

## Prayer Items

- ❖ Europe
- ❖ GTCA Gospel Trips
- ❖ Irvine

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

## Weekly Truth Pursuit

The *Life-Study of Ephesians* will be suspended temporarily. Please substitute your reading with the following portions of ministry which are available online at [www.ministrybooks.org](http://www.ministrybooks.org):

*Lessons on Prayer*, chapter 17, "Ascension and Prayer" by Witness Lee; and

*Lessons on Prayer*, chapter 18, "Prayer and Warfare" by Witness Lee.

## Bible Reading

	OT Pages	NT Page
Monday	1528-1529	712
Tuesday	1530-1531	713
Wednesday	1532-1533	714
Thursday	1534-1535	715
Friday	1536-1537	716
Saturday	1538-1539	717

## Morning Revival

*Prayer and the Lord's Move*  
(Thanksgiving Conference 2012),  
Week 4

## Word of the Week

### Thank

The full post is available here:  
<http://members.churchinirvine.org/?p=4388>

## DETAILED PRAYER BURDENS

### **International:** Follow-up and shepherding of new ones in Europe from the New Testament Recovery Version Distribution

A group of 107 trainees from the FTFA, including the Boston extension, will be in Europe from January 24 to February 7. The purpose of their visit will be to help with the follow-up of the recent New Testament Recovery Version distribution in the United Kingdom and other European countries. They will be joined by trainees from the FTTL. The majority will be in London and nearby churches, while some will go to France, Germany, and Spain. Please pray:

- ❖ That the Lord will bless the labor by setting up many appointments and Bible studies with the Recovery Version recipients.
- ❖ That the Lord will reap a bountiful harvest wherever the seed of His word is sown.

### Winter 2013 GTCA Gospel Trips

On Friday, January 25, the 2013 winter GTCA trips will begin across the United States and Canada. These trips will continue the particular labor to spread the gospel, teach the truth, and raise up churches in North America throughout this decade. Close to 100 full-time trainees will visit 11 cities in teams to preach

the gospel, distribute BfA materials, and help care for current contacts. Please pray that:

- ❖ The teams and local saints would be blended and coordinated together in spirit for their joint labor in these cities.
- ❖ The Lord would arrange many divine appointments between the saints and His seeking ones and would prepare many to receive His rich ministry.
- ❖ The Lord would use this time to add to the churches in each city, both through producing remaining fruit from the trips and by burdening saints to migrate.

For a full list of target cities and further information regarding the GTCA gospel trips, please visit: <http://gtca.us>

### **Local:** Irvine

- ❖ Pray that the prayer life of the saints, both individually and corporately, would be built up, that the church would enter further into the ministry of prayer to fight as a corporate warrior for God's interest and move in Irvine.
- ❖ Pray that the church here would enter into the reality of the New Testament jubilee and become the reproduction of Christ in announcing the jubilee to the people of Irvine.

## WORD OF THE WEEK: "THANK"

### *Pray Over These Key Verses...*

**1 Chron. 16:8:** Give thanks to Jehovah; call upon His name; / Make known His deeds among the peoples.

**Psa. 28:7:** Jehovah is my strength and my shield; / My heart trusts in Him, and I am helped; / Therefore my heart exults; / And with my song do I give thanks to Him.

**Psa. 116:17:** To You I will offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving, / And I will call upon the name of Jehovah.

**Eph. 5:20:** Giving thanks at all times for all things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to our God and Father.

### *Read Some Helpful Ministry...*

It is significant that in [Philippians] 4:6 Paul does not speak of prayer, petition, and thanksgiving, but of prayer and petition with thanksgiving. Both our prayer and petition should be accompanied by thanksgiving to the Lord. Recently I once again learned the lesson of being thankful

to the Lord. When I asked the Lord to restore my health, I was rebuked by Him for not thanking Him for the measure of health I still had. Whenever we are ill, we need to say, "Lord, I thank You that I am still healthy to a certain degree. Lord, I am ill, but I am not so ill that I cannot minister Christ to the saints. But, Lord, You know that I am not altogether healthy. Therefore, I ask You to improve my health and make me fully healthy again." We all need to learn to petition the Lord in this way. (*Life-study of Philippians*, Chapter 62, Section 2)

Some brothers raise their eyebrows as soon as trials come to them. They murmur, "Here they are again!" But Peter told us to thank God joyfully that they are here again. Whenever we praise and thank the Lord, we are above the trials. Nothing can put us above the temptations, circumstances, and difficulties more than joy, thanksgiving, and praise. This is the proper tone of victory; it is expressed in an overcomer...A sis-

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## Upcoming Events

☉ Friday, Feb. 15 - Lord's Day, Feb. 17, International Chinese-speaking Conference, 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

20 <sup>TH</sup> Lord's Day	☉ 9:30am–12:00pm Lord's Table and prophesying meetings by districts
22 <sup>ND</sup> Tuesday	☉ 7:30–9:00pm Church-wide corporate prayer meeting at Hall 1
24 <sup>TH</sup> Thursday	☉ 10:00–11:00am Sisters' prayer meeting at Hall 2
25 <sup>TH</sup> Friday	☉ Evening Small groups in the homes
26 <sup>TH</sup> Saturday	☉ 8:00–9:00am Corporate prayer time at Hall 3 ☉ 6:00pm Young People's meeting
27 <sup>TH</sup> Lord's Day	☉ 9:30am–12:00pm Lord's Table and prophesying meetings by districts

## WORD OF THE WEEK: "THANK" (CONT'D)

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ter in Chefoo who entered the overcoming experience was under severe trials. Her daughter died within a matter of hours, and her husband was away in a distant place. When the daughter died, the brothers and sisters went over to comfort her. Although her eyes were full of tears, her face was full of joy. She said, "Thank and praise the Lord. Although I do not understand why my child is dead, I am still full of joy." The brothers and sisters tried to comfort her; instead, she comforted them. Such joy cannot be fabricated. Victory is maintained by this kind of tone. One can still praise the Lord joyfully in the midst of trials.

First Thessalonians 5:18 says, "In everything give thanks." We should give thanks in everything. Colossians 3:17 says, "And whatever you do in word or in deed, do all things in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him." These two passages of the Scriptures encompass everything. Whatever we have missed in the other passages is in-

cluded in these two verses. I thank and praise the Lord. I can say, "Hallelujah." Others may wonder what is happening to us, but we can give thanks in everything and praise the Lord for everything. Brothers and sisters, if we do this, we will prevail over every temptation, and we will withstand every trial. No tribulation or trial will touch us. Those who go this way will find the strength for their temptations. We can thank and praise the Lord for temptations because we have obeyed the Lord....The daily tone of the Christian life is one of endurance and long-suffering with joy. In everything we give thanks, and in everything we offer praise. This is a life in the third heavens. (*The Overcoming Life*, Chapter 10, Section 4)

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## CHURCH IN IRVINE FINANCIAL REPORT (DECEMBER 2012)

	Current Month	Year to Date
Total Revenue	\$476,365.16	\$1,454,021.46
<b>Expense:</b>		
General and Admin Expenses	\$ 24,442	\$ 381,660
Fulltime Support	\$ 48,613	\$ 583,997
Fellowship unto Gospel	\$ 219,192	\$ 425,794
Gifts to Needy Saints	\$ 5,550	\$ 9,960
Other	\$ 6,832	\$ 81,985
Total Expense	\$ 304,629	\$ 1,483,396
Net Revenue / (Expense)	<u>\$ 171,736</u>	<u>\$ (29,375)</u>

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

Note 2: Lake Forest offering covered some designated gospel offerings.

### Irvine Facilities Fund

	Current Month	Since Inception
Offerings for 2009 Pledges	\$ -	\$ 1,679,199
Offerings for 2010 Pledges	\$ -	\$ 894,821
Offerings for 2011 Pledges	\$ -	\$ 896,238
Offerings for 2012 Pledges	<u>\$ 274,410</u>	<u>\$ 754,711</u>
Total Offerings		\$ 4,224,968
Total Expenses	\$ (23,281)	\$ (5,013,287)
Outstanding Loan	-	\$ 1,150,000
Net Balance		\$ 361,681