

Please Pray

- ✳️ **Young People in the Church Life:** Pray for the young people in the church life, that they would be kept and encouraged after the church's multiplication into two halls. Pray for their shepherding by the saints including in the homes, that they would have companions to pursue the Lord within their daily life and church life.
- ✳️ **Spring Eastern Canada Young People's Conference in Toronto (April 3-5):** Pray for the upcoming Spring Eastern Canada YP Conference. Pray that the Lord would speak to the young people a fresh word concerning knowing the age according to God's economy, knowing the Lord in their spirit and being used by Him to preach the gospel in this age. Also pray for the building up of spiritual companions to pursue the Lord with. Finally pray for the strengthening of the serving ones to shepherd the dear young ones.
- ✳️ **Pray for our leaders and those who are in high position (1 Tim. 2:1-2):** Let us pray that God guides our leaders regarding Bill C-9. Certain provisions could remove the historical protection given to religious texts in Canada. May the freedom to read, teach, and share the Scriptures continue to be protected. Let us ask the Lord to grant wisdom and discernment to those making decisions for our country.
- ✳️ **The Direction of the Church in Montréal:** The brothers feel that the way to move forward in Montréal this year is through the strengthening and building up of the home meetings (group meetings). The strength and vitality of the home meetings will depend on the vital groups and the mutual care in the home meetings. The home meetings need to have many vital groups in order to be vital, living, and active. May the Lord burden us to form vital groups with our companions (in twos and threes). May all the vital groups be living and active so that we can bring vitality to our home meetings. May the home meetings be full of the divine love and mutual care.
- ✳️ **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: 2 Corinthians 10:7 – 13:14.
- ✳️ HWMR: The Preparation of the Bride, Week 2.
- ✳️ Life-Study of Ephesians, Messages 95 and 96.

Announcements

- ✳️ The Church in Montréal Annual General Meeting ("AGM") will take place on the Lord's Day, April 5, 2026, at 12pm in the Meeting Hall.
- ✳️ The Spring Eastern Canada Young People's Conference will be held on April 3-5 in Toronto, ON. The cost is CAD\$135/person, including gas. The online registration form was sent out. For more information, please contact one of the Young People's leaders.
- ✳️ The Spring London International Blending Conference will be held on April 4-5, in London, U.K.

Announcements (cont'd)

- ✳️ There will be a Northeast Young Working Saints and Families Conference at the Kingston Penuel Christian Center (KPCC) in Kingston, NY on April 17-19. Registration deadline is April 5. The cost is USD\$125 for one night and USD\$165 for two nights. For more details, speak to brother Aaron Chao.
- ✳️ The 2026 International Memorial Day Blending Conference will be held in Dallas, TX, from May 22-25. Please contact the responsible brothers to get information about attending the conference. Details to join the conference online will be shared just before the conference starts.
- ✳️ 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. May the Lord teach us how to pray for the advancement of His Economy.

Upcoming Events

- ✳️ April 3-5, Toronto, ON: **Spring Eastern Canada Young People's Conference.**
- ✳️ April 4-5, London, U.K.: **Spring London International Blending Conference.**
- ✳️ April 17-19, Kingston Penuel Christian Center (KPCC), Kingston, NY: **Northeast Young Working Saints and Young Families Conference.**
- ✳️ May 8-9, Kitchener, ON: **Grade 6 Conference.**
- ✳️ May 16-17, Montréal: **Victoria Day Conference.**
- ✳️ May 22-25, Dallas, TX: **International Memorial Day Blending Conference.**
- ✳️ June 29—July 4, Anaheim, CA: **June Semi-Annual Training.**

This Week's Activities

Sun-Mar-22 LORD'S DAY	♦ 10:00am-12:00pm: Lord's Table and prophesying meetings.
Mon-Mar-23	♦
Tues-Mar-24	♦ 7:30pm-9:00pm: English, French, and Chinese prayer meetings by conference calls.
Wed-Mar-25	♦
Thur-Mar-26	♦
Fri-Mar-27	♦ 6:30pm-9:00pm: English, French and Chinese Districts home meetings in person and on Zoom.
Sat-Mar-28	♦
Sun-Mar-29 LORD'S DAY	♦ 10:00am-12:00pm: Lord's Table and prophesying meetings.

22. CONFESSION AND RECOMPENSE

Scripture reading: Lev. 6:1-7; Matt. 5:23-26

Confession and recompense

IV. A few practical considerations

First, the scope of your confession should be as wide as the scope of your offense. You should do everything according to God’s Word and should not take the extreme way. Do not overdo anything. Once you overdo, you will come under Satan’s attack. If you offend many people, you must confess to many people. If you offend only one individual, you should confess only to that individual. To confess to an individual when you have offended many people is to under-confess. To confess to many people when you have offended only one individual is to overdo. The scope of confession depends on the scope of offense. The scope of testifying is another matter. Sometimes you have offended one individual, but because you want to testify to the brothers and sisters, you tell them about it. That is another matter altogether. As far as apology and confession is concerned, it should only be according to the scope of the offense. We should not go beyond that scope. We have to pay particular attention to this point.

Second, our confession must be thorough. We must not hide anything to save our “face” or our interest. There are, of course, times when we have to exercise due care in the way we confess; we have to take care of the interest and benefit of others. Perhaps we only should confess that we have offended others in a general way without going into detail. If we have difficulties in making decisions in complicated situations, it is best for us to fellowship with some experienced brothers and sisters so that they can help us do the right thing.

Third, there may be times when you are unable to make the necessary recompense. However, the ability to recompense and the desire to recompense are two different things. Some may not be able to recompense, but at least they should have the desire to recompense. If one is unable to make recompense immediately, he should tell the offended one, “I want to recompense you, but I cannot do it today. Please bear with me; I will do it as soon as possible.”

Fourth, the law in the Old Testament states that if the rightful recipient of one’s recompense has passed away and has left no relatives to accept the recompense, it should go to the priests who serve Jehovah (Num. 5:8). According to this principle, if the recipient of your recompense is no longer available, the recompense should go to his relatives. If he has no relatives, you should give it to the church. If you can make recompense to someone, you should give it to him or to his relatives. You cannot give it to the church for the sake of convenience. However, if someone wants to make confession but the

offended party has passed away and there seems to be no opportunity to confess, he can confess the matter to the church according to this principle.

Fifth, after making confession you need to make sure that you are not condemned in your conscience. It is possible for one’s conscience to suffer repeated condemnation even after he has confessed. We must be clear that the Lord’s blood has cleansed our conscience. His death has given us a conscience that is void of offense before God and has enabled us to draw near to God. All these are facts. However, we must see that in order to be clean before man, we need to deal with many sins. We need to settle all offenses in material things as well as in other matters. But we should not allow Satan to condemn us excessively.

Sixth, confession is related to physical healing. James 5:16 says, “Therefore confess your sins to one another and pray for one another that you may be healed.” The result of confession is often God’s healing. Sickness often comes in when there are hindrances among God’s children. If we confess our sins one to another, our sickness will be healed.

Hopefully, the brothers and sisters will be thorough in the matter of confession and recompense. This is the way to maintain their purity. If anyone has transgressed against man, he should confess his sins to God on the one hand, and he must deal with the matter seriously with man on the other hand. Only then will his conscience remain bold. When the conscience is bold, a person can make considerable progress in his spiritual pursuit.

Trust in the LORD
with all thine heart;
And lean not unto thine
own understanding.
In all thy ways
acknowledge him,
And he shall direct
thy paths.
Proverbs 3:5-6 KJV

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