

## Please Pray

- ✳️ **Past Bibles Distributions in Montréal:** After the blending and distribution during the Victoria Day Conference in Montréal, we had another opportunity to preach the gospel and distribute Bibles at Emmanuel Christian School in the West Island on Saturday, May 25. From this time, we were able to distribute 80 English New Testaments and 50 French New Testaments. In addition, we gave out 55 ministry books. 25 persons left their contact information for further contact. Including the contacts from the Victoria Day weekend, we now have 60 contacts waiting to be contacted. (1) Pray for the releasing of proper shepherding to these 60 contacts. (2) May the Lord burden us to take care of these new contacts. (3) May a continual hunger and thirst for the Lord be stirred up in these new ones. (4) May some be added as remaining fruit.
- ✳️ **Blending Conference in Dieppe, New Brunswick, June 15-16:** There will be a blending conference in the Maritimes from June 15 to June 16. (1) May the Lord use this time to encourage, build up and refresh the saints in the Maritimes. (2) May the Lord release what He has on His heart for this time to the saints.
- ✳️ **The 2024 Summer Olympics Games, Paris, France:** Over the past three trips in Marseille, Montpellier, and Toulouse, we distributed 1955 Bibles, received 295 contacts, led 20 to pray, had 26 appointments, and had Bible seminars with 41 contacts. The local saints have been amazed at the unprecedented openness and hunger among the French people. We thank the Lord for such a strong beginning to these gospel trips, and may He continue to have His way in France for His testimony! (1) Pray that the Lord would release the long-term care of the contacts from these three cities through the coordination of the saints, both local and overseas. (2) Pray that the Lord would continue to bless the next trip in Bordeaux. Pray for a nice weather. (3) Pray that the Lord would thrust out the workers to labour with Him in France, not only during these gospel trips, but especially afterwards. (4) Pray for the health of the saints participating in the gospel trips.
- ✳️ **Earthquake in Hualien, Taiwan:** A major earthquake occurred in Hualien, Taiwan, on April 3. The meeting hall and some of the saints' homes were damaged. About 10 saints were injured and were discharged after being admitted to hospital. About 40 saints were placed in temporary residences. Please pray for the comfort, care, and safety of the saints in Hualien. If the Lord leads you, you may make an offering to cover the needs of the saints and for the rebuilding of the meeting hall.
- ✳️ **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: Mark 8:1 – 10:52.
- ✳️ HWMR: Living and Serving According to God's Economy Concerning the Church, Week 8.
- ✳️ Life-Study of Romans, Messages 22 and 23.

## Announcements

- ✳️ There will be a Spanish-Speaking Conference in London, ON, from June 7 to June 9. English translation will be provided, but saints must bring their own FM radio or phone, and headphones. Children service will be provided. Hospitality will be provided on a first-come, first-served basis. [Online registration form](#) had to be submitted by May 31.
- ✳️ Please consider your needs carefully before the Lord and email your prayer requests to Allan Yeow, [allan.yeow81@gmail.com](mailto:allan.yeow81@gmail.com), by Wednesday evening of every week. Please also note that due to the limited space in the newsletter, we may not be able to publish all prayer burdens sent to us. May the Lord teach us how to pray for the advancement of His Economy.

## Upcoming Events

- ✳️ June 7-9, London, ON: **Spanish-Speaking Conference.**
- ✳️ June 15-16, Dieppe, NB: **Blending Conference.**
- ✳️ July 1-6, Anaheim, CA: **July Semi-Annual Training.**
- ✳️ October 4-6, Warsaw, Poland: **October International Training for Elders and Responsible Ones (ITERO).**
- ✳️ November 28 – December 1, Atlanta, GA: **International Thanksgiving Blending Conference.**
- ✳️ December 23-28, Anaheim, CA: **December Semi-Annual Training.**

## This Week's Activities

Sun-Jun-02 LORD'S DAY	♦ 10:00am-12:00pm: Lord's Table and prophesying meetings.
Mon-Jun-03	♦
Tues-Jun-04	♦ 07:30pm-09:00pm: English, French and Chinese Districts prayer meetings by conference calls.
Wed-Jun-05	♦
Thur-Jun-06	♦
Fri-Jun-07	♦ 06:30pm-09:00pm: English, French and Chinese Districts home meetings in person and on Zoom.
Sat-Jun-08	♦
Sun-Jun-09 LORD'S DAY	♦ 10:00am-12:00pm: Lord's Table and prophesying meetings.

## CONFESSION WITH THE MOUTH

Scripture Reading: Rom. 10:10; Prov. 29:25; Matt. 10:32-33

### I. The importance of confessing with the mouth

Once a person has believed in the Lord, he should not keep the matter a secret; he has to confess the Lord with his mouth. Confessing the Lord with our mouth is a very important matter.

#### A. Opening the mouth as soon as one believes

As soon as one believes in the Lord, he should confess the Lord before men. Suppose a person gives birth to a child. What would we think if the child could not speak by the age of one or two, or even three? Would we say only that he is slow in speech development? Is it possible for such a person to begin saying, "one, two, three, four," at the age of thirty and then learn to say "daddy" and "mommy" at fifty years of age? No. If a person is dumb in his infancy, he probably will be dumb for the rest of his life. If he cannot say "daddy" and "mommy" when he is young, he probably will not be able to say it for the rest of his life. Likewise, if a new believer does not confess the Lord immediately after he believes in the Lord, I am afraid he will be dumb for the rest of his life. If he cannot speak when he is young, he probably will not be able to speak when he grows up.

Some have been Christians for ten or even twenty years. Yet they remain dumb. This is because they did not open their mouth during the first and second week of their Christian life. They will continue to be dumb until they die. Confessing the Lord begins at the time a person believes. If you open your mouth the day you believe in the Lord, the way of confession will be opened to you. If a person is dumb in the first weeks, months, or year, he is likely to remain dumb for the rest of his life. Therefore, as soon as a person believes in the Lord, he should endeavor to speak to others about the Lord. Even if he finds it hard to speak and even if he dislikes speaking, he still must speak. He must speak to his relatives and friends. If he does not learn to speak openly, I am afraid he will be a dumb man before God for the rest of his life. We do not wish to see dumb believers. This is why we must learn to open our mouth from the very beginning. If a person fails to do this in the beginning, he will find it more difficult to do it later. Unless God grants special mercy or there is a revival, these ones will never open their mouth. It will take a great effort for them to open their mouth at a later date. Every new believer should seek the opportunity to confess the Lord before men. Such a confession is a great matter and reaps much profit.

#### B. Confession with the mouth unto salvation

Romans 10:10 says, "For with the heart there is believing unto righteousness, and with the mouth there is confession unto salvation." "With the heart there is believing unto righteousness." This is something before God. "With the mouth there is confession unto salvation." This speaks of salvation before man. Whether or not you have believed is something before God; no one can see it. If you have sincerely believed, you are justified before God. However, if you only believe in your heart, but do not speak with your mouth, others will

not recognize you as a saved person; they will still consider you an unbeliever. They will not see any difference between you and them. This is why the Bible strongly stresses the need to confess with the mouth in addition to believing in the heart. We must speak with our mouth.

Every new believer must look for opportunities to confess the Lord. Among our classmates, colleagues, friends, relatives, and all those who come into contact with us, as soon as an opportunity arises, we should say to them, "I have believed in the Lord Jesus." The sooner we open our mouth, the better it is. Once we open our mouth, others will immediately know that we have believed in the Lord Jesus. In this way, we will be delivered from the company of unbelievers.

We have seen some people who hesitated in their acceptance of the Lord, but once they stood up and proclaimed, "I believe in Jesus," they became sure. The worst thing that can happen to a Christian is for him to keep his mouth shut. Once he speaks, he takes a firm step forward and becomes secure. Many believers hesitate initially, but as soon as they say, "I believe," they become certain.

#### C. Confession saving much trouble

There is great profit when one confesses with his mouth after he has believed in his heart. It saves him much trouble in the future.

Suppose you do not open your mouth and say, "I have decided to follow the Lord Jesus; I am His now." Others will still consider you the same as they. When they sin or indulge in lustful things, they will consider you to be one of them. In your heart you realize that you are a Christian and that it is wrong for you to be among them. But you cannot reject them, because you want to please them. You may come up with an excuse to turn them down. But the next time they will still drag you along, and you will have to think of another excuse to refuse them. You may come up with excuses once or twice, but the pressure will always come back. So why not put the signboard out from the very first day and confess that you are a believer? You only need to confess once or twice, and others will give up trying to persuade you.

If you do not confess with your mouth, that is, if you are a Christian secretly, you will experience much more difficulty than those who are Christians openly. Your temptation will be many times greater than the temptation of those who openly confess the Lord. You will be bound by human affections and past relationships. You cannot excuse yourself from others every time by saying that you have a headache or that you are busy. You cannot use excuses every time. This is why you must declare from the first day, "I have believed in the Lord Jesus. I have accepted Him." Once you put out this signboard, your colleagues, classmates, relatives, and family will know the kind of person you are. This will save you much trouble. Otherwise, you will have all kinds of frustrations. If a person confesses the Lord with his mouth, he will be saved from much trouble.

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