

# WEEKLY FELLOWSHIP

May 1, 2011

The Weekly Newsletter of the Church in Irvine

## Prayer Items

- ❖ Preaching the gospel of the kingdom in Japan
- ❖ Word released in local conference
- ❖ Sixth grade conference
- ❖ Lily Egan and her family

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

## Weekly Truth Pursuit

Ministry reading: *Life-Study of Exodus, messages 102 & 103*

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## Morning Revival

*Speaking the Word of God, Week 5*

## Lord's Table Meeting

Hall	Last Week's Attendance
Hall 1	166
Hall 2	118
Hall 3	83
TOTAL	367

## DETAILED PRAYER BURDENS

### International: Preaching the Gospel of the Kingdom in Japan

Through June 6, saints from the United States, Korea, and Taiwan are joining with local saints to help with relief efforts and to spread the Word of God in Japan. Saints are spending time mainly in the city of Sendai to go door-knocking, visit homes, and speak to people on the street. May the gospel of the kingdom be preached boldly!

- ❖ Please pray that the Japanese people, especially the younger generation, would remain soft and open in the coming weeks.
- ❖ Please pray that the environment would remain peaceful and stabilized for the gospel to be proclaimed.
- ❖ Please pray that the saints, especially the ones in Sendai, would enjoy the Lord's abounding grace to care for the visiting saints and the new ones.
- ❖ Please pray for the gospel work at key Japanese universities throughout Japan by 35 trainees and serving ones from Taiwan and local Japanese saints.

### Local:

#### Word Released in Local Conference

- ❖ Pray that the word released in the recent local conference would be effectual to bring about in every saint a deeper personal relationship with the Lord through spending quality time with Him.
- ❖ Pray that every saint would be freshly drawn to the Lord to seek a deeper relationship with Him that the hidden "root-life" of every saint would be cultivated and grow through the daily practice of spending time with the Lord.

#### Sixth Grade Conference—May 6-8

- ❖ Please pray for the conference and for the following 11 sixth graders from Irvine who are registered for the conference: Carolyn Ho, Priscilla Tsai, Douglas Roh, Annie Chuang, Sunny Liu, Grace Pan, Michelle Tu, Terry Kim, Harry Sun, Jonathan Kwan, and Diana Yan Zhang

## REPORT FROM UCI LOCAL SPRING BREAK TRIP

This past spring break 8 UCI students, 2 serving ones, and 1 working saint participated in a local spring break trip. The trip started with breakfast in Irvine, followed by lunch and activities with the college students and saints in Riverside. That evening we attended a home meeting in Vista and took hospitality with the saints there. We joined the church in Vista for the morning meeting and love feast. Afterward, we drove down to San Diego for activities and a time of blending in a saints' home. We spent Monday morning in San Diego, we had lunch with the saints and then returned to Irvine. Then, beginning Monday evening, 3 students and 2 serving ones attended the Full-Time Training short-term for two nights and two days. Following are two testimonies:

"Oh Lord Jesus! I really enjoyed blending with the saints in Riverside, Vista, and San Diego! They were so sweet and I felt right at home with them, enjoying the riches of our Triune God together. The blending was so encouraging and life-supplying. One topic we touched was that God does not want man to do anything for Him! He simply wants us to eat Him! Oh Lord Jesus! Keep us eating corporately and individually!"-D.P.

"This weekend was a good time just to be with some of the new ones as we went to go and visit the dear saints in Vista and San Diego. It was great just to get some circulation in the body. There was much time spent in the cars, yet it was a good time to get to know one another. There were many times of enjoying one another's company as well as their portion of Christ. The trip was filled with much laughter as well as calling on the name of the Lord. There was physical exercise as well as much spiritual exercise. It was just sweet to enter into what the saints themselves were getting into. The Lord's Day meeting with the saints in Vista was quite sweet as we all shared the Christ that we enjoyed. Then in San Diego we were able to meet with the college students and have a time to not only sing, but to play fun games to enjoy one another. It was great to see that no matter where we are we are still in the body and we experience the same rich Christ wherever we are." -A.L.

## Upcoming Events

- ⊗ **Friday, May 6 – Lord’s Day, May 8**  
Sixth Grade Conference, Alpine Camp
- ⊗ **Saturday, May 14**  
Irvine YP Progressive Dinner
- ⊗ **Friday, May 27 – Monday, May 30**  
Memorial Day Conference, Dallas, TX

## Church-related Websites

**General:** churchinirvine.org  
**Audio:** recentaudio.churchinirvine.org  
**Calendar:** calendar.churchinirvine.org  
**Gospel:** gospel.churchinirvine.org  
**Offerings:** offerings.churchinirvine.org  
**YA:** youngadults.churchinirvine.org

## Online Forms

**Record baptisms:**  
 baptisms.churchinirvine.org  
**Register for user account:**  
 churchinirvine.org/register  
**Register for truth pursuit emails:**  
 truthpursuit.churchinirvine.org  
**Register for services:**  
 servicesignup.churchinirvine.org

## This Week

<b>1<sup>ST</sup></b> Lord’s Day	⊗ <b>9:30am-12:00pm</b> Lord’s Table at Hall 1 followed by local conference
<b>3<sup>RD</sup></b> Tuesday	⊗ <b>7:30-8:30pm</b> Church-wide corporate prayer meeting at Hall 1 (by languages)
<b>4<sup>TH</sup></b> Wednesday	⊗ <b>7:30-9:00pm</b> Ministry meeting at LSM Campus
<b>5<sup>TH</sup></b> Thursday	⊗ <b>10:00am</b> All-language sisters’ prayer meeting at Hall 2
<b>6<sup>TH</sup></b> Friday	⊗ <b>7:30pm-9:00pm</b> Group meetings in the homes
<b>7<sup>TH</sup></b> Saturday	⊗ <b>8:30am</b> All-language brothers’ prayer meeting at Hall 3 ⊗ <b>6:00pm</b> Young people’s meeting
<b>8<sup>TH</sup></b> Lord’s Day	⊗ <b>9:30am –12:00pm</b> Lord’s Table and prophesying meetings at Halls 1, 2 and 3

## REPORT FROM IVC SPRING BREAK TRIP

Praise the Lord for the blending in the Body! For this year’s IVC spring break, we went to San Francisco for a short spring break trip. I really treasure blending trips because they never fail to show me that Christ has only one universal Body and we are all part of it, enjoying the same Christ as the Head! In this trip, there were a total of 7 students and serving ones. We managed to all fit into one van and hence, we had the opportunity to spend our two 8-hour car rides getting to know each other more. What I really enjoyed in this trip was being with the Christian students in SFSU. Despite the fact that school was still going on for them, some of the students were willing to give up their whole weekend and spend time with us, taking us around for sightseeing. The sisters who gave hospitality to us were really sweet too. Even though we didn’t really spend

much time together at home because of our busy schedules, they still lovingly prepared everything possible—from bathroom necessities to breakfast—for us so we would feel at home, communicating with us through post-it notes and text messages. One of them even gave her room up for us so we can sleep well. I was touched by their love toward us and it was really encouraging.

John 5:1 “Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been begotten of God, and everyone who loves Him who has begotten loves him also who has been begotten of Him.” Hallelujah! We are all begotten of God!-M.C.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ⊗ Birth Announcements

Ezra Stone Paley was born last Saturday, April 23, 2011, at 8:42am, weighing 6 lbs., 9 oz. and measuring 19 inches long. May the Lord gain him and all of us as serving priests, skilled in the Word of God, for the reconstituting of the people of God, for the building up of the house of God.—*Daniel and Rachel Paley*

Ruth Amber Sanchez was born last Saturday, April 23, 2011, at 6:11pm, weighing 7 lbs., 12 oz. and measuring 20 inches long. We are grateful for all the care in the Body. Anu needs much rest for her recovery and Ruth is fine and should be home soon.—*Martin and Anu Sanchez*

### ⊗ Passing of Brother Kenneth Chiang

Our dear brother Kenneth Chiang went to be with the Lord at 3:00PM on Saturday afternoon. He rested in the Lord in a very peaceful way, still able to talk to his wife, Angela, at 2:30PM.

In the past 5 years he has been fighting two different cancers. He never took pity on himself. Many times when the clock ran out of batteries at Hall 1, at over 70 years of age, he was the one who tried to climb up the ladder to change the batteries (of course we stopped him).

In recent years he experienced Christ in a deeper way and exercised his function in the meetings.

We honor the Lord for all He has done for our dear brother. The family (Kenneth does not have children, his younger brother is in Taiwan and only his sister-in-law is currently in Irvine) has decided on cremation for our brother. We will have more detailed information from the family this week.

### ⊗ YP Progressive Dinner

The YP Progressive Dinner will be on Saturday, May 14. This time, the format will be slightly different. We have a burden for

smaller groups so that the saints and YP can have a more intimate time. We need 20 homes to host about 10 to 15 people per house. If you cannot open your home but would like to help, we also need 20 drivers to help drive the YP. Lastly, we need some saints to help with dessert back at Hall 1. Thank you saints for your help with this time. This really is the YP’s favorite event and they always invite a lot of friends. Please keep this time in your prayers. Please contact the following saints if you can help:

Hall 1: Shirlyn Yeh  
 Hall 2: Stacey Chiu  
 Hall 3: Isaac Acosta

### ⊗ Cherishing our Irvine-sent and Irvine-related Trainees

Care packages for all the Irvine-sent or Irvine-related trainees are being prepared. Each small group should fellowship and, if burdened, prepare some items (either for all the trainees or for those related to your group). Cards and notes from the saints are always real encouraging to the trainees. Please bring your items to the hall by **TODAY, Lord’s Day, May 1**. Questions can be directed to David Lee or Miki Liu. Thank you for participating in the care and shepherding of these trainees:

#### Brothers:

Fred Liu (1st)  
 Max Lai (1st)  
 Alvin Kim (2nd)  
 Shepherd Ku (4th)  
 Timm Liu (4th)  
 William Huang (3rd)

#### Sisters:

Audrey Lu (2nd)  
 Amy Wang (4th)  
 Angela Hu (3rd)

Angela Yu (4th)  
 Carlin Ferraro (3rd)  
 Grace Liang (4th)  
 Nancy Guobadia (4th)  
 Sally Han (4th)  
 Rachel Chang (2nd)  
 Rachel Reetzke (2nd)  
 Elaine Cheong (2nd)  
 Jenny Hu (3rd)