

WEEKLY FELLOWSHIP November 17, 2013

The Weekly Newsletter of the Church in Irvine

Prayer Items

- ⊗ The churches in the Philippines
- ⊗ UK Student Conference
- ⊗ Southern California College Conference

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

Weekly Truth Pursuit

Life-Study of Colossians, Messages 21 & 22

Bible Reading

	OT Pages	NT Page
Monday	157-158	964
Tuesday	159-160	965
Wednesday	161-162	966
Thursday	163-164	967
Friday	165-166	968
Saturday	167-168	969

Morning Revival

Crystallization-Study of Genesis (Vol. 2), Week 12

DETAILED PRAYER BURDENS

International: The churches in the Central and West Philippines affected by the recent typhoon (*Please see report below*)

- ⊗ Pray for the saints affected by this typhoon that they would be supplied and upheld by the Lord's grace.
- ⊗ Pray that the material giving of the saints, for the needy saints affected, would be a real ministry of life to the saints there for the building up of the Lord's Body.
- ⊗ Pray that this tragedy would work out for the propagation of Christ throughout the Philippines and that the Lord would work in this outwardly dark and dreadful situation of death and sufferings for the mani-

festation of His resurrection life throughout the Philippines.

Autumn University Students Conference in London, UK (November 22-24)

- ⊗ Pray for the release of the Lord's fresh and up-to-date speaking and the effect of this speaking on the practical living of these university students.

Local: Southern California College Conference for quarter system schools including IVC (November 22-24)

- ⊗ The topic of this conference is "The Life and Work of an Age-Turner."

REPORT REGARDING THE CHURCHES IN THE PHILIPPINES

On Nov. 2, a record-breaking typhoon, Typhoon Haiyan, struck the central Philippines, causing catastrophic destruction and killing thousands of people. Given the many churches in the Lord's recovery in the Philippines, there were a considerable number of saints and their families that were affected (including some fatalities). Please see the report below. Compounding the tragedy is the lack of food, clean water, and proper medical treatment due to the damage done to basic infrastructure (roads and communication) that is complicating the relief efforts. Please pray for all the suffering people in the Philippines, that their hearts would be comforted and consoled over their lost loved ones, and that they would turn to the Lord for their practical salvation.

As 1 Corinthians 12:26 states, when "one member suffers, all the members suffer with it." As such, the church in Irvine intends to make a contribution to the churches in the Philippines to help fill up any lack among the saints and to aid the many displaced saints, families, and churches. Any saint who would like to also contribute to the needs of the saints in the Philippines can do so by making an offering to the church in Irvine designated "Philippines Typhoon Relief." The serving brothers will aggregate the offerings and send a

single check for the benefit of the churches devastated by this natural calamity.

This is the latest update we have gathered regarding the saints in Visayas that were affected by the typhoon and whose homes have been damaged or destroyed. Most of the saints are either living under the stars or in tents.

Bogo City, Daan Bantayan, Medellin, San Regemio: 120 Families
Bantayan Island: 45 Families
Camotes Island: 100 Saints
Isabel Leyte: 40 Families
Ormoc City: 7 Families
Kanagnga Leyte: 41 Families (Fatalities: One elder and his grandson were crushed by a concrete wall)
Biliaba Leyte: 3 Families
Baybay Leyte: 9 Families
Tacloban City: last report we received 6 families have evacuated Calbayog City

Almost all of the meeting halls that were near the path of the eye of the typhoon were totally damaged. Most of the halls farther away sustained partial damage to the roofs and walls.

Communication is still down in some parts of Leyte and Samar Islands, therefore this is only a partial report.

MINISTRY PORTION

MADE FULL IN CHRIST

Because all the fullness of the Godhead is in Christ and because we have been placed in Him (1 Cor. 1:30), we have been made full in Him. The New Testament reveals clearly that all those who believe in Christ have been put

into Christ. Therefore, we are identified with Him and one with Him. The result is that all He is and all He has belongs to us, and all that He has experienced is our history. We inherit all that Christ has experienced and passed through. Furthermore, because we are one

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Upcoming Events

- ⊗ Thursday, Nov. 28 - Lord's Day, Dec. 1, International Thanksgiving Conference, Schaumburg, Illinois
- ⊗ Monday, Dec. 23 - Saturday, Dec. 28, Winter 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

- 17TH** Lord's Day ⊗ 9:30am–12:00pm Lord's Table and prophesying meetings by districts
- 19TH** Tuesday ⊗ 7:30–8:30pm Prayer meetings by districts
- 20TH** Wednesday ⊗ 7:30-9:00pm Ministry meeting at MCC Anaheim and simulcast at Hall 3
- 21ST** Thursday ⊗ 10:00–11:00am Sisters prayer meeting at Hall 3
- 22ND** Friday ⊗ Evening Small groups in the homes
- 23RD** Saturday ⊗ 6:00pm Young people's dinner and meeting
- 24TH** Lord's Day ⊗ 9:30am–12:00pm Lord's Table and prophesying meetings by districts

MINISTRY PORTION (CONT'D)

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with Him, we partake of all that He has accomplished, obtained, and attained.

Marriage is an illustration of this. Suppose a poor woman marries a very rich man. Because she is joined to her husband and identified with him, she partakes of all that he is and has. Likewise, we are members of the all-inclusive Christ. We have been put into Him, identified with Him, truly “married” to Him. Hence, we are one with Him. All that He has passed through is now our history, and all that He has obtained and attained is our inheritance. We are in such a Christ, and He is in us. We have been placed into Him, we are one with Him, and we receive all that He is and has.

Although some Christians have a doctrinal knowledge of this, a mere mental understanding of our union with Christ is not adequate. We need to exercise faith in order to partake of all that is ours in Christ. We should not consider ourselves poor, just as a poor woman who has married a rich man should no longer think of herself as poor. Even though she may feel poor, she must practice applying the fact that the riches of her husband belong to her. In like manner, because we are one with Christ, we should not regard ourselves as in poverty. To the contrary, we need to have a full realization of what we have in Christ.

—*Life-Study of Colossians*, Message 22

CHURCH IN IRVINE OCTOBER 2013 FINANCIAL REPORT

	Current Month	Year to Date
Total Revenue	98,555.39	1,068,541.52
Expense:		
General and Admin Expenses	58,334.65	321,263.87
Fulltime Support	58,199.21	534,472.80
Fellowship unto Gospel	29,317.05	466,400.05
Gifts to Needy Saints	6,000.00	10,673.00
Other	6,832.10	68,321.00
Total Expense	158,683.01	1,401,130.72
Net Revenue / (Expense)	<u>(60,127.62)</u>	<u>(332,589.20)</u>

Note 1: Total revenue does not include offerings for the Irvine Facilities Fund.

Irvine Facilities Fund		
	Current Month	Since Inception
Offerings for 2009 Pledges	0	1,679,198.61
Offerings for 2010 Pledges	0	894,821.28
Offerings for 2011 Pledges	0	896,237.61
Offerings for 2012 Pledges	0	897,105.94
From General Fund	<u>29,595.10</u>	<u>429,595.10</u>
Total Offerings		4,796,958.54
Loan		380,000.00
Total Expenses	(3,882.27)	(5,162,789.09)
Net Balance		14,169.45

ANNOUNCEMENTS

⊗ Hawaii Blending Conference

The saints in Hawaii have invited the churches to blend with them in a conference with brother Minoru Chen on Jan. 24-26. The churches in Hawaii endeavor to remain in the up-to-date ministry and in the blending life of the Body of Christ. They look forward to being

blended together with saints from many different localities under the speaking of the ministry of the age. For additional information, please contact: office@churchinirvine.org