

## Please pray:

- ✿ India: Pray that the saints can continue to enter into the ministry of the age and be constituted with the ministry; please remember the New Testament Recovery version translation into 7 local languages - Tamil, Malayalam, Telegu, Hindi, Marathi, Mizo and Kannada.
- ✿ Germany: Pray that the Lord would burden more saints to offer themselves to serve in Germany both short term (one month or more) and long term (for several years); that the door would remain open for the full-timers to obtain visas to labor in Germany long term; that the Lord would have a way to gain university students in Germany; for the shepherding and perfecting of those who were saved in 2016
- ✿ Europe: Pray for the radio broadcasts in the UK and Spain and the continuing distribution of the New Testament Recovery Version and other free ministry publications in all the European languages; pray for the shepherding of the seeking ones and their entering into the church life.
- ✿ Nepal: Pray for the gospel preaching in Rambazar, Pokhara that more seeking ones can be contacted, and a district meeting to be established; pray that the new ones and families in Lalitpur to be more established in the church life through shepherding and the raising up of the lamp stand on March 11.
- ✿ GTCA Ottawa and Laval: Pray that the Lord would strengthen all the saints to rise up to do follow-ups and to shepherd the contacts; that the Lord would give us remaining fruits; pray that the Lord would gain what He is after in Laval and in Ottawa.
- ✿ 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: Judg 19:1 – 4:22 (see website for daily schedule)
- ✿ HWMR: Service for the Building up of the Church, week 2 and 3
- ✿ Life-Study of Ephesians: Messages 94

## Announcements

- ✿ The International Memorial Day conf. will be held in White Plains, NY, May 26 to 29, 2017. It is a 5 hour drive from Montreal. If you are interested in attending, please reserve a hotel room right away as they will fill up very fast. Hotel rooms are \$129 to 149 USD per night for 1 to 4

people. Parking at the conf. is \$10/day. See conf. information on the bulletin board for more details.

- ✿ We will have a PSO conference in Montreal this year. We will have a service meeting TODAY during lunch time for those who can serve during this conference. (Area of particular need include Hospitality, Children Service, Food etc.) We encourage particularly the parents to come to the conference to receive the vision on how to care for their younger generation.

Here is the tentative schedule:

- 1st meeting: Friday, March 10, 7:30pm
- 2nd meeting: Saturday, March 11, 9:00am
- 3rd meeting: Saturday, March 11, 10:45 am
- Q&A: Saturday March 11, 4:00 pm
- Dinner: Saturday March 11, 6:00 pm
- 4th meeting: Saturday, March 11, 7:30 pm
- 5th meeting: Lord's Day, March 12, 9:30 am
- ✿ The Collected Works of Witness Lee will be completed by Aug. 2018. They will be printing only about what they have as existing orders, therefore the collection will be unable to be ordered after completion. Any who wishes to order them, can still go on standing order to receive them at a 40-45% discount. All on standing orders will get a free index book once all are printed. See pamphlet on bulletin board.
- ✿ Piano service is requesting all saints who can play to contact Catherine. If you have a heart to even be a helper, please contact Catherine also.

## Lord's Day Lunch Serving and Clean-up Schedule

<b>Feb 12</b>	✿ Serving: Chinese South A
	✿ Cleaning: English Central and College (Dennis, Joe responsible)
<b>22</b>	✿ Serving: English A
	✿ Cleaning: French: (Achille, Allan responsible)
<b>29</b>	✿ Serving: English B
	✿ Cleaning: All groups
<b>5</b>	✿ Serving: Chinese Central 1
	✿ Cleaning: English West, Chinese West and Young People (John Y., Boy, Aaron Cha. responsible)

## Upcoming Events

- ✿ Feb 17-19, Anaheim, CA: **Chinese New Year International Conference**
- ✿ March 10 – 12, Montreal: **Parents and serving ones conference**

- ✿ March 31- Apr. 2, 2017, Anaheim: **ITERO**
- ✿ May 26-29, 2017, New York City, NY: **Memorial Day Conference**

*The church website lists more events*

## This Week's Activities

<b>12</b> <b>FEBRUARY</b> <b>LORD'S DAY</b>	✿ 10am – 12:15pm: Lord's table and prophesying meeting
<b>13</b> <b>Monday</b>	✿ 12:15pm – 1:30pm: Love feast
<b>14</b> <b>Tuesday</b>	✿ 7:30-9:00pm: Chinese / West English prayer meetings by districts
<b>15</b> <b>Wednesday</b>	✿ 7:30pm-9:00pm: Central English/French prayer meeting
<b>16</b> <b>Thursday</b>	✿
<b>17</b> <b>Friday</b>	✿ Various home meetings (English / French / Chinese)
<b>18</b> <b>Saturday</b>	✿
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## MEETING

**Scripture Reading:** Scripture Reading: Heb. 10:25; Matt. 18:20; Acts 2:42; 1 Cor. 14:23, 26

### **IV. THE PRINCIPLES OF MEETING (continued)**

Some brothers have been Christians for years, yet they still do not know how to meet. They care little for heaven or earth, the Lord or the Holy Spirit; they only care about themselves. They seem to think that as long as they are present, even alone, they can have a meeting. In their eyes, none of the brothers and sisters exist; they are the only ones who are present. This is truly arrogant. When they speak in the meeting, they want to speak until they are satisfied. In the end they are the only ones who are happy; the other brothers and sisters are all unhappy. They feel that they have a "burden" which must be released. But as soon as they open their mouths, others are forced to pick up this "burden" and take it home with them. Some like long prayers. When they pray, others become tired. When someone breaks the principles of the meeting, the whole church suffers. We must not offend the Holy Spirit in a meeting. Once we offend the Holy Spirit, all the blessing is gone. In the meeting, if we take care of the needs of others and try to build up others, the Holy Spirit will be honored.

He will do the building up work, and we will be built up. However, if we do not build up others but talk loosely and offend the Holy Spirit, our meeting will be in vain. When we meet, we should not think of getting something out of the meeting for ourselves. All the activities should be for the benefit of others. If you think your speaking will benefit others, you should speak. If you think your silence will benefit others, remain silent. Always try to take care of others; this is the basic principle of meeting together.

This does not mean that everyone should be silent in the meeting. Many times speaking damages others, but silence also damages others. If you do not care for others, the meeting will suffer whether you speak or remain quiet. Your speaking must be for the benefit of the meeting, and your silence must also be for the benefit of the meeting. Always seek the building up of others. Those who should speak should not remain silent. In the meeting, please remember, "Let all things be done for building up" (1 Cor. 14:26). Everyone should come to the meeting with a goal in mind --he is there for others, not just for himself. We should never do anything that will stumble others. If our silence will stumble others, we should speak. If our speaking will stumble others, we should be silent. We need to learn to speak for the purpose of building up others, and we need to learn to be silent also for the purpose of building up others. Whatever we do, it is for the purpose of building up others, not ourselves. When we are not for ourselves, we will end up being built up ourselves. But when we think only of ourselves, we will not receive any building up.

If you are not sure whether your speaking will build up others, the best thing to do is to check with more experienced brothers. You should ask them, "Do you think I should speak more or less in the meeting?" You have to learn to be a humble person from the beginning. Do not think that you are "somebody." Do not think that you can sing and preach well and that you are great. Please do not make any judgment about yourself. The best thing to do is to ask the experienced brothers. Check with them to see whether your speaking builds up others. Speak more if they encourage you to do so. Speak less if they remind you to speak less. Our meeting will be high if everyone humbles himself to learn from others. When this happens, others will sense that God is in our midst when they come in. This is the result of the operation of the Holy Spirit. I hope we will pay attention to this matter. If we do, our meeting will glorify God.

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