

Please pray:

- ✳ 2020 Canada Student Perfecting from May 3rd to 8th: May the college students and young working saints be fully unloaded and opened to the Lord during this time; may this training help the students and young working saints to be trained in the pursuit and constitution of the truth, the experience and growth in life, the service of the New Testament priesthood, the practice of a gospel living, and the building up of character; may this time give them a taste of the lifelong training they need for their Christian life and church life.
- ✳ Montreal PSO (Parents and serving ones conference) May 9-10: May the parents and serving ones of the next generation be released to attend this timely speaking concerning the shepherding of our next generation; may the parents and serving ones be fully unloaded to receive a fresh speaking from the Lord; may the Lord gain the parents and serving ones to be proper models and shepherds of the next generation.
- ✳ Brother Lee gave some practical tips to help us persevere in prayer in the Life study of Colossians. Let us pray that these points may become our reality: First, he charged us to have a thorough dealing with the Lord and even make a vow to Him concerning our prayer life. Such a vow expresses our aspiration to be a praying person, while acknowledging that we need the Lord to enable us to be faithful to fulfill our vow. Second, we need to set aside one or more definite times every day to pray (Dan. 6:10). We should consider prayer the most important thing and not allow anything to usurp these times or to interrupt our prayer. Third, we need to be mindful of our speaking during our daily life, as loose talk dampens our praying spirit (Eph. 4:29-30; cf. 1 Thes. 5:19 and footnote). Fourth, we need to use our spirit, exercise our will, calm our mind, and regulate our emotions in order to pray properly (Eph. 6:18; 2 Tim. 1:7; 1 Pet. 4:7). Fifth, experience teaches us that praying with a companion helps us to develop more consistency in our prayer.
- ✳ Distribution and Reception of the Berlin Gospel Tracts: The printing for the tract distribution finished on April 25 and 854,000 gospel tracts were transported to the post office - Please pray that: 1. The post office handling team will fully cooperate on this matter. 2. The gospel tracts will be delivered to the households in a quick way with no delay. 3. The Spirit will operate and touch people to read the gospel tract in a serious way. 6. Many will take the action to respond by contacting us through the email. 7. Many will ask to join the online Bible study. 8. The Lord will gain remaining fruit as the good building material for God's purpose. 9. The saints will rise up to shepherd the new ones.
- ✳ 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: Exo 31:18-38:31
- ✳ HWMR: Crystallization-study of Numbers, week 15

Announcements

- ✳ A parents and serving ones conference will be held over Zoom on May 9-10, 2020. We hope that all the parents, serving ones and those burdened for the next generation can be released to attend this timely speaking concerning the shepherding of our next generation, in English with Chinese and French translation. There will be two messages and the meeting schedule is as follows:
 - Saturday, May 9, 3:00pm
 - Lord's Day, May 10, 3:00pmBoth sessions will be followed by a time of sharing and overflow. Please use this link below to register online to help coordinate for the needs of each language group: <https://forms.gle/MSa8vdSQbpzrZtNA>
- ✳ Due to the spread of the COVID-19 virus, Living Stream Ministry has decided to modify the format for the upcoming 2020 International Memorial Day Blending Conference. The website for streaming the conference messages is conf.lsmwebcast.com. Messages will be streamed in English, Chinese, Spanish, Korean, Japanese, and Portuguese. All the messages of the 2020 Memorial Day Conference will be streamed beginning at the following times in each locality's time zone:
 - Message 1: 7:00 p.m. Friday, 22 May 2020
 - Message 2: 10:00 a.m. Saturday, 23 May 2020
 - Message 3: 7:00 p.m. Saturday, 23 May 2020
 - Message 4: 10:00 a.m. Lord's Day, 24 May 2020
 - Message 5: 7:00 p.m. Lord's Day, 24 May 2020
 - Message 6: 7:00 p.m. Monday, 25 May 2020
- ✳ All meetings continue to take place online/via conference calls. These include the following: **Lord's Table Meeting** - Will be conducted online or via conference calls by the following districts/groups:
 1. English West - Martin P. host
 2. English Central/NDG - Dennis L. host
 3. French - Allan Y. host
 4. Chinese East 1, 2 & 3 & Central 1 & 3 - Aaron C./John Y. host
 5. Chinese South - William L./John C. host
 6. Chinese West & North - John Ya. Host
 7. Prayer meeting - By districts/groups
 8. Group meetings - By districts/groups

- ✳ The co-workers fellowshiped to extend the 21 days of round-the-clock global prayer for another 9 days, **until April 30**. To facilitate this burden, there is a website to:
 - Sign up to receive prayer burdens and reminders via email
 - Read an introductory letter from the co-workers
 - Select 15-minute daily time slots to pray
 - Pray over 21 suggested points for the saints' intercession
 - Confirm participation in this prayer ministry
 Please contact the serving brothers to obtain the website link.
- ✳ To help facilitate the **daily prayer times**, the following groups have been set up. Please contact the saints in the group to join them at those times. If you already have a daily prayer time set up, feel free to continue.
 - 7:00am Lito, Liza, Anusha: Lito hosts
 - 11:00am Laura, Anusha: Laura hosts
 - 12:00pm Dennis, Brian: Dennis hosts
 - 10:00pm Ivan, Johnathan, Dennis, Taras: Dennis hosts
- ✳ **The Children's Meeting** will be held via Zoom Meeting on **Saturday's at 1:00PM** for the **Toddlers to Group 2** children and at **2:00PM** for the **Group 3 and Group 4** children.

Upcoming Events

- ✳ May 9-10, Online: **Parents and serving ones conference**
 - ✳ May 22-25, Online: **Memorial Day conference**
- The church website lists more events*

This Week's Activities

3	✳	10am- 12pm Lord's Table & Prophesying meetings via Zoom Meeting
May		
LORD'S DAY		
4	✳	
Monday		
5	✳	7:30-9:00pm: English/French/Chinese prayer meetings by districts via conference calls
Tuesday		
6	✳	
Wednesday		
7	✳	
Thursday		
8	✳	6:30-9:00pm: Various Home Meetings (English/French/Chinese) via Zoom Meeting
Friday		
9	✳	1-1:30pm: Toddlers to Group 2 meeting via Zoom Meeting
Saturday	✳	2:00pm: Children Group 3 and 4 via Zoom Meeting
	✳	3:00pm: Parents and serving ones conference

10	✳	10am- 12pm Lord's Table & Prophesying meetings via Zoom Meeting
May		
LORD'S DAY	✳	3:00pm: Parents and serving ones conference

WITNESSING

Scripture Reading: Acts 9:19-21; 22:15; 1 John 4:14; John 1:40-45; 4:29; Mark 5:19

I. THE MEANING OF WITNESSING (continued)

What is witnessing? In Acts 22:15 the Lord sent Ananias to speak to Paul: "For you will be a witness to Him unto all men of the things which you have seen and heard." From this we see that the basis of witnessing is what we have seen and heard. You cannot be a witness to what you have not seen with your own eyes or heard with your own ears. Paul saw something with his own eyes and heard something with his own ears. God charged him to be a witness of what he had seen with his own eyes and heard with his own ears. First John 4:14 tells us what witnessing is: "We have beheld and testify that the Father has sent the Son as the Savior of the world." A person is a witness to what he has seen. Thank God, you have believed in the Lord. You have met Him, believed in Him, received Him, and gained Him. You are saved. You have been delivered from sins, received forgiveness, and obtained peace. Now that you have believed in the Lord, what joy you possess. This joy is something which you did not have before. Formerly, how heavy was the load of sin upon you! But now, thank God, this load of sin is gone. You have seen and heard something. What should you do today? You should testify of your experience. This does not mean that you have to leave your job to be a preacher. It means that you should witness to your friends, relatives, and acquaintances of what you have seen and heard, and bring them to the Lord.

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