

## Please pray:

- ✳ Grade six children: Please pray for the follow-up of the 18 children who attended the Grade Six Gospel Conference; that the Lord would remind them of all that was shared and that the Spirit would operate in them unto repentance and lead them to confess their sins and believe into the Lord; pray that in the next couple of months they would respond to the shepherding of the serving ones and the Word shared with them would produce a divine transaction with God, they would take the next step of baptism, and give their young lives to God; pray that they would be ready to attend the Summer School of Truth in August and that they would be prepared to enter into grade seven, be strengthened and be equipped to live a life in the new creation and be gospel seeds in their respective schools.
- ✳ 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 the good ground for Him to work on; pray that the Lord would gain the college students for His use.
- ✳ Summer training and video training 2018: Pray that the Lord would use this training to speak to His churches and advance in His recovery; pray that the speaking brothers would be strengthened into their inner man, be joined to be one with the Lord and speak forth what the Lord has on His heart; pray that all the saints would have an ear to hear and a heart to receive all that the Lord wants to reveal to His churches; pray that the Lord would gain what He is after in this training.
- ✳ Munich, Germany: There are now 142 who are asking for further contact. Many of these, if not most, are native German-speaking students. There have been many positive responses with at least 34 new ones, and 13 have already come to either a home meeting or a barbecue. Please pray that the Lord would release a mature American or Canadian (preferably) couple to migrate to Munich permanently; pray for the housing situation for the saints who are going there to labor; pray that the contacts would be properly shepherded.
- ✳ 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: Prov. 18:1-29:27 (see website for daily schedule)
- ✳ HWMR: The Genuine Church Life, week 4

## Announcements

- ✳ The 2018 Eastern Canada Summer School of Truth will be held from August 12-17 at Upper Canada Camp, Palgrave, Ontario. This SSOT is intended for those going into grade 7 up to those going into second year CEGEP in September. The cost will be \$295 for food and lodging plus \$60 for gas and food on the way to the camp for a total of \$355. Please register by July 8 by filling out the forms provided by the young people serving ones.
- ✳ The last day for regular registration of live summer training and video training has 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.

### ✳ Summer Video Training Schedule (English/French):

Message 1-2	Message 3	Message 4	Message 5	Message 6, 7, 8	Message 9,10	Message 11, 12
Tues. July 3 5:30pm, 7:30pm	Wed. July 4 7:30pm	Thurs. July 5 7:30pm	Fri. July 6 7:30pm	Sat. July 7 10am, 1pm, 3pm	Sun. July 8 11am, 1pm	Tues. July 10 5:30pm, 7:30pm

### ✳ Summer Video Training Schedule (Chinese):

Message 1	Message 2	Message 3,4,5	Message 6	Message 7	Message 8	Message 9,10,11	Message 12
Tues. July 10 7:30- 9:30pm	Thurs. July 12 7:30- 9:30pm	Sat. July 14 10:00am- 12:00pm, 12:45- 2:35pm, 3:00-4:50pm	Sun. July 15 1:40- 3:30pm	Tues. July 17 7:30- 9:30pm	Thurs. July 19 7:30- 9:30pm	Sat. July 21 10:00am- 12:00pm, 12:45- 2:35pm, 3:00-4:50pm	Sun. July 22 1:40- 3:30pm

## Lord's Day Lunch Serving and Cleaning Schedule

<b>July 1</b>	✳ Serving: Chinese Central (賈筱榮) ✳ Cleaning: English Central, Chinese Central 3 and College (Dennis, Joe, Qiang, Wenxiong responsible)
<b>8</b>	✳ Serving: Chinese South (陳世山、劉學成) ✳ Cleaning: Whole Hall Cleaning
<b>15</b>	✳ Serving: Chinese East (陳劉淑真) ✳ Cleaning: English West, Chinese West and Young People (John Y., Boy, Aaron Chao responsible)
<b>22</b>	✳ Serving: Chinese North (黃育鳳) ✳ Cleaning: Chinese North and Chinese Central 1 (Jun, Gary Chen responsible)

## Upcoming Events

- ✿ July 2-7, 2018, Anaheim: **Summer Training**
- ✿ July 3-10, 2018, Montreal - meeting hall - **Summer Video Training (English/French)**
- ✿ July 13-19, 2018, Kingston, NY : **Northeast College Training**
- ✿ July 10-22, 2018, Montreal - meeting hall - **Summer Video Training (Chinese)**
- ✿ Aug 1-8, 2018: **Maritime Blending Trip**
- ✿ Aug 12-17, Upper Canada Camp, Palgrave, ON: **Summer School of Truth**

*The church website lists more events*

## This Week's Activities

<b>1</b>	✿ 10am- 12:15pm: Lord's Table and Prophesying meetings
<b>JULY</b>	✿ 12:15 - 1:30pm: Love feast
<b>LORD'S DAY</b>	
<b>2</b>	✿
<b>Monday</b>	
<b>3</b>	✿ 5:30-7:15pm/ 7:30-9:15pm: <b>English /French Video Training</b> msgs 1 & 2
<b>Tuesday</b>	✿ 7:30-9pm: Chinese prayer meetings
<b>4</b>	✿ 7:30-9:15pm: Video Training msg 3
<b>Wednesday</b>	
<b>5</b>	✿ 7:30-9:15pm: Video Training msg 4
<b>Thursday</b>	
<b>6</b>	✿ 7:30-9:15pm: Video Training msg 5
<b>Friday</b>	✿ Various Home Meetings (Chinese)
<b>7</b>	✿ 10am-11:45pm/ 1-2:45pm/3-4:45pm:
<b>Saturday</b>	Video Training messages 6, 7, 8
<b>8</b>	✿ 10- 11am: Lord's Table meeting
<b>JULY</b>	✿ 11am-12:15pm:Chinese Prophesying meeting
<b>LORD'S DAY</b>	✿ 11am-12:15pm:English/French Video Training message 9
	✿ 12:15pm - 1:30pm: Love feast
	✿ 1-2:45pm: English/French Video Training message 10

## GOVERNMENTAL FORGIVENESS

### D. The Elders of the Church Anointing the Sick and Praying for them to Receive Governmental Forgiveness

James 5:14-15 says, "Is anyone among you ill? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer of faith will save the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up; and if he has committed sins, it will be forgiven him." This seems to be a very special kind of forgiveness. Here was a brother who was sick. The elders of the

church were invited to anoint him with oil and pray for him, and the prayer of faith would cause the sick to rise up. If he had committed any sin, it would be forgiven him. We have seen that sickness may be caused by many factors. Some sicknesses may not be the result of sin, but some are. The sin here is not forgiven through the confession of the sick one; it is forgiven through the prayer of the elders of the church. Why are his sins forgiven after the elders of the church pray for him and apply the anointing to him? What sins are spoken of in this verse? One cannot apply such a method to eternal forgiveness, instrumental forgiveness, or forgiveness in fellowship. I believe that this is related to God's government. Suppose a brother is sick because of God's governmental hand. He has sinned and has fallen, and God is disciplining him. Although he has confessed his sins and has been forgiven and restored to fellowship, God's disciplining hand has not been lifted. He has to wait for the elders of the church to come to him and make petition on his behalf, saying, "The brothers have forgiven his sins. We expect to see him rise up again. The church would like to see such a brother being recovered to the flow of life. Therefore, we anoint his body with oil that the ointment of the Head may flow to him once more." When the church does this to the sick one, he will be restored. In many cases, a person may have sinned and offended God's government. As soon as God removes His governmental hand from such a person, his sickness will be healed. When God removes His governmental hand, we have the fulfillment of the word, "If he has committed sins, it will be forgiven him." This sin is different from other ordinary sins. In our reading of the Bible, we must realize that James 5 is a chapter on governmental forgiveness. If we fall under God's governmental hand, He will not let us go until we are fully forgiven.

### E. David under God's Governmental Hand

To understand the significance of governmental forgiveness, we must consider the example of David in the Old Testament. No portion of the Bible speaks of God's governmental forgiveness as clearly as the story of David with Uriah's wife. David committed two sins: adultery and murder. His adultery was a sin against Uriah's wife, and his murder was a sin against Uriah himself. If you read Psalm 51 and a few other psalms, you will see how David confessed his sins after his mistakes. He felt the shame, the defilement, and the offense that he had committed against God. He was sincere in his confession to God. This shows us clearly that his fellowship with God was restored after his confession in Psalm 51. This restoration of fellowship is analogous to that which is spoken of in 1 John 1.

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