Please Pray

- The constitution of the truth as we enter into the Life-Studies messages with the Recovery Version and all its notes: Pray for all saints to have the desire and take the decision to learn, be constituted and practice the truth in our daily life. May a deep sense be infused into us that we are responsible to bear and uphold the truth as the church.
- Full-Time Team in Calgary: (1) Pray that at least five more saints, possibly FTTA graduates, would pick up the burden to serve on the Calgary team. (2) We stand in prayer with the couple who are leaving their full-time job to oversee the team.
- * Kitchener property development: (1) Pray that the Lord would lead us in how to use the property for His purpose in Southern Ontario. (2) Pray that we, in our consideration, would be open to sharing our genuine feelings about this development. (3) Pray that we would all strive to be in one accord regarding this matter.
- ** The conflict in Ukraine: Please continue to pray: (1) That the Russian and Ukrainian brothers who are fighting in the war will be preserved in their tripartite being; (2) That the Lord will shepherd the refugees and establish them in the church life; (3) That the local saints, serving ones, and trainees will be blended with the refugees by being through the cross and by the Spirit to minister Christ to one another for the building up of the Body; (4) That the saints in Russia and Ukraine will be kept in the oneness of the Body and the reality of the New Man; (5) That the tripartite being of the saints in the besieged cities will be protected and preserved for the Lord's interests; (6) That the Lord will comfort and sustain those who have lost loved ones in the war; (7) That the enemy will be bound in his attack on the Lord's interests in Russia, Ukraine, and Europe.
- Pray for various local needs in Montréal: The saints, their contacts, and for the persons in need of care and shepherding.

Weekly Readings

- Holy Bible Recovery Version with footnotes: Isa 63:1 Jer 2:37.
- # HWMR, The Grace of God in the Economy of God, Week 3.

Announcements

The 2023 HWMR subscription is now open, at the annual cost of \$75.00. Please contact your district serving ones by December 18, 2022 regarding your registration and your payment.

Announcements (cont'd)

- We will join the churches in the Greater Toronto Area ("GTA") on Zoom to watch the Thanksgiving Conference messages and for a time of blending all together. The video-conferences will be available in English, French, Chinese, Spanish and Korean.
 - Message 1: Thu, Nov. 24 @ 7:30pm
 - Message 2: Fri, Nov. 25 @ 7:30pm
 - Message 3: Sat, Nov. 26 @ 4pm
 - Message 4: Sat, Nov. 26 @ 7:30pm
 - Message 5: Lord's Day, Nov. 27 @ 4pm
 - o Message 6: Lord's Day, Nov. 27 @ 7:30pm
- Please consider your needs carefully before the Lord and email your prayer requests to Allan Y., <u>allan.yeow81@gmail.com</u> before Wednesday evening of every week. Please note that due to the limited space in the newsletter, we may not be able to publish all prayer burdens that are sent to us. May the Lord teach us how to pray for the advancement of His Economy.

Upcoming Events

- Dec. 26-31 in Anaheim, CA (if safe to do so): December Semi-Annual Training.
- Feb. 17-19, 2023, Anaheim, CA: International Chinese-Speaking Blending Conference.
- Mar. 24-26, 2023, Anaheim, CA: International Training for Elders and Responsible Ones.

Please refer to the church's website where more events are listed.

This Week's Activities

Sun-Nov-27 Lord's Day	 10am-12pm: Lord's Table and prophesying meetings. 4pm: Thanksgiving Conference, Msg 5. 7:30pm: Thanksgiving Conference, Msg 6.
Mon-Nov-28	•
Tues-Nov-29	 7:30pm-9pm: English, French and Chinese Districts prayer meetings by conference calls.
Wed-Nov-30	•
Thu-Dec-01	•
Fri-Dec-02	 6:30pm-9pm: English, French and Chinese Districts home meetings in person and on Zoom.
Sat-Dec-03	•
Sun-Dec-04 Lord's Day	 10am-12pm: Lord's Table and prophesying meetings.

MANAGING ONE'S FINANCES

Scripture Reading: Luke 6:38; 1 Tim. 6:7-10, 17-19; 2 Cor. 9:6; Mal. 3:10; Prov. 11:24; Phil. 4:15-19.

V. THE CHRISTIAN WAY OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

The Christian way of managing money is not to hold on to money. The tighter you hold on to your money, the more it dies. The more you grasp it, the more it disappears; it will evaporate like vapor. But the more you give away, the more you will have. If God's children would learn to give more, God would have many ways to work out His miracles. Keeping back money only makes God's children poor. God will not entrust Himself to those who hold on to their money and who will not give. The more you give, the more God will give to you.

A. Sowing with One's Money

Please read 2 Corinthians 9:6, which says, "He who sows sparingly shall also sparingly reap; and he who sows with blessings shall also with blessings reap." This is also a scriptural principle of financial management. When Christians give, they are not throwing their money away; they are sowing. The Word does not say, "He who throws away his money sparingly shall also sparingly reap; and he who throws away his money with blessings shall also with blessings reap." It says, "He who sows sparingly shall also sparingly reap; and he who sows with blessings shall also with blessings reap." When you give, you are sowing. Do you want your money to grow? If you do, you need to sow. When you give your money away, it grows. When you do not give it away, it does not grow.

Brothers and sisters, can anyone be so foolish as to expect a harvest without sowing? How many times has God not answered your prayer for your needs? You are a "hard man," trying to reap where you have not sown and gather where you have not winnowed. This is impossible. Why do you not sow some of your money? There are many brothers and sisters who are in difficulty. Why do you not sow money upon them so that you may reap when the reaping time comes? The more a person holds on to his money, the less he will have. In the above portion of the Word, we see a very beautiful picture. The Corinthians gave to those in Jerusalem, remembering their needs, and Paul said that it was a kind of sowing, not a kind of throwing away. Please remember that money can be our seeds. If you see a brother or sister in difficulty, and you remember him or her, God will cause that money to grow and harvest thirtyfold, sixtyfold, and even a hundredfold. I hope that more of your money will be sown.

A new believer should learn to sow, so that when he has needs, he can reap what he has sown. You cannot reap what you have not sown. There are many brothers who are getting poorer and poorer. If you eat what you have, of course, there will not be anything left. But if you keep half of your seed for sowing, you will have a harvest next year. If next year you also keep half for planting, you will have another harvest the following year. If you want to sow anything, you must not eat all that you have. Some people always eat and never sow. They also never receive anything when they are in need. Suppose some young brothers sow some money upon other brothers, praying as they sow, "O God, I have sown upon the brothers. When I have needs, I want to harvest." If they do this, God will honor His own words.

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