

WEEKLY FELLOWSHIP

June 15, 2014

The Weekly Newsletter of the Church in Irvine

Prayer Items

- ☉ College Work in India
- ☉ Irvine

For additional details regarding the above prayer items, please refer to Detailed Prayer Burdens.

Weekly Truth Pursuit

Life-Study of Galatians, Messages 7 & 8

Bible Reading

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Morning Revival

The Intrinsic Significance of the Church, Week 2

DETAILED PRAYER BURDENS

International: College Work in India—intensive propagation at the start of the semester in June and July

☉ June and July is the time of the start of the new semester for campuses in India. Pray that the Lord can gain key vessels from the campuses in major cities—New Delhi, Chennai, Hyderabad and Mumbai. May the Spirit fill the saints and the full-timers during this intensive propagation.

Local: Irvine

☉ Pray that we would have the governing and controlling vision of God's economy and allow the Triune God to work Himself into us in order to saturate our being for the producing and building up of the Body of Christ consummating in the New Jerusalem.

☉ Pray that we would see the vision of Christ, the Body of Christ, the self, and the world.

☉ Pray that we would consecrate ourselves to be Nazarites, loving God, seeking God, living God, and being constituted with God to bless others with God for the expression of God.

LETTER FROM MELODY WANG

Dear saints,

To God be the glory, great things He has done! One of the great things that He's done recently has been to bring me and 110 other trainees through (almost) 2 years of the FTTA! I've realized that Romans 9:16 has really been my story during my time here—it was not of Melody who willed, nor of Melody who ran, but of God who showed (and is still showing) mercy. It was His mercy that I was placed in my house with the sisters in my house, it was His mercy that I was placed on my designated services, it was His mercy that I was placed on my team, and it was His mercy that I was not consumed by any/all of these things.

The training was a difficult place to be in, yet in these past few weeks, I've found myself panicking at the thought of leaving. But in a recent God's economy class, we were encouraged again to see that our Christian life is one of *practicing*. Every day is a new day for us to *practice* being one spirit with the Lord. We know so many doctrinal and precious things—

the Spirit, our spirit, the functions of our spirit, and the issue of the exercise of our spirit—but we need to *practice* what we *know* and *have*! So although I'm still apprehensive about leaving the training, I'm being encouraged that we have the provision to make it! We have the blood to take freely! We have the Spirit who is our Partner living within us all the time! Paul learned the secret because he practiced. May we all be encouraged to take the way of practicing!

I want to thank all of you saints for your prayers, your shepherding, your visitations, and your care (packages) these past few years. I really could not have made it without the supply found in the Body. Thank you for being patterns to me in cherishing, nourishing, eating and walking. Praise the Lord for what He is doing in each one of His beloved members.

Much grace to you all,
Melody

SUMMER BIBLE CAMP REGISTRATION

Dear saints,

Registration for the 2014 Summer Bible Camp is now open. Please visit <http://goo.gl/7zyS3h> to register. This year, the title of the SBC is "Moses — Called by God." It will be held during the last week of July, from July 28-August 2, from 3:30-6:00 pm, Monday-Friday, followed by a family BBQ on Saturday from 4-6 pm at a local park. Every day there will be singing, a lesson, a snack, and

a craft. Registration is \$50 per child for the week, and \$10 per adult attending the BBQ. The registration deadline is Lord's Day, July 6, 2014. (Please note that for any registrations after July 6, we will be unable to provide a printed t-shirt.) We look to the Lord for another enjoyable time with the children and for His rich blessing!

Upcoming Events

- ☉ Monday, June 30 - Saturday, July 5, Summer Training, Anaheim, CA

Church-related Websites

General: churchinirvine.org
 Blog: members.churchinirvine.org
 Calendar: calendar.churchinirvine.org
 Offerings: offerings.churchinirvine.org
 YP: youngpeople.churchinirvine.org

☉ This Week

15 TH Lord's Day	☉ 9:30am–12:00pm Lord's Table and corporate digestion meeting (English– and Korean-speaking meetings at Hall 1; Chinese-speaking at Hall 3)
17 TH Tuesday	☉ 7:30–8:30pm Prayer meetings by districts
18 TH Wednesday	☉ 7:30–9:00pm Ministry meeting at MCC Anaheim and simulcast at Hall 3
19 TH Thursday	☉ 10:00–11:00am Sisters prayer meeting at Hall 3
20 TH Friday	☉ Evening Small groups in the homes
21 ST Saturday	☉ 6:00pm Young people's dinner and meeting
22 ND Lord's Day	☉ 9:30am–12:00pm Lord's Table and prophesying meetings by districts

MINISTRY PORTION

ORGANIC UNION

How can we die to law in order to live to God? Galatians 2:19 indicates that we have already died to law. According to your experience, have you actually died to law, or is this simply a matter of doctrine to you? Furthermore, how can we live to God? If we would answer these questions, we must know the truth, the reality, of the gospel. If we are not actually organically united with Christ but are in ourselves, then we are neither dead to law nor are we living to God. Apart from the organic union with Christ, we cannot live to God. On the contrary, we shall be alive to many things other than God.

The concept of organic union is implied in Romans 7. In this chapter Paul uses the illustration of married life. Marriage is a union of life. In this union the wife is one with the husband, and the husband is one with the wife. In Romans 7:4 Paul speaks of our being married to Christ: "So that, my brothers, you also have been made dead to the law through the body of Christ, that you might marry another, even Him Who has been raised from among the dead." According to this verse, we have been married to the resurrected Christ. Be-

tween Him as the Bridegroom and us as the Bride, there is a wonderful union. We are one with Him in person, name, life, and existence. This shows that our Christian life is a life of organic oneness with Christ.

In Romans 11 Paul goes on to use another illustration—the grafting of a branch from one tree into another tree. In Romans 11:17-24 Paul uses the illustration of branches from a wild olive tree being grafted into a cultivated olive tree. As a result of grafting, the branches from the wild olive tree and the cultivated olive tree grow together organically. We, branches of the wild olive tree, have been grafted into Christ, the cultivated olive tree.

—*Life Study of Galatians*, Message 9

SIXTH GRADE YP & PARENTS WELCOME LUNCH

On June 22, the Young People Serving Ones would like to invite all the 6th graders and their parents to a special welcome lunch and fellowship. In this time we would like to welcome you all to the YP family and also introduce you to the serving ones.

In addition, a few of the older young people will be there as well to welcome you and

give you some fellowship about what it's like to be a "YP" here in Irvine. Please look for a follow-up email with further details and RSVP. For any questions please contact either Isaac Acosta isaac.acosta@gmail.com or Samuel Lee slee17@gmail.com.

OFFERINGS

Offerings can now be made online via credit card or PayPal by visiting churchinirvineofferings.com for the following categories:

1. General offerings
2. Irvine Facilities Fund
3. FTFA Training Center Fund

This website can be used to set up automatic recurring offerings, as well as single lump-sum offerings. Instructions for usage are contained on the site, as well as an email address to which questions can be directed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

☉ Summer School of Truth in Irvine

The 2014 Summer School of Truth will be held at Hall 1 in Irvine this year from July 14-July 26. You can register at IrvineYP.com.

☉ Summer Bible Camp (July 28-August 2)

This year's Summer Bible Camp will take place from 7/28-8/2/14. We need many to serve as well as many to pray for the SBC. We need much participation to carry out this special week and encourage all parents and bur-

dened saints to join our coordination times at Hall 1. We will be meeting the following times:

June 22 from 2:30-3:30pm
 July 13 from 3:30-4:30pm
 July 27 from 3:30-4:30pm