

WEEKLY FELLOWSHIP

February 17, 2013

The Weekly Newsletter of the Church in Irvine

Prayer Items

- ❖ Follow-up from gospel trips
- ❖ Life-study radio broadcasts in Spain and Sweden
- ❖ FTTA and FTTL

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

Weekly Truth Pursuit

Ministry reading: *Life-Study of Ephesians, messages 67 & 68*

Bible Reading

	OT Pages	NT Page
Monday	1576-1577	736
Tuesday	1578-1579	737
Wednesday	1580-1581	738
Thursday	1582-1583	739
Friday	1584-1585	740
Saturday	1586-1587	741

Morning Revival

Crystallization-Study of Daniel & Zechariah, Week 2

Word of the Week

Bless

The full post is available here:
<http://members.churchinirvine.org/?p=4506>

DETAILED PRAYER BURDENS

International: Follow-up and shepherding of the new ones from the gospel trips to Europe and in the U.S.

- ❖ Pray for the follow-up of those contacted through the various gospel trips to Europe, South America, India, and throughout the U.S.
- ❖ Pray for the Lord's continuing supply to the local saints for the shepherding of the seeking ones.
- ❖ Pray that the Lord will continue to set up appointments and home meetings with the seeking ones and will bring many into the church life.

Life-study of the Bible radio broadcasts in Spain and Sweden

- ❖ Please pray that the Spanish-language Life-study of the Bible radio broadcast in

Spain and the English-language broadcast in Sweden will attract the genuine seekers to the New Testament ministry and to the church life in the Lord's recovery.

Beginning of the full-time trainings in London and Anaheim

- ❖ Pray for the full-time trainees and trainers that these trainings would be under the blessing of the Lord in constituting and equipping young people for the Lord's interest in gaining His built up Body to bring in His kingdom.

LOCAL PERFECTING CONFERENCE AND BUSINESS MEETING—MARCH 2-3

The church in Irvine will have a local perfecting conference and a business meeting on the weekend of March 2-3 to cover the conference subject of "A Prayer Life and a Gospel Living" with the following schedule:

Saturday, March 2

9:00-10:30a: Session #1 @ Hall 3
10:45-12:00n: Session #2 @ Hall 3
7:30-9:30p: Session #3 @ Hall 1 (including YP)

Lord's Day, March 3

9:30-10:30a: Corporate Lord's Table (whole church @ Hall 1)
10:30-11:45a: Session #4 @ Hall 1
11:45-12:00n: Business Meeting @ Hall 1

Please note: the whole church will meet together for all sessions, including those on Lord's Day, March 3rd.

Parking: Please carpool as much as possible (especially on Lord's Day). Parking in the parking lot should be reserved for those cars with 3 or more occupants, the elderly, and those with children. On Lord's Day, all trainees and students should park at Venado Middle School on Deerfield Ave. (10 minute walk across Deerfield Community Park from Hall 1).

WORD OF THE WEEK: "BLESS"

Pray Over These Key Verses...

Psa. 34:1: I will bless Jehovah at all times; / His praise will continually be in my mouth.

Psa. 100:4: Enter His gates with thanksgiving, / His courts with praise; / Give thanks to Him; bless His name.

Psa. 103:1: Bless Jehovah, O my soul; / And all that is within me, bless His holy name.

Psa. 145:1: I will extol You, O my God and King; / And I will bless Your name forever and ever.

Eph. 1:3: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavens in Christ.

1 Pet. 1:3: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has regenerated us unto a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead....

Read Some Helpful Ministry...

In [1 Peter] 1:3 Peter uses the word "blessed." Paul also uses this word in Ephe-

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Upcoming Events

- ☛ Sat., Mar. 2 - Lord's Day, Mar. 3,
Local Perfecting Conference, Irvine

Church-related Websites

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

This Week

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| 17 TH
Lord's Day | ☛ 9:00am International Chinese-speaking Conference in Anaheim
☛ 9:30am-12:00pm Lord's Table and prophesying meetings by districts |
| 19 TH
Tuesday | ☛ 7:30-8:30pm Prayer meetings by districts |
| 21 ST
Thursday | ☛ 10:00-11:00am Sisters' prayer meeting at Hall 2 |
| 22 ND
Friday | ☛ Evening Small groups in the homes |
| 23 RD
Saturday | ☛ 8:00-9:00am Corporate prayer time at Hall 3
☛ 6:00pm Young People's meeting |
| 24 TH
Lord's Day | ☛ 9:30am-12:00pm Lord's Table and prophesying meetings by districts |

WORD OF THE WEEK: "BLESS" (CONT'D)

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sians 1:3: "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavens in Christ." In Greek the word blessed means well spoken of, praised with adoration. Hence, a blessing is a well-speaking, and to bless someone is to speak well of him. Therefore, to bless God is to speak well concerning Him and all that He is to us, has done for us, and will do for us. To bless God is to speak in a sweet way of what God is, of what He has done, and of what He will do. This kind of speaking is a blessing...Gradually the Lord has brought me into the thought of the divine revelation in the Bible. I can testify that when I read such a verse as 1:3, I realize that to bless God the Father is to speak well of what God is to us subjectively. It is not merely to praise Him for what He has done for us or given to us objectively. To bless God the Father is to speak subjectively of what He is to us, of what He has done for us, and of what He will do for us. This is to bless God according to what is revealed in the New Testament. (Life-Study of 1 Peter, chapter 10)

We bless God, because God has blessed us. Because He has spoken so well concerning us, we return the well-speaking to Him. For example, when we read about the redemption of our body, we should say, "God, how I thank You that You have come into me, that You are saturating me with Yourself, and that one day this saturation will be expressed through my body. That will be the day of the redemption of my body. God, how I thank You for this!" To speak like this is to return the well-speaking to Him. Thus, He blesses you, and you bless Him. Learn to speak well concerning God according to His New Testament economy. After listening to God's well-speaking concerning us, we are qualified to speak well of Him. (Life-Study of Ephesians, chapter 2)

We need to speak well concerning God according to the New Testament economy. In our well-speaking we need to have the thought of incarnation, the impartation of life, and the heavenly, spiritual transmission. We also need to include the thought of Christ as the Lord and the Head and of Jesus being Jehovah our Savior to accomplish redemption and salvation for us. We also need to think of Christ as God's anointed One who fully accomplishes God's purpose. **Our well-speaking, our high praise concerning God, should not be natural, but filled with the revelation of all the wonderful aspects of God's New Testament economy. (Life-Study of Ephesians, chapter 2)**

Sing These Hymns...

Hymn 595

There is always something over,
When we taste our gracious Lord;

Every cup He fills o'erfloweth,
Rich supply He doth afford.
Nothing narrow, nothing stinted,
Ever issued from His store;
To His own He gives full measure,
Running over, evermore,
To His own He gives full measure,
Running over, evermore.

There is always something over,
When we, from the Father's hand,
Take our portion with thanksgiving,
Praising for the things He planned.
Satisfaction, full and deepening,
All our need He doth supply,
When the heart has tasted Jesus
Its desires to satisfy,
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There is always something over,
When we share in all His love;
Unplumbed depths still lie beneath us,
Unscaled heights rise far above.
Human lips can never utter
All His wondrous tenderness.
We can only praise and wonder
And His Name forever bless,
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And His Name forever bless.

Hymn 79

All praise to Him who reigns on high,
In majesty supreme,
Who gave His life for man to die,
That He might man redeem.

Blessed be the name,
Blessed be the name,
Blessed be the name of the Lord.
Blessed be the name,
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Blessed be the name of the Lord.

His name above all names shall stand,
Exalted more and more,
At God the Father's own right hand,
Where angel hosts adore.

Redeemer, Savior, Friend of man
Once ruined by the fall,
Thou hast devised salvation's plan,
For Thou hast died for all.

His name shall be the Counsellor,
The mighty Prince of Peace,
Of all earth's kingdoms, Conqueror,
Whose reign shall never cease.

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