

## Please pray:

- ✳ North America College Training (NACT): 1) Pray that the Lord would sanctify this week unto Him to be a time of enjoying Him as the reality of the Sabbath year, a time of resting in Him and of separation from the world, so that He can bring everyone into the full experience of the jubilee. 2) Pray that each student would give themselves to the church life by participating in the church meetings and by pursuing Christ with spiritual companions.
- ✳ French-speaking conference in Montreal (Aug 30 - Sep 1): Pray for the fellowship, speaking, services and preparations for this conference; 2) pray for the releasing of the French-speaking saints all over the world to attend this conference; 3) pray that many new ones in Montreal and the surrounding areas will also be released to come and hear the Lord's speaking; 4) pray that the Lord will gain what He is after in this conference.
- ✳ Brothers and sisters' houses in Montreal: that the Lord would receive the consecration of the saints who live in these houses and strengthen them to pursue Him in corporate living; that many older saints might be burdened to individually shepherd them; that they might receive the Lord's love and might overflow to love each other in the divine love; that they might learn to take up their cross daily and live by the resurrection life; that they might grow and be perfected in their spiritual exercise and function for the building up of the church.
- ✳ Vancouver meeting hall: As the construction of meeting hall #1 in Vancouver enters another phase which deals with the structural aspects, pray that there will be no delays in securing the proper construction materials. Let us be so willing to pray and offer the financial needs to meet the shortage of \$3.44 million.
- ✳ India: 1) Pray for all the existing trainees to be perfected and advanced further in truth, life, service and character in order to be useful to the Master. 2) Pray for all the preparations and arrangements for the upcoming Fall ITERO in India, that the Lord can head up all the arrangements for the release of His speaking.
- ✳ 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: Rev 2:12 – 3:9
- ✳ HWMR: Propagating the Resurrected, Ascended, and All-Inclusive Christ as the Development of the Kingdom of God, week 6

## Announcements

- ✳ The Summer School of Truth will be held at Puslinch, Ontario (Crieff Hills) from August 4 to 9, 2019. Parents should contact the young people serving ones for details and registration. Deadline is July 12.
- ✳ The schedule for the Video Training is as followed:
  - Message 1 -2: Tue July 2 @5:30pm & @7:30pm
  - Message 3: Wed July 3 @7:30pm
  - Message 4: Thur July 4 @7:30pm
  - Message 5: Fri July 5 @7:30pm
  - Message 6, 7, 8: Sat July 6 @10am, @1pm, @3pm
  - Message 9,10: Sun July 7 @11am, @1pm
  - Message 11, 12: Tue July 9 @5:30pm & @7:30pm
- ✳ The Library is finishing inventory. Please ensure all material borrowed is returned. The Library will be moving location soon so any willing to help serving with the Library when it is set up, please advise Monica or Phaik Keen.
- ✳ Piano service: if anyone is able to play the piano, please consider serving. There is an urgent need for serving ones.
- ✳ Anyone interested in borrowing the messages on CD, please see the bookroom serving ones to sign them out.

## Lord's Day Lunch Serving and Cleaning Schedule

7 July	Serving: Chinese North (黃育鳳...) Cleaning: French (Achille, Allan responsible)
14	Serving: English/French (Rose, Julie ...) Cleaning: Chinese East (Xie, Guorong responsible)
21	Serving: Chinese Central (賈筱榮...) Cleaning: Chinese South (Xuecheng, Shishan responsible)
28	Serving: Chinese South (陳世山、劉學成...) Cleaning: English Central, Chinese Central 2 and College (Dennis, Joe, Qiang, Wenxiong responsible)

## Upcoming Events

- ✳ July 14-20: **North America College Training**
- ✳ Aug 4 to 9, 2019, Puslinch, Ontario (Crieff Hills): **Summer School of Truth**
- ✳ Aug 30 to Sept 1: **French speaking conference**
- ✳ Oct 12-13, 2019, Moncton, NB: **Maritimes conference**  
*The church website lists more events*

## This Week's Activities

7 JULY LORD'S DAY	✳ 10am- 11am Lord's Table & Prophesying meetings ✳ 11am: Video Training, Msg 9
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	✿ 12:15pm - 1:30pm: Love Feast
	✿ 1pm: Video Training, Msg 10
8	✿
<b>Monday</b>	
9	✿ 5:30pm: Video Training, Msg 11
<b>Tuesday</b>	✿ 7:30pm: Video Training, Msg 12
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<b>Wednesday</b>	✿
11	✿
<b>Thursday</b>	
12	✿
<b>Friday</b>	
13	✿ 6:30-9:00pm: Various Home Meetings (English/French/Chinese)
<b>Saturday</b>	
14	✿ 10am- 12pm Lord's Table & Prophesying meetings
<b>JULY</b>	
<b>LORD'S DAY</b>	✿ 12:15pm - 1:30pm: Love Feast

## THE PRIESTHOOD

### II. THE KINGDOM OF PRIESTS BECOMING THE HOUSE OF PRIESTS

According to the revelation of the Scripture, God's purpose is not to have only one or two persons as His priests. His purpose is to have all His people as His priests.

#### A. God Choosing the Israelites to Be a Kingdom of Priests

After the Israelites came out of Egypt, they came to Mount Sinai. God charged Moses to speak to the Israelites, saying, "Ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests, and a holy nation" (Exo. 19:6). God told the Israelites that they would be a kingdom of priests. This expression is somewhat difficult to understand. Why did God say that they would be a kingdom of priests? He meant that He wanted the whole nation to be priests. No one in the nation would be an ordinary person; the whole kingdom would be priests. This was God's purpose.

When God chose Israel to be His people, He set this goal before them. This nation was to be different from all other nations on the earth. It was a kingdom of priests. All the people of this nation would be priests. This meant that every person in the nation would have one unique occupation, the occupation of serving God. God delights in separating men from the earth for His service. He delights in seeing men live solely for His affairs. God wants all of His children to be priests and to serve Him.

God told the people of Israel when they reached Mount Sinai that He would make them a kingdom of priests. This is a wonderful calling. We call England "the kingdom of the navy," the United States, "the kingdom of gold," China, "the kingdom of manners and virtues," and India "the kingdom of philosophers." But here is a kingdom which is called "the kingdom of priests." This is a wonderful thing. Everyone in this nation is a priest. Men, women, adults, and children are all priests. Everyone in this kingdom serves only God. Both adults and children have only one thing as their occupation—offering sacrifices and serving God. This is a wonderful picture.

After God promised to establish Israel as a kingdom of priests, He told Moses to go up the mountain to receive the Ten Commandments which were written upon two tablets of stone. Moses remained on the mountain forty days while God wrote the Ten Commandments on the stone tablets. The first commandment says, "Thou shalt have no other gods before me." The second says, "Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image" (20:3-4). It seems that God was dictating the commandments one by one.

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