## **Please Pray**

- The Direction of the Church in Montréal: Following the messages that we have received during the Eastern Canada Chinese-Speaking Conference, we believe that the Lord would make 2026 a year of increase and propagation. Please reconsider the messages and the burden that you have received from the Lord and bring them back to the Lord in prayer. May we all come to the Lord concerning what we have heard and may the Lord work out what He has released during this conference through us. May we all be normal fruit-bearing branches and may our fruit remain. May the Lord bless the Church in Montréal with much fruit.
- The Church in Montréal homecoming meeting for all languages (Dec. 20):
  We will have the whole church homecoming meeting on December 20 at 5:30pm. The purpose for this time is to gather together to enjoy the Lord, to testify of what the Lord has done this year, to invite all the saints who have not been meeting for a while; and to invite some new ones. (1) Pray for all the coordination and preparation for this time. (2) Pray that many saints who have not been meeting and many new ones will come. (3) Pray that this time will be a rich exhibition of Christ and attract many to the church life.
- Préfontaine metro station and Hall 1 (Dec. 7 at 1:00pm): Following the burden to bear fruit during the Eastern Canada Chinese-Speaking Conference, we feel that it is the right time for us to go out to distribute Bibles and preach the gospel on December 7 at 1:00pm. (1) May the Lord sanctify this time for us to go out. (2) May we have a heart to cooperate with the Lord for His increase in this city. (3) May the Lord prepare the right weather for this outreach. (4) May the Lord go before us and prepare the hearts of the sons of peace and bring them on our path. (5) May the Lord gain what He is after in this time.
- Gospel trips during the 2026 Winter Olympics in Italy (3 December 2025—23 February 2026): The 2026 Winter Olympic Games will be held in Milan and Cortina d'Ampezzo, Italy. Gospel trips during the time of the Torch Relay and the Olympic Games will be conducted from 3 December 2025 through 23 February 2026. Please pray: (1) That the Lord will be wisdom to His Body on how to take advantage of this opportunity to sow Christ as the seed of the kingdom into many who attend this event. (2) That the Lord will use the upcoming months to prepare the hearts of many seeking people to receive Christ in His word and be added to the Lord's testimony in Italy and other parts of Europe. (3) That the Lord will grace the serving saints to prepare the most effective ministry publications for distribution to the seeking ones. (4) That the Lord will blend the saints together for the spreading of the lampstands in Italy and will advance His move in His recovery.
- \* FIFA World Cup 2026 (soccer) in North America: The world's most watched sport will be hosted by Canada, U.S., and Mexico in June and July of 2026. Toronto and Vancouver will be hosting the games in Canada. The leading brothers in both localities and throughout Canada felt good to grasp this opportunity to advance the divine history in the midst of this event in the human history. Let us first of all cooperate with the Lord by praying. Let's pray for the sanctifying work of the Spirit to prepare the sons of peace; pray for the fellowship and coordination among the brothers and localities; may the Lord release the proper venues and permits for the distributions.
- Pray for various local needs in Montréal: The saints, their contacts, and for the persons in need of care and shepherding.

# **Weekly Readings**

- $\bullet$  Holy Bible Recovery Version with footnotes: Esther 4:1 5:27.
- HWMR: Experiencing, Enjoying, and Expressing Christ (2), Vol. 4, Week 24.
- Life-Study of Ephesians, Messages 65 and 66.

#### **Announcements**

- The 2026 HWMR annual subscription is now open at the cost of \$80.00. Please sign up and make your payment directly with your respective district serving ones by December 20, 2025.
- Please consider your needs carefully before the Lord and email your prayer requests to Allan Yeow, <u>allan.yeow81@gmail.com</u>, 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**

- December 7 at 1:00pm: Bible distribution and gospel preaching near Préfontaine metro station and Hall 1.
- December 22-27, Anaheim, CA: December Semi-Annual Training.

### **This Week's Activities**

Sun-Dec-07 LORD'S DAY	<ul> <li>10:00am-12:00pm: Lord's Table and prophesying meetings.</li> <li>1:00pm: Bible distribution and gospel outreach near Préfontaine metro station and Hall 1.</li> </ul>
Mon-Dec-08	•
Tues-Dec-09	07:30pm-09:00pm: English, French, and Chinese prayer meetings by conference calls.
Wed-Dec-10	•
Thur-Dec-11	•
Fri-Dec-12	06:30pm-09:00pm: English, French and Chinese Districts home meetings in person and on Zoom.
Sat-Dec-13	•
Sun-Dec-14 LORD'S DAY	• 10:00am-12:00pm: Lord's Table and prophesying meetings.

# 19. LEADING MEN TO CHRIST

Scripture Reading: Rom. 1:16; 10:14; 1 Tim. 2:1, 4; Mark 16:15

# **Leading men to Christ**

# II. Going to man on God's behalf (cont'd)

### B. Keeping to the facts

The key to leading men to the Lord is to emphasize the facts, not the doctrines. Just recall what it was like when you were saved. You did not believe because you understood the doctrines. Many people understand the doctrines, but they do not believe. It is impossible for any brother to try to lead others to Christ through arguments and doctrines. The key to leading men to Christ is to keep to the facts. This is why simple ones often are more effective in leading others to the Lord; those who are good at doctrines may not lead others to the Lord. Some people can give wonderful messages. But what use is there in winning the minds of others, if one cannot help them be saved?

Once there was an old man who considered going to church a good habit. He was not saved, yet he would go to church every Sunday and also make his whole family go. But when he returned home, he would lose his temper, and all kinds of bad words would come out of his mouth. The whole family was afraid of him. One day his daughter, who was a believer, came to visit him. She brought her little daughter with her. The old man brought the little granddaughter to the church. When they came out of the church, the little granddaughter looked at her grandfather and felt that he did not look like a believer. She asked him, "Do you believe in Jesus?" The grandfather said, "Children should keep their mouths shut." After walking a few steps, she said to her grandfather again, "You do not look as if you have believed in Jesus." Again the old man said, "Children should keep their mouths shut." After a while she asked her grandfather, "Why do you not believe in Jesus?" This little child saw a fact — the way her grandfather attended church was different from the way other believers attended church. The old man, who was otherwise wild and hard to deal with, became soft after his little granddaughter's probing questions. On that day he accepted the Lord.

The preaching of the gospel requires skill. One must know the way God works before he can preach the gospel. A person may preach the right doctrines, and crowds of people may come for his messages, but the same crowds may walk away unsaved. You will not get any fish with a straight hook. The fishing hook must be curved before one can catch fish. Those who lead others to the Lord need to know how to use a hook. Use only the words that can catch people. If your words cannot catch people, try to change the way you speak. Facts are words that catch; they are words that can touch others.

### C. Being sincere in attitude

Do not delve into many teachings. Try to speak more facts. At the same time, be sincere in attitude. saving a man's soul is not a light matter. I once saw a person who wanted to lead others to the lord. he was willing to pray, but his attitude was wrong. he joked around as he spoke about the lord. whatever spiritual power he might have had was lost through his jokes. as a result, he

could not lead anyone to the lord. one has to be very sincere in his attitude. he must not be flippant or funny in his attitude. he has to let others see that this is the most serious matter in the whole world.

### D. Praying for the opportunity to speak

You also need to pray unceasingly for God to provide you with the right opportunity to speak. When you pray, God will give you the opportunity.

One sister gathered a group of women together once a week and led them in a Bible study. The women all worked in the same company, and none of them believed in the Lord. One of them was very particular about her dress. She was very proud and would not listen to anything the sister said. The sister took notice of her and prayed for her. She asked God to give her the opportunity to speak to the woman. One day she felt a desire to invite the woman over for tea. Since this woman loved to socialize, she accepted the invitation. When she came, the sister encouraged her to believe in the Lord. She replied, "I cannot believe. I like to gamble, and I love pleasure. I do not want to lose these things. I cannot believe in Jesus." The sister said, "If a person wants to believe in the Lord Jesus, she has to stop gambling. Anyone who wants to believe in the Lord Jesus must give up vainglory. You have to give up these things if you want to believe in the Lord Jesus." The woman said, "The price is too high. I cannot afford it." The sister said, "I hope you will go back and consider it." After she said this, she continued to pray for her. The woman returned home and knelt down to pray. After she prayed, she suddenly said, "I have decided to follow the Lord Jesus today." She changed suddenly. She could not explain it, but her heart just turned. She changed her attire; she no longer dressed the same as before. Wonderful things followed one after another. Within a year many of her colleagues were brought to the Lord one by one.

You may think that it is difficult to talk to someone, but if you pray for him, the Lord will give you the opportunity to speak to him, and he will change. The sister who was having Bible studies had been afraid to speak to the woman because the woman behaved as though she knew everything and could do everything. She appeared to be very arrogant, but the Lord gave this sister the burden to pray for her. One day the Lord told the sister to speak to her. She put aside her considerations and spoke to her. You have to pray on the one hand and learn to open your mouth on the other. After you have prayed for a person for some time, the Lord will impress you to speak to him. You will have to tell him about the Lord's grace and the things that He has done for you. He will not be able to resist you because he cannot oppose the things that the Lord has done for you. The newly saved brothers and sisters must pray daily for the Lord to provide opportunities to speak to others. What a pity that some people have been saved for several years already, yet they dare not open their mouths to speak to their relatives and friends! Perhaps your fear has caused you to miss many opportunities that were waiting for you.



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