

WEEKLY FELLOWSHIP December 25, 2011

The Weekly Newsletter of the Church in Irvine

Prayer Items

- ❖ Winter Training
- ❖ Winter School of Truth
- ❖ Saints struggling with health conditions, unemployment, loss of family, and other personal matters.

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

Weekly Truth Pursuit

2011 Winter Training on the *Crystallization-Study of Psalms (2)*

Morning Revival

2011 Winter Training on the *Crystallization-Study of Psalms (2)*

Lord's Table Meeting

Hall	Last Week's Attendance
Hall 1	183
Hall 2	127
Hall 3	89
TOTAL	399

DETAILED PRAYER BURDENS

International: International Winter Training in Anaheim

- ❖ Pray for the full release of the Lord's speaking to the churches that it would minister to the current need in the churches.
- ❖ Pray for the saints' reception of the speaking that through the word released the Lord would operate in the churches to advance His move on this earth for the building up of His Body and the consummation of this age.

The Winter School of Truth for the European Young People (Dec. 26-31)

- ❖ Please pray for a clear sky with a sanctified and exercised atmosphere.
- ❖ Please pray for the preparation of the young people's hearts.
- ❖ Please pray for the release of the Lord's burden through the speaking and the group times.
- ❖ Please pray for the perfecting of the serving ones to coordinate in mutuality.

WINTER TRAINING 2011

One of the greatest blessings to the Lord's recovery has been the semi-annual trainings. This week we will enjoy the 2011 Winter Training to be held live in Anaheim and by simulcast in Irvine (Hall 3 for English & Korean-speaking; Hall 1 for Chinese-speaking). As a reminder to all those who are registered, the afternoon and evening sessions start at 4pm and 7:30pm, respectively.

Due to the special nature of the trainings (as opposed to church conferences), specific regulations do apply. For instance, we are required to be in our seats 5 minutes early.

Saints participating in the training are also required to study the training messages in groups of 8-10. Where the situation permits, these study times should take place in a nearby home, but those who are unable to study in the homes can study at Hall 1 throughout the week from 9am-12pm.

All college and high school students participating in the training must attend a study ses-

sion held daily at the LSM campus in Anaheim from 9-11:30am.

May the Lord bless the upcoming training with His fresh and up-to-date speaking!

MINISTRY PORTION

THE PSALMIST'S LOVE FOR THE HOUSE OF GOD WITH CHRIST

In this message we will consider Psalm 84, which is concerned with the psalmist's love for the house of God with Christ.

After God's Dealing and Stripping

Psalm 84 comes after a number of psalms on God's dealing and stripping. Book 3 of the Psalms has much to say about God's dealing and stripping. For example, the psalmist in Psalm 73 was puzzled by God's dealing and stripping and did not become clear concerning this until he entered into

the sanctuary of God. The situation of the psalmists in such psalms was nearly the same as Job's. The main difference is that whereas the psalmists experienced God's dealing and stripping, Job also experienced God's consuming.

Psalm 84 uses a special term—"the valley of Baca." "Baca" means "weeping." Hence, the valley of Baca is the valley of weeping. This special term indicates that the psalmist had been dealt with by God and had been stripped by Him.

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Upcoming Events

☉ Monday, Dec. 26 - Saturday, Dec. 31,
Winter Training, Anaheim, CA

Church-related Websites

General: churchinirvine.org
Blog: churchinirvine.org/Members
Audio: recentaudio.churchinirvine.org
Calendar: calendar.churchinirvine.org
Gospel: gospel.churchinirvine.org
Offerings: offerings.churchinirvine.org
YA: youngadults.churchinirvine.org
YP: youngpeople.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

25 TH Lord's Day	9:30am - 12:00pm Lord's Table and prophesying meetings at Halls 1, 2 and 3
26 TH Monday	Winter Training (Live at LSM Campus and webcast in Irvine)
27 TH Tuesday	Winter Training (Live at LSM Campus and webcast in Irvine)
28 TH Wednesday	Winter Training (Live at LSM Campus and webcast in Irvine)
29 TH Thursday	Winter Training (Live at LSM Campus and webcast in Irvine)
30 TH Friday	Winter Training (Live at LSM Campus and webcast in Irvine)
31 ST Saturday	Winter Training (Live at LSM Campus and webcast in Irvine)
1 ST Lord's Day	9:30am-12:00pm Lord's Table and prophesying meetings at Halls 1, 2 and 3

MINISTRY PORTION (CONT'D)

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Blessed Being Those Who Dwell in God's House

Verse 4 says that those who dwell in God's house are blessed. Here "house" signifies the church as a totality.

The Psalmist Longing, Even Fainting, for God's Habitations

Verses 1 and 2 say, "How lovely are Your tabernacles,/ O Jehovah of hosts!/My soul longs, indeed even faints,/For the courts of Jehovah;/My heart and my flesh cry out/For the living God." God's tabernacles, God's habitations, signify the local churches. The psalmist was not yet in God's habitations, but he longed to be there. His longing was so great that he even fainted. This indicates to what extent the psalmist loved God's habitations.

The Sparrow Finding a Home and the Swallow a Nest for Herself Where She May Lay Her Young at the Two Altars

The psalmist goes on to liken himself to the sparrow and the swallow: "At Your two altars, even the sparrow has found a home;/And the swallow, a nest for herself;/Where she may lay her young,/O Jehovah of hosts, my King and my God" (v. 3). These two altars are the golden altar for incense and the brass altar of burnt offering (Exo. 40:5-6). The brass altar, on which all kinds of offerings were offered,

was in the outer court before the door of the tabernacle. The laver was also in the outer court. In the Holy Place were the table of showbread, the lampstand, and the golden altar for incense.

The Brass Altar in the Outer Court Where All Negative Things Have Been Dealt With by the Offerings

The brass altar typifies the cross of Christ. At this altar all the negative things have been dealt with by the offerings, which typify Christ. At the cross Christ took away our sins, crucified the old man, destroyed Satan, judged Satan's cosmos, and terminated the old creation and all the negative things. It was at the cross, therefore, that all our problems were solved, and it was at the cross that we first believed in the Lord Jesus. At the cross we confessed our sins, and at the cross we were forgiven. This qualified us to enter into the Holy Place and to come to the showbread table to receive food, to the lampstand to receive light, and to the golden altar to experience Christ as our incense acceptable to God.

Life-Study of Psalms—Message 32

SAN MARCOS DOOR KNOCKING

The churches in San Diego county will continue door-knocking in the city of San Marcos to find the sons of peace for the Lord's testimony on the following dates: December 17, January 21, February 18, and March 17. The time, 3:00-5:00pm, will remain the same. All who are burdened to join are welcome.

Please email brother Chris Nerstad at cnerstad@cox.net if you need further information.

"Oh Lord bless this time of blending and increase Your testimony through the speaking and release of Your Word! Raise up Your golden lampstand in the city of San Marcos!"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

☉ Young People's Winter Getaway

The Young People will be having their annual winter getaway in 2012. **Please note the dates of the getaway have been changed to February 3-5.** Please sign up for the getaway at irvineyp.com.