Please pray:

- As the government of Quebec is easing up more and more the restrictions, may we be encouraged to meet in person with proper measures; may the Lord cover all the saints and bless the assembly of the saints; may the meetings and the blending times in person be fully recovered according to the Lord's timing.
- Pray that the saints would learn to exercise their spirit to sense the atmosphere of the meeting, discern its focus, and apply the hymns at the proper time by following the sense in their spirit (S.S. 7:4 and note 4[1]; Phil. 1:9-10; *Hymns*, #866, ss. 1-2, 9-10).
- French seminar by Rhema (August 21): Pray that the shepherds be released to attend this seminar; pray for the release of the contacts who are already released in the heavens to attend; pray for the preparation of the hearts of the contacts to be good ground to receive the Lord's speaking; pray for all the preparations for this seminar; pray that all the aspects will be covered by the Lord and that the enemy will have no ground in this time; pray that we will gain remaining fruit from this seminar.
- European Young People's Conferences (26 July — 15 August): This year's European Young People's Conference will be carried out regionally, in person and remotely, and at different times between 26 July and 15 August. Please pray for the Lord's continued blessing on the YP conferences in Europe, especially that the Lord will gain a group of young people who will be one with Him to consummate His eternal economy by building up His organic Body for His coming back.
- FTTL autumn term begins (16 August): Please pray for the Lord's blessing on the autumn (fall) term of the full-time training in London (FTTL). Pray that the Lord will continue to use the FTTL to raise up a group of young overcomers in Europe who will be obedient to the heavenly vision and will be one with Him for His final move to build up His Body and prepare His bride for His return.
- 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: 1 Chron 6:1 – 14:17
- HWMR: The Christian Life, the Church Life, the Consummation of the Age, and the Coming of the Lord, week 4

Announcements

- We will do a whole meeting hall cleaning the first Lord's table of the Month. Please bring your lunch on that day. The cleaning will begin after lunch.
- Please consider before the Lord carefully and provide us with the prayer burdens before Saturday of every week. Please send the prayer burdens to Allan Y. His email address is allan.yeow81@gmail.com. Note that due to limited space on the newsletter, we may not be able to put all the prayer burdens that are sent to us. May the Lord teach us how to pray for the advancement of His Economy.

Upcoming Events

- August 21, 10am - 12pm: Rhema Seminar Series in French

The church website lists more events

This Week's Activities

8 August LORD'S DAY	10am-12pm: Lord's Table & Prophesying meetings
9 Monday	
10 Tuesday	7:30-9:00pm: English/French/Chinese prayer meetings by districts via conference calls
11 Wednesday	
12 Thursday	
13 Friday	6:30-9:00pm: Various Home Meetings (English/French/Chinese) via Zoom
14 Saturday	
15 August LORD'S DAY	10am-12pm: Lord's Table & Prophesying meetings

READING THE BIBLE

Scripture Reading: 2 Tim. 3:15-17; Psa. 119:9-11, 15, 105, 140, 148

III. DIFFERENT WAYS TO READ THE BIBLE (Continued)

A. Meditating on the Word during the First Period of Time

Concerning meditating on the Word, I think the best thing is for me to quote George Müller. He said:

> It has recently pleased the Lord to teach me a truth, irrespective of human instrumentality, as far as I know, the benefit of which I have not lost, though now, while preparing the fifth edition for the press, more than fourteen years have since passed away. The point is this: I saw more clearly than ever that the first great and primary business to which I ought to attend every day was, to have my soul happy in the Lord. The first thing to be concerned about was not how much I might serve the Lord, how I might glorify the Lord; but how I might get my soul into a happy state, and how my inner man might be nourished. For I might seek to set the truth before the unconverted, I might seek to benefit believers, I might seek to relieve the distressed, I might in other ways seek to behave myself as it becomes a child of God in this world; and yet, not being happy in the Lord, and not being nourished and strengthened in my inner man day by day, all this might not be attended to in a right spirit. Before this time my practice had been, at least for ten years previously, as an habitual thing to give myself to in prayer, after having dressed myself in the morning. Now, I saw that the most important thing I had to do was to give myself to the reading of the word of God, and to meditation on it, that thus my heart might be comforted, encouraged, warned, reproved, instructed; and that thus, by means of the word of God, whilst meditating on it, my heart might be brought into experimental communion with the Lord.

I began therefore to meditate on the New Testament from the beginning, early in the morning. The first thing I did, after having asked in a few words the Lord's blessing upon his precious word, was, to begin to meditate on the word of God, searching as it were into every verse, to get blessing out of it; not for the sake of the public ministry of the word, not for the sake of preaching on what I had meditated upon, but for the sake of obtaining food for my own soul. The result I have found to be almost invariably this, that after a very few minutes my soul has been led to confession, or to thanksgiving, or to intercession, or to supplication; so that, though I did not, as it were, give myself to prayer, but to meditation, yet it turned almost immediately more or less into prayer. When thus I have been for a while making confession, or intercession, or supplication, or have given thanks, I go on to the next words or verse, turning all, as I go on, into prayer for myself or others, as the word may lead to it, but still continually keeping before me that food for my own soul is the object of my meditation. The result of this is, that there is always a good deal of confession, thanksgiving, supplication, or intercession mingled with my meditation, and that my inner man almost invariably is even sensibly nourished and strengthened, and that by breakfast time, with rare exceptions, I am in a peaceful if not happy state of heart. Thus also the Lord is pleased to communicate unto me that which, either very soon after or at a later time, I have found to become food for other believers, though it was not for the sake of the public ministry of the word that I gave myself to meditation, but for the profit of my own inner man...

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