

## Please pray:

- ✳ Pray that at the start of this new year we would bring our condition, past and present, to God and place it before Him in the light of His face in order to receive His shining in order to have a new beginning. (Gen. 1:14; Mal. 4:2 and note 21; 1 John 1:5; Rev. 21:23).
- ✳ Praise the Lord for a wonderful winter training that we had. May our hearts be the good ground to allow these words to take roots, grow and bear fruit. May we learn how to cooperate with the Lord and allow the words that we have heard to become our reality. May the word that we have heard produce a proper living in our daily lives. May these words build up a proper corporate God-man to express the Lord.
- ✳ Pray that this coming year 2021 will be a year consecrated to the Lord; we consecrate not just because we were bought by the Lord but we willingly consecrate ourselves to Him (Rom 6:16); we consecrate the people we love such as our parents, siblings, spouses, children, and friends to Him; we consecrate all our affairs such as our studies, our work, our future, our aspiration, our time, and our energy to Him; we consecrate our belongings especially those things that we hold dear to our hearts and those that may occupy our heart from loving the Lord. May our Lord gain a group of willingly consecrated people to be the overcomers to cooperate with Him, to accomplish His economy and to bring Him back.
- ✳ Pray that this coming year 2021 will be a year where we may be constituted with the divine and high peak truth; that we may grow more in life by living a God-man living; that we will all rise up to shepherd people by preaching the gospel, nourishing the saints, recovering the dormant saints and bearing remaining fruit.
- ✳ COVID-19 pandemic around the globe: Pray that the Lord will cover all His interests, including the churches and the saints; that the speaking of the ministry will continue in the conferences and trainings; that the saints will continue to meet and minister Christ to build up the Body; and that the white horse of the gospel will ride on victoriously.
- ✳ 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: John 5:1 – 6:71
- ✳ HWMR: Crystallization-Study of Deuteronomy, week 11

## Announcements

- ✳ The 2021 HWMR subscription is now open. The cost will be \$70 for the annual subscription. Please sign up with your district serving ones and pay the \$70 subscription to them directly by Jan. 2.

- ✳ We will have the French prayer meeting on the first and the 3rd Saturday of the month at 4:00 p.m.
- ✳ All church 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 Central/NDG/West - Dennis L. host
  2. French - Allan Y. host
  3. Chinese East 1, 2 & 3 & Central 1 & 3 - Aaron C./John Y. host
  4. Chinese South - William L./John C. host
  5. Chinese West & North - John Ya. Host
- Prayer meeting** - By districts/groups
- Group meetings** - By districts/groups

## Upcoming Events

- ✳ February 13-14, 2021, Online: **2021 International Chinese Speaking Conference**  
*The church website lists more events*

## This Week's Activities

<b>3</b>	✳	10am-12pm: Lord's Table & Prophesying meetings via Zoom Meeting
<b>January</b>		
<b>LORD'S DAY</b>	✳	11am-11:45am: Grade 3-6 children (Seniors) via Zoom
	✳	1:30pm-2:15pm: Grade 2 children and down (Juniors) via Zoom
<b>4</b>	✳	
<b>Monday</b>		
<b>5</b>	✳	7:30-9:00pm: English/French/Chinese prayer meetings by districts via conference calls
<b>Tuesday</b>		
<b>6</b>	✳	
<b>Wednesday</b>		
<b>7</b>	✳	
<b>Thursday</b>		
<b>8</b>	✳	6:30-9:00pm: Various Home Meetings (English/French/Chinese) via Zoom
<b>Friday</b>		
<b>9</b>	✳	
<b>Saturday</b>		
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## CONSECRATION

Scripture Reading: Exo. 28:1-2, 40-41; 29:1-25; Lev. 8:14-28; Rom. 6:13, 16, 19; 12:1; 1 Cor. 6:19-20; 2 Cor. 5:14-15

### IV. THE WAY OF CONSECRATION

#### C. The Offering of Consecration

##### 2. The Wave Offering

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Before the Lord, we need to see that in this life there is only one way for us to take, that is, serving God. We have no other way. Serving God is our only way. In order to serve God, we have to present our entire bodies to Him. From this day forward, our ears will listen for the Lord, our hands will work for the Lord, and our feet will run for the Lord. Our two ears will only listen to the Lord's word, our two hands will only do the Lord's work, and our two feet will only walk the way of the Lord. We are here only to serve God. We have consecrated ourselves as an offering, a sacrifice; we have consecrated our all to Him. Furthermore, our two hands will be filled with Christ; they will uplift Him and express Him. This is what consecration is all about. Only when we have done this, will God say, "This is consecration." This saturation of Christ is what God calls consecration.

Consecration means that we have touched the Lord's love and have recognized His right. For these reasons, we can come before God and beg for the privilege to serve. It is not just a matter of God's calling us but of our offering ourselves to serve. We should say, "O God! I am Yours. I have been bought by You. In the past I was under Your table, hoping to eat a little of the fallen bread crumbs, but from this day forward, I want to serve You. Today I choose to serve You. I have been accepted in the Lord. May I also be granted a little portion in the great task of serving You? Be merciful to me so that I can have a part in Your service. In granting salvation to many, You did not pass me by or reject me; You saved me. Now give me a part among the many who serve You; do not reject me."

This is how you present yourself to the Lord. Everything is for Christ and for Him alone. When you present yourself to Him in this way, you have consecration. This is what Romans 12 calls the presenting of our body. Romans 6 speaks of the consecration of the members. This is like the sprinkling of the blood on the ears, the hands, and the feet. Romans 12 speaks of the consecration of the whole body. It is the filling up of both hands with Christ. This links the Old Testament and the New Testament in a perfect way.

### V. THE GOAL OF CONSECRATION

The goal of consecration is not to become a preacher for God or to work for Him. The goal of consecration is to serve Him. The result of consecration is service. In the original language the word service means "to wait upon." This means that a person is prepared to serve. We must remember that the goal of consecration is to wait upon God. Waiting upon someone may not be strenuous work. To wait upon God means that you stand when He wants you to stand. If He wants to shuffle you aside, you allow Him to shuffle you aside, and if He wants you to run, you run. This is what it means to wait on Him.

God requires that all Christians offer up their bodies to wait on Him. This does not necessarily mean that He wants you to stand at the pulpit or evangelize some remote land. It means to wait on God. If God sends someone to the pulpit, that person has no choice but to speak. If God sends someone to remote lands, he has no choice but to go. All our time is for God, but the work that we do is flexible. Everyone should wait on God, but the specific work that one should engage in is flexible. We must learn to wait on God. The presenting of one's body is for serving God.

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