

## Please Pray

- ✿ **Spiritual New Year:** "...I hope that from this year forward every saint will have a proper spiritual conclusion to a passing year and a proper beginning of a new spiritual year. Not only should we have a conclusion related to outward matters, such as our career, our education, and our domestic affairs, but even more, we should have a conclusion in regard to spiritual matters. At the end of a year we need to go before God and settle the accounts related to our spiritual condition. We need to consider before the Lord how we have spent our time and the things in which we failed and in which we overcame. We need to consider the areas in which we responded to the Lord's demands and in which we rejected the Lord's will. We need to bring our spiritual condition before the Lord in order to settle accounts and have a proper clearance so that we can have a new beginning." May we all go before God and settle the accounts with Him and have a proper clearance so that we have a new beginning for the year 2026.
- ✿ **New School Semester Winter 2026:** May the connections that we have established during the fall semester continue to be strengthened during this new semester; may the students that we have contacted before still be warm and open to meet up and to attend the Bible studies; may the Lord draw new students to the Bible studies and ministry meetings; may the Lord gain what He wants to gain in this new semester.
- ✿ **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.
- ✿ **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.
- ✿ **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: Job 20:1 – 33:33.
- ✿ HWMR: Chapters 5 through 8 of Romans – the Kernel of the Bible, Week 4.
- ✿ Life-Study of Ephesians, Messages 73 and 74.

## Announcements

- ✿ 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

- ✿ February 13-15, 2026, Anaheim, CA: **International Chinese-Speaking Blending Conference.**
- ✿ February 20-22, 2026, Montréal: **Eastern Canada College Conference.**
- ✿ March 20-22, 2026, Anaheim, CA: **March International Training for Elders and Responsible Ones.**

## This Week's Activities

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| Sun-Jan-04<br><b>LORD'S DAY</b> | ✦ 10:00am-12:00pm: Lord's Table and prophesying meetings.                                   |
| Mon-Jan-05                      | ✦   |
| Tues-Jan-06                     | ✦ 7:30pm-9:00pm: English, French, and Chinese prayer meetings by conference calls.          |
| Wed-Jan-07                      | ✦   |
| Thur-Jan-08                     | ✦   |
| Fri-Jan-09                      | ✦ 6:30pm-9:00pm: English, French and Chinese Districts home meetings in person and on Zoom. |
| Sat-Jan-10                      | ✦   |
| Sun-Jan-11<br><b>LORD'S DAY</b> | ✦ 10:00am-12:00pm: Lord's Table and prophesying meetings.                                   |

20. HOUSEHOLD SALVATION

Household salvation

II. Examples from the Bible (cont'd)

B. In the New Testament

What about the New Testament? In the Old Testament, God gained men household by household, and the same is true in the New Testament.

1. *The house of Zaccheus*

Luke 19:9 says, “Jesus said to him, Today salvation has come to this house.” This is wonderful. The New Testament declares the same principle. I am afraid that many people have been preaching for over twenty years about personal salvation only. However, the Lord tells us that “salvation has come to this house.”

When you preach the gospel, you must pay attention to household salvation. You must not look merely for individual salvation. If you truly believe and expect this, your work will undergo a great change. This depends entirely on your faith and expectation. If you expect others to come to the Lord one by one, they will come one by one. If you believe that they will come household by household, they will come household by household. The scope of God’s salvation is the household. You must not make this scope smaller than it should be.

2. *The household of a Nobleman*

John 4:53 says, “Then the father knew that it was in that hour in which Jesus said to him, Your son lives; and he believed, he and his whole house.” Here only one person was healed — the son. However, the Bible says that “he believed, he and his whole household.” You can lay hold of this fact before the Lord. Although the son was the one who directly received His grace, the whole household turned and believed. Our hope and expectation is that we would bear fruit in such a prevailing way.

3. *The household of Cornelius*

Acts 10:2 says that Cornelius was “devout and one who feared God with all his household, giving many alms to the people and beseeching God continually,” and 11:14 says, “... who will speak words to you by which you shall be saved, you and all your house.”

Cornelius’s entire household was saved; it was not just one person who was saved. Cornelius invited his relatives and close friends to hear the words of Peter. While Peter was speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all those who were in Cornelius’s house, and all of them received salvation.

4. *The household of Lydia*

Acts 16:15 says, “She was baptized, as well as her household.” The apostle preached the gospel to Lydia’s household, and the whole household believed and was baptized.

5. *The household of the jailer*

Acts 16:31 says, “Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you shall be saved, you and your household.” This is one of the most outstanding verses in Christianity. Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you shall be saved, you and your household. God’s Word does not say that if you believe on the Lord Jesus, you

and your household shall receive eternal life. It says that if you believe on the Lord Jesus, you and your household will be saved.

Throughout the entire Old Testament, God dealt with man by households. Likewise in the New Testament, He deals with man by households. This is the smallest unit; one cannot reduce it to a smaller one. If anyone believes in the Lord Jesus, his whole household shall be saved. This is indeed a wonderful thing. I do not know why this is so, but the Lord’s Word says it is so. The Old Testament and the New Testament are consistent; both recognize the same unit.

The church in Philippi started with a jailer. Paul said, “Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you shall be saved, you and your household.” Verse 34 says, “And he brought them up into his house and set a table before them; and he exulted because he had believed in God with all his household.” Here we see a wonderful picture. In the beginning the promise was given to the jailer; no one else heard it. “Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you shall be saved, you and your household.” Later, the jailer brought his household to Paul. After Paul spoke to them, they were baptized. Then the jailer brought them into his house and set a table before them; and he exulted, having believed in God. “Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you shall be saved, you and your household” — this is not something difficult to achieve. The apostle gave the jailer a promise, and his whole household was saved. Everyone listened, everyone was baptized, and everyone exulted.

Suppose the apostle told the jailer, “Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you shall be saved.” If this was the case, we would have to wait a few days after a person was saved, teach him something, and hope that he would understand. Then he might gradually testify to his family, and his family might eventually believe and be saved. If this had been the case, how long would it have taken for the jailer’s household to be saved? The apostle did not preach the gospel this way. He did not deal with individuals one by one; instead, he addressed the whole household. He said, “You and your household” shall be saved. You need to see this: The salvation of a household is no different and certainly no more difficult than the salvation of one person. You should never forfeit the privilege of saving the whole household. If you bring the whole household along, the whole household will be saved.

I hope that when the church preaches the gospel five or ten years from now, household after household will be turning to the Lord. From now on, the goal of our workers in evangelism should be whole households. If our goal is a household, we will gain a household. If our goal is only an individual, we will gain only an individual. God does things according to our faith.

If we are clear about God’s way with men, we will not suffer unnecessary loss. God takes a household as a unit. If God gains a person, He should gain his whole family as well, regardless of how many persons there are in that family. I hope you will tell the brothers to rise up household by household. Those who are the head of a family have the ground to bring their whole household to the Lord, and they should help their families be saved.

Household salvation means household rejoicing. This is a great matter! If we see that God’s dealing with man is by households, we will experience much blessing. We must learn to lay hold of this promise of God.

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