b>Thursday</b>	
<b>28</b>	✿ Various home meetings (English / French / Chinese)
<b>Friday</b>	
<b>29</b>	✿
<b>Saturday</b>	
<b>30</b>	✿ 10am – 12:15pm: Lord's table and prophesying meeting
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## 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)

The Lord said, "Because He abides with you and shall be in you." After this point the pronoun He is no longer used. In the next sentence the Lord said, "I will not leave you as orphans; I am coming to you." In studying this, we find that He is I, and I is He. In other words, while the Lord Jesus was living on earth, He was the Comforter. The Holy Spirit was in the Lord, and the Lord was the Comforter. When the Lord was on earth, the Holy Spirit was in Him; He and the Holy Spirit were one. This is why He said that the disciples beheld Him and knew Him and that He was with them.

But then what happened? The Lord went on to tell them that another Comforter would come. Following His death and resurrection, the Lord said that He would come back to them and that God would give them the Holy Spirit. But how was this to be accomplished? The Lord Himself would come to them again in the Holy Spirit. He did not leave them orphans. After a little while they would see Him no longer, but then they would see Him again, and He would abide in them. Verse 17 says, "He...in you." Then verse 20 says, "I in you." Thus, the I in the second section is the He in the first section. Once we see the change in pronouns, we see the difference in the two Comforters. The first section refers to the Holy Spirit in Christ. The second section refers to Christ in the Holy Spirit. He refers to the Holy Spirit in Christ. I refers to Christ in the Holy Spirit. Who is the Holy Spirit? The Holy Spirit is the Lord Jesus in another form. The Son is the Father in another form. In the same way, the Holy Spirit is the Son in another form. There is only a change in form.

From this example we see that the first basic principle in reading the Bible is to discover the facts. If we cannot discover any facts, we cannot expect to receive any light from God. It is not a question of how many times we have read the Bible, but a question of the facts we have discovered through our many times of reading.

Paul was a person who knew how to discover facts. Consider what he said in Galatians 3. He saw from Genesis that God would bless the nations through the seed of Abraham. God used the word seed in its singular form, not in its plural form. This refers to Christ. First, Paul discovered this fact. He saw that the nations would be blessed through the seed of Abraham, and he saw that this was a unique seed. From this

he realized that this seed referred to Christ. If it had been plural, it would have referred to the many children of Abraham, that is, the Jews, and the meaning would be completely different. Paul read the Scripture thoroughly and discovered the facts.

In the Bible there are many facts. Whether or not a person is rich in God's Word depends on how many facts he has discovered. The more facts he discovers, the richer he becomes. If he cannot discover any facts and if he reads through the Bible in a hasty and mindless way, he will not understand much.

In reading the Bible, we must learn to discover the facts. After this we should memorize, analyze, and compare these facts. Finally, we should kneel down before God and ask for light.

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