Please Pray

- The Direction of the Church in Montréal: The Lord desires to move forward and increase in Montréal, and He desires that we cooperate with Him. The leading brothers feel that the way to take the church forward is through the God-ordained way, which requires the participation of all the saints. As we have announced during the allchurch serving ones' meeting, in order to give the saints opportunities to participate and function, we have multiplied into two halls as of August 31, 2025. May the Lord bring us into the one accord concerning this matter, so that He could continually bless us for His move in Montréal. May the Lord continue to head up and direct all the responsible ones in each service in their considerations with the two meeting halls. May many more saints rise up to serve, function, and take more responsibilities in the church. May this move be an opportunity for us to learn how to depend on the Lord for our services. May the Lord bless us with much increase in life and in number.
- Young Working Saints and Young Families Conference (Kingston, New York, Sept. 12-14): Over the past few years, a small number of young working saints and young families in Montréal have joined this conference in the Fall and Spring. Each time it has been a timely speaking for this generation of saints to be supplied and shepherded in His Word to face the challenges of their daily life, and strengthened to be the backbone of the church. The conference also provides a way for families with children to come together to be blended and spend time together in an atmosphere of love and mutual care. Pray that more young working saints and young families in Montréal would be released for this time to be encouraged and raised up for the going on the church.
- 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: Romans 1:26 5:11.
- HWMR: Living a Christian Life and Church Life under the Government of God for the Economy of God, Week 5.
- Life-Study of Ephesians, Messages 39 and 40.

Announcements

Please consider your needs carefully before the Lord and email your prayer requests to Allan Yeow, 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

- September 12-14, Kingston, NY: Young Working Saints and Young Families Conference.
- September 25-27, Klang, Malaysia: September International Training for Elders and Responsible Ones.
- October 5-19, Europe: Gospel Trips to German-Speaking Countries.
- November 7-9, Vancouver, BC: Fall 2025 Canada Brothers' Conference.
- November 27-30, Indianapolis, IN: International Thanksgiving Blending Conference.
- December 22-27, Anaheim, CA: December Semi-Annual Training.

This Week's Activities

Sun-Sep-07 LORD'S DAY	• 10:00am-12:00pm: Lord's Table and prophesying meetings.
Mon-Sep-08	•
Tues-Sep-09	07:30pm-09:00pm: English, French, and Chinese prayer meetings by conference calls.
Wed-Sep-10	•
Thur-Sep-11	•
Fri-Sep-12	06:30pm-09:00pm: English, French and Chinese Districts home meetings in person and on Zoom.
Sat-Sep-13	•
Sun-Sep-14 LORD'S DAY	• 10:00am-12:00pm: Lord's Table and prophesying meetings.

18. BREAD-BREAKING

Scripture Reading: Matt. 26:26-28; 1 Cor. 10:16-22; 11:23-32

Bread-breaking

II. The significance of the Lord's supper (cont'd)

B. To declare the Lord's death

There is another significance to the Lord's supper. First Corinthians 11:26 says, "For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you declare the Lord's death until He comes." When we eat the bread and drink the cup, we are declaring the Lord's death. The word declare can also be translated "proclaim." It means to proclaim the Lord's death to others. In charging us to take His supper, the Lord is asking us not just to remember Him but also to proclaim His death.

Why do the bread and the cup declare the Lord's death? Originally, the blood is in the flesh. When the blood is separated from the flesh, it means death has occurred. When we see the wine in the cup, we see the blood, and when we see the bread on the table, we see the flesh. The Lord's blood is on one side, and His flesh is on the other side. The blood is separated from the flesh. This is a declaration of the Lord's death. In this meeting there is no need for us to tell others, "Our Lord has died for you." They know that death has occurred when they see that the blood is separated from the flesh.

What is the bread? It is wheat ground into powder. What is inside the cup? It is grapes that have been pressed. When you see the bread, you are reminded of ground wheat, and when you see the cup, you are reminded of pressed grapes. This clearly reminds us of death. A grain of wheat is only one grain; it cannot become bread unless it is first ground. Likewise, a cluster of grapes cannot become wine unless it is first pressed. If a grain of wheat tries to save itself, there will be no bread. Likewise, if a cluster of grapes tries to save itself, there will be no wine. Here the Lord spoke through Paul, "For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you declare the Lord's death until He comes." We eat the grains that have been ground, and we drink the grapes that have been pressed. This is to declare the Lord's death.

Perhaps your parents, children, or other relatives do not know the Lord. If you take them to the meeting and they see the bread, they will ask, "What is this? What is the meaning of this breaking of the bread? What is the meaning of the cup?" You can respond, "The cup signifies the blood and the bread signifies the flesh. These two things are apart.

What does this show you?" They will answer, "This means death has occurred." The blood is on one side and the flesh on the other. The blood and the flesh are separate, and this implies death. We can demonstrate to all men that the Lord's death is displayed here. We should preach the gospel not only with our mouth, in the meeting hall, or with our gifts but also with the Lord's supper. This is one way of preaching the gospel. It would be a great thing in the universe if men would realize that taking the Lord's supper is not a ritual. We are declaring His death when we take the Lord's supper. Jesus of Nazareth, the Son of God, has died. This is a tremendous fact displayed before us.

In men's eyes, the Lord Jesus is no longer on the earth. But the symbols of the cross — the bread and the cup — are still here. Whenever we see the bread and the cup, we are reminded of the death of the Lord on the cross. This symbol of the cross reminds us of the constant need to remember the Lord's death for us.

"For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you declare the Lord's death until He comes." The Lord will surely come back again; this is a great comfort to us. It is particularly meaningful when we associate this coming with the Lord's supper. Do you not enjoy a good evening meal? Supper is the last meal of the day. Every week we partake of this supper of the Lord. The church has been partaking of the same supper week after week for nearly two thousand years. This supper still has not passed away. We continue to eat this supper. We wait and wait until the day the Lord comes back. When He comes back, we will no longer eat this supper. When we meet our Lord face to face, this supper will be no more. When we see Him again, we no longer will need to remember Him in this way.

Hence, the Lord's supper is for remembering Him and for declaring His death until He comes. The Lord's supper is for remembering Him. We hope that the brothers and sisters will focus their eyes on Him from the very start. When a person remembers the Lord Himself, spontaneously he remembers His death, and when he remembers His death, his eyes will spontaneously be set on the kingdom — the Lord will come again one day and receive us to Himself. The cross always leads to His coming; it always leads to glory. When we remember the Lord, we must lift up our heads and say, "Lord, I want to see Your face; when I see Your face, everything else will fade away." The Lord wants us to remember Him. He wants us to declare His death continually and proclaim His death till He comes.

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