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.
- 2025 December Semi-Annual Training: (1) May the Lord release His upto-date speaking to the churches during this training. (2) May we hear what the Spirit says to the churches and follow Him in His up-to-date move on this earth. (3) May we be emptied and unloaded so that the Lord could load us with fresh goods. (4) May the Lord cover all the speaking brothers. (5) May the Lord gain what He is after in this training.
- 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

- Holy Bible Recovery Version with footnotes: 1 Corinthians 7:1 10:4.
- HWMR: Chapters 5 through 8 of Romans the Kernel of the Bible, Week 1.
- Life-Study of Ephesians, Messages 67 and 68.

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 22-27, Anaheim, CA: December Semi-Annual Training.

This Week's Activities

Sun-Dec-14 LORD'S DAY	• 10:00am-12:00pm: Lord's Table and prophesying meetings.
Mon-Dec-15	•
Tues-Dec-16	07:30pm-09:00pm: English, French, and Chinese prayer meetings by conference calls.
Wed-Dec-17	•
Thur-Dec-18	•
Fri-Dec-19	06:30pm-09:00pm: English, French and Chinese Districts home meetings in person and on Zoom.
Sat-Dec-20	05:30pm: All church homecoming meeting.
Sun-Dec-21 LORD'S D AY	• 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)

E. Speaking in season and out of season

We mentioned earlier that you must pray before you speak to a person. This, however, does not mean that you cannot speak if you have not prayed. You have to speak to men even if you are seeing them for the first time. Always grasp the opportunity to speak, whether in season or out of season. You never know who you are missing. Speak whenever there is the chance. Always be prepared to open your mouth. Of course, first and foremost, you have to pray for those whose names appear in your record book. But you have to pray for those whom you do not know. You should pray, "Lord, please save the sinners. Whoever they may be, please save them." Whenever you meet someone and have an urge in your heart to speak, you should speak to him.

If we do not heed this urging, we may let a soul slip away from us. We should not let so many souls slip through our hands. We hope that all the brothers and sisters will testify faithfully for the Lord and bring many to Christ.

F. Studying carefully

Each time you lead someone to the Lord, you have to do a detailed analysis, just like a doctor who studies each patient's case in detail. The doctor cannot prescribe the same medicine to everyone. Certain sicknesses require certain drugs. He administers a particular drug to a particular patient. The same is true in leading men to Christ. No one can be a doctor without studying medicine. In the same way, no one can lead men to the Lord without studying. Some brothers and sisters are good at bringing people to the Lord because they have studied the ones whom they brought to the Lord. At the beginning of the work of leading men to Christ, a new believer has to work hard to study each case. You should always study why a particular person accepted the Lord. Why did a particular word open him up? Why did another person not believe after hearing a particular word? Why did a person shy away after listening attentively for a while? Why did a person accept when he earlier had opposed? Why are there no fish after waiting for a long time? We always have to find the reason that the Spirit is working, and we also have to find the reason that the Spirit is not working.

If you fail to lead men to Christ, do not put all the blame on others. Those who are good at leading people to the Lord always look for problems within themselves. We cannot wait by the seaside and hope that the fish will jump to the shore. Leading people to the Lord is not so simple. We have to spend time to study and learn where the problems lie. Leading people to the Lord is a skill, and this skill is acquired through working with people. There is always something we can learn, whether through failure or success. Through failure, we learn the reason for our failure. Through success, we learn the reason for our success. In every situation, we need to study the reasons behind the results.

If you do this conscientiously, you will learn many lessons. Eventually, you will discover an interesting thing — as far as believing in the Lord is concerned, there are only a few types of people in the world. If you meet a certain type of person, you will need only to speak certain words to him, and he will receive the Lord. If you speak something else to him, he will oppose you and not believe. If you know how to handle these few types of people, you can handle most people. You can handle those whose names are in your record book, and you can handle those whom you come across by accident. As soon as you come across someone, you will take the opportunity to witness to him, and you will be able to tell immediately the type of person he is. You will know in your heart what to do with this type of person and how to speak to him. He will most likely be saved. If you study your cases one by one, you will become a very skillful soul-winner after one or two years. You will realize that soul winning takes wisdom. By God's mercy, you may lead some to the Lord, maybe a few dozen, or even a few hundred. If you study all these cases carefully, you will become a very powerful soul-winner.

Appendix: passing out tracts

A. No time limit

During the past two to three hundred years, the Lord has used tracts in a particular way to save many people. One thing special about winning people with tracts is that tracts are not limited by time. If you try to testify with your mouth, you are restricted by time and personnel. You cannot speak twenty-four hours a day, and your audience may not be available all the time. You may be preaching a wonderful message, but the audience may not be there. However, tracts are not limited by time. You can pass out tracts any time of the day, and men can receive and read your tracts any time of the day. Today many people do not have the time to come to our meeting. But tracts are not limited by time. We can give them out to people who are walking on the streets, who are cooking in their kitchens, or who are working in their offices. This is the first convenience that tracts afford.

B. Tracts can convey the gospel in full

Many people are very zealous in testifying for the Lord and leading men to Christ. However, their knowledge is limited and their words are lacking. They cannot convey the gospel message adequately and fully. In addition to leading men to Christ through other means, a new believer has to do his best to select some good tracts in his spare time and pass them out to others. This will enable him to do what he himself could not do otherwise.

C. Tracts not being affected by human factors

There is another advantage to using tracts. In preaching the gospel, sometimes we feel too shy to use strong words in front of people. Tracts do not have this inconvenience. They can go to anyone and say anything they want. A living preacher is often restricted by circumstances. But the preaching of the tracts is not affected by any human factors. New believers should learn to sow seeds with the tracts.

D. Passing out tracts being a way of sowing

Another advantage of passing out tracts is that one can sow anywhere. The Old Testament says that we should sow our seed in many waters (Num. 24:7). It takes a considerable effort to speak to three, five, or ten persons together. But there is no difficulty in passing out a thousand, two thousand, or three thousand tracts a day. If one person can be saved out of the thousand tracts we pass out, this is wonderful enough. New believers should learn to pass out tracts in large quantities.

E. God saving men through tracts

God has indeed used tracts to save people. I know of some people who slip tracts under doors. Others drop them into mailboxes. I remember an incident in which a person received a tract and then threw it away on the street. Another person, who had a nail stuck in his shoe, was looking for something to cushion his foot. He picked up the tract and stuffed it in his shoe. He returned home and began to mend his shoe. Then he saw the tract and was saved. There are numerous similar cases of people being saved by tracts. Some of these cases are actually quite marvelous.

F. Much prayer and dedication of heart

A newly saved brother always should have tracts ready in his pockets, and he should pass them out when he is free. Like the work of leading men to Christ, we should do this with much prayer and dedication of heart. While we are passing out tracts, we can speak a word or two to others or we can remain silent. Either way is good. If a new believer practices this, he will receive great benefit from it.

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