

## Please pray:

- ✿ All Canada brothers conference (Nov 10-12): Pray that the Lord would speak a timely word for the advancement of the churches in Canada; that the brothers may have an ear to hear what the Spirit is speaking to the churches; the Lord would release what is on His heart and gain the oneness in the brothers during this time.
- ✿ Ottawa: Pray for the new contacts contacted through the Bible distribution last week; may there be adequate follow up and care for the new contacts; pray for the growth in life and truth of the saints; that the saints might grow in their knowledge of the Body through blending and be built up together; may there be increased blending and regular visits by saints from Montreal.
- ✿ Elders and leading ones in Montreal: that the Lord would be their life, love and Head in all they do; that they be one with the Lord in their church service and in their normal human lives to be a pattern to the other saints; that they and their families be protected against the attacks of the enemy.
- ✿ Laval: Pray that the Lord would grant us a burden and a heart to continually pray for this land; that shepherds be raised up to take care of the contacts who come to the Bible studies or express desire to be contacted; that the Lord would raise up a proper testimony in Laval according to His timing.
- ✿ Quebec: shepherding of saints and 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.
- ✿ 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: Ezra 9:1 - 8:18 (see website for daily schedule)
- ✿ HWMR: Special Fellowship concerning the World situation and the Lord's Move, weeks 3 and 4

## Announcements

- ✿ Registration for the video training is now late. Please add a \$25 late fee to your payment. Please sign up right away on the board so we can confirm how many outlines in each language are needed, even if you only plan to attend part-time. Here is the schedule:
  - Messages 1, 2: Tue. Dec 26 at 5:30pm and 7:30pm

- Message 3: Wed. Dec 27, at 7:30pm
- Message 4: Thu. Dec 28, at 7:30pm
- Message 5: Fri. Dec 29, at 7:30pm
- Messages 6, 7, 8: Sat. Dec 30 at 3pm, 5pm and 7:30pm
- Messages 9, 10: Sun. Dec 31 at 11 am and 1pm
- Messages 11, 12: Mon. Jan 1 at 5:30pm and 7:30pm

- ✿ The bookroom is working on clearing up past due accounts. If you know you still owe money for books you have picked up in the past, please see the bookroom to pay for those books. Saints will be advised of any outstanding accounts.
- ✿ The 2018 International Chinese New Year Conference will be held from 16th -18 th Feb. 2018 in Taipei. Preceding the conference, there will be a blending trip with the churches in Taiwan. Brother James K from Toronto will lead the group, and the invitation is extended to all saints in Eastern Canada. Please contact brother Joe for more information.

## Lord's Day Lunch Serving and Cleaning Schedule

<b>Nov 5</b>	✿ Serving: Chinese North
	✿ Cleaning: Chinese Central 2 and Chinese Central 3 (Qiang, Wenxiong responsible)
<b>12</b>	✿ Serving: English A
	✿ Cleaning: English Central and College (Dennis, Joe responsible)
<b>19</b>	✿ Serving: English B
	✿ Cleaning: French (Achille, Allan responsible)
<b>26</b>	✿ Serving: Chinese Central 1
	✿ Cleaning: Whole meeting hall cleaning

## Upcoming Events

- ✿ November 23 to 26, 2017, Phoenix, Arizona: **International Thanksgiving Conference**
  - ✿ December 25 to 30, 2017, Anaheim, CA: **Winter Training**
- The church website lists more events*

## This Week's Activities

<b>5 NOVEMBER</b>	✿ 10am – 12:15pm: Lord's table and prophesying meeting
<b>LORD'S DAY</b>	✿ 12:15pm – 1:30pm: Love feast
<b>6 Monday</b>	✿
<b>7 Tuesday</b>	✿ 7:30-9:00pm: English/French/Chinese prayer meetings by districts

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Wednesday	✳	
9	✳	
Thursday		
10	✳	Various home meetings (English / French / Chinese)
Friday		
11	✳	
Saturday		
12	✳	10am – 12:15pm: Lord's table and prophesying meeting
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## FORGIVENESS AND RESTORATION

**Scripture Reading:** Matt. 18:21-35, 15-20; Luke 17:3-5

### I. FORGIVING ONE'S BROTHER (continued)

#### C. God's Expectation

The ugliest thing in the eyes of God is for a forgiven person to refuse to forgive others. Nothing is uglier than refusing to forgive when one has been forgiven or refusing to be merciful when one has obtained mercy. A person should not receive grace for himself on the one hand and refuse to share grace with others on the other hand. A person must realize before the Lord that he should treat others the same way that the Lord has treated him. It is very ugly for a man to receive grace while refusing to share grace. Being forgiven yet refusing to forgive others is a most uncomely sight. God condemns a debt-ridden person's attempt to demand payment from another debt-ridden person. He has no pleasure in those who remember others' shortcomings when they themselves have come short.

The master asked the slave, "Should you not also have had mercy on your fellow slave even as I had mercy on you?" God wants us to have mercy on others as He has had mercy on us. We need to learn to have mercy on others and to forgive them. A man who has experienced grace and who is forgiven by God should learn to forgive others' debts. He should learn to forgive others, to have mercy on them, and to be gracious to them. We need to lift up our eyes and say to the Lord, "Lord, You have forgiven my debt of ten thousand talents. I am willing to forgive those who have offended me today. I am also willing to forgive those who will offend me in the future. You have forgiven me of my great sins. I also will learn to be like You in a small way by forgiving others."

#### D. God's Discipline

Verse 34 continues, "His master became angry and delivered him to the torturers until he would repay all that was owed." This is a man who has come under God's discipline. God delivers him to the torturers until he should repay all that he owes.

Verse 35 says, "So also shall My heavenly Father do to you if each of you does not forgive his brother from your hearts." This is a serious matter. We hope that no one would fall into God's hand. We must forgive our brother from the heart, as God has forgiven us from His heart. We hope all the brothers and sisters will learn to forgive all offenses. Do not try to remember the sins of your brother. We should not ask our brother to repay us. God's children should be like God in this matter. Since God treats us generously, He expects us to treat our brothers generously as well.

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