

WEEKLY FELLOWSHIP

March 20, 2011

The Weekly Newsletter of the Church in Irvine

Prayer Items

- ⊗ Japan
- ⊗ The Arab speaking World
- ⊗ Coventry and Southampton, UK
- ⊗ GTCA Follow-up
- ⊗ High school conferences
- ⊗ 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 90 & 91*

Recovery Version Reading

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Monday	472-473	184
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Morning Revival

Handout: *Pray-reading the Word, Week 1*

Lord's Table Meeting

Hall	Last Week's Attendance
Hall 1	126
Hall 2	88
Hall 3	80
TOTAL	294

DETAILED PRAYER BURDENS

International: Japan

- ⊗ Beginning March 25 there will be 42 full-time serving ones and full-time trainees from Taiwan going for the gospel in the whole of Japan. They will stay in Japan for 2 months to preach the gospel to the people in Japan. Please pray that all the Taiwanese saints may be preserved safely and may boldly preach the gospel to the Japanese people, and that the hearts of the Japanese people will be softened and receive the gospel.
- ⊗ Pray that this time would be a strengthening and supply to the saints in Japan and that they, with the saints from Taiwan, will be a "heavenly team" and move in one accord for the gospel of the kingdom to be preached throughout Japan.
- ⊗ Pray for the Lord's sovereign hand to control the environment, especially the radiation emitted by the nuclear power stations, for His purpose and interest in Japan.

The Arab Speaking World

- ⊗ Pray that the Lord would sovereignly install governments that would be most favorable to the Lord's interest in Israel and the spread of the gospel in North Africa and throughout the Arab world.
- ⊗ Pray that the Lord would give the gift of repentance (Acts 11:18) to many of the people in these heavily Islamic nations that they would know the true God, Jesus Christ.
- ⊗ Pray that the Lord would make a prevailing way for His living and abiding word and the ministry of the age to penetrate these predominately Islamic nations (1 Peter 1:23).
- ⊗ Pray that the Lord would stir up the eternity in the hearts of the people (especially

of the young people) in the nations that have had upheaval as well as the hearts of the people throughout the entire region.

First Lord's Tables in Coventry and Southampton, UK on March 27

- ⊗ Pray for a strong beginning of the church-life in these cities, and for the support from all the churches in the UK for these meetings.
- ⊗ Pray that the campus work in Coventry will be strengthened to gain more seeking young believers for the Lord's Body.
- ⊗ Pray that the 600 new ones on the contact list (including contacts through Rhema, the radio, and the campus work) would be followed up on and properly cared for in the Body.

National: GTCA Follow-Up

- ⊗ Pray for the saints and churches involved in shepherding those contacted during the GTCA sowing trips that they would be energized to labor with the endurance and love of Christ.
- ⊗ Pray that a number of saints in the churches would be burdened by the Lord to migrate to these 30 cities to strengthen and establish the Lord's testimony in these cities.
- ⊗ Pray that the spirit of the gospel will become intensified in all the churches in North America that a new era of the saints going forth to sound out the word would be brought forth in North America.

Local: High School Conferences

- ⊗ Pray for the high school brothers' and sisters' conferences the weekend of March 25-27.

GTCA TESTIMONIES

Many of the Irvine-sent trainees participated in the recent GTCA sowing trips and wrote testimonies regarding their experiences. The following are some of their testimonies. More will be printed in the weeks to come.

Birmingham

Praise the Lord for His move in North America! I was blessed and privileged to go to Birmingham, Alabama for the two week GTCA sowing trip and I can testify that the Lord is moving and reaping such a wonderful harvest! I enjoyed that the Lord paved the way

and prepared the hearts of so many seeking ones in Birmingham through the prayers of the saints. Although the enemy tried to frustrate us with ice storms and snow (record breaking amounts in years), the Lord opened the hearts of so many to implant life and cause many to grow in the Lord. The church life in Birmingham is really small, there are about 5 solid saints, two couples and one older brother, so they really need many more to migrate there! One of my highlights for this time was calling BFA contacts and setting up appoint-

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Upcoming Events

- ⊗ Friday, Mar. 25 – Lord’s Day, Mar. 27
High School Conferences, Engedi
and Alpine Camps
- ⊗ Friday, Apr. 1 – Lord’s Day, Apr. 3
ITERO, Anaheim, CA
- ⊗ Friday, Apr. 8 – Lord’s Day, Apr. 10
Junior High Conferences, Engedi
and Alpine Camps
- ⊗ Friday, Apr. 15 – Lord’s Day, Apr. 17
Spring College Conference, Anaheim

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

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| 20TH
Lord’s Day | ⊗ 9:30am –12:00pm Lord’s
Table and prophesying
meetings at Halls 1, 2 and 3 |
| 22ND
Tuesday | ⊗ 7:30-8:30pm Church-wide
corporate prayer meeting
at Hall 1 (by languages) |
| 23RD
Wednesday | ⊗ 7:30-9:00pm Ministry
meeting at LSM Campus |
| 24TH
Thursday | ⊗ 10:00am All-language
sisters’ prayer meeting at
Hall 2 |
| 25TH
Friday | ⊗ Evening Small group meet-
ings in the homes |
| 26TH
Saturday | ⊗ 8:00am All-language
brothers’ prayer meeting at
Hall 3
⊗ 6:00pm Young people’s
meeting |
| 27TH
Lord’s Day | ⊗ 9:30am-12:00pm Church-
wide blending meeting at
UCI |

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ments with them. We had about 400 BFA contacts to call and the Lord was faithful to give us those that were ready to have more mutual fellowship. We had many that came to the Bible seminars and 2 of the students that we met with got baptized! Praise the Lord! Many of the ones that we left with the saints are still meeting on Friday nights in the homes, but I know the Lord will connect more so that they can take the table with them as well! So the Lord is moving, moving, moving! Thank you all for your support and prayer during this time! May the Lord continue to gain the glory in all things. Hallelujah!!—N.G.

Boston

During my interim I was able to go to Boston for the GTCA sowing trip. It was recorded as the coldest winter in ten years, but nothing could stop the Lord from reaching the seeking students and people in the Boston area. As a team, we divided into two sub-teams in order to reach both of these communities. One team focused on the campuses, primarily UMASS Boston, while the other team focused on the T-stops and Boston Commons area to reach the working people. I was on the UMASS Boston team, and I have to say that I have never seen so many students who were open to receive a Bible and have further contact and fellowship. I really felt that because of the prayers of all the saints, the Lord was able to lead us to His seeking ones, particularly 208 students from UMASS Boston. Despite all the marvelous things the Lord was able to do on this campus, I have to say that the highlight of my experience was getting into the homes of the saints, and watching them rise up to function and care for the many students that we contacted.

Boston is a smaller locality, with maybe 30-40 saints in a Lord's table meeting. With the sudden influx of contacts which the sowing trips brought to them, it was amazing to see the saints become burdened to pray and contact all these ones. One family who had recently migrated to Boston testified that for almost a year, they had been wondering why the Lord had sent them to Boston, and they had been praying and seeking for a way to function and gain remaining fruit. When we brought two of our college contacts into their home, they were overjoyed that they could finally participate in the God-ordained way. At first I was worried about how so few saints could care for so many contacts, but after seeing the burden and vitality of all the local saints in Boston, I was able to leave assured that the Lord would have a way to have long-term farming care on these ones. Not only so, but the Lord would also have a way to vitalize the churches in that area. All the saints needed was a few fresh faces in their homes to bring them into the joy of fruit-bearing. Praise the Lord saints! Continue to pray for the Lord's move in Boston, and all the thirty cities that were visited this last month.—S.K.

Chapel Hill

God is moving in Chapel Hill! The outward environment did not matter for us. What mattered was our inward condition. We had good weather but that wasn't the key to gaining key seekers. The key was enjoying Christ and being in the one accord. We gained a Muslim, a professor, key students, faculty members, and people working for the government by taking this way. This experience is only gained by living in the spirit in the ordinary times.—W.H.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

⊗ **Church-wide Blending Meeting—
Special Fellowship: The Lord’s Coming in
Light of the Present World Events**

Next Lord’s Day, March 27, the church in Irvine will have a church-wide blending meeting at UCI in the Student Center from 9:30am-noon. The Lord’s table will be followed by a special fellowship on the Lord’s coming in light of the present world events. After the meeting, there will be a church-catered love feast. Due to the financial situation of the church, the saints are asked to provide a small donation toward the love-feast and the parking permits, costs which are normally covered by the church.

A suggested donation for the love feast is \$5 per person and can be offered in advance. Saints may also purchase parking permits (\$8 for full day permits) from the designated brothers in each hall. To reduce congestion and fees, please carpool as much as possible.

⊗ **Spring College Conference —April 15-17**

The Spring College Conference will held at the LSM Conference Center in Anaheim. Registration is due April 3. The registration cost is \$65.00. Students should register with David Lee or Miki Liu.

⊗ **Hospitality for Spring College Conference**

The church in Irvine will be providing hospitality (107 spaces) to college students during the Spring College Conference from April 15-17. Giving hospitality will be a wonderful opportunity for the saints to get to know the college students in Irvine and near-by churches.

The students’ lunch and dinner will be provided at the conference. The conference begins Friday evening and concludes on Lord’s Day at noon. The hosts will need to provide: a bed, breakfast, and a snack in the evening when the students return from the conference. Please contact Laura Chau, Ileana Pagan or Alice Wu if you can provide hospitality.