

Please pray:

- ✿ The main burden during the Memorial Day conference is on the spiritual warfare of the church as the one new man, to defeat God's enemy, fulfill God's purpose, and to bring in the kingdom of God. May we have the aspiration and the willingness to cooperate with the Lord to be equipped to fight the battle against God's enemy in our daily living.
- ✿ Northeast College Training (Jul 13-19): Please pray that many college students would be released to be trained by the Lord during this time; pray that the Lord would start to prepare the college students' hearts to be a good ground for Him to work on; pray that the Lord would gain the college students for His use.
- ✿ Montreal Chinese speaking gospel meeting & French and English speaking BFC seminar (June 16): Pray that the Lord would go before us to prepare the hearts of men to be the good ground to receive His words; that the Lord would bring the ones whom He has predestinated to come; pray that many saints would be burdened and released to participate in the gospel preaching and Bible distribution on June 10th; that the Lord would give us fruit that remains.
- ✿ Laval Bible study: We have recently started the study on the book of Revelation. May the Lord use this study to impress the contacts with the need to stand for Lord in the midst of the degradation of the church; that they may aspire to be the overcomes to bring the Lord back; that the Lord would strengthen the serving ones to properly present the truths in this book.
- ✿ 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: Psa 141:1 - Prov 6:35 (see website for daily schedule)
- ✿ HWMR: The Recovery of the Church, week 9

Announcements

- ✿ The last Day for regular registration of live summer training and video training is passed. Any registration received now will be subject to a late fee. Late registration will be \$300 for the live and \$150 for the video training.

Lord's Day Lunch Serving and Cleaning Schedule

June 3	✿ Serving: Chinese East ✿ Cleaning: Chinese North and Chinese Central 1 (Jun, Gerry Chan responsible)
10	✿ Serving: Chinese South A

	Cleaning: French (Achille, Allan responsible)
17	✿ Serving: Chinese North ✿ Cleaning: Chinese East (Xie, Guorong responsible)
24	✿ Serving: English A ✿ Cleaning: Chinese South (Xuecheng, Shishan responsible)

Upcoming Events

- ✿ July 2-7, 2018, Anaheim: **Summer Training**
- ✿ July 3-10, 2018, Montreal: **Summer Video Training (English/French)**
- ✿ Aug 1-8, 2018: **Maritime Blending Trip**

The church website lists more events

This Week's Activities

3 JUNE LORD'S DAY	✿ 10am- 12:15pm: Lord's Table and Prophesying meetings ✿ 12:15pm - 1:30pm: Lunch
4 Monday	✿
5 Tuesday	✿ 7:00-7:30pm: English/French/Chinese prayer meetings ✿ 7:30pm - 9pm: Memorial day conference, Msg 3
6 Wednesday	✿
7 Thursday	✿
8 Friday	✿ 7pm - 9pm: Memorial day conference, Msg 4
9 Saturday	✿ 1 - 5pm: 2 video messages from the recent Parents and Serving Ones Conference
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GOVERNMENTAL FORGIVENESS

B. Frustrations to the Fellowship of Life

We believe that the blood of the Lord Jesus has saved us. There is absolutely no question as far as our life is concerned; we are saved and are eternally forgiven. This part does not pose any problem to us.

But another matter may pose a problem. After we have believed in the Lord and are saved, our fellowship with God

and with other children of God can be interrupted if we offend Him. What does it mean for our fellowship to be interrupted? Suppose a little girl goes to the kitchen secretly and steals the food her mother has prepared, or some fruit from the cabinet, or other things. Suppose she eats all the food while her mother is away. She may close the door of the kitchen properly, clean her face, and wipe the table, but a transgression has been committed! Before this she was very intimate with her mother every night. But on this night, she may not be as intimate as before because she has stolen something. When her mother calls her from upstairs, her heart may start bounding downstairs. She may think that her mother is going to spank her. Her mother may even offer her some food, but she will not have any taste for it. She will be in constant fear that her mother knows what she has done. She may try to hide herself from her mother. In this we see that the child's fellowship with her mother has been interrupted. After she steals the food, she does not cease to be her mother's daughter; she is still a daughter, but her fellowship with her mother has been interrupted. After you have sinned, you do not cease to be a child of God. You are still God's child, but your fellowship with Him has been interrupted. Sin cuts off fellowship immediately. You no longer have a conscience that is void of offense. You must have a pure conscience before you can enjoy a continuous fellowship with God. If your conscience is offended, you have no way to fellowship with God.

C. How to Restore Our Fellowship with God

A child of God does not lose his status as a child after he has sinned. However, he may lose his fellowship with God through his sin. There is a forgiveness, however, which we call forgiveness in fellowship. We call it forgiveness in fellowship because only when one turns back to God and confesses his sins can his fellowship with God be restored. Otherwise, he has no way to fellowship with God. He may not even be able to pray to God or say amen when others pray. He will suffer very much within himself.

What should one do? Take the earlier example of the little girl who stole from her mother. She must go to her mother and say, "I have stolen the biscuits you have prepared. I have eaten the fruit you placed on the table. I should not have done this." She has to stand on the ground of her mother and acknowledge her sin as sin. She must give sin the proper name. She must say, "Please forgive my sins!" In the same way, we must come to God and say, "I have sinned. I have sinned against You in this matter. Please forgive me!" If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Such a forgiveness has nothing to do with eternal forgiveness. It has to

do with our fellowship with God. This is why we call it forgiveness in fellowship.

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