

## Please pray:

- ✿ Leeds, United Kingdom: for a strong beginning to the church life in Leeds after the first Lord's Table on October 30; that the saints might be built up as the testimony of Jesus; for the shepherding of many university contacts.
- ✿ Children's serving ones: that the Lord might continue and strengthen the weekly coordination meetings; that the serving ones might be built up in spirit and knit with each other in love; for oneness and one accord in all that they do; that the serving ones might be burdened to serve the children with a personal service.
- ✿ The Caribbean: for the French-speaking saints in Martinique and Guadalupe; for the oneness and one accord among the saints in all the Caribbean Islands and nations; for the gaining and maturing of more saints, especially brothers; that the literature work might prevail and reach many seekers; that the Lord would thrust out many workers to reap the harvest; that the Lord would stir up many of His seekers to leave the denominations to meet in oneness as the local churches in their respective cities; that the Lord might gain His genuine testimony.
- ✿ Quebec: shepherding of contacts in Quebec City, Ste-Adèle, Laval, Longueuil and Gatineau; that saints in Montreal be strengthened to visit contacts in other cities; the Lord's advance in His testimony throughout this province.
- ✿ 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 17:1 – 19:27 (see website for daily schedule)
- ✿ HWMR:Crystallization study of Exodus, Vol 5, week 27
- ✿ Life-Study of Ephesians: Messages 79

## 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 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)
<b>20</b>	✿ Serving: Chinese Central 1 ✿ Cleaning: Chinese North and Chinese Central 1 (Jun, Gerry Chan responsible)

## Upcoming Events

- ✿ 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>30</b>	✿ 10am – 12:15pm: Lord's table and prophesying meeting
<b>OCTOBER LORD'S DAY</b>	✿ 12:15pm – 1:30pm: Love feast
<b>31</b>	
<b>Monday</b>	
<b>1</b>	✿ 7:30-9:00pm: Chinese / West English prayer meetings by districts
<b>NOVEMBER Tuesday</b>	
<b>2</b>	✿ 7:30pm-9:00pm: Central English/French prayer meeting
<b>Wednesday</b>	
<b>3</b>	✿
<b>Thursday</b>	
<b>4</b>	✿ Various home meetings (English / French / Chinese)
<b>Friday</b>	
<b>5</b>	✿
<b>Saturday</b>	
<b>6</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

### III. DIFFERENT WAYS TO READ THE BIBLE

We should read our Bible during two different periods of time. We should have two copies of the Bible for these two occasions. One period can be in the morning and the other in the afternoon. Or we can do both early in the morning by reading one way during the first half of our time and another way during the second half of our time. These two periods of time must be separate. In the morning period or the first half of the early morning reading, we should meditate, praise, and pray as we read the Word, mixing our reading with meditation, praise, and prayer. This period of reading is for receiving spiritual food and for strengthening our spirit. Do not read too much during this time; three or four verses is sufficient. The afternoon time, or the second half of the early morning reading, should be longer. During this time, we should read for the purpose of learning more about God's Word.

If possible, we should have two Bibles. The Bible used in the first period should not have any marks or notes written in it (except dates, which we will mention later). The Bible used in the second period can contain whatever we have been touched with, either by jotting down notes or by circling or underlining words or passages. The Bible used in the first period can contain dates—dates on which we came across a special verse, made a deal with the Lord, or had a special experience. We should write down the date next to such a verse, indicating that we met God through this verse on that date. Do not write down anything other than dates. The Bible used in the second period is for understanding, and we should write down all the spiritual facts we discover and the light we have received. Now let us discuss the way to read the Bible during these two periods of time.

#### A. Meditating on the Word during the First Period of Time

Concerning meditating on the Word, I think the best thing is for me to quote George Müller. He said:

It has recently pleased the Lord to teach me a truth, irrespective of human instrumentality, as far as I know, the benefit of which I have not lost, though now, while preparing the fifth edition for the press, more than fourteen years have since passed away. The point is this: I saw more clearly than ever that the first great and primary business to which I ought to attend every day was, to have my soul happy in the Lord. The first thing to be concerned about was not how much I might serve the Lord, how I might glorify the Lord; but how I

might get my soul into a happy state, and how my inner man might be nourished. For I might seek to set the truth before the unconverted, I might seek to benefit believers, I might seek to relieve the distressed, I might in other ways seek to behave myself as it becomes a child of God in this world; and yet, not being happy in the Lord, and not being nourished and strengthened in my inner man day by day, all this might not be attended to in a right spirit. Before this time my practice had been, at least for ten years previously, as an habitual thing to give myself to in prayer, after having dressed myself in the morning. Now, I saw that the most important thing I had to do was to give myself to the reading of the word of God, and to meditation on it, that thus my heart might be comforted, encouraged, warned, reprov'd, instructed; and that thus, by means of the word of God, whilst meditating on it, my heart might be brought into experimental communion with the Lord.

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