

## Please Pray

- ✳️ **Bearing fruit for His testimony in Montréal:** "As branches we must bear fruit. If anyone has not borne fruit for several years, I am very concerned for him. There is the danger that such a one may be cut off from the life supply. We must endeavor and be desperate. We must say, "Lord, I am one of Your branches. Why do I not bear fruit? I must bear some. I cannot go on like this anymore. Lord, have mercy on me that by Your grace I may bear at least one fruit." If we will bear even one fruit, the life supply will flood in. The life-juice will stream in, and we will bear more fruit. To bear the first fruit is a breakthrough. We must have such a breakthrough. We need to go to the Lord to have a thorough dealing with Him." (CWWL, 1973–1974, Vol. 2, Chap. 3) – May the prayer in this ministry excerpt be our prayer. May we all endeavor to be normal fruit bearing branches and be desperate before the Lord to bear at least one fruit a year. May we go to the Lord to have a thorough dealing with Him.
- ✳️ **FIFA World Cup 2026 (soccer) in North America:** We will start the distributions both in Toronto and in Vancouver on June 11 and 12 respectively. We are in the crunch time of the preparations. May the Lord continue to lead and strengthen the serving ones in all their preparations. May we be kept in the oneness of the spirit and in one accord in our hearts that we may bring down the Lord's blessing during this time. May the financial need of the distribution be met through the giving of the saints. May the Lord prepare all the sons of peace to be ready to be harvested and willing to have more contact with us. May the saints going be prepared to be channels of life.
- ✳️ **The 2026 European Young People's Conference – Offerings:** In coordination with the brothers in Europe, we want to provide a way to send offerings to support the 2026 European Young People's Conference in Poland this year, which will happen from July 26 to August 1. The current need is approximately USD\$40,000 to support the young people and serving ones coming from different countries who are not able to afford the conference. May this need be met in the Body.
- ✳️ **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: Eph. 2:19 – 4:10.
- ✳️ HWMR: Experiencing, Enjoying, and Expressing Christ (3), Vol. 05, Week 30.
- ✳️ Life-Study of Philippians, Messages 18 and 19.

## Announcements

- ✳️ The June/July Semi-Annual Training will take place from Monday, June 29 (4pm), to Saturday July 4 (9:30pm), at the Ministry Conference Center, Living Stream Ministry Campus, 2431 W. La Palma Avenue, Anaheim, CA 92801. Registration is required and the deadline is Thursday, May 1, 2026. The registration fee is CAD\$290 for the live training (in person), and CAD\$185 for the online/video training. Please contact your respective district's serving brother to register and to get more information.
- ✳️ 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. May the Lord teach us how to pray for the advancement of His Economy.

## Upcoming Events

- ✳️ June 29—July 4, Anaheim, CA: **June Semi-Annual Training.**
- ✳️ July 10-14, Kingson, NY: **College Training.**
- ✳️ August 2-7, Palgrave, ON: **Summer School of Trust in Eastern Canada.**
- ✳️ September 24-26, Amsterdam, NL: **September International Training for Elders and Responsible Ones.**

## This Week's Activities

Sun-May-31 <b>LORD'S DAY</b>	♦ 10:00am-12:30pm: Lord's Table and prophesying meetings.
Mon-Jun-01	♦
Tues-Jun-02	♦ 7:30pm-9:00pm: English, French, and Chinese prayer meetings by conference calls.
Wed-Jun-03	♦
Thur-Jun-04	♦
Fri-Jun-05	♦ 6:30pm-9:00pm: English, French, and Chinese Districts home meetings in person and on Zoom.
Sat-Jun-06	♦
Sun-Jun-07 <b>LORD'S DAY</b>	♦ 10:00am-12:30pm: Lord's Table and prophesying meetings.

**24. BELIEVERS' REACTIONS**

Scripture reading: Matt. 5:38-48

**Believers' reactions**

**XI. Christian victory being a transcendent victory**

I am not saying that walking the second mile is enough. Walking the second mile is a principle. That principle involves being transcendent. The left cheek is also a principle that involves being transcendent.

What does it mean to be transcendent? To transcend means to be on top. Suppose someone strikes your right cheek. If you try to remember Matthew 5 and say, "I am determined to let him strike. If he wants my tunic, I will give him my tunic reluctantly. If he forces me to walk one mile, I will force myself to accompany him two miles." This kind of behavior is useless. This is not transcending. You have not climbed high enough. Who can give their other cheek? It is those who, when insulted, realize that they have received a rich life from the Lord. This is why they can turn their left cheek to others when they are struck on the right cheek. Others may force them to walk a mile. But the life they have received from the Lord is so abundant that they can go a second mile. Christians are never reluctant people, and the Christian reaction never just meets the minimum requirement.

A sister once said, "I almost lost my temper!" She sounded very victorious when she said this. But this is not a Christian reaction. A Christian reaction does much more than what is needed; it stands the challenges well. This is the meaning of the second mile. Have you seen this? Some people are extremely unkind to you; that is the "right cheek." If you can return kindness to them and still be victorious before God, that is the "left cheek." The "left cheek" speaks of abundance. It denotes surplus. The Christian victory is not a meager victory. The Christian victory is an overflowing victory. Christians should always have a surplus; they should always transcend their experience. Christian victory never comes by force; it is never achieved by gritting one's teeth or arguing. Christian victory is always easy to come by. May the Lord enlarge us again and again, and may we express the grace of God's children again and again.

**XII. Our reaction being for the increase of the Lord's work**

Why do we have to turn our left cheek when others strike our right cheek? When the Lord grants us sufferings through man's hand, we should rather enhance His work than annul His work. This is why we turn our left cheek. The Lord is using man's hand to enlarge our capacity and to help us grow. The hand stops at the right cheek. But we can add our left cheek. This means that we do not react by frustrating the Lord's work through man's hand. On the contrary, we further this work. The Lord is striking us, and we also strike ourselves. The Lord is dealing with us, and we also deal with ourselves. When others strike our right cheek, we join in to strike ourselves. We do not stand with ourselves to oppose our attacker. On the contrary, we stand with our attacker. One strike is not enough; we need more striking. The Lord is dealing with us, and we are also dealing with ourselves.

The Lord's hand is on me, and my prayer is for His hand to remain there. If I lose everything, I have nothing more to lose. If I die completely, I cannot die any further. If I can still die, it means I have not died enough. If I can still lose, it means I have not lost enough. I want the Lord's hand to be heavier on me. I do not want to reduce the weight of His hand upon me.

If you can stand on the Lord's side and deal with yourself this way, you will have no grudge against anyone. Man's demand can never be higher than the Lord's. Man's demand is, at most, one mile. The Lord's demand is the second mile. The most that man can do is force you to go a mile. But you can give him more; you can add something to it. You can do your best to enhance what the Lord has already done.

**Matthew 5:43-48**

*"You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I say to you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you, that you may be sons of your Father in heaven; for He makes His sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. For if you love those who love you, what reward have you? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet your brethren only, what do you do more than others? Do not even the tax collectors do so? 48 Therefore you shall be perfect, just as your Father in heaven is perfect."*

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