

Please pray:

- ✿ Eastern Canada Summer School of Truth (Aug 13-18): Pray for the continual strengthening of the serving ones into their inner man so that they could serve in their spirit and with the humanity of Jesus; that the young people would have an ear to hear a personal speaking from the Lord; that the Lord would gain what He is after during this time.
- ✿ Bibles distributed to Haitian refugees in Montreal: Pray that the 200 Bibles distributed would be opened and read; that the Word of God would help, strengthen and encourage them during these difficult times; that the difficult times would help them to find the Lord and deepen their relationship with Him; that shepherds would be raised up to care for these contacts.
- ✿ Open house contacts follow-ups: Pray that we would have a heart to shepherd the contacts that we have talked to personally during the open house and spend more time with them after the open house; that many contacts would be shepherded according to their needs; that some may be added into the church life.
- ✿ Haifa, Israel: Pray that the time spent with the few families who have expressed a desire for the genuine oneness in Haifa would be profitable and that they may desire to have further contact.
- ✿ To be prepared as the Bride of Christ: Pray that we would have a heart to spend much time with the Lord to contemplate, to enjoy, to eat, to drink, to absorb, to assimilate and to reflect Him; that we would prepare ourselves to be the Bride by growing in life until we reach full maturity; that we would be built up together as the corporate Bride of Christ.
- ✿ 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: 1 Chron. 6:1 – 14:17 (see website for daily schedule)
- ✿ HWMR: The Direction of the Lord's Move Today, weeks 5 and 6

Announcements

- ✿ There will be a **Perfecting Training** in Montreal from Fri. Aug. 18 – LD Aug. 20, 2017. The topic is "GAINING CHRIST IN HIS EXCELLENCY FOR THE BUILDING UP OF THE BODY OF CHRIST UNIVERSALLY". Please register with the coordinating brothers in your group meeting by Tuesday August 15. The cost is \$30 per adult and includes 4 meals.

- ✿ From Aug 25 to Sept 1, 2017, there will be the Fall 2017 College retreat & Student Internship in Sainte-Adele. Please sign up/apply by Aug 21, 2017 with College serving ones.
- ✿ The translation work in French is on track to translate 2500 pages this year. However, there is a continued need for translator and editor support. The French translation fund is currently low. Please pray for this need.
- ✿ 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 go on standing order to receive them at a 40-45% discount. There are several payment plans available. See bulletin board.

Lord's Day Lunch Serving and Cleaning Schedule

Aug 13	✿ Serving: English A ✿ Cleaning: Chinese North and Chinese Central 1 (Jun, Gerry Chan responsible)
20	✿ Serving: English B ✿ Cleaning: Chinese East (Xie, Guorong responsible)
27	✿ Serving: Chinese Central 1 ✿ Cleaning: Chinese South (Xuecheng, Shishan responsible)
Sept 3	✿ Serving: Chinese South (B) ✿ Cleaning: Chinese Central 2 & 3

Upcoming Events

- ✿ Aug 13-18, Upper Canada Camp, Palgrave, ON: **Eastern Canada Summer School of Truth**
- ✿ Aug 18-20, Montreal: **Perfecting Training**
- ✿ Aug 25 to Sept 1, Sainte-Adele: **Fall 2017 College retreat & Student Internship**

The church website lists more events

This Week's Activities

13	✿ 10am – 12:15pm: Lord's table and prophesying meeting
AUGUST LORD'S DAY	✿ 12:15pm – 1:30pm: Love feast
14	✿
Monday	
15	✿ 7:30-9:00pm: English/French/Chinese prayer meetings by districts
Tuesday	
16	
Wednesday	✿
17	✿
Thursday	
18	✿ 7:15 – 9:00pm: Perfecting Training msg #1
Friday	

19 Saturday	☼ 9:00 – 10:30am: Perfecting Training msg #2
	☼ 10:30am – 12:00pm: Perfecting Training msg #3
	☼ 2:45 – 4:15pm: Group prayer and fellowship time
	☼ 4:45 – 6:15pm: Perfecting Training msg #4
	☼ 7:15 – 9:00pm: Perfecting Training msg #5
20 AUGUST LORD'S DAY	☼ 9:00 – 10:15am: Perfecting Training msg #6
	☼ 10:15 – 11:00am: Lord's table meeting
	☼ 11:00am – 12:30pm: Conclusion of Perfecting Training
	☼ 12:30 – 1:30pm: Love feast

CONFESSION AND RECOMPENSE

Scripture Reading: Lev. 6:1-7; Matt. 5:23-26

II. THE TRESPASS OFFERING IN LEVITICUS 6

A. *Some Sins That Are Trespasses against Man*

Leviticus 6:2-7: "When a person sins and acts unfaithfully against Jehovah,"—All sins are ultimately trespasses against Jehovah—"and lies to his fellowman in regard to a deposit or a security, or through robbery, or if he has extorted from his fellowman, or has found what was lost and lied about it, and has sworn falsely—concerning any of the things a man may do to sin thereby—then it shall be, when he sins and is guilty, that he shall return what he took by robbery, or what he got by extortion, or the deposit which was deposited with him, or the lost thing which he found, or anything about which he swore falsely; he shall make restitution for it in full and add to it one-fifth more; he shall give it to whom it belongs on the day he is found guilty. Then he shall bring to the priest his trespass offering to Jehovah, a ram without blemish from the flock, according to the valuation, for a trespass offering. And the priest shall make propitiation for him before Jehovah, and he shall be forgiven for whatever he may have done by which he has become guilty." A person who has offended anyone or transgressed against anyone in material things has to settle it with men before he can be forgiven. If he does not settle it with men, he will not be forgiven.

There are six kinds of transgressions against man in these verses:

(1) Lying to one's fellowman in regard to a deposit: This means to be entrusted with something and then to purposely withhold the good and costly portions while surrendering the inferior portions. This is lying, and it is a sin before God. We should not lie to others in regard to their deposit but rather guard it faithfully. God's children should always guard faithfully the things that others have entrusted to them. If we cannot guard it, we should not accept such a deposit. Once we accept it, we should do our best to guard it. If anything happens to it through our unfaithfulness, we have trespassed against man.

(2) Lying to one's fellowman in regard to a security: This means to deal falsely or to lie in business transactions or to profit through improper means or to usurp something that is not yours in trade. This is to sin before the Lord, and it should be dealt with in a strict way.

(3) Robbing a fellowman: Although this may not happen among the saints, we still have to say something about it. No one may acquire anything by way of robbery. Anyone who tries to usurp the possessions of others by means of his status or power has committed a sin.

(4) Extorting from one's fellowman: It is a sin to take advantage of anyone through the influence of one's own position and power. In God's eyes His children should never do such a thing. This kind of conduct must be dealt with.

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