

Please pray:

- ✳ Myanmar: Pray for the propagation in Mawlamyaing city, the Capital of Mon State; pray for the saints in Bamaw city to stand firm for the newly established golden lamp stand; pray for the 91 Full Time Training in Yangon (Myanmar) trainees to grow in Life and be constituted with the truth.
- ✳ Germany: Pray for the month-long follow-up trips during the first half of 2017 for gospel preaching, shepherding, and perfecting of key contacts among the refugees and students; pray for the labor on the college campuses for the gaining of typical German young people and international students.
- ✳ Kingston, Ontario: Pray for the migration of the saints to Kingston to strengthen His Church and testimony in this city.
- ✳ College students and serving ones: Pray for the college students and serving ones who have attended the college conference to be commissioned to preach the high gospel in their daily living; pray that their daily living will be governed by the vision of God's eternal purpose.
- ✳ Parents and serving ones conference in Montreal: Pray that many saints would be released to attend this conference to receive the Lord's up to date speaking for the raising up of the next generation; that the saints would be emptied and unloaded to receive a fresh vision and have the one accord for the taking care of the younger generation; for all the practical services of this conference.
- ✳ GTCA Ottawa and Laval: Pray that the Lord would give us a heart to shepherd the new contacts; that the new contacts would be shepherded according to their needs; for the strengthening of the saints who are visiting Ottawa every week both physically and spiritually; that the Lord would give us remaining fruits; that the Lord would gain what He is after in Ottawa and Laval.
- ✳ 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: John 13:12 – 15:27 (see website for daily schedule)
- ✳ HWMR: Service for the Building up of the Church, week 6 and week 7
- ✳ Life-Study of Ephesians: Messages 97

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.
- ✳ The Parents and serving ones conference will be held in Montreal this year. All parents of children and young persons are encouraged to attend the conference to receive the vision on how to care for the younger generation. Please inform the brothers in your districts so you can be registered for this conference. Here is the 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

Mar 5	✳ Serving: Chinese Central 1
	✳ Cleaning: English West, Chinese West and Young People (John Y., Boy, Aaron Cha. responsible)
12	✳ Serving: Chinese South B
	✳ Cleaning: Chinese North and Chinese Central 1 (Jun, Gerry Chan responsible)
19	✳ Serving: French/Spanish
	✳ Cleaning: Chinese East (Xie, Guorong responsible)
26	✳ Serving: Chinese East
	✳ Cleaning: Chinese South (Xuecheng, Shishan responsible)

Upcoming Events

- ✳ March 10 – 12, Montreal: **Parents and serving ones conference**
- ✳ Mar 19, Meeting Hall, Montreal: **Church in Montreal AGM**
- ✳ Mar 19, Montreal Metro's: **Local bible distribution**
- ✳ Mar 25, Laval, QC: **BfC Seminar**
- ✳ March 31- Apr. 2, 2017, Anaheim: **ITERO**
- ✳ Apr 14-16, Toronto, ON: **Eastern Canada Young People's Spring Retreat**
- ✳ May 20-21, Toronto, ON: **Canada Victoria Day Conference**
- ✳ May 26-29, 2017, White Plains, NY: **Memorial Day Conference**
- ✳ July 3-8, 2017, Anaheim, CA: **Summer Training**

The church website lists more events

This Week's Activities

5	✳ 10am – 12:15pm: Lord's table and prophesying meeting
MARCH	
LORD'S DAY	✳ 12:15pm – 1:30pm: Love feast
6	✳
Monday	
7	✳ 7:30-9:00pm: Chinese / English prayer meetings by districts
Tuesday	
8	✳ 7:30pm-9:00pm: French prayer meeting
Wednesday	
9	✳
Thursday	
10	✳ 7:30pm: The Parents and serving ones conference, Msg 1
Friday	
11	✳ 9am: The Parents and serving ones conference, Msg 2
Saturday	✳ 10:45am: The Parents and serving ones conference, Msg 3
	✳ 6pm: Dinner
	✳ 7:30pm: The Parents and serving ones conference, Msg 4
12	✳ 9:30 – 10:30am:: Lord's table meeting
MARCH	✳ 10:30am – 12:15pm: The Parents and serving ones conference, Msg 5
LORD'S DAY	✳ 12:15pm – 1:30pm: Love feast

MEETING

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

V. IN CHRIST (continued)

Once you become a Christian, you must leave your past temperament behind. There is no such thing in the church. Often the church suffers because many people try to bring their natural flavor and peculiar traits into the church. When those who do not like to talk gather together, they become a quiet group. When those who chatter gather together, they become a chattering group. When those who are cold gather together, they become a group of cold people. When those who are warm gather together, they become a group of warm people. As a result, many distinctions are built up among God's children.

However, there is no place for natural dispositions in the church. In Christ and in the new man, there is no place for natural disposition. Do not think that others are wrong because their disposition is different from yours. You must realize that your own disposition is also unacceptable to others. Whether you are quick or quiet, cold or warm, intellectual or emotional, once you become a brother or a sister, you must put off these things. If you bring these natural elements into the church, they will become the basis of confusion and division. When you bring your disposition and temperament into the church, you will make yourself the standard and the criteria. Those who are up to your standard will be classified as good Christians, and those who are not up to your standard will be classified as poor Christians. Those who get along with your character will be deemed right and those who do not get along with your character will be deemed wrong. When this happens, the church will suffer through your disposition and temperament. Such distinctions must never exist in the church.

The second distinction is between free men and slaves. This distinction has also been eliminated in Christ. In Christ, the distinction between free men and slaves does not exist.

Paul wrote the Epistles of 1 Corinthians, Galatians, and Colossians during the Roman era when slavery was practiced. At that time slaves were like animals or tools; they were their masters' possessions. Children born to slaves were automatically slaves; they had no freedom their whole life. The distinction between the free man and the slave was very great. However, God does not allow this distinction to exist in the church. The Epistles of 1 Corinthians, Galatians, and Colossians all say that there cannot be free man or slave. This distinction has been eliminated in Christ.

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